News & Views

a. Independence Day was celebrated on 15th August 2008.

Independence Day was celebrated in NTI Campus playground under the leadership of Dr. Prahalad Kumar, NTI Director. Mrs. S. Leena, SSO and Mr. B.V.Venaktachalappa, Computor hosted the ceremony. At first Flag Hosting was done by Director, NTI followed by National Anthem and State Anthem. NTI, CPWD, NICD staff and Officers along Bethesda School Children and teachers of Bethesda attended the ceremony. Director gave a valuable speech. There was cultural programme by staff of NTI, children of NTI staff and Bethesda school children. Refreshment was provided to all those who were present on the occasion.

b. Hindi Week and Hindi day was celebrated from 7th -16th Sep 08 and NTI Foundation day on 16th September 2008 respectively.

1. Visitors

During the period the Institute had the privilege of having the following dignitaries as visitors.

Sl.	Name of visitor	Date	Details of visit
No.			_
1	Dr Debabar Banerji, Professor Emeritus, JNU, New Delhi,	31-07-08	Discussion on various components of NTP and RNTCP.
2	Dr Deniel, Canada, Dr Govind & Mr Madhav Reddy. Vivekananda Rural Health Centre, Pavgada,	06-08-08	Discussion on collaboration with NGOs in TB control programme
3	Dr Nagraj from Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore	22-08-08	Discussion on the collaborative project between IISc., and AMRU.
4	Dr. V.M. Katoch, Director, Central JALMA Institute, Agra	16-09-08	Discussion on second line DST
5	Director, Karnataka State AIDS Prevention Society, Joint Director (TB), Karnataka, Mr Arun Monga, Donor Coordination, NACO & Ms Julia, World Bank Aid, Geneva.	17-09-08	Discussion regarding the GFATM funded programmes.

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6	Dr Chandramohan, Head, Pre-clinical safety evaluation, Avasthagen Limited, Bangalore	23-09-08	Discussion regarding collaborative project with NTI on TB control.
7	Dr C Nyamrunda, Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Livestock Development and Fisheries (MLDF), Tanzania	31-10-08	Discussion on various components of TB control in India and Tanzania.
8	Dr Ramanathan, Deputy Director, TRC, Chennai	26-11-08	Discussion regarding collaborative project between NTI and TRC.
9	A Team of Rajbhasha Committee from New Delhi	01-12-08	Discussion on promoting the use of Rajbhasha in day-to-day activities of the Institute.

2. Retirement

Sl.	Name & Designation	Date
No.		
1	Dr. M.Hari, Veterinarian	Retired on attaining the age of superannuation on 31/07/08

3. Death

Sl.	Name & Designation	Date
No.		
1	Mallesh, Safaiwala	passed away during their services in NTI on 08/12/08