



HIGHLIGHTS - MADHYA PRADESH



Glimpses of healthcare from Immunization Days in Bhopal

Immunization days are held most of the time in Anganwadi Centre (AWC). The AWC is approximately has no windows or ventilation, lack of toilet, no proper space and mats to sit, no place for storage of equipments and no tables. <http://www.sochara.org/node/907>



Intervention on Childhood Malnutrition in Bhopal

At CPHE in Bhopal, we have been concerned with the problem of childhood malnutrition for the past two years. CPHE has decided to work on strengthening the functioning of anganwadis along with the communities as strategy to tackle malnutrition. As a part of this, CPHE is working in three slums of Bhopal.

<http://www.sochara.org/node/903>

Editorial

Thelma Narayan writes about relevance of International Workers Day (1st May), farmers distress, Nepal Earthquake, various happenings at SOCHARA, photovoice, new publications, malnutrition in Bhopal, CHLP course etc. <http://www.sochara.org/node/906>

Neo-natal deaths in Dharmapuri - a fact finding mission



A fact finding mission was organised between 14th and 15th December 2014 to Dharmapuri District Government Hospital to investigate the series of neo natal deaths reported in November 2014. As a health group, constituents of the Makkal Nalavazhvu Iyakkam (MNI-People's Health Movement, Tamilnadu) decided to appoint a committee with credible members and visited the site to enquire into the fundamental problems underlying these deaths. <http://www.sochara.org/node/905>



Innovative Use of Technologies (ICTs) for Community Monitoring

The goal of the ICT workshop was to facilitate strengthening the processes of social accountability practices and strengthening the existing capacity of the community of practitioners to innovate especially with the use of technology.

<http://www.sochara.org/node/904>



Community Health Learning Programme: Towards Equity and Action

The CHLP course is tailored to consciously maintain the balance in gender, region and socio economic background during the selection process of fellows to reflect equity and social justice which are the core values of the organization. Mentorship and a person centred approach to learning with a justice orientation to health are core components. <http://www.sochara.org/node/902>

Journey of Community Health Learning of Fellows



The Community Health Learning Programme (CHLP) takes participants in the fellowship through a journey of field experience and inside learning, ultimately transforming their perspectives of community health. In this issue, Anusha Purushotham shares her learning and experience of programme.

<http://www.sochara.org/node/901>



Here is a SOCHARA team member working with Rupa in Nagenahalli

Sanitation network partners in the news for Dalit women empowerment

Rupa and Manjula of Mariyamanahalli and Nagenahalli village who are members of the evolving Karnataka Sanitation Network facilitated by SOCHARA have recently been in the news because their significant work they have done with the Devadasi community on alternative livelihoods and sanitation. <http://www.ipsnews.net/2015/04/from-slavery-to-self-reliance-a-story-of-dalit-women-in-south-india/>

Rational prescriptions for the private health sector

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Rahul reports on a Meeting on "Rational prescriptions for the private health sector: How to achieve ethical, accountable, quality health care in India". on 28th March 2015 in Bengaluru.

<http://www.sochara.org/node/909>



Nepal Calling

In response to the Nepal disaster we in SOCHARA sent a solidarity and supportive message to all our friends, health movement contacts and three young fellows who attended IPHU hosted by SOCHARA in 2009. Here are some voices and response:

Tara Ballav - Nepal PHM Students Association

"Myself currently being with Association of Youth Organization Nepal are working for supporting unreached devastated area and we are urgently in need of ortho surgeons as HR resources in hospital setting and and basic medicines following disaster. Tent, Chlorine for chlorination of water, Dry foods, Specialized volunteers."

Aruna Uprety - PHM Nepal

"Thanks for your email and your solidarity. We are trying to collect money for food and hygiene and sanitation and especially for women and girls .In those difficult situation their needs are ignored. One of the issues of sanitary napkins for adolescent girls who cannot speak about this issue . we have to buy soaps, foods , sanitary napkins . will send u more information after we asses in the communities."

Tanveer Ahmad, HANDS, Pakistan

"HANDS is planning to start relief activities in worst affected areas. 03 of HANDS Medical Team Members are planning to arrive there. We are planning to work with local partner organization. As we are aware and familiar that you have strong networking with local organizations so kindly refer any local mid-level organization to be a partner with HANDS. Our relief program will be based on two phases and initially we may start with medical services (mobile camps) and distribution of food items."

Andreas Wulf, medico international, Germany (SOCHARA Partner)

"Your contacts and recommendations were very valuable and we are happy to inform you that medico is now cooperating with three different partners directly in the first emergency phase:

1. we are supporting the medical team of HANDS from Karachi, that has just arrived in Kathmandu and is establishing itself alongside the Nepali organization "Environmental Camps for Conservation Awareness (ECCA)" <http://www.ecca.org.np> .
2. we are supporting the emergency teams of Nepal Development Society in their work in Gorkha district close to the epicentre of the earthquake. <https://www.facebook.com/nedsnepal>
3. we are supporting the Public Health Concern Trust–Nepal in establishing an additional operating room in their Kirtipur Hospital www.phectnepal.org/



Disaster response resources in CLIC

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In the context of the Nepal earthquake and the challenges in relief and rehabilitation ahead we list out some key resources available in CLIC Library linked to experience and learning in disaster response and recovery in South Asia by many of our partners and us. <http://www.sochara.org/sites/default/files/Disaster-relief-rehabilitation-resources.pdf>

New Publications

Environmental Sanitation "Reflections from Practice"

A Module for Community Health Practitioners. SOCHARA 2014-2015. By Prahlad I.M

http://www.sochara.org/sites/default/files/Environmental-sanitation-module_1.pdf

5th National Bio-ethics Conference - NBC2014

Final Report

<http://www.sochara.org/sites/default/files/Final%205th%20NBC%20Report.pdf>



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