

Narrative Monitoring Report

Jan.-Dec. 2018

World Hearing Day

On Occasion of World Hearing Day 2017, an ear awareness & screening camp was organized by Society for Sound Hearing in collaboration with Department of Community Medicine and Department of ENT, Maulana Azad Medical College, Lady Hardinge Medical College, New Delhi & ALPS International and Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Govt. Of India at Nirman Bhawan in Delhi on 3rd March 2017. Dr. Promila Gupta, NPPCD, Dte. GHS, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Govt. Of India facilitated the conduct of the screening programme. It was inaugurated by Mr. CK Mishra, Secretary Health, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Govt. Of India.

As part of screening program, 286 beneficiaries were screened. 57% of the people screened were females while 43% were males. The age of the patients varied from 25years to 60 years. The participants were first screened for any hearing problem using case history sheet. This was followed by ear examination by ENT specialists and those requiring audiometric assessment were further evaluated in a separate room by audiometrists from ALPS International.

Badminton Championship

Badminton Championship for Hearing Impaired Children (Boys and Girls) was organized by Sound Hearing 2030 under the aegis of Society for Sound Hearing (President: Dr. AK Agarwal and Secretatry General: Dr. Suneela Garg) in collaboration with ALPS International. The tournament was held on 13th & 14th October 2017 at the AIIMS Gymkhana Club, AIIMS Campus, New Delhi. The tournament was organized with an endeavour to improve the "Quality of life" of the Hearing impaired children by giving them opportunity to play sports. In this two days badminton tournament, there were two categories "JUNIORS and SENIORS". In Junior Category, students from 6th to 8th class participated and in Senior Category students from 9th to 12th class participated.

Each category consisted of four events:

- Ø Boys Singles
- Ø Girls Singles
- Ø Boys Doubles
- Ø Girls Doubles

Students from Lal Bahadur Shastri Training Institute, Ali Yavar Jung, Ashtvakra, Government Girls/Boys Senior Secondary School (Delhi Gate) and NGO Suniye participated in the event.

Refreshments and t-shirts were provided to all the participants. Trophies and certificates were awarded to the winners and participation certificates were distributed to all the participants. Olympic Silver medalist Miss PV Sindhu appreciated the cause of holding badminton tournament for hearing impaired children and extended support to the participants through a motivational message uploaded on the internet. The event was a grand success and was appreciated by everyone.



Sound Hearing 2030 Badminton Championship for Hearing Impaired Children

Entry form for Players for Sending Entries to Tournament

(Please fill up separate form for each tournament)

Name of the tournament:	Sound Hearing 2030 Badminton Championship for Hearing Impaired Children
Dates of the tournament:	13th & 14th October 2017
Entries close on:	Friday, 6th October 2017
Venue:	AIIMS Gymkhana Club, AIIMS Campus, Ansari Nagar East, New Delhi-110029

Please send the following entries form our Association for the above tournament:

Name of the School: _____

Sr. No	First Name	Last Name	Date of Birth	Class
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Junior Category : upto class 8th

Event :	Boys Single			
Event :	Boys Double			
Player 1				
Player 2 (Partner)				
Event :	Girls Single			
Event :	Girls Double			
Player 1				
Player 2 (Partner)				

Senior Category : upto class 12th

Event :	Boys Single			
Event :	Boys Double			
Player 1				
Player 2 (Partner)				
Event :	Girls Single			
Event :	Girls Double			
Player 1				
Player 2 (Partner)				

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Field testing of the WHO Ear and Hearing Care Survey Protocol in India

“Field testing of the WHO Ear and Hearing Care Survey Protocol in India” was done under the headship of Dr. Suneela Garg, Head of Department, Department of Community Medicine, Maulana Azad Medical College was started in March – May, 2017.

The present study was conducted as there were lacunae in the existing knowledge. There is paucity of studies on hearing loss and its associated factors in Indian context. There is need of community based studies to study the population distribution of hearing loss. As a result, this study has been planned to provide information about the same so that it can be used in future for policy making and planning.

Conduct of planning meeting: The planning meeting was conducted under the guidance of Dr. Suneela Garg, HoD on 10th and 11th November 2016 in the Department of Community Medicine, MAMC. The planning meeting was attended by Dr. Shelly Chadha (Technical Officer, Prevention of Deafness and Hearing Loss, WHO HQ), Dr. Promila Gupta (DGHS), Dr. Arun Kumar Agarwal (DDG and President Sound Hearing), Dr. Abha Aggarwal (statistician at ICMR), Dr. Ishwar Singh (HoD, Department of ENT, MAMC) and Ms. Shilpi (audiologist).

The Principal Investigator for the “Field test of the WHO Ear and Hearing Care Survey Protocol in India” is Dr. Suneela Garg, Head of Department, Department of Community Medicine, Maulana Azad Medical College. The Co-Principal Investigators are Dr. MM Singh (Dir-Prof., Department of Community Medicine, MAMC), Dr. G.S. Meena (Dir-Prof., Department of Community Medicine, MAMC), Dr. Ishwar Singh (HoD, Department of ENT, MAMC) and Dr. J.C. Passey (Medical Superintendent, MAMC). The Investigators for the survey are Lt. Col. (Dr.) Vipra Mangla (Ph.D scholar, Department of Community Medicine, MAMC), Senior Residents, Department of Community Medicine, MAMC- Dr. Charu and Dr. Neha Dahiya.

In the planning meeting the WHO Ear and Hearing Care Survey Protocol was reviewed and the preparation and finalization of “Field test of the WHO Ear and Hearing Care Survey Protocol in India” was carried out. The rationale of the protocol was looked into and presentations on following topics were deliberated upon:

The aspects covered in the planning meeting included- survey aims and objectives; survey population and area; Survey design, considerations for sample size and

sampling methodology; Data collection tools and tests: Questionnaires; Hearing test, ear examination; Survey team and training; Pre-survey visit; Data management and analysis; Follow up of survey; Quality enhancement; Ethical considerations and Timelines for field test and next steps. Following decisions were taken with regard to the protocol.

MATERIAL AND METHODS

Survey Aims and Objectives: The survey was titled “A Cross-sectional study on Prevalence of Hearing Loss and related factors in rural and urban areas of Delhi”. The primary objective of the survey were:-

1. To determine the prevalence and causes of hearing loss among people aged 3 months and above in selected areas of Delhi.
2. To determine the socio-demographic correlates of hearing loss in the study population.

The secondary objectives of the survey were:-

1. To test the feasibility of revised WHO handbook on Survey for prevalence and causes of hearing loss.
2. To raise awareness about hearing loss in target population.

Survey population and area: The survey areas included both rural and urban areas of Delhi which are the field practice areas of MAMC. The area of Delhi has 10% rural population and 90% urban population. From the rural area – Barwala village in North-West District of Delhi, located at a distance of 30 Kms from MAMC, New Delhi was selected. In the urban Area –Gokulpuri (resettlement colony in North East district of Delhi), Delhi Gate (near Daryaganj, located at a distance of 1 Km from MAMC, New Delhi), Balmiki Basti (slum area behind Indian Express building and is located in Central Delhi) and Vikram Nagar (adjacent to Balmiki Basti, located at a distance of 500 metres from MAMC, New Delhi) were selected.



Preparation of 2nd World Congress was as under:

1. Background

The congress will focus on sharing and caring for sustainable and accessible ear and hearing health programs. The endeavor of the congress will be to cover holistically early diagnosis, management and rehabilitation strategy which is accessible, affordable and sustainable. The emphasis will be on the systems approach whereby making the primary ear and hearing care accessible to all. In view of the latest recommendations of World Health Assembly 2017, it becomes all the more important for member states to develop sustainable mechanisms through strategy development for ear and hearing care.

2. Purpose

The purpose of the congress would be to bring different stakeholders from across the globe with an emphasis on South East Asian Region which will help in exchange of resources with regard to current scenario and related aspects i.e.

1. Epidemiological transition in developed and developing countries

2. Assessment of hearing loss in community settings in developed and developing countries
3. Barriers and challenges in accessing ear and hearing care
4. Community based interventions with regard to ear and hearing care
5. Rehabilitation and care of hearing impaired using principles of CBR
6. Neonatal and infants ear and hearing screening: Strategies for up scaling
7. Developing human resources for ear and hearing care
8. Developing strategies for ear and hearing care
9. Health promotion in ear and hearing care
10. Infectious diseases of ear: prevention and management
11. Otitis media: management and challenges
12. Noise induced hearing loss- less noisy districts
13. Strategies for inclusion of persons with hearing loss
14. Ototoxic drugs and hearing loss
15. Modern appropriate technologies in ear and hearing care
16. Entrepreneurship for ear and hearing care
17. Operational research in ear and hearing care
18. Development and sharing of educational and research tools

3. Objectives

1. To provide a platform for developing and developed countries to debate and share strategies for prevention and control of hearing loss
2. To sensitize the countries for development of sustainable mechanisms for ear and hearing care
3. To facilitate strategy development for reduction in ear and hearing morbidities
4. Advocacy for future roadmaps

4. Outcomes

World Congress 2018 will be a forum for sharing important declarations of World Health Assembly 2017.

World Congress 2018 will act as facilitator for sharing different initiatives, ideas and directions towards effective delivery of primary ear and hearing care along with advancement in field of ear and hearing using affordable technology.

Myanmar ENT Conference

The ENT Conference at Myanmar in collaboration with Society for Sound Hearing International (SSHI) was held on 12th- 13th January, 2017 in Taw Win Garden Hotel, Yangon, Myanmar. The agenda of meeting was to develop strategy of National Committee in Myanmar.

The tentative agenda was as given below:

SSHI Mission and Vision by Dr. Bulantrisna Djelantik - 5 mins

Ear and Hearing Care Strategy : Case Study from India by Dr. Arun Agarwal - 15 minutes

Need for Ear and Hearing Care in Nepal by Dr. Rakesh Shrivastava - 15 mins

Need for Ear and Hearing care Strategy in Myanmar: Dr. Khin Khin Phyuster - 15 minutes

WHO's Situation Analysis Tool in assessing Ear and Hearing care in developing countries by Dr. Suneela Garg - 15 minutes

