

## CAMP 24

On Sunday the 5th January, 1997 a Multi-Diagnostic and Multi-Therapeutic Free Medical health Camp at **Village "Tawa", "Post Basic Ashram School", Taluka Dahanu, District Thane** on behalf of "The Family Planning & Medical Aid Trust" and with cooperation of Government of Maharashtra's various departments and Voluntary local Organisation, Zillha Parishad Gram Panchayat, Teachers and Students of Ashram School of Village Tawa.

### The following staff members participated in this camp:

1. Dr. H.V. Pophale : Physician & Cardiologist
2. Dr. B.R. Kherdikar : Medical Officer
3. Mr. D.P. Gawai : Public Relation Officer
4. Mr. Ganesh Kanade : Accountant
5. Ms. Anjali Rane : Telephone Operator
6. Mr. Babu M.S. : X-Ray Technician
7. Mrs. Swati Kadam : Lab. Technician
8. Ms. Manisha Shinde : Lab. Technician
9. Mrs. Alka Sawant : Staff Nurse
10. Ms. Lata Gade : Staff Nurse
11. Ms. Laxmi Das : Staff Nurse
12. Mr. Manik Rao : Projector Operator
13. Mr. Mahesh Kelkar : Office Boy
14. Mr. Rajendra Kadam : Wardboy
15. Mrs. Archana Tawade : F.W. Ahya
16. Mrs. Indu Sawant : Ahya
17. Mr. Babasaheb G. : Driver with X-Ray Van.
18. Mr. Arun Borde : Driver with Small Ambulance.
19. Mr. Kamalprasad : Driver with A.V. Van.

### Following Doctors Participated from Mumbai :

1. Dr. S.P. Bhopardikar : Physician Surgeon
2. Dr. Kuldeep Singh : Mittal Hospital
3. Dr. Amarjeet Kaur : Mittal Hospital
4. Dr. Suresh Yevle : Gynaecologist
5. Dr. Swati Kamble : Gynaecologist
6. Dr. Deepak Satpule : Dental Surgeon
7. Dr. Girish Patil : Dental Surgeon
8. Dr. Vibhakar Mothe : Dental Surgeon
9. Dr. Amrut Salvi : Dental Surgeon

### The Following Guests participated in this camp :

1. Shri. S.B. Gadhwe : B.D.O.
2. Shri. T.S.K. Reddi : Project Officer
3. Shri. N.S. Jagtap : S.D.O. Dahanu
4. Shri. B.P. Pawar : Executive Magistrate
5. Dr. Umesh Makanikar : Health Officer
6. Dr. B.T. Raikar : Asstt. Director Animal Husbandry.
7. Shri. V.R. Bhatkar : Administrator Haffkine Inst
8. Shri. R.L. Phadake : Food & Nutrition Officer

9. Shri. More : Project Officer
10. Shri. Ananta Tarane : Dy. Surpanch
11. Shri. M.A. Bojgar : Principal Post Basic Ashram School.

Audio-Visual programme of six days was accomplished around village **Tawa, Vangra, Ghol, Damatna, Chinchpada, Basic School Tawa Taluka Dahanu, District Thane**. The popular film 'Mahercha Aher' was shown to tribal people on request and they appreciated it very much alongwith educative films and at the end of the picture the announcement was also made informing about Sunday Free Multi-diagnostic and Free Multi-therapeutic Health Camp with free availability of required medicines and free spectacles to the needy persons of lower sections of the village.

### INTRODUCTION :

The students and teachers of the 'Ppst Basic Ashram School', enthusiastically welcomed the Doctors and other V.I.P.'s having the traditional Aarti-cum-Dandia and Lazim dance. The playing Lazim and Dandia in a musical procession was exclusive and very impressive to all the Guests, Doctors and V.I.P.'s.

**Shri. T.S.K. Reddi (Project Officer, Forest Dept.), Dr. H.V. Pophale (Chairman "The Family Planning & Medical Aid Trust"), Dr. S.P. Bhopardikar (Physician Surgeon), Shri. N.S. Jagtap (S.D.O. Dahanu), Shri. B.P. Pawar (Executive Magistrate), Shri. S.B. Gadhawe (Block Development Officer), Dr. Umesh Maknikar (Health Officer), Dr. B.T. Raikar (asstt. Director Animal Husbandry), Shri. V.R. Bhatkar (Administrator Haffkine Institution), Shri. R.L. Phadake (Food & Nutrition Officer), Shri. More (Project Officer), Shri. Anant Tarane (Dy. Surpanch) and Shri. D.P. Gawai (Project Officer) on the dias were honoured by garlands.**

**Mr. D.P. Gawai (P.R.O. of our Trust)** gave a short introduction of the Trust. **Dr. H.V. Pophale** Chairman "The Family Planning & Medical Aid Trust" spoke about the type of services and requested all to take full advantage. He also requested about anti-addiction of tobacco and alcohol and inspired every student take up leadership in their circle and bring the revolution in the tribal society. After the function tree plantation programme was taken up by Environmental Dept. where trees were planted by Chairman and other important

and prominent members of the gathering. Thereafter all the Doctors went in their special rooms allotted to them and started the work with the waiting crowd of the patients and carried on the examination and treatment.

#### **CARDIAC, MEDICAL & SURGICAL COUNTER :**

This Medical Counter was managed by **Dr. H.V. Pophale and Dr. S.P. Bhopardikar**. About ONE HUNDRED persons were examined by them. The persons who approached with chest disorders were very well taken care by them. The deserving patients were advised to take E.C.G. and Screening of the chest to correlate the clinical diagnosis and were given the appropriate medicines free of cost from our stock.

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#### **GYNAEC COUNTER :**

This counter was taken care by **Dr. Suresh Yevle and Dr. Amerjit Kaur** from Mittal Hospital. **One Hundred Twenty SIX** ladies have taken the advantage of this counter. The Ante-natal and Post-natal care was also taken into the consideration in order to avoid unnecessary complications during delivery most of the ladies were suffering from **Anaemia and Malnutrition** and they were given Anti-Anaemic drugs alongwith Vitamin tablets to restore their proper health from our stock.

#### **OPHTHALMIC COUNTER :**

This counter was conducted by **Dr. V.A. Naware and Mr. Prasad Gupta**. **FIVE HUNDRED TWENTY THREE** persons were examined by them for various eye disorders and **THREE HUNDRED THIRTY SEVEN** persons were given spectacles Free of Cost after careful examination.

#### **E.C.G. COUNTER :**

This department was conducted by **Mr. Babu M.S.** **TWENTY SIX E.C.G.s** were taken.

#### **X-RAY, SCREENING OF THE CHEST :**

This counter was also managed by our X-Ray Technician **Mr. Babu M.S.** single handed. About **FIFTY TWO** persons were referred in our Family Welfare Clinic-cum-Ambulance, **FOUR** persons were found Pulmonary Koch's **TWO** persons

defected Cardiomegaly and **SIXTEEN** persons were found for increased Broncho Vascular Markings.

#### **LABORATORY INVESTIGATION :**

This counter was taken care by our experienced Lab. Technician **Mrs. Swati Kadam and Ms. Manisha Shinde**. **ONE HUNDRED THIRTY NINE** persons were examined for their blood group. They were also issued blood group Identity Cards endorsed with necessary details for their reference while donating or receiving the blood transfusion in emergency.

#### **PADIATRIC DEPARTMENT :**

This department was well managed by **Dr. B.R. Kherdikar**. About **ONE HUNDRED FIFTEEN** Children were examined by him for various problems, most of the children were having Malnutrition and some of them were having Spleenomegali. The proper guidance and treatment were given to them alongwith Antianaemic syrup and vitamin "A" solution were also given to them to prevent night blindness.

#### **E.N.T. COUNTER :**

This department was taken care by **Dr. Kuldeep Singh and Dr. Swati Kamble**. **ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY FIVE** persons were examined by them for various problems pertaining to ears by giving the appropriate medicines and ear drops from the stock.

#### **DENTAL CHECK-UP :**

**Dr. Deepak Satpule, Dr. Girish Patil, Dr. Vibhakar Mothe and Dr. Amrut Salvi** were handed this counter. They examined **EIGHTY THREE** persons suffering from dental problem and also extracted loose teeth and given complete relief.

#### **IMMUNISATION :**

This counter was very well managed by our senior Staff Nurse **Mrs. Alka Sawant, Mrs. Sharada Parab and Ms. Laxmi Das**. **ONE HUNDRED THREE** persons were Immunised against Tetanus Toxide, Typhoid, Triple, Polio and Measels. They were issued Immunisation Cards for their record and next due date was mentioned to be followed by any other local team of Public Health Care.

#### **FREE DISTRIBUTION OF MEDICINES :**

Drugs purchased by the Trust for this project were freely given to the needy people. Medicines for minor and common ailments were also dispenced. Iron and Folic Acid Tablets, Calcium, Multi-vitamin, Anti-pyretic and other Anti-biotic tablets and capsules were given free of cost.

**FAMILY WELFARE EXHIBITION-CUM-COUNSELLING:**

This counter was managed by **Ms. Anjali Rane and Mrs. Archana Tawade** F.W. Social Worker. This counter was well decorated with Exhibits and Posters of Family Welfare in order to draw the attention of all the eligible couples. NINETY pieces of Condoms and TWELVE packets of oral pills were given to the eligible couples on request. The need for planned family was insisted in their understandable language.

**OBSERVATION :**

About SEVEN HUNDRED SEVENTY persons took advantage of this Free Health Camp activity. The Health Camp was extremely successful, it was carried out in a very disciplined and systematic way with help of Volunteers of the School. Every patient was seen satisfied with the services. Plastic Carry Bags were given to them for carrying the medicines.

It was surprising to see that even for Blood Grouping and

Immunisation there were long Queues shows awaiting in the Tribal population about Health preservation. The patients were receptive, polite and followed the Queue system willingly and admirably.

There were many rare disorders and Surgical problems referred district Hospitals and Mumbai Hospitals with our note. The T.B. and Leprosy cases spotted were handed over to the respective persons from district Hospital who have kindly remain present to assist us.

Tribal persons offered a very limited lunch with Love and Respect which was accepted by all the staff to keep up the congenial atmosphere and the camp ended at 2.30 p.m. with an air of job satisfaction and pleasure and all left for Mumbai in their respective vehicles.

This is for information and record.

**DR. H.V. POPHALE**

CHAIRMAN - THE FAMILY PLANNING & MEDICAL AID TRUST