

## STOP AIDS

# KEEP THE PROMISE

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Shri Narendra Kumar, Officiating Chief Secretary, inaugurating the function on World Blood Donor Day



Shri Narendra Kumar, Officiating Chief Secretary addressing the audience



Shri Narendra Kumar, Officiating Chief Secretary felicitating the blood donors

# PERFORMANCES

## **IEC**

# Activities undertaken by Goa SACS for IEC (RRC, Mainstreaming, Intervention of Out of School Youth Program):

• Red Ribbon Club was inaugurated at SESA Technical School, Sanquelim under the guidance of Goa State AIDS Control Society on 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2010. Mr. V. R. Bhavsar, Principal of the institute, Mr. Umakant Sawant, Deputy Dir. (IEC, Goa SACS), Dr. Saroj Salelkar, Clinical Officer (TSU, Avert Society) and Ms. Jeunesse Fernandes, Consultant (Youth Affairs, Goa SACS) were present to support the programme. They addressed the students and delivered a talk on HIV/AIDS: its prevention, care, support and basic services offered by Goa SACS. They also answered the questions asked by the students. Ms. Jeunesse Fernandes spoke on the importance of the Red Ribbon Club, and how students as RRC members can conduct activities to generate awareness among themselves and in their community thus motivating others to join hands in the prevention of HIV/AIDS.



RRC inauguration at SESA Goa Technical School



Talk by the principal (SESA Goa Tech. School)



Mr. Umakant Sawant, Deputy Dir. (IEC), Goa SACS addressing the students



Students attending the programme



Brother Joseph (Principal & Director, Montfort Vocational Training Centre) addressing the students



Dr. N. V. Markande, Deputy Dir. (Blood Safety, GSACS) taking session

• Red Ribbon Club was initiated by Goa State AIDS Control Society at V. V. S. Kunkalekar Higher Secondary School at Old Goa on 25<sup>th</sup> June, 2010. Dr. Lalita Umraskar, Deputy Dir. (STI, Goa SACS), Ms. Jeunesse Fernandes, Consultant (Youth Affairs, Goa SACS) and Mr. Ramkrishna Sadanand Samant, Principal along with the staffs & students of V. V. S. Kunkalekar Higher Secondary School were present during the event. Dr. Lalita Umraskar delivered a talk on HIV/AIDS and various services offered by Goa SACS and Ms. Jeunesse Fernandes spoke on the importance of the Red Ribbon Club, its main objectives and activities that can be conducted by the students as RRC members. The RRC aims at harnessing the potential of the youth by equipping them with correct information on HIV/AIDS: its prevention, care, support and treatment. It also aims in building their capacities as peer educators in spreading message on positive health behaviours in an enabling environment by increasing voluntary blood donation from youth.



Address by V. V. S. Kunkalekar Higher Secondary School



Session by Deputy Dir. (STI, Goa SACS

• Positive People, in collaboration with Goa State AIDS Control Society organized a rally on the eve of "International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Drug Trafficking" in the Port City. 300 students participated from various schools of Vasco. The rally was flagged off at the Municipal Building by Counselor Mrs. Lavina D'souza and it culminated at the Vasco Police Station. Mr. Mahesh Gaonkar, Dy. Superintendent Police, addressed the students and gave an overview of the present drug scenario in Goa. Mr. Douglas, an ex-user shared his real life experiences with the students, strongly conveying to them that the 'First smoke' is all that takes to get into drugs and that one must always avoid and say no to that 'First' smoke. The program ended with a vote of thanks presented by Ms. Sonia Dias, Program Manager, Positive People.



Rally flagged off by counselor Mrs. Lavina D'souza



Students participating in the rally



Induction training for National Youth Corps at Youth



Students participating in the rally



Mr. Mahesh Gaonkar, Dy. S. P. addressing the students



Address by Mr. Kalidas Ghatwal, Youth Coordinator, NYK

### **BLOOD SAFETY**

#### WORLD BLOOD DONOR DAY CELEBRATED BY GOA SACS

World Blood Donor Day was commemorated by Goa SACS in collaboration with the Goa State Blood Transfusion Council at Secretariat (Seminar Hall), Porvorim on 14<sup>th</sup> June, 2010. The function was graced by Shri. Narendra Kumar, I. A. S., Secretary to Governor of Goa & Acting Chief Secretary as the Chief Guest and Shri Rajeev Verma, I. A. S, Secretary Health as the guest of honour. Other dignitaries present were Dr. Rajnanda Desai, Director of Health Services, Dr. C. P. Das, Acting Dean, Goa Medical College, Dr. R. G. Wiseman Pinto (Prof. & Head, Dept. of Pathology), Mrs. Sinari, Blood Donor, Dr. Pradeep Padwal, Project Director, Goa SACS & Dr. N. V. Markande (DD, Blood Safety, Goa SACS).

Shri Narendra Kumar inaugurated the function and stressed the need to create awareness about the voluntary blood donation among the people in order to meet blood requirement in the state. He shared one of his experiences and said that blood is needed on many other occasions to save life.

Shri Rajeev Verma also motivated women & students to come forward and donate blood voluntarily followed by the felicitation of Mrs. Sinari as a regular blood donor. Shri Narendra Kumar handed over the keys of Blood Transportation Vans to the In-charges of the Blood Banks of GMC and Hospicio Hospital. On this context, blood donation camp was organized at the Conference Hall, Secretariat, Porvorim by the Blood Bank, Hospicio Hospital, Margao.



People attending the programme



Shri Narendra Kumar, IAS, handing over the keys of Blood Transportation Vans to the In-Charge

#### Other Blood Donation Camps organized by Goa State AIDS Control Society:

Sr. No.	Date	Organizers & Venue	Units
1.	01/06/10	Goa SACS, Panaji	15
2.	14/06/10	Institute of Heritage & Hotel Tourism, Vasco	95
3.	14/06/10	Secretariat (Conference Hall), Porvorim	20
4.	15/06/10	5 TTR, Bambolim	56
5.	16/06/10	6 TTR, Ponda	99
6.	19/06/10	3 MTR, Margao	37
7.	20/06/10	Social Welfare Assn., Vasco	57
8.	25/06/10	I. T. I., Farmagudi, Ponda	37
9.	25/06/10	Planning & Statistics, Panaji	27

### TARGETTED INTERVENTION

Goa State AIDS Control Society conducted training on the tools of HRG (High Risk Group) for the TI NGOs based in South Goa and North Goa districts. Training was held on 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> June, 2010 at Damodar Conference Hall, Osia Complex, Margao (South Goa). 51 participants attended the training taken by the Programming Officers, Mr. Deepak Parab (Humsaath) and Ms. Sangeeta Korgaokar (Positive People). Same training was conducted at Caritas Goa (Holiday Home North Goa), Panaji on 24th & 25th June, 2010 which was attended by 77 participants from the respective TI NGOs. It was taken by Ms. Sophia Caldeira Mr. Denzil D' from **Rishta** (NGO). Souza





Participants attending the training

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