Annual Meeting 2020
12 Dec 2020
Part 2: Co-existing with COVID-19
Co-exiting with COVID-10

Sharing of experience

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Coronavirus Cases: 71,578,588
Deaths: 1,604,136
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Tamilnad Kidney Research Foundation

... helping the underprivileged with kidney ailments
Co-existing with COVID-19
India

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COVID-19 in India-Numbers and policies

• Laboratory confirmed 1st COVID-19 positive was reported on January 30th in Kerala, India.

• Lockdown in India since 24th March 2020.

• Since 1st May – loosening of lockdown dependent on risk zones profiled as –Red (Hotspot), Orange and Green with containment areas.

• Surveillance through SARI(Severe Acute Respiratory Infection) and ILS(Immediate Life Support) throughout the country to monitor outbreaks for identifying areas.

• Slow opening of essential Industries and work place to balance health and economics keeping social distancing and use masks and maintain air flow.
COVID Care in India – Strategies

• Designated COVID hospitals in cities and demarcated sections in smaller public health facilities at district level.

• Fever clinics to protect the facilities from being overburdened.

• Separate quarantine facilities for people migrating from within and outside the country.

• Community mobilization through education for home quarantine for suspected or at risk people.

• Availability of specialist desk for advice for physicians to manage and support patients at primary care level.
India statistics as of 10th Dec’20:

• In India, 9.72 Million people infected so far.

• 0.14 Million people died due to COVID-19

• Peak infection time was Jul-Oct. Initial lockdown phase helped us to prepare adequately for hospitalization, procurement of PPE’s, Ventilators, etc
TANKER Foundation since 1993 helping the underprivileged with kidney ailments.

TANKER is supported by well-wishers and non-profit organization

11 Dialysis Centers in Tamilnadu, India

TANKER has provided 369,769 (0.36 Million) free and subsidized dialysis for 1774 patients across 11 dialysis center.

TANKER reached out to 0.18 people through 1279 Awareness Programmes

TANKER awards research papers in Nephrology and Service annually
COVID-19 @ TANKER (Till Nov’20)

- 49 patients were tested positive till Nov’20
- 10 staffs tested positive
- 4 patients died

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Challenges

• Education of patients about importance of hand wash/hand sanitization, social-distancing, wearing masks, etc

• Transportation was a challenge due to emergency lockdown both for patients and staff.

• Doctors consultation was not available for other management of patients.

• COVID-19 positive patients were managed by Govt. hospital initially and then managed by TANKER with proper isolation and appropriate PPEs’

• The units were run with less staff (drop by 20-25%) due to initial threat of infection.
Role of TANKER Foundation during COVID

• Continuous education of patient, public, staff, family about safety measures

• Ensured the adequate/appropriate supply of hand sanitizer, face masks/Face sheilds, PPEs’, etc to their patients and staffs.

• Awareness through face masks to corporation workers, Police, public, etc

• Provided accommodation, transport facility to their staff.
TANKER Units
Thank You!!!