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APAL (Association of People Affected by Leprosy) in partnership with the Government of Meghalaya conducted the Fortnight World Leprosy Day program

On 2nd February 2024, APAL (Association of People Affected by Leprosy) in partnership with the Government of Meghalaya conducted the Fortnight World Leprosy Day program. The program was designed to increase awareness about leprosy while acknowledging the contributions of leprosy champions and the medical department. The program also involved the presentation of scarfs to honour the authorities such as MD SLO MI DHS and other MDs of Meghalaya.

During the program, APAL's Joint Secretary, Mr. Ramavarai Sah, visited the leprosy colonies and provided an overview of the organization's services. The aim was to create awareness among the leprosy-affected people and to emphasize the need for their holistic development. The visit helped the organization to establish a direct connection with the community and understand their specific needs. The initiative was well-received by the community, and APAL's efforts were appreciated by all stakeholders.

The program successfully spread awareness of leprosy, an important public health issue. The recognition of leprosy champions and the medical department acknowledge their significant contributions to the cause.

In conclusion, APAL's Fortnight World Leprosy Day program in Meghalaya raises awareness of leprosy and recognizes the dedication of those involved in the fight against the disease.



The efforts of APAL's State Committee in Odisha, the inauguration of pucca houses in Lingaraj Leprosy Colony, Bhubaneswar, Odisha

On 3rd February 2024, The efforts of APAL's State Committee in Odisha, the inauguration of pucca houses in Lingaraj Leprosy Colony, Bhubaneswar, Odisha, by the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Odisha, Sri Naveen Patnaik, is a positive step towards providing better living conditions for the residents. The inclusion of basic facilities such as a kitchen, dressing room, bedroom, dining hall, lavatory, and bathroom is crucial for improving the overall quality of life for the people in the colony.

The availability of a ramp facility is also a commendable addition, as it ensures accessibility for individuals with mobility challenges. This initiative reflects a commitment to creating inclusive and sustainable housing solutions, contributing to the well-being and dignity of the residents.

It's heartening to see government efforts aimed at improving the living standards of communities, especially in areas that may have faced challenges in the past. Such initiatives play a vital role in addressing social issues and promoting a more equitable and inclusive society.



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On 3rd February 2024, The initiatives that aim to provide support and accommodation for the healthy children of leprosy patients, such as the Leprosy Ashram Bindova, warrant appreciation. Additionally, the collaboration between APAL's state committee in Uttar Pradesh, Seva Samarpan Sansthan and Hindustan Petroleum to create accommodation facilities equipped with 10 cameras is commendable.

The provision of vocational training in candle-making, incense sticks, and other skills is a positive step towards empowering individuals who may be suffering from leprosy or disabilities. This kind of training has the potential to contribute to their economic independence and overall well-being.

Initiatives such as these play a significant role in creating a supportive environment for individuals affected by leprosy and their families.



The Association of People Affected by Leprosy (APAL) state committee in West Bengal conducted an event on Fortnight World Leprosy Day

On 6th February 2024, The Association of People Affected by Leprosy (APAL) state committee in West Bengal conducted an event on Fortnight World Leprosy Day at the Manipur Leprosy Rehabilitation Center in Manipur, West Bengal. The event's objective was to enhance awareness about leprosy through public rallies.

The event witnessed active participation from students and local stakeholders. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to Mr. Nabakumar Das for his valuable contribution towards this awareness program



The State Committee of the Association of People Affected by Leprosy (APAL) in Uttar Pradesh recently organized an awareness program

On 6th February 2024, The State Committee of the Association of People Affected by Leprosy (APAL) in Uttar Pradesh recently organized an awareness program on leprosy at Navjeevan Inter College, Mohanlalganj, Uttar Pradesh. The program aimed to educate children and teachers about the public awareness and symptoms of leprosy.

The initiative was undertaken as a part of the APAL's efforts to raise awareness about the disease, which continues to be a major health concern in many parts of the world. Through the program, the participants were informed about the various aspects of leprosy, including its causes, symptoms, and treatment options.

Overall, the program was highly successful in raising awareness among the participants about the importance of early detection and treatment of leprosy. It is hoped that such initiatives will help in reducing the stigma associated with the disease and in improving the lives of people affected by it.



The State Committee of the Association of People Affected by Leprosy (APAL) in Bihar recently organized an awareness program

On 7th February 2024, The State Committee of the Association of People Affected by Leprosy (APAL) in Bihar recently organized an awareness program on leprosy at primary schools located in Maa Jankinagar Colony, Sitamarhi, Bihar. The program aimed to educate students and their families about the disease, including its prevention and treatment.

The initiative is commendable as it recognizes the importance of raising awareness about leprosy, which is a debilitating disease that affects millions of people worldwide. By educating young students at an early age, the program has the potential to create a lasting impact on the community's health and well-being.

Overall, the program's success can be measured by its ability to raise awareness and empower individuals with knowledge about leprosy. Such initiatives are critical in addressing health disparities and promoting health equity, and we applaud APAL's State Committee for their dedication and efforts towards this cause.

Special thanks to Mr. Brij Kishore Secretary of the State Committee for his contribution in the awareness program



On the occasion of the death anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi, a ceremony was held in Balajinagar Mother Teresa Colony to celebrate leprosy eradication activities

On 8th February 2024, On the occasion of the death anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi, a ceremony was held in Balajinagar Mother Teresa Colony to celebrate leprosy eradication activities. Representatives from the Reliable Trust, including Cheif Mr Satyanand, distributed

essential commodities to 60 families affected by leprosy in collaboration with APAL's State Committee in Telangana.

The event was attended by Simharaju Garu, Deputy Paramedical Officer of Johar Nagar PHC, Joseph Garu, Deputy Paramedical Officer of Malkajgiri PHC, K Anusuya Member of the State Committee, and residents of the Colony.

APAL extend our gratitude to the representatives of the Reliable Trust for their efforts in providing assistance to those in need and special thanks to Mr. Ramesh State Coordinator of APAL for his active contribution in the leprosy fields



Mrs. Maya Ranavare and the authorities from the Association of Persons Affected by Leprosy (APAL) had the honour of meeting with the 19th Governor of Uttar Pradesh, Mr. Ram Naik

On the 10th of February 2024, Mrs. Maya Ranavare and the authorities from the Association of Persons Affected by Leprosy (APAL) had the honour of meeting with the 19th Governor of Uttar Pradesh, Mr. Ram Naik, at their premises. This meeting was a significant opportunity for the APAL authorities to interact with a distinguished political figure and offer their congratulations to him on his recent Padma Bhushan award.

Mr. Ram Naik is a veteran politician from the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) who has had a long and illustrious career in Indian politics. He held the position of Minister of State for Information and Broadcasting in the Atal Bihari Vajpayee government and served as a Member of the Rajya Sabha for several years. The government appointed him as the Governor of Uttar Pradesh in 2014, a role he served in until 2019. Furthermore, Mr. Naik has been honoured with the Padma Bhushan award in recognition of his invaluable contributions to public service.

During the meeting, the APAL authorities extended their congratulations to Mr. Naik on his recent accolade and expressed their sincere admiration for his unwavering dedication to the field of public service. Moreover, they brought up important topics related to PM Awas Yojana and Disability Pension, which offered insights into various areas that will help persons affected by leprosy all across the country.

Overall, the meeting was incredibly informative and gave the APAL authorities the chance to engage with a seasoned political figure. Mr. Naik shared his extensive knowledge with the authorities, and the meeting ended successfully on all fronts. It is a reminder of the great strides being made towards addressing health and social concerns impacting people affected by leprosy across the country.



Mrs. Maya Ranavare, on behalf of APAL (Association of Persons Affected by Leprosy), met Manisha Chaudhary

On 12th February 2024, Mrs. Maya Ranavare, on behalf of APAL (Association of Persons Affected by Leprosy), met Manisha Chaudhary, at the Member of Legislative Assembly - Dahisar, Mumbai, Maharashtra. Mrs Chaudhary is a member of the BJP for Maharashtra and has previously served as a National Executive Member and Mangroves Committee member.

The meeting proved fruitful as the two discussed pertinent issues such as the PM Awas Yojana and the land issue affecting Pushp Vihar Colony. Specifically, they addressed concerns about funding housing projects through the PM Awas Yojana and their equitable distribution to keep in accord with the scheme's inclusive mandate.

Furthermore, the meeting highlighted the ongoing land issue impacting the quality of life of Pushp Vihar's residents adversely. Mrs. Ranavare brought these issues to Manisha Chaudhary, and the MLA responded positively to their concerns. She offered suggestions on steps to be taken to address these pressing concerns. Also, she acknowledged the need for focused efforts to improve the lives of those affected by diseases like leprosy.

APAL, grateful for the open and continuous dialogue with Mrs Chaudhary on these sensitive topics, thanked her for her positive response and continues to extend its cooperation to government initiatives that aim to improve the quality of life of those affected by leprosy.

Overall, Mrs Ranavare's meeting with Manisha Chaudhary promises much for the 100 families affected by residents in the Pushp Vihar community. The productive exchange is a reminder of the vital role that advocacy and dialogue play in tackling complex issues related to public welfare. APAL hopes that both public and private stakeholders continue to collaborate for the well-being of those affected by leprosy.



On the occasion of Gandhi's death anniversary, a special event was held in Sanjay Gandhinagar Moulali Colony

On 12th February 2024, On the occasion of Gandhi's death anniversary, a special event was held in Sanjay Gandhinagar Moulali Colony to celebrate the eradication of leprosy. Representatives from the Reliable Trust, including Cheap Satyanand, distributed essential commodities to 90 families who were affected by leprosy. The event was attended by several individuals, including Head Constable SK Rafi (Slap-Tis) as a representative of PIS CI, EC member K Anusuya B Venkataiah, Malkajgiri, Mr. Ramesh State Coordinator of APAL and various colony residents.

The APAL state committee in Telangana expressed their gratitude to the representatives of Reliable Trust for their efforts in making the event a success. The distribution of essential commodities to families affected by leprosy is a crucial initiative in the fight against this disease. The event demonstrated the commitment of the organizers and participants to the cause of leprosy eradication.

Overall, the event was a testament to the effectiveness of community-based initiatives in addressing the challenges faced by individuals and families affected by leprosy. The participation of various stakeholders, including government officials, non-profit organizations, and community members, highlights the importance of a collaborative approach in achieving the goal of leprosy eradication.



The closure of the Leprosy Eradication Fortnight was celebrated with grandiosity in Pedda Amberpet Shantinagar Colony

On 13th February 2024, The closure of the Leprosy Eradication Fortnight was celebrated with grandiosity in Pedda Amberpet Shantinagar Colony, attended by the State Health Director, Dr. Ravindra Naik, as the chief guest. The program was led by T.V. Venkateshwarlu, Vice Chairman of the Hindu Kusht Nivaran Sangh, and many medical officers were present.

During the event, Dr. Naik highlighted that leprosy is not a difficult disease and can be treated with medicines if detected early. The awareness program, initiated on January 30, lasted for 15 days, and Dr. Naik suggested that it should be continued persistently, not just for a limited time. He pledged to work tirelessly towards making India leprosy-free by 2027, as envisioned by Mahatma Gandhi. Additionally, TV Venkateshwarlu, Vice Chairman of the Hindu Kusht Nivaran Sangh, urged the public to treat leprosy patients with compassion and extend support in every way possible. Dr. John Babu, Joint Director of Leprosy, emphasized that eradicating leprosy is possible only with awareness and that more initiatives to raise public awareness will be taken. Medicines for the disease will be provided free of cost in all primary centres. The event culminated with Health Director Dr. Ravindra Naik distributing blankets to leprosy patients.

The program was attended by Ranga Reddy, Hyderabad Additional DMHOs Dr. Aruna and Dr. Nirmala Prabhavathi, Sivananda Home CEO Dr. Ananthar Reddy, State President of SLAP (Society of Leprosy Affected Persons) Maniyada Ramesh, DPMOs, APMOs, and residents.



The Association of People Affected by Leprosy (APAL) in Maharashtra recently participated in the Fortnight Anti-Leprosy Day program

On 15th February 2024, The Association of People Affected by Leprosy (APAL) in Maharashtra recently participated in the Fortnight Anti-Leprosy Day program. During the program, the State Committee presented a memorandum to increase the 5000 disability pension for individuals affected by leprosy, to cover their basic needs and extra treatment expenses. The event was attended by various esteemed dignitaries, including EMC staff in Mumbai, Mahanagar Palika health officers, and Dr. Daksha Saha, Dr. Pednekar, and Dr. Renge, Assistant Director Leprosy. Rasul Mulla, the leader of APAL State of Maharashtra, was also present.

The attendees took an oath to work towards the betterment of leprosy-affected individuals, ensuring that they receive the support and resources they need to enhance their quality of life. They discussed various mechanisms to support citizens affected by leprosy, resulting in disabilities. The APAL State Committee presented the memorandum to increase the disability pension to cover the rising needs of individuals affected by leprosy and ensure that appropriate resources for survival beyond treatment prevention are provided.

Rasul Mulla expressed his gratitude for hosting the program in association with the India Leprosy Foundation & Ministry Of Health. They discussed the need for revising and updating laws regarding government schemes for individuals affected by leprosy and upgrading medical facilities worldwide. The attendees deliberated on different suggestions, such as

awareness campaigns and bringing health services to the cooperatives of society, to provide a broader insight into preferences.



Association of People Affected by Leprosy (APAL) partnered with the State Committee for Welfare of Persons Affected by Leprosy

On February 16th, 2024, the Association of People Affected by Leprosy (APAL) partnered with the State Committee for Welfare of Persons Affected by Leprosy (SAMUTHAN) and the East Champaran Lion Club to distribute essential provisions to 12 families residing at the Gandhi Kushth Colony in Pipra, East Champaran, Bihar. The provisions, consisting of food grains and blankets, were intended to aid families affected by leprosy who lack access to basic amenities.

This collaborative effort is a commendable initiative that not only provides necessary support to those in need but also highlights the importance of community-driven solutions to address social issues. The provision of basic amenities to those affected by leprosy is a crucial step in the fight against this debilitating disease. The efforts of APAL, SAMUTHAN, and the East Champaran Lion Club should be recognized and commended for their contribution to the welfare of individuals affected by leprosy.



Mrs. Maya Ranavare recently visited the Baba Amte Kusht Ashram and the Anandavan Ashram in Nagpur, Maharashtra

On 18th February 2024, Mrs. Maya Ranavare recently visited the Baba Amte Kusht Ashram and the Anandavan Ashram in Nagpur, Maharashtra, where she had the opportunity to interact with San Vikas Amte and gain insight into the livelihood projects and services designed to benefit individuals and families affected by leprosy. Her visit was a testament to her compassion towards those who suffer from the disease and the need for community support.

Throughout her visit, she was able to gain firsthand experience of the daily challenges and obstacles faced by these families and learned about the essential initiatives undertaken by the ashram.

Mrs Ranavare's interaction with the individuals at the ashram enabled her to learn about the employment opportunities being generated and the various corresponding methods available to further support those affected by the disease. Her interest and support in this area have helped to generate awareness and encourage attitudinal changes in support of APAL and its vision for inclusivity and equitable living for individuals affected by leprosy. Overall, Mrs. Ranavare's visit to the ashram reflects her deep commitment to the cause and demonstrates her dedication to supporting the affected individuals and families.



Mrs. Maya Ranavare, the esteemed President of the Association of People Affected by Leprosy (APAL), recently paid a visit to the Gokuldharm colony

On 19th February 2024, Mrs. Maya Ranavare, the esteemed President of the Association of People Affected by Leprosy (APAL), recently paid a visit to the Gokuldharm colony in Wardha, Maharashtra. Her primary objective was to engage with the residents on the pressing issues of water supply and education for their children. Despite their long-standing history of leprosy, the colony finds itself beleaguered with essential plumbing issues that adversely impact their daily routines. During her visit, Mrs. Ranavare intently listened to their grievances and discussed the tools and utilities required to improve their living conditions.

Furthermore, Mrs. Ranavare emphasized the importance of education for the children of the colony. Leprosy has often resulted in the marginalization and exclusion of affected individuals and their families. Therefore, providing elementary education opportunities would prove to be a welcome change. Her interaction with the colony underscored the need to address the core issues surrounding the livelihoods of people impacted by leprosy.

In conclusion, Mrs. Ranavare's visit to Gokuldharm colony brought to the fore the essential issues that are faced by people affected by leprosy. Her keen focus on the issues of water supply and education for children is a testament to the unwavering dedication of APAL to the cause of bettering the lives of the affected individuals.



An LCD Program was recently conducted in the Peddamberpet Shanthinagar colony, under the supervision of various medical personnel in collaboration with APAL's State Committee in Telangana

On 19th February 2024, An LCD Program was recently conducted in the Peddamberpet Shanthinagar colony, under the supervision of various medical personnel in collaboration with APAL's State Committee in Telangana. The program was attended by Dr. Ruddramadevi, the PHC in charge, the Basthi Divakhana team, and participants of the Shanthinagar Colony. The event was also attended by Srinivas Reddy, the DPMO, Vanaja, the Lab Technician, along with ASHA workers.

The program involved various tests to determine blood sugar levels, with doctors and medical workers conducting thorough checks. Monthly health checkups were also organized to provide helpful medicine dispersion and ensure the overall well-being of underprivileged communities.

Mr. Ramesh SLAP TS President), applauded and appreciated the PHC governing proceedings. In his concluding speech, he conveyed his gratitude to the medical staff for operating the facility in the most exemplary terms. The event serves as a testament to the importance of healthcare services and their impact on communities that are often deprived of such resources.

The valuable community gesture suggested through these clinical trials is further evidence of APAL's rigorous and ongoing social integration outreach programs.



the Sadhan Foundation, an organization dedicated to serving leprosy patients and slum dwellers, hosted an event in Tahirpur

On February 19, 2024, the Sadhan Foundation, an organization dedicated to serving leprosy patients and slum dwellers, hosted an event in Tahirpur, Delhi. The initiative, led by the organization's founder, Mr. Ashok Kumar, and organizer, Mr. Vinay, aimed to provide necessary support to individuals facing challenging circumstances.

During the event, MP Manoj Tiwari presented an ambulance to the attendees, with additional ambulances and medicines donated to disabled individuals, women, and children for emergency needs. MP Shri Manoj Tiwari was also briefed on the Sadhan Foundation's contributions towards the community, including the Sadhan Singh Moral Education Institute, Free Medical Clinic, and the upcoming project of Sadhan Foundation, Ayurveda Chikitsa. The discussion emphasized the importance of widespread efforts to treat leprosy patients and ensure education opportunities for their children.

The event was attended by several individuals, including the foundation's founder, principal, doctors, advocates, and others. Dr. Rashmi Gupta, Miss Kriti Gupta, Dr. Punika, Advocate Mr. Vinay, Dr. Sonali Priya, Dr. Mayank Kansal, Riya Singh, and Mr. Mukesh were among those present.

In summary, the event organized by the Sadhan Foundation was a significant step towards addressing the needs of the underserved community in Tahirpur, Delhi. The initiatives undertaken during this event are likely to have a long-lasting impact on the lives of those who depend on the support of organizations like the Sadhan Foundation.

APAL is thankful to the Sadhan Foundation for their invaluable support and responsibility to our fellow affected by leprosy and their families



Mrs. Maya Ranavare, President of APAL recently received an invitation from the Public Health Department Employees Association to attend their annual meeting in Nagpur

On 20th February 2024, Mrs. Maya Ranavare, President of APAL recently received an invitation from the Public Health Department Employees Association to attend their annual meeting in Nagpur. As an active member of several grassroots organizations dedicated to promoting healthcare, sanitation and hygiene awareness amongst marginalized communities in the region, Mrs Ranavare was keen to participate in the formal discussions and also got the opportunity to share her experiences and insights on key challenges facing public health initiatives in the region.

In addition to the formal proceedings, Mrs Ranavare took the opportunity to visit the Sevagram Ashram, an institution dedicated to Gandhian thought and principles of community service and

self-reliance. At the ashram, she observed the various services being offered to the local community, including health clinics, vocational training programs, and initiatives supporting sustainable agriculture and clean energy. Mrs Ranavare expressed her appreciation for the work being done by the Sevagram team and noted that it was a great model for similar initiatives to be taken in other regions with similar challenges.

Overall, Mrs. Maya Ranavare's participation in this meeting and visit to Sevagram Ashram serve as a model for partnership and collaboration among government and non-governmental entities towards expanding access to quality healthcare and social services in underserved communities.



The APAL State Committee in Chhattisgarh recently conducted a self-care Prevention of Disabilities (POD) program

On 21st February 2024, The APAL State Committee in Chhattisgarh recently conducted a self-care Prevention of Disabilities (POD) program aimed at promoting health prevention measures. The program provided essential training and guidance to individuals on how they can prevent disabilities resulting from preventable health conditions by adopting simple yet significant preventive measures. Notably, the program attracted many participants from leprosy colonies who found it enlightening and empowering to understand the importance of self-care in their daily lives.

During the program, the APAL Committee highlighted various concerns, including unhealthy work-life balance habits, unhealthy dietary patterns, sedentary lifestyles, and other poor habits that contribute to the onset of disabilities. Following a detailed discussion, the program emphasized that making small, simple, but significant lifestyle changes could help individuals avoid disabilities. By regularly engaging in physical exercises, consuming a balanced diet, prioritizing mental health, reducing stress levels, and undergoing regular medical checkups, individuals can sidestep disabilities originating from non-hereditary, non-communicable diseases.

The program's outcome underscores the need for individuals to take responsibility for their health by adopting preventive measures to avoid disabilities. By doing so, individuals can minimize the potential impact of preventable health conditions on their overall well-being.



Madam Manisha Chaudhary, a distinguished Member of the Legislative Assembly representing Dahisar in Mumbai, Maharashtra

On 28th February 2024, Madam Manisha Chaudhary, a distinguished Member of the Legislative Assembly representing Dahisar in Mumbai, Maharashtra, is a prominent figure within the BJP in the state. For the quality of lives of persons affected by leprosy and their families, she became a Knowledgeable dedicated advocate By raising her voice to the voiceless.

APAL (Association of Persons Affected by Leprosy) has expressed deep gratitude for the opportunity to meet with her and presented a memorandum outlining the challenges faced by the affected communities. It is worth noting that Mrs Chaudhary has taken a strong stance on addressing the land issues faced by people affected by leprosy living in colonies across Maharashtra.

For the response, Madam Chaudhary demonstrated responsible support by elevating the concerns to the parliamentary platform, where she eloquently spoke about the issues at hand. With her ongoing advocacy, there is hope that the problems faced by these communities will be swiftly resolved. The support extended by Madam Manisha Chaudhary is not only appreciated but also remembered as a significant step towards addressing the needs of those affected by leprosy in Maharashtra.



Mrs. Maya Ranavare
President APAL