

Samiksha

...by LEPRA Society

All of us at LEPRA will miss Prof. Radhamohan ji's support and guidance. . .



Prof. Radhamohan

Prof. Radhamohan ji, Honourable General Body member of LEPRA Society departed for his heavenly abode on 10th June 2021.

He was an eminent social worker and a renowned environmentalist. He and his conservationist daughter, Ms. Sabarmatee ji have been conferred with the Padma Shri in 2020 for their contribution in agriculture.

He was a very approachable teacher, a colleague and a friend – he will be missed by all of us at LEPRA. We pray that his soul rests in peace.



COVID19 Response

15,000+
people
vaccinated

1,900+
ration kits
distributed

80
oxygen conc.
distributed in
AP & Telangana

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Some of the other key activities which we undertook last month are

Sensitisation to ASHAs on leprosy



Active case finding



General health camp in a leprosy colony



LIC donated mobile vaccination van



Juhar Foundation supported Oxygen Plant in MNC



Anti-drugs webinar to prisoners in MP



Emergency medicines & PPE kits distribution



Mobile footwear van in Bihar



[Some of the media coverage during this period](#)

Important information

As per the recent Central Board of Direct Taxes (CBDT) notification of 26 Mar 2021 ([click here](#)), for the donors to avail 50% tax exemption under 80G of Income Tax Act 1961, they need to provide the PAN while making a donation.

About Lymphatic Filariasis



The disease is caused by a parasite transmitted by mosquito bites. The parasite larva develops into an adult worm inside the body. The worms block lymphatic vessels, accumulating fluid in tissues, especially in the legs and scrotum. Early detection with mild swelling can be resolved with treatment.

Andhra Pradesh & Telangana

- In association with 'Fairmed', initiated provision of self-care kits to persons affected by leprosy.
- 3,450 customised footwear for Telangana govt. and 800 pairs for AP govt. are being manufactured.

Bihar

- Multi-Drug Therapy (MDT) for leprosy affected people has been supplied in 9 districts.
- Through our mobile van, 227 pairs of customised footwear have been provided to the leprosy affected.
- 1000 ration kits have been distributed with the support from Rising Star Outreach of India.

Mahanadi Netra Chikitsalaya (MNC)

- 119 cataract surgeries have been performed.

Communications

Our Facebook profile/engagement has gone up by 669% in the last quarter. Thanks to all our supporters and followers.

Madhya Pradesh

- 22 reaction cases of leprosy were treated and a total of 171 customised footwear have been manufactured and distributed.
- 983 dry ration kits have been distributed in three leprosy colonies supported by Rising Star Outreach of India.

Odisha

- Distribution of dry ration, emergency medicines and PPE kits to key population in Bhubaneswar and Puri.
- All the referral centers and services were functional during the lockdown period.

Research - Around 780 people were vaccinated and educated about COVID19 precautions & vaccination importance.



Amar

Meet our staff from Bihar. . . Amar and Dilip



Dilip

Currently, I am working as a project manager in Bihar. I am with LEpra since 2002 continuing to serve the people affected by Leprosy and LF.

I am working as a Incharge in the Prevention & Disability Unit in Bihar. I am with LEpra since 2005 continuing to serve the people.

Share your experiences and learning at LEpra . . .

I joined as a non-medical supervisor and been through various responsibilities and got an opportunity to work in different disease areas like Leprosy, Lymphatic Filariasis, TB, HIV/AIDS and eye-care. I had a great learning by attending many workshops and completed few courses which helped me throughout my career.

I have learned a lot in my last 16 years with LEpra and we have a wonderful team to work with. Our senior management always encouraged new ideas and gave an opportunity to implement them. I have learnt a lot in the disease area of leprosy and still continuing to learn more. I thank everyone who supported me and helped me throughout.

What do you like most about working with LEpra?

Working with a supportive team and management, accountability and vast learning opportunities for employees.

The teamwork and the fact that we can share ideas/thoughts openly without any hesitation which motivates everyone to do more and more.

What makes LEpra a unique organisation?

The transparency we maintain and the empathy our colleagues show towards our beneficiaries in helping to make their lives a bit better.

The relation between LEpra and our beneficiaries is very special and unique. They treat us with so much warmth and affection.

Prasant's reflections. . .

Let me start by expressing my deep sadness at the sudden demise of Prof. Radhamohan ji. He has been associated with LEpra for a long time and had been a renowned environmentalist and social worker in the state of Odisha who was awarded Padma Shri last year. With the COVID19 pandemic still raging through, most of our regular activities last month were affected, but none of the referral centers/clinics were closed. We distributed dry ration and provided other emergency assistance in all our operational areas to reduce the impact of pandemic on our beneficiaries. Now, with easing of restrictions, our community based activities have started in most of our project locations. It was good to see LEpra colleagues training the government Leprosy staff of Zambia remotely. Our vaccination project supported by Lepra UK has had a great impact and we have been able to facilitate vaccination journeys of 15,000+ beneficiaries in vulnerable communities and we continue to reach more. I would also like to add that we have managed to establish an Oxygen Plant supported by Juhar Foundation at our eye hospital Mahanadi Netra Chikitsalaya (MNC) at Sonepur in Odisha.

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<https://fundraisers.giveindia.org/projects/facilitating-covid19-vaccination-for-marginalised-communities>

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