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Public Lecture on "Struggle for health: The history evolution and activities of the People's Health Movement"

PHM Public Lectures, 2nd February 2012

People's Health Movement Nepal Students' Circle organized one day public lecture on the struggle for health: The history evolution and activities of the People's Health Movement by Prof. Dr. David Sanders, Director of the School of Public Health University of Western Cape. South Africa at Institute of Medicine Maharajgunj Medical Campus on 2nd February 2012 at Yellow Building, Maharajgunj Medical Campus.

Professor Sanders delivered his resourceful speech concentrating on the global injustice on the distribution health and wealth .One of key note of his speech was how a can Japanese cow receives more investment in it health than a needy person in Asia and Africa. During the lecture Prof. Sanders said that inequality

between the haves and haves not is been widening in all developing and even in developed countries. He suggested some ideas to foster the



Prof. David Sanders during his lecture



Prof. Dr. Sharad Raj Onta welcoming participants

change towards a world where a person receives quality equi-

table health care. During the lecture Prof. Sanders briefed the audience about the global people's health movement and the mottos for its existence. He encouraged the participants to be a part of the movement for better world. It was the first and unique of its kind in the venue of institute of medicine and was praised by huge participants. The program was convened with the huge participation of young public health students, professionals and faculties of Institute of Medicine. The program had the valuable presence of Prof Dr. Sharad Raj Onta and Prof. Dr. Arjun Karki as the chief guest .The students circle is on high mood to continue such activities in the future as well.

Documentary Show on SICKO (2007) PHM Theater 4th March 2012

People's Health Movement Nepal Students Circle organized a documentary show on 4th March at Maharajgunj Medical Campus, Institute of Medicine under their project "PHM Theater " to sensitize and make aware the students, professionals and others on the world round issues of peoples health concern. The documentary screened was SICKO. Sicko is a 2007 documentary film by American filmmaker Michael Moore comparing the highly profitable American health care industry to other nations, and peoples panics in accessing heath care. The documentary was of 123 minutes with Michael Moore, Tucker Albrizzi and Tony Benn in the lead. The film investigates health care in the United States, focusing on its health insurance and the pharmaceutical industry. The movie compares the for-profit, non-universal U.S. system with the non-profit universal health care systems of Canada, the United Kingdom, France and Cuba.



Documentary being screened



Students and faculties eagerly watching Documentary

It made on a budget of \$9 million, Sicko earned \$4.5 million on its opening weekend. Sicko was nominated for an Academy Award for Documentary Feature. It was also commended in the Australian Film Critics Association Film Award 2007 for Best Documentary.

The program was convened with starting welcome speech by Mr. Tara Ballav Adhikari who is also the PHM activist in PHM Nepal students Circle. The program saw the valuable presence of Prof. Dr. Sharad Raj Onta and Associate Prof. Amod Poudel as the chief guestsThe overall reflections towards the documentary showed was encouraging .The audience found the documentary had hard pinch to profit making insurance companies of western world and the primary health care system based on the principle of universal coverage of health a praising one.

The film has much relevance in Nepali Condition where the most of health system has been

slowly undertaken by private profit making hospitals and health institutions. People's access to health care in rural and urban areas are limited as the government health system has not been able to discharge the functions up to the peoples demand for quantity and quality of health services.

There are rays of hopes where should believe in. Basic health services has been made free to all people after the historic peoples movement in 2006/7 with interim constitution guaranteeing people's right for health. Primarily health care approach has long been adopted in Nepal after the historic Alma-Atta Conference. The health system has undone several transformations and faced equally hurdles and challenges. Now we are fining some happy moments as primary health care revitalizing in Nepal.

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People's Health Nepal Students' Circle

Students' Circle Logo



Peoples Health Movement Nepal Students Circle is a group of dynamic and energetic young minds sensitized by historic people's health movement to raise voice for peoples' right to equitable and quality health for now and forwarding solutions to address it at regional, national and international level. It is affiliated to national PHM Nepal Circle and Global PHM Secretariat.

Inspired from historic people's health movement of the past for health for all, a new initiative has been taken from Nep-

alese students to establish People's Health Movement Nepal Students' Circle to foster the ongoing "People's health movement for health for now" from student's little and meaningful contributions. It has hearty acknowledged the Peoples Health Charter and envisaged to be guided upon it.

People's heath movement Nepal students' circle Purpose is set forth to make students, professionals in diverse fields aware on the people's health movement and agendas forwarded by it. The People's Health Movement (PHM) is a movement of all for health for all. It has it's deep roots at people's movement and owes its genesis to many health networks and activists who have been concerned by the growing inequities in health over the last 25 years. The PHM calls for a revitalization of the principles of the Alma-Ata Declaration which promised Health for All by the year 2000 and complete revision of international and domestic policy that has shown to impact negatively on health status and systems.

In these respects, we affirm and endorse the People's Charter for Health and add a students' perspective that strengthens and advances its potential to stimulate action. Building on the momentum of the global People's Health Movement, the circle is committed to the grassroots mobilization of all students in demanding the transformation of our educational institutions and social systems, based on the its guiding principles. As a circle working democratically in solidarity with all groups and individual students committed to social justice and social reform, we call upon everyone to join forces and create a collective voice for change.

Peoples Health Movement Students' Circle is in line with PHM international students Coalition, PHM Nepal and PHM Global in terms of its philosophical principles. The students' circle believe that the students have the power and responsibility in affecting positive social change and creating a framework for action towards an equitable, just, sustainable, and inclusive vision of health for all. We will achieve this by interconnecting local, national and international struggles, inviting all students and student organizations who support the following princi-

Mission

The PHM Nepal Students circle evasions a world where people receives equitable, universal health care to all people regardless of any distinctions whereby students, as indispensible change agents, are valued partners in decision making at all levels.

Principles

- We understand good health is based on justice and human rights, and is primarily affected by socio-economic and political environment. We advocate for universal and free health care to all regardless of any distinctions.
- We are compelled to act against the broad injustices of systems and structures that sustain and perpetuate inequity and oppression.
- We challenge the privatization, commodification, and corporate domination of all human rights including rights to health, education, housing, food and water, and environmental security.
- We reject the persistent exploitation of the global South by the global North. We advocate for greater role sharing for global north in decision making in international developmental agendas including health.
- We stand in solidarity with all people, and act to end any form of discrimination, marginalization - including those based on class, color, ethnic background, religion, gender, sexual orientation, age, and abilities.

Objectives

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General objectives

To act and advocate for health system which provides equitable, universal health care to all people regardless of distinctions based on class, color, ethnic background, religion, gender, sexual orientation, age, and abilities from students efforts and contributions and others support.

Specific objectives

- To act and advocate for a health system which provides equitable, universal health care to all people
- To aware and sensitize the students, professionals and others on the global public health challenges, actions and people's health movement to address it
- 3. To build up alliances and networks with wide participations of students and young professionals

PHM Nepal Students' Circle Projects

PHM Public Lectures

People's Health Nepal Students' Circle has envisaged conducting regular public lectures in pertinent issues of public health by scholars from different fields. PHM lectures are targeted to students, professionals and others who have interest to pursue understanding in global public health problems and agendas for people's health. The lectures are of brief duration and resourceful in nature. The debut lecture in PHM lecture series was given by world famous PHM activist Prof. Dr. David Sanders on 2nd March 2012.

PHM Discussion Forum

PHM Nepal Students Circle conducts regular discussion forum in different public health issues at local, national and in global level.PHM discussion forum are conducted in regular basis among the students, professionals and distinct faculties of Institute of Medicine. Forums are participatory, interactive and solution orientated .It uses different audiovisual methods with the blends of different fun games to increase the participation.

PHM Theater

PHM Theater is a unique of its kind and has been devised to address the students and professionals demand for Info Info-tainment. Where the inspirational, interesting films, documentaries and drams with abundant public health messages are shown. The first in PHM Theater was SICKO a dram by Michael Moore. The movie compares the for-profit, non-universal U.S. system with the non-profit universal health care systems of Canada, the United Kingdom, France and Cuba.

PHM Advocacy and Activism school

With regards to the PHM students circle activist need for capacity building in advocacy and activism.PHM Nepal Students Circle organizes regular advocacy and activism schools to sharpen their capacity. Circle would not charge any

Our new website lunched

Peoples Health Movement Nepal Students Circle has lunched its official website on www.phmnepalstudentscircle.weebly.com.

The website contains all the details about PHM Nepal Circle, its activities and some useful links.

PHM Alliances and networks

With the vision to encompass all the interested individuals in people's health movement activism, PHM Nepal Students Circle has been doing alliance and networking with students and professionals from different fields.PHM Nepal Students Circle is based in volunteerism and does not entertain any material benefits.PHM Nepal Students Circle welcomes all the individuals into its alliance and networks to develop better force to raise PHM agendas.



Students Circle's Website



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We heartily welcome you to join our alliance to foster Peoples Health Movement from students creative and meaningful contributions.