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The year 2010-11 was a remarkable year for us in terms of sheer scale and scope of operations we have expanded to most of the districts of Tamil Nadu almost . Our belief in public private partnership, our belief in unconditional and boundary less support regardless of financial consideration has saved more than 800 children and treated as many as 984 children and screened around 14000 children in this year alone. Majority of the patients were from the ICH and KKT insurance programme. With this since its inception has treated 1200 children. These were possible only because of the collaboration and support of so many people and institution.



EKAM— ICH partnership saves children

The core value of EKAM is to support the government hospitals than substituting it. It has continued to work in ICH Chennai and expanded its support to Chengelpat and Madurai GHs, with the help of dedicated doctors in these hospitals. In the year 2009-10 we have treated/supported treatment of 287 children, however there were high mortality as well as many as 83 children died, this shows the urgency and significance of the work we have to undertake in the government hospitals. With this experience we have increased our support to ICH with the help of various organizations EKAM provided medicine, lab test, renting ventilators etc to more than 800 children, however there was a mortality of 126.

ICH Ventilatory support details	
Total Children Supported	261
Total Children Discharged	142
Total children Expired	119
Total Children Discharged Against Medical advise	3
On Ventilator	10

ICH IVIG support	8
ICH drug support	401
OP	43
IP	372
Deaths	7
ICH lab support	165

Some of the key initiatives in ICH

1. 3 ventilators was donated by rotary club of Adyar to ICH, worth 2.5 lakhs each
2. SBI donated Rs. 75,000 and Udavum Ullangal got support of Rs.75,000 for reagents for the blood cell counter.
3. Focus info tech is supporting one nurse, one lab technician and one house keeping person with salaries worth of 23,000 every month
4. Help to live appointed a coordinator for Thiruvallur and paying salary- 4000 per month.
5. Mahesh memorial Trust and Guild of Service is supporting the the drugs and investigations in the pediatric cancer ward.
6. Cleaning initiative of water tanks was done by CSS.



Other Hospitals

- Defibrillator donated by Club Mahindra costing 1.5 lakhs has been donated to SivaKasi GH.
- Renting ventilators support started in Chengalpet NICU and Mdr, ICH. Neonatal Ventilator donated by Fr234 nurses appointed by EKAM Nurses recruitment.

234 Nurses appointed in SNCUS

One of the main reasons for high mortality in the pediatric wing is inadequate staff, sensing this urgency of the TN govt requested EKAM to take up the an assignment to recruit 234 nurses in 41 SNCUs(Sick New Born care Units) . The salaries were paid by NRHM and EKAM managed the entire staffing process for one year. EKAM recruited nurses and managed their payroll till May 2011.



Study of GHs in Tamil Nadu

NRHM sanctioned 4.8 lakhs for the Facility based newborn care with Community linkages project at Kancheepuram. Ekam was given the role of monitoring and implementation of NICU projects all over Tamil-Nadu, the entire funding was provided by NRHM. EKAM visited 23 SNCUs in Tamil nadu and prepared a report

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CAMPS

EKAM continued its screening children in ICDS centres in Chennai and virudhunagar district. Medical camp was conducted in the NCLP centres in sivagasi. Over all 14159 children were screened and 176 were treated. Camps and training

No of Camps	481
Total Number of children screened in the camps :Orphanages+ICDS+Community+ Schools	14159
Total Number of Normal children in the camps :	4900
Total number of children Treated as OP in the camp:	8972
Total number of camp referral children Treated as OP & IP in the Hospital:Orphanages+ICDS+Community+schools	176
Treated as IP in hospital	4



Paripoorna bala suraksha is a health assurance scheme to vulnerable children was started last year, 2600 children were identified through Disha foundation volunteers, out of which 968 children were screened through medical camps .The children were given ID cards and a fund of 7 lakhs was raised for this scheme from the donors.

Training programme:

12 wks training on neonatal and Pediatric care for the anganwadi workers, NGO caretakers and SHG members coordinated by Ms.Stella got successfully concluded. ICDS deputy director and DPO were invited as chief guests.

Training done by IMNCI- (Integrated management of Neonatal and Childhood illnesses) for 75 nurses till now as 3 batches.

New initiatives:

Qualitative assesment of Maternal and Child Health Care in medical college and District Hospitals , UNICEF has sanctioned 1.53 lakhs for the project on identifying the bottlenecks in Quality maternal and child care in 4 government hospitals in Krishnagiri ,Salem , Metur and Hosur. There was more need for the man power support of Pediatricians, security and house keeping staff, repairing of equipment, lab support and drugs. Bala arogya Suraksha Project- Networking with the local NGOs, corporate volunteers and Pediatricians for the monitoring of

Refereral Treatment status for the year 2010-12 through various sources						
Treatment	School Re-ferrals	SHG/AN M	Hospital in chen-nai	Other districts and KKT	ICDS	Total
Total Referrals	15	243	56	89	287	690
Referred as OP	15	190	6		283	494
Referred as IP	0	53	50	89	4	196
To be treated as IP	0			21		14
Treated as OP	15	190	6		172	383
Treated as IP	0	53	50	68	4	175
No of Children Expired			15	14	0	29

SIX for a Cause. HINDU -VGN INITIATIVE TO HELP EKAM



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A cheque for Rs. 4,95,944 lakh, collected through the "6 for a Cause" initiative of The Hindu in collaboration with VGN Developers, was handed over to the Ekam Foundation here on Thursday.

The Foundation is a charitable trust providing healthcare for the underprivileged children.

Seeing the World Cup and the excitement around it as having the potential of supporting a social cause, the campaign was based on an arrangement that for every "six" that an Indian batsman had hit during the league matches of the World Cup, VGN Developers would donate Rs. 10,000 to the Ekam Foundation. The Hindu had invited contributions from its readers as well.

With 26 sixes bringing in Rs.2.6 lakh for the cause, VGN decided to add to its contribution, raising the amount to Rs. 4 lakh. The Hindu readers also made a contribution of over Rs. 90,000.

Founder Trustee of Ekam Foundation Meera Menon, who received the cheque from N. Ram, Editor-in-Chief of The Hindu, said the sum would be used to support two children from Vellore and Chengalpattu now undergoing treatment at the Kanchi Kamakoti CHILDS Trust Hospital. A portion of the sum would go towards purchasing drugs and conducting lab tests for children at The Institute of Child Health and Hospital for Children (ICH), Chennai.



"In Chennai, we work with the ICH and we want to expand our work to cover more government hospitals in other districts," said Ms. Menon. The Foundation has tied up with 18 private hospitals in the city.

Managing Director of VGN Developers Pratish Devadoss said this was one way of giving back to society. "It is a corporate social responsibility initiative. It gives us tremendous joy to be able to contribute in some way. We would like to be part of initiatives that support causes such as education, nutrition and health care and shelter. It is our responsibility."

Terming the initiative "a good start," Mr. Ram said the Ekam Foundation was doing excellent work in providing free medical care to the unprivileged children. "The title sponsor over-fulfilled its commitment and contributed more than

Key Fundraising initiatives

1.WWS- women's welfare Syndicate helps raise funds through appeals in Hindu and letters to Donors.

2.Chaintherapy an online portal started by Ms.Shanthi Krishnamurthy, is helping Ekam to raise funds by putting validated appeals online and spreading the message.

3.Raised 10,80,000 in Battle of Buffet

4.US donations – Raised 7,865 dollars (Rs.3,53,925).

5.Listing with Give india

6.Desk top calendars are ready for fund raising. Volunteered by Miss. Swapnil from the PR department of Stella