

## CAMP 29

On Sunday the 9th February, 1997 a multi-diagnostic and multi-therapeutics FREE HEALTH CAMP was arranged at Village 'Belwadi' (Bhatane), Taluka Vasai, District Thane. Sponsored and technically accomplished by 'The Family Planning & Medical Aid Trust' and with the help of 'R.C.F.' & FEM CARE PHARMA LTD.' through the Audio-Visual Mobile propaganda unit and Ambulance. The project started from Monday 03/02/1997 to Saturday 08/02/1997 followed by Free Medical Camp on Sunday the 09/02/1997 as was announced daily in the Audio-Visual shows in the village around.

The team started from Main Centre at 'Pophale Nursing Home', Indian Mercantile Mansion, Madam Cama Road, Opp. Regal Cinema, Fort, Mumbai - 400 001 at 6.30 a.m. on Sunday the 9th February, 1997 in following three ambulances :-

1. Family Planning Clinic-cum-Ambulance.
2. ARMADA Jeep donated by 'Mahindra & Mahindra'.
3. The Jeep Ambulance donated by R.C.F. was in the field finishing the Audio-Visual shows in the night around 'Village Belwadi (Bhatane)' for 6 days for a week i.e. Monday to Saturday.

1. DR. H.V. POPHALE	: PHYSICIAN & CARDIOLOGIST
2. DR. SUHAS POPHALE	: PHYSICIAN SURGEON
3. DR. B.R. KHERDIKAR	: MEDICAL OFFICER
4. MR. D.P. GAWAI	: PUBLIC RELATION OFFICER
5. MR. GANESH KANADE	: ACCOUNTANT
6. MISS. ANJALI RANE	: ASST. CO-ORDINATOR
7. MRS. SWATI KADAM	: LAB. TECHNICIAN
8. MISS. ILA JOSHI	: LAB. TECHNICIAN
9. MISS. MANISHA SHINDE	: LAB. TECHNICIAN
10. MISS. SEEMA THUBE	: LAB. TECHNICIAN
11. MR. BABU M.S.	: X-RAY TECHNICIAN
12. MISS. MARY THOMAS	: E.C.G. TECHNICIAN
13. MRS. ALKA SAWANT	: SENIOR STAFF NURSE
14. MISS. LATA GADE	: SENIOR STAFF NURSE
15. MISS. SHUBHANGI G.	: STAFF NURSE
16. MR. MANIK RAO	: F.W. AHYA
17. MR. MAHESH KELKAR	: OFFICE BOY
18. MRS. ARCHANA TAWADE	: F.W. AHYA
19. MRS. SAVITA MORE	: AHYA
20. MR. RAJENDRA KADAM	: WARD BOY
21. MR. ARUN BORADE	: DRIVER
22. MR. KAMALAPRASAD Y.	: DRIVER

23. MR. BABASAHEB G.	: DRIVER
24. MR. MAHESH BELVALKAR	: DRIVER

The following Doctors Participated from Mumbai :-

1. DR. JAYSHREE ZAVERI	: GYNAECOLOGIST
2. DR. SURESH YEVLE	: GYNAECOLOGIST
3. DR. SWATI KAMBLE	: MITTAL HOSPITAL
4. DR. AMERJIT KAUR	: MITTAL HOSPITAL
5. DR. KULDEEP SINGH	: MITTAL HOSPITAL
6. DR. AKSHAY NANDESHWAR	: MITTAL HOSPITAL
7. DR. VIBHAKAR	: MITTAL HOSPITAL

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Kinipada, Khadnchipada, Bonge Pada, Varkada), **Bharud** (Sutar, Kelichapada, Koparpada), **Khaniwadi** (Chimnipada, Hedwade, Umbarpada, Karolpada, Chokpada) and on Sunday the 9th February, 1997 at village Bhatane 'Post Basic School' After taking Audio-Visual propagating Vehicle-cum-Ambulance for Entertainment-cum-Awareness of Family Welfare, Maternal & Child Health Care Education information about Environment Protection, Anti-addiction, Agriculture information, Advertisement about essential commodities and information about Aids etc. systematically covering the villages and small Padas of **Bhatane** (Madkyachapada, Hatipada, Usgaon, Pipalvada, Mandvi), **Sakvar** (Pachle, Kinipada, Khadnchipada, Bonge Pada, Varkada), **Bharud** (Sutar, Kelichapada, Koparpada), **Khaniwadi** (Chimnipada, Hedwade, Umbarpada, Karolpada, Chokpada) and on Sunday the 9th February, 1997 at village Bhatane 'Post Basic School'.

#### INTRODUCTION :-

After one week of Audio-Visual Programme from Monday the 03/02/1997 to Saturday the 08/02/1997 a multi-diagnostic and multi-therapeutic camp was accomplished on 9th February, 1997 at **Village Bhatane (Belwadi) 'Post Basic Ashram School'** at 9.00 a.m.

The ceremonious inauguration was performed in the presence of **Dr. H.V. Pophale**, Chairman 'The Family Planning & Medical Aid Trust', **Shri Arun Pradhan**, Secretary 'Hinduja Foundation'. Thereafter welcome ceremony was started and all V.I.P.'s entered ceremonially to the inauguration function hall where Ashram School girls did 'Aarti'. All the members on the dais was honoured by offering floweral garlands to each guest.

Thereafter all the Doctors went in their special allotted rooms and started the work with the waiting crowd and finished the examination after three hours.

Dr. H.V. Pophale was felicitated by the local people and he gave a very heart to heart speech in basic health concepts in a simple colloquial language which was appreciated by one and all. He then visited and appreciated the Rangoli Exhibition made by the girl students of Basic Ashram School of Bhatane and the deserving condidates were selected for the 1st and 2nd prizes.

**FOOD & NUTRITION :-** He also visited each stall of various departments arranged to demonstrate for the Adivasi people to know its importance. "Food and Nutrition" stall was taken care of by Mr. R.L. Phadke. Mr. Arun Pradhan secretary of Hinduja Foundation & Chief Guest inaugurated the stall by cutting the ribbon and he appreciated the way they explained the preparation kept for demonstration.

**AGRICULTURAL :-** The next stall was arranged by Mr. B.S.

Girase and Mr. S.B. Nerurkar agriculture Officers of Panchayat Samiti Vasai. This was inaugurated by Surgeon Dr. S.P. Bopardikar. He was explained the product of agriculture dept. which were kept for the public awareness by the staff.

**HEALTH DEPARTMENT :-** This department was arranged through the PHC Bhatane under supervision of Dr. Vijay Kulkarni, Dr. P.S. Rao and Dr. A.P. Bhande. The staff was kept to communicate the information to the visiting members; patients and there relations as well as Ashram School students.

**ANIMAL HUSBANDRY :-** This was taken care of by Dr. N.R. Rane and Mr. H.M. Jadhav. The staff was decorated the exhibition with various pictures specimen and models kept to explain the common people who have come from remote villages and are interested in animal.

**SCIENTIFIC EXHIBITION :-** This was arranged by the staff of **Basic Ashram Schools** Bhatane to know the importance of Sonography and advantage to the human diseases to diagnose them immediately.

**EDUCATIONAL DEMONSTRATION :-** This was well arranged by Mr. S.D. Joshi chief officer Mr. N.M. Rane, Mr. R.C. Sonar from Palghar division coconut, fruits and agricultural product was kept to explain everything about their to the attending villagers.

**WOMAN & CHILD WELFARE DEPARTMENT :-** This exhibition was arranged by Vasai division and given the importance on the subject nutrition and Anganwadi, Balwadi facilities for working woman and their small children.

**R.C.F. :-** This was arranged by the staff of R.C.F. to demonstrate their product Suphala and Ujwala for the common villagers and its importance in increasing agricultural crops was explained by Mr. Patil and Mr. Mahtre who were incharge of stall. Dr. H.V. Pophale formally inaugurated this stall. which was well arranged with live demonstration.

#### CARDIAC COUNTER :-

This multi-diagnostic counter was managed and well arranged by **Dr. H.V. Pophale**. About **One Hundred Seventy Two** persons were examined. The persons who approached with chest disorders were very well taken care by **Dr. Pophale** and accordingly they were directed to the respective counters for their experts opinion and treatment. The deserving patients were advised to take E.C.G. and Screening of the chest to corroborate the clinical diagnosis and were given the appropriate medicines free of cost from the desk stock with full instruction, precautions and further course of action.

#### SURGICAL COUNTER :-

This Surgical department was taken care of by **Dr. S.P. Bopardikar**. He examined **One Hundred Fifty Four** persons,

some of them were suffering from ventral & inguinal Hernia, Osteomalacia & Piles etc. they were given prescriptions and necessary directions about further Surgical Treatment.

#### **GYNAECOLOGY COUNTER :-**

This Gynaec counter was taken care of by **Dr. Jayshree Zaveri** her assistants and **Dr. Suresh Yevle**. **One Hundred Eighty Eight** ladies attended this counter and were disposed of with entire satisfaction in accordance to their Gynaec complaints presented by them and given the medicines directly from stock at desk with all instructions and precautions.

#### **GENERAL CHECK-UP :-**

**Dr. Suhas Pophale** Physician & Surgeon well managed this counter. About **THREE HUNDRED SEVENTEEN** persons approached to him. **TWENTY SIX** persons E.C.G.'s were taken and reports were sent with special E.C.G. form.

#### **SCREENING OF THE CHEST :-**

This counter was well managed by **Mr. Babu M.S.** our X-Ray technician. Screening of the chest was carried out amongst **FORTY TWO** persons in our F.W. Clinic-cum-Ambulance and the reports were given on printed paper.

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

This department was managed by three Dentists from Govt. Dental College, Mumbai. They examined **SIXTY THREE** persons and some of them required dental extractions and also cavity fillings.

#### **LABORATORY INVESTIGATIONS :-**

This counter was managed by our Laboratory Technicians **Mrs. Swati Kadam**, **Miss. Ila Joshi**, **Miss. Manisha Shinde** and **Miss Seema Thube**. About **ONE HUNDRED FORTY** persons were examined for their blood group. They were also issued blood group identity cards in plastic cover endorsed with necessary details for their reference

#### **IMMUNISATION :-**

**Mrs Alka Sawant**, **Miss Lata Gade** and **Miss Shubhangi**

**Gosavi** very well managed this counter. They immunised **ONE HUNDRED THIRTY THREE** persons for Tetanus Toxoid, Typhoid and Polio. They were also issued Immunisation cards in plastic covers mentioned with date and name of the vaccine and the next due date to be followed by other immunising party in primary Health Centre.

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

This counter was managed by **Miss Anjali Rane** Asstt. Co-ordinator and **Mrs. Archana Tawade** F.W., Assistant Social Worker. They advised to all the attending eligible couples to take necessary precautions to space the children by using Condom Copper-T and Oral tablets. **NINETY** pieces of condoms and **SIX** pockets of oral tablets were distributed among them.

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

Various common drugs for minor ailments like Paracetamol, Antibiotic, Anti-allergic, Iron & Folic Acid Vitamin tablets and other ointments and medicines were distributed free of cost from our stock. Vitamin "A" Solution were given to **SIXTY SEVEN** children of Ashram School and patients by mouth to prevent night blindness.

#### **OBSERVATION :**

The response to the camp was tremendous Over **ONE THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED AND FIFTY FIVE** persons had taken advantage of the camp activity including Men, Women and Children of Adivasi, Rural & Ashram School students and staff members.

All were highly satisfied with the excellent job performed and very willingly graced the lunch offered by the organizers with thanks & then the Team started back to Mumbai at about 3.30 p.m.

This is for information and record with Photographs of the memorable event of which Video recording was also done by the team of sympathisers which will give an opportunity to visualise it in future.

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**DR. H.V. POPHALE**

CHAIRMAN - THE FAMILY PLANNING & MEDICAL AID TRUST