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### DAIA Newsletter April 2017

Dear friends and well wishers of DAIA,

Greetings from DAIA! We are thankful to God that He has enabled us through your support to complete three months in 2017 and to enter into the fourth month. With His help we look forward to doing even more effective service for PLHAs during this year. We are happy to contact you through this Newsletter of April 2017.

#### Visitors



Mrs. JeyaGell explaining the model of water management, set up at DAIA premises



Mr. Varatharajan M.A Tirunelveli, and Mr. Shantha Kumar from the Sanitary Department of Tuticorin Corporation visited our DAIA Campus at on 24.03.2017. They were delighted to see the herbal garden, waste water management, recycling of rain water system and decided to implement the water conservation methods in their area.

#### Staff review meeting



On 14.03.2017 a staff review meeting was held at DAIA Office at 10.30am. Dr. Rajaratnam Abel, honorary consultant of DAIA and Dr. Jolly Abel were the Chief guests of the program. All the staff

and tuition teachers participated. Devotion was taken regarding a true and faithful life. Then discussion was held focussing on the tuition teachers to maintain proper records of the children including their quarterly and half yearly grades. They were instructed to meet the parents once in 3 months. The students performance register was devised which is to be maintained both by the tuition teachers and the DAIA staff as a monitoring tool.

Dr. Rajaratnam Abel emphasised the need for establishing contact with PLHAs at least once during the year through any means, so that we could know their needs and help them for a better future.

### Medical camp



Medical camp was conducted at Zion church on 11-03-2017. 44 patients benefited.

### Awareness Programme



DAIA held a HIV/AIDS awareness programme at Pope's Arts & Science College, Sawyerpuram, Thoothukudi. The causes, effects and preventive measures of HIV/AIDS were explained to the students with statistical data as proof. It was also said that this disease affects the rural inhabitants the most. Counselling can also be given to patients who are forced into depressed by the society. The students as youths were motivated to follow the customs of Indian marriage system and to maintain pure relationships which can keep HIV/AIDS far from us and can make the world AIDS – free in 2020.

### Tuition centre



Visited the tuition centre where more than 30 children are benefited. Health talk was given on moral lesson and environmental hygiene.

## Gift distribution provided by Infosys Staff



On 29<sup>th</sup> March 2017 evening, we had a function at Zion Church, Tuticorin and distributed the gifts to the children donated by Infosys staff. About 200 people including 110 children aged from 3 to 20 years had attended. The program started with a prayer and a short message was given by Mr. Sam of Sharing Love Mission. Children were thrilled to see a puppet show. They were delighted to receive the valuable gifts sent by the Infosys staff. They have conveyed their love and heartfelt thanks to each and every one of the Infosys staff, who had contributed for these needy children. Tea and snacks was served to all at the end of meeting.

### Regular ongoing activities carried out during March 2017

During March 2017, 45 PLHAs were counselled. A Medical camp was conducted on 11<sup>th</sup> March 2017 and 40 patients were treated. Nutritional powder was also provided to HIV/AIDS patients and their children.

Please do not forget our needs for the medical camps. With the help of individual donors, we have managed to continue the medical camps providing essentials support only to the very needy PLHAs. Their need is real. Although with medicines, many are living long, still there is stigma and discrimination. All PLHAs are not able to openly come out due to the stigma. They still need DAIA support in different ways.

Your personal help or introducing someone will help us to carry on DAIA's work to the PLHAs. We seek your prayerful and continued support.

**We extend to all of you a very happy Easter, as the Christian world celebrates the resurrection of Jesus Christ.**

We are giving our bank account numbers below for easy transfer of money. Please feel free to contact us for further information on our work.

Country	Bank Name	A/c name	A/c No. S/B	IFSC code
Within India	City Union Bank, Tuticorin	Development Association for Integrated Activity	085001000097607	CIUB 0000085
Overseas (FCRA A/c)	City Union Bank, Tuticorin	Development Association for Integrated Activity	085001000580660	CIUB 0000085

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