

Immunization for Tribal Children & Young Mothers

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Immunization Camps

Immunization for Tribal children and Young mothers aims at improving the immunization status of children and pregnant women in those remote areas which are not reached out by the government health service providers. The services provided in Seva Mandir run camps include immunization of children, antenatal checkups and vaccines for pregnant women and treatment for minor childhood illness.

This project was initiated in 68 hamlets of Seva Mandir's work area in April, 2007. The immunization camps are based on two key principles.

- i) Ensure regularity of services, and
- ii) Encourage demand for immunization.

Camps are conducted on a fixed date and at fixed places by mobile teams. The mobile teams are monitored using date and time stamped photographs. To encourage demand, incentives are given in the form of 1kg of lentil for every shot of vaccine that a child receives and a set of utensils after he or she completes immunization.



Camps organized

During the reporting period immunization camps are being conducted in 115 hamlets across the five blocks. In the last reporting period, immunization camps were conducted in 125 locations, of which 10 locations were dropped this year as the government MCHN days (India Government's package for routine immunization to the community, involves maternal child and nutritional components) were started in these locations.

Against the target of 738 camps, 661 camps were organized. A total of 77 camps had to be cancelled due to reasons such as inability and replacement of nurses, festival, heavy rainfall and bad roads and etc.

A total of 610 children were registered in the 661 camps. Out of which 442 children have received complete immunization. In these camps, vaccination for BCG, DPT1, DPT2, DPT3 and measles were provided to these children.

Apart from the routine vaccination, 987 children were given treatment for diseases such as fever, cough, cold, measles, eye or ear infection, diarrhea and skin infection.

These camps also registered 905 young women for antenatal checkup. The components of antenatal checkups included hemoglobin test, urine test, blood pressure measure and counseling on care during pregnancy. 837 women received one dose of tetanus toxoid vaccine and 550 women received both the doses.



The immunization intervention has shown a very promising result in our work area. In future, we seek to continue this intervention so that we would be able to see the impact of boosting both demand and supply over a long period of time. Simultaneously, we also endeavor to continue with our efforts of taking this model in different geographic locations where Government is unable to provide these facilities.

Thank you for supporting this project.



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