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Social Distancing means putting physical space between yourself and others not just in the heart
The not so famous doctor of the 17th century Desiderius Erasmus, once quoted the famous saying, Prevention is Better than Cure!

We would realise that this saying was never this important, than it is in today’s times! Needless to say, the global pandemic COVID-19 a.k.a Coronavirus has taken the world by storm. From schools to colleges, offices to factories, roads to airports and all institutional setups are observing landmark change in the way they used to function.

From lockdowns to enforcing guidelines, the governments and authorities across are taking all necessary measures to contain COVID-19 spread. At an astounding 8.83 Lac plus cases in the country, we, the most agile and adaptable race, humans, now co-exist with this pandemic. Welcome to the new Normal, COVID-19.

Prevention, Hygiene and Sanitation are terms that we all have been preached in the past, at some point or the other. But now, two new very essential entrants; Social Distancing and Sanitization have gained immense popularity and utility in our lives now. While a lot of workplaces have developed and enforced WFH, short for Work from Home, the ones opened are ensuring maximum social distancing and effective sanitization happens at regular intervals.

All preventive measures attributed to basic hygiene and health, that we once deemed unimportant, have now gained immense traction. Traditional means including centuries old Ayurveda and its Immunity building herbs, have now become part of our routine system. Plants and herbs mixture such as Giloy, Tulsi, Mulethi, Clove (backed by Ayush Ministry) and many others, which had only a few takers sometime back, are now breaking all records in terms of their sale & utility.

We have all seen how many European countries have collapsed to this pandemic, which also raises questions over their natives' immunity and their medical ecosystem. No wonder, at 76.65 % India's recovery rate of COVID-19 patients', depicts our battleground situation is better than many developed nations. It has been possible because of an effective government approach, a strong healthcare system accompanied by vigil administration. With its strong footprint in the country, HLFPPPT has also contributed significantly in the COVID-19 relief zone. Dedicated teams have been supporting government (National Health Mission (NHM)) and various Corporates. Partnering with NHM Chattisgarh, Assam; HLFPPPT is providing telephonic counselling, monitoring of new patients and follow-up with the suspected and identified patients through WhatsApp. With NHM Uttarakhand, HLFPPPT’s 10 MMUs are serving the communities and providing ambulatory services in far flung areas. Associating with the Social Justice Department, Kerala, HLFPPPT’s Government Old Age Home (Second Innings) residents made liquid soap and sanitizers for further distribution to the marginalised community. It was well appreciated by the District Magistrate and also received print & electronic media coverage. While partnering with Mahindra Rise Foundation, HLFPPPT facilitated distribution of Medicines and Nutritional/Ration Kit in Rajasthan. In its association with PTC, HLFPPPT is taking regular OPDs digitally (Phone/WhatsApp) and providing essential medical services to the patient in Delhi.

In fact, healthcare facilities in the country are better and more affordable than the US and many other countries of the globe.

Poised to transform this pandemic threat to an opportunity, the government recently announced, 'Aatma Nirbharata' aka Self-Reliance, to boost the country’s economy. Given the spread, and gradual opening up of our economy since Unlock-3, the government’s recent announcement too has become a trending equation. Manufacturing units and various enterprises are now more encouraged to increase domestic production and depend less on import sources.

The government is also urging to step out only when necessary. So, follow good health practices, stay safe and take good care of your immunity!
FOCUS STORY

Efforts made to turn the Pandemic into an opportunity under CSR projects

Since the entire world has fallen into the trap of COVID-19 and each country has been taking every possible action to reduce the death of infected people and also to contain COVID-19 from spreading, HLFPPT has been working hand in hand with the Government to aid the fight against COVID-19. The measures and efforts made by us with the support of Government and various CSR initiatives of the corporate companies to provide families living on the margins with additional support to tide over COVID-19.

In continuation to this, HLFPPT is implementing 360 degree approach to mitigate the threat of Coronavirus through its programs. This endeavour has been extended for government of Assam, where State Government is doing remarkable work to fight against COVID-19 through Mobile Medical Units-Assam Project managed by HLFPPT.

Keeping in view of Corona outbreak and preventive measures taken by the State Government and Local Administration, HLFPPT MMU-Assam Team have done several activities to combat the situation. Some of these are:

- Stamping and Sticker pasting of Quarantine/Home
- Door to Door Awareness Sessions
- Monitoring of COVID-19 patient
- Operating of OPDs following Social Distancing guideline
- Provide Medical guidance with the help of Local Police
- Providing Transportation facilities
- Block and cluster level awareness sessions on COVID-19
- Extending counselling support through COVID-19 helpline etc

Some of the relies activities conducted in the state of Assam is mentioned below:

- To support the local administration, HLFPPT MMU Cachar-Assam team has started with quarantine stamping on the hand of outsiders and monitoring of 55 numbers of quarantine isolation facilities across the all tea garden of Cachar district.
- Hand sanitiser and mask are provided by the local and state authorities to the technical staff for further distribution and also to protect themselves.
- Pasting of stickers in households where quarantined people are staying, stamping of individuals who have entered the state from different states after 14th March, screening of quarantined individuals are the few major activities which are being performed by the State Team.
- A team of doctor and nurses have also conducted door to door counselling in every district of Assam with the support of local medical authorities.

Also, functioning of OPD is also took place following Social Distancing Guideline issued by State and Central Government

Several Small Group Sessions were also conducted to know about the importance of Social Distancing and understand the COVID19 disease.

NEW PROJECTS/ LAUNCH

HLFPPT has signed an MoU with NTPC (Lara) to manage and operationalise one Mobile Medical Units (MMU) to address the health needs of people living in the area of NTPC coal mines in Lara, Chhattisgarh.

The Inauguration was done by the Chief guest Mr. Sanjay Madan (ED), Mr. Rabindra Kumar Rawat, (CGM) and CMO Mr. Bhasker Saha, NTPC. Mr. Anurag Mathur (Manager-CSR) from HLFPPT corporate office was also present during the event with his state project team.

The activity was covered by various regional Newspaper. After the Inauguration ED NTPC said “Now, getting quality medical health care will not be a challenge any more for the people residing near the coal mines in Lara. With the help of project implementation partner “HLFPPT” primary healthcare will be delivered at doorstep with referral at tertiary care for further treatment”.

In collaboration with National Health Mission, Nainital (Uttarakhand), HLFPPT has launched a Mobile Medical Unit on January 4, 2020.

The MMU was inaugurated by the District Magistrate (DM) of Nainital, Mr Savin Bansal in the gracious presence of Mr. Vineet Kumar (CCO), Nainital Dr. T K Tamta (ACMO), Dr Rashmi Pant (ACMO) and Mr Madan Mehra (DPM). During the function, HLFPPT state team was also present to perform health check-ups. This MMU project is a key strategy to facilitate access to public health care particularly to people living in remote, difficult, underserved and unreached areas. The objective of this strategy is to take healthcare to the doorstep of populations, particularly rural and vulnerable.

Between December 19 to June 20, other MMUs launch was done in Champawat, Pithoragarh, Almora, Nainital, Bageshwar, U.S.Nagar, Chamoli,Haridwar, Pauri, Tehri.
Inauguration of 11 Welfare Homes for differently abled people in Kerala

HLFPPT has been awarded a project in January 2020 to provide various services such as Music Therapy, Yoga, Physiotherapy and Skill Training to Differently Abled People at 11 welfare homes under Social Justice Department. The main focus of this project is ensuring Active Daily Living (ADL) and proper engagement of the residents to improve and maintain physical, psychological and social well-being of individuals. The services are provided by qualified therapists on various domains. Shri. Nedumudi Venu, veteran film actor inaugurated the programme in February 2020 in the presence of Shri. Sheeba George IAS, Director Social Justice.

Music Therapy Inauguration by Shri. Nedumudi Venu, Veteran Film Actor

COVID-19 Response- stirring initiatives from Model Home for elderly people

Department of Social Justice, Government of Kerala in collaboration with HLFPPT is operating a 24 x 7 model old age home at Chai in Kannur, Kerala. The renovated home gives lively ambience, good health care facilities, and lots of activities to engage elderly people. The project has been branded as “Second Innings Home”.

The lockdown has affected older people in many ways. When lockdown was announced, the Second Innings Home took few prompt measures to safeguard elderly population. Some of the key activities are:

- Liquid hand wash preparation: The home has also set up a small skill lab to engage elderly in activities like flower pot making, paper pen and bags etc. In these series, they have developed highly economic liquid hand wash branded as “Be Care”. This is being used in the home and now provided to other organizations across the country. Now this product is listed in the online platform www.donatekart.com.

- Social Media Campaign: They have come out with an innovative social media campaign titled as “Grandmas and Grandparents of lock down period”.

- The home has organized disinfection programme with the help of local fire force unit.
- Installed additional wash basins and running water facilities to promote hand hygiene.
- One resident provided daily briefings about the situation to the fellow residents, through an in-house public address system by using news paper. Advice from Medical Practitioners and healthcare experts are also shared through this mechanism.

Day Care Centre for Elderly in Kerala

Department of Social Justice, Government of Kerala in collaboration with HLFPPT is operating a model day care home for elderly at Chencottukavu Grama panchayth in Kozhikkode district. This facility has been branded as “Sayamprabha Home”.

This model day care centre gives lively ambience, good health care facilities, and lots of activities to engage elderly people. This centre is providing much needed elderly centric facilities such as medical clinics, mini gymnasium, yoga, library cum reading room, food court for group dining, indoor and outdoor game area etc. Moreover, this centre offers multiple programs and activities suitable to elders socialize and enjoy in a group setting along with supervised care.

The home is manned by social workers and health professionals. The home has also set up a small skill lab to engage elderly residents in activities like flower pot making,
small agricultural activities, coir making, paper pen etc. Every month social worker prepares the ‘Wish List’ of individuals and arrange programs according to the list. To connect the elders with outside world, regular interactions with students and adults, one day and two days outings, film shows, meet the veteran programs etc are also organized.

Mobile Medical Clinic & COVID Response activities in Kerala

Keeping in view of NOVEL CORONA Virus outbreak and preventive measures taken by the Central & State Governments & Local Administration, Mobile Medical Clinics (supported by Scheduled Tribe Development Department and Kerala Medical Service Corporation Ltd) have done several activities at tribal hamlets and tribal hostels in 12 districts of Kerala i.e., Thiruvananthapuram, Kollam, Pathanamthitta, Ernakulam, Idukki, Thrissur, Malappuram, Palakkad, Kannur, Wayanad and Kozhikode to combat the situation.

Some of these initiatives taken by team are,

- Conducted Door to Door awareness sessions on Social Distancing, Hand Washing Techniques, Symptoms of COVID-19, Mode of transmission of Coronavirus and prevention, sharing of help-line numbers etc. thus these units have covered more than 25,000 tribal.
- Monitoring of suspected symptomatic cases and referral for quarantine and further management.
- Regular OPD’s was also took place following Social Distancing Guideline issued by State and Central Governments helps to avoid crowding at public health facilities.
- Providing vehicle support and assistance for food supply
- Tribal hamlet level awareness sessions on COVID-19 by using microphones fixed at MMC vehicle to reach large number of audience with messages on social distancing, symptoms of COVID, State Help Line Number etc. 149 microphone announcement sessions were carried out to cover larger audience.
- A team of Doctor, Nurse and Lab Technician was also conducted door to door counselling in 12 districts of Kerala with support from local health authorities.

Successful Completion of project Health-cum-Awareness camps funded by NSKFDCA (National Safai Karamchari Finance Development Corporation)

NSKFDCA in collaboration with HLF PPT has successfully completed 93 Health-cum-Awareness Camps in the communities for Safai Karamcharis/Manual Scavengers at PAN India level covering especially the various Districts of Assam, Jharkhand, Uttar Pradesh, Rajasthan, Uttarakhand, Jharkhand, West Bengal, Bihar, Madhya Pradesh and Maharashtra in the duration of 9 month (June, 2019-Marh, 2020). The average footfall in each health camp have touched the figure of 250. Every health camp was strengthened by the specialist like Gynecologist, ENT Specialist, Dermatologist, Ophthalmologist and General Physician. Successful completion of 93 camps brought the specialized health care services to vulnerable groups of community under one canopy along with various other services like free distribution of spectacles after eye check-up, HIV/AIDS screening, TB screening and various other types of blood tests.

Managing 15 Mobile Medical Units for Health and Family Welfare Society NHM – Uttarakhand

HLFPPT has signed a contract with District Health and Family Welfare Society of Uttarakhand (National Health Mission) to operationalize 15 Mobile Medical Units in various far flung areas of 13 districts of Uttarakhand. In the period of 4 months from December 2019 to March 2020, launch of 12 MMUs has been successfully done, each in Haridwar, Champawat, Nainital, Pauri, Pithoragarh, Almora, Bageshwar, Udham Singh Nagar, Tehri (2 MMUs) and Chamoli (2 MMUs) under the guidance of respective CMOs and government representatives at district level. In addition to this, HLFPPT will launch and operationalize the other 3 MMUs in the districts of Rudraprayag, Dehradun, and Uttarkashi as soon as normalcy is achieved from COVID-19 pandemic. Through the project of Mobile Medical Unit, primary health care service has successfully made its
van diligently provided to and fro ambulatory services along with community awareness service to the vulnerable individuals during the most challenging period thrown by the deadly disease upon humankind in several decades. Nevertheless, each one of the team members performed courageously and continually proving themselves as Secret Heroes during this global fight with COVID-19.

The hard work and dedication of all the team members is very well appreciated and recognised by various CMOs and soon some of them will be felicitating with Appreciation Letter as an encouragement.

**Tele-Medicine Initiative under the CSR project of PFS-PFT funded Mobile Health Clinic Project-Delhi**

In the wake of pandemic COVID-19, Tele-medicine Initiative was started with the objective of providing uninterrupted medical assistance through telephonic OPD calls to all the beneficiaries. This initiative helped connecting doctors with patients in addressing the medical needs of community in an effective manner. In this activity, benefits were given to all beneficiaries without asking them to be physically present in MHC camps during the lockdown period. This initiative of availing the services of primary health care brought a huge positive response from beneficiaries in all the areas actively usually covered by MHC.

**Healing every life through relief activities under NLC India Project**

To ensure continuous health care services to vulnerable groups of community across the villages of Jharsuguda and Sambalpur districts, Mobile Medical Van running under the project of NLC...
India successfully provided uninterrupted general OPD services. Also, MMU staff had conducted awareness activities specifically on precautions and practices to be taken to avoid infection COVID-19 with the focus to follow Social Distancing rigorously. The team has also distributed soaps to local community to promote hand washing and personal hygiene.

**Screening Services under MMU Assam Project**

By the direction of Joint Director of Health Services and District administration of Cachar District, Mobile Medical Unit (MMU) along with its staff was engaged from 6 am to 11 pm at zonal screening centre Silchar ISBT for screening of all the commuters of inter-state and intrastate since 26 April 2020. For Inter-state incoming passengers SWAB Tested were made mandatory along with the advice for 14 days quarantine in quarantine centre as per the guideline. So far, more than 6000 commuters have been screened successfully. Mr. Ayan Das (PO) updating the status to Dr. S. J. Das (IDHS, Cachar) & Dr. Ajit Kr. Bhattacharjee (COVID-19 Nodal Officer, Cachar) about the same.

**Door to Door awareness activities by MMU Assam team**

17 Mobile Medical Unit that were assigned for district Cachar, Hailakandi and Karimganj District conducted the door to door screening of the beneficiary to provide medical support and to conduct the surveillance to identify the migrants who have travel history from different state/district to Assam. We have successfully home quarantined 617 along with hand stamping for regular tracking and monitoring of their health status during the quarantine period across 55 Tea Gardens of Cachar District.

**Activities under Aarogya - MMU project funded by IOCL**

During the deadly hit of pandemic COVID-19, the MMUs operationalized in the projects deviated its primary health care services to screening services of contractual manual labourers at the entrance gate of the IOCL plant, with special assistance of CISF. Screening was done twice a day, one in the morning and another during afternoon when the shifts were changed. While, due to nationwide lockdown in the wake of COVID-19, MMU OPD services were temporarily stopped. However, MMU Team was involved for providing the same OPD service on phone calls using the record of patients from OPD record Registers, especially to those beneficiaries who have had visited MMUs during the normal days before lockdown.

The activity was a successful attempt in covering all the beneficiaries in getting primary health care services through doctor on phone call. MMU vans were well deployed for screening services in the area. According to team, working during such time was a great learning as working alone in Screening Activity by CISF would have been very difficult to cater to almost 5000 contract labourers in a day. Therefore, our MMU Team helped in screening activity by examining 1500 labourers each day.

**ECL West Bengal and Jharkhand MMU Project**

In the wake of COVID-19, the team has started an innovative initiative under ECL project running in the district of West Bengal and Jharkhand where our Medical Officers have taken OPD on call, in which we had provide best possible medical advices to our beneficiaries as being present physically at OPD was not allowed during lockdown period. Mobile Medical Unit Van with Pharmacist and Driver were deployed to deliver the...
medicines to those beneficiaries who cannot afford. Every day the beneficiaries are contacted through phone calls and Medical Officer conducted awareness session on Corona Virus, hygiene practices; promote home stays and social distancing. The team has created an awareness poster which are used to disseminate same information to community inlarge.

**COVID-19 relief activities under Vihaan-HIV/AIDS**

HLFPPT as a Sub- Recipient (SR) of Global Fund Round 4 RCC phase II grant through Alliance India is managing the Vihaan programme in six States of India. This programme is being implemented with a key objective to improve the survival and quality of life of PLHIV by establishing 11 Care & Support Centers (CSCs) in Madhya Pradesh State in -Sagar, Ratlam, Neemuch, Ujjain, Rewa, Gwalior, Khandwa, Seoni, Bhopal, Jabalpur, Indore districts catering 18 ARTs and catering 52 districts, as part of national effort to improve treatment outcomes and meet the needs of PLHIVs, including those who are members of high-risk groups, women and children.

The current phase of Vihaan programme (1st January, 2018 – 31st March, 2021 – 39 Months) under the guidance of SACS and NACO is managed through SSRs.

The CSCs are serving with ART’s as a comprehensive unit for treatment support, positive living, and strengthening the enabling environment for PLHIV. Some of the objective are -

- Track and bring back to treatment people who are not retained in care
- **Linkages and referral services:** other health facilities & various departments for social protection schemes
- **HIV Testing:** Promoting positive prevention, HIV test for spouse/partners, children of PLHIV
- **TB screening:** ICF of TB presumptive cases and referral for TB testing and treatment
- **Counseling services:** treatment adherence, positive prevention & positive living
- **Peer Support:** psycho-social support, educate PLHIV & family members on treatment adherence and retention in care

Vihaan provides access to a range of quality care & support services using an integrated approach that complements existing HIV prevention and treatment programming. Working in coordination with nearby ART Centers, CSCs serve as safe spaces for PLHIV offering services of CSC are counseling, outreach, linkages & referrals, advocacy & communication, Support Group Meeting and creating an enabling environment.

People living with HIV are more vulnerable to respiratory infections when their HIV is not well managed. Due to this reason it’s very important to be taking their antiretroviral treatment as prescribed – always, but especially during this time to ensure adherence.

**Door-Step ART medicine delivery**

To live a healthy life, People Living with HIV need to take their medicine every day, but Due to lockdown people were scared to come out of their houses and government has also asked people to stay only at home. Though hospitals were open, ART centers were also open but people have locked themselves at home due to this crucial situation. It was biggest challenge to provide the medicine to the every PLHIV as it is their lifeline. Many of the clients were struggling to access the ARV drug due to people crowd fear, not availing the transportation facility, not having personal vehicle and belonging from far area. In this situation, our team had delivered ART medicines at door steps.

**State level response by MPSACS & HLFPT-VIHAAN team**

In Madhya Pradesh 11 SSR partners are implementing CSC’s catering 18 ART Centres, covering 52 districts.

At the time of COVID-19 lockdown, SR MP coordination with MPSACS had developed a plan, in which, along with decentralization of medicine, SR also decided for home delivery of medicines to those ART patients, who are critically unable to reach any of the hot spot centres for
receiving the medicine, through CSCs. MP SSRs with the help of ORWs has transported drugs from 8 ART centers to 10 different medicine distribution centers, including ART, ICTC, and Link ARTs. Vihaan MP has initiated an emergency help line number for handling all these cases. The emergency response team also coordinates with the Doctors, Volunteers, and ORWs for guided support and ART home delivery, considering the situational needs.

MPSACS & SR team has then identified all Medicine Distribution Centers in MP and shared the information along with the contact details of a person in respective facilities, state wise and nationally.

Psychological support & counselling

The importance of early and appropriate psychological support for clients (PLHIV’s) was explored to prevent immediate psychological distress and long term mental health problems. To provide psychological support, a team consisting of DLN’s, Peer Counselors, Clinical Counselors, and Volunteers has been mobilized and formed a team. All members are familiar with the techniques of psychological and emotional support for various affected groups including women, children, and the elderly people as various groups express different emotional reactions to the Covid-19.

Advocacy with MPSACS for delivery of ration & linkages with scheme

During the outreach it was observed that many of the PLHIVs are not having ration for their survival, which was soon noticed by the SSRs, and SR has responded to the call through coordinating with DD-CST & IEC-MPSACS. Responding to the request, MPSACS has shared the details for availing the provision of free ration support from Government (National Food Security Scheme). SR has forwarded the details to all SSR partners.

In coordination with MPSACS, SR has shared the details for availing government ration support for needy, to all SSR partners, and SSRs, has circulated the information among the PLHIVs during the follow up and reminders. Our volunteers and ORWs has identified patients who are unable to receive government ration and are suffering from hunger, lack of food grains, and drinking water, which were then arranged by the CSC’s during this crucial COVID-19 pandemic time.

Activities undertaken at district-level by Vihaan CSC & ART’s

Cities and towns in Madhya Pradesh have set up emergency medication centers (also known as points of dispensing sites) for easy reachability to patients and rapid distribution of ART drugs. Centers are located in different areas like ICTC, LACS, CHCs & PHCs and ORW/PC home etc. CSC staff & volunteers were informed about the medication centers, time of operation, location of each center, what to bring, and what to expect. ART Medication. These operations are voluntarily led by the CSC staffs, ART’s and DLNs of MP.

Drug distributions & relief support

Vihaan SSRs, ART & ICTC Staff are working hardly for ensuring the availability of drugs with patients, by providing telephonic reminders, and conducting home delivery in extreme cases with 20-25 staffs on field in a daily basis. The outreach team includes ORWS, Peer counsellors, PCs, and PDs. Vihaan-MP SR team has also collected the information of availability of drugs in various decentralized spots, and published the information through different Social Media including SR Facebook page. Along with the medicine, SSRs also managed to distribute few masks, and sanitizes, for keeping the PLHIVs, and their family from external threats to COVID-19.

Impact of home delivery of ART medicines and other services individually

2,159 Received medicine through home delivery and 95 clients have collected their medicines through CSC
Department of Food and civil supply and have received ration kits to dispense at the PLHIV places.

"Mask for All" - a campaign initiated in CSC Jalandhar by HLFPPT team

Under the keen guidance of PSACS officials and in close coordination of ART center, CSC Jalandhar has initiated a campaign "Mask to All" in two outlets placed at CSC and ART center. Fabrics are mobilized by local doors and Gurudwaras. Masks are prepared voluntary by the clients received training at CSC earlier under stitching and tailoring course. Daily 80-90 masks are prepared and 50-60 are distributed to clients.

Inputs to state blood transfusion council to facilitate maintenance of minimum required inventory of blood units in this COVID – 19, lock-down period.

Tamil Nadu State AIDS Control Society has 89 NACO supported Govt. Blood Banks and the stock positions of blood, blood components and the test kits are reviewed on a weekly basis by the Project Director. TSU is involved in preparation of the weekly report of all divisions of TANSACS including Blood Transfusion services division. It is analysed that approximately 3.75 lakh units of blood are collected across all these Govt. Blood banks and around 99% of this is voluntary donation as per SIMS reports; this emphasises the need for facilitating voluntary donations at this curfew situation in the state where movements are restricted as per the national advice. Technical Support Unit team, with the available reports and data, developed a case for intervention of the officials, to facilitate maintenance of minimum required inventory of blood units at all Govt. blood banks across the state.

Health Camps

General Medical Camps organized Under National Backward Classes Finance & Development Corporation

Besides the above mentioned initiatives, as a COVID response team for providing care and support to pregnant women and their children, HLFPPT is supporting 76 districts in Bihar (all across 38 districts), Chhattisgarh and Odisha. The team focus on reaching out to expectant mothers to undergo HIV & TB screening during ANCs, build capacities of health service providers on PPTCT, follow-ups with HIV positive pregnant women, etc.

Food Support in Rajasthan

At the state level, HLFPPT team advocated RSACS for food provision of PLHIV under "Antyodaya Ann Yojna". In continuation CSC has advocated at district level with

Centers

“Ek Mutthi Anaaj” campaign to support the needs of community members in Punjab

During the lockdown situation and curfew in Punjab, while interacting with clients CSC team observed the grave concern about unavailability of food in families. No wages, no shops, no support and getting food for family is the basic amenity required by many of the clients. Hence CSC team Jalandhar initiated a campaign “Ek Mutthi Anaaj” and coordinated with local donors and received 90 packets of dry ration which were further distributed among needy clients. Department officials were also sensitized and quickly responded over discussion and 200 ration kits were provided at CSC-Jalandhar and in the same flow CSC-Patila 60 kits and CSC-Pathankot had also received 35 kits which where distributed to clients in keeping COVID-19 advisories.
benefit of members of Backward Classes living below double the poverty line through State Channelizing Agency and RRBs/PSBs.

Under the CSR activities, HLFPPPT is organizing two types of Medical Camps viz GMC (General Medical Camps) and SMC (School Medical Camps) on PAN India basis for the duration of two years (19-21) for NBC FDC.

Recently, In Silver Jubilee Expo organized at Pallakkad, Kerala; HLFPPPT has organized a free General Medical Camp. During the camp, various health specialists like General Physician, ENT Specialist, Ophthalmologist, and Gynaecologist with an on-the-spot facility to perform free Blood Pressure, Random Blood Sugar, Haemoglobin Test, Eyes Testing etc were available.

After the eye-testing, spectacles and other necessary medicines were also distributed to the beneficiaries. Since September 2019, total 09 General Medical Camps and 01 Transgender Health cum awareness camp organized with a total of 3433 OPDs, 38 ECGs and 670 RBS Tests and 432 OPDs & 53 RBS test were done respectively.

"Saathiya": a true friend of adolescent in Madhya Pradesh

National Health Mission (NHM) Madhya Pradesh has been given us mandate to SELECT, TRAIN and SUPERVISE around 700 Peer Educators (PEs) in the district of Barwani under Rashtriya Kishore Swasthya Karyakam (RKSJK), a program run by Ministry of Health and Family Welfare-Government of India. These trained PEs called “Saathiya”: ensure that adolescents benefits from regular and sustained peer education covering all six themes of SRH, Mental Health, Domestic Violence, Nutrition, Substance Abuse & NCDs. After training, each “Saathiya” have to form a group of 15-20 boys or girls from their community and conducts weekly one to two hour participatory sessions using PE kits.

As first step, our Project Team along with ASHA meets adolescents and facilitates selection of PEs from the villages. Here are some of the pics to make you informed.

Supporting Uttar Pradesh Health Department to curb the population by promoting Family Planning methods

HLFPPT is a trusted partner of National Health Mission Uttar Pradesh (NHM-UP) to provide Comprehensive Training on IUCD and PPIUCD to Health Service Providers (HSPs). These IUCD insertion is very useful device and mechanism to do proper spacing between two consecutive child births.

These spacing methods helps Mother and Child, both to live a healthy and good life. In addition to this, HLFPPPT has organised 5th day comprehensive IUCD training in the district of Lucknow (UP). Post training, certificate was

See a doctor if you feel unwell (fever, difficult breathing and cough.)
distributed by Dr. A.K. Srivastava, ACMO (Nodal Officer FP). During training sessions, total 16 insertions were done, in which 10 were IUCD and 06 was PPIUCD.

**Visits & Inauguration**

**VISIT**

Best Practices and Knowledge Sharing Visit by Dean AIIMS, Jodhpur at Centre of Excellence DEIC-Noida

“Truly Interesting Practice being done for Early Intervention under one roof. EXCELLENT”
- Dean AIIMS, Jodhpur

Visit of Hon’ble State Minister of Road & Transport General V. K. Singh at DEIC Stall in Swasth Mela, Noida

Manager, Sonitpur District. HLFPPT thanks him for kind visit and such encouragement.

To empower and sensitize the employee of Brandix India, Vishakhapatnam (a leading apparel manufacturing company) HLFPPT is proud partner to implement a project named “SPRUHA” towards HIV/AIDS, Hepatitis, Diabetes, and Anaemia etc since June 2019.

Under this project, Brandix poster was launched by Sh. Senthooran, General Manager (GM) of the presence of other important delegates and lead team (HLFPPT). After the IEC poster launch, an interactive session was also conducted with nearly 46 Operators and Technical Staff, by Sumathi (Training Provider).

**Poster launch under Brandix Project**

**Hon’ble Labour Welfare Minister, Govt. of Assam Visited HLFPPT stall**

On March 13th 2020, Shri Sanjoy Kishan, Hon’ble Minister of Labour Welfare and Tea Tribe, Government of Assam visited a special camp organised by HLFPPT Sonitpur MMUs. During his visit, he appreciated the quality services delivered by MMU team. He was accompanied by District Program

**HLFPPT is proud to host Hon’ble General VK Singh, Member of Parliament, State Minister of Road and Transport along with CMO Ghaziabad at our DEIC stall installed at Swathy Mela. In just two days, DEICTeam screened over 200 patients.**

**Days & Events**

**Awareness on National Tobacco Day**

National Health Mission (NHM) MP has given mandate to HLFPPT to train over 900 Peer Educators (village
adolescents) on Sexual Health, Non-Communicable Diseases (NCD), Mental Health, Substance Abuse and Gender Violence in district Barwani.

The Pulse Polio Campaign Support-Assam

With the target of "No One Left Behind" from necessary Polio Drops, HLFPT Assam Team had participated in Mission Indradhanush campaign to make it more successful. KERALA Mobile Medical Unit got awarded with "MADHURAM MALAYALAM" second time towards serving the Tribal Population.

Awards & Recognitions

COVID-19 Donation drive to support poor and marginalised communities

To support the families affected by COVID-19, HLFPT has initiated a donation drive to raise funds through crowdsourcing. These Funds will further be used for community and frontline workers who are serving millions of lives on a daily basis.

It is a mere fact that this new coronavirus has taken thousands of lives and spread to nearly every State of India. Your donation to this fund will support immediate and long-term relief and recovery in vulnerable communities during one of the most challenging times we have collectively faced. There are two kinds of help we would like to provide:

1. For Communities -
   a) Essential Surviving Kit- Atta, Rice, Daal, Biscuit, Oil, Salt, Masala, Bread, etc
   b) Community Protection Kit- Mask, Dettol, Detergent, Sanitary Pads, Hand Towel, Hand Sanitiser, Hand Soaps, etc

2. For Health workers:
   a) Health Worker Protection Kit- Health workers are more vulnerable towards Corona, as they visit and provide essential medical help to the targeted population. Hence, it is critical to support them with required protective gears when they move in the field. The Kit will include- Mask, PPE Kit, Hand Sanitiser, Soap, Dettol, Towel, Gloves etc

This project will benefit a marginalised population living in slums and other communities of UP and Delhi, initially. We are working Pan India, but at this time, most of the hotspot of CORONA will be served at this moment for immediate relief.
BRINGING HAPPINESS

The hospital maintained its normal function during the lockdown. The doctor & her team successfully delivered 10 child births within first two weeks of April. In general, they have a delivery load of 10, of which 70% are booked cases.

But, in the month of April & May they have an average delivery load of 12 and 90% cases are un-booked cases.

Project “Utkrisht” aims at reducing maternal mortality rate and infant mortality rate in state of Rajasthan. We also emphasise that every pregnant women should be benefitted when she delivers in a safe and secure environment at a private nursing home.

In this situation, our partner hospitals has extended their support to the community and provided 24*7 services to pregnant women. The doctor & her team were confident in managing patients during the pandemic.

They thanked team HLFPPT for timely support & hand holding. It is the determination of our doctor & many other such practitioners, who are providing their essential services for the well-being of patients. Their sincere effort makes them a real hero in this pandemic.

Enabling Hospitals against COVID-19

The Utkrisht project in Rajasthan is aimed to reduce maternal & neonatal mortality by improving quality of services in private nursing homes. Under this, we are working with more than 200 SHCOs. During COVID-19, we are providing training to hospital staff on IP protocols during COVID-19, OPD Management & patient care protocols, Proper usage & disposal of PPE, guiding them to establish screening points & isolation wards.
Our hospitals in Jaipur, adjacent to the containment zone have set an example of selfless service by the Doctor & staff. The hospitals have received most cases from the near by areas. Due to COVID-19 pandemic, other hospitals in the same area had restricted admission and were referring patients to government hospitals. This had increased patients’ dilemma especially for pregnant women. Other hospitals lacked sufficient awareness about precautions, disinfection and measures required for treating patients during the pandemic.

Our partner hospital also initially closed their operations including OPD & admissions, when the area was declared as containment zone. The nursing staff also could not come to the hospital due to fear of contacting infection. The doctor has her residence in the same building of Hospital. She being a gynaecologist and seeing the plight of pregnant women wanted to help them. But in absence of nursing staff, she felt helpless. She was not scared of getting infected & was determined to serve the community.

“ In the absence of nursing staff, she was supported by two interns (nursing) who were working part time in her hospital in non-clinical areas. She approached Team HLFPPT to train and educate her interns on infection control and COVID-19 preparedness through an online communicating media. We started their trainings on priority ”

The hospital underwent for MANYATA assessment in the same month. This was useful for the doctor as the housekeeping staff & the interns were aware about the standard operating procedure. The team was well trained on Manyata standards on Safe delivery & routine new born care.

Since there was shortage of PPE, Team HLFPPT guided them to make mask and gown at their hospital using green sheet available. We trained the staff on steps of wearing PPEs which will prevent staff and patient from getting infected and will make them work properly without fear. Every day bleaching solution is prepared to disinfect and clean materials.

The staff was trained on using proper PPE, hand hygiene protocols, social distancing norms in OPD areas and isolation protocols for COVID-19.
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