

To Executive Director of Sasakawa Health Foundation

Title of the Report	Monthly Progress Report
Name	Narsappa Vagavathali
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Reporting Period	February 2021

1. Report on activities of APAL State-Level Bodies and APAL Leaders

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- APAL's treasurer Mrs. Maya Ranaware with Maharashtra Kushtpindit Sanghatna met the District Collector of Solapur and submitted a memorandum for the new houses under Prantpradhan Gharkul Yojana
- The Maharashtra State Leader Meeting and Workshop were organized on 4th February 2021 at Hospitality Management Applied Training Centre, Dadar Catering College, Dadar, Mumbai.
- APAL with Maharashtra Kustpandit Sanghatna celebrated fortnight World Leprosy Day and Awareness on Leprosy in Mumbai at Maharashtra
- Mrs. Maya Ranaware, APAL's treasurer visited Pushpvihar Leprosy Colony at Dahisar, Mumbai, Maharashtra
- Mr. Venu Gopal, Vice president of APAL, and Mr. Girdhari Lal, President of RWATLC, Delhi visited Dr. Vivek Lal at SILF Office
- APAL's and Sam Uthan's members Mr. Kamalesh Chandra Lal, Mr. Ramvarai Sha, Mr. Brij Kishore, etc met with Dr. Sivaji Kumar, State Commissioner Disability and Director Social Welfare Department
- APAL associated with Society of Leprosy Affected Persons (SLAP) Telangana, Sakshyam Organization, and the Government of Telangana conducted Fortnight World Leprosy Day and Awareness Program on Leprosy
- APAL's Bihar (Sam Uthan) conducted Unique Disability Identity Card (UDID) camp
- 2021 In Motipur Leprosy Colony in Bihar Pakhwara World Leprosy Day was well celebrated by APAL's Bihar (SAM UTTHAN).

- APAL associated with SLAP Telangana and the Government of Telangana celebrated World Leprosy Day and conducted an Awareness Program on Leprosy
- APAL's Executive Committee Meeting held on 16th February 2021 at Hotel Kinara Grand, Vanasthalipuram, Hyderabad
- APAL visit New Jyothi Leprosy Colony at Bhimavaram in Andhra Pradesh
- APAL with SLAP AP visited Prema Nagar Leprosy Colony at Bobbili in Andhra Pradesh
- A two day State Leaders Meeting of Andhra Pradesh and Telangana was organized by APAL
- APAL associated with Tamil Nadu State Committee conducted State Leaders Meeting
- Mr. Venu Gopal along with Mr Prakasam! President, State Committee, TN, and Mr. A. Mohan met with Mrs. Padma Venkatraman at her residence in Chennai, TN.
- Mrs. Maya Ranvare Treasurer of APAL approached Government Medical Department by submitted a memorandum for COVID-19 tests to people affected by leprosy.
- Monitoring of regular work in the Hyderabad office for Administration of corresponding mails, finance, and social media.

In Santhi Nagar Leprosy Colony and Santosh Nagar Leprosy Colony Mrs. Roja & Mrs. Leela volunteers of APAL providing health care services

On the date of 1st February 2021 in Santhi Nagar Leprosy Colony and Santosh Nagar Leprosy Colony Mrs. Roja & Mrs. Leela volunteers of APAL providing health care services to people affected by leprosy for 4 months by health screening tests and refer to local PHC if suspicious cases

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Introduction: In this terrible COVID-19 crisis time the health promotion information is reaching some persons affected by leprosy but others are difficult to reach due to travel restrictions and illiteracy. Persons affected have specific and ongoing leprosy-related healthcare needs. If persons affected can reach health facilities, they face reductions in services, as facilities transition to exclusively treating COVID-19 patients.

In response to this upheaval, the Association of People Affected by Leprosy (APAL) decided to run a pilot project in the 25 leprosy colonies of 6 states, by volunteers who are active and well-trained youth living in the same leprosy colony. The volunteers are aware of the precautions of COVID-19 and do the health tests from 1st October 2020 by Oximeter and Temperature gun as like first aid to people affected by leprosy and their families also and refer to the near PHC.



All beneficiaries conveying thanks to APAL and SHF for providing health care services by screening tests in this crisis even.

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Have discussions regarding the insufficient supply of ulcer dressing materials, filling of 4 vacant dresser posts, and supply of MCR footwears with proper measurements. Suggested him to set up a production unit of footwears within the complex as all people affected by leprosy living at the same place. Also assured to provide a room to run the unit and to youth to send for cobbler training. SLO agreed with the suggestion and assured them to help to purchase equipment and micro rubber sheets through HKNS and from his pocket & later put an order for the supply of footwear as per Government policy. Also assured to send for training on behalf of the department. Asked to make own arrangements by own resource to meet the payments of leather etc.

Advised to meet with DLO and DHS, Delhi for a sufficient supply of ulcer dressing materials. He will also write to concerned officials and also do follow up.



APAL's treasurer Mrs. Maya Ranaware with Maharashtra Kushtpindit Sanghatna met the District Collector of Solapur and submitted a memorandum for the new houses under Prantpradhan Gharkul Yojana

On the date of 3rd February 2021 APAL's treasurer, Mrs. Maya Ranaware with Maharashtra Kushtpindit Sanghatna met the District Collector of Solapur and submitted a memorandum for the new houses under Prantpradhan Gharkul Yojana to people affected by leprosy who reside in the Pandharpur Leprosy Colony.

On behalf of people affected by leprosy convey our gratitude to the respected Collector for his positive response by given assurance to make sure after the survey.



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Following state leadership team as well as Covid-19 warriors (Youth) were present.

1. Mrs. Maya Ranavare
2. Mr. Rasul Mulla
3. Mr. Bhupal Firgane
4. Ms. Sapana Nirbhavane
5. Ms. Sonali Nirbhavane
6. Mr. Adhik Lade
7. Mr. Sabi Shaikh
8. Mr. Uday Thakar

9. Mrs. Pratibha Kathe

The meeting was conducted as per the attached program copy (Annexure1) under the Chairmanship of Mrs. Maya Ranavare, Treasurer, APAL.

Mrs. Maya Ranavare welcomed all the members and explained the day's program. Mr. Uday Thakar, Advisor, APAL, briefly explained the object of the meeting and requested the state leadership team and youth to share their activities in detail and participate actively in the discussion.

Maharashtra State Activities presented by Mr. Rasul Mulla, Mr. Bhupal Firgane, and Mrs. Maya Ranavare.

Maharashtra State Leader team shared the difficulties faced, during the Covid-19 pandemic & lockdown. Physical meetings were not possible in this period, but they established good communication through zoom meetings and phone calls. This helped to maintain the morale of the colony leaders & affected persons. During the pandemic Food distribution, Nutritional support, Government Ration schemes were implemented in all colonies with the help of local NGOs and Government authority.

In the initial period, medical services were not available to leprosy-affected persons, as all the staff was deputed for Covid-19 pandemic control. But with the help of local administration & medical service providers, the medical support service like a supply of dressing kit, medicines & other services were restored.

After relaxation in Lockdown, the state team started their work and organized the following activities up to January 2021.

- [Maharashtra State Activity-](#)

1. The team visited Miraj, Amaravati, Kolhapur, Nashik & Ratnagiri colonies for follow-up work & had a meeting with District Magistrate & Municipal Commissioners.
2. In Ratnagiri kitchen utensils and gas distribution under the 'Ujwala' Government scheme was organized. 35 families received the benefit.
3. Ration & Food was provided regularly to laborers, who were stuck-up and could not go to their original place. This was done with the support from Government & Municipal Corporations.
4. Meeting with Mayor of Solapur & Pune to discuss the enhancement of maintenance allowance provided by Municipal corporations.
5. Due to the flood, 18 families from Pandharpur colony, District Solapur, were badly affected. Leprosy-affected persons, Maharashtra Kushtapidit Sanghatana & APAL collectively raised the funds of 45,000/- & distributed them to 18 families of Pandharpur colony. This is a very unique example, where leprosy-affected persons took initiatives & contributed from their sources & helped colony people.
6. In Kolhapur, 21 affected persons had a problem with biometric thumb impression & could not get ration under the Government scheme. This issue was discussed in the district Planning Committee Meeting. Collector has passed an order to supply ration to these affected persons regularly.
7. In collaboration with SILF & Bajaj Foundation rehabilitation program was initiated in 9 colonies. In the first stage, 108 people were selected. Financial assistance up to rs.40, 000/- was provided to selected persons to start their small livelihood project.
8. SILF & Bajaj Foundation were running a joint project to rehabilitate leprosy-affected persons in the colonies. The regional office of the project was inaugurated online at Nashik in December 2020

9. 10 bedded referral hospital was constructed in Kalyan Leprosy Colony, which was inaugurated by Dr. Suryavanshi, Commissioner, Kalyan- Dombiwali Municipal Corporation.

- [Maharashtra State Leader Team has now started working on the following issues.](#)
 1. To regularize the unauthorized slums in the Pushpavihar Colony, Borivali, Mumbai.
 2. To get an allotment of newly constructed houses in the colony of Pandharpur.
 3. In Mumbai affected persons were getting the support of Rs.800/- under “Sanjay Gandhi Niradhar Yojana” instead of 1000/- declared & approved by the Government. A meeting with the divisional commissioner to discuss this issue was organized.
- [Covid-19 Activity presented by Covid Warriors Ms. Sapna, Ms. Snehal and Mr. Adhik.](#)

Covid-19 warriors from Miraj, Sangali, Nashik were present in the meeting and shared their activities & experiences while organizing the Covid-19 project of APAL in the colonies. They reported the following points.

1. They have conducted screening camps in the colonies, as per the guidelines, regularly.
2. Awareness meetings on Covid-19 were organized in the colonies with support from the local medical team of the corporation. They explained, sign & symptoms of Covid-19, the importance of face mask, washing hands regularly and safe distancing. Covid-19 warriors also highlighted the importance of environment conservation and cleanliness in & around the colony.
3. Distributed face mask to colony inmates.
4. Local NGOs supported the screening camp activity in the colonies.
5. In the Miraj colony, 60 Covid-19 patients were detected. They were sent to Government Civil Hospital. With proper treatment & care, all were discharged from the hospital and came back safely to the colony. These 60 patients were supported with the nutritional diet for 45 days by the local NGO “Sadguru Seva Sanstha”.
6. In Nashik, local corporator, coordinated with Municipal Health services, and screening activity was conducted twice a month.
7. All the colonies are now getting dressing material to treat chronic ulcer patients.
8. All colony leaders, people & the Government system wholeheartedly supported these activities & it has helped the Covid-19 warriors to reach out to colony members as well as the other population in & around the colony.

- [FCRA Amendment](#)

Mr. Uday Thakar presented the amendments made in the FCRA Act for the understanding of the state leader team & Covid warriors.

The key amendments to the 2010 Act are as follows

- a. Prohibition to accept foreign contribution
- b. Transfer of foreign contribution is disallowed.
- c. Reduction on use of foreign contribution for administrative purpose limit 20%
- d. Adhaar for registration is mandatory

- e. Designated FCRA account in State Bank of India, New Delhi
- f. Restriction in the utilization of foreign contribution
- g. Suspension of registration
- h. Renewal of registration
- i. Surrender of certificate
- j. Foreign Contribution received exciding 1,00,000 per annum should be informed to FCRA Division by individuals.

As a foreign contribution to Indian non-profits, how will this Act impact my contributions?

a. Foreign contributors (FCs) will have to ensure, either by diligence or by obtaining adequate warranties from the recipient entities that such non-profit partners do not have any 'public servant' on their governing board, which would make them ineligible to receive foreign contribution.

b. FCs will have to ensure their funds are not further distributed by the recipient entity by incorporating necessary restrictions in the terms of the grant.

c. FCs will have to ensure that the 20% cap on administrative expenses is marked in the budget/purpose of utilization shared by the recipients.

d. FCs will need to be cognizant of the validity of the FCRA certificate of their recipient organizations.

e. FCs, in case of a collaboration, will need to enter into separate grant agreements with each of their non-profits partners rather than through one anchor FCRA – registered non-profit which would further sub-grant it to other non-profits.

- [RPWD Act](#)

Mr. Uday Thakar explained briefly the provisions of the RPWD Act with power point presentation. He focused on the following points.

- ◆ Definition
- ◆ Rights
- ◆ Duties
- ◆ Disability Commissioner-Central / State
- ◆ Central / State Committee
- ◆ District Committee
- ◆ Designated Districts Courts
- ◆ Reservation in-employment, Land, Allotment, Housing
- ◆ Central / State Grant Fund
- ◆ Special / Separate employment exchange
 - ◆ Compliant –redressal cell

In conclusion, he said that" the Government has amended this Act to suit the UN CRPD provisions. The effective implementation of this Act is necessary to get positive results. So we must make aware disable persons about these provisions & support Government in its effective implementation. He added that now leprosy is included in the total disability Act. We have to work along with all other disabled organizations to get the benefits of this Act.

During the question-answer session, a question was raised. Are children of leprosy-affected persons covered under this Act? Mr.Uday Thakar replied that no such special provision is available for the children of affected persons. This Act will support only disable persons of all categories where children or spouse (normal)0 are not included.

In the end, Mr. Rasul Mulla proposed the vote of thanks & the meeting was concluded.

Annexure I

Association of People Affected By Leprosy

Workshop on RPWD Act & FCRA Amendment Act

Date: 4th February 2021

Venue: Hospitality Management Applied Training Centre, Dadar, Mumbai

Programme copy


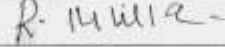


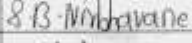
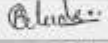

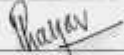
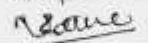
Time	Subject	Name of the Speaker
09.45 am to 10.00 am	Welcome	Mrs.Maya Ranavare
10.00 am to 10.20am	Objective of Meeting	Mr.U.H.Thakar
10.20am to 11.15am	Maharashtra State Activity	Mr.Rasul Mulla
11.15am to 12.15 noon	Covid 19 Activity	Mrs.Sapana & Mrs.Sonali Nirbhavane
12.15 noon to 12.30pm	Tea Break	
12.30pm to 01.45pm	FCRA Amendment	Mr.Uday Thakar
01.45pm to 02.15pm	Questions and Answers	
02.15pm to 03.15pm	Lunch	
03.15pm to 04.30pm	RPWD Act	Mr. Uday Thakar
04.30pm to 05.00pm	Open Session	
05.00pm to 05.30pm	Questions & Answers	
05.30pm to 06.00pm	Concluding	
06.00pm to 06.30pm	Tea & Snacks	

Annexure-II

**Association of People Affected By Leprosy
Maharashtra State Leader Meeting &
Workshop on RPWD Act & FCRA Amendment Act**

Date :- 4th February 2021

Venue :- HMA Training Centre

No	Name of the Person	Signature
1	Mrs. Maya Ranavare	
2	Mr. Rasul Mulla	
3	Mr. Bhupal Fergane	
4	Mrs. Sapana Nirbhavane	
5	Mrs. Sonali Nirbhavane	
6	Mr. Sunil Lade Adhik	
7	Mr. Shakti Shaikh Sati	
8	Mr. U.H. Thakar	
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Annexure III

Glimpses of Maharashtra State Leader meeting & Workshop on RPWD Act & FCRA Amendment Act



APAL with Maharashtra Kustpandit Sanghatna celebrated fortnight World Leprosy Day and Awareness on Leprosy in Mumbai at Maharashtra

On the date of 7th February, 2021 APAL with Maharashtra Kustpandit Sanghatna celebrated fortnight World Leprosy Day and Awareness on Leprosy in Mumbai at Maharashtra. 70 people affected by leprosy and their families participate

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Mrs. Maya Ranaware, APAL's treasurer visited Pushpvihar Leprosy Colony at Dahisar, Mumbai, Maharashtra

On the date of 8th February 2021 Mrs. Maya Ranaware, APAL's treasurer visited Pushpvihar Leprosy Colony at Dahisar, Mumbai, Maharashtra, and discussed with colony women the status of Social Entitlements from the Government and health issues



Mr. Venu Gopal, Vice president of APAL, and Mr. Girdhari Lal, President of RWATLC, Delhi visited Dr. Vivek Lal at SILF Office

On the date of 8th February 2021 Mr. Venu Gopal, Vice president of APAL, and Mr. Girdhari Lal, President of RWATLC, Delhi visited Dr. Vivek Lal at SILF Office to greet him on behalf of APAL; Later have discussions on working together at the grassroots level, proper and regular communication between APAL and SILF, cooperation and information of activities, etc. It's also decided to have an early meeting of APAL and SILF to discuss and finalize the execution of programs for the empowerment of people affected by leprosy and their families



APAL's and Sam Uthan's members Mr. Kamalesh Chandra Lal, Mr. Ramvarai Sha, Mr. Brij Kishore, etc met with Dr. Sivaji Kumar, State Commissioner Disability and Director Social Welfare Department

On the date of 9th February 2021 APAL's and Sam Uthan's members Mr. Kamalesh Chandra Lal, Mr. Ramvarai Sha, Mr. Brij Kishore, etc met with Dr. Sivaji Kumar, State Commissioner Disability and Director Social Welfare Department and requested by submitted a memorandum to continue Bihar Shatabdi Kushth Kalyan Yojana and also to increase the amount.

Many thanks to Dr. Sivaji Kumar for his positive response and assurance, also, his great humanity and responsibility to people affected by leprosy and their families



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APAL's Bihar (Sam Uthan) conducted Unique Disability Identity Card (UDID) camp

On the date of 11th February, 2021 APAL's Bihar (Sam Uthan) conducted Unique Disability Identity Card (UDID) camp for the people affected by leprosy in Chauradano Block East Champaran at Bihar



2021 In Motipur Leprosy Colony in Bihar Pakhwara World Leprosy Day was well celebrated by APAL's Bihar (SAM UTTHAN).

On the date of 12th February 2021 In Motipur Leprosy Colony in Bihar Pakhwara World Leprosy Day was well celebrated by APAL's Bihar (SAM UTTHAN).

On the occasion district Leprosy staff Mr. Arun Kumar, Mr. Mukund Kumar, Mr. Ramnarayan Kunwar, and from Motipur block Mr. Prawin Kumar, Mr. Ram Kishor Rai participated.

Mr. Kamalesh Chandra Lal Board member of APAL addressed the participants and advise people affected by leprosy to overcome the inferiority complex and have faith within that nothing is impossible. Also, he said that many people with disabilities like Mr. Astawakra, Amjad Khan, Mr. RavindraJain, Mrs. Sudhachandran have done wonders in their lives even if physically they were weaker but mentally they made themselves stronger and got great success. So, we must make up our minds stronger to have great and grand glory and success.

APAL BIHAR President Mr. Someshwar Dube said that should follow respected Mr. Yohei Sasakawa's words that "Not to be a bigger rather try to be a giver".

After that, Medical Department distributed Self-Care kits, MCR footwear to all needy.

From the BDO side, Mrs. Punam Gupta Motipur Pramukh participated and distributed 40 blankets.



APAL associated with SLAP Telangana and the Government of Telangana celebrated World Leprosy Day and conducted an Awareness Program on Leprosy

On the date of 13th February, 2021 APAL associated with SLAP Telangana and the Government of Telangana celebrated World Leprosy Day and conducted an Awareness Program on Leprosy in the Santosh Nagar Leprosy Colony at Hyderabad, Telangana



APAL's Executive Committee Meeting held on 16th February 2021 at Hotel Kinara Grand, Vanasthalipuram, Hyderabad

On the date of 16th February, 2021 APAL's Executive Committee Meeting held on 16th February 2021 at Hotel Kinara Grand, Vanasthalipuram, Hyderabad, and discussed future activities

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The Following members were present.

1. Mr. V. Narsappa
2. Mr. Venu Gopal
3. Mrs. Maya Ranaware
4. Mrs. Nevis Mary
5. Mr. Jawahar Paswan
6. Mr. Prabhakar Sahoo
7. Mr. Prakash

The meeting was presided over by Mr. V. Narsappa, President, APAL.

The following agenda was discussed.

Agenda 1. To approve the minutes of the last Executive Committee Meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting were read out by Mr. Venu Gopal . It was discussed in detail & approved unanimously.

Agenda 2. To give update on FCRA rules

Mr. Uday Thakar briefly explained the amendments introduced by Central Government in FCRA rules. He added that, the changes will have direct impact on working of APAL. He highlighted following amendments to the FCRA Act .

The Key amendments to the 2010 Act are as follows

- k. If any public servant is on the managing committee or Board of trustee of the organization, such organizations will be Prohibited to accept foreign contribution
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- r. Renewal of registration
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- t. Foreign Contribution received exciding 1,00,000 per annum should be informed to FCRA Division by individuals.

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Agenda 3. To open Bank Account in SBI, New Delhi Branch, as per Home Department notification

The subject was discussed in detail. It is decided to open saving bank account in State Bank of India, New Delhi Branch. The following resolutions were approved unanimously.

Please add Bank resolutions below

Agenda 4. To give up dates on

1. **FCRA** : The subject was discussed & covered in agenda no 2.
2. **12 A & }**
3. **80G** } Mr. uday Thakar informed that, Government of India has extended the time upto 30 June 2021 to submit all documents online for renewal of 12A & 80G certificate under Income Tax Act.
4. **Project Extension:** Mr. Venu Gopal and Mr. Uday Thakar informed that, the Sasakawa Health Foundation has extended the project period by 4 months & now it will be completed by 31st July2021.

During this period APAL has to complete all the commitments as per budget provisions. It is further informed that, all the bills & vouchers for expenses should reach Hyderabad office by 15th April 2021. Accounts will be completed & get audited as soon as possible. Budget for the period 1 Aug 2021 to 31 March 2022 must be submitted to SHF by 31 May 2021.

During the discussion it was suggested by members that, responsibility should be assigned to interested committee members, who will take the initiative and complete the project before 31st July2021

5. To update on CSR fundraising agreement.

Mr. V. Narsappa and Mr. Venu Gopal informed to the meeting that, APAL has entered into an agreement with fiinnovation. The company has promised to raise funds up to Rs.25, 00,000/- under CSR project. The team is working on POD proposal to be initiated in selected states. APAL is waiting for final proposal from fiinnovation.

Agenda 5. Any other business with permission of the Chair.

Aatmanman Project: Sasakawa Health Foundation has supported this project from Jharkhand . It was learned that, during Covid period SHF has supported *Aatmanman* project from Jharkhand. They have provided financial assistance to for the students and to affected persons to start income generation activities & POD programme. The subject was discussed in detail. All committee members were of the opinion that,

1. It would have been better if SHF has discussed the project with APAL before sanctioning.
2. The programmes which were supported by SHF in Jharkhand were proposed earlier by APAL but denied by SHF.
3. If such activities were supported by SHF in different states, the working of APAL will have direct set back & it will be difficult to coordinate state activities. It was decided that, a simple mail should be written to SHF to express the concern of APAL on the said issue.

As there was no other business to be transacted the meeting was concluded by proposing vote of thanks to the chair.

APAL visit New Jyothi Leprosy Colony at Bhimavaram in Andhra Pradesh

On the date of 18th February 2021 APAL visit New Jyothi Leprosy Colony at Bhimavaram in Andhra Pradesh, interacted with colony leaders and inmates who are affected by leprosy and their families who reside in the colony

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A two day State Leaders Meeting of Andhra Pradesh and Telangana was organized by APAL

A two-day State Leaders Meeting of Andhra Pradesh and Telangana was organized by APAL on 19th and 20th, February, 21 under the Chairmanship of Mr. Narsappa at Hotel Dwaraka Inn, Visakhapatnam.

12 members of both states participated.

Telangana:

1. Mr. Ramesh- Hyderabad
2. Mr. Rajaiah - Tanugula, Tammigunta

Andhra Pradesh:

1. Mr. Nageswar Rao - Bunni Nagar, Guntur
2. Mr. Sailu - Done, Kurnool
3. Mr. Krishna Reddy - Ananthpuram
4. Mr. Prakash - Bhimavaram
5. Mrs. Prabhavathamma- Bobbili
6. Ms. Deepika - Bobbili
7. Mrs. Suguna - Bobbili
8. Mr. Papaiah - Gopalapuam
9. Mr. Tata Rao - Gopalapuam
10. Mr. Duryodhana - Gopalapuam
11. Mr. Suryanarayana - Gopalapuam

APAL Members:

1. Mr. Narsappa - Hyderabad
2. Mr. Venu Gopal - Delhi



19th, February,21

The Participant State Leaders of Andhra Pradesh explained in detail the problems faced by the people of all colonies during the Covid-19 pandemic and how they tried to manage to arrange food grains. During a pandemic, they stayed at home. They approached different donors and NGOs for support. Due to the non-comparison of thumb impression, the people unable to obtain pension and food grains from the government. The leaders approached by communicating on phone in different districts and succeeded to get special orders for the release of pension and supply of food grains. Also succeeded in the supply of MCR footwear in 15 colonies. During the Covid-19 pandemic, local donors and NGOs helped with daily food after an appeal on TV. The local donors also provided clothes and blankets in some Colonies. Told that they were unable to continue the ongoing programs due to travel restrictions. Some people were affected with Corona and they took care of treatment. Rising Star, SILF, and Brighter Future also helped them with food grains and cash. They faced problems with ulcer dressing materials APAL helped to arrange the materials by telephonic contacting SLO and DLOs. The Covid-19 Awareness Program run by APAL going well and helping to aware people.

The Telangana State Leaders explained the problems the colony people faced during the Covid-19 pandemic. They talked with Health Minister for support. He helped to get the Government's support regularly during the pandemic. They were unable to go out due to restrictions during the pandemic period. Local donors helped by giving dry ration and prepared food. The Government also provided additional ration during the pandemic. The Government provided financial support to the flood-affected colonies. We also organized Covid-19 Awareness Programs in collaboration with the Health department and APAL. Facing problems to get Handicapped certificates to apply for UDID cards and pension.

During the interaction, the following issues were identified.

- 1 Land - Bobbili Colony, Jammi Gunta colony, Munni Nagar, Macherla
- 2 Irregular supply of ulcer dressing materials
- 3 H C Certificates 4 UDID Cards 5MCR footwears with proper measurements 6 Loans for work 7 Children education

20th, February, 21

APAL members Mr. Narsappa and Mr. Venu Gopal explained in detail the revised provisions of the FCRA Act and 80G. Mr. Venu Gopal informed that as per the rules there is no possibility to give advances. The administrative expenses are reduced from 50%to 20% & office expenses, travel expenses, food,perdiem, salaries, meeting expenses, stationery, printing, postage, Communication, audit fee, etc included as administrative costs. The new rules imposed strict directives on auditors also.

Explained about the other provisions like the opening of the bank account in Delhi, unexpected inspections of accounts by the Government, no rights to transfer amounts to

any individual or organization, entrusting rights to board members, allowing for visible outcome activities for a direct benefit for the people, etc. In case of violation of any rules the FCRA ACT, the registration will be canceled.

So, it becomes very necessary to follow the changes by changing working methodology and to choose limited visible outcome-oriented programs to maintain the registration of FCRA to get funds from Sasakawa Health Foundation and to continue the work for the empowerment of our people.

It also informed about 80G which requires visible outcome-oriented programs.

APAL associated with Tamil Nadu State Committee conducted State Leaders Meeting

On the date of 21st&22rd February, 2021 APAL associated with Tamil Nadu State Committee conducted State Leaders Meeting at Balaramapuram Leprosy Colony, Villivakam in Tamil Nadu.

Attendees list:

1. Mr. Praksham - Villivakam Chennai
2. Mr. Perumal - Venkatapuram, Chengalpattu
3. Mr. Krishna Murthy- Kumaramangalam-Ulunderpet
4. Mr. Rajendiran - Vadathorasalur, Kallakurchi
5. Mrs. Gomathy - Chengalpattu
6. Mr. Chandran - Tiruvettor- Chennai
7. Mr. Rajee - Pudu Nagar- Kanchipuram
8. Mr. Yoga Rajan - Venkatapuram- Chengalpattu
9. Mrs. Saroja - Villivakam
10. Mrs. Meena - Tiruvathyur

APAL Members:

1. Mr. Narsappa - President
2. Mr. Venu Gopal - Vice President

Interpreter:

1. Mr. Mohan



21st, February 2021

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During the interaction, the following issues were identified.

1. Need higher education support to youth students
2. Travel support to submit a memorandum to the Government authorities
3. Support for local fundraising

22nd, February, 21

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On 23rd, February, 21 Mr. Venu Gopal along with Mr. Prakasam! President, State Committee, TN, and Mr. A. Mohan met with Mrs. Padma Venkatraman at her residence in Chennai, TN.

We had discussions about the issues and problems faced by our Colony people in all states during the Covid-19 pandemic and support extended by NGOs, local donors for survival. Also had discussions about the impact of a pandemic on our IGP Programs and children's education. I thanked her and Raising Star for their generous support to our people at National Level.



Later discussed FCRA Act amendments and their impact upon the NGOs programs implementation. She told that Rising Star is also facing problems to work. It can't do any constructions or development activities. Maintaining only educational support.

I also explained to her about the problems due to the restrictions imposed in the revised rules of the FCRA Act. APAL can't pay advances for traveling and per diem etc to state Committees to work as before. Government stress is for direct benefit to people but not allowing to pay to the field workers except the involvement during the particular direct benefit. I proposed for joint ventures of APAL and Rising Star so that away may be created for payments to go to the field.

She replied that an MoU is already existing among both but hadn't got much from APAL. We are working together with some leaders.

Anyway, let us wait till the end of March to know the final amendments to think. I told her we will also try to draft some proposals in this direction.

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On the date of 24th February 2021, Mrs. Maya Ranvare Treasurer of APAL approached Government Medical Department by submitted a memorandum for COVID-19 tests to people affected by leprosy.

After that, The Government accepted and doing Swab tests every month at Swadhar Nagar, Shendapark, Kolhapur in Maharashtra
On behalf of people affected by leprosy we thanks the Government of Maharashtra Medical Department for its great responsibility



Report on activities of the Indian Central Government and States/UTs related to leprosy control that you have learned about while conducting duties as APAL President Mr. Narsappa.

In January 2021 there is no activity in Central/ State Government programs.

a. Key findings which are important for SHF work

- a. To be Concentrated Advocacy on RPWD Act and Supreme Court should be expanded to some more states.
- b. APAL to organizing more coordinated activities with other disabled sectors like DPI & NCPEDP.
- c. The regular meeting of youth leader & women empowerment programs should be budgeted and organized.
- d. To form women empowerment among colony women

b. Difficulties/Challenges you faced during the period

Difficulties: Some travel restriction is still going on in India due to lack of travel vehicles.

Challenges:

- We are continuing our office work because of India Ministry of Home Affairs released new guidelines that allow the opening of Private Offices, malls, restaurants, and religious places in all areas
- We are continuing COVID-19 Awareness Pilot Project and continue 4th month of screening tests
- COVID-19 vaccination is going on in India only for health workers and medical workers
- Regional state leaders meetings are going on well
- Participated in a webinar on Career Counselling on 19th February 2021 at noon. Career selection for students is a major challenge, especially for youth from affected families due to limited knowledge and lack of awareness among the colonies. Sometimes career decision-making and preparation become critical for youth, and they need our intervention.
- Mostly using social media platforms and updating activities on the APAL India website

V. Narsappa