



National Service Scheme (NSS) Cell

Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Youth Development (RGNIYD) Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, Government of India

REPORT ON WORLD AIDS DAY AWARENESS PROGRAM

THEME: LET COMMUNITIES LEAD

Date: 01 December 2023

On the occasion of World AIDS Day 2023, observed annually on December 1st. National Service Scheme, Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Youth Development (RGNIYD) organized an awareness program in collaboration with Child Survival India (CSI), department of social work RGNIYD and NSS CELL OF RGNIYD. The programme took part in three sessions at different venues.

The forenoon session aimed to raise awareness among Truck Drivers about HIV/AIDS, was conducted in the SIPCOT Parking area. The afternoon session that happened in NAB Seminar Hall ,RGNIYD , was in focus to spread the awareness amongst the faculty members, non-faculty members and all the students of RGNIYD. The evening session was planned to reach out to the Housekeeping and Gardening staffs, Security Personnels and electricians.

SESSION I: Forenoon session

Venue: SIPCOT Parking Area

Time: 10.30 am to 12.00 pm

The program was spearheaded by Dr. S. Kumaravel and Dr. Rambabu Botcha from the Department of MSW at RGNIYD, alongside Mr. Praful Kumar, the Admin of CSI. Students representing the MSW first year and Sociology first year, accompanied by NSS volunteers and the core team, led the event. The hosting responsibilities were shouldered by Mr. Prashant Binny and Ms. Sakshi Pawre. All the student volunteers actively contributed to ensure the program's success.









Program Highlights:

Following the setup, RGNIYD students gathered the Truck Drivers for the awareness session. Dr. S. Kumaravel and Dr. Rambabu Botcha delivered speeches on the subject of AIDS. Subsequently, the organizing committee arranged engaging games for the Truck Drivers, including activities such as lifting full buckets, blowing balloons, and musical chairs. The games fostered a sense of enjoyment among the participants, with some Truck Drivers emerging as winners, receiving prizes for their achievements.









Post-game activities included group photoshoots, followed by a rally connecting everyone to the theme of World AIDS Day, which emphasized "Let Communities Lead."







To conclude the programme, Vote of thanks was given by Payal Sharma, 2nd year student of Department of Sociology. She thanked all the Truck drivers, students, NSS Volunteers, members of Child Survival India, Dr.S.Kumaravel .the head of Department of Social Work and Dr. Rambabu Botcha, NSS program officer for conducting the programme successfully.

Once the program concluded, the students ensured the area was restored to its original condition before returning to the University.

The initiative successfully disseminated crucial information about AIDS while fostering engagement and enjoyment among the Truck Drivers, marking a meaningful observance of World AIDS Day by the RGNIYD students in collaboration with CSI.

SESSION II: Afternoon session

Venue: NAB Seminar Hall, RGNIYD; Time: 2.00 pm to 3.30 pm

The session was hosted by Abhirami.P of 2nd year English Department.

The chief guests for the session II were Dr. E Jayabharathi, chief medical officer, Dr. M.R. Manivasagan, medical officer and J Indhra, counsellor, government hospital Sriperambadur.

Program Highlights

The session began with the 'Welcome Address' by Dr. Rambabu Botcha, NSS Officer, RGNIYD. He welcomed the chief guests and the faculty members and the students. His address was followed by the felicitation of chief guests. Dr. M.R.Manivasagan was felicitated by Dr. Rambabu Botcha, Dr. E. Jayabharathi was felicitated by Dr. Sharmishta Battacharjee and J. Indhra by Dr. Anbu Kavitha. Volunteers distributed the pledge and it was administered by Dr. Rambabu Botcha.







The "Inaugural Address" was given by Dr. Sharmishta Battacharjee, Dean Academics. She welcomed the esteemed guests and interacted with students, urging them to utilize the opportunity to ask questions and clarify their doubts.



Another highlight of the event was the "Twitter Campaign" which was briefly explained by Dr. Rambabu Botcha and he insisted the students to tweet the same.



Following it was the speech by one of the chief guest Dr.M.R.Manivasagan, to sensitize on HIV/AIDS. He effectively conveyed the difference between HIV virus and AIDS. He also stressed upon "do's" and "dont's" to prevent sexually transmitted diseases.



Next was a special address by Dr. E.Jayabharathi regarding reproductive health in men and women. She also focused on the importance of condoms and oral pills. And the lack awareness among people over years and its changing trends.



J Indhra spoke about the various government policies and about the counseling and oral pills available in government hospital. She engaged to contact the government facilities and gave few real examples to understand the severity of HIV/AIDS, its testing.



The last part of the event was the question and answer session. Many students enthusiastically volunteered to ask questions. This was highly encouraged by the chief guests and the faculty members.

The host invited M.Sanjeeva Reddy of 2nd year Mathematics department for the vote of thanks. The student thanked the esteemed chief guests, faculty members, NSS volunteers and students for making this event a great success and ended with a note expecting the same enthusiasm for the upcoming events. Then the crowd was dispersed for a short tea break and the answers for the question asked by the students were provided.

Question and Answers Session:

• How to make sure to choose a life partner who is free of HIV? Should we look for any symptoms?

It is advisable to get the tests done for oneself and their partner-to-be as an HIV -infected person who follows a healthy lifestyle will be leading a healthy life and may not show any visible symptoms if the infection has not developed into AIDS yet. So, one cannot completely depend on the symptoms but must take tests done by any nearby government hospital.

• What are the initial symptoms of HIV?

Headache, fever, fatigue, flu, weight loss are few symptoms. Women must get the tests done in case they observe any abnormal white discharges. A lack of symptoms can last from as long as 10 to 15 years and that is why it is important to get tested.

• Can we donate blood to a HIV infected person?

Yes, by giving blood to another person, one can never get infected. Government healthcare is seriously implementing single usage and proper disposal of syringes. All the blood samples undergo proper tests before having them in use. So, any eligible donor can donate blood to HIV infected person in need.

• Can we share food and interact freely with a HIV infected person?

It is safe to share food, towels and interact with HIV infected person. It is important to treat them as an equal and one must not discriminate them on any grounds.

• Can HIV spread through Oral sex? Through which bodily fluids does HIV spread?

It is possible if it involves the exchange of bodily fluids as HIV can spread through bodily fluids like blood, semen, pre-seminal fluid, vagina fluids, and rectal flu

• Is it okay to touch and save a HIV patient during an accident?

It is advisable to use gloves or at least to wrap one's hands with polythene bags before helping the injured person.

• Where can we get emergency pill to prevent STDs?

It is available in any Primary Health Center and Government Hospital.

• Where can we get tested for AIDS?

One can get tested in any Integrated counselling and testing center (ICTC)



SESSION III: Evening Session

Venue: NAB Seminar Hall, RGNIYD

Time: 3.45 pm - 4.45 pm

The primary objective of the World AIDS Day awareness program, Session III was to empower working laborers with knowledge about HIV/AIDS, dispel myths and misconceptions, and encourage proactive health practices. The program focused on the importance of prevention methods, and fostering a supportive and non-discriminatory environment.

The Chief Guests of the Session III were the guests of the program were Dr. E.Jayabharathi Chief Medical Officer, Mr. Manikkavasakan, Medical Officer, and Ms. Indhira, Counsellor at Government Hospital, Sriperumbadur.





Programme Highlights:

Dr.Anbu Kavitha, Department of Sociology, RGNIYD, welcomed everyone and explained the concepts, and procedures of the event. Mr. Manikkavasagan gave an explanatory speech to begin this session of the awareness program. Followed by this, Ms. Indhira explained the signs, symptoms, precautions and preventive measures for AIDS. They summarized the symptoms and preventive measures of how AIDS spreads and how it impacts the society. She interacted with the audience in tamizh and in a very simple ,day to day conversation style. All the employees of Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Youth Development were benefited by Q and A session in which they asked their doubts.

The program was concluded by Ms. Sharumathi of the first year MSW department. Followed by which, the gathering proceeded for refreshments with the AIDS awareness pamphlet received earlier.

This programme, in particular, had promoted a healthier and more informed labor community. This could be seen as a positive shift in attitudes and behaviors related to HIV/AIDS prevention, with more individuals expressing a commitment to adopting safer practices.



CONCLUSION:

The World AIDS Day awareness programme headed by the NSS Team of Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of youth Development with the theme for this year, "Let Communities lead", focused on informing people from different demography proved to be a successful attempt towards breaking the prevailing stigma on HIV/AIDS testing and treatment. This initiative helped in increasing awareness, encouraging testing, and fostering a sense of a community responsibility. The insights gained from this program address the unique health needs of this demographic, contributing to the broader goal of creating a healthier and more informed society.



Dr Sharmistha Bhattacharjee



India is united to fight against #HIV and #STI. Awareness is the only key to HIV prevention and #Testing is the only way to be sure if you are positive.



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Awareness Generation Program on HIV/AIDS for Truck Drivers in Sriperumbudur



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Coordinator



Dr. Rambabu Botcha NSS Program Officer RGNIYD Sriperumbudur

Experts



Mr. Prafulla Kumar P Program Manager Child Survival India Sriperumbudur



Dr. S. Kumaravel
Head
Department of Social Work
RGNIYD, Sriperumbudur

Date: 1 December 2023 | Time: 10:00 AM - 01:00 PM

Venue: SIPCOT Parking

Organized by:

National Service Scheme (NSS) Cell, RGNIYD Department of Social Work, RGNIYD Child Survival India

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Sensitization Program on HIV/AIDS



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Welcome Address



Shri. Avinav Thakur Assistant Registror RGNIYD Sriperumbudur

Coordinator



Dr. Rambabu Botcha
NSS Program Officer
RGNIYD
Sriperumbudur

Experts



Dr. M.R. Manivasagan Medical Officer Government Hospital Sriperumbudur



Ms. J. Indhra Counsellor Government Hospital Sriperumbudur

Date: 1 December 2023 | Time: 02:00 - 05:00 PM

Venue: Seminar Hall, NAB, RGNIYD

Organized by: National Service Scheme (NSS) Cell, RGNIYD

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HIV/AIDS is transmitted



UNPROTECTED SEX



DRUG ADDICTS



BLOOD TRANSFUSION



PREGNANCY



NON-STERILE INSTRUMENTS

HIV/AIDS is not transmitted



TOUCHING



THROUGH FOOD



WITH A KISS



INSECT BITES



IN THE POOL

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Stigma and discrimination are barriers to HIV testing and treatment.

We can play our part by:

- changing our attitude
- learning the facts
- discovering ways to stop HIV stigma



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Reduce your risk of getting HIV by:



Using condoms



Ensuring that your partners who are living with HIV are taking treatment



Using PrEP to prevent getting HIV if you have ongoing risk, including during pregnancy



Using sterile needles and syringes for all injections



Getting tested and treated for sexually transmitted infections

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एच.आई.वी. से बचना है, तो सवाल करना जरुरी है।

क्योंकि जानकारी होगी तो बचाव होगा

आज ही कॉल करें हमारे निःशुल्क हेल्पलाइन नंबर

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एच.आई.वी. इन कारणों से नहीं फैलता



संक्रमित व्यक्ति को चुम्बन करने से



मच्छर एवं कीट पतंगों के काटने से



संक्रमित व्यक्ति के हाथ मिलाने से



संक्रमित व्यक्ति द्वारा उपयोग किये गये बर्तनो के इस्तेमाल करने से



संक्रमित व्यक्ति द्वारा उपयोग किये गये शौचालय के इस्तेमाल करने से



संक्रमित व्यक्ति द्वारा इस्तेमाल किये गये उपकरणों के उपयोग करने से







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संक्रमित व्यक्ति के साथ असुरक्षित यौन संबंध से

बचाव: प्रत्येक यौन संबंध में कंडोम का सही और निरंतर उपयोग करना





संक्रमित माता से उसके शिशु को

बचाव: गर्भावस्था की पहली तिमाही में एच.आई.वी. जाँच करवाना

संक्रमित सुईं व सिरिंजों के साझा उपयोग से

बचाव: सुईं व सिरिंज को साझा न करना





संक्रमित रक्त या रक्त उत्पादों के उपयोग से

बचाव: रक्त व रक्त उत्पाद पंजीकृत ब्लड बैंक से ही लेना







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CELEBRATION OF WORLD AIDS DAY – 2023 THEME: "LET COMMUNITIES LEAD" PROGRAMME SCHEDULE

Venue: SIPCOT Parking **Time**: 9:30am – 1:00 pm

1.	Welcome Address	Mr.Prashant Binny MSW 1 st year
2.	Awareness Generation on HIV/AIDS to Truck Drivers	Mr.Prafulla K.R. Parichha Project Manager Child Survival India (NGO)
3.	Special Address on Voluntary Action to fight against HIV/AIDS	Dr.S.Kumaravel Head of the Department Department of Social Work. RGNIYD
4.	Keynote Speech connecting to the theme of the year-World AIDS Day-2023	Dr . Rambabu Botcha NSS Officer
5.	Game Activities	Mr.Adityaa Dev, Mr.Anirudh, Mr.Rohit , Mr.Gautam, Mr.Prabhat, Mr.Aditya
6.	Jagrookta Rally (Awareness Rally)	All the participants
7.	Vote of thanks	Ms.Payal Sharma Department of Sociology RGNIYD

Master of Ceremony: Ms. Sakshi Pawde, 1st Year Student, Department of Social Work

Participants of the Programme: Truck Drivers

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Venue: NAB Seminar Hall **Time**: 2:00-3:30 pm

1.	Welcome Address	Dr. Rambabu Botcha NSS Officer
2.	Inaugural Address	Mr. Avinav Thakur Assistant Registrar
3.	Administration pledge	Mr .Avinav Thakur Assistant Registrar
4.	Explanation about Twitter campaign	Dr. Rambabu Botcha NSS Officer
5.	Sensitization on HIV/ AIDS	Dr.M.R. Manivasagan Medical officer Government Hospital Sriperumbudur
6.	Question and Answer Session	All the participants
7.	Vote of thanks	Mr.M Sanjeeva Reddy Department of Mathematics RGNIYD

Master of Ceremony: Ms. Abhirami P, 2nd Year Student, Department of English

Participants of the Programme: Faculty (Teaching and Non-Teaching), Staff and Students

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Master of Ceremony: Ms. M.Aswini , 2nd Year Student, Department of English

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