

Celebrations

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Independence Day was celebrated on 15th August 2001 at the Institute in which the officers, staff and trainees of 86th training course participated. The Director hoisted national flag. & delivered speech in Hindi highlighting the achievement and problem faced by the country. Dr.L.Suryanarayana, CMO and Dr. V.K.Chadha, Sr. Epidemiologist delivered speeches in Kannada and English respectively. Patriotic songs were sung and sweets were distributed.

World Tuberculosis Day was celebrated on 26th March 2001 at the Kalaniketan auditorium of NTI as 24th March was a non-working day (Saturday). Dr. Visweswaraiiah, Honorary Secretary, KSTBA, Bangalore presided over the function as Chief Guest. The officers and staff of NTI and other off ices situated within the campus attended the function. Dr (Mrs.) Sophia Vijay welcomed the gathering. Lighting of lamp followed this by the Chief guest, Director & others present on the dias. The Director made the inaugural address. The NTI faculty spoke on different aspects of TB with the aid of slides / transparencies. Mr. Jitendra, Computer compeered the programme. Mr. V Sidharthan, Sr. Investigator (SOCS) and Mr. H.S. Mallikarjunaiah, Social Worker assisted in organizing the function. The function concluded with vote of thanks by Dr (Mrs.) Chitra Nagaraj CMO.

Launching of website on NTI

Website on the "National Tuberculosis Institute" was launched on 15th August 2001 by Dr (Mrs) P Jagota, Director, NTI, Bangalore in the NTI Auditorium in presence of the trainees of 86th training course, team from National Informatics Centre (NIC), Bangalore viz., Mr R Venkatesh, Principal system analyst, Mr Suresh Methi, Programmer & Mrs Vyjayanthi Vaidya, System Analyst, who developed the website and faculty & staff of NTI. The website

address is: <http://ntiindia.kar.nic.in>. Through this, the research and training activities; papers published; publications brought out and program information on NTP is made available globally on the net.

Contribution to Gujarat Earthquake Relief Fund

As per the orders of Government of India, the officers and staff of. NTI, Bangalore contributed a day's salary towards Gujarat Earthquake Relief Fund. An amount totaling to Rs.40,351/- (Rupees forty thousand three hundred and fifty one only) was sent to the **Prime Minister's National Relief Fund, New Delhi, through Demand Draft No.308780 dated 6.2.2001.**

Nomination

Dr(Mrs.) P. Jagota, Director, NTI was nominated as a faculty member for medicine to the newly reconstituted Academic Council of the University by the Vice-Chancellor of Rajiv Gandhi University of Health Sciences, Karnataka, for a period of one year from Jan 2001.

General

Director Dr.(Mrs.) P. Jagota was invited by the Compassion Unlimited Plus Action (CUPA) which is an NGO, under the Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, New Delhi, to the inaugural function of a Super Specialty Hospital and Animal Care Center on 29th Jan 2001 built on the land donated by the University of Agriculture Sciences, Bangalore, by Her Excellency Smt. V S Ramadevi, Governor of Karnataka. This hospital is an upgraded medical care center for all types of animals.

Committees

Dr. V.K.Chadha, Sr.Epidemiologist, Dr. Preetish S. Vaidyanathan, SMO and Mrs. V.N. Saroja, Sr. PHN were given charge as chairman and members respectively of the NTI staff quarter's allotment committee.

Dr. V.K.Chadha took over as Director of Grievance and NTI Staff Grievance officer for handling public grievance and grievance of NTI staff.

Hindi Rajbhasha

Members of the Rajabasha Committee viz.,

Sri S.Ravindra, X-ray Technician and Miss G. Sumathi, Computer attended the Town Official Language Implementation Committee meeting on 3rd Jan 2001 at ISRO, Peenya, Bangalore.

Office order forms pertaining to probationary, confirmation and vigilance clearance certificates were translated in to Hindi and printouts of these forms in bilingual were taken. Sri Sanjay Singh, Field Investigator translated the title and introductory pages of the document "SOCTB" to Hindi, and fed to the computer by Sri. R.Rajan, UDC.

Sri Sanjay Singh also did Hindi translation of the information on the activities of NTI for the year 2000-2001 for publication in the Annual Report of Min. of Health & Family Welfare, and the same entered in the computer by Sri. R.Rajan. The Hindi week was observed from 6-12th

September 2001 and the Hindi Day was celebrated on 14th September 2001.

Deputation of staff for census duty Sri. H.S. Mallikarjunaiah, Social Worker, SriNagaraj, Computer, Smt, HT Mangalagowri, LDC and Sri Muralidhara, LDC were deputed for the census enumeration duty from 3rd February to 5th March 2001.

Vigilance

Dr. B. Mahadev, CMO took over the charge as vigilance officer from Dr. V.K.Chadha, Sr.Epidemiologist. "Vigilance Awareness Week" was observed from 31st October 2001- 6th November 2001. Staff participated in the "post/cartoon" writing and debate competition on "Corruption and evil menace: solution to the problem" on this occasion.

Visitors

Sl. No.	Date of visit	Name/Designation	Name Of The Organization	Purpose
1	1st -3rd Feb2001.	Prof. Kyaw Myint, Dy Director Prof. Kyaw Nyunt Sein, Dy Director (Leprosy)	Ministry of Health, Govt. of the Union of Myanmar	To directly observe various aspects of TB control programmes, functioning of RNTCP in the Bangalore Mahanagara Palike (BMP) and various activities of the Institute. They were briefed on the database created on electronic media.
2	19th -21st Feb2001.	Dr Karin Weyer, WHO Consultant	Tuberculosis Research Programme, Medical Research Council, Pretoria, South Africa	To have extensive discussion on the ongoing research activities of the institute.
3	22nd and 23rd Feb2001.	Dr. Madhuri Sharma. Addl. Director General (M)	DGHS, New Delhi.	Visited the AMRU and was briefed about the 'ongoing research activities'. During her visit to Library, she was briefed on the aim & objectives of the NTI library as an information dissemination center in the TB control programme.
4	24th May 2001	Dr Fabio Luelmo, Medical Officer	TB strategy & operations (TBS)-Stop TB - communicable diseases, WHO, Geneva	To have an overview of the research and training activities of the Institute and to appraise NTI, Bangalore about the decision of WHO, Geneva to create "Health Internetnetwork" on "Tuberculosis" for its pilot project.
5	28th & 29th May 2001	n Dr.Adalbert Laszlo, Senior consultant n Dr. Klaus Jochem Project Manager n Dr Prahlad Kumar, Deputy Director,	TB Microbiology, Health Canada SAARC TB Center Kathmandu, Nepal.	The project team of SAARC-Canada Regional TB and HIV/AIDS had meetings with the faculty & visited library. They had detailed discussion on the ongoing research projects in Bacteriology and Animal Model Research Unit (AMRU) Sections.
6	12th June 2001	Dr. M.Khalilullah	Regional Fellowship Officer, WHO	To discuss the involvement of NTI as the collaborating center for training.
7	1 4th Oct 2001	Sri. Javed Choudhary, Secretary , Health	Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Govt. of India	The Director and members of TCC briefed various activities of the institute. A detailed presentation was made on progress of the ongoing "National Sample Survey to estimate Annual Risk of Tuberculous Infection in different parts of India".

Inaugural Lamp

A new brass lamp of 3' 9" in height weighing 35 Kgs. with 5 detachable parts was purchased by the Institute for use by all the sections of the Institute for any function. It is being kept in the Library.

Departmental Promotion Committee (DPC) Meetings :

DPC meetings were held on:

- 9th July 2001 for the appointment of Chowkidar
- 2nd August 2001 for regularisation of adhoc promotion of two Statistical Assistants's (Group C) and confirmation of one Driver Mechanic (Group C).
- 11th & 12th September 2001 for selection of candidate for the post of one Group D & regularisation of adhoc promotion and selection of Hindi typist.

NTI Staff

a) Recruitment

Sl. No.	Name of the official	Designation	Date of appointment
Group 'c'			
1.	Sri. S. Jameel Ahmed	Field Investigator (EPS)	11.1.2001 (F.N)
2.	Miss M.A.Sharada	Statistical Assistant	10.1.2001 (F.N)
3.	Sri.Basudev Verma	Field Investigator (EPS)	22.1. 2001 (F.N)
4.	Miss R Shantha.	LDC	26.4.2001 (leave vacancy)
5.	Sri. Raghunandan	Laboratory Technician	2.7.2001 (FN)
6.	Smt. SR. Kusuma	Laboratory Technician	20.8.2001 (FN)
7.	Sri. Suhail Pasha	Field Asst.(Plan)	22.10.2001
8.	Sri. Nandish Prasad	Computer	12.11.2001
9.	Smt. R. Shantha Kumari	Stenographer Gr.III	12.11.2001
10.	Sri. Viqarulla Khan	Field Investigator (Leave vacancy)	16.11.2001
11.	Sri. J.Farook	- do -	16.11.2001
12.	Smt. S L Nagarathna	LDC	18.12.2001
Group 'D'			
1.	Smt S Lakshmi Devi	Safiawala	18.4.2001 (F.N)
2.	Sri Narasimhamurthy	Safiawala	25.4.2001
3.	Sri. T.Lokesh	Peon	21.11.2001
4.	Sri. S.Kumar	Chowkidar	8.8.2001 (FN)

Dr. Ramakrishna Goud was appointed as Medical Officer on contractual basis for the NSS-ARI survey.

b) Promotions

Sl. No.	Name of the official	Designation	Date of appointment
1.	Miss. G. Sumathi	Statistical Assistant (Adhoc)	14.06.2001
2.	Smt. Victoria Lalitha	Sister Tutor (Adhoc)	14.06.2001

C) Retirements

Sl. No.	Name of the official	Designation	Date of retirement
Superannuation			
1.	Sri. MV Jaigopal,	Statistical Assistant	31.3.2001 (A.N)
2.	Smt Indraniamma	Safaiwala	31. 3.2001 (A.N)
3.	Smt. Aleyamma Korah	Sister Tutor	30.4.2001 (A.N)
4.	Sri. V.Muniyappa	Dark room Attendant	31.10.2001 (AN)
Voluntary			
1.	Sri. A. Basheer Ahmed	Driver	02.1.2001 (F.N)
2.	Sri Channappa	Chowkidar	01.4.2001 (F.N)
3.	Sri. K.M.Vasudevan	Chief Statistical Officer	02.7.2001 (FN)

d) Resignations

Sl. No.	Name of the official	Designation
1.	Smt. S.Padmavathi,	UDC
2.	Smt. Srilakshmi	Data Entry Operator (Contract basis)

e) Transfers

Sl. No.	Name of the official	Designation	Date of transfer
1.	Sri. K.P.Unnikrishnan	Chief statistical officer	05.07.2001 (From Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, New Delhi)
2.	Sri. Shashidhar J. Savanur	Senior Statistical Officer	25.07.2001 (To Central Water Commission, New Delhi)
3.	Dr. (Mrs) Lalitha Suryanaryana	CMO (NFSG)	31.12.2001 From (CGHS, Chennai)

f) Deputation

Sl. No.	Name of the official	Designation	Date of deputation
1.	Sri. A. Ramesh	UDC	18.10.2001 (F.N) (From the cabinet secretariat, New Delhi)

OBITUARY:

The officers and staff of NTI mourned the untimely demise of Miss S Uma, Group D on 11th June 2001 & Mr. Basudev Verma, Field Investigator, while on duty at Barddhaman, West Bengal on 19th October 2001.