

## **6<sup>th</sup> Day of 29<sup>th</sup> PECUC Sisumela**

### **Call for Prevention of Child Abuse**

Bhubaneswar (19-Nov-2018): Almost daily we hear the news child abuses, and even employees of respected international institutions have been found to be involved in sexual abuse. It is clear that an intelligent and effective approach to this problem consists in increasing prevention measures and protective skills, raising public awareness and encouraging denunciation of abuse. Keeping this in mind PECUC dedicated the 5<sup>th</sup> day of its Sisumela for the observation of 'World Day for Prevention of Child Abuse' as a part of its special programme "One evening, One theme and Talk by one Expert". Speaking on the issue our guest speaker Mr. Laxmi Narayan Nanda, Child Protection Officer, UNICEF emphasized that Child abuse, especially sexual abuse, is a universal and alarming problem and increased attention and efficient protection skills and prevention measures are necessary at family, local, national and international level.

Odishi Dance Competition among the children was the main attraction of the day. Renowned Odishi Dancers Meenakshi Behera, Manjushree Panda and Ahuti Boral joined as judges of this competition. Cultural programme by children of Kwity Kid Group, Shining Star Pre-school and Vicky Dance group captivated the audience.

The guests of the evening were Pratapindra Das, Director SCERT, Mandakini Kar Member OSCPCR, Namrata Chhdha, Social Activist. Prizes were distributed among the winner of the competition. The presence of the renowned personalities inspired both the artist and audience equally.

Mr. Ranjan Kumar Mohanty, Secretary PECUC, Mrs. Anuradha Mohanty, Executive Director, PECUC also spoke on the occasion. Mrs. Ratna Dash, Mr. Jyoti Sankar Mohanty, Mrs. Jyotirmayee Mahapatra, Mr. Panu Behera, Ms. Swatirekha Sahoo, Ganeswar Singh, Debasis Panda, Bamadeva jena etc. of PECUC conducted the programme.

**PECUC Sisumela – Valedictory Programme & Annual Award ceremony on 20<sup>th</sup> Nov**

**At 6:00 PM, At: Ekamrahat Amphitheatre, Bhubaneswar**

