

Association for Health Welfare in the Nilgiris

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The vision of ASHWINI to have a health program for the tribals of the Gudalur Valley that is accessible, acceptable and owned by the community is certainly becoming a reality. It has been a year of happenings and the mood continues to be upbeat.

The impact of the Community Health program is quite evident. Maternal and child care services are being utilised leading to better health outcomes. Infant mortality rate is down to 37 per 1000 live births. The one maternal death was from jaundice, something that could not be foreseen.

No of deliveries	344
More than 3 check ups	300 (87 %)
Hospital delivery	210 (61%)
Live Birth	324
Maternal death	1
Infant death	12

The Charities Advisory Trust (CAT), UK, played a big role in this by providing us with "Good Gifts" to make deliveries safe. Another "Good Gift" the "Baby Heart Fund" helped 6 patients to have cardiac surgery and 31 more to be evaluated.

Particulars	Total	Tribal	Non- tribal
Outpatients GAH	18864	11047	7817
OP Area centre	6878	6878	0
Inpatients	1481	1295	166
GAH deliveries	225	198	27
Surgeries	233	138	95

There has been a tremendous increase in the **Inpatients and Outpatients at GAH** this year. This is leading to a lot of congestion in the hospital. We hope to move in to the new hospital by May next year.

The New Hospital Building construction is progressing very well. Thanks to our many well wishers, there has been a steady stream of donations to continue the work without interruption so far.

Inside the New Mobile Van!



The Medical Student Elective Program, also supported by CAT, was a huge success this year. All 26 students gave very enthusiastic feedback

The Adivasi Munnetra Sangam membership has increased to 15250 people (3567 families).



There is, nevertheless, a big deficit in the funds required to complete the first phase of the building which will be the main block. Costs of building materials have shot up in the last year making construction much more expensive.

We request all our friends to **make an extra effort to pitch in** and make this dream come true! For regular updates on construction, please visit www.ashwini.org/building.php

The SRTT supported Community Mental Health Program completed three years in March 2008. More than 100 volunteers have completed training in mental health and are taking responsibility for the 200 odd mentally ill in their villages.

The Dental department was very active with the two young dentists taking on awareness creation as well as treatment. Thanks to **Toshniwal Trust** for ongoing support and for making the construction of the new dental wing possible.

The most novel development this year was the tie up with **The Tamil Nadu Government.** Apart from funding new schemes like the "**bed grant**" for inpatient care, **sickle cell anaemia** program, **HIV and TB control** program, they now recognise ASHWINI as an NGO with credibility! The Government has set up a counselling and testing centre for HIV and TB in the hospital premises.

The Health Minister presented Dr Nandakumar with an **award** for his outstanding work in the field of Tuberculosis and HIV control.

Many friends and volunteers visited, offered their services and infused fresh energy into the work. Most of all the participation of the community makes the work rewarding and successful.

Financial Statements

Salary Rs	Male	Female
< 5000	8	26
5 - 10000	2	0
10 - 25000	1	2
>25000	0	0

Name	Position	Remuneration
Mr.K.Radhakrishnan	President	Nil
Mr. K.T.Subramanian	Secretary	Nil
Mr. T.K.Ayyappan	Treasurer	Nil

Receipts & Payments Statement of 2007-2008

Receipts		Payments	
Income from Patients	1063989.00	Outreach programmes	600257.50
Insurance Reimbursement	545288.00	Hospital Operational costs	1653748.50
Charities Advisory Trust	1369934.00	Salaries, PF, Gratuity	2368508.00
Sir Ratan Tata Trust	2100000.00	Capital Expenditures	3382499.50
Government	963396.00	Good Gifts Programme	1466239.40
Premium Collected	148035.00	Mental Health Project	290776.00
Building Fund	1563408.00	Health Insurance project	682971.00
Give Foundation	89648.00	Medical Student Elective Program	290422.00
Sickle Cell Project Receipts	304729.00	Miscellaneous Expenses	52681.00
Medical Student Electives	1910772.00		
Other Donations	248044.00		
Other Receipts	576496.50		
Total	10883739.50	Total	10788102.90

Income & Expenditure Statement of 2007-2008

INCOMES		EXPENDITURE	S
Income from Patients	1063989.00	Outreach programmes	393692.00
Insurance Reimbursement	545288.00	Hospital Operational costs	781500.00
Sir Ratan Tata Trust	2100000.00	Salaries, PF, Gratuity	2013534.00
Government	963396.00	Mental Health Project	290776.00
Premium Collected	148035.00	Health Insurance project	682971.00
Other Donations	156169.00	Depreciation	280794.21
Other Receipts	43794.50	Miscellaneous Expenses	50179.00
		Excess of Income over Exp	527225.29
Total	5020671.50	Total	5020671.50

Balance Sheet as on 31.3.2008

LIABILIT	TES	ASSET	S
Capital Fund	7416026.22	Fixed Assets	7366058.45
Corpus Fund	1131022.00	Program Advances	287354.50
Health Care Fund	7411971.65	Rent Deposit	198200.00
Gratuity Fund	319971.71	Fixed Deposits	7890833.71
Diabetic Fund	352298.07	Cash in Hand	86793.64
Mental Medicine Fund	115000.00	Bank	3821836.03
Amenities Fund	1600.00		
Building Fund	159529.50		
Bank Interest Fund	687365.99		
Depreciation reserve	2056291.19		
Total	19651076.33	Total	19651076.33

- Unaudited Accounts. Detailed audited statement of accounts is available on request.
- Accounts are maintained on Cash Basis Our Auditors: J.Mathew & Co., Chartered Accountants, Udhagamandalam

Highest salary: Rs. 24000/month for doctor.	International travel
Lowest salary: Rs. 1,600 /month for	Mr TK Ayyappan, Treasurer of Ashwini visited
Junior-most staff.	UK in May 2007. Cost of this visit was Rs.60000
Secretary is the head of the organisation. He	and it was sponsored by ACCORD.
was not paid any remuneration this year.	Travel within India
	ASHWINI did not pay for any of the travel
	expenses of the Board members within India.

Thank you all for your continued support

For credit card donations on line go to www.ashwini.org (US donors get tax exemption)

ASHWINI is also listed with GiveIndia for Online donations

US Checks (tax deductible) can be made out to Vidyalay.org Foundation Inc and mailed to Ms. Asmita Shendye, 35 Meyer Drive, Clifton, NJ 07012

In the **UK**, checks can be made out to Charities Advisory Trust, Radius Works, Back Lane, Hampstead, London NW31HL Donations can be "gift aided"

Checks can be mailed directly to ASHWINI, PO Box 20, Gudalur-643212, Nilgiris, TN

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