



TB Mukt Panchayat Initiative

“District level workshop for Health Inspecting Officers (HIOs) and NTEP key staffs for effective TB diagnosis, treatment, surveillance, and prevention in Ballari District”

Date: 16th March, 2024

Background:

On March 16th, 2024, a district-level workshop was conducted in Ballari as part of the TB Mukt Panchayat Initiative. The workshop aimed to enhance the knowledge and skills of Health Inspecting Officers (HIOs) and key staff from the National Tuberculosis Elimination Program (NTEP) for effective TB diagnosis, treatment, surveillance, and prevention in the Ballari District.

Objectives:

- To provide an overview of the National Tuberculosis Elimination Program (NTEP) in Ballari and introduce participants to the fundamentals of TB diagnosis and management.
- To familiarize attendees with the TB-free Gram Panchayat initiative by USEA Trust and discuss its implementation strategies.
- To delineate the roles and responsibilities of HIOs in the effective implementation of NTEP and the TB Mukt Panchayat Initiative.

Participants:

The workshop saw participation from the following stakeholders:

- Health Inspecting Officers (HIOs) of Ballari District
- NTEP key staff
- USEA Team
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1. Inaugural Session:

The workshop commenced with an inaugural session featuring Mr. Peddanna, CSR Head, JSW Foundation, Mr. Muthukrishna, Head, Health, JSW Foundation, Mr. Rajesh Bharatiya, State Lead, Karnataka, Tb Mukt Panchayat Initiative, USEA, Mr. Pampapathi, Senior Health Inspecting Officer, DTO, Ballari and Mr. Sanna Keshava, District Program Coordinator, Brain

Health Initiative setting the tone for the event.

2. Inaugural session:

During the inaugural session, Mr. Peddanna Beedala highlighted JSW Foundation's longstanding commitment to supporting health and nutrition initiatives in both Ballari and Vijayanagara districts. He expressed gratitude for the opportunity to collaborate and assured continued support from JSW Foundation in advancing healthcare initiatives in the region.

3. Introduction to TB and NTEP:

Mr. Sanna Keshava, District Project Officer, USEA Trust, Ballari, introduced attendees to tuberculosis (TB) and the essential components of NTEP by conducting quiz.

4. TB Free Gram Panchayat Initiative:

Rajesh Bharatiya elucidated the TB-free Gram Panchayat initiative by USEA Trust, highlighting its objectives and implementation strategies.

5. Roles and Responsibilities of HIOs:

Mr. Pampapathi elaborated on the roles and responsibilities of HIOs in the successful implementation of NTEP and the TB Mukht Panchayat Initiative.

6. Orientation on Nikshay:

NTEP District Staff provided an orientation on Nikshay, the online portal for TB case management, enhancing participants' proficiency in digital tools for TB surveillance and reporting.

Conclusion:

The workshop provided a platform for knowledge exchange and capacity building among HIOs and NTEP key staff in Ballari. Through interactive sessions and practical exercises, attendees gained insights into TB management strategies, community engagement initiatives, and the utilization of digital tools for surveillance and reporting. The event concluded with a renewed commitment to collaborative efforts towards achieving the goal of a TB-free Ballari District.

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