



## Zilla Panchayath, Mysore under UNICEF-IIHMR Program



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Place: Mysuru

To,

**Registrar**

JSS Academy of Higher Education & Research

JSS Medical Institutions Campus

Sri Shivarathreeshwara Nagara

Mysuru – 570 015

**Sub:** Regarding participation of JSSAHER in providing “Health and Hygiene for Tribal Children”. among tribal schools at Mysuru District.

### ***Greetings for the day...!***

At the outset I take the privilege of apprising you the concept of “Health and Hygiene for Tribal Population” directed by the Ministry of Tribal affairs Government of India Initiative. As you may be aware that, the state of Tribal department is located in Mysore under the banner of Government of Karnataka as “Karnataka State Tribal Research Institute” (KSTRI).

This institute focuses on all the aspects of tribal related works like Demographic study, Tribal Culture, Tribal Education, Tribal Health, Tribal Empowerment, Tribal Rehabilitation etc. With this set base form, the current Director and Deputy Director are willing to provide the health awareness camps to all the children attaining tribal school which is under direct supervision by the department of Tribal welfare, ie Integrated Tribal Development Program (ITDP).

To bring to your kind notice that, at Mysore district there are 21 ASHRAMA schools, 10 Residential schools, 18 Pre-metric hostel and 6 Post-metric hostel which are distributed in the fringes of forest. All these schools and hostels comprises of around 250-300 students starting from the age group of 5 years to 22 years.

With this magnitude of children, the department is willing to provide health awareness camps through Zilla Panchayath. I being the alumni of JSS Institution both as student and faculty, I am willing to take this initiative through JSSAHER involvement since the institution has all the facility under one roof to cater the primary, secondary and tertiary health care support.

May you know the fact sir, Mysore district is the home town for Primitive & Vulnerable Tribal group (PVTG), ie “JENU KURUBA” there is always of scope of research in the coming days with this initial step.

In this regard Myself along with Director and Deputy Director of KSTRI and Taluk level officers from ITDP had pre meeting about the process in conducting the camp and we decided to involve JSSAHER for the Medical and Laboratory support for the success of this camp. In view of this, I happen to meet principal of JSSAHER (Medical & Dental) and were appraised the same. Based

on there inputs I am writing this letter on behalf of KSTRI to request you for a meeting at JSSAHER/JSS Hospital at the earliest to finalize the department and also doctors who will be participating in this initiative. KSTRI officials along with me would like to be part of this meeting. Since the magnitude of the beneficiary is very high this initiative will be long term program which will be supported financially by KSTRI for Laboratory test and Transport causing no burden to the institution. I personally look forward in initiating to sign an MOU with KSTRI to refer the cases to JSS Hospital and JSS Dental College& Hospital for secondary and tertiary care and treatment under subsidized rates in near future.

Sir I assure you that, with this initiative the students of JSSAHER will have hands on exposure to work at remote areas and at resource limited areas. As per the health care data available in the department of Health & Family welfare department Mysore. The case of Malnutrition, Anemia, Sickle cell disease, Scabies etc is still prevalent among these community. So, a program like this will defiantly fetch the data base to have epidemiological and interventional research in coming days.

I am interested to involve the doctors from Department of Community Medicine, Department of Pediatric and Preventive Dentistry and Department of Pediatrics and for this Health care camp. With this I request your kind self to provide us the platform to meet the concerned forum of doctors to take this initiative forward.

May I request you for a one-point contact person from your esteemed office who can coordinate this entire work to achieve the desired goals in an effective way. I pen down here and await for your valuable response sir,

Expecting a favorable response from you end at the earliest.

Thanking you sir,  
Regards



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