

Teaching Materials and Services

WHO Regional Training Centre, University of New South Wales, Australia

The World Health Organization Regional Training Centre within the School of Medical Education, Faculty of Medicine is concerned with the development of human resources in health. The staff of the Centre have extensive experience as consultants and trainers in both developing as well as industrialized countries. This experience has enabled staff to become familiar with conditions in many countries, and to develop relationships with a wide network of educators and administrators in the health professions. Collaboration with governments, international agencies, professional associations and educational institutions has been established to:

1 collaborate in the design and implementation of training and educational programmes for health personnel geared to regional and national health priorities; 2 conduct research in the planning, education, training and management of human resources as integral components of health systems; and 3 provide technical services for the implementation of country and intercountry activities in the broad area of health development with emphasis on human resources.

The activities of the Centre, directed to these purposes, include postgraduate academic programmes at masters and doctoral level, special courses tailored to specific needs of short-term fellows, workshops and seminars conducted both in the School and on-site, research and development projects in planning and evaluation, consultations and facilitation of in-country programmes.

Apply: PO Box 1, Kensington, New South Wales, Australia 2033.

Training Materials Catalogue, World Neighbors

After identifying three basic problems which inhibited communication and education in development programmes World Neighbors, in 1970, started to develop materials to overcome these problems, which are: inadequate supply of relevant materials which could be understood by local groups; insufficient training of extension workers in communication and non-formal education methods; and, lack of inexpensive, reliable and readily available teaching materials. World Neighbors committed resources, staff and time to the production of teaching materials for use in their assisted programmes. Communications staff work directly with programme personnel in developing ideas, writing scripts and producing photographs and drawings. Each teaching material is prepared in the country and locality for which it is designed, and is based on actual programme experience. Before being produced in a final form, it is field-tested with people representing the audience. Materials are provided as filmstrips, printed materials—books, posters, newsletters—flipcharts, photoseries and projector equipment. Many of these items are also available in French, Spanish, Portuguese and Hindi. An extensive number of materials are now available, eg over 100 filmstrips (most are in colour and cost US\$10). Catalogues are available from: World Neighbors, 5116 North Portland Avenue, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73112, USA.

CBM/LEPRA Ophthalmic Course, Karigiri, India 1990

The fifth annual five-day ophthalmic teaching module was held at the Schieffelin Leprosy Research and Training Centre, Karigiri from 26 February to 3 March 1990. This course, which was again sponsored jointly by the Christoffel Blindenmission and LEPRA, was designed to give instruction

to leprologists on the detection, prevention and management of the ocular complications of leprosy by means of a series of lectures, clinical and surgical demonstrations, videos and slide-tapes.

Teaching included presentations on basic anatomy, physiology and pathology of the eye with special emphasis on leprosy: in addition there were lectures on the clinical signs and management of lagophthalmos, corneal ulcers, intra-ocular inflammation and infiltrative lesions, together with discussions on 'high risk eyes', ocular manifestations of relapsed disease and the global aspects of blindness in leprosy.

The course, which was attended by 11 participants, was run by Dr Margaret Brand of The Leprosy Mission and Mr Timothy ffytche from St Thomas's Hospital, London, together with contributions from Dr A Rajashwari and Dr Mary Jacob of Karigiri.

The Director and staff of Karigiri and The Leprosy Mission are to be congratulated on their continued support for this important and popular contribution to teaching.

Application for Research Grants, LEPRO UK

Purpose of LEPRO Research Grants

The eradication of leprosy is LEPRO's ultimate goal. Towards that end, LEPRO's main policy is to extend the WHO recommended multidrug therapy to as many leprosy patients as possible by means of domiciliary control programmes and to encourage and support research which is directly relevant to the understanding, prevention and cure of leprosy.

LEPRO is therefore prepared to make grants for single projects which are designed to answer a single question or a small group of related questions in these areas. Such support will usually be limited to a maximum period of 3 years. Continuation of a grant within that period will be subject to annual review after receipt of a progress report, required at the end of each calendar year. Proposals for the support of a programme of research, rather than a finite project, will also be considered but not normally for an initial period of more than 3 years. In both cases an application for an extension of the grant beyond the normal 3-year period will be considered on its merits.

Personal direction of projects

It is expected that the grant holder will be actively engaged in his/her own project.

Applications

Applications must be submitted on the official grant application forms (which are available on request) and will be considered at the earliest possible meeting of LEPRO's Research Grants Committee, which normally meets in late January, May and early October. The deadlines for applications are 1 December, 1 April and 1 August.

For full application protocol and forms, please write to the Research Officer, LEPRO, Fairfax House, Causton Road, Colchester, Essex CO1 1PU, England and **NOT** to ILEP.

Centre for Medical Education, Dundee, Scotland

'The Centre is unique in the United Kingdom and has as one of its main functions the training of medical teachers.

The staff have qualifications and experience in both medicine and education. The Centre is actively involved in innovations in medical teaching in Dundee and has played a leading role in developing newer approaches to teaching and learning.

The city is situated centrally in Scotland and surrounded by some of the most attractive countryside in Britain. It is most conveniently reached via Dundee Airport, Edinburgh, Airport or by direct train services from London.'

Numerous courses are held throughout the year: Apply: Centre for Medical Education, Ninewells Hospital and Medical School, Dundee DD1 9SY, Scotland. Telephone: 0382 60111 Ext. 3090; Facsimile: (0)382 645748.

International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (IFLA)

The main purposes of the International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions are: 'The Federation shall be an independent international nongovernmental association, without profit motive, whose purposes shall be to promote international understanding, cooperation, discussion, research and development in all fields of library activity, including bibliography, information services and the education of personnel, and to provide a body through which librarianship can be represented in matters of international interest.

In pursuance of these objectives, the Federation shall undertake such tasks and enterprises as may be determined appropriate and desirable, and notably:

- undertake, support and coordinate research and studies,
- collect, collate, publish and otherwise disseminate information relating to library, bibliography, information and training activity,
- organize general and specialized meetings and conferences,
- collaborate with international organizations in the field of information, documentation and archives,
- set up offices to carry out specific tasks,

and shall undertake such other activities as will promote fulfilment of theoretical and practical objectives in every field of library activity.'

There are currently members in 123 countries, of whom 67% are in the Third World. Further details can be obtained from: Royal Library, 5th Floor, POB 95312, Prins Willem Alexandrof 5, The Hague, The Netherlands.

Teaching material on leprosy: Bengali translations

Dr D S Chaudhury, Director, Greater Calcutta Leprosy Treatment and Health Education Scheme, 35/1/A Old Ballygunge First Lane, Calcutta 700 019, West Bengal, India has supplied the following useful list of books/booklets which have already been translated into Bengali:

- 1 *Technical Guide for Smear Examination for Leprosy by Direct Microscopy*, D L Leiker and A C McDougall.
- 2 *Preventive Rehabilitation of Leprosy Patients*, Dharmendra.
- 3 *Questions and Answers on the implementations of Multiple Drug Therapy (MDT)*—(*OXFAM Practical Guide No. 3*), A C McDougall.
- 4 *Preventing Disability in Leprosy Patients*, by Jean M Watson.
- 5 *A Practical Guide to the Diagnosis and Treatment of Leprosy in the Basic Health Unit*, H W Wheate and J M H Pearson.
- 6 *A Simple Sandal for Insensitive Feet*, Miss P J Neville.
- 7 *A Footwear Manual for Leprosy Control Programmes*, Miss P J Neville.

A translation of the Ciba-Geigy booklet *Leprosy: basic information and management* is in the process of being produced.

Tropical Diseases Videodisc Project, London

The Wellcome Trust, 1 Park Square West, London NW1 4LJ, has produced a detailed descriptive brochure of a new project to catalogue and transfer all the visual parts of the Wellcome Trust Museum of Tropical Medicine onto videodisc. In addition, all the necessary information will be put into computer storage and made available for reference, teaching and learning. Interactive tutorials and interactive video programmes will be developed. Further information of this initiative may be obtained from Miss J Steward at the above address, or The Interactive Video Unit, Department of Pathology, School of Medical Sciences, University Walk, Bristol University, BS8 1TD, England.

Catalogue of Video-tapes, Schieffelin Leprosy Research and Training Centre, Karigiri

Topic	Minutes	System	Size	Author	Target Group	Cost (Rupees)*
1. Keep Blinking	22	PAL	VHS	Dr N Suryawanshi	Medical Officers, P.G. students of Ophthalmology and Medical students	175.00
2. Painless Feet	21	PAL	VHS	Dr E P Fritschi	Students, nurses and therapists	175.00
3. Healing While Walking	46	PAL	VHS	Dr E P Fritschi	Doctors, Medical students, nurses and therapists	175.00
4. The Red Eye	23	PAL	VHS	Dr N Suryawanshi	Medical officers and Medical students	175.00
5. Chemotherapy of Leprosy	38	PAL	VHS	Dr K Jesudasan	Medical students, Medical Officers, Non-Medical Supervisors and Para-Medical workers	175.00
6. Nerve in Leprosy	42	PAL	VHS	Dr E P Fritschi	Doctors and Medical students	175.00
7. Eye in Leprosy	28	PAL	VHS	Dr N Suryawanshi	Para-Medical Medical Supervisors	175.00
8. Malli Vasantham Ochinthi Health Education Programme in Telugu	36	PAL	VHS	Mr Sanjay Agrawal	Rural community in Andhra Pradesh	175.00
9. Phul Phutuk Health Education Programme in Bengali	37	PAL	VHS	Mr Sanjay Agrawal	Rural community in West Bengal	175.00
10. Tiraskaar A Health Education Programme in Hindi	28	PAL	VHS	Mr Sanjay Agrawal	Rural community	175.00
11. Skin Smears For <i>M. Leprae</i>	39	PAL	VHS	Dr C J G Chacko	Laboratory technicians, medical students and doctors	175.00
12. Looking Beyond The Bacillus Health Education Programme	27	PAL	VHS	Dr V P Macaden	Doctors, Medical students, Non-Medical Supervisors, para-medical workers and Health Educators.	175.00

Catalogue of Video-tapes (continued)

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13. Mice Against Leprosy	10	PAL	VHS	Dr Joel Almeida	Physicians	175.00
14. Mechanics, Not Medicine	40	PAL	VHS	Dr Paul W Brand	Medical Officers, Medical students, Orthopaedic technicians, multi purpose workers and para-medical workers.	175.00
15. Not Pills Alone	30	PAL	VHS	Dr E S Thangaraj	Para-Medical workers, Non-Medical Supervisors, Medical students and Medical Officers.	175.00
16. Apne Aap A Health Education Programme in Hindi	26	PAL	VHS	Mr Sanjay Agrawal	Leprosy patients	175.00
17. Nijer Prati Najer A Patient Education Programme in Bengali	26	PAL	VHS	Mr Sanjay Agrawal	Leprosy patients	175.00
18. Swayam Sahayam A Patient Education Programme in Telugu	26	PAL	VHS	Mr Sanjay Agrawal	Leprosy patients	175.00

* Postage and packing extra