

SASAKAWA HEALTH FOUNDATION

Monthly Progress Report

To Executive Director of Sasakawa Health Foundation

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

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- Participated in Global consultation with National Leprosy Programme managers, partners and affected persons on Global Leprosy Strategy 2021–2030', which will take place on 27, 28, 29 & 30 October 2020
- Monitoring of regular work in the Hyderabad office for Administration of corresponding mails, finance, and social media.

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Introduction: Persons affected Leprosy are facing difficulty obtaining basic goods, especially food, clean water, and soap, masks which are critical to fighting COVID-19 infection. Lost livelihoods and travel restrictions have made it difficult to obtain food for many persons affected, and many communities of persons affected have not had access to clean water. The Government and local NGOs are supported some food grains, soaps and masks to the people affected by leprosy those who are residing in the leprosy colonies. In most states our APAL leaders represented and supported food aid and other key social protection services also.



In response to this upheaval, the Association of People Affected by Leprosy APAL associated with Inner Wheel Club distributed food grains and blankets to 112 families of people affected by leprosy in Swadhar Nagar Leprosy Colony Kolhapur, Maharashtra.

APAL and all beneficiaries conveying thanks to Inner Wheel Club of Chennai for their great humanity in this crisis even and also help of the APAL's treasurer Mrs. Maya Prakash Ranaware.

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The awareness program was inaugurated by colony head Mr. Sarang. The state leader and 2 Para-medical nurses and all colony inmates are attended and test to people affected by leprosy.

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The guest explained about updates of Coronavirus and precautions, he has given assurance to people affected by leprosy that "I reserved hospital beds and ventilators to people affected, so don't worry about treatment and don't feel self-stigma. Mrs. Maya explained the importance of the COVID-19 Awareness Project. The Volunteer Mrs. Shila said that I will use my full strength in my work to test people's health status. 35 people affected by leprosy are attended in this program



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In this initiation program, the unveiling of the instruments has taken place by our respected councilor Mrs. Vidyavathi Vijender Reddy, APMO Mr. Narsimha Reddy, APAL president Mr. V. Narsappa, and Colony President Mr. Samuel and the Project Volunteers Mrs. Roja & Mrs. Leela. Mr. V. Narsappa explained to the congregation about the COVID-19 Awareness Program and the speech was continued by APMO who has well explained the awareness and the safety measures to be taken against COVID-19. Later our councilor Mrs. Vidyavathi Vijender Reddy congratulated the efforts made by APAL for a good cause and wished us good luck in the implementation of the project. The volunteers said that we are very excited to take part in this project. Hope we make a grand record in the work.

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The president of the Colony inaugurated the program and all inmates are participated and convey their gratitude to the volunteers and also APAL. Ms. Meharunnisha explained the awareness project and the importance of health checkups.

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The volunteers of APAL Mr. Vijay Kumar started COVID-19 Awareness Program in the Mahathma Gandhi Leprosy Colony.

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This program inaugurated by MLA Shri Jagdish Bhai Panchal. The colony leaders and all inmates have participated. Mr. Vijay Kumar pointed out about the importance of health checkups and awareness of precations of COVID-19. On this occasion, The MLA said that "I always definitely do support to people affected by leprosy, what I can do".

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Mr. Veñu Gopal Vice President, APAL, Mrs. Parvati, President, State Committee, Mr. Sarang, Mrs. Sarita, Mr, Raju, State Leaders Mr. Bharat, APAL Volunteer, and all inmates have participated



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The screening work started by the colony nurses respected Ms.Pamu Barde and Ms. Sonu. The colony people convey thanks to the nurses, Vijay Virley, and APAL for their useful service to the people affected by leprosy even in this terrible COVID-19 pandemic.

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The volunteers explained the importance of health screening tests to the people affected by leprosy.

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The program inaugurated by the head of the colony Mr. Kanchan and all inmates are attended. Ms. Rekha explained about the importance of health screening tests.

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Chief Guest- Subarav Dhongade (colony Adhyaksh) Health Department- Shital Khedkar In the presence c of Colony Animator - Varsha.

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Mr. Anil Tirkey explained the importance to know the precaution of COVID-19 and said that I need your cooperation to do the screening test and tests not only for the people affected by leprosy but also for their families who reside in the Nirmala Leprosy Colony.

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Introduction: Persons affected Leprosy are facing difficulty obtaining basic goods, especially food due to the heavy flood in the Telangana. Flood water came in to their middle of houses. Luckily no human loss in the colony but their normal life is disrupted. The communication links and infrastructure such as power connections roads are damaged and disrupted and earning activities come to a standstill.



Nagar Leprosy Colony at Telangana.

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On the date of 24th October 2020, In the state of Gujarath APAL's volunteers started the COVID-19 awareness program and found many suspicious cases; approached to local Government. In association with the Government health workers tested all people affected by leprosy and their families in the Mahatma Gandhi Leprosy Colony, Gujarat. Many people are diagnosed with COVID-19 and started the treatment immediately



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On the date of 27th October 2020, Association of People Affected by Leprosy (APAL) and the volunteer of APAL Mr. Vijay Patil with Varsha started COVID-19 AWARENESS PROGRAM in Lokmata Indira Gandhi Nagar, Amravati, Maharashtra; from the Health Department, Ms. Panchale attended



In Andhra Pradesh APAL and APAL's volunteer Mr. Ravi Kumar Naik started the COVID-19 awareness Program in the Aadarsh Nagar Leprosy Colony at Kurnool, Andhra Pradesh

On the date of 28th October 2020, In Andhra Pradesh APAL and APAL's volunteer Mr. Ravi Kumar Naik started the COVID-19 awareness Program in the Aadarsh Nagar Leprosy Colony at Kurnool, Andhra Pradesh. The guests are DLO. Mr. Chandra Rao, Physiotherapist Mr. Manohar, DPMO Mr. Subramanyam, Health Secretary Mrs. Sunitha are attended



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APAL associated with SILF distributed food grains to 50 people affected by leprosy those who are infected by COVID-19 in Gandhi Leprosy Sewa Sangh at Ahmedabad, Gujarat.

On the date of 30th October 2020, APAL associated with SILF distributed food grains to 50 people affected by leprosy those who are infected by COVID-19 in Gandhi Leprosy Sewa Sangh at Ahmedabad, Gujarat.

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APAL and volunteer of APAL Mr. Dilip Kumar started COVID-19 awareness program and health screening tests for people affected by leprosy in Bunny Nagar Leprosy Colony Chengiskhan Pet Guntur District, Andhra Pradesh

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The Program inaugurated by the Government Medical officer. Staff Nurse, Asha workers, colony president, and Colony inmates are attended.

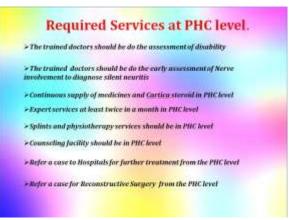


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Disability care: The session is on Day 2, 28 October 2020 from 11:20 –11:40hrs APAL to made a presentation on the topic

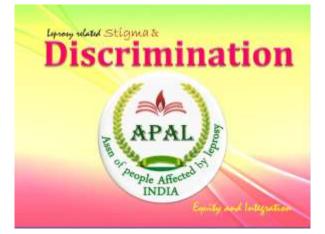




Pesented points

- 1. Required Services at PHC level
- 2. Prevention of Disability
- 3. Re-Constructive Surgery

Stigma and Discrimination: The session is on Day 4, 30 October 2020 from 10:25 – 10:40hrs APAL to made a presentation on the topic



Pesented points

- 1. Terminology
- 2. Gender
- 3. Employment
- 4. Social Discrimination
- 5. Legal Discrimination
- 6. Guidelines

Social Discrimination • The stigma start from the our own houses, hospitals and continued all places until burial ground also • The Stigma reduces access to sanitation, housing, work and education and impairs the social relationships

Reduces opportunities of our self employment and employment due to our visible deformity its effected to our families undermining social and physical safety.

Want to enjoy our civic, political, social and cultural rights and to participate in decision-making.

Might NGOs had experiences to wiped our tears but we always expecting to know the reason behind our tears also

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 October 2020 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: The people affected by leprosy are also recently afflicted from sickness by COVID-19 positive. The affected people are already facing problems with less immunity and poverty. In October 2020 people are impacted by floods in Telangana **Challenges:**

- We started office work because of India Ministry of Home Affairs released new guidelines called "Unlock 1.0" that allow the opening of Private Offices, malls, restaurants, and religious places in all areas
- We are started to inaugurated COVID-19 Awareness Pilot Project
- Mostly using social media platforms and updating activities in the APAL India website
- Recently we published first edition Newsletter

V. Narsappa