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CHAPTER-8

A Case Study of De-Addiction Centre (Apna Ghar) Prayas Bhawan Dharamshala

Shabab Ahmad

Kangra District Red Cross Society, Dharamshala is running a De-addiction Centre (Apna Ghar) in Prayas Bhawan Dharamshala (Treatment and Rehabilitation Centre for addicts) since January 2002 under the Scheme for Prevention of Alcoholism & Substance (Drug) Abuse sponsored by Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, Govt. of India, New Delhi. Kangra Distt. Red Cross Society was receiving 70% budget from the Ministry and 30% NGO share was being paid by the Society till the year 2013-2014. The centre is having 15 bedded indoor facilities for detoxification & Rehabilitation programme (Counselling) minimum for one month extendable on person to person health and recovery condition, OPD facility, group counselling session, family counselling session, individual counseling session, Relapse Prevention Therapy Session, follow up etc. The centre remains fully occupied by the patients all the time from almost all districts of Himachal Pradesh as well as from neighbouring state i.e. Punjab. Patients are very less from Rajasthan and Jammu and Kashmir.

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The De-addiction Centre—APNA GHAR, in Prayas Bhawan Dharamshala (Treatment and Rehabilitation Centre for addicts) is dedicated to provide a healthy environment where recovery and healing process can be offered to the individual with the goal in mind of complete recovery. Recognizing treatment is only the first step towards recovery. Apna Ghar, De-addiction Center offer various types of aftercare including counselling for families, outpatients or day care services and follow up of indoor patients

- The other objectives are as follow:
- 1. To create awareness about the ill-effects of substance (drug) abuse among individuals, the families, workplace and society at large.
- 2. To alleviate the consequences of drug and alcohol dependence amongst individual, family, workplace and society.
- 3. To provide detoxification, physical wellbeing, healthy environment and motivational approach amongst the individual, family, workplace and society.

Vision Statement

It is the philosophy of the addiction treatment that requires a holistic and systematic approach to address the physical, psychological, social and spiritual consequences of addiction, not only for the patients but also for their families. Our therapy for Alcohol and Drug abuse may include didactic and experimental learning; group, family, individual counselling, and participation in the TEN STEPS. In addition, treatment can include addiction education; provide linkage of client with vocational training programme, developing skills, recreational therapy, anger management, communication skills and relapse prevention training. A stepped approach succeeding from or too less structural treatment is required with increased in density during episodes of stress or relapse. Many aspects of treatment are individually to meet the specific needs of individual patients and family members.

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The basic mission for the programme, which empowers the addicts The basic mission for shifts of planned abstinence in a sober, living directly learning environment. Apna Ghar work with each client independently to ervironments are to help him or her understand the dynamics of their addiction and to give them the necessary tools/supports for sustained abstinence. Programme varies from minimum thirty days to depending on the needs and progress of the clients.

Outpatient Care

Counselling is provided in a structured environment for the client and their supports system (family, spouse, friends, etc.). Programmes vary in frequency and duration depending on the needs and progress of the client.

Source of Funding

Kangra Distt. Red Cross Society, Dharamshala received 70% budget from the MSJ & E and 30% NGO share paid by the Society for the year 2013-2014. NGO share/tapering charges were increasing 5% every year which have to be borne by the Society.

Professionals

- 1. Psychiatrist (Attached from Dr. RPGMC Tanda at Kangra)
- 2. Pharmacist
- 3. Psychologist (Attached from Distt. Rehabilitation Centre, Dharamshala)
- 4. Counsellor
- 5. Ward Boy

Facilities available

- 1. Free medicines
- 2. Group counselling
- 3. Family counselling
- 4. Individual counselling 5. Yoga therapy

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 - 7. Recreational activities 8. Vocational training
 - 9. Follow up

 - 10. Educational service 11. Work place support

Progress Report for last three years (2013-2014, 1123 cases were registered in the Centre during the period April

2013 to March 2016 in which 335 clients were registered as OPD and indoor facility was given to 788 clients.

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TOTAL		000	
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Addiction-wise Distribution

Types	Total Number	Percentage
1. Opium	7	1%
2. Heroin	17	2%
3. Propoxyphene, Beupromorphine, alprex etc.	124	11%
4. Alcohol	395	35%
5. Cannabis	320	28%
6. Sedatives	6	1%
7. Multiple Drugs	202	18%
8. Volatile solvent (Inhalant)	46	4%
9. Morphine	3	0%
10. Other	3	0%
Total	1123	C. Dec Tel Librit
Family Counselling Session	Ante its day	1678
Individual Counselling Session		6446
Group Session		6929
Educational Support		58

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Support	01
Work Place Support	334
Other	202
Follow up	88
Sober	25
Relapsed Dropped out	16
No news	03
Expired	170
Home Visits	

Detail of Loan

The centre is made functional by raising loan from Kangra District Red Cross Society, Dharamshala from last three years (2014-15, 2015-16, 2016-17) for payment of Honorarium, contingency and medicine bill etc. The detail of loan for the year 2014-15, 2015-2016 & 2016-17 is as under:

2014-2015(April 2014 to March 2015)		3,94,353.00
2015-2016 (April 2015 to March 2016)	3,48,118.00 51,800.00	4,00,918.00
2016-2017 (April 2016 to June 2016)	Total loan	
		8,72,971.00

Detail of Staff

Designation	Present Honorarium
	6,500.00
	5,000.00
Male Health Worker (Nurse)	5,000.00
Accountant-cum-Clerk	5,000.00
Ward Boy	3,300.00
Chowkidar	1,100.00
Sweeper	25,900.00
Total Project Coordinator-cum- Vocational Counsellor	Volunteer Services
	Counsellor Male Health Worker (Nurse) Accountant-cum-Clerk Ward Boy Chowkidar Sweeper Total Periot Coordinator-cum-

86 | Prevention of Drug Abuse: Social Work Intervention Trafficking of Drugs on 26th June 2016 at De addiction Celebration of International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Centre.Secretary, State Legal Authority was Chief Guest of the 10. play on harmful effects of alcohol. function. Clients admitted in De-addiction Centre presented a role 11. Latest Activities Peon Peon Peon Client Participating in Art Therapy Session Attached in De-addiction Centre Attached in De-addiction Centre Attached in De-addiction Centre Deputed in De-addiction Centre A Case Study of De-Addiction Centre.... | 87 Visit of Brahamkumaris at Centre Newspapers lifafa making by client

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Celebration of client's birthday at Centre



Ex-Drug addicts visited the Centre for follow up

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Family Counselling Session with client's mother at the time of admission



Group Session

Other Challenges for Drug Deaddiction Center Inspite of working in full capacity, Apna Ghar needs some major improvements to be taken care off. Some of the important hurdles that this Drug Deaddiction Center is facing are as listed below:

90 | Prevention of Drug Abuse: Social Work Intervention 1. Shortage of Staff: Though patients are coming from case of neighbouring drug de-addiction center of Una detoxification. This may prove to be fatal as it happned in Moreover, No Full Time Doctor is available for care of the entire patient (12 to 21) that is dangerous attack the working staffs too. Only One word boys taking withdrawal problems. Patients do become violent and very difficult to handle the patients who are facing the addmitted was more than twenty. So in such cases it is different states and at times the number of addicts

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and no care of their body. the symptoms of suicidal attempts, manifestation of anger (b). Most of the Capsule, Heroin & Smack users - shows in real Apna Ghar and start calling his wife by name. Alcoholic withdrawal symptoms are that they lose their memory power for example, they assume Apna Ghar as detoxification stage (irrespective of the age), Most of these symptoms such as - (a) Alcoholics Patient during the of drug user are shows different kinds of withdrawa treated for overcoming their withdrawal period. Every type period for detoxification stage- where patients are mostly entering into the drug de-addiction center. Such as time and duration of the drug addicts should remain right from guidelines for the rehabilitations. It speaks about the time models of Drug De-addiction center provides diffirent Lack of proper infastructure: Though diffierent

symptoms like Abnormal Psychological effect such as laughing and talking alone. (c). Cannabis / Bhaang users - shows the withdrawal

mindedness, almost having mental disorder. (d). Fluids & Substance Users - mostly show Fickle

of the patients. Since Only One hall present for the addicts. Apna Ghar there is No categorizatation, as per the recovery Any accidents can happen in nights, it becames threats for the ward boys and staff to handle the situation. In

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As it is advisable that new Patient should be kept in single room for 5-6 days. Alone, normally for detoxification and

should be kept in strict medical care. 2nd room should be for rehabilatation after improvement. And 3rd room when in pursuit for normal human being. so Infrastructures and room not available, though, for only one ward boy available. Una - Recently there was a Safety & security - CCTV cameras are available. In night new that addicts grouped and beaten the ward boy and Also in Palampur, H.P. a patient jumped from the running

ω Last but not least, Less Paid Staff: These dedicated all the staffs are paid less than ten thousands rupees which staffs are paid much below the subsistence level. Almost is very less as compare to the task which they are delivering. It should be more to keep the staff motivated and sencire to their noble cause.

Conclusion

Inspite of the all odds this Apna Ghar is doing remarkable duty to the fact that they are also doing the follow up of the most of the this noble cause of drug de-addiction. This can be assumed from leave the Apna Ghar so that they should not get relapsed. recovered patient from six to one year of follow up even after they

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