









TB Mukt Panchayat Initiative

"District level workshop to equip Pharmacy Officers and NTEP key staffs with the necessary knowledge and skills required for effective TB diagnosis, treatment, surveillance, and prevention along with its effective documentation in Ballari District"

Date: 21st February, 2023 Venue: Hotel Nakshatra, Ballari

Background:

On the 21st, February 2023, USEA Team Ballari along with National Tuberculosis Elimination Program (NTEP), Ballari organized a district-level capacity building workshop in Ballari with the aim of equipping Pharmacy Officers and key staff from the NTEP with essential knowledge and skills for effective TB diagnosis, treatment, surveillance, and prevention. The event addressed various aspects of TB care, including Differentiated TB care, PMTPT, Lab checklist highlights, and an overview of the TB-free Gram Panchayat initiative by USEA.

Objectives:

- 1. To provide an overview of NTEP in Ballari and discuss PHC-wise status, offering suggestions for effective program implementation.
- 2. To delve into effective documentation for improved TB diagnosis and management.
- 3. To present an overview of the TB-free Gram Panchayat initiative by USEA.

Participants:

The workshop saw active participation from various stakeholders:

- Pharmacy Officers: 100

- Other District and Office staff: 30

USEA Team:

Mr. Rajesh Bharatiya, State Lead, Karnataka, Tb Mukt Panchayat Initiative, USEA

Mr. Sanna Keshava, District Project Officer, Ballari, Tb Mukt Panchayat Initiative, USEA

Mrs. Parimala Bhovi, District Project Officer, Vijayanagara, Tb Mukt Panchayat Initiative, USEA

Event Summary:

The workshop featured four insightful sessions:

Key Note Address by District Tuberculosis Officer:

Dr. Indrani. V (DTO), delivered a comprehensive overview of the NTEP in the Ballari district. She provided a detailed PHC-wise status overview, offering valuable suggestions to all Pharmacy Officers for the effective implementation of the program. This session aimed to equip participants with the knowledge and strategies necessary for successful TB diagnosis, treatment, and prevention.

Basics of TB and NTEP:

Mr. Keshava took presentation on basics of TB and its NTEP programs evolution over the period.

Overview of TB Free Gram Panchayat Initiative by USEA:

Rajesh Bharatiya, the State Lead for Karnataka in the TB Mukt Panchayat Initiative, provided an overview of the TB-free Gram Panchayat initiative by USEA. This session shed light on the broader community engagement, NGO collaboration and NTEP key staff's role and ACSM efforts aimed at making Gram Panchayats TB-free.

Behavioural Change Communication Activities:

Mrs. Parimala Bhovi conducted few activities on behavioural change communication which helps in community engagement and mobilisation.

Outcome:

- 1. Enhanced Knowledge: Pharmacy Officers and key staff gained a deeper understanding of NTEP and PHC-wise status, contributing to more effective program implementation.
- 2. Improved Practices: Insights into Differentiated TB care, PMTPT, and Lab checklist entry will facilitate improved diagnosis and treatment strategies.
- **3.** Community Engagement: The TB-free Gram Panchayat initiative by USEA aims to foster community engagement, contributing to the broader goal of a TB-free society.

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