5. REGULAR ACTIVITIES

5.1 Sickle cell clinic at NSCB Medical College

Centre offers the facilities for diagnosis of haemoglobinopathies to the patients of Medical College, Jabalpur and other public sector hospitals of the area. The clinic also provides genetic counseling.

5.2 State referral laboratory for HIV testing

Integrated Counseling and Testing Centre

During the year 2006, 785 individuals were tested for HIV of which 114 (14.5%) were tested positive.

Sentinel Surveillance

RMRCT participated in the Sentinel Surveillance program of NACO. Blood samples from fifteen ANC sites, three STD sites and one FSW site were tested for HIV infection.

External Quality Assurance Scheme

External Quality Assurance program is functional at RMRCT since 2003. The centre has been recognized as State Level Referral Laboratory for this purpose. The centre also conducted a training programme for blood bank officers, ICTC In-Charge and Laboratory technicians under the EQAS.

5.3 National Nutrition Monitoring Bureau

The NNMB MP unit is functioning from the center since 1986. The unit is undertaking different nutritional surveys in the state. The unit is presently involved in the 'Assessment of diet and nutritional status of community and prevalence of hypertension and anaemia in adult males and non-pregnant non-lactating women in Madhya Pradesh and Chhatisgarh'.

5.4 Library

The library of RMRCT continues to cater the documentation and information needs of the scientists and other research staff of RMRCT as well as other institutes like Veterinary College, Medical College, Home Science College, Rani Durgawati Vishwavidyalaya etc. It is also playing a key role in the area of reference activities by providing resources such as J-Gate, JCCC@ICMR, MEDLINE search and other online retrieval activities using the LAN network. Library is now providing the LAN facility to scientists and other research staff of the centre through Broadband connection for literature search for their research work. The library has also procured the library software, LIBSYS.

About seven hundred journals subscribed by all ICMR institutes/centres can be accessed through JCCC@ICMR. The library is providing other facilities such as photocopying, resource sharing etc.



Reading room

5.5 Human Resource Development

Project work of students

The Centre provides technical guidance and infrastructure facilities to MD / MSc students to conduct their project work for dissertations. This year, 10 students from different institutes were enrolled.

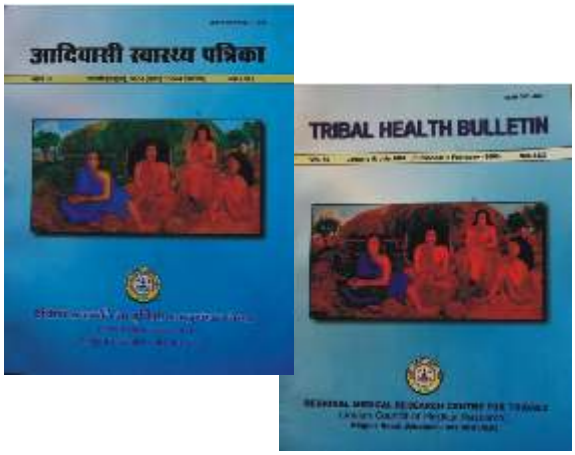
Seminar/Journal club

Seminars, journal club meetings are regularly held at the centre. Scientists as well as scientific staff actively participate in these activities.

5.6 RMRCT Publication

Tribal Health Bulletin

Tribal health bulletin is biannually published from the centre. Bulletin contains original articles related to tribal health.



RMRCT Update

The Centre also publishes RMRCT Update biannually highlighting activities of the center.

