

World AIDS Day Observance 2017

World AIDS Day was observed at NARI, Bhosari Campus on 30th November 2017 . Dr R. R. Gangakhedkar Scientist G and Director In-Charge inaugurated the event. In addition to regular Open house, Museum visit and Audio-visual display at auditorium; this year Street play competition and Open canvas were also planned.

1. **Open house**- was organized at NARI, Bhosari Campus for students and public , from Pune Municipal Corporation (PMC) and Pimpri Chinchwad Municipal Corporation (PCMC) were invited. Open house included exhibits and models related to HIV biology and laboratory techniques displayed in museum for the students to address and inspire their interest in science. Scientists were available for direct interactions with students and teachers. Total of 750 students attended Open house this year.
2. **Panel Discussion** : Panel discussion focusing on modes of HIV transmission, antiretroviral therapy, national guidelines and current research in HIV/AIDS .School There were two panel discussions one team of Dr Ashwini Shete, Scientist D, Dr Suchit Kamble , Scientist D, Mr Sachin Jadhav and 2nd team of Dr Abhijit Kadam ,Scientist B ,Dr Arati Mane ,Scientist D, Dr Amrita Rao, Scientist C. This aimed at addressing students' questions and doubts.
3. **Street play** – A street play competition was organized among the college students on , “Early HIV testing for better cure ”.Anchored by Dr Megha Mamulwar, Scientist B. There were total of 5 colleges participated in Street play completion. The colleges which participated were Tehmi Grant Institute of Nursing Education , Sadhu Vaswani College of Nursing, Smt. Subhadra K Jindal college of Nursing, MIMER Medical college and DR DY Patil College of Nursing. The 1st place was secured by Sadhu Vaswani College of Nursing , 2nd place by Smt. Subhadra K Jindal college of Nursing,3rd place by Dr D. Y Patil College of Nursing. Judges of the street play were Dr Seema Sahay ,Scientist F and Dr Smita Kulkarni, Scientist F.
4. **Open Canvas campaign**: 76 students contributed with slogans on open canvas.

5. **Audio visual display in auditorium-** This focused on display of various videos on HIV transmission, treatment, and modes of prevention for Chikungunya and Dengue. All students who visited on Open house were shown these videos and if they had any questions they were clarified by scientists during interactive sessions at the same time .
6. CME will be organized on 7th Dec 2017 for private practitioners on diagnosis and treatment for Opportunistic Infection and on recent trends in ART. Various awareness activities are scheduled for staff working in various factories/companies in MIDC, Bhosari area between 13th to 15th Dec 2017.



