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150<sup>th</sup> Birth Anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi was celebrated in the Model Jail, Chandigarh on 2<sup>nd</sup> October, 2019 at 11.30 AM. Sh. Sanjay Kumar Jha, IAS, Special Commissioner, Municipal Corporation was the chief guest on this occasion. Garlanding on the statue Mahatma Gandhi were done by the Chief Guest and Joint IG Prisons and also by 7 inmates who were released on this occasion. The Government of India, Ministry of Home Affairs, New Delhi conveyed approval for the release of 10 inmates out of which three were released prior to 2<sup>nd</sup> October, as per Court orders and 7 inmates were released on 2<sup>nd</sup> October, 2019. Books on the life of father of nation were also gifted to the released inmates on this occasion.

A play was organized on this occasion namely "***Koi mere liye bhi awaj uthao***". The play was performed by the inmates of the jail which was prepared by convict Julfikar Khan lodged in the jail. The motive of this play was to sensitize the public for the savage of water. The Chief guest praised the inmates for their talent and motivated them to take part in other creative activities in the jail. The jail administration will also grant remission as per rules to those inmates who are involved creative activities.