The year 2017, witnessed another major transfer of responsibilities, with Ms. Amita Dhanu taking over the position of Assistant Secretary General – Programme Implementation. Ms. Amita (former Director – Adolescents) dedicated 24 years of service to Family Planning Association of India before taking over as ASG - PI. With many years of experience in the field of Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights (SRHR), her expertise has proven fruitful in initiating projects and management of programmes focussing on adolescents, women’s empowerment, HIV/AIDS intervention work, and more. She has also been the Director for a project by FPA India, from 2004 to 2012, which addressed issues of sex workers and helped improve their health seeking behavior. This was a part of the India AIDS Initiative of the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation being implemented by FPA India in partnership with FHI 360 and nine grassroots NGOs.

Despite having completed many years of devoted service, the energy and enthusiasm to take up new challenges and the passion to bring about a change in the lives of people, is what keeps her going. From heading one project, to being responsible for multiple projects of the organisation, is not an easy task. However, her sheer will and dedication enables her to carry out all tasks successfully. Most importantly, her understanding of the concepts in the field is what helps her advise and motivate her juniors and contemporaries.

Owing to a background in advertising, she feels the constant need for being creative and innovative in the tasks she takes up, be it social media campaigns or resource mobilisation activities. And she encourages her team to do the same.

We believe that this huge responsibility has yet again fallen into the right pair of hands and Ms. Amita Dhanu, as the new ASG-PI, will take FPA India to greater heights in the field of SRHR.

On behalf of everyone at FPA India, we congratulate Ms. Amita Dhanu and wish her all the luck!
FPA India is implementing ‘Evidence Based Advocacy for Expanding Basket of Choices in Madhya Pradesh’. Under this project, two sensitization meetings were held in Bhopal on the Status of Family Planning in Madhya Pradesh – exclusively for CSOs and the Media.

Mr L P Asthana, Deputy Director – Family Planning, Government of Madhya Pradesh, while appreciating the activities of the Bhopal Branch, highlighted ‘Mission Parivar Vikas’. It aims at stabilising population growth in 146 districts of seven states that account for almost 28% of India’s population.

The states are UP, Bihar, Rajasthan, MP, Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand and Assam. Ms Amita Dhanu, Assistant Secretary General (Programme Implementation), FPA India, mentioned that voluntary family planning is directly linked with SDGs 3 and 5 – ‘Ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages’ and ‘Achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls’.

The media meeting shared the status and programme interventions based on findings and recommendations. As many as 39 personnel from print and digital media attended, including United News of India, Press Trust of India, CNN News 18, ABP News and The Week. The media assured FPAI of their support while Mr Saurab Kandelwal of Nav Duniya and Ms Sneha Khare of Dainik Jagran have consented to be the brand ambassadors of FPAI, Bhopal. Mr Sharad Dwivedi of Bansal News gave the keynote address.

FPAI is organisng a Mentorship Programme for Registered Medical Practitioners (RMPs) in the districts of Maharashtra. The programme is being implemented in association with Arogya Parivar, a social initiative by Novartis catering to the underserved millions in rural India. It’s a six-month programme (February–July 2017) with the following objectives:

- Providing support to RMPs/physicians
- Promoting ongoing development, and
- Improving the ability of RMPs/physicians to care for patients.

Training sessions were conducted in ten locations in the state covering Health and Hygiene, Nutritional Management, Sexual and Reproductive Health, and Cancer (breast and cervical). Over 160 practitioners benefitted from these sessions.
In April, FPA India was invited to participate in the two-day event organized by White Ribbon Alliance India (WRA India) in collaboration with Indian Association of Parliamentarians on Population and Development (IAPPD) at Delhi. The purpose was to commemorate National Safe Motherhood Day on April 10, 2017 and execute Hamara Swasthya, Hamari Awaz campaign findings through theatrical play called “God Ki Delivery” on April 11, 2017. FPA India is a member of WRA India. FPA India and Maharashtra CSO partners had contributed in the Hamara Swasthya, Hamari Awaz (What Women Want) campaign. The purpose was to understand what women need for quality maternal healthcare in India. Women were asked to put forward their one ask to improve reproductive and maternal health in the country. These asks were presented to Shri J P Nadda, Union Minister of Health and Family Welfare. There were Members of Parliament present for the occasion, namely, Smt. Viplove Thakur, Shri Avinash Rai Khanna and Dr. B N Goud.

A few of the asks put forward by the women were: (a) Invest in generating awareness of entitlements to ensure that all entitlements are known and accessed by women; (b) Improve time bound payments to ensure that women fully access the entitlements; (c) Strengthen monitoring mechanism to track dispersal of all entitlements; (d) Create a cadre of professional midwives and ensure (24 X 7 availability of skilled doctors and specialists); (e) Commit to ‘zero tolerance’ for abuse, to ensure that women receive respectful care without discrimination and abuse; (f) Incorporate respectful care in Quality Assurance [Adopt the Respectful Maternal Care (RMC) charter]; and (g) Form Swachh Bharat Abhiyan flying squads to conduct surprise visits to check cleanliness and hygiene in toilets, wards, and labour rooms.

On April 11, a theatrical play “God ki Delivery” based on findings of Hamara Swasthya Hamari Awaz Campaign was premiered during the National Safe Motherhood Day. The 100-minute play depicted the journey of a common woman through her childbirth and delivery and how her rights are denied. The Films and Theatre Society staged God Ki Delivery in association with WRA India. From FPA India, Ms. Sanjana Maurya, Program Officer participated in the events accompanied by Ms. Jyoti Pradeep Shethye, community women from Mumbai. During the event Ms. Shethye shared her personal experience of delivery in government hospital. She actively participated in the program and shared her views and opinion.

**Case Studies**

**High-Risk Pregnancy Restored to Normalcy**

Malamma, a 24-year-old woman from Dharwad, was pregnant with twins. She already had a child, and in the ninth month, her haemoglobin count was found to be very low – just 7g. The risk of her anemic condition was explained to her and referred to the RHFPC. The doctor recommended blood transfusion, and within a week she delivered twin babies. Each baby weighed 2kg and all three continue to be in good health. The mother, impressed with FPAI’s services, also registered the babies for the one-year child package.

**Sub-Fertility to ANC–AN Incredible Transformation**

Rani (name changed) is 23, married, and studied up to the 9th standard. She was unable to conceive, in spite of repeated visits to other doctors. Then she approached the Panchkula branch and began her treatment. In her 8th visit, she was successfully converted into an ANC. Now she and her entire family are happy at this positive change. She is happy with FPAI Panchkula, and the branch has started getting more and more such cases.
FPA India observes the Global Day of Action - I Decide between 8 and 14 May every year. The messages this year, as identified by IPPF, were:
- I Decide: Equal access to family planning
- I Decide: Equal access to contraception
- I Decide: The right to decide how to plan my family

The themes are based on IPPF’s Vision 2020 – a ten-point call to action to ensure that Sexual and Reproductive Rights remain at the core of changing national and global agendas. The Global Day of Action was widely observed by branches all over the country.

AGRA

An interactive session was organised with the students of Saraswati Inter College, Jagdishpura. The audience was apprised of Vision 2020 and SRHR. The students took an oath to follow the right age of marriage and to spread the knowledge among their friends and peers. Participants: 21.

In another event, a session on Comprehensive Sexuality Education was conducted at Rajnagar for out-of-school girls. They were given IEC material to help increase their knowledge and awareness levels. Participants: 15.

AHMEDABAD

Four awareness sessions were conducted based on the key messages of family planning and SRH. A signature campaign was organised with 446 people lending their support to the campaign. Mr Suresh Maratha, Branch Manager, spoke on SRHR in an effort to sensitize the audience, which included doctors, healthcare providers, community leaders, mahila mandals and the youth. They committed their support to spreading these messages. Participants: 200.

BELAGAVI

Programmes were conducted at both community and institutional levels on the theme ‘Family Planning – A Smart Choice for Health and Happiness’. The outreach unit of the branch organised two awareness programmes at Kangrali KH and Savgaon. Knowledge was imparted about temporary as well as permanent contraceptive methods. Dr (Mrs) Shivani D Patil, MO-ORS, and Mr KN Gumaste, Branch Manager In-charge, were the resource persons. Participants: 54.

At the institutional level, a programme was conducted at the Government College of Nursing, Belagavi Institute of Medical Science. Dr ST Kalsad, Director, BIMS, presided over the programme, which was inaugurated by Prof GK Khadabadi, President of the branch in the presence of Dr (Mrs) Chandra Metgud, Professor, Department of Community Medicine, KLE University, JNMC. Participants: 115 nursing students.

BHUBANESWAR

A two-day programme was organised – at Multicare Services, Ghatikia, and at Dhauli. The first event was aimed at sensitizing community leaders and young people, while the second event was conducted for the SHG members of Itipur Gram Panchayat. The topics were contraception choices, family planning and SRHR. The audience included trainees, trainers, SHGs, ward members and the Sarpanch. In the first event, 20 young people committed to spread the campaign message; while in the second, 12 women gave their consent for the campaign and signed the declaration form. Total Participants: 147.
BIDAR

The Global Day of Action for Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights for all was observed at the FPA India Hall. The objectives were to close the gap between those who can and those who can’t access SRHR, and to halve the unmet need for contraceptives. This was articulated through an awareness programme, inaugurated by Dr Indumati Patil, Family Welfare Officer, Bidar. Dr VV Talpallikar, President of the branch, presided over the event, and Dr Vijayashree Bashetty, Past President, was the Chief Guest. Dr Raghavendra Waghole, Psychiatrist, and Prof TJ Hadimani, Retd. Lecturer, DIET, were the resource persons. The audience comprised of adolescent girls and ASHA workers. Participants: 45.

DHARWAD

An awareness session, culminated in a signature campaign for the cause. The programme was organised in collaboration with Yashodha Welfare Trust, Dharwad. Mr Suresh Yaligar, Nominated Corporator, inaugurated the event and Mr Anand Agnihotri, Yashodha Welfare Trust, was the Chief Guest. Mrs Sujata Anishettar, Branch Manager, elaborated on the goals of the exercise and asked the audience to make their voice count through the signature campaign. Participants: 40.

HYDERABAD

A rally was organised with Peer Educators and youths chanting slogans and displaying placards about SRHR. Over 2,000 people were exposed to the messaging. Dr Renu Kapoor, Branch Manager, supervised the proceedings and ensured that the event was successful. Participants: 36.

At Potharam village, the Rural Coordinator conducted a session on ‘Vision 2020 – Day of Action on SRHR’. SRH issues, especially the Rights, were explained to the unreached community. Participants: 75 women. Another session was organised at Nallingyapalli, Kapada district, on Vision 2020. Mrs Eswaramma and Mrs Lakshmi, outreach workers, spoke to the audience about SRHR. Participants: 52 women.

MOHALI

A signature campaign was undertaken at the branch across five schools and the FPA India office. The campaign garnered 299 signatures – from students, teachers and youth volunteers.

NAGALAND

The branch conducted two campaigns on family planning, with Ms Ville Rhetso, Ms Caroline Nisa and Mr Rokuoneinuo as the key facilitators. The first campaign was organised for women at Seikhzou Colony, Kohima, who were mobilised by Anganwadi workers. Awareness about FPA India and the purpose of the Global Action week campaign were the key take-outs, along with the importance of family planning and how to go about it. The women were also informed about their empowerment and rights. Participants: 25. The second campaign was conducted with PLHIV groups at the office of Kohima Network of People. Apart from the other messages, the FPA India female condom was introduced and demonstrated to the participants for the assurance of dual protection. Participants: 14.
**PANCHKULA**

A series of programmes were organized around the theme ‘Universal and equitable access to family planning for women and girls everywhere’. The programmes saw the participation of around 400 people.

- An awareness programme was held at Haripur. Participants: 54.
- A sensitization programme was conducted at Kailash Institute for Health and Medical Sciences, Chandi Kotla. Mr Vinod Kapoor, President, spoke on SRH and wellness. Mr Manoj Kumar, Branch Manager, explained the rights in greater detail. Participants: 100.
- A health camp-cum-awareness programme was organised at Birghaghar. SRH and unmet needs of family planning were the topics discussed. The camp provided consultation, medical check-up, treatment and counselling by the branch’s medical staff. Participants: 89.

- An awareness programme was conducted at MDAV School, Sector 22, Chandigarh. Mr Vinod Kapoor, President; Mrs Ashu Mahajan, Hon Secretary; Mr Manoj Kumar, Branch Manager; Mrs Anita Batra, BEC Member; Col Alok Batra, Mrs Rekha Kapoor, and Ms Supriya were the resource persons. Participants: 62.

- A sensitization meeting was organised at the branch premises. Dr Nitika Goyal, Consultant; and Dr Deena Kakria, Medical Officer, were the resource persons. Participants: 36.

- Community people were invited for an awareness programme at the RHFPC. Participants: 21.

- The branch conducted a signature campaign and awareness programme with men at Transport Area, Sector 26, Chandigarh. Mrs Poonam Sharma, Project Manager, and Ms Dezi, Programme Officer, addressed the attendees. All of them signed on the poster. Participants: 66.

**SOLAPUR**

An awareness, IEC and signature programme was organised at Thakur Savdekar Vidi Company, Old Vidi Gharkul. Among the topics covered were family planning, contraceptives and reproductive rights.

A sensitization meeting was conducted with vidi workers, supervisors and other staff. Ms Monali Zharekar, Supervisor at the Company, gave the welcome address. Mr Virendra Pradeshi, Programme Officer, was the Chief Guest and he highlighted FPA India’s contribution to nation building through service to the society. Mr HP Pal, Social Worker, spoke about Government Schemes and incentives. Mrs Shubhangi Naikwadi, ANM, concluded the event. IEC material was distributed to all vidi workers. Participants: 88.

**SHIVAMOGGA**

An awareness programme was organised for BEd students at Kuvempu Shatamanotsava College. Debate and elocution competitions were held for students on the topics of the Global Day of Action. Prizes were given to the winners. Participants: 102.
MENSTRUAL HYGIENE DAY

This annual awareness day is observed on 28 May every year, with the aim of breaking taboos and raising awareness about good Menstrual Hygiene Management (MHM). This year’s theme was ‘No Shame, Break the Silence’. Though menstruation is a normal biological process and a sign of reproductive health, many cultures treat it as something shameful. Let’s look at how our branches observed this important day.

AHMEDABAD
Two awareness programmes were organised under the leadership of Dr Neha Panchal, Programme Officer. Dr Panchal stressed on the importance of menstrual hygiene and gave tips to ensure it. Participants: 85 females.

BALLARI
The day was observed with a symposium in different villages for young girls. This was a key decision because it’s a common practice for village girls to use unhygienic cloth during periods. Information on menstrual hygiene was shared as well as tips were given on how to maintain cleanliness. Participants: 35.

BELAGAVI
An awareness programme was organised at BEd College, Shivbasav Nagar. The branch medical team conducted sessions on hygiene and nutrition during menstruation. Participants: 38 students and three lecturers.

BHOPAL
The branch conducted an interactive session and HB tests with the support of Pragya Organisation, to clarify doubts about menstruation and related hygiene. Members of the Organisation distributed dustbins and sanitary pads as symbols of hygiene. Around 50 females took part in this interactive session.

BHUBANESWAR
A sensitization meeting was conducted at Jaypur village, Itipur Gram Panchayat. Ms Gita Patnaik, Counsellor of RHFPC, facilitated the meeting with the support of the branch staff. It was a highly interactive session in which key information was disseminated among the audience. Many women opened up about their menstruation-related issues and were advised to visit the RHFPC for consultation, and further take the VIA screening conducted by the branch. Participants: 25.

BIDAR
An awareness programme was organised with the support of Samarasa, a local NGO, at Koutha B Gram Panchayat. Mr Shrinivas Biradar, Branch Manager, was the Chief Guest, and Mrs Vedamani, President of Samarasa, presided over the programme. Mrs Manoranjani, staff of Samarasa, was a guest, while Ms Vijayalaxmi Hudge, Programme Officer, was the resource person. Participants: 25 adolescent girls.

DHARWAD
Two awareness programmes, followed by the distribution of sanitary napkins, were held to mark this special day. The first event was held at Nigadi Satellite Centre, was held in association with Yuva Spandana, for the adolescent girls of Youth Friendly Centre and ASHA workers. Dr Vidya Kurbet spoke to the audience about the importance of menstrual hygiene. Mrs Nanda, BEC Co-opted Member, and Mr NF Madiwalar, Programme Officer, were present. Participants: 27 adolescents, 23 ASHA workers.

The second event was organised in collaboration with Uni Abex Alloy Products Limited at the Government High School, Narendra. Mrs Suman Heblikar, M&E Officer, FPA India, conducted the programme and spoke about Menstrual Hygiene Management. Sanitary napkins were distributed, which were sponsored by Uni Abex Alloy Products as part of their CSR activity. Mr Prakash Jodalli, FPAI staff member, and Mr Gurushantya, Principal of the School, were also present on the occasion. Participants: 50.

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CHENNAI
Two awareness programmes were conducted at Jana Pragathi Center, an NGO working with Self Help Groups. Participants: 70.

INDORE
The day was observed by organising two awareness meetings, aimed at generating awareness about the importance of menstrual hygiene management – through personal cleanliness and the usage of sanitary napkins. Participants: 52 women.

DINDIGUL
An awareness session was organised at the branch premises. In the session, myths and misconceptions surrounding menstruation were tackled. Participants: 60.

JAIPUR
Two awareness sessions were conducted for the slum community. Menstrual hygiene and Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights were the key discussion points. Participants: 50.

HYDERABAD
A series of programmes was conducted in the urban as well as rural outreach centres. In an event organised in association with Kriya Sangh Society at Rasoolpura, Mrs Radhika, Counsellor, explained the process of menstruation with emphasis on hygiene to adolescent girls. The session concluded with a demo on low cost sanitary napkin preparation. The girls were trained to make their own sanitary napkins. Participants: 30.

In another event at Korlakunta village, Dr Shyamla, Medical Officer, spoke about Menstrual Hygiene Management to women and girls. Participants: 52. A session on menstrual health and hygiene was organised at Nallalingapalli, Kadapa district. The use of sanitary napkins and their disposal were discussed, followed by free distribution of the same. Participants: 37.

LUCKNOW
The special day was celebrated with school dropout girls at the Pradhan Mantri Vikas Kendra, Aliganj. A workshop was organised to request the government to exempt Goods and Services Tax (GST) on sanitary pads. This would make menstrual hygiene within reach of everyone. The girls, who attend sewing classes at the Kendra, participated in the programme with interest.
MYSURU
The day was observed by conducting free Sexual and Reproductive Health checkup camps and awareness sessions, in association with Swami Vivekananda Youth Movement for Community. FPA India staff imparted information about ovulation, menstruation, its cycle and duration as well as pain management. Those found with symptoms of STI/RTI were referred to the RHFPC.

NEW DELHI
An awareness session was organised by Dr Suchitra Wadhwa, Medical Officer, RHFPC. Topics like menstrual hygiene, cleanliness and usage of sanitary napkins were covered. Participants: 42 females.

NILGIRIS
An awareness programme with group discussion was conducted at Pragathi Training Centre, Coonoor. Mrs Preetha, Manager of the Institution, gave information about menstrual hygiene and sanitary napkins.

NAGALAND
The branch organised three menstrual hygiene awareness programmes with young girls and women at schools and communities. The events were conducted in collaboration with the Sanitary Napkin Production Unit under the Science and Technology Department. The theme was: ‘Education about Menstruation changes everything’.

In an event at Viswema village, Ms Subole Kennao, Chairperson, Women’s Organization, began with the welcome address and an invocation prayer. Ms Ville Thetso, Counsellor, reminded participants about the first global Menstrual Hygiene Day observed in 2014, initiated by the German NGO, WASH (Water, Sanitation and Hygiene).

Dr Aseno Rhetso spoke about Menstrual Hygiene Management (MHM). Ms Mereena Domeh, Project Supervisor, Sanitary Napkins Production Unit, assured the gathering that the napkins are of high quality, cost effective, chemical free and easily decomposable. The session concluded with Ms Thejaseno Ltu, Staff Nurse, FPA India, speaking on family planning.

Another event was held at Children Christian School, Kohima. Ms Rokuoneinuo Zecho, PO, educated adolescent girls about MHM. A third awareness programme was organised with the PLHIV group at Kohima Network of People. Ms Narola, Senior Technical Officer, Science and Technology Department, attended the programme and provided nutritional food to the gathering. Sanitary napkins were provided free to everyone present, and to the poor and marginalized at the RHFPC. The events got widely covered in the local media.

Participants: 128.

NORTH KANARA
The branch celebrated the day at the Agriculture College. The BEC Member of the branch conducted a session on menstrual cycle and its importance. Mr M N Hegde, retired Branch Manager, delivered a speech, while Ms Manjula Gouda, Programme Officer, facilitated the programme. Participants: 50 students.

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PANCHKULA
A lecture was organised at Bal Sadan, Sector 12A. Dr Deena Kakria, Medical Officer, shared information about menstrual hygiene, as well as addressed taboos, rituals and restrictions. Dr Nidhi also clarified the doubts of the girls who had gathered. The programme ended with everyone receiving sanitary napkins and fruits. Participants: 25 girls.

SHIVAMOGGA
Five different programmes were organised at the Rural High School and various community sites. Menstruation is considered ugly, but childbirth is a celebration – this is a dichotomy. Both menstrual hygiene are fighting the taboos surrounding menstruation are important, and boys need to be educated about it too. Awareness and Menstrual Hygiene Management would enhance the self-esteem of girls, impacting their education positively. Participants: 201 females.

PUNE
In an awareness programme, information was shared and misconceptions cleared. The capacity building training session benefitted Link Workers under Yardi Vikas Prakalp. Participants: 42.

SOLAPUR
A sensitization programme was organised at Thakur Savdekar Bidi & Company, Branch No 19, Joshi Galli. Female vidi workers in the reproductive age group took part in the programme, which focused on menstrual problems, irregular cycles, usage of sanitary napkins, health care, personal hygiene, cleanliness, STI/RTI, HIV/AIDS, SRH issues and so on. Those present included Mr Virendra Pardeshi, Programme Officer; Mrs Kalpana Gadgade, Social Worker; Mrs Shubhangi Naikwadi, ANM; and Mrs Satyabhama Tonpe and Mrs Sunita Patil, Link Workers. IEC material was distributed among vidi workers. Beneficiaries: 45.

TRIVANDRUM
The branch observed the World Menstrual Hygiene Day at the Continuing Education Centre, Muttathara. Dr K Krishna Kumari conducted the programme, with the objective of removing anxiety and doubts about the periods. Menstruation, its taboos and practices were also discussed. The girls gathered were encouraged to take part in the competitions. The programme was sponsored by WHI. Participants: 50.

YAMUNANAGAR
An awareness programme was conducted at Shiv Nagar for youth and women, with the support of ASHA workers. Menstrual hygiene and innovative steps taken to address it were highlighted.
This important day is one of the eight official global health campaigns implemented by the World Health Organisation. It is observed on 7 April with the objective of increasing the community’s awareness about health. Branches of FPA India across India celebrated the day by organising programmes and orientation sessions.

**AGRA**

World Health Day was organised at the RHFPF and was attended by CBGs, SHGs, parents and member of LVG. The current state of health of the people and increasing awareness about SRH through IEC material were the focus areas. Knowledge on STI, RTI, nutrition and safe, legal abortion was also imparted. Participants: 21.

**BALLARI**

This year’s focus, on World Health Day, is on Depression, a condition that affects people of all ages. A better understanding of Depression can help to reduce the stigma associated with it and lead to more people seeking help. Further to the World Health Day slogan ‘Depression: Let’s Talk’, the branch organised a symposium on Mental Health and Depression – in association with NCD/NTCP/Surveillance Unit and PHC, Bandimot, a Ballari slum. Dr Anil Kumar, District Surveillance Officer, inaugurated the programme.

Dr Santosh, Psychiatrist, emphasised the importance of mental health as being integral to our holistic wellness. Ms S Vijayalakshmi, Programme Officer, highlighted the counselling facilities offered by FPAI. Participants: 50. The programme concluded with a screening camp for thyroid, RBS, Hep-B, cervical and breast cancer. Eleven clients were checked for thyroid and 25 for cervical cancer through VIA of which six were found positive. They were given medicines and referred to RHFPF for further treatment. Beneficiaries: 158.

**DHARWAD**

An awareness programme was organised on this year’s theme ‘Depression – Let’s Talk’. Mrs Sujata Anishettar, Branch Manager, spoke about stress as the main cause of depression. Dr Vinaya Kulkarni pointed out that women are more prone to being depressed than men, while Mr NF Madiwalar, Programme Officer, shared important statistics related to depression worldwide. Participants: 35.

**HYDERABAD**

A session on child health was conducted by Dr Supriya, MO-PHC, Jinnaram, for health workers and women from the community. The meeting explained prime objectives of NRHM aimed to reduce Infant Mortality Rate. She emphasised on prompt reporting and review of child deaths (0-59 months) to help identify bottlenecks in the delivery of maternal and child health services. Participants: 18 ASHAs, 6 paramedical staff and 12 women.

**MOHALI**

A health check-up camp was organised in Sector 52 to celebrate the special day. Two doctors conducted the camp and identified 18 women with RTI problems, four with gynaecological issues, five with AN cases and one PN case. Blood samples for haemoglobin were taken for all the women. Medicines for the camp were provided by Larsen & Toubro (L&T), Chandigarh Area Office. Participants: 70 women, 5 men. L&T also supplied medicines for four other health check-up camps.
NAGALAND

The branch conducted an awareness programme and free medical camp at Thenyizumi village in collaboration with the local Students Union. Mr Vekede Resu, President of the Union gave the welcome speech. Ms Ville Rhetso, Counsellor at the branch spoke on the theme ‘Depression – Let’s Talk’. Dr Pewezo Khalo underlined the importance of village sanitation and hygiene. Earlier Mr Kenei Rhakho touched upon the branch and its activities. Ms C Kroso recited the invocation prayer while Mr Zhothiyi Dawhuo gave the vote of thanks.

In another event, an adolescent education programme was organised at St Andrews High School. Ms Rokuoneinuo Zecho, Programme Officer, spoke on issues related to growing up, decision-making skills, assertiveness, communication and stress, and emotional management. Participants: 175. All the events were sponsored by the Thenyizumi Students Union, while India Trail, a travel and tour agency, provided free transportation to the team. Hospitality and refreshments were arranged by Mr Choleta Swuro, Convenor, Planning & Vision Cell of Thenyizumi village. The activities of the day were covered extensively in the local media.

NILGIRIS

An awareness programme on the theme ‘Depression – Let’s Talk’ was organised on 7 April at Melkowatty Village, Ooty, in collaboration with Oxygen Foundation. The resource persons were Dr Gee Gee George, BEC Member and Consultant Gynaecologist; Mrs Puvaneswari P, Hon Secretary; Mrs Lakshmi Narayanan, BEC Member; and Mr J Varatharajan, Branch Manager. Mr Rajesh elaborated on the theme, indicating that several external factors can cause depression.

Timely treatment is essential to prevent any untoward incidents. The session was followed by an SRH camp in which six women were referred for further investigation and treated for STI/RTI. Participants: 127 (105 screened for VIA).

NORTH KANARA

An awareness programme was organised at Heravatta in association with Mata Chaya SKRDP. Mr Mohan Naik, addressed the gathering, emphasising the importance of women’s health. Mr Manjula Gouda, Programme Officer, spoke on the subject of health and its importance. Participants: 42 women. An event to help eradicate drugs and anemia in adolescent girls was held at the Agriculture College, Kumta. The programme was conducted in collaboration with Dr Halakar Charitable and Information Association. Dr Ashok Bhat, BEC member, spoke to students of the college about anemia and health problems of young girls. Mr MN Hegde, retired Branch Manager, gave a speech on student life, stress, depression, time management and so on to solve a series of problems. All the girls were tested for HB and follow up recommended where applicable. Participants: 50.

PANCHKULA

The branch organised a health camp at Ashiana Complex in association with the Inner-Wheel of Panchkula. Mr Manoj Kumar, Branch Manager, indicated that reproductive health is a ‘state of complete physical, mental and social well being’. Mrs Anita Batra, BEC Member, inaugurated the camp, highlighting the fact that family planning is key to SRH. Clients were given consultation, check-up, treatment and counselling, and free medicines were distributed. Participants: 68.

SHIVAMOGGA

A rally was flagged off from the District Sessions Court to Gopi Circle, a distance of 5km. Dr Sridhar, well-known psychiatrist, did the honours. Narayana Hridayalaya Hospital, Metro Hospital, the Advocates Association, Zilla Panchayat and paramedical colleges joined in the celebration. The audience comprised of nursing students, officials from the District Health Office and dignitaries from various government departments. Participants: 450.

SOLAPUR

An event was organised in association with the Inner-Wheel Club of Solapur and Kasturbai College of Education, at the college premises in Ashok Chowk. The resource persons were Prof Dr Shrikant Yelegaonkar, Vice President, FPA India, Dr Shivekumar Ganpur, Principal, Kasturbai College of Education, and Programme In-charge, Dr Mohan Shekhar, Assistant Health Officer, Health Department, Solapur; Dr Bijay Ahire, Department In-charge, Kasturbai College of Education; Mr Sugat Gaikwad, Branch Manager, Solapur Branch; Mrs Sarla Zhawar, President, Inner-Wheel Club of Solapur; Prof Dr NB Telli, Hon. Secretary; Prof Dr BN Kamble, Hon. Treasurer; Mr Ramanlal Sonaminde, Vice President, Mr Farhan Baghwan, Ms Vijayshree Amle, Youth Volunteers and Mrs Teja Kulkarni, BEC Member; Dr Yogesh Pallalu, RCH-MO, and Mr Virendra Pardeshi, Programme Officer, Solapur Branch. The event started with the lighting of the lamp by the Chief Guest, Prof Yelegaonkar. He spoke in detail about World Health Day and gave key statistics.

Dr Shivekumar Ganpur and Dr Mohan Shekhar also elaborated on ‘Depression – Let’s Talk’, the theme this year. Mr Sugat Gaikwad spoke about FPA India and its focus on SRHR issues. Participants: 43 students. In a separate event, an awareness programme was held at Sable-Vaghire Vidi Company, Navi Jindgi. It was jointly organised by FPA India, the Company and the Inner-Wheel Club of Solapur. The resource persons included Mr Sugat Gaikwad, Branch Manager; Mr HP Pal, Programme In-charge and Social Worker; Mr Sudhakar Kulkarni, Branch Manager; Sable-Vaghire Vidi Company, Mr Virendra Pardeshi, Programme Officer; Mrs Sunita Patel, Link Worker; Mr Pritam Batuskar and Mr Iftekhar Lakhot. The speakers addressed issues of health, SRHR and other services offered by FPA India. Participants: 44 vidi workers.
BELAGAVI
SAFE MOTHERHOOD DAY

A programme to mark Safe Motherhood Day was organised. Third year nursing students of the Government School of Nursing, BIMS, were the audience. Mrs Sulbha D Prabhukhandolkar, Hon Secretary, inaugurated the programme, while Dr Arati A Kulkarni, MO-RHFPC, and Dr Shivani D Patil, MO-ORS, were the resource persons. They highlighted the need for regular check ups during pregnancy, and also post-delivery care for both mother and child. Mrs Nanda Bagoji, Assistant Professor at the School of Nursing, was the chief guest. Mr K N Gumaste, Branch Manager in-charge, was also present. Participants: 62 females, 8 males.

HYDERABAD
WORLD MALARIA DAY

To mark the day, an awareness programme was organised at FPA India’s Rural Tailoring Centre, Jinnaram. Dr Supriya, Medical Officer, Primary Health Centre, briefed the audience about the illness, its symptoms and treatment. Mr Ramu, coordinator, emphasised that pregnant women and children are at the highest risk, and recommended using mosquito nets at night, repellents and anti-malarial tablets. PHC Jinnaram took out a rally and distributed the tablets free of cost. Participants: 40.

NAGALAND
SEXUAL REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH & RIGHTS DAY

This annual event was originally launched by the Public Health Agency of Canada, aiming to raise awareness of SRH. The branch observed the day at Knpa Rehabilitation Centre, on the theme of ‘Let’s Have Some Pillow Talk’. Dr Dietho Koza, the chief resource person of the day, spoke about key SRH issues and emphasised the need for prevention of STIs. The counsellor at the Centre gave the welcome speech. Ms Ville Rhetso, counsellor at the branch, spoke about FPAI while Ms Rokuonenuo, PO, underlined the importance of the day. All participants received free consultation. Beneficiaries: 24.

NILGIRIS
WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY

An awareness programme was conducted based on the theme of ‘Connecting People With Nature’ at RHFPC, Coonoor. Mr Rajesh, Programme Officer, and Mr Sundararaj, Staff Member, were the resource persons. Mr Rajesh elaborated on the theme, imploring us to go outdoors and commune with nature – while appreciating its beauty, we also need to protect the environment. Participants: 17.

SHIVAMOGGA
WORLD NO TOBACCO DAY

The important day was observed in collaboration with Malnad Hospital and Cancer Research Institute; Dentist Association, Shivamogga; the Department of Non-Communicable Diseases, District Health Office; JCI Shivamogga Bhavana, Spandana Health Foundation Trust, paramedical colleges and other NGOs. A procession was taken out, followed by a skin to create awareness among the public. Mr Ashok Kumar, Secretary, and Dr Ravi Kiran, BEC Member, were present along with other volunteers from the branch. A donation of Rs 3,000 was gratefully received from Spandana Health Foundation. Participants: 350.

Total participants: 17 (RHFPC Staff, clients and Attenders)
The World Earth Day, or Vasundhara Din, was celebrated based on the theme of 'Environmental and Climate Literacy'. The event, organised in association with the Inner-Wheel Club of Solapur, comprised of awareness sessions, lectures, IEC, posters and competitions for the audience. The programme was inaugurated with the Chief Guest, Prof Dr Shrikant Yelegaonkar, National Vice President, FPAI, watering the plants. Also present on the occasion were Prof Dr Nabha Kakade, Branch President; Mrs Sarla Zhawar, President, Inner-Wheel Club; Prof Dr NB Telli, Hon. Secretary; Mr Ramanlal Soniminde, Branch Vice President; Mr Sugat Gaikwad, Branch Manager; Mrs Tara Chandak, and Ms Vijayshee Amle, Youth Volunteer. Prof Dr Yelegaonkar underlined the need to understand the concepts of climate change, while Prof Dr Nabha Kakade asked everyone to get involved by making small changes in lifestyle. The programme was conducted by Mr Soniminde. Participants: 55.

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The branch, in association with the Inner-Wheel Club of Solapur, organised the World Mid-Wife Day Appreciation Programme. The theme was ‘Midwives: Making a difference in the world’. The event started with the lighting of the lamp by Dr Meera Parlikar, Programme Officer and Chief Guest. Among those present were Dr Mrs Manjushree Kulkarni, FPA India Ex-President; Mr Bhagwan Bhusari, Programme Officer and Programme Guest DACPU; Dr Yogesh Pallalu, RCH-MO; Prof Dr Nabha Kakade, Branch President; Mrs Sarla Zhawar, President, Inner-Wheel Club of Solapur; Mrs Tara Chandak, Ms Vijayashree Amle, Youth Volunteer; Mr KM Jamadar, Prof Dr NB Telli, and Mr Sugat Gaikwad, Branch Manager. Dr Ms Madhuri Valvekar, Programme In-charge, highlighted the good work done by midwives. All speakers praised the important role of midwives in society. The programme concluded with the giving away of gifts and appreciation certificates to all ANM staff. Prof Dr Telli proposed a vote of thanks.

An awareness programme was organised to observe the Day at Kasturbai College of Education. The event was jointly organised by FPA India, the College and the Inner-Wheel Club of Solapur, around the theme ‘Be Bold for Change’.

The chief guest and resource person was Prof Dr Shrikant Yelegaonkar, Vice President FPA India. Among those present were Prof Dr BJ Ahire, Programme Officer and Programme Guest; Dr Yogesh Pallalu, RCH-MO; Prof Dr Nabha Kakade, Branch President; Mrs Sarla Zhawar, President, Inner-Wheel Club of Solapur; Mrs Tara Chandak, Ms Vijayashree Amle, Youth Volunteer; Mr Farhan Baghwan, Youth Volunteers; Mrs Sarla Zhawar, President, Inner-Wheel Club of Solapur; Mr Sugat Gaikwad, Branch Manager, and Mr Virendra Paradeshi, Programme Officer. The speakers elaborated on the topics of gender equality, personal hygiene, involvement of youth, cleanliness, FPA India activities, SRHR and so on.

Another similar event was held at Sable-Waghire Bidi Company, Navi jindgi, conducted in association with the Lions Club of Solapur Central. The chief guest was Mr Sugat Gaikwad. Mr Sudhakar Kulkarni, Manager of the Company; Mr Pritam Basutkar, Supervisor; Mr Iftekar Lalkot; Mr Virendra Paradeshi, Programme Officer; Mr HP Pal, Social Worker; and Mrs Sunita Patil, Link Worker, were also present. The programme was made possible by the efforts of the Link Workers. Mr Gaikwad spoke about personal hygiene, youth involvement and gender equality. Mr Paradeshi dwelt upon FPA India’s activities and SRHR issues. Mr Lal mentioned about government schemes and incentives.
TRIVANDRUM
WORLD EARTH DAY
The Day was observed at Anchutengu. Dr K Krishna Kumari, President, conducted the programme with SHG leaders. She elaborated on the importance of the World Earth Day, and why observing it is the key to spreading awareness about it. The event was sponsored by WHI. Participants: 48.

WORLD NO TOBACCO DAY
An awareness programme was organised at Kuttiyachal Lourde Matha College for the youth. Dr Sobha Mathew, M & E Officer, conducted the programme, highlighting the link between tobacco use, control and sustainable development. The harmful effects of tobacco were highlighted through short films. The programme concluded with a vote of thanks by the Staff Secretary. Participants: 47.

WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY
The branch observed this important day at VHSC, Thiruvallam. A rally was flagged off, after which Ms Sathi Kumari, Headmistress, planted saplings in the school premises and inaugurated the event. This was followed by a session conducted by Ms Aswathy, in which the importance of preserving our natural resources was discussed.

WORLD BLOOD DONORS DAY
The Day was observed at Kuttiyachal Lourde Matha College amidst young people. Mr Baby Prabhakar, Consultant of HLLFPPT, conducted the programme. The objective was to raise awareness and highlight the need for safe blood and blood products. The promotion of voluntary blood donation was also discussed. Participants: 45.

WORLD YOGA DAY
The branch celebrated the day at the Government High School, Kamaleshwaram. The programme was inaugurated by the Staff Secretary and conducted by Mr Rajan K, Yoga Trainer. Yoga’s key benefits were outlined in order to raise awareness about this ancient science of holistic fitness. Participants: 67.

INTERNATIONAL DAY AGAINST DRUG ABUSE
The branch observed the day, with the support of the Excise Department and the Rotary Club of Kovalam at the University College. Mr Chandra-palan, Deputy Excise Commissioner, inaugurated it. A session was conducted by Mr Shibu, Circle Inspector, who explained the different types of drugs and their usage. He elaborated on the theme ‘Listen first’ – listening to youth and children is the first step to help them. It was followed by a play on the effects of drug abuse. A series of flash mobs was organised in three different areas in the city. The Governor of Rotary Club inaugurated the programme.
AGRA

IEC campaign programme
The programme was conducted on 1 May, International Labour Day, at Soor Sadan. Mr Udaibhan Singh, MLA, and Mr Yogendra Upadhyay were the chief guests. Mr Tularam Sharma, President, Agra Social Forum welcomed the participants. Mr Mukesh Rathore, Programme Officer, spoke about gender equality, women empowerment, health and hygiene. Participants: Around 1,000 men and women.

Orientation meetings for health workers
These meetings were conducted at the YFC with supervisors, ASHAs, Government ANMs and ICDS. The health workers came with around 5 years’ experience in the field. The M&E Officer briefed them about the activities of the branch and the services of the RHFPC. Participants: 93.

AHMEDABAD

Training for resource persons on CSE
This two-day refresher session was organised on Comprehensive Sexuality Education (CSE) for resource persons at the Conference Hall, Nashabandhi Mandal.

Sensitization session with women
Two sessions were organised at Laxampuri, Dhanoli on the consequences of unsafe abortion. Women from the community attended and received information on safe family planning methods as well as SRH. Participants: 41.

Training session for chemists and private medical practitioners
This one-day orientation programme was organised at the YFC for private medical practitioners. Topics: Safe abortion and motherhood. Mr Mukesh Rathore, Programme Officer gave the welcome address. The attendees were educated on safe abortion, STI, RTI and contraception by the resource person. Participants: 15.

Meeting with Link Workers and CBDs
The session was conducted at the RHFPC for Link Workers and CBDs with the aim of garnering their support in the SRH programme at the community level. To this end, the participants were sensitized on safe abortion and SRH issues. Participants: 18.
Mr Suresh Maratha, Branch Manager, briefed participants about the training and gave an overview of the Young People Programme in the branch. Dr Neha Panchal, Programme Officer, conducted the session covering topics like: The needs of young people, IPPF, CSE framework and CSE content. The resource persons found the training useful and felt more confident about delivering sessions both at school and out-of-school. Participants: 14.

BELAGAVI

Cervical Cancer Centre inaugurated

The Centre was inaugurated in the branch premises. Rotarian Mr Avinash Potdar, President, Markandey Sugar Factory, Kakati, inaugurated the Colposcopes machine allotted by FPA India Headquarter. Dr Appasaheb Naratti, District Health & Family Welfare Officer, Belagavi was the chief guest. The branch used this opportunity to honour both these eminent personalities for their contributions to the society. The audience of 32 people comprised of staff, members and the media.

SRH Camp for students organised

The branch conducted a Sexual Reproductive Health camp for students of KSR BEd College, Nehru Nagar. Prof GK Khadabadi, President of the branch inaugurated the camp, while Dr AL Patil, Principal of the College, presided over the programme. Dr Sukalshana Baliga, Member, FPA India, Dr Arati Kulkarni, MO-RHFPC, Dr Preet Khona and Dr Nidhi Pathak, Post Graduate students of JNMC, were the resource persons who examined the students. Mr DB Patil, Member, FPA India, donated medicines worth Rs 2,000 for the camp. Beneficiaries: 165 females, 32 males.

Excelling in fund mobilization efforts

Prof Anant A Khanolkar, Vice President of the branch works hard to mobilise donations for FPA India. He leads by example, donating Rs 5,000 to the branch. Thanks to his efforts, other donors have come forward and contributed to the branch funds:

- Mr RB Joshi, Tilakwadi, Belagavi - Rs 5,001
- The Theosophical Society, Belagavi - Rs 5,000
- Prof KV Patil, Member, FPA India Belagavi Branch - Rs 2,500

DHARWAD

Mobile medical unit to help reduce maternal and infant mortality

Deshpande Foundation, Hubballi, has helped the branch to launch an innovative approach to reduce Maternal Mortality Rate (MMR) and Infant Mortality Rate (IMR). A mobile medical unit was implemented to offer services to pregnant women and babies of up to one year old. The objective of this intervention is to cater to 800 such women and 800 children across 58 villages at their doorstep – with monitoring, provision of periodical checkup, identification of high risk cases and managing them to overcome health problems during pregnancy and lactation. Beneficiaries: 535 pregnant women out of 886, 634 babies out of 1033.

MOHALI

Advocacy meeting with industries and corporates for social development

The branch organised a meeting for engaging industries and corporates in social development. Mr Balbir Singh Sandhu, MLA, SAS Nagar, Mohali, was the Chief Guest. The speakers were Mr Sanjeev Vashisht, President, Mohali Industries Association; Mrs Amita Dhanu, Assistant Secretary General, FPA India, Mr Vinod Kapur, President, Panchkula Branch; Mr IPS Baywa, Vice President, and Mr Harwant Singh Baidwan, BEC, Member. Ms Arsh Preet Kaur, Youth Volunteer, CEC Member, Mohali Branch, compered the meeting. The event was covered extensively in the local media. Participants: 81.
NEW DELHI
Awareness, screening and counselling session

The session was organised, with the support of Welspun Group, in Gyas Village in East Delhi. Information was imparted on personal hygiene, STI/RTI, contraception use, general health, and cervical and breast cancer. Adolescence and pregnancy issues, lactation and nutrition were also covered. Participants: 39 women, 54 men.

Capacity building workshop for teachers

The workshop was organised at Pathsseekers School, Dera Beas. Topics covered: Adolescent counselling, sexuality, sexual violence, drug abuse, personality development, like skills, self-protection against abuse, abortion, and gender and diversity. Participants: 55 teachers.

NAGALAND
Orientation session with Link Workers

The objective of the session was to orient the Link Workers on the technical knowledge of SRH and revitalize them on their duties. Participants: 5.

Meeting with community women

This meeting was held at Officers Hill Colony, Kohima. Its objective was to inspect the performance of Link Workers at the outreach level, and also to sensitize the groups on the benefits of family planning and other SRHR issues. While the Link Workers mobilized women, Ms Ville Rhetso and Ms Caroline Nisa facilitated the meet. Participants: 7.

NILGIRIS
Special service sessions - SRH camps conducted

Two camps focussing on Sexual and Reproductive Health were organized, one each at Ooty and Gudlaur. The camps were conducted in association with Resmika Hospital, Coimbatore. Dr Sagunthala, DGO, and team from Coimbatore were the resource persons. Participants: 63.

NORTH KANARA
Fund raising programme organised

A fundraising programme, Sanskrutika Sanje, was organised at Saraswati Vidyakendra, Baggona. It was a cultural event with Bharatnatyam and orchestra. Mr Umesh Aradhya, President, FPA India, spoke to the audience about the relevance of FPAI and the need to mobilise resources to continue the good work. Dr GG Hegde, in his speech, touched upon the financial condition of the branch, while appreciating the contributions of donors. Participants: 80.

Special health check-up camp for youth

The camp was held at Yalavalli school with the aim of reaching out to young people. An awareness programme-cum-examination was organised in collaboration with Dr Halakar Charitable and Information Association. Dr Ashok Bhat spoke about SRH, and followed it up with examining the young people who had gathered. Ms Manjula Gouda, Programme Officer, delivered a speech about family planning and related services available at the RHFPC. Participants: 65.

SRH awareness session

The programme was organised at Badagani, in association with the Royal Garudas Motorcycle Club. Dr Archanaa Bhat, BEC Member, spoke on health, especially SRH. She conducted the examination of clients. Mrs Santan Louis, Branch Manager, spoke about RHFPC and the family planning services offered by the Centre. Participants: 84.

Branch team meets local MLA

The Patron, President, Treasurer, Branch Manager and Accounts Officer from the Nilgiris branch had a meeting with Mr Shanthi A Ramu, MLA from Coonoor. The objective of the meeting was to request for some land for the branch.
SHIVAMOGGA
Awareness programme on Gender Based Violence

This programme was conducted at Sharada Garments, in association with JCI Shimoga Bhavana and under the aegis of Spandana Health Trust. Mrs Hema Appaji and Mrs Pushpa Shetty, Vice Presidents; Prof Kiran Desai, EC Member; Mrs Surekha Muralidhar, Corporator, were present at the event. Participants: 92.

Important visitors and their feedback
- Mr. James Newton, GCACI Monitoring & Data Advisor, IPPF Central Office, London: “Great to see how FPAI Panchkula is using GCACI funds to strengthen the quality of care and data systems. Thank you for the warm welcome!”
- Ms Mahua Sen, Sr Health Info Systems Advisor, IPPF Central Office, London: “Great to see the system working well and the commitment of the staff. Thank you for everything, you have been very generous and welcoming”
- Mr Deepesh Gupta, Sr Project Advisor, IPPF SARO, Delhi: “Great visit, lovely experience, dedicated team, good to see all recommendations from visitors by SARO fulfilled”
- Mr Anthony Kwokori, Financial Mat. Advisor, IPPF Central Office, London: “Extremely committed and well managed team. Overall great work and high level of confidence, keep it up!”

PANCHKULA
Awareness programme about safe abortion

A street play was organised highlighting the benefits of safe abortion at Ashiana for the residents. The event was so effective, it helped to increase client footfalls at the branch. Participants: 200

YAMUNANAGAR
Advocacy meeting and resource mobilisation programme

A resource mobilisation drive was organised with the Mr Chaudhary Kanwar Pal Gurjar, Speaker, Vidhan Sabha, Haryana, who was the chief guest. A skit on ‘Beti Bachao, Bechi Padhao’ was presented by the students of Saraswati Secondary School.

This was followed by a raffle draw. Office bearers, members, volunteers and community people comprised the audience. Mrs Raman Sachdeva, President of the branch, spoke about the services offered to the under-privileged and under-served groups. Speaking to the audience, Mr Gurjar, the honourable Speaker, revealed that he himself had undergone the NSV procedure – it’s simple, and more men should come forward to do it since it reduces the burden of women.

The Speaker conducted an interactive session with BEC members at the conclusion of the programme.

The key people who graced the occasion included Mr SK Sachdeva, COO, Saraswati Sugar Mills; Mr RK Bhadorwaj, Hon Secretary; Mrs Indu Kapoor, Vice President; Mr Vinod Bhasin and Mrs Preeti Vohra, Hon Treasurers; Dr HK Mishra, Mr TP Singh, Dr Sachin Miglani and Mrs Anika Sharma, BEC Members; Mr Nipun Garg, Ms Parul Walia and Ms Mansi Chhabra, Youth Members; Mrs Anu, Mr Miglani and other members; and Youth Forum Members from Guru Nanak Girls College.

The event succeeded in collecting Rs 3,24,130 for FPA India. Mr Gurjar, the Honourable Speaker, also announced a donation of Rs 1 lakh to the branch.

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