

BRINGING HOPE

SHE IS BORN TO EXCEL!

April, 2018



Rama's daughter and a staff

Rama was newly widowed when she first came to Nireekshana. She had a young girl to take care of and no skills to get a job. She was soon infected with TB of the spine and was treated.

She had to wear a waist belt to support her spine and came to the Malika sewing unit to learn how to sew.

She soon learnt how to make the bags, embroidery pouches and excelled in what she did.

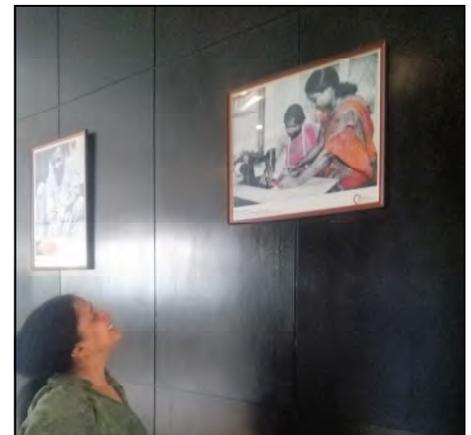
Rama's daughter was supported through school by Nireekshana.

Rama continued to work for Malika until she passed away from a major illness.

After Rama passed away, her daughter moved in with her grandmother who took care of her.

Under the guidance and support of Nireekshana and her grandmother, she prospered.

She scored 95% in her 10th grade, reflecting her late mothers flair for excellence! In true Indian style, she visited Nireekshana with a box of sweets to celebrate her success



Portrait of Anuradha, our sewing trainer and late Rama at Novotel hotel

HIGHLIGHTS :

SUMMER HOLIDAYS
HAVE BEGUN!

CHILDREN PASS
THEIR FINAL
EXAMINATIONS

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CLINICAL STATISTICS

RESEARCH AND EDUCATION

Place	Follow up	New Registrations	Total
HIV-Hyderabad	376	8	384
Leprosy Clinic	40	10	50
HIV Vizag	71	1	72
General		27	27
TOTAL	416	47	534

97 HIV positive and general patients were tested for different medical conditions in the last month.

Dr Sujai spoke to the PG students and Dermatologists in the Kolkata School of Tropical Medicine in a one day workshop on Leprosy.

We are continuing to study cardiac proteins for our research project on pathogens affecting cardiac function.



Soap making in moulds by Esther

WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT

The women's empowerment unit has been researching and updating their products in the last month. The following are the products created by the team:

47 Malika Pouches, **550** Dusters, **12** Coffee gift pouches, **40** Coconut Oil Soaps made by team.

The team conducted a demonstration of the soap making process to the visitors in Taj Krishna hotel in Hyderabad.



Simple Health Care training to children.
Topic: Hand wash and Hygiene

NEEDS: We require an ultrasound machine, dental equipment and chair and kits for ulcer care. Please contact us to donate.

CARE

4 Home Based Care visits , **10** Hospital Visits and **12** people were counseled over the phone by Nireekshana Vizag.

2 visits conducted to the Leprosy home in Hyderabad and **6** dressings were conducted at each visit.

65 patients were given ART counseling. **163** patients were given special counseling,

13 patients were provided with the Nutrition mix. **24** Patients and their families were provided with nutrition support

169 HIV positives were given medical care at a special medical camp conducted in collaboration with Bethel Ministries

BRINGING JOY

EDUCATION

20 children were supported through school.

THANKSGIVING

Prasad, a staff miraculously survived a motor bike accident and has been discharged from the hospital

Ambika, a nurse that was supported by Nireekshana got married in the month of February and Prasanna, a research student got married last month. Congrats!

LUNCH TO PATIENTS AND STAFF

260 patients and families were provided with lunch over the last one month 23 staff was provided with lunch daily at Nireekshana, Hyderabad.

20 HIV positive women were provided lunch at HIV clinic, 10 HIV positive children were provided lunch at Logos church and at the youth hostel a small snack is given by Nireekshana, Vizag

Nireekshana, ACET India is a registered developmental NGO based in Hyderabad that is involved in the holistic care of people infected and affected by Infectious Tropical Diseases with special focus on those infected and affected by HIV/AIDS, TB and Leprosy. It currently has 700 HIV positives under regular care each month and 284 leprosy patients registered with 40 ongoing on a monthly follow up routine. Nireekshana's Infection Disease laboratory was set up in 2007 and hosted 5 PhD students through the years. 30 scientific papers have been published since its conception. The laboratory conducts an approximate of 500 tests on the patients every month.

VISION- That individuals, families, and communities affected by HIV/AIDS and other diseases of poverty (neglected tropical diseases) will experience health, fullness of life and have hope.

MISSION- Provide counseling, medical care and socio-economic support to individuals, families, and communities affected by HIV/AIDS and other diseases of poverty, conduct awareness programs, training, education and research to promote health, and undertake special programs for empowering vulnerable women and children at risk.

Nireekshana works with those infected and affected by HIV/AIDS and other diseases without any discrimination on the basis of race, religion, disability, sexual orientation or any other factor. Each program is run to high standards, adapted to cultural and local needs, with shared vision and values.

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING THE CAUSE!

WE ARE GRATEFUL TO ALL OUR FRIENDS AND PARTNERS WHO HELP US CARRY OUT THE WORK. THANK YOU!

DRS. LAVANYA & SUJAI SUNEETHA

