

# STOP AIDS



## KEEP THE PROMISE

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### SURVEILLANCE

#### Sentinel Surveillance



Seen in the photo are Dr. Savio Rodrigues, Prof. & H.O.D (Dept of Micro-Biology), GMC, Bambolim, Dr. Elmira Pereira, DD (Surveillance) Goa SACS along with Site In-charge of ANC site, Counselors, Lab. Technicians & other staff.

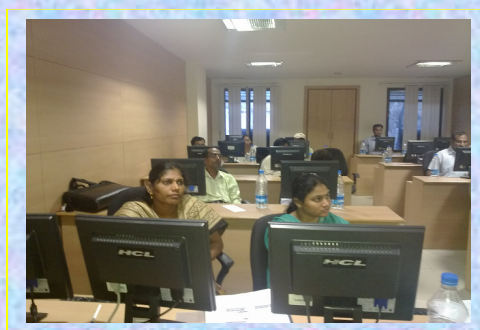
*A training on Sentinel Surveillance 2010 for Counselors and Lab. Technicians was held on 9th September, 2010 at Conference Hall, Directorate of Health Services, Campal, Panaji-Goa*

### SIMS (Strategic Information Management System)

*Shri Tolentino Furtado, Statistical Officer, Goa SACS along with Shri Sandesh Bhagat, CLS, attended the Strategic Information Management System Project (SIMS) Training Workshop held at Indian Institute of Hardware Technology (IIHT), Bangalore on 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> September, 2010 organized by NACO in view of the concerns over quality of training conducted by Vayam Tech in August 2010. SIMS is a web based application with central server and sophisticated tools aiding in data analysis and integration from different data sources/platforms which will increase the efficiency of computerized M & E system by having adequate data quality through centralized validated data.*



Seen in the photo are Shri Vikash and Shri Kamaljeet (Vayam Tech), Resource persons for the SIMS training programme.



Participants at the training programme

*A gift of your blood can blossom some life!*

# STI

## BRANDING OF DESIGNATED STI/RTI CLINICS

*As per NACO guidelines, the designated STI/RTI clinics are to be branded as SURAKSHA clinics so as to increase the awareness of the facilities available among the general public. The same has been done at clinics situated at Goa Medical College Bambolim, Asilo Hospital, Mapusa and Hospicio Hospital Margao.*



Suraksha Clinic at GMC, Bambolim



Suraksha Clinic at Asilo Hospital, Mapusa

## SUPERVISORY VISITS

*Supportive supervisory visits were conducted as per NACO guidelines to monitor the STI/RTI programme. During the visit monitoring was done on number of STD cases managed, whether correct syndromic management followed, targets v/s achievement, hygiene, infrastructure including privacy etc., drug and condom availability, documentation & reporting. Appropriate guidance and training was given wherever required. Visits were conducted to the following NGOs/Centres.*

### NGOs:

- *Positive People, IDU Project, Margao.*
- *Humsaath, CBO Project, Vasco.*
- *DEMM, FSW Project, Vasco.*
- *Presentation Society, Migrants Project, Vasco.*
- *Sailife Care, Truckers Project, Ponda.*

### DSRCs:

- *Department of Venereology & Dermatology, GMC, Bambolim.*
- *Hospicio Hospital, Margao.*
- *STD Clinic, Baina.*
- *Asilo Hospital, Mapusa*

### CHC:

- *CHC, Ponda*



# BLOOD SAFETY

## VOLUNTARY BLOOD DONATION DAY 1<sup>ST</sup> OCTOBER 2010



Shri Aleixo F. da Costa, Director, State Directorate of Craftsmen Training who was the Chief Guest on the occasion of VBD day is seen lighting the traditional lamp.



Dr. Pradeep Padwal, Project Director, Goa SACS along with other dignitaries during launching of the mobile van for promotion of voluntary blood donation.



A view of the audience who attended the function of Voluntary Blood Donation Day held at ITI Borda, Margao.



Volunteers enacting a Street play on the occasion of Voluntary Blood Donation Day at ITI Borda, Margao.



Dr. Pradeep Padwal, Project director, Goa SACS briefing the media personnel.



Shri Aleixo F. da Costa and Dr. Pradeep Padwal, Project Director, Goa SACS along with other dignitaries and staff during the launch of mobile IEC van.



*Voluntary Blood donation day was celebrated on 1<sup>st</sup> October, 2010 at ITI, Margao. The dignitaries present at the function were Shri Aleixo F. da Costa, Director, State Directorate of Craftsmen Training, Dr. Wiseman Pinto, Prof & HOD, Dept. of Pathology, GMC, Shri M. R. Allabaksh, Principal, ITI, Borda, Margao, Dr. Suresh Mandrekar, Asst. Professor, Dept. of Pathology, Dr. Pradeep Padwal, Project Director, GSACS and Dr. N. V. Markande, Deputy Director, Blood Safety, GSACS. The function was inaugurated by lighting the traditional lamp followed by keynote address by Dr. Suresh Mandrekar and talks delivered by other dignitaries. IEC mobile van and voluntary Blood donation mobile van were flagged off by Shri Alexio F. Da Costa.*

### **1<sup>st</sup> National Conference on “Voluntary Blood Donor Motivation”**



*A two day “National Conference on Blood donor Motivation” was held on 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> Sept, 2010 at Lionia Resorts, Hyderabad organized by AP SACS to ensure safe and quality blood in the country. Dr. N.V. Markande, DD (BS & QA) and Shri Suresh Laad, Consultant (VBD), Goa SACS attended the conference.*

Dr. N. V. Markande, DD (BS & QA), Shri Suresh Laad, Consultant (VBD), Goa SACS, Shri P. Walson, Camp organizer and Shri Mario Santan Pinto, Representative, Indian Red Cross Society attended the conference.

### **Blood donation camps organized during September, 2010**

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| • Damodar College, Margao                 | – 70 donors  |
| • Cidade de Goa, Dona Paula               | – 30 donors  |
| • Tata Consultancy, Mapusa                | – 38 donors  |
| • Independent Cricket Association, Margao | – 62 donors  |
| • Dyanprasarak Mandal College, Mapusa     | – 66 donors  |
| • Samrudh Jeevan, Bambolim                | -- 57 donors |

***Donate blood regularly, once is not enough!***

## IEC

### **REPORT OF THE RED RIBBION CLUBS OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY HIGHER SECONDARY SCHOOL, DONA PAULA-GOA**



**Dr. Saroj Salelkar, Clinical Officer, TSU, AVERT is being presented with a bouquet by a student of the Rosary Higher Secondary School, Dona Paula during the inauguration of RRC.**

*The Red Ribbon Club at Our Lady of the Rosary Higher Secondary School, Dona Paula was inaugurated on 20th September 2010 to create and provide opportunity to the zeal of volunteerism among youth to contribute towards the control and prevention of HIV/AIDS. The Chief Guest and the Speaker for the occasion was Dr. Saroj Salelkar, Clinical Officer (AVERT). 144 students enrolled as RRC members. The programme began with a prayer song and the lighting of the traditional lamp by the dignitaries. Sr. Jeannette Almeida, Principal welcomed the gathering. Mrs. Sujata Nayak, Co-Chairperson read the objectives of the club. Mrs. Sandra Silveira, Convener read the action plan for the year 2010 -11. This was followed by a skit on AIDS by the students of Std. XI (Science). Dr. Saroj Salelkar gave a talk on HIV/AIDS and Prevention Strategies. Ms. Jeunesse Fernandes, Consultant, Youth Affairs, Goa State AIDS Control Society informed the students that Red Ribbon Club programme is a comprehensive promotional and preventive intervention to enhance voluntary blood donation as well as mainstream HIV and AIDS prevention, care, support and treatment impact mitigation, Stigma reduction among the youth in Educational Institutions. The students were enlightened on the importance of Red Ribbon Club and activities that could be conducted by RRC members. Ms. Fabiola Baretto of Std. XII (Arts) gave the Vote of thanks. The programme was compered by Ms. Hiba Shaikh.*



## RRC in Don Bosco College

*The inauguration of the Red Ribbon Club (RRC) in Don Bosco College was organized by Goa State AIDS Control Society in collaboration with Department of Social Work on 20<sup>th</sup> September 2010. Students from different departments of the college attended the programme. Ms. Joycy Manlun, Lecturer, Dept. of BSW welcomed and introduced the resource persons, Dr. Saroj Salekar, Medical Officer, AVERT Society and Ms. Jeunesse Fernandes, Consultant-Youth Affairs, GSACS. The programme began with lighting of the traditional lamp. Dr. Marie Raj, Principal of Don Bosco College addressed the students and encouraged them to take an active participation in bringing about a behavioral change in HIV infection. Ms. Maya Chodankar, Coordinator-Dept of BSW, shared her interest in the field and expressed the need for awareness among students on the subject. Ms. Jeunesse discussed the aims, objectives of RRC, importance of activities to be conducted which spread more awareness among students on HIV/ AIDS Prevention, Support for PLHIVs and explained the vulnerability of youth to HIV/AIDS. In her presentation, Dr. Saroj focused on the extent of the problem, the prevalence of HIV/AIDS and availability of treatment in Goa, the different modes of transmission and methods of prevention. Her explanation helped to dispel doubts and myths about HIV/AIDS. The song "Haath Se Haath Milao" sung by popular Bollywood actors which helped to emphasize the need for a united effort in creating awareness and prevention of HIV/AIDS was screened. The Advisory Committee Members of RRC, Don Bosco were then introduced, namely Dr. Marie Raj - Chairperson, Ms Joycy Manlun - Convener, Ms. Myra Pereira - Treasurer and student volunteers Bianca Shetty, Douglas D'Souza, Sudarshan Rajput and Stella Dass. The programme ended with a Vote of Thanks by Ms Maya.*

## REVIEW MEETING AT NACO

***NACO Review meeting of IEC & Mainstreaming Officers of all State Aids Control Societies in the country was held from September 30<sup>th</sup> to October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2010 at Institute of Defense Studies and Analyses, New Delhi by NACO, India's Voice against AIDS, Department of AIDS Control, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India. The meeting was attended by Shri Umakant Sawant, DD (IEC) and Ms. Jeunesse D. Fernandes, Consultant- Youth Affairs from Goa SACS. The Inaugural address was given by Aaradhana Johri, Joint Secretary. Sessions were conducted on Major IEC activities under the approved AAP, National campaign calendar - outdoor , mid-media, hoardings and bus panel campaign, IEC for migrants, NE campaign by JD (IEC) & IEC Team with inputs by M/s Madison on Mass media and Major Mainstreaming Activities: trainings of frontline workers, Tribal Action Plan, workplace policy. The NACO Team facilitated and commenced the Presentation of state analysis by Respective SACS teams along with state I/C from NACO. All States were present for the meeting including North East States. Sharing of creatives for the campaigns from BBC Team. Then there was a parallel session discussion on Mainstreaming UNDP plan of 5 states – SMU, MRU and UNDP representatives to be present. The Gap areas were also discussed - State-wise analysis and fixing timelines for completion: HRG materials, general distribution and service centre materials, outdoor - hoardings, wall writings, bus panel campaigns, folk campaign, radio and TV programmes and on State-wise analysis and fixing timelines for completion- trainings under Mainstreaming, TAP. Review of youth programmes – AEP, RRC and Out-of-School youth were discussed by Shri Bilal and all Consultants - Youth Affairs of each state. Planning for remaining six months - presentation before Secretary & DG and JS (A small group from NACO and SACS to work on this and present) was conducted. The review meeting ended with concluding remarks by Joint Secretary.***



Location of the Review meeting at NACO, New Delhi



IEC officers and Consultants (YA) of all SACS participating in the review meeting.



IEC officers and Consultant (YA) of all SACS who participated in the review meeting.



Group photograph of IEC officers/ Consultant (YA) with NACO officials

## **TARGETTED INTERVENTIONS**

### **PROGRAMME MANAGEMENT BY STRC**

*Programme management was conducted from 6<sup>th</sup> - 9<sup>th</sup> September 2010 at the Inspectorate of Factories and Boilers, Altinho, Panaji-Goa. 22 participants attended the said programme. The training was conducted by State Training Resource Centre (All India Institute Self Local Government). The resource persons were Ms. Sonal, Dr. Ubale & Dr. Raghuram Rao.*





Field visit conducted at Campal Garden by Dr. Pradeep Padwal, Project Director, Goa SACS along with TSU and STRC.



Group work presentation



Group work

## EVALUATION OF TARGETTED INTERVENTION (TI) PROJECTS



*An evaluation of 11 TIs and 1 CBO was conducted from 20<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> September, 2010. Four teams with the external and internal evaluators from MYRADA, AVERT Society and Goa SACS conducted the TI evaluation. Shri Nissar Ahmed, Shri D. R. Jagtap, Shri Shankar Ujlambe, Smt. Amita Abhichandani and Smt. Shaila Gokhale were the external evaluators.*

Seen in the photo are Shri Shankar Ujlambe, External Evaluator, Shri Dattatraya Sonagare, PO, TSU, Shri Sagar Devidas, Project Manager and the team of Mineral Foundation of Goa.

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