

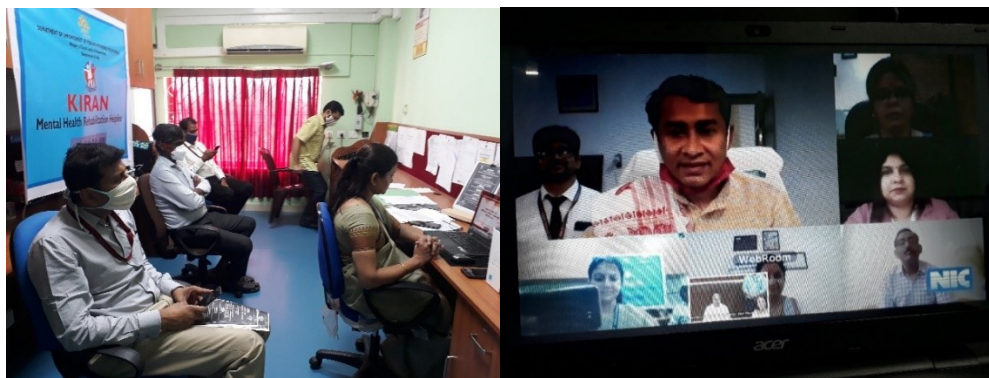
Monthly Report for the Month of September 2020

15th September 2020

1. Inauguration of Mental Health Helpline:

“Kiran: 24 x 7 Mental Health Rehabilitation Helpline” of Dept.of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities, Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, GoI was inaugurated on 7th September 2020. The Hon’ble Minister Dr.Thawarchand Gehlot, MSJ&E, GoI virtually inaugurated the helpline and also released the Resource Book & Poster on Mental Health Rehabilitation Helpline in the presence of Smt. Shakuntala Doley Gamlin, Secretary, DEPwD, MSJ&E and Dr.Prabodh Seth, Joint Secretary to Govt. of India, DEPwD, MSJ&E. The Coordinating Agencies of the helpline was NIEPMD, Chennai and NIMHR, Seshore, Madhya Pradesh. Dr.Prabodh Seth, Joint Secretary, DEPwD, MSJ&E, GOI, delivered the welcome address and made a presentation on Mental Health Rehabilitation Helpline. Smt.Shakuntala Doley Gamlin, Secretary, DEPwD, MSJ&E, GoI, delivered the Key note address. Dr.Himangshu Das, Director, NIEPMD, Dehradun delivered vote of Thanks.





2. Visit:

The newly nominated Executive Council member of NIEPMD Shri.S.Govinda Raj, visited NIEPMD on 16th September 2020.



3. Common Entrance Test 2020:

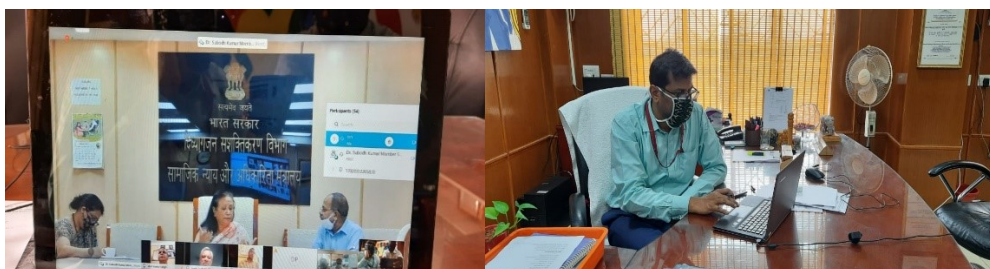
The Common Entrance Test 2020 (CET 2020) for Under Graduate and Post Graduate Entrance Test (PGET) 2020 for the courses BPT, BOT & BPO and MPT, MPO & MOT respectively has been conducted at NIEPMD on 20th September 2020. More than 150 candidates from all over Tamilnadu actively participated in the examination. This Common Entrance Test has been organized by SVNIRTAR, Bhubaneswar, Orissa conducted with all the Standard Operating Procedures of COVID 19 preventive management protocol with reference to National Testing Agency(NTA) like, Wearing Face mask, using hand sanitizer, maintaining social distance, Thermal scanner and Pulse oximeter test.



The Common Entrance Test 2020 (CET 2020) for BASLP and MASLP for admission for the academic year 2020-21 was held at NIEPMD on 24th and 25th September 2020. More than 150 candidates from all over Tamilnadu actively participated in the examination. This Common Entrance Test has been organized by AYJNISHD, Mumbai conducted with all the Standard Operating Procedures of COVID 19 preventive management protocol with reference to National Testing Agency(NTA) like, Wearing Face mask, using hand sanitizer, maintaining social distance, Thermal scanner and Pulse oximeter test.

4. Online Admission Portal Inauguration:

Shri. Nachiketa Rout, Director(Offg) participated Virtual Inaugural Ceremony of Centralized online Admission Portal for Admission to RCI's approved Diploma level courses for the Academic Year 2020-21 on 23rd September 2020. The Chief Guest of the program was Smt. Shakuntala D Gamlin, Secretary, DEPwD, MSJ &E, GOI and Chair Person, RCI.



5. Observation of Rashtriya Poshan Maa:

a. NIEPMD in Association with Homoeopathy Research Institute of Disabilities observed the Rashtriya Poshan Maa (National Nutrition Month). To mark the occasion the following webinars has been organized.

- Online Nutritional Health Talk/Lecture for Staff and HRD Students of NIEPMD on 23rd September 2020.
- A live talk show on Online Lecture/ Nutritional Talk for Divyangjan and their parents on 25th October.
- The Inauguration of Nutrigarden/Plantation Drive (Saplings planatation) held at NIEPMD campus premises. Shri.Nachiketa Raut, Director (Offg), NIEPMD, Dr.Kolli Raju, Scientist 4, Officer In Charge, NIEPMD, and other staff planted saplings on 25th September 2020.

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WELCOMES YOU FOR
ONLINE NUTRITIONAL HEALTH TALK/LECTURE
ON 23rd SEPTEMBER 2020 AT 11 AM

DATE AND TIME: 23.09.2020, 11.00AM TO 12 AM
 ONLINE PLATFORM: GOOGLE MEETS

WELCOME ADDRESS:
DR. KOLLI RAJU
 Scientist - 4, OFFICER IN CHARGE, HRD, CHENNAI

CHIEF GUEST ADDRESS:
SHRI. NACHIKETA RAO
 OFFICIATING DIRECTOR, NIEPMD, CHENNAI

ONLINE TALK/LECTURE BY:
 1. DR. KARTHIKEYAN D, ROOII, S-2
 2. DR. RIVA PRASAD GOEL, ROOII, S-1
 3. DR. C. SAMUEL LITTLE, IICB(I)

TOPICS:
 1. Importance of healthy diet & diet, should be incorporated in daily life with taking care of food safety practices.
 2. Food safety practices in children.
 3. How dietitian can be helpful.
 4. Role of Homoeopathy in maintaining children's health.

VOICES OF THANKS: **DR. RIVEDITA, JRF (I)**
 GOOGLE MEET LINK: <https://meet.google.com/xxn-epn-xyr>

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WELCOMES YOU FOR
PLANTATION DRIVE/NUTRIGARDEN
ON 25th SEPTEMBER 2020, 11.00AM TO 12 AM

DATE AND TIME: 24.09.2020, 11.00AM TO 12 AM
 LOCATION: NIEPMD CAMPUS

WELCOME ADDRESS:
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WELCOMES YOU FOR
ONLINE LECTURE/NUTRITIONAL TALK FOR DIVYANGJAN AND THEIR PARENTS

DATE AND TIME: 25.09.2020, 11.00AM TO 12 AM
 ONLINE PLATFORM: GOOGLE MEETS

WELCOME ADDRESS:
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 Scientist - 4, OFFICER IN CHARGE, HRD, CHENNAI

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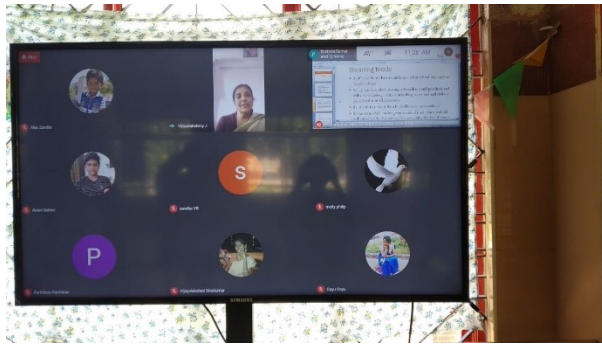
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b. NIEPMD organized the following webinars and competition

- Focused Sensitization on Adequate Nutrition for Divyang Children on 28th September 2020.



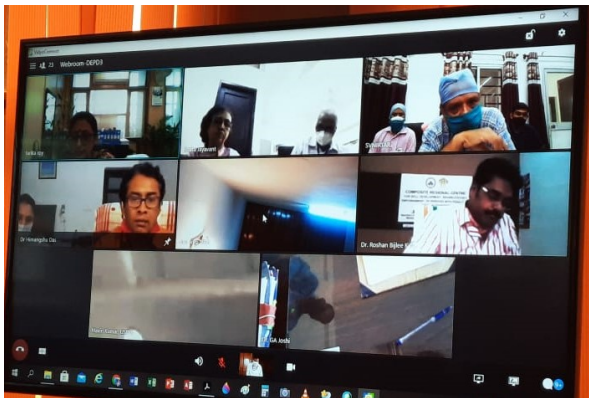
Webinar



Inauguration of Nutrigarden

6. Online Review Meeting:

Shri.Nachiketa Rout, Director (Offg), NIEPMD participated the Online review meeting on Current status of setting up Early Intervention centres at NIs and CRCs organized by DEPwDs, MSJ&E, GoI, Chaired by Smt.Tharika Roy, Joint Secretary, DEPwD, MSJ&E, GoI, on 30th September 2020.



7. Action taken in Response to COVID 19 – Initiatives of NIEPMD

As COVID-19 pandemic continues to expand in India and in the world, only one thing is certain: the current outbreak will have profound impact not only in the health and economic situation, but also on the psychosocial wellbeing of societies across nations. The impacts will be felt differently among different population groups. As the coronavirus pandemic spreads, self-isolation or quarantine is one of the key strategies in “flattening the curve” of infection rates. The quarantine has created extra burden for parents/caregivers of person with disability.

The institute received instruction and order from DEPwD, Ministry of SJ & E, Ministry of Home Affairs, DOPT and as per the Disaster management act 2005, para 3 guidelines, were followed on management of COVID-19. As per this guideline issued by various ministries and Govt. of India guidelines were strictly followed by the Institute in all respect of the institutions

NIEPMD took various Initiatives and measures to facilitate the Divyangjan, Parents of PwDs, through Awareness Posters, Videos, on-call Physiotherapy, Occupational Therapy, Speech Therapy, Psychological Counselling, Vocational Guidance counselling, Special Education rehabilitation services etc., during the Lockdown period of COVID-19. NIEPMD along with its CRC's sprang into action by 22nd March 2020 itself through various activities, the details of the program initiated for the above are as follows.

a. GENERIC PREVENTIVE MEASURES:

- Minimum distance of 6 feet in office places as far as feasible practiced and all the HOD's and HOU's were requested to practice.
- Use of face masks made mandatory for all the family members of NIEPMD (Staff, Support staff, Housekeeping and Security)
- Outsiders entering NIEPMD main gate to wear mask, security given the task to enforce it.
- Hand washing with soap put into practice – Soap provided for all the members.
- Hand sanitizers issued to all the HOD's and HOU's and their staff from at regular intervals from S&P section.
- Alcohol – based sanitizer dispenser machines installed at 12 different locations (inside and outside) of the institute with 5 litre capacity. Few more locations 8 were identified and intended for purchase from S&P section.
- Staff members reported illness requested to take rest at their homes. All the HOD's and HOU's given directions for necessary action. Specifically in Dept. of SW- Service & Programming, Dept. of Therapeutics(PT and OT members).
- All the HOD's and HOU's requested to encourage all their staff to install AarogySetu App.

b. SPECIFIC PREVENTIVE MEASURES FOR OFFICES:

- Both the main gate of NIEPMD installed with Hand Sanitizers machine with 5 litre capacity.
- Thermal screening provisions provided at both the main gate of NIEPMD
- Register containing the following details name, mobile no, purpose of visit, temperature maintained at the gate no 1. Security guards trained to maintain the same.
- 1% sodium hypochlorite solution / spray purchased for disinfection of entrance gates, door and rooms of concerned staff.
- Drivers engaged within NIEPMD informed to follow COVID norms by the concerned In charge for strict adherence to dos and don'ts related to COVID- 19. Battery operated vehicles staff also instructed the same.
- PWD's, employees Shri. S.Krishnamoorthy, J.V.Subburaman and other contract employees of NIEPMD advised to follow COVID circular and requested to work from home.
- Visitors visiting NIEPMD other than for specific purposed encouraged to contact over phone and stopped at the entrance of the gate itself by the security guard.
- In response to PMO letter dated all the HOD's and HOU's directed to create awareness materials for various stakeholders from respective department. (Hand wash, Mask usage, Do's & Don't during COVID in special reference to MSJE letter dated 26th June 2020 and MHA letter D.O.No.1-137/2020-Mit-II, dated 18th May 2020.
- Staggering of office hours and roaster for staff attendance, all the HOD's and HOD's requested to maintain a system.
- Based on the rounds performed by COVID committed inside S & P building an Office order dated 7th July 2020 was issued for strict practice of lunch hours and coffee breaks.
- Housekeeping staff instructed to work in isolation instead of group work with proper wearing of mask and gloves. Supervisor counselled in this regard for effective implementation.
- A single entry and exit maintained in the main S & P building for all the officers, staff and beneficiaries. Remaining exit were closed.
- NBER office functioning near girl's hostel shifted to main S & P building.
- Path way leading to canteen backside of guest house closed for single entry.
- Housekeeping supervisor and staff instructed to ensure enough supply of soap, running water in washrooms
- Unused rooms in S & P blocks locked. Only upon the request of HOD's and HOU's to be opened by security guards.
- Two times sanitization (forenoon & afternoon) of the workplace, entry gate and frequently touched surfaces such as door knobs, lifts button, hand rails, washroom fixtures, practiced with the help of 16 liter automatic sanitizing machine. 4 machine were purchased for this purpose.

- Two housekeeping staff exclusive deputed for this purpose with two assistant to wipe the handle, table, railing etc. A separate room given for storing of equipment's. As a safety measure, gloves, cap, head shields were given to protect them from sodium hypochlorite.
- A demonstration section arranged for using the machine arranged by the vendor through S&P section for effective use and handling.
- Air conditioning maintenance staffs under outsourcing given specific instruction for maintaining the temperature between 24 -30 C. During monthly maintenance, a complete cleaning advised with intimation to the concerned officer about the temperature maintenance henceforth.
- Common areas such as hostel, canteen, guesthouse, Director's quarter and staff quarters were disinfected on every Saturday inside the campus.

c. SPECIFIC PREVENTIVE MEASURES FOR CANTEEN:

- Canteen operating inside the premises strictly instructed to follow physical distancing and wearing of masks, caps and gloves. Canteen contractor individually counselled regarding the urgency.
- Parcel services followed in Canteen and advised to follow sufficient distance during breakfast, lunch and dinner. Specifically with construction workers, security and students.
- Visited Kitchen staff inside the canteen and advised to follow social distancing.
- Moment of canteen vehicle procedure for drivers briefed for strict compliance.

d. SPECIFIC PREVENTIVE MEASURES FOR SECURITY GUARDS:

- Security guards provided with PPP equipment's, gloves, and masks. All of them strictly instructed to follow the instructions.
- Second gate exit and entry closed. Only gate no 1 put in practice.
- Floor in charges in S & P block, to supervise and ensure the safety measures, an Office order NIEPMD/Admin/Covid -19/ 2020, dated 8th July issued.

e. SPECIFIC PREVENTIVE MEASURES FOR CONSTRUCTION WORKERS:

- On 3rd July a meeting was called with JE – CPWD and site manger Mr.Ram Kumar, Teammate staff and COVID committee members. The following are the guidelines given;
 1. A single entrance for the construction workers
 2. Truck coming from other district to be fumigated.
 3. Separate security guard to monitor the movement of construction workers
 4. Wearing of masks and gloves by the workers
 5. List of members staying inside the construction site
 6. Proper illumination of the construction site.
 7. Proper drinking water and neatness of the construction premises
 8. Due to complete lockdown –Sunday stopping of work
 9. A letter to CPWD for strict compliance and safety measures.
 10. New people entering to be restricted.

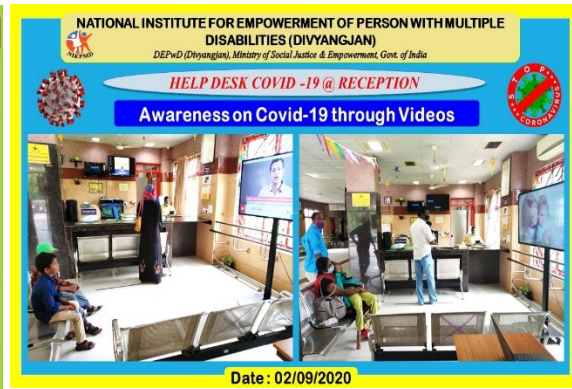
11. Usage of single gate and registrar to be maintained.
12. Once in 15 days a meeting with concerned construction officials
13. Site visit with CPWD officials for ensuring safety norms

f. SPECIFIC OFFICE ORDERS & LETTERS:

- Vide ref NIEPMD/Admin.2 (33)/2020-21, dated 10th July 2020 an office order issued for action plan for COVID management from each department and units next 3 months.
- Vide letter NIEPMD/D/07/Ayush/20-21, dated 8th July 2020 Officer In-charge HRID, CCRH, Chennai issued a letter for providing their support for COVID-19 preventive measures.
- Vide ref NIEPMD/Admin. 2(33)/2020-21, dated 7th July 2020, Office order issued for preventive measures stated in SOP dated 4th July 2020.
- Vide ref NIEPMD/Admin/Covid-19/2020, dated 8th July 2020, Office order dated 8th July 2020, as floor in charges to supervise and ensure safety measures.
- Vide ref NIEPMD /Admin.2(25)/2020/ , dated 3rd July 2020 minutes of meeting of COVID prevention committee where in the entire campus divided in three zones gate – red, construction & canteen red, office – orange and staff quarters & Guest house – green zone. And subsequent action plan of action recorded.

Glimpses of Measures taken by NIEPMD for Prevention of COVID 19 Pandemic





(For detailed information please click the link: <http://niepmd.tn.nic.in/covid19.php>)

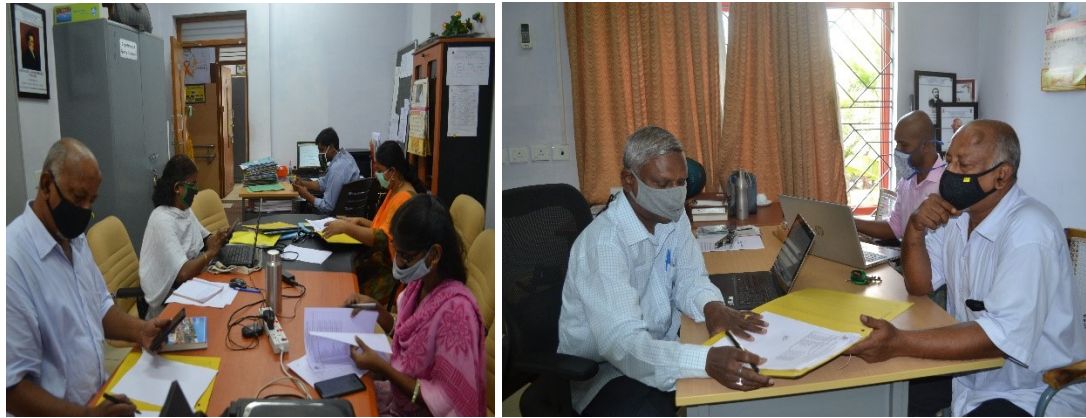
8. Hindi Pakhwada:

NIEPMD celebrated Hindi Pakhwada from 14th – 21st September 2020. To mark the Occasion, various online competition has been organized for HRD students, Staff and parents. viz, Elocution, Poetry Writing, Hindi poem recitation, Poster preparation, etc .



9. Final Year Examination

Final Year Examination of Tamil Nadu Teachers Education University for the Courses B.Ed.Spl.Education and M.Ed.Spl.Education conducted through online from 23rd – 30th September 2020.



Admission Notification of the courses offered by NIEPMD has been published in various National, Local daily newspapers, etc.

10. Status of Construction Projects of NIEPMD:

1. SC/ST Beneficiary building: 90% of Civil works completed
(Other development works yet to be initiated i.e.,
allocation of fund from the Ministry awaited)
2. Parent Waiting Area : Civil works initiated from 24th August 2020
3. Hydrotherapy Unit : Heating System works are nearly completed and to be tested. Additional provision like ramp, hoist approval awaited from the authority to include the ongoing works.
4. SIPDA Project : 50% civil works are completed.

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1. Gandhi Jayanthi Celebration:

NIEPMD celebrated Gandhi Jayanthi on 2nd October 2020. To mark the occasion NIEPMD in collaboration with NFDC, Chennai released the remake of the Video Song “Vaishnava Jan To” performed by Artists with Disabilities Selvi. Jothi and Selvi.Renu Raja Iyer and also organized online competition for Persons with Disabilities, Drawing Competition, Fancy Dress Competition, Speech Competition.

2. World Cerebral Palsy Day:

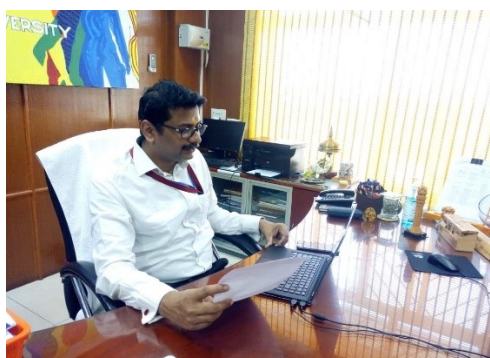
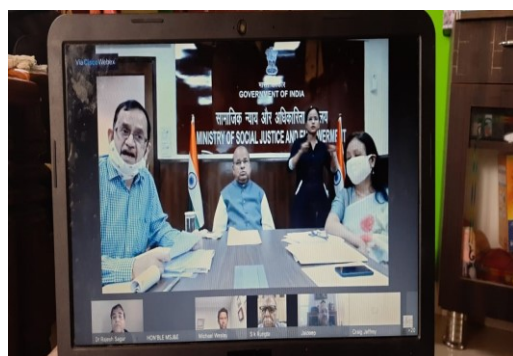
NIEPMD celebrated the World Cerebral Palsy Day on 6th October 2020. To mark the occasion, Model School for Persons with Multiple Disabilities, Dept.of Special Education organized various online competition for Children with Special needs and their parents. viz. Painting, Art & Craft, Fancy dress competition, Singing, Drawing, Dance, Yoga, Sports activities, Cooking, Rangoli, competition etc.,



3. World Mental Health Day:

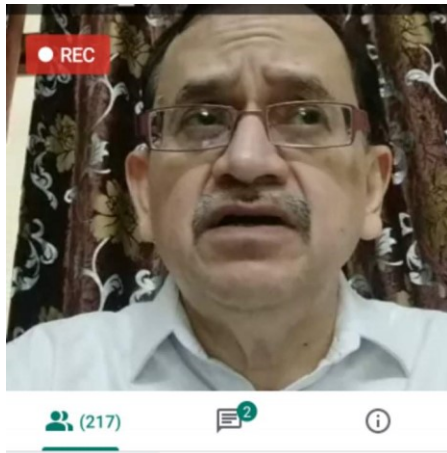
Shri.Nachiketa Rout, Director (Offg), participated the International Conference on “Mental Health – Looking Beyond COVID 19 on 8th October 2020 organized by Dept.of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities , Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, Gol in

association with University of Melbourne, Australia. The Chief Guest of program was Dr. Thaawarchand Gehlot, Hon'ble Minister for Social Justice and Empowerment, GoI.



NIEPMD celebrated the World Mental Health Day 2020 from 8th – 10th October 2020. To mark the occasion a Series of Webinar on Mental Health Issues had been organized in collaboration with National Institute of Mental Health Rehabilitation, Sehore, Madhya Pradesh, featuring speakers Dr. Rakesh Kumar Chadha, Prof & Head, Dept. of Psychiatry, AIIMS on Mental health for all- psychosocial perspective; Dr. Saroj Arya, Prof in Clinical Psy, Sweekar Inst. of Rehabilitation Sciences, on Mental health during COVID-19 pandemic; Dr. Lakshmi Vijaykumar, Founder SNEHA (Member of the W.H.O's International Network for Suicide Research and Prevention) on Suicide prevention.

The series was inaugurated by Dr. Himangshu Das, Director, NIEPVD and Chairperson, KMHRH along with Shri. Nachiketa Rout, Director (Offg.), NIEPMD, Chennai on 8th October 2020 under the Chairmanship of Dr. T. B. Singh. On 10th October 2020, Dr. Prabodh Seth, Joint Secy, DEPwD, MSJ & E, GOI was the Chief Guest and delivered keynote address. Ms. Pragati Pandey, Asst. Prof in Cl. Psy, NIMHR and Rajesh Ramachandran moderated. Dr. A. Amarnath, HoD, SW, NIEPMD and Shri. S. Karthikeyan, HoD, Clinical Psychology, NIEPMD also participated the webinar.



As part of the celebration of World Mental Health Day, NIEPMD developed Awareness posters on various mental Health issues.



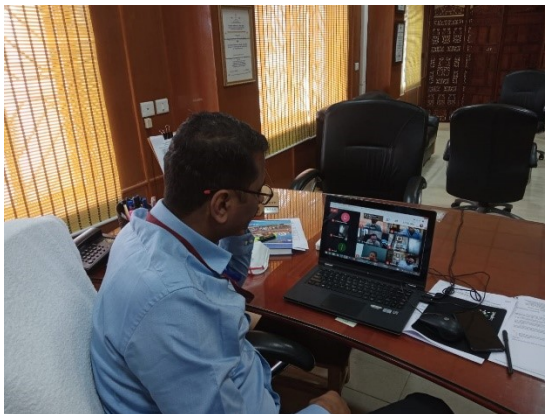


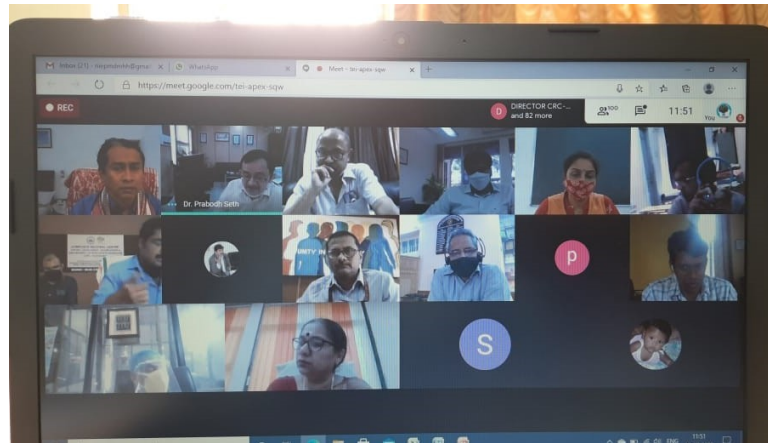
4. Accreditation:

NIEPMD Accredited by National Institute of Open Schooling (NIOS)(AI 450174) of Special Accredited institute for Education of Disadvantaged (SAIED) with effect from 2020 to three years, Level A,B,C 3,5,8 standard and secondary and senior secondary level.

5. Review Meeting :

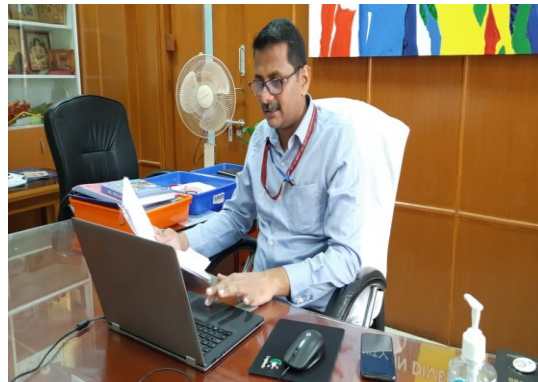
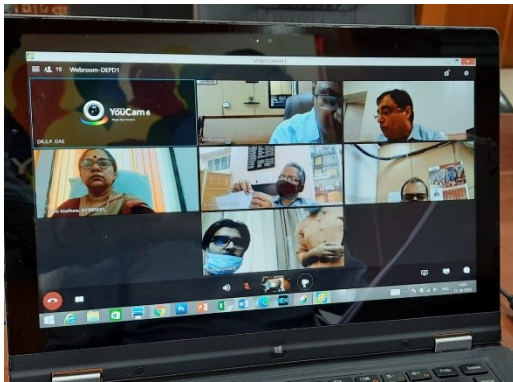
Shri.Nachiketa Rout, Director (Offg) participated the Review Meeting of Kiran Mental Health Helpline organized by DEPWD, MSJ&E, GOI on 13.10.2020 chaired by Dr.Prabodh Seth, Joint Secretary, DEPwD, MSJ&E, GOI.





6. Research Meeting:

Shri.Nachiketa Rout, Director(Offg) participated the Online meeting on Central Sector Scheme Research on Disability Related Technology, Product and issues under SIPDA scheme organized by DEPwD, MSJ& E on 13th October 2020



7. RCI meeting of Conducting Examinations:

Shri.Nachiketa Rout, Director (Offg) participated Online meeting of RCI and Directors of NIs was held on 14th October 2020 on Conduction Examinations of RCI's approved Certificate and Diploma level courses of NBER



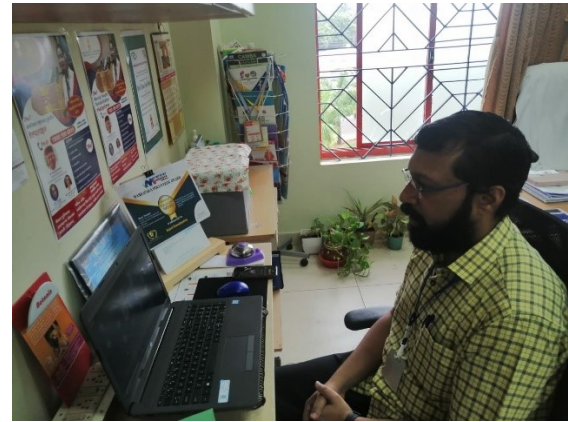
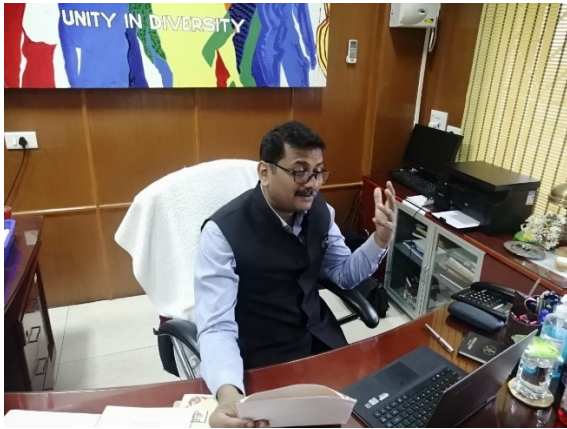
8. Yoga Practice:

As part of the Observation of Poshan Maah Abhiyaan, Homoeopathy Research Institute for the Disabilities (HRID) in association with NIEPMD organized the Yoga Practice classes for the officers and Staff of NIEPMD and HRID to enhance the immunity during the Period of COVID 19 on 19.10.20. The Chief Guest of the program was Shri.Nachiketa Rout, Director (Offg), NIEPMD, Chennai.

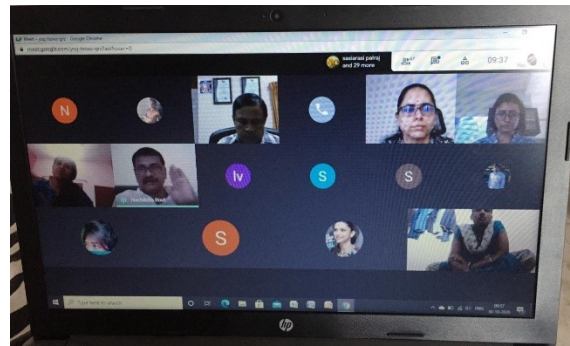
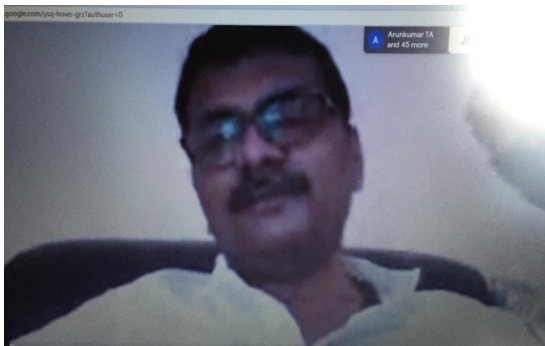


9. CRE program:

NIEPMD organized 3 days State Level Webinar on Developing Social Readiness for Transition (CRE status) from 20th – 22nd October 2020. The Inauguration of webinar was held on 20th October 2020, Shri. Nachiketa Rout, Director (Offg), NIEPMD inaugurated the Webinar and delivered the Keynote address.



NIEPMD organized 3 days State Level Webinar on Managing behaviour in the Classroom and Home from 30th October – 1st November 2020. The Inauguration of webinar was held on 30th October 2020. Shri. Nachiketa Rout, Director (Offg), NIEPMD inaugurated the Webinar and delivered the Keynote address.



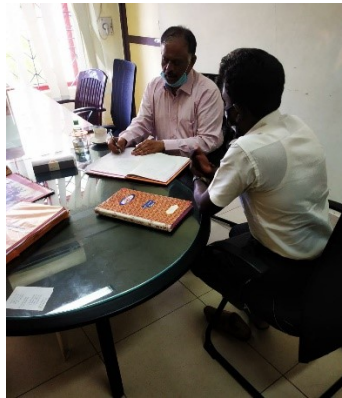
10. Expert Committee Meeting:

Shri.Nachiketa Rout, Director, NIEPMD participated as a member the Expert Committee Meeting for Identification of post suitable for differently abled in state university of Tamilnadu. organized by Directorate for the Welfare of Differently Abled, Govt. of Tamil Nadu on 21st October 2020



11. Special Clinical Service

ENT Consultation services held at Dept.of Speech, Hearing and Communication, NIEPMD on 22nd October 2020



12. Inauguration of Online Tele-therapy service:

Shri.Nachiketa Rout, Director (Offg), NIEPMD inaugurated the State level 'THANL' : An Online Tele-therapy service for children with special needs of buds centres in Kerala organized by CRC-Kozhikode on 23.10.2020.



13. Mental Health Program:

The Dept.of Clinical Psychology, NIEPMD organized Mental Health Day Program for NIEPMD Housekeeping staffs, Security staffs, Maintenance staffs and Drivers. Organizing by Department of Clinical Psychology on 23.10.2020.



14. Early Intervention Centre:

As part of Setting up of Early Intervention Centre, Interior Designing meeting was held under the Chairmanship of Shri.Nachiketa Rout, Director (Offg) held at NIEPMD on 26th October 2020.



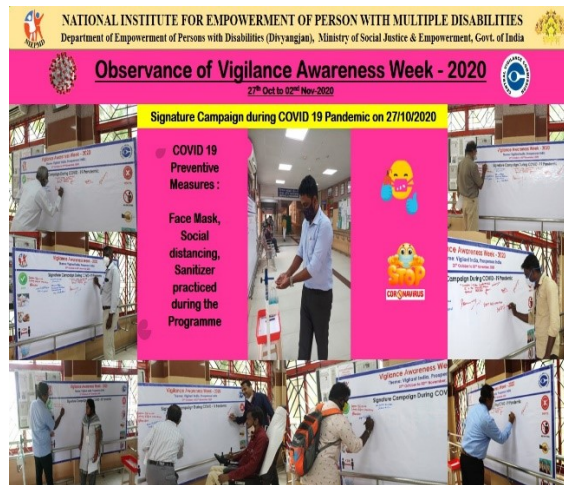
15. Ayudha Pooja celebrations:

As part of the Ayudha Pooja Celebration, Pooja performed on 26th October 2020.



16. Vigilance Awareness week:

NIEPMD observed the Vigilance Awareness week from 27th Oct – 2nd Nov 2020. To mark the Occasion NIEPMD organized various theme based activities viz e-Poster, Signature Campaign, Integrity E-pledge, Awareness programs for Persons with Disabilities, Parents, HRD Trainees, Rehabilitation Professionals Frontline workers.



As part of Observance on Vigilance Awareness Week-2020 NIEPMD organized a Sensitization Programme on Provident Fund Membership & other Benefit for Frontline Workers (Skilled / Semi Skilled / Unskilled Labour) on 31/10/2020. The Resource Person of the program was Shri. S. Balaji Raja, Enforcement Officer, EPFO- Regional Office-Tambaram, Ministry of Labour & Employment, Govt. of India.



17. Early Intervention Centre:

The Extension Centre staff of NIEPMD engaging in Group therapy session at District Early Intervention Centre at Chengalpet Medical College.

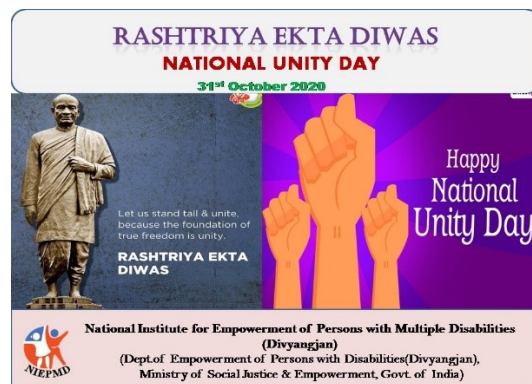
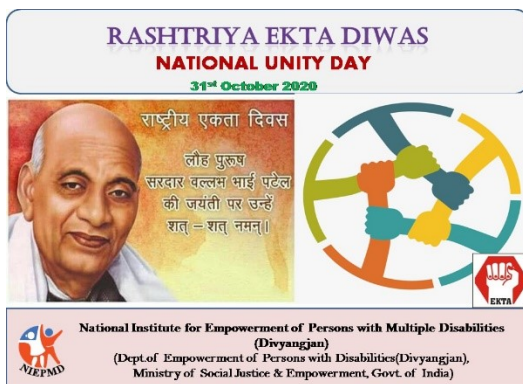
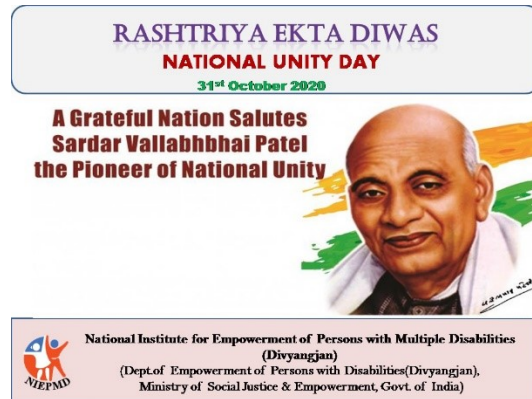
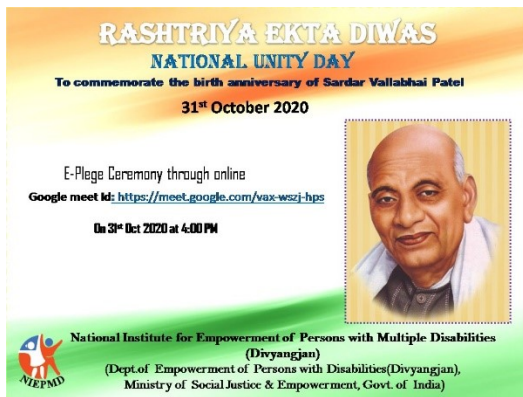


18. Rashtriya Ekta Diwas:

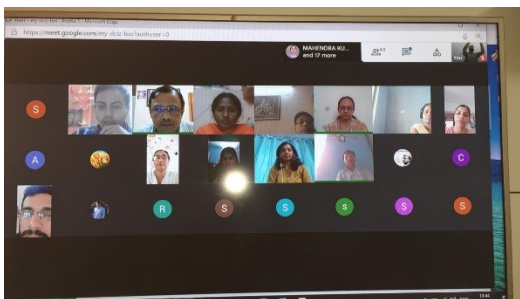
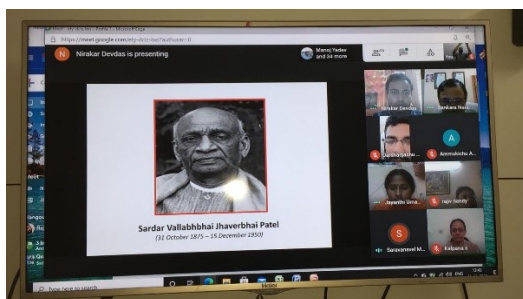
As per the direction by DEPWD, MSJ&E, GOI vide letter No F.No: A-42018/121/2017-Estt, dated 29th August for Observance of Rashtriya Ekta Diwas (National Unity Day) on 31st October 2020, NIEPMD observed the National Unity Day on 31st October 2020 to commemorate the Birth Anniversary of Sardar Vallabhai Patel. To mark the occasion NIEPMD organized Rashtriya Ekta Diwas pledge taking ceremony through virtual mode. Shri.Nachiketa

Rout, Director (Offg), staff, Shri.Sankara Narayanan, Dy.Registrar(Admin), Dr.A.Amarnath, HOD(Social Work)& Dy.Registrar (Offg), HRD students, PwDs, Parents of PwDs, etc took pledge through online. The HRD trainees actively participated the various events organized by NIEPMD through online. Viz. Poster Presentation, Slogan competition and Elocution Competing. The Awareness posters on National Unity day prepared and uploaded in social media for publicity.

Awareness poster

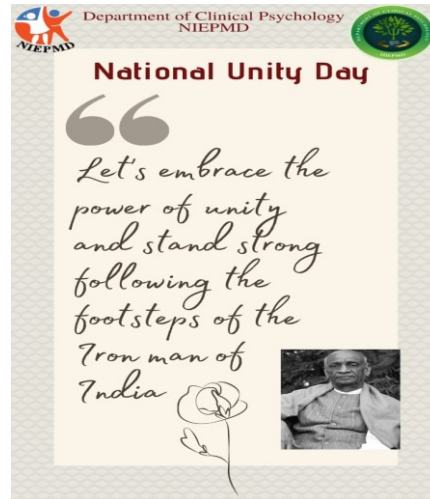
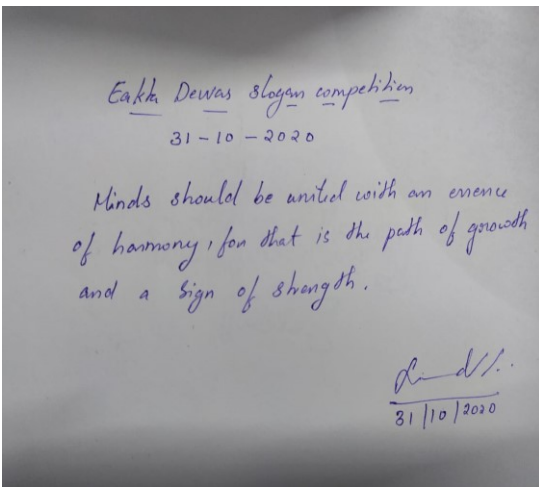
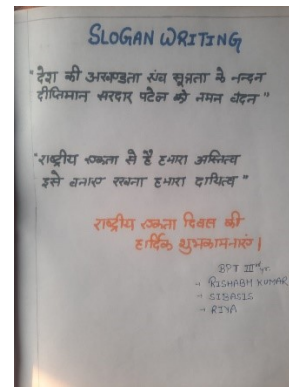
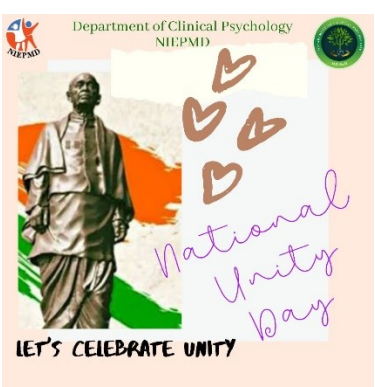


National Unity Day Pledge:





Poster Presentation and Slogan Competition for HRD student:



19. Action taken in Response to COVID 19 – Initiatives of NIEPMD

As COVID-19 pandemic continues to expand in India and in the world, only one thing is certain: the current outbreak will have profound impact not only in the health and economic situation, but also on the psychosocial wellbeing of societies across nations. The impacts will be felt differently among different population groups. As the coronavirus pandemic spreads, self-isolation or quarantine is one of the key strategies in “flattening the curve” of infection rates. The quarantine has created extra burden for parents/caregivers of person with disability.

The institute received instruction and order from DEPwD, Ministry of SJ & E, Ministry of Home Affairs, DOPT and as per the Disaster management act 2005, para 3 guidelines, were followed on management of COVID-19. As per this guideline issued by various ministries and Govt. of India guidelines were strictly followed by the Institute in all respect of the institutions

NIEPMD took various Initiatives and measures to facilitate the Divyangjan, Parents of PwDs, through Awareness Posters, Videos, on-call Physiotherapy, Occupational Therapy, Speech Therapy, Psychological Counselling, Vocational Guidance counselling, Special Education rehabilitation services etc., during the Lockdown period of COVID-19. NIEPMD along with its CRC's sprang into action by 22nd March 2020 itself through various activities, the details of the program initiated for the above are as follows.

GENERIC PREVENTIVE MEASURES:

- Minimum distance of 6 feet in office places as far as feasible practiced and all the HOD's and HOU's were requested to practice.
- Use of face masks made mandatory for all the family members of NIEPMD (Staff, Support staff, Housekeeping and Security)
- Outsiders entering NIEPMD main gate to wear mask, security given the task to enforce it.
- Hand washing with soap put into practice – Soap provided for all the members.
- Hand sanitizers issued to all the HOD's and HOU's and their staff from at regular intervals from S&P section.
- Alcohol – based sanitizer dispenser machines installed at 12 different locations (inside and outside) of the institute with 5 litre capacity. Few more locations 8 were identified and intended for purchase from S&P section.
- Staff members reported illness requested to take rest at their homes. All the HOD's and HOU's given directions for necessary action. Specifically in Dept. of SW- Service & Programming, Dept. of Therapeutics(PT and OT members).
- All the HOD's and HOU's requested to encourage all their staff to install AarogySetu App.

SPECIFIC PREVENTIVE MEASURES FOR OFFICES:

- Both the main gate of NIEPMD installed with Hand Sanitizers machine with 5 litre capacity.
- Thermal screening provisions provided at both the main gate of NIEPMD
- Register containing the following details name, mobile no, purpose of visit, temperature maintained at the gate no 1. Security guards trained to maintain the same.
- 1% sodium hypochlorite solution / spray purchased for disinfection of entrance gates, door and rooms of concerned staff.
- Drivers engaged within NIEPMD informed to follow COVID norms by the concerned In charge for strict adherence to dos and don'ts related to COVID- 19. Battery operated vehicles staff also instructed the same.
- PWD's, employees Shri. S.Krishnamoorthy, J.V.Subburaman and other contract employees of NIEPMD advised to follow COVID circular and requested to work from home.

- Visitors visiting NIEPMD other than for specific purposes encouraged to contact over phone and stopped at the entrance of the gate itself by the security guard.
- In response to PMO letter dated all the HOD's and HOU's directed to create awareness materials for various stakeholders from respective department. (Hand wash, Mask usage, Do's & Don't during COVID in special reference to MSJE letter dated 26th June 2020 and MHA letter D.O.No.1-137/2020-Mit-II, dated 18th May 2020.
- Staggering of office hours and roster for staff attendance, all the HOD's and HOU's requested to maintain a system.
- Based on the rounds performed by COVID committee inside S & P building an Office order dated 7th July 2020 was issued for strict practice of lunch hours and coffee breaks.
- Housekeeping staff instructed to work in isolation instead of group work with proper wearing of mask and gloves. Supervisor counselled in this regard for effective implementation.
- A single entry and exit maintained in the main S & P building for all the officers, staff and beneficiaries. Remaining exits were closed.
- NBER office functioning near girls' hostel shifted to main S & P building.
- Path way leading to canteen backside of guest house closed for single entry.
- Housekeeping supervisor and staff instructed to ensure enough supply of soap, running water in washrooms
- Unused rooms in S & P blocks locked. Only upon the request of HOD's and HOU's to be opened by security guards.
- Two times sanitization (forenoon & afternoon) of the workplace, entry gate and frequently touched surfaces such as door knobs, lifts button, hand rails, washroom fixtures, practiced with the help of 16 litre automatic sanitizing machine. 4 machines were purchased for this purpose.
- Two housekeeping staff exclusively deputed for this purpose with two assistants to wipe the handle, table, railing etc. A separate room given for storing of equipment's. As a safety measure, gloves, cap, head shields were given to protect them from sodium hypochlorite.
- A demonstration section arranged for using the machine arranged by the vendor through S&P section for effective use and handling.
- Air conditioning maintenance staffs under outsourcing given specific instruction for maintaining the temperature between 24 -30 C. During monthly maintenance a complete cleaning advised with intimation to the concerned officer about the temperature maintenance henceforth.
- Common areas such as hostel, canteen, guest house, Director's quarter and staff quarters were disinfected on every Saturday inside the campus.

SPECIFIC PREVENTIVE MEASURES FOR CANTEEN:

- Canteen operating inside the premises strictly instructed to follow physical distancing and wearing of masks, caps and gloves. Canteen contractor individually counselled regarding the urgency.
- Parcel services followed in Canteen and advised to follow sufficient distance during breakfast, lunch and dinner. Specifically with construction workers, security and students.
- Visited Kitchen staff inside the canteen and advised to follow social distancing.
- Moment of canteen vehicle procedure for drivers briefed for strict compliance.

SPECIFIC PREVENTIVE MEASURES FOR SECURITY GUARDS:

- Security guards provided with PPP equipment's, gloves, and masks. All of them strictly instructed to follow the instructions.
- Second gate exit and entry closed. Only gate no 1 put in practice.
- Floor in charges in S & P block, to supervise and ensure the safety measures, an Office order NIEPMD/Admin/Covid -19/ 2020, dated 8th July issued.

SPECIFIC PREVENTIVE MEASURES FOR CONSTRUCTION WORKERS:

- On 3rd July a meeting was called with JE – CPWD and site manger Mr.Ram Kumar, Teammate staff and COVID committee members. The following are the guidelines given;
 14. A single entrance for the construction workers
 15. Truck coming from other district to be fumigated.
 16. Separate security guard to monitor the movement of construction workers
 17. Wearing of masks and gloves by the workers
 18. List of members staying inside the construction site
 19. Proper illumination of the construction site.
 20. Proper drinking water and neatness of the construction premises
 21. Due to complete lockdown –Sunday stopping of work
 22. A letter to CPWD for strict compliance and safety measures.
 23. New people entering to be restricted.
 24. Usage of single gate and registrar to be maintained.
 25. Once in 15 days a meeting with concerned construction officials
 26. Site visit with CPWD officials for ensuring safety norms

SPECIFIC OFFICE ORDERS & LETTERS:

- Vide ref NIEPMD/Admin.2 (33)/2020-21, dated 10th July 2020 an office order issued for action plan for COVID management from each department and units next 3 months.
- Vide letter NIEPMD/D/07/Ayush/20-21, dated 8th July 2020 Officer In-charge HRID, CCRH, Chennai issued a letter for providing their support for COVID-19 preventive measures.
- Vide ref NIEPMD/Admin. 2(33)/2020-21, dated 7th July 2020, Office order issued for preventive measures stated in SOP dated 4th July 2020.
- Vide ref NIEPMD/Admin/Covid-19/2020, dated 8th July 2020, Office order dated 8th July 2020, as floor in charges to supervise and ensure safety measures.
- Vide ref NIEPMD /Admin.2(25)/2020/ , dated 3rd July 2020 minutes of meeting of COVID prevention committee where in the entire campus divided in three zones gate – red, construction & canteen red, office – orange and staff quarters & Guest house – green zone. And subsequent action plan of action recorded.
- Disinfecting and sanitization of NIEPMD campus on 13.10.2020



Felicitation of Frontline Warriors

Festival for Felicitating COVID-19 FRONTLINE WARRIORS of NIEPMD (House Keeping staff, Security staff, Maintenance staff and Drivers) was organized by NIEPMD under CSR initiative on 23.10.2020.

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A CSR Initiatives with the Magnanimous Support of Stakeholders

Let us Salute our COVID Warriors with Smile



Glimpses of Measures taken by NIEPMD for Prevention of COVID 19 Pandemic

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HELP DESK COVID -19 @ RECEPTION
 Awareness on Covid-19 through Mass media

Date : 21/10/2020

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COVID-19 UPDATES IN NEWSPAPER @ HELP DESK

Date : 20/10/2020



(For detailed information please click the link: <http://niepmd.tn.nic.in/covid19.php>)

20. Swachh Bharat Abhiyan:

NIEPMD and Homoeopathy Research Institute for Disabilities jointly organized distribution of face mask and homoeopathy immune booster medicine camp to House Keeping, Security and Construction staff at NIEPMD on 29.10.2020 as part of Swachh Bharat Mission.



Routine Cleaning activities going on in the entire campus of NIEPMD.

21. ENT Clinical Services:

NIEPMD started Special Clinical services of ENT clinic for Persons with Disabilities from 8th October 2020.



22. Status of Construction Projects of NIEPMD:

5. SC/ST Beneficiary building: 95% of Civil works completed
6. Parent Waiting Area : RCC column are erected
7. Hydrotherapy Unit : All the works are completed except providing hoist and Ramp facility.
8. Ramp and additional Toilet Block: Ramp works and additional Toilet works are initiated and electronic toilet works 80% are completed.
9. Audiology Lab: Ready for inauguration

23. Human Resource Development

23.1. Long Term Training programs:

Common Entrance Test (CET – 2020) Admission Notification the courses of BPT, BPO and BOT has been published National and Regional Newspapers.

i. No. of New Courses/ any other activities Initiated:

Common Entrance Test 2020 (CET 2020) 1st counselling for admission to the courses BPT, BOT and BPO held at at SVNIRTAR, Bhubaneswar, Orissa from 12th – 22nd October 2020.



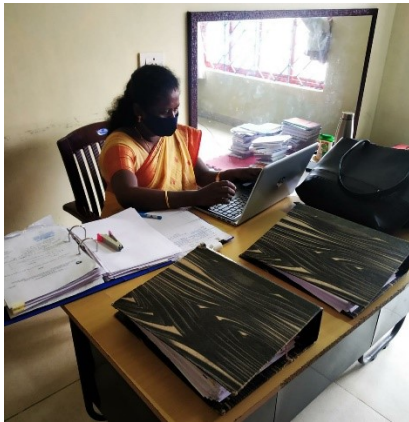
ii. CET 2020

10th and Final Day (22/10/2020) of CET-2020 Counselling cum Admission event held at SVNIRTAR- CUTTACK, for admission to the courses BPT, BPO and BOT for the Academic Year 2020-21.



iii. BASLP NET 2020:

Scrutinizing of Application for the National Level Entrance Test for the Admission to the Course BASLP for the Academic Year 2020 – 21, scheduled to be held on 1st November 2020.



National Entrance Test (NET 2020) for Admission to the course BASLP was held at NIEPMD on 1st November 2020.

