

Call for inclusive edu for dyslexic kids



Indian cricketer R Ashwin with MDA president Chandrasekhar at an event in Chennai.

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The need to spread the message of inclusive education for dyslexic children whereby they are provided assistance in mainstream schools was stressed at an event here recently.

Indian cricketer Ravichandran Ashwin, who has now become the goodwill ambassador of the Madras Dyslexia Association (MDA), said he was happy to be associated with such a meaningful cause and added that he would do everything it take the meaningful message to the masses.

Meanwhile, founder-president of MDA Chandrasekhar said his (Ashwin's) association will help spread the message of inclusive education for dyslexic children.

'Ashwin's association with us will also help further our cause in enlightening teachers, parents and policy-makers about this learning disorder that affects nearly 10 per cent of school-going children worldwide,' he said.

'Awareness is a key component in understanding dyslexics. We are very happy to have someone like Ashwin to support us in spreading greater limelight on Dyslexia and the importance of inclusive education,' said Chandrasekar. Dyslexia is characterized by difficulty with learning to read fluently and with accurate comprehension despite normal or above-average intelligence. Dyslexics do not have a visible handicap as a result of which the condition can often go unrecognised.