

International Nurses weeks celebrated annually from May 12, the birthday of Florence Nightingale, to May 18. This week highlights the way nurses influence, inspire and innovate to improve Health Care Industry. The same celebrations were held in Government Medical College and Hospital, Sector 32, Chandigarh. Nursing Department of hospital, Nursing Welfare Association and College of Nursing commemorated the inaugural celebration of International Nurses day with a long week celebration. The event was graced by presence of honourable Medical Superintendent Prof. Ravi Gupta as Chief Guest for the event, Additional Director (Admn) Shri. Satish Kumar Jain as Guest of Honour. Other dignitaries present on the event were Prof. Usha Dalal Vice Principal, College of Nursing, Dr. Sanjeev Palta Joint Medical Superintendent, Ms. Kiran Bala Nursing Superintendent and Ms. Prem Assistant Nursing Superintendent & Faculty College of Nursing.

Celebration officiated at the atrium amongst a thronging gathering with a traditional gesture of sapling presentation to our honourable Chief Guest Prof. Ravi Gupta Medical Superintendent and Shri. Satish Kumar Jain Additional Director (Admn) followed by ethereal Saraswati Vandana. The short programme at the Venue Level-1, Block-E started with the traditional lamp lighting ceremony followed by welcome and theme opening by Ms. Kiran Bala Nursing Superintendent and inauguration of CNE cell along with the declaration of best ward competition. Elaboration of theme 'nurses a voice to lead—health is a human right' was done by Ms Jyoti Associate Professor CON giving emphasis on universal health coverage. Factor affecting accessibility to health care facilities and role of nurse attaining universal health coverage. Mr.Dabkesh President of Nursing Welfare Association enlightened the gathering about activities performed by Nursing Welfare Association. Prof. Usha Dalal Vice Principal College of Nursing took the audience on the journey of nursing through her speech.

Chief Guest Prof. Ravi Gupta Medical Superintendent GMCH graced the function with his enlightening words followed by illuminative and enriching address by guest of honour Mr. Satish Kumar Jain Additional Director (Admn) .

The events concluded with the vote of thanks proposed by Joint Medical superintendent, Dr. Sanjeev Palta. The inaugural function long week celebration ended with National Anthem followed by CNE organized on the theme of respectful Nursing care to address pressing issues, the nurses are facing.