

Status Report

July 2013

Preventive Education and Information Unit

National Dangerous drugs Control Board

School Drugs Preventive, Education and Training Programs

Among the many group of students who have joined Schools Drug preventive, Education and Awareness programs over the past month. This impotent programs series to students was carried out long duration as part of a new initiative to minimize the students' exposure to risk taking behaviors like drugs experiment. Total beneficiaries and program schedules were reporting period on risk taking behavior and developing coping skills ability through 09 preventive and education programs, the details of which are as follows:

Date	Place	Number of Programs	Total Beneficiaries
23 rd July 2013	Bandaranayake Vidyalaya Gampaha.	01	40 students of A/L
01 st July 2013	Kollonnawa Terence Silva Maha Vidyalaya	01	150 Students & 13 Teachers
08 th July 2013	Aluthgama Maha Vidyalaya.Vidyalaya	01	110 Students & 10 Teachers
09 th July 2013.	Royal College-Colombo 07	01	Discussion with Principal and the 07 Teacher
09 th July 2013.	Mahanama Vidyalaya	01	A/L , O /L Drug Prevention Project 70 students, 10 teachers
19 th July 2013,	Gurukula Vidyalaya-Kelaniya	01	A/L , O /L Drug Prevention Project 70 students, 10 teachers
19 th July 2013	Bandaragama maddya Vidyalaya -Bandaragama Kaluthara	01	130 students 12 teachers
15 th July 2013,	Asoka Vidyalaya Colombo	01	100 students, 30 teachers
15 th July 2013.	Hiriwadunne maha Vidyalaya Kegalle	01	students, teachers
Total Numbers		09	

Academic based Drug Prevention and Training Workshops

In accordance with PEI Unit principles, introduce drugs preventive tools and mechanisms for academic staff at schools and university as well as training collages is an integral part of the drugs control among students. By fully utilizing limited human capital in the PEI unit, it has managed to conduct outside training program during the commanding period.

PEI Unit was invited to conduct a workshop for the principles at Vennappuwa Educational Zone. The participants were enthusiastic on the program contents and fully aware on systematic educational training in substance abuse and its subsequent results.

Date	Place	Number of Programs	Total Beneficiaries
26th July 2013	St. XEviour Collage – Marawila	01 Training workshop for Principles	21

Training of Law Enforcement Officers

The main purpose of the PEI unit mission to law enforcement officers training was to point the relationship between law enforcement agencies and NDDCB for proper drugs training for law enforcement officers and to conduct education program on knowledge sharing basis. In this period, PEI unit gave their assistance to the Treatment and Rehabilitation Unit by providing lectures on preventive education and counseling to the organized workshop for proposed rehabilitation camp at Kandakadu.

The best form of the dealing with the problem is both reducing supply and demand for drugs. PEI unit is increasing the assistance to law enforcement officers at supply reduction mechanisms, and the Unit work closely with law enforcement agencies so that they can reach the drug traffickers and smugglers before they join with small peddlers.

The PEI unit believes that greater attention and more resource should be invested in drug supply reduction programs aim at preventing the spared of pressers. Hundred of were trained during the commanding period on Drugs Law and drug identification through several workshops, the details of which are as follows.

Date	Place	Number of Programs	Total Beneficiaries
23rd and 25th July 2013	National Auditorium for Arm forces officers	01	30
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Community Based Training and Education Programs

Community Based Training and Education programs were carried out in Boralesgamuwa Police Area by the PEI Unit to help safeguard all community members from the day to day involvement with drugs. With the full blessing of the police officers, civil security officers and community leaders throughout the Boralesgamuwa police joined their members to these programs in enthusiastically.

Date	Place	Number of Programs	Total Beneficiaries
27 th July.2013	Verahera Kanishka Vidyalaya	01	65-Civil Security Officers 07-Samurdhi Officers 05-Police Officers

Training for Government Officers

In addition to the standardizing and professionalizing the preventive education field, this education and awareness process provides an opportunity for government officers who are very optimistic on the drug related objectives. In the case of ignorance and miss information among the drug users and vulnerabilities, these education and awareness programs validates government officers experimental and theoretical knowledge which the drug prevention and education field.

Date	Place	Number of Programs	Total Beneficiaries
31 st July 2013	Divisional Secretariat _Dompe Vake-Kirindiwela	01	Development Officers 150 Village Headmen 100
31 st July 2013	Divisional Secretariat	01	Graduates 35

Health Services Officers

Education and Training programs are necessary to reach the many health service officers who are not in contact with drug prevention, treatment or rehabilitation knowledge. Other service providers' integration is necessary condition to acquire good prevention outcomes. In this sense, drug prevention, education and training programs for health officers were initiated by PEI unit to address physicians, nurses, family health officers, and other subordinates at health services.

Of these participants, 07 were trained during the reporting period on prevention education through single training programs. Subsequent evaluation has been indicated that the motivation for their optimistic drug reduce objective is very high.

Date	Place	Number of Programs	Total Beneficiaries
31 st July 2013	National Auditorium- NDDCB	01	07 Mental Health Trainers of Mental Health Hospital

Dhamma School Program

Understanding the concept of drug abuse and addiction as a long duration of chronic disease, PEI Unit gave children at Dhamma Schools a different view in helping to avoid drug abuse, and also giving knowledge them confidence to voice out to improve the refusal skills and other personality components.

In the Buddhist teaching gives us that holistic knowledge how we avoid such habit and how it keeps our soul spiritually. Student at Dhamma Schools are full with this knowledge but our attention in this case never lose any movement. In the past month, we have arranged 04 programs for targeting to increase students' knowledge and skills on drug refuse.

Date	Place	Number of Programs	Total Beneficiaries
01 st July 2013	Kelanimulla Rajamaha Vihara Dhamma School	01	20 Students 08 Teachers
14 th July 2013	Sri Ganapathi Dhamma School – Wadduwa	01	80 Students 10 Teachers
14 th July 2013	Sri Vijaya Dhamma School-Weediyamankada, Waskaduwa	01	78 Students 20 Teachers
27 th July 2013	Pita Kotte Dhamma School –Pita Kotte	01	80 Students 10 Teachers

Work Place Related Training and Education Programs

Preventive Education and Information Unit makes their mutual understand with risk takers like larger work places staff members, frequent financially strengths individuals who are involving such organization like Sri Lankan Air Line, Port Authority to change their maladaptive attitudes on drugs and alcohol. In this sense, PEI unit PEI Unit carried out demand reduction programs among workers at larger work places.

Rakna Lanka Programs

The MOU signed with this larger Security organization to conduct periodical training for their staff members by cost sharing basis. Their greater attention for our programs indicated that the validity of ongoing programs series. Within the month of July, there were two programs carried out through the 88 beneficiaries.

Date	Place	Number of Programs	Total Beneficiaries
11 th July 2013	Rakna Lanka security Limited, Training Center Nadungolla	01	19 PRO (Female)
29 th July 2013	Rakna Lanka security Limited, Training Center Nadungolla	01	64 Security Officers 05 High Rank Officers

Vocational Schools Programs

National Institute of Training launched a collaborative program with PEI for their students to prevent their desire for experimenting drugs. Students who were actively engaged in

Group facilitation process could enhance refusal and coping skills, be exposed to different views and perspectives and develop effective peer relationships. Through four programs, 65 students were educated about drugs and its harmful consequences within the commanding period.

Date	Place	Number of Programs	Total Beneficiaries
24 th July 2013	Vocational and Training Institute –Rajagiriya	01	60 Students 05 Teachers

Transport Authority in Western Province.

The continues program for aiming to develop the skill based abilities of drug refusal, indeed 37 bus conductors and 05 Bus owners at Transport Authority were beneficial about drug refusal skills and coping abilities in month of July. Since the program was first arranged in 2009 with practical knowledge from the PEI unit, the authority have widely adopted the preventive goals and successfully integrated the life skills into the preventive drug education program in their work places.

Date	Place	Number of Programs	Total Beneficiaries
30 th July 2013	Transport Authority _WP	01	37 Bus conductors 05 Bus Owners

In-house Leaflets Printing

Leaflets are good education tool for disseminating information among larger community at once. It is a low cost message distribution for covering larger crowded place by using lower human capacity. To educating the parents and community, there were 7500 leaflets designed and handed over to the outreach officers before starting this summer vacation.