Chief Minister Shri Pramod Sawant has said Government will pay special attention for the betterment of hearing impaired people in the State.

Speaking as Chief Guest after inaugurating a four days International Deaf Summit 2020 being organized by Deaf leader foundation, Deaf Can Foundation, Bhopal, Inspiralive and collaboration with International Human Rights Association (IHRA), Goa State and supported by Government of Goa at a function held at Ravindra Bhavan, Margao today, the Chief Minister informed that the Government is endeavoring to provide adequate facilities to the special school which are available in the State.

The function was attended by the leader of Opposition Shri Digamber Kamat, Working Chairman (Law and Enforcement), IHRA-India Dr.(Adv) G. Gopi Krishna, Patron, International Deaf Summit and Chairman for IHRA, Goa State Shri Navnath Khandeparkar, Senior Manager- Finance and Legal CBM India Trust, Bangalore Ms.Rajani Gopalkrishna, Sign language consultant and associate director for bollywood film Smt. Sangeeta Gala, Founder and CEO of India Signing Hands Pvt. Ltd Shri Alok Kejriwal, Founder UK Deaf motivator , RKDA, London Shri Dayal Gauranga Das , Founder for Universal Sanatana Dharma, Chennai Shri Ananatadevyji and General manager for IPSHEM Training center,ONGC, Betul Shri Sanjay Kumar.

Speaking further Chief Minister complemented for organizing the event of such magnitude in Goa, having participation of deaf persons from India and abroad. Chief Minister also appreciated the efforts put in by organizers for holding other events such as India Deaf expo, the Deaf film festival, and Deaf festival.

The Chief Minister also referred to the demand raised by the organizers which include the pre university and higher education for the special child and hearing impaired people and assured to consider the demand. The Chief Minister also assured to redress the problems of deaf persons organization which deals with matters related to technology and education, the language and speech development, the social and cultural aspects of the deafness,
rehabilitation and employment, the human right and community based rehabilitation, empowerment and women.

Earlier the Chief Minister Dr. Pramod Sawant accompanied by Dy. Chief Minister Shri Chandrakant (Babu) Kavlever, leader of opposition Shri Digamber Kamat, Minister of WRD and fisheries Shri Filipe Nery Rodrigues, Chairman of South Goa Planning and Development Authority (SGPDA) Shri Wilfred D'sa and Fatorda MLA Shri Vijay Sardessai visited wholesale and retail market of SGPDA and acquainted himself about the functioning of the market.

During the course of his visit, the Chief Minister informed that plans are afoot to construct proper wholesale market which will have provision such as fish testing lab, storage facility and parking among other facilities. He also directed the accompanying concern authorities to initiate immediate steps to prevent the sale of fish on road side. He said also people who are connected with fishing activities should sell their fish in retail market.

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