

SASAKAWA HEALTH FOUNDATION

Monthly Report

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

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On 2nd November 2024, The Association of People Affected by Leprosy (APAL) in Telangana, in collaboration with the Better Life Charitable Trust, recently extended much-needed support to leprosy-affected families in Pasumamula Santosh Nagar Colony. In a compassionate effort to improve the well-being of these individuals, APAL, with the support of the Trust, distributed essential food grains to families struggling with the impact of leprosy. This initiative directly relieved 25 families in the area, ensuring they had access to basic food supplies to help alleviate some of the hardships they faced.

Under the committed leadership of Maniyada Ramesh State Coordinator of APAL, the food grain distribution was organized with care and efficiency. Maniyada Ramesh's involvement was pivotal in ensuring the families received the aid smoothly and without delay. By addressing the critical needs of these affected families, APAL and Better Life Charitable Trust reinforced their commitment to improving the lives of marginalized communities, offering them dignity, respect, and hope.

APAL expressed heartfelt gratitude to the Better Life Charitable Trust for its essential role in making this event possible. This collaboration exemplifies the impact that coordinated efforts

between organizations can have, especially for communities impacted by diseases like leprosy that often lead to social and economic exclusion.



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On 8th November 2024, The Association of People Affected by Leprosy (APAL) has been steadfast in its mission to support individuals affected by this stigmatized disease, advocating for their rights and well-being. Recently, the state committee of APAL in Telangana collaborated with the Realine Club to make a significant impact on the lives of those in need. Together, they organized a food distribution event at Santosh Nagar colony in Hyderabad, where essential food grains were provided to 31 persons affected by leprosy. This initiative was aimed at addressing food insecurity and offering relief to those who often face social and economic challenges due to their condition.

APAL expressed deep gratitude towards the Realine Club for their invaluable contribution to this cause. Their support has been a beacon of hope and compassion for individuals facing health and social challenges. The club's commitment to aiding the most vulnerable segments of society exemplifies true humanitarian service and community solidarity.

I'd like to thank Mr. Maniyada Ramesh, the state coordinator of APAL in Telangana, for his dedicated and active involvement. His leadership and tireless efforts played a crucial role in coordinating this event, ensuring that the beneficiaries received the assistance they needed. The collaboration between APAL, the Realine Club, and Mr. Maniyada Ramesh is an inspiring example of how collective efforts can uplift communities and bring positive change to those often overlooked.





A significant medical camp was organized in Madhya Pradesh, held at the Arunodaya Leprosy Ashram in Indore

On October 11, 2024, a significant medical camp was organized in Madhya Pradesh, held at the Arunodaya Leprosy Ashram in Indore. This event was made possible through the dedicated efforts of APAL's State Committee in Madhya Pradesh and collaboration with Dr. Nandlal Punjabi. The camp aimed to provide comprehensive health services to the ashram residents, ensuring that their medical needs were addressed without any financial burden. Throughout the day, participants received free blood pressure and blood sugar tests and other essential health check-ups. Additionally, the camp extended its services to treat common ailments such as fever, pain in the hands and feet, body aches, and other health concerns, distributing free medication to those in need.

The event was well-attended, drawing the participation of key members from both APAL and APAL's State Committee. Present at the camp were Mr. Sarang, APAL's Secretary, alongside other active members like Mr. Raju Rathore, Mr. Gopal Shinde, Ms. Rekha Bhuria, Ms. Sarita Dhundhle, and Ms. Meera Chauhan. Their involvement underscored a collective commitment to enhancing the well-being of the residents and fostering a sense of community and support. The initiative addressed immediate health needs and reinforced these organisations' ongoing dedication to improving the quality of life for individuals affected by leprosy and related health issues.



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During these medical camps, comprehensive health checks were conducted, including blood sugar level tests, blood pressure monitoring, and general blood tests. The medical team ensured that the residents were examined for common health concerns and provided with appropriate treatment. In addition, medicines were distributed to patients suffering from ailments such as colds, coughs, fevers, headaches, and other minor illnesses. The camps proved to be highly beneficial, with a total of 145 patients from both colonies receiving medical attention and medication. This initiative not only addressed immediate health issues but also reinforced the commitment of APAL and the Samarpan Foundation Trust to improve the well-being of communities impacted by leprosy in the region.



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On November 11, 2024, the State Committee of the Association of People Affected by Leprosy (APAL) conducted an important meeting with local committee members and the Computer Centre Management Committee at Jamuria Leprosy Colony and Kankar Danga Leprosy Colony in Paschim Bardhaman, West Bengal. This gathering served as a platform for open dialogue on pressing issues faced by individuals affected by leprosy in these colonies. The meeting brought together representatives, community leaders, and members to address the challenges of day-to-day life, the condition of facilities, and the overall well-being of residents.

During the discussions, participants highlighted the current living conditions, including access to basic healthcare, sanitation, and educational opportunities. Concerns about adequate housing, reliable food supply, and consistent medical support were prominent topics. The local and state committee members exchanged views on the gaps in current provisions and the urgent need for improved support from authorities and non-governmental organizations.

A major part of the meeting focused on formulating practical and sustainable solutions through future activities. Proposals included enhancing the capacity of the computer centers to offer skill development courses that would empower community members, especially the younger generation, to achieve greater economic independence. Participants also discussed advocating for policy changes to ensure better living standards and expanded healthcare access. The APAL leadership emphasized the importance of continued unity and collective action to amplify their voices and bring about meaningful change.





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Mr. Rasul Mullah, serving as the State Coordinator of the Association of People with Disabilities (APAL) in Maharashtra, played an active role in the Consultation on the Status of Rights of Persons with Disabilities in Maharashtra. This significant event, held on November 13, 2024, at the Yashwantrao Chavan Centre, was orchestrated by the National Centre for Promotion of Employment for Disabled People (NCPEDP). The event was further supported through partnerships with Mahatma Gandhi Seva Sangh and the Yashwantrao Chavan Centre, creating a collaborative platform for stakeholders committed to the advocacy and empowerment of individuals with disabilities.

During the consultation, Mr. Mullah contributed valuable insights regarding the current challenges and opportunities faced by persons with disabilities (PWDs) in Maharashtra. His participation underscored the essential work of APAL in addressing the systemic gaps that hinder full inclusion and equal rights. By drawing attention to the importance of policy implementation and social support systems, Mr. Mullah emphasized a roadmap for enhancing accessibility and ensuring comprehensive protection of the rights of PWDs. The gathering brought together policymakers, activists, and community leaders who collectively sought practical solutions to drive legislative and societal changes, with Mr. Mullah's contributions marking a pivotal voice in the discourse.



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On Monday, 18 November 2024, the State Committee of APAL in Uttar Pradesh, in collaboration with Jaipur, Rajasthan, engaged in a significant act of service through the efforts of Samarpan Chal Chikitsalya Seva, in partnership with Rashtriya Seva Bharti. This initiative was focused on providing assistance to the residents of the city affected by leprosy. Following their successful outreach in Madhya Pradesh, this dedicated team arrived in Pink City with a steadfast commitment to alleviating the challenges faced by this marginalized community.

A complimentary medical camp was organized early in the day at the Indira Leprosy Ashram in Jhotwara, facilitated by the generosity of M/s Shri Krishna Kripa Jewelers, Jaipur. The aim of this initiative was to deliver essential medical services, including wound cleaning, dressing, and minor surgical procedures. Comprehensive health assessments, such as blood pressure

monitoring, diabetes screenings, and thorough blood tests employing advanced technological methods, were also performed to ensure comprehensive care.

In addition to these medical services, experienced healthcare professionals provided individualized consultations, prescribed medications, and administered necessary injections to the patients. The camp further addressed broader health and welfare requirements by distributing sanitary pads to women and offering assistive devices to individuals with disabilities. This comprehensive approach exemplified the spirit of compassion and communal support, significantly impacting the lives of those present at the event.



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On 19 November 2024, a notable act of compassion and community service occurred under the auspices of the APAL State Committee in Telangana, in collaboration with local humanitarian organizations. This initiative involved the distribution of essential goods to 25 families residing in the Santhosh Nagar Leprosy Colony of Pasumamu, reflecting a steadfast commitment to uplifting marginalized communities. The event underscored the importance of providing support to those in need, fostering inclusivity and solidarity.

The initiative was further enhanced through the involvement of LB Nagar Sai Devotees, who contributed their support to this commendable cause. Under the leadership of Maniyada Ramesh, the State Coordinator of APAL in Telangana, the careful and efficient distribution of essential items took place. Notable contributors such as Yam Janardhan Rao, Suresh Chandra, and Geeta played significant roles in ensuring that the outreach effort was both meaningful and impactful.

This initiative exemplified the power of collaboration between community-focused organizations and dedicated individuals. By addressing immediate needs and instilling hope among vulnerable families, APAL and its partners reaffirmed their commitment to advocating for the rights and well-being of leprosy-affected communities while promoting the core values of humanity and compassion.



Executive Committee of the Association of People Affected by Leprosy (APAL) convened a significant meeting at the Kinder Kabli Hotel in Delhi. The gathering brought together key members of the committee to discuss pressing issues concerning persons affected by leprosy in India

On 22nd November 2024, Executive Committee of the Association of People Affected by Leprosy (APAL) convened a significant meeting at the Kinder Kabli Hotel in Delhi. The gathering brought together key members of the committee to discuss pressing issues concerning persons affected by leprosy in India. During the meeting, the participants analyzed the current living conditions of individuals impacted by the disease, highlighting challenges such as social stigma, limited access to healthcare, and inadequate livelihood opportunities.

The discussions also focused on identifying actionable solutions to improve the quality of life for affected individuals. Key proposals included enhancing awareness campaigns to reduce discrimination, advocating for better government support, and creating sustainable livelihood programs. Additionally, the committee deliberated on future activities and strategic plans to empower individuals affected by leprosy. These plans aim to foster community development, ensure equal opportunities, and advocate for their rights at local and national levels.

The meeting underscored APAL's commitment to addressing the multifaceted challenges faced by persons affected by leprosy and emphasized the importance of collective efforts to achieve a more inclusive and equitable society.



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Department. The event, held at the Commissionerate Building, Nalgonda X Road, Hyderabad

On November 22, 2024, the State Committee of APAL (Association of People Affected by Leprosy) in Telangana actively participated in a significant meeting organized by the Welfare of Disabled Department. The event, held at the Commissionerate Building, Nalgonda X Road, Hyderabad, was chaired by Smt. B. Sailaja, Director & Commissioner, Welfare of Disabled Department, Telangana, and Muthineni Veerayya, Chairman of the Telangana State Disabled Co-operative Society. The meeting brought together representatives of various disabled associations across the state to discuss pressing concerns and future initiatives.

State Coordinator of APAL, Mr. Maniyada Ramesh, represented the organization and played an active role in the discussions. The meeting's agenda focused on the celebration of December 3rd - International Day of Persons with Disabilities. The primary topic of discussion was organizing sports competitions to mark the occasion and promote inclusivity and empowerment.

The meeting also served as a platform to address the challenges faced by disabled individuals in Telangana. Participants engaged in group discussions, where representatives from different associations highlighted specific issues affecting their communities. Mr. Ramesh contributed by sharing insights into the unique struggles faced by people affected by leprosy, advocating for greater inclusion and support for this marginalized group. The collective effort of all associations aimed to bring these concerns to the forefront and seek actionable solutions from the authorities.



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On 22nd November2024, Maya Ranavare, President of the Association of People Affected by Leprosy (APAL), participated in an important meeting in Delhi with the World Health Organization (WHO) and its Goodwill Ambassador for Leprosy Elimination, Mr. Yohie Sasakawa.

The discussions focused on advancing efforts to eliminate leprosy through enhanced services, innovative interventions, and sustainable, long-term solutions. Mrs. Ranavare emphasized the importance of community-based approaches and the empowerment of individuals affected by leprosy to achieve a leprosy-free world. The collaboration highlighted the commitment of stakeholders to address challenges and ensure equitable access to care and support.



The APAL State Committee in Delhi, in collaboration with the Atrium Cardiac Chamber Organization, successfully organized a health camp at the Tahirpur Kusth Ashram

On 24th November 2024, The APAL State Committee in Delhi, in collaboration with the Atrium Cardiac Chamber Organization, successfully organized a health camp at the Tahirpur Kusth Ashram, providing much-needed medical services to the residents affected by leprosy. The health camp offered free screenings for blood pressure, blood sugar, and heart health, ensuring that the marginalized individuals living at the Ashram received essential healthcare services. This initiative was part of APAL's ongoing efforts to support people affected by leprosy and improve their quality of life through accessible healthcare services.

APAL extends its heartfelt gratitude to the Atrium Cardiac Chamber Organization for their invaluable contribution to the event. Their expertise and dedication in providing health checkups to those in need made a significant difference in the lives of the residents, ensuring that their health concerns were addressed with compassion and professionalism. APAL also expresses sincere thanks to the RWA President, Shri Girdhari Lal, for his support in organizing the camp, and to General Secretary Shri Vijay Kumar and Secretary Shri Arjun Ram for their leadership and coordination throughout the event. Their collective efforts were instrumental in making the health camp a success, benefiting not only those affected by leprosy but also their families.



A comprehensive free medical camp was successfully conducted in Shanti Nagar, Pedda Amberpet, APAL's state Committee in Telangana organized in collaboration with Ashrayam Hand of Hope

On 26th November 2024, A comprehensive free medical camp was successfully conducted in Shanti Nagar, Pedda Amberpet, APAL's state Committee in Telangana organized in collaboration with Ashrayam Hand of Hope. The event was spearheaded by Dr. Anand Diwakar, Anil, and local councillor Vidya Vijayandar Reddy, to provide essential medical services to the community. More than 220 individuals benefited from complimentary health screenings, which encompassed blood tests, blood pressure assessments, glucose tests, X-rays, electrocardiograms (ECGs), and eye examinations. Furthermore, 60 patients received free prescription glasses, addressing significant vision-related concerns. Team leader Janga Jayaraju underscored the camp's vital role in fulfilling the healthcare needs of the local population.

The camp featured an extensive range of medical services, including X-rays, ECGs, dental assessments, and the distribution of free medications. A dedicated team of medical professionals, comprising Dr. Bharat, Dr. Mani Verma, Dr. Karasma, Dr. Manojna, and Dr. Sridhar, contributed their expertise to ensure the provision of comprehensive care. Paramedical staff and laboratory technicians, including Kusuma, played a crucial role in performing tests, while pharmacists Swami, Samuel, Narasimha, Ravi, and Subrahmanyam efficiently managed the distribution of medications.

The event also witnessed the active involvement of community leaders and volunteers, such as APAL's President Maya Ranavare, APAL's Treasurer Prakash Done, APAL's State Coordinator Maniyada Ramesh, Colony President Samuel, Damini, and Ch Mallaiah, who collaborated diligently to ensure the camp's success. This initiative highlighted the significance of accessible healthcare and community engagement in enhancing the well-being of residents in Shanti Nagar.



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The discussion focused on laying down a roadmap for socioeconomic empowerment of persons affected by leprosy. Both MLAs expressed their commitment to supporting initiatives that aim to reduce stigma, enhance livelihoods, and improve access to healthcare and education for leprosy-affected individuals. The collaboration emphasized utilizing innovative and inclusive methods to create sustainable opportunities for this community. By leveraging the resources and influence of public representatives, combined with the grassroots efforts of organizations like APAL and Maharashtra Kusht Pidit Sanghatana, the meeting marked an essential step in building a future of dignity and equality for all.



Mrs. Maya Ranavare, the esteemed President of APAL (Association of People Affected by Leprosy), recently participated in a significant meeting organized by the Bombay Literacy Project in Mumbai

28th November 2024, Mrs. Maya Ranavare, the esteemed President of APAL (Association of People Affected by Leprosy), recently participated in a significant meeting organized by the Bombay Literacy Project in Mumbai. The event brought together key stakeholders, including Dr. Vivek Pai, to discuss critical issues affecting the leprosy community and those living in leprosy colonies. The discussions focused on the ongoing challenges faced by individuals affected by leprosy, such as stigma, social exclusion, and lack of access to education and employment opportunities. Strategies to enhance literacy and education within these communities were central to the dialogue, with participants emphasizing the importance of collective efforts to drive meaningful change.

During the meeting, Mrs. Ranavare was lauded for her remarkable contributions to the leprosy community, particularly her recent recognition as the recipient of the prestigious Wellesley Bailey Award from The Leprosy Mission (TLM) International. This global honor highlights her tireless advocacy, leadership, and dedication to improving the lives of those affected by leprosy. Participants congratulated Mrs. Ranavare on this significant achievement, acknowledging her as a source of inspiration for many. The meeting concluded with the formulation of future activities aimed at addressing the issues discussed, including initiatives to promote literacy, raise awareness, and develop sustainable solutions for the welfare of the leprosy-affected community.



In collaboration with representatives from NTPC, the Leprosy Society distributed ulcer kits and tubs to 40 individuals affected by leprosy

On Thursday, 28th November 2024, a noteworthy demonstration of compassion and community support occurred across three leprosy colonies in Khammam: Premasamajam Leprosy Colony, Dr. Hanson Leprosy Colony, and Emmanuel Leprosy Colony. In collaboration with representatives from NTPC, the Leprosy Society distributed ulcer kits and tubs to 40 individuals affected by leprosy. These essential supplies were presented by Maniyada Ramesh, the State Coordinator of APAL, which underscores the organization's commitment to aiding marginalized communities. The occasion was marked by heartfelt expressions of gratitude from the residents of the colonies, who appreciated the efforts of the Leprosy Society and NTPC in addressing their medical and personal care needs.

In a similar vein, 30 individuals residing in two colonies—Singareni Leprosy Colony and Karunambika Leprosy Colony—in Kothagudem also received ulcer kits and tubs. This initiative exemplified the sustained dedication of the Leprosy Society to provide assistance to those impacted by this condition. The residents, who frequently confront stigma and lack of resources, expressed their appreciation for the supplies, which will significantly enhance their quality of life and assist in managing their health. The partnership with NTPC was a crucial element of this endeavor, illustrating the efficacy of collaborative efforts in promoting social welfare.

These initiatives emphasize the significance of collective action in addressing the needs of vulnerable communities, thereby offering them dignity, care, and hope.





Mrs. Maya Ranavare, the President of the APAL, recently visited the Ulhasnagar colony to assess and engage with the local community

29th November 2024, Mrs. Maya Ranavare, the President of the APAL, recently visited the Ulhasnagar colony to assess and engage with the local community. During her visit, she focused on the Education and Livelihood Program, a key initiative aimed at empowering the underprivileged residents of the colony. Mrs. Ranavare interacted with the beneficiaries of the program, highlighting the importance of skill development and accessible education to enhance their socio-economic conditions. Her discussions emphasized APAL's commitment to bridging educational gaps and creating sustainable livelihood opportunities in marginalized communities.

As part of her visit, Mrs. Ranavare also held a comprehensive discussion about the pressing problems faced by the Ulhasnagar colony. She addressed issues such as inadequate housing, lack of proper sanitation, and irregular water supply, which have been long-standing challenges for the residents. The visit also included inputs and active participation from the Maharashtra Sangathan team, who played a vital role in facilitating communication between the community and APAL. Together, they explored actionable solutions and strategies to address these challenges, reaffirming their dedication to improving living conditions and fostering a sense of unity and empowerment among the colony's residents.



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On 29th November 2024, Mrs. Maya Ranavare, the esteemed President of the All People's Action League (APAL), recently visited the Saikushth Colony located near Haji Malang in Kalyan. Her visit was part of her ongoing commitment to addressing critical community issues and advocating for the rights and well-being of marginalized populations. Accompanied by members of the Maharashtra Sanghatna team, Mrs. Ranavare engaged with the residents, focusing on their pressing concerns about education, livelihood, and land rights.

During her visit, Mrs. Ranavare held in-depth discussions with the community members regarding the persistent challenges they face. A significant point of concern raised was the uncertainty surrounding the ownership and security of the colony's land. Residents expressed their fears about potential displacement and the lack of clarity in land ownership documents. The APAL President listened attentively, offering insights and assuring the community of her organization's unwavering support in advocating for their rights.

Education and livelihood were also prominent topics of discussion. Mrs. Ranavare emphasized the importance of empowering the residents through access to quality education and

sustainable livelihood opportunities. She highlighted the need for collaboration between the community, local authorities, and advocacy groups to address these challenges holistically. Her visit included a walkthrough of the colony, where she observed the living conditions and interacted directly with residents to understand their day-to-day struggles better.

Mrs. Ranavare's visit to the Saikushth Colony not only brought much-needed attention to the residents' concerns but also reaffirmed APAL's commitment to championing social justice and equality. Her engagement with the community has sparked hope for constructive resolutions and tangible progress in improving the quality of life for the residents.





Mrs. Maya Ranavare President, APAL