GRIRR Newsletter

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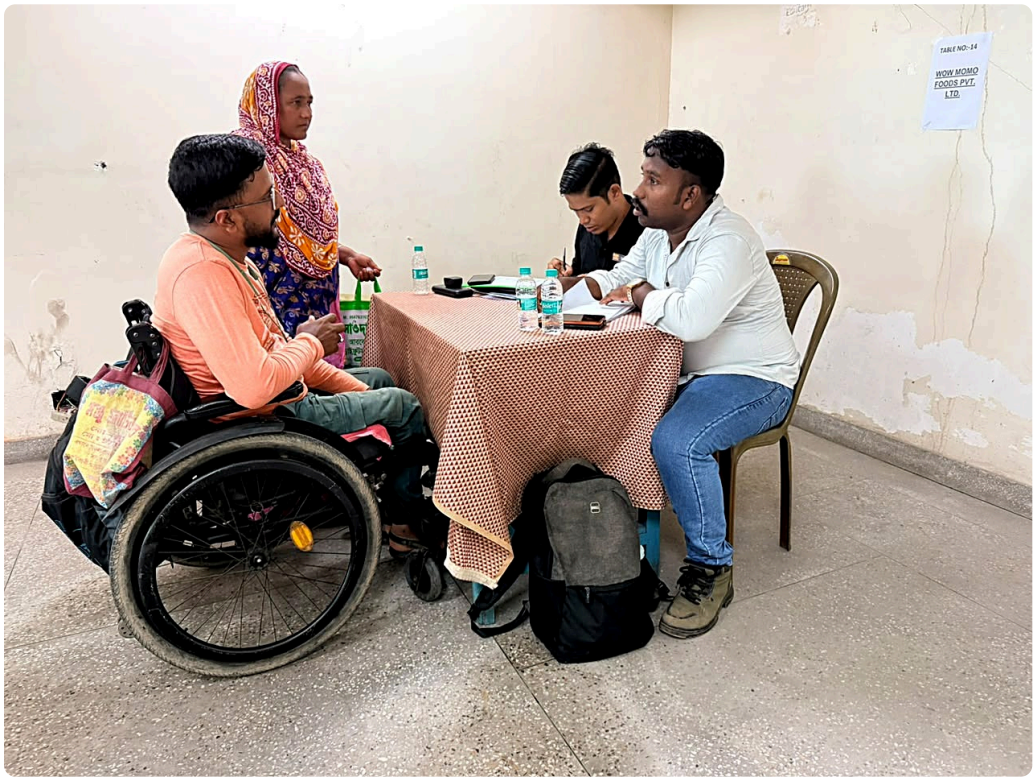
AUGUST 2026

August 2026 was a month of sustained rehabilitation services, community outreach, inclusion, celebration and new opportunities at GRIRR, across the Garden Reach and Howrah centres, in support of children and youth with disabilities and their families.

13,921	462	64	92	32	160
therapy & education sessions	households reached	home therapy visits	eye camp beneficiaries	youth in skill training	children & parents at the picnic

★ HIGHLIGHT OF THE MONTH

Job Fair — Moving Towards Employment



A GRIRR candidate in an interview at the job fair





Candidates meeting employers at the fair

20 youth with disabilities from GRIRR took part → **14** shortlisted for the next round of interviews

Twenty youth with disabilities from GRIRR participated in a job fair during August, and fourteen candidates were shortlisted for the next round of interviews. GRIRR continued providing guidance and follow-up support to the candidates, making this an encouraging step towards employment opportunities and greater financial independence.

Rehabilitation & regular services

Sessions across both centres supported children's mobility, communication, learning, functional independence and everyday participation.

Physiotherapy	4,356
Special Education	3,458
Occupational Therapy	3,450
Speech Therapy	2,657

6 beneficiaries received aids & appliances according to individual needs.

Howrah Centre

All four core services continued for **155 children**, with an average daily footfall of **40–50 beneficiaries**, alongside parent counselling, follow-up and progress monitoring.

1,346 Physiotherapy	1,643 Occupational Therapy
943 Speech Therapy	1,643 Special Education



Door-to-door survey by the outreach team

462

Community outreach & door-to-door survey

Households visited to identify children who may need rehabilitation, raise awareness of GRIRR's services, and connect families early with rehabilitation, documentation, referral and follow-up support.

64

Home-based therapy

Visits for children with severe disabilities and those whose families find it hard to reach the centre regularly, with therapists guiding caregivers to keep therapy going at home.

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Disability entitlements

6 UDID Cards in process, 2 Railway Concession Cards received, and Manabik Prakalpa applications submitted for 4 beneficiaries.

32 youth

Skill training & school outreach

Practical, employability-related skill training continued. School outreach across 9 wards, coordinated by Mr. Debayan Gupta, raised awareness of GRIRR's programmes.

26 women

Women empowerment

Livelihood and production activities continued, with the women making Diwali products in collaboration with Dakshini Pariyas.

22 children

Drum & Band training

A creative platform to learn rhythm, perform together, build confidence and enjoy group participation.

MOBILITY SUPPORT

A tricycle for Deepal Lal Deb

Donated with the support of **Karan Keshtopuria**, to support greater independence in everyday movement and participation.











Eye check-up camp

Supported by **Ms. Nandita Gupta**, helping families access timely eye screening, corrective support and referrals.

Ms. Nandita Gupta also extended **₹25,000** for one patient's cataract and retinal surgery; treatment has been initiated.

92	32	7
screened	got spectacles	identified for cataract treatment





INCLUSIVE PICNIC · AQUA MARINA WATER PARK

A first-ever day at a water park

80 children, 80 parents and around 20 staff enjoyed a day out organised with the generous support of Ms. Nandita Gupta. For many, it was their first-ever visit to a water park, a day of recreation, inclusion and family bonding.



GRSE visit & flags

The GRSE team, with Ms. Poonam Kumari, Assistant Manager – HR, distributed national flags ahead of Independence Day.



Independence Day

75 children joined patriotic performances; snacks by Pumpsense Foundation.



Drawing competition

50 children took part in a competition by Akhbar-e-Mashriq; several won prizes.



Birthday celebration

20 children celebrated with craft, dance and song, supported by the Siri Saqti Foundation.



RECOGNITION

Appreciation Award from the Garden Reach Peace Movement

In recognition of GRIRR's work and contribution to the community. The recognition belongs to our children, families, team, partners, supporters and well-wishers.

Thank you

To everyone who supported rehabilitation, healthcare, recreation, livelihood, training and employment opportunities in August.

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