

MR VACCINATION- WORKSHOP REPORT

The morning of 3rd April 2018 witnessed eminent dignitaries and principals from various schools coming in unison to be a part of a Measles Rubella Vaccination Drive organized at DPS Gurgaon which will be the nodal centre for the campaign. This workshop was conducted and attended by an exceptional team of doctors from prestigious hospitals to spread awareness about Measles and Congenital Rubella Syndrome and how these infections can be fatal for the children of our nation.

The Principal, Ms. Aditi Misra welcomed Mr. R. K Singh, the Additional Deputy Commissioner, Gurgaon who had joined the workshop to spearhead the awareness campaign in the district. Ms. Misra in her welcome address expressed her gratitude for all who had come forward for this campaign and shared her belief that if this responsibility is shouldered by all, these fatal infections will surely be eradicated from our country and we will be able to provide a better and brighter future to our children.

Mr. R. K Singh also addressed the gathering and motivated all the educators to start a drive in their respective schools to sensitize and educate parents about the vaccinations and how these infections can be cureless in some cases.

This campaign witnessed other eminent guests like Dr. B.K. Rajora, a civil surgeon who with the support and help of Dr. Neelam Thapar, District Immunisation Officer, pledged to set up the campaign in the month of April 2018 to provide immunisation to children aged 9 months to 15 years. They also suggested that even if children have been vaccinated previously, it was completely safe to immunise them again. A PPT presentation by the SMO, World Health Organisation, Dr. Bindu Yadav, made the audience aware of the rate of infant mortality in the world due to these infections of which 36% of the patients were from India. Dr. Bindu's presentation was followed by the address of Col. Pratap Singh, head of HPSC, who further went on to share his views on the dearth of proper immunisation centres in our country and appreciated the government's initiative to set up more centres for the same.

The workshop was also witnessed by Mr. Ahlawat, District Education Officer, who went onto say that schools were the best platform to spread awareness about this campaign. He entrusted the principals and dignitaries from various schools to urge people to help the government in the eradication of these infections.

The workshop culminated with the hope that this drive would be a success and the target of eradicating Measles and Rubella would be achieved by the year 2020 making India stand proud on the World map.

