

## World Dyslexia Day

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Why is in news? World Dyslexia Day being celebrated

World Dyslexia Day is observed every year on **October 9**.

The aim of the day is to promote inclusivity, access to education, and the implementation of effective strategies to support individuals with dyslexia in their learning endeavours.

The **Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities** (DEPwD) under Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, Government of India is the **nodal department** to look after all the development agenda of Persons with Disabilities of the country.

With the vision to create awareness about Dyslexia among the masses, the Department observed the World Dyslexia Day, through the institutions associated with it by conducting activities like Webinar, Physical Seminar, Awareness Programme, March, Three day Workshop, Poster and Quiz competition at more than 30 places across the country.

## **About:**

Dyslexia is a common learning disorder that affects a person's ability to read and write properly.

It is previously known as **word blindness**.

Dyslexia is the most common learning disability and occurs in all areas of the world. It affects 3–7% of the population; however, up to 20% of the general population may have some degree of symptoms.

Skills taken granted for such as reading and writing fluently, is an area of challenge for those who have dyslexia.

Persons with Dyslexia are often unable to read quickly and write without committing errors.

Persons with Dyslexia might struggle with reading, writing, vocabulary, and tasks that require hand-eye coordination.

World Dyslexia Day raises awareness about these issues and what can be done to manage such a disorder.

People with dyslexia have **higher rates of attention deficit hyperactivity disorder** (ADHD), developmental language disorders, and difficulties with numbers.

Dyslexia is believed to be caused by the **interaction of genetic and environmental factors**. Some cases run in families.

Dyslexia that develops due to a traumatic brain injury, stroke, or dementia is sometimes called "acquired dyslexia" or alexia.

Treatment involves adjusting teaching methods to meet the person's needs. While **not curing** the underlying problem, it may decrease the degree or impact of symptoms.

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