

CAMP 3

This special Big Camp was taken as a 1st Cycle of our project of **Preventive Diagnosis Curative Medical Aid and Mass Awareness Programmes in Slums of Mumbai and Adivasi Area and Other Villages of Raigad, Thane and Nasik Districts of Maharashtra in District Raigad**, the village "Pachyapur", Taluka Pali, District Raigad, sponsored and technically accomplished by **The Family Planning & medical Aid Trust**, Indian Mercantile Mansion, Madam Cama Road, Opp. Regal Cinema, Fort, Mumbai - 400 039, between 10.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m.

The team of Doctors and Paramedical staff was started from Mumbai at 6.00 a.m. and reached to the Village Pachyapur within resonable time. The services were given to Adivasi villagers that of Medical, Surgical, Paediatric, Gynaec, Dental, E.N.T., and Ophthalmic in the premises of Adivasi school rooms of village Pachyapur. The site of the camp, **Zilla Parishad Primary School of Pachyapur at Raigad** was decorated by **enthusastic volunteers as well as the usual Trust banners, R.C.F. Exhibition and chairs were allocated to each speciality in different classrooms for medical**

The following staff members were presented in this camp :

1. Dr. H.V. Pophale : Cardiologist
2. Dr. Jyoti Taskar : Gynaecologist
3. Dr. Suhas Pophale : Physician Surgeon
4. Dr. B.R. Kherdikar : Medical Officer
5. Mr. D.P. Gawai : P.R.O.
6. Mr. Ganesh Kanade : Accountant
7. Mr. M.A. Khatib : Area Manager
8. Mrs. Alka Sawant : Staff Nurse
9. Miss. Lata Gade : Staff Nurse
10. Miss. Lissy George : Lab. Technician
11. Miss. Ila Joshi : Lab. Technician
12. Mrs. Babita Bharadwaj : Lab. Technician
13. Mr. Babu M.S. : X-Ray Technician
14. Mr. Manik Rao : Project Operator
15. Mr. Mahesh Kelkar : Office Boy
16. Mrs. Archana Tawade : Ahya
17. Mrs. Savita More : Ahya
18. Mr. Rajendra Kadam : Wardboy
19. Mr. Arun Borde : Driver with X-Ray Van
20. Mr. Ravi Nalawade : Driver with A.V. Van.
21. Mr. Dashrath S. : Driver with Ambu.

The Following invites Doctors from Mittal Hospital:

1. Dr. Avinash Kurtadkar : General Practitioner
2. Dr. Deepak Shinde : General Practitioner
3. Dr. Archana Mule : General Practitioner
4. Dr. Rashmi Gupta : General Practitioner

The Following invites doctors from Dental Hospital:

1. Dr. Shamal Chudhari : Dental Surgeon
2. Dr. Parag Medhekar : Dental Surgeon

The Following Members from Forest Department of Pali :

1. Mr. S. V. Rajwade : Ranger Forest Officer
2. Mr. K.D. Dalvi : Plantation Officer
3. Mr. R.H. Nilkar : Forest Guard, Pachyapur
4. Mr. V. Y. Patil : Forest Guard, Adulse
5. Mr. V. K. Thakur : Forest Guard, Comashi
6. Mr. S.B. Jangam : Asst. Plantation Officer.

The Following Members from R.C.F., A.O. and T & V Raigad :

1. Mr. J. K. Rathod : Marketing Manager
2. Mr. A.M. Ghadi : Marketing Representative
3. Mr. K.U. Uke : A.O. and T.V. Pali
4. Mr. A.J. Lonkar : View T.V. Nadsur
5. Mr. H.N. Patil : View T.V. Nandgaon
6. Mr. D.M. Patil : View T.V. Kumbharghar

The following members from P.H.C. Pali :

1. Mr. P.P. Kotekar : Medical Officer, PHC Pali
2. Mr. D.K. Mahajan : S.I.
3. Smt. V. V. Dhodekar : H.V.
4. Smt. R.S. Mehata : L.H.V.
5. Mr. B.B. Patil : L.T.
6. Mr. N.B. Mhatre : L.T.
7. Smt. P.B. Juikar : A.N.M.
8. Smt. S.N. Pawar : A.N.M.
9. Smt. K.D. Shinde : A.N.M.
10. Smt. A.V. Tumbhare : A.N.M.
11. Smt. A.A. Gadage : A.N.M.
12. Mr. V.M. Thombare : M.P.W

The Following volunteers were present at the Camp:

1. Mr. Krishna Telange
2. Mr. Ankush Belose
3. Mr. Shankar Belose
4. Mr. Dattara Halde
5. Mr. Rambhay Halde
6. Mr. Raghunath Parange
7. Mr. Nathuram Varang
8. Mr. Rajaram Mundhe
9. Ms. Sangeeta Telange
10. Ms. Geeta Telange
11. Ms. Sugata Warange
12. Ms. Pilatai Kadu
13. Ms. Labhibai Kadu

INTRODUCTION :

After one week of Audio-Visual programme circulated in the neighbouring hamlets from Monday the 13th May to 18th May, 1996. The multi diagnostic and multi therapeutic camp was accomplished on Sunday the 19th May, 1996 at **Zilla Parishad Primary School of Pachyapur, Taluka Pali, District Raigad.**

The ceremonious inauguration was performed in the presence of **Dr. H.V. Pophale** Chairman, The Family Planning & Medical Aid Trust. He was offer a Flower to give honour to him by young girls of the village Panchyapur at the enterence. On the Chair Dr. H.V. Pophale was garlanded by **Mr. Shankar Belose** the Sarpanch of village Pachyapur. The other members **Dr. Jyoti Taskar, Dr. Suhas Pophale, Dr. B.R. Kherdikar** and other members were also honoured by him.

In the inaugural speech given by the Chairman requesting the congratulation of Tribal People to take full advantage of the various specialists who had come sacrificing their week ends all the way from Mumbai. He also requested them to attend the Immunisation Counter and the Family Planning section for necessary service and to clear the doubts whatsoever existing in their minds. It was explained to audience that our Big

Van contained X-Ray and E.C.G. machines and diagnosis of chest diseases and heart diseases was possible. It was explained in simple Marathi, understandable to the tribals. The address was terminated with the National Anthem.

FOREST DEPARTMENT :

This department was organised by Forest Department of village Pachyapur. **Mr. S.V. Rajwade** Ranger Forest Officer gave the various information about the Forest product and its uses to **Dr. H.V. Pophale** during his visit to the camp at village Pachyapur.

AGRICULTURE DEPARTMENT & R.C.F. EXHIBITION:

This department was organised by **Mr. J.K. Rathod, Mr. A.M. Ghadi, Mr. K. Vke A.O. and T.VV. pali and his staff members.** The various method of Fertilisers and its benefits to the Adivasi people was well explained by the staff.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT :

This department was arranged by the Medical Officer **Dr. P.P. Kotekar** P.H.C. Pali. He has given all the detailed information to **Dr. H.V. Pophale** during his visit to his department.

MULTI-DIAGNOSTIC, MEDICAL, SURGICAL PAEDIATRIC, CARDIAC, E.N.T. :

This counter was taken care by some renowned Doctors from Mumbai, consisting of **Dr. H.V. Pophale, Dr. Suhaz Pophale, Dr. B.R. Kherdikar, Dr. Avinash Kurtadkar, Dr. Deepak Shinde.** About FOUR HUNDRED SIXTY persons took advantage of this services rendered with systematic disposal of each patient giving required and adequate treatment as per the medical complaints presented by the attending patients. In this section many patients were treated including Ischaemic Heart Diseases and Angina Pectoralis large number of cases of chronic lung ailments were treated. The screening of the chest was done and also E.C.G.'s were taken to come to the diagnosis.

GYNAEC COUNTER :

This Gynaec Counter was managed by our Gynaecologist **Dr. Jyoti Taskar** MD. DGO. and other two Doctors **Dr. Archana Mule** and **Dr. Reshma Gupta.** **One hundred Thirty Five** ladies were examined by them. Ladies assembled in large numbers for getting examined, specially as facilities for private examination was made for the department. Patients were given medicines and explained how to take them, they took full advantage of these facilities.

OPHTHALMIC CHECK-UP :

Ophthalmic Counter was conducted by **Mr. Ajaykumar Gupta** and his assistant. There was a huge crowd for testing their eyes and obtaining glasses so that persons almost out of the family because of their inability to see could be rendered

useful to their families by being able to contribute to minor household chores. About **Four Hundred Fifty** Spectacles were distributed free of cost to the needy.

IMMUNISATION :

Immunisation Counter was managed by our senior staff Nurse **Mrs. Alka Sawant and Miss. Lata Gade.** They Immunised about **Forty Two** persons for Tetanus Toxide with sterile disposable needles so that the injection was almost painless which attracted the others. They were issued Immunisation cards for their reference and record.

LABORATORY INVESTIGATION :

This Laboratory investigation Counter was very well managed by our senior Lab. Staff **Miss. Lissy George, Mrs. Swati Kadam and Mrs. Babita Bharadwaj.** They checked **Eighty Five** cases for Blood Group including anaemic ladies referred by gynaecologists. The blood group cards were issued in plastic covers so that they can preserve it for their emergency blood group requirements. It is fortunate that the people have understood the importance of the card. It was explained to them to preserve the card properly to facilitate their receiving or giving blood donation.

SCREENING OF THE CHEST AND E.C.G. :

Screening of the Chest and E.C.G. were conducted single handed by our X-Ray Technician **Mr. Babu M.S.** He screened about **Twenty Eight** persons out of **Three** persons were having Koch's disease, One person was having pneumonitis and other six persons were suffering from B.V.M. E.C.G. was also taken about **FIFTEEN** persons with cardiac problems out of which **SEVEN** persons were found abnormal and they were referred to Cardiological Department for final opinion and further treatment.

DENTAL DEPARTMENT :

This department was conducted by **Dr. Shamal Chaudhari and Dr. Parag Medhekar.** They examined about **Twenty Seven** cases and extracted dental conditions were also seen and treated by them.

FAMILY WELFARE ADVISE CUM COUNSELLING :

This counter of Family Planning was well decorated with Exhibits and Posters of Family Welfare in order to draw the attention of all the eligible couples. **Mrs. Archana Tawade and Mrs. Savita More** took charge of this counter. A detailed advice and guidance was rendered to the eligible couples for temporary and permanent method of contraception. **One Hundred Twenty** pieces of Condoms distributed among men and **Twenty Nine** Pocket of Oral tablets were distributed to the ladies.

FREE DISTRIBUTION OF MEDICINES :

Many costly drugs including higher antibiotics dietary

supplements haematims and even drugs for rarer diseases were purchased distributed free of cost by the Family Planning & Medical Aid Trust. Medicines for Scabis and worms given freely the majority of children. Medicines for minor and common ailments were distributed. iron and Folic Acid Tablets, Calcium, Multi Vitamin etc. were distributed among the anaemic patients. Anti-Pyretic tablets like Paracetamol were also distributed freely. Vitamin "A" Syrup were given amongst children by mouth in order to prevent them from Night Blindness. For prevention against Cold & Cough, Syrups were freely distributed in small dozes packed in Plastic Bottles to the small children by our Trust.

Seven Hundred Fifty patients attended the camp. The various type of patients were treated at the village level and others are referred to nearby Hospital for further check-up and treatment. The cronic patients were properly explained their diseases and told about the progresses and prevention to the best possible extent. Subnutrition and malnutrition

was dominating the general health picture of Tribles.

It was observed that directing the patients to the respective specialist was not easy because patients could not read the sign boards. It is therefore decided to direct them with the help of volunteers to avoid confusion and to be more helpful to them. On the whole the camp was extremely successful and the organisers of the village Pachyapur were extremely co-operative enthusiastic and had arranged best possible lunch to every member of the team at the end of the camp. All were satisfied by the services sincerely rendered to them and gave grateful thanks to all the doctors and the staff who worked in the camp. The camp ended at about 3 p.m. and all the staff members reached to Mumbai at 8.30 p.m. with job satisfaction.

This is for information & record.

DR. H.V. POPHALE

CHAIRMAN - THE FAMILY PLANNING & MEDICAL AID TRUST