INSTITUTIONAL UPDATE: COMPREHENSIVE PRIMARY HEALTH CARE

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Community Engagement

Two Anganwadis in Singasandra get a new look from Wipro Cares volunteers

On March 29, two Anganwadi centres at Singasandra got a facelift. 24 Wipro Care staff painted the Anganwadis as part of their employee engagement program. Children were happy to see their Anganwadis transformed into a new learning and play space as both the centres had not been painted for many years. The volunteers interacted with the children to understand their aspirations, goals, and the problems they face living in urban slums.

Resource Mapping to identify people to support health facilities in Mysuru city gets completed

A Resource mapping activity to identify people who can be of support to strengthen the public health facilities in the delivery of services was done in Mysuru. As part of this exercise degree, medical, engineering, nursing, paramedical colleges, and pharmacy institutions were mapped. The Mysuru staff first did a desk review of all the potential institutions and later visited them. So far, 65 wards have been mapped, and information from 34 degree colleges, 18 nursing and 13 paramedical colleges was obtained. 9400 students are available as resources to help the government in delivering health services. The mapping exercise was conducted between November 2022 to April 2023.

SHG members organize diabetes and hypertension awareness campaigns in Bengaluru

On March 28, to raise awareness of diabetes and hypertension among homemakers and senior citizens in Hosa Road and CK Nagar, Singasandra, Bengaluru; members from two Self-Help Groups-Doddammadvi and Sarathi were involved for the campaign. The members visited 350 homes with information materials explaining diabetes and hypertension symptoms, and their causes, and encouraged people to get tested. Mr Umesh, the Block Health Education Officer, Singasandra also participated in the awareness campaign by orienting the SHG group members on diabetes and hypertension.

Government Engagement

CPHC team meet senior government officials to share formative research findings

On January 18, The CPHC team along with Health Systems Transformation Platform (HSTP) staff met Mr Anil Kumar TK, IAS, Principal Secretary, Department of Health and Family Welfare and other senior government officials to disseminate the study findings of formative research and present the Mysuru ‘Healthy City’ model and also obtain their feedback.

The formative research study was conducted in Mysuru city last year to understand the current status of comprehensive primary healthcare, identify and analyse barriers and facilitators to comprehensive primary healthcare, and develop design options to strengthen urban primary healthcare.

The “Healthy City” model includes the intervention framework and key action points developed based on the study findings.

The team also met Mr Lakshmikanth Reddy, IAS, Commissioner, Mysuru City Corporation on January 19 to seek support from the Corporation for the smooth implementation of the project.

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