

Sarva Vikas Deep: Addressing Malnutrition

Severe acute malnutrition (SAM) and Moderate Acute Malnutrition (MAM) in low- and middle-income settings have more questions than answers. Some summery of research say that the impact of existing care packages to manage SAM has not been widely researched. The package for MAM treatment is not well understood. In the melee there are millions of children suffering all over the world either inadequate or no treatment.



Sarva Vikas Deep Mangaon, the social wing of SVD INM province took up the issue along with Holy Spirit Hospital Mumbai (the hospital run by SSps) and Integrated Child Development Scheme (ICDS) a government program to arrest the SAM and MAM, organized jointly children's medical camp between the age group of 0-6. A total of 710 tribal and non-tribal children were screened only in Mangoan block. A sum of 62 and 118 children have been diagnosed as SAM and MAM respectively. Out of 15 blocks in the civil district of Raigad, Mangaon's SAM and MAM cases are alarming. To address the worsening situation of the SAM and MAM, the blue print of the future course of action has been prepared by the organization. All the SAM and MAM are being treated as part of the INM Provinces' priority intervention to save children from future fatalities. In every once in 4 months the interventions are monitored and evaluated by the same hospital doctors who will render service for a year. The report will also be shared with the government's woman and child development department, in order that the pilot project can be replicated in other blocks as well.



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