



## **MY EXPERIENCE IN KOREA**

### **Capacity Development Programme for Instructors in Vocational Training Institutes for the disabled youth**

“A 12 member team at the policy making level, comprising the Secretary and Instructors (OICs) of Vocational Training Institutes (VTI) participated at the 14-day Capacity Building Programme in July this year, for Instructors of VTIs facilitated under the 2013 Technical Cooperation program with the Republic of Korea, the objective being to improve the knowledge of the participants in their respective areas covered and their fields of interest and also to deepen the mutual understanding between the two countries. The program was conducted by competent Instructors skilled in their respective fields and in a manner every participant was able to easily understand as were the lectures which were well presented, which everyone understood and appreciated. It was both fulfilling and inspiring and made a deep impression in us.

The President and staff of the Korea Employment Agency for Disabled (KEAD) played a pivotal role in this program. Local hospitality, care and safety, tours and outings, visits to elder’s homes, that were well maintained and well equipped, were given priority status. Every step had a professional touch all of which kept us content and happy throughout our short stay. It was a program complete with cultural events and contacts with the Korean people. Nothing was left to chance; every detail was taken care of. We thank them all.

Last but not least, our Country representative, His Excellency the Ambassador extended his fullest support to us, made us quite at home by making occasional enquiries after us, which was an assurance that were being looked after well. His Excellency received us at the Airport on arrival and sent his team to the airport see us off. Everyone joins me in extending our appreciation and grateful thanks to him and his able staff.”

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