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GGSR donates free artificial limbs to 130 amputees

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Guru Gobind Singh Refinery, in association with Mahavir Seva Sadan (MSS), Kolkata, has taken the initiative to provide free artificial limbs to physically handicapped individuals.

During the final leg of a mega camp organised at Phullokhari village on Sunday, around 130 residents of nearby villages were fitted with artificial limbs, such as legs, calipers, molded shoes, crutches and artificial hands.

The refinery team had earlier conducted awareness drives with the help of village panchayats to identify over 170 needy persons in local villages. Of them, around 130 were found to be eligible. A team of specialists from Mahavir Seva Sadan (MSS), which has been stationed at Phullokhari village for the past week, took measurements of the patients and developed the artificial limbs in their mobile workshop.



Officials of Guru Gobind Singh Refinery during the artificial limbs distribution camp at Phullokhari village in Bathinda on Sunday.

Speaking on the occasion, Harak Banthia, CFO, HMEL, said "Any disability can be life shattering. It should not come in the way of leading a life of dignity. It is our sincere efforts to enable disabled persons to lead a better life."

MSS president JS Mehta said the Sadan had been working in his field for the past 35 years and had organised more than 250 free artificial limb camps

across the country and abroad, benefitting more than 4 lakh people.

Vinod Goyal, MSS coordinator, Dr VK Newatia, orthopaedic surgeon, and MS Chugh, Henri Braun and Ian Thorpe from HMEL were present.

The sarpanch and members of the village panchayat appreciated Guru Gobind Singh Refinery for organising regular health-care camps at local villages.