









# **PARIVARTAN**

Year End Newsletter (Volume 1.2)

## **Message from the Chief Functionary**

Dear Supporters,

Welcome to yet another edition of Parivartan! The 35th year of our work has brought us immense joy through various achievements and partnerships.

We strive to continuously excel and evolve in the work we do in our endeavor to reach out to the most remote villages in the state. Through our work in the past months, we have benefited more than 605 villages. Here is an update on our significant highlights from October '17 to March '18.

#### **Beneficiaries Reached**

47,408

patients were attended through 3 Mobile Medical Units(MMU's)

38,106

Were attended through our OPD in SPARSH Rural Hospital

760

Anganwadi Workers and Care Givers were trained on Early Childcare and Development

747

Adolescent girls were sensitized on personal hygiene, health and nutrition

485

children benefited from 13 Study Centres for after school support

166

Youths were provided training on beauty & wellness, computers and entrepreneurship

113

PLHIV's were linked to government welfare schemes

## **Changing lives positively in urban slums**

More than 10,000 children were benefitted through our 30 year partnership with Child Fund International in Mahad. We are humbled that this successful partnership is being intensified and scaled up into urban slums of Navi Mumbai this year. The Child Sponsorship Programme aims at reaching out to more than 1000 children by the



coming year. It aims at holistic development, keeping child at the centre of all interventions and addressing issues of education, healthcare and livelihood.

## **Transformation of Manghrun village into Ideal Village**

Rotary Club of Queen's Necklace has joined hands with PRIDE India to transform Manghrun (a tribal village) in Mahad, Raigad in the next three years. To mark the beginning of this programme we distributed solar lamps made by Chirag to all the households. The Ideal Village programme was conceptualized with an aim to develop the village as an institution where the community takes ownership of their personal well-being and of surroundings. The key components of the programme are education, economic empowerment, community development, health& sanitation. The project will positively impact more than 130 households and empower the community as a whole.

## **Muscoskeletal Deformity Correction Camp at Sastur**

Like every year a team of dedicated doctors, medical staff and volunteers from Rotary Club of London and other Rotaries of Mumbai namely Ambernath and Deonar conducted a successful musco-skeletal deformity correction camp at Sastur. Having experienced and specialized doctors in a remote village like Sastur comes as a blessing to many villagers. This was the 9th year of the 3 day camp and 52 successful procedures were performed.

## **Case Study**

Till last year I could not walk or even stand properly. My friends would make fun of me. Not anymore. Today post 1 year of my surgery by these doctors, I not just walk or stand; I can even run. It makes me happier because I am not alone; there are others who benefited too.

Sandip (9 Years) Beneficiary of Musco – skeletal deformity camp, SPARSH

Radhika was born into a tribal family of ten members with her father being the only bread winner of the family. After learning about the Muktashala intervention Radhika's father enrolled her for the programme in year 1996 when she was barely 9 years old. Being a bright and enthusiastic child she participated in all the extracurricular activities and was a beneficiary of the educational, nutritional and healthcare support at Muktashala. She completed her studies till the 9th grade while being a part of the residential programme and we encouraged her to pursue higher studies. She is now working as an government pre-shool (Anganwadi Teacher) in the Integrated Child Development Scheme (ICDS) Department since 2008. She and her family are thankful to PRIDE India for bringing a positive and lasting change in their lives!

Radhika is one of our first batches of children at this tribal residential facility. Since then the programme has benefitted more than 1000 children and helped break the cycle of poverty in this remote tribal community.

Radhika (21 years) Beneficiary of the Muktashala programme

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## **Another feather in our cap! SPARSH Rural Hospital**

SPARSH is the only rural hospital from within Maharashtra which received 82% in the certification by National Quality Assurance Standards (NQAS). A team of expert doctors from NQAS visited to assess the hospital in terms of various parameters. The standards have been developed keeping the specific requirements for public health facilities and global best practices through eight broad areas of concern-Service Provision, Patient Rights, Inputs, Support Services, Clinical Care, Infection Control, Quality Management and Outcome.

Furthermore, we are immensely proud that SPARSH was a recipient of the Kayakalp awards of 2017 for the second time, reaffirming that our hospital is one of the most clean and hygienic hospitals in the state.

We appreciate the hard work and dedication of our staff who have worked tirelessly to bring quality healthcare to the rural poor.

## **World Health Days at SPARSH**

Spreading awareness about health issues, its prevention and care is central to all our health programmes. We ensure to utilize every opportunity to do so, one of them being the health days celebrated all across the world by UN to address important public health issues...



We observed the World HIV/AIDS day in the first week of December. It was marked with active sessions and street plays all through the week, accompanied by rallies in all 46 villages.

On 24th March No Tobacco Day and 31st May World Tuberculosis Day was observed. It witnessed a huge participation from all the villages. We carried out rallies for awareness, essay competition on related topics in schools and a health camp where individuals could get screened for possible health problems related to tobacco and TB. More than 1926 villagers took part enthusiastically making the event a success!

#### **New Born Stabilization Unit at SPARSH**

Our newly built NBSU sponsored by Aditya Birla Capital is fully functional now. The NBSU was made with the objective to provide extra care to the sick newborns born within the hospital. It also acts as the teaching and training hub for imparting the skills of newborn care. The unit will strengthen our efforts to reduce early neonatal deaths through the provision of individualized clinical care. The scaling-up of clinical care for sick neonates will be vital for bringing Infant Mortality Rate(IMR) down taking us closer to our goal of healthier future generations in the villages.

## **PRIDE at Stylecracker!**

We were excited to be a part of the Stylecracker's April show, supported by two talented and accomplished designers Priya Kothari from Muchtoluv and Trupti from Trupsel 5/9. The designers generously donated a part of the proceeds of their sales to our education programme for tribal children. We look forward to take this partnership forward at a greater level in the coming shows!