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SOME PROJECTS
OF
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IMA’s dedication to fight Tuberculosis

• IMA-GFATM-RNTCP-PPM Project

• Indian Medical Professional Associations’ Coalition against Tuberculosis (IMPACT)

IMA-GFATM-RNTCP-PPM Project

• IMA collaborated with National Tuberculosis Control Programme of the Govt. of India (Gol) in 2004

• Many pilot projects have been implemented by the IMA at district and state levels.

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The Key Activities of this project include:

- Conduction of national level and states level workshops
- Publish newsletter dedicated to TB/RNTCP, insert an article, on a quarterly basis, in IMA’s publication
- Carry out CMEs at all IMA branches
- Distribute IEC material
- Assist the DTOs in training volunteer

Indian Medical Professional Associations’ Coalition against Tuberculosis (IMPACT)

- It was felt that the involvement of other medical professional Associations is a must to achieve the goal of the RNTCP i.e. total eradication of TB.
- A proposal was sent to the WHO India for developing a consensus among the related medical Associations to endorse the International Standards for Tuberculosis Control (ISTC).

IMA Stop Sex Selection Project

- IMA has been committed to Save the Girl Child. Many Rallies, Hoardings, Posters, Workshops, Conference have been organised till date.
- A religious leaders meet was organized to condemn Female Foeticide.

The following Associations formed a part of the membership of the Coalition:-

- IMA – Indian Medical Association
- FFPAPI – Federation of Family Physicians’ Associations of India
- API – Association of Physicians of India
- AFMC – Armed Forces Medical College, Pune
- IAPM – Indian Association of Pathologists and Microbiologists
- IPHA – Indian Public Health Association
- IAP – Indian Academy of Pediatrics
- NCCPi – National College of Chest Physicians (India)
- ICS – Indian Chest Society
- IAMM – Indian Association of Medical Microbiologists
- IAPSM – Indian Association of Preventive and Social Medicine
IMA Anaemia Free India Project

- What strikes about India is not merely our sheer numbers, but rather surprising incidence of rampant anaemia and malnutrition in our children and adolescents irrespective of gender, caste and geography.

- IMA started the "Anaemia Free India" movement which will bring radical change in the health scenario of society and improve human resource development.

- Success was achieved in the all out efforts of IMA in the one year of the programme from 1-7-2005 onwards. A report was provided to the Ministry.

- It was suggested that Oral administration of one tablet of iron sulphate daily after meals is adequate treatment for most patients with iron deficiency anaemia.

IMA Pharmaco Vigilance Education Programme

- To tackle the new adverse reactions of drugs, it should be reported immediately as a contribution to an incomplete safety profile.

- IMA Pharmaco Vigilance cell has been formed at IMA HQs, which organizes Workshops and collect reports on Adverse Drug Reactions.

National Workshop on Pharmaco Vigilance

Aao Gaon Chalen Project

- India lives in villages. The basic healthcare needs of these citizens of the country cannot be looked after due to the poor facilities available in rural areas.

- IMA considered it its first duty to cater to the healthcare needs of the masses living in these villages. Hence, it was decided that every local branch of IMA will adopt villages in their area of jurisdiction to provide medical facilities to them at their doorstep.

Contraceptive Update

- IMA, in partnership with the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, planned and successfully organized many programmes for sensitization of the society and its members about the various methods of Contraception.

- Nearly 2000 IMA members have been trained and sensitized to organize sessions in their area on the use of contraception. IMA Family Welfare programme has included Emergency Contraception specially as an integral part of the programme.
Activities related to Control and Public Awareness about Swine Flu

Public Awareness Programme on Swine Flu

- In the current spread of the Swine influenza in India, most alarming cases reported had been in school students.
- Due to the Govt. policies of excluding the private sector from treatment of the Flu, the Indian Medical Association (IMA) with its wide outreach, considered its duty to bring about awareness among the public about the infection.
- Public awareness programmes on Swine Flu were organised by IMA HQs in its various branches throughout the country.

Public Awareness Programme on effects of Tobacco use

- On the occasion of Anti Tobacco Day on May 31, 2009, mass rallies were organized in IMA HQs, and its branches all over India which were attended by students of various schools, NGOs, media personalities, medics and para-medics, political leaders and people of eminence.
- At IMA HQs, an oath was taken by all the participants affirming their commitment not to use Tobacco and also make other aware of the hazards and motivate them to quit using tobacco.
- The rally was followed by a Workshop on “Tobacco Control and de-addiction – Issues and challenges” June 26, 2009.
- Based on the deliberations, various recommendations were formulated.

IMA undertakes various health issues of national and regional interest from time to time. We are also having Disaster Management Cell to provide relief during various kinds of disaster in any part of the country.