## Aakanksha Shishu Kalyan Kendra

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Aakanksha Shishu Kalyan Kendra is a sequel of journey started with a mission for safe motherhood and safe baby for one and all, even for a unwed girls with unwanted advanced pregnancy. In 1988, a thought came to try and help unwed girls, who used to report to our hospital with unwanted advanced pregnancy. At that time abortion was not possible according to country's existing abortion laws. The centre formally came into existence in 2002 for the welfare of unwed mothers and their babies. In 2004; the centre obtained the license for national adoption of surrendered babies to needy parents. In 2015, Indian placement agencies recognized the centre for national adoption. Now our center is recognized for international adoption also. During April 2022to March 2023, eleven babies were adopted and have become the joy in the life of needy couples; one of them were by parents from out of country. The Honorable President of India Shri Ram Nath Kovind acknowledged the work of this centre on occasion of Golden Jubilee celebrations of MGIMS, Sevagram.