

About Peace Trust

GENESIS

Peace Trust is a registered charitable trust working with the socially and economically poor and vulnerable people of Tirunelveli District of Tamil Nadu since 1997.

VISION

Ensuring access to holistic health to the doorsteps of the underprivileged at an affordable cost

OBJECTIVES

- ✦ To promote community health in rural and remote areas through health education, rural medical camps and provision of need based services
- ✦ To inculcate the concept of holistic health among the people and tune their lives towards its attainment
- ✦ To render comprehensive health care at an affordable cost
- ✦ To pay special attention to stigmatised diseases, life style related diseases, congenital disorders and addictions
- ✦ To address the needs of persons with disabilities and facilitate community based rehabilitation of PWDs
- ✦ To cater to the needs of orphans and vulnerable children
- ✦ To mainstream the youth in the development initiatives through motivational training and skill development
- ✦ To collaborate with the Government and Voluntary organisations in responding to the needs of the community

ACTIVITIES

- ✦ Promotion of Community Health through outreach activities
- ✦ Regular Health Education and Awareness programmes
- ✦ Management of Rural Health Centre
- ✦ Tribal Welfare Centres
- ✦ Prevention of HIV/AIDS
- ✦ Health Camps in remote areas
- ✦ Community Based VCT Services
- ✦ Promotion of Enabling Environment
- ✦ Care and Support to PLHA
- ✦ Multi Speciality Hospital
- ✦ Geriatric Care Centre
- ✦ Cancer Care Centre
- ✦ Care for Mentally Challenged
- ✦ Research on Bleeding Disorders
- ✦ Comprehensive Care for Hemophiliars

FUTURE PLANS

- ✦ Establishment of a Hospice for the terminally ill AIDS patients
- ✦ Establishment of a Hospice for the terminally ill cancer patients
- ✦ Special attention to persons with stigmatized diseases
- ✦ Hemophilia Total Care Centre with Hemotological Lab & Component Therapy
- ✦ Focus on life style-related diseases and congenital disorders

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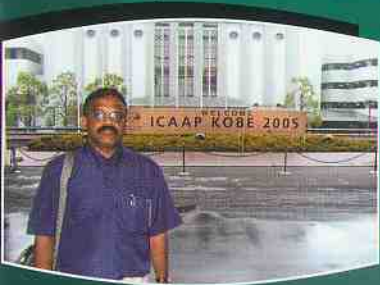
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Healthy families form a healthy community....
Healthy communities constitute a healthy nation....



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AIDS time bomb is Asia: Kobe forum

- By ERIC JOHNSTON
Staff Writer

KOBE - Medical professionals, scholars, community leaders and those who are HIV positive from around Asia and the Pacific gathered on Friday in Kobe to begin a five-day conference on the region's growing HIV/AIDS crisis.

"Asia and the Pacific are now home to a rapidly expanding HIV and AIDS epidemic. Last year, there were a total of 8.2 million people was told by Mr. Peter Piot, UNAIDS Executive Director and Undersecretary General of the United Nations, just before the opening ceremony on Friday evening.

Piot had praise for recent efforts in some parts of Asia, including Cambodia, in reversing it epidemic and noted that China and Malaysia's political leaders have gotten serious about fighting AIDS.

However, he said major problems remain and the situation is getting worse.

"There has been a failure across Asia and the Pacific to meet key goals agreed to in the Declaration of Commitment of HIV / AIDS adopted at the U.N. General Assembly Special Session in 2001," he said

"In South and Southeast Asia, end-2003 figures show that HIV prevention programs reached just one of five sex workers, one of 20 injecting drug users, and only one in 50 men who have sex with men," he said.

With next week's Group of Eight summit in Scotland focusing on AIDS in Africa, organizers of the 7th international Congress on AIDS in Asia and the Pacific emphasized that Asia has also been stricken by HIV and AIDS and is in need of just as much international assistance, and political attention, in combating the disease.

"The AIDS issue is not restricted to Africa. It is become in an issue of greater seriousness in Asia," said Tadamitsu Kishimoto, Chairman of the 7th ICAAP and a special adviser to the Council for Science and Technology at the Cabinet Office.

A U.N. report on HIV and AIDS in the Asia-Pacific region released earlier this week notes that 21 percent of all people living with HIV in 2004 were in Asia. The region has 24 percent of the world's new HIV infections.

"The G-8 nations need to pay attention to what's happening in Asia because in a few more years, the AIDS crisis here will likely surpass that of Africa. Especially hard hit will be the poor, who cannot afford access to treatment," said Dr. Anbu Rajan, Director of the Indian-based non governmental organization Peace Trust.

In India, for example, it costs around \$200 per month for HIV/AIDS treatment, which is too expensive for 85 percent of those who are stricken, he pointed out.

While many of the seminars any symposiums are dedicated to medical advances in AIDS treatment, a good number of others will discuss local-level countermeasures, cross-border strategies, and community-based care and treatment of patients.



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From the Director's Desk

We grow more when we serve more and when we serve more we gain more expertise. Increased expertise calls for service with commitment.

Peace Trust is entering into the tenth year of service to uplift the lives of the poor and downtrodden by bringing health a reality to them. A decade long service has provided new avenues for intervention, new learning and better articulation of the needs of the people for whom Peace Trust is indebted to contribute for their development. For, Peace Trust constantly learns from them and gives back the learning in the development paradigms.

The activities of Peace Trust gained better acceptance from different stakeholders. In recognition of the effective implementation of the Comprehensive Prevention, Care and Support Project supported by FHI, Tamil Nadu State AIDS Control Society, awarded a new project to prevent parent to child transmission. Yet another new project commenced this reporting year was the Project for the Child Survival Programme. Peace Trust also established a community care centre for PLHA's. The tsunami response programme added new dimension in the form of Supplementary Education and Nutrition Project supported by GGAMCCC.

We have the satisfaction that we have done it well. Yet we have the feeling that we have to do a lot more. Whatever we achieved was possible only because there were hundreds to join Peace Trust to work for the cause of the poor. This is an occasion for me to recall the contribution of the board of trustees, staff, consultants, friends and well-wishers, without whom Peace Trust could not have done what it has achieved. We are confident that their continued involvement and support will be ever available to Peace Trust.

Above all, I am convinced that all these good things happen just because God wants them to happen through me. For the blessing given to the people through me, I thank the Almighty with a deep sense of gratitude and pray that in the coming years He will guide us to serve Him through the people more dynamically.

Dr. R. Anburajan

Intervention Among Children



2.1 - Kirubai Illam - A Home for the Homeless

The Institution takes pride and pleasure in lifting the curtain to our Well Wishers, to present its radiant Annual Report for the year ending on March 31, 2006. Kirubai Illam and C.M.M.L. School situated at Narikinarru, Tuticorin district, is an ocean of love, purity, knowledge, education, and concern for the well being of the students, intellectual attainments and a laboratory and reactor.

All the children of Kirubai Illam attend C.M.M.L. School. Out of the total strength of 450 students, in the Standards 1 to 8th, 425 are inmates of Kirubai Illam Orphanage and the others are from the nearby villages. The School and the Orphanage are in the same Campus. All the children were issued uniforms and other clothing, text books and note books free of cost. Children who came within the first 4 ranks were given attractive prizes.

At the district level competition held for the best teacher for the primary school teachers, Mr. Jeyamani, from our School, received the Honor of "Reached the Summit" out of the sixty teachers participated.

In the Akkanayakanpatti Sports Meet, 18 of our Athletes took part and 9 received trophies. Sixty students participated at the Ottapidaram Taluk level competition, of which 33 were from our school and 7 of them got the first prize for different events.



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In the Kovilpatti Range, 7 of our Athletes participated and 3 received Trophies in the 400 Mtrs. In the District Level Sports, two of our students Muralitharan and Sathish were judged as the Best Athletes.

It was providential that the Orphanage area, received a fair amount of rain during the latter part of 2005 and this enabled the Orphanage to plant vegetables, that thrive in the locality. The fresh vegetables were very useful to provide nutritious and sumptuous meals to the children.

The children celebrated Christmas with a cultural programme and Nativity Scenes. They received Gift Boxes from "Operation Christmas Child" sent from U.S.A, which contained excellent toys and useful items.

It was a privilege and extremely joyous, to have Ms. Shirley Macindoe, from Australia & Mr. Mike and Mrs. Pat Jones, from U.K. to visit the Orphanage. The children performed many cultural items to honour them.

With gratitude, we recall the generous support of

The Director, Arthur Exports, NGO Colony, Tirunelveli – 7,
who donated uniforms and clothing,

Mr. R. Dharmaraj, Proprietor, Horeb Printers, Sivakasi *donated Note Books*
and Ms. Shirley Macindoe, who donated Rice to the value of Rs.16, 000/-.

The Management and Staff were very sensitive and extremely conscious of the heavy burden and responsibility, laid on their shoulders, during their tenure of work, in this task of moulding, grooming, educating and sensitizing children to face the unknown tomorrow. Thus children who enter the portals of Kirubai Illam are assured of a care with affection wholistic growth and no effort is spared in the joy of viewing them go up the ladder of life.



2.2 Efforts Towards Child Survival

With the aim of ensuring child survival, Peace Trust launched a community-based project focusing on the health of the Antenatal mothers and children. Rev. Villam Singh inaugurated the project on Dec. 1, 2005.

Prior to the formal inauguration of the project, an initial survey was undertaken during October and November 2005. The staff were oriented on the project on Nov. 28 at Chennai.

The goal of the project was to release from the spiritual, economical, social and physical poverty.

Peace Trust conducted 10 cluster meetings to promote awareness on personal hygiene, nutritional education, health mix demonstration, importance of literacy for females and STI. Around 75 ladies benefited through these meetings.

Antenatal and lactating mothers were imparted health education through four group meetings on personal hygiene, STI and family planning. Peace Trust also conducted film shows on unity and female literacy. Totally 75 people attended these meetings.

Medical Camp:

Peace Trust conducted medical camps for general public in which the targeted beneficiaries were also treated. An average of 30-targeted beneficiaries attended each camp.

A child, which was unable to open its eyes since birth, was able to open the eyes after the treatment given by the doctors of Peace Trust.

A 10-month old mentally retarded girl was motionless and after the efforts taken by the medical team, improvements were seen in the child.

A child with a bent foot was given exercises under the supervision of a physiotherapist.

Apart from these, children with wheezing problems and ANC mothers with complications were also treated.

The base of the CSP is GOIFFF

- G** - Growth monitoring
- O** - Oral re hydration
- B** - Breast-feeding
- F** - Female literacy
- F** - Food nutrition
- F** - Family planning



2.2 Efforts Towards Child Survival

Distribution:

Peace Trust distributed nutritious food like Milk, Eggs, Vegetables, Fruits, Pulses and Health Mix to the deserving families. Further, baby care items, hygiene products, mats and bed sheets were provided to the beneficiaries. Depending on the need, regular medicines were provided to the needy poor families.

Referrals:

Peace Trust also referred the ANC Mothers and children to the local hospitals, care centres, and Peace Health Centre for treatment services.

Trainings and Meetings:

The staff attended the trainings conducted at Chengalpattu and also attended a meeting at Naalumaavaddi.

Local Committee:

A local committee was formed with 8 members consisting of local panchayath president, two beneficiaries, Director of Peace Trust, Pastor of the local church, Project Co-ordinator, VHN and a staff from another NGO. The major objective behind the formation of the committee was to reflect the local realities in the project implementation and fine-tune the activities as to respond to the specific needs of the people.

New Building:

Initially this project implementation was monitored from a rented building and later it has been shifted to the own building known as "Peace Community Centre"

Only a few months have passed since the commencement of the project, the initial response from different stakeholders shows that Peace Trust has identified the right target people and area and has launched the project. It gives confidence that in the coming years, Peace Trust could do more for the survival of the children.



