

MESSAGE

“We can do no great things; Only small things with great love”

How apt and wise is this quote by Mother Theresa in the context of this year's conference – ‘Affected But Not Alone’. Everyone attending this 4th Singapore AIDS Conference is already giving a part of ourselves to the HIV/AIDS cause. Our presence at this meeting is an indication that HIV-infected individuals are indeed not alone.

We are honoured to have Dr Balaji Sadasivan, Senior Minister of State (Information, Communications and the Arts & Health) as the Guest-of-Honour at the opening ceremony. Professor Shao Yiming will be the keynote speaker. He is the Chief Expert, National Centre for AIDS/STD Control and Prevention in China and Director, Department of Research on Virology and Immunology, Chinese Centre for Disease Control and Prevention, China.

The conference will have 3 plenary sessions and 7 symposia. It caters to a multi-sectorial audience, i.e., government and non-governmental organizations, health workers, counsellors, community groups and workers, youths, volunteers, social scientists, the business sector, activists and persons infected with and affected by HIV/AIDS in Singapore.

This year, we have included something new and exciting to give that ‘zing’ to this conference. We will be involving our youths from the junior colleges, who will be tomorrow's caregivers, policy makers and volunteers, in an active debate. We hope this would stir the minds of our youths to ponder over the issues of HIV/AIDS and take home the prevention message to other youths they encounter.

We would like to encourage your active participation at this conference and sincerely believe that you would leave imbued with a better understanding of HIV/AIDS. You would have broadened your knowledge of the medical, social and spiritual issues pertaining to HIV/AIDS. We are convinced that by the end of this conference, we would have kindled that burning flame within you to further your commitment to AIDS prevention, care and research.

Have a wonderful and rewarding time at this conference!

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Saturday 27 November 2004

1330 **Opening ceremony and address by Guest of Honour**

Dr Balaji Sadasivan *Senior Minister of State (Information, Communications and the Arts & Health)*

1400 **Keynote lecture**

HIV/AIDS prevention and treatment: Why you can't have one without the other

Prof Shao Yiming *Chief Expert, National Centre for AIDS/STD Control and Prevention;*

Director, Department of Research on Virology and Immunology, Chinese Centre for Disease Control and Prevention; China.

1430 **Coffee Break**

1500 **Inter-JC debate**

“That the government should make it compulsory that teenagers be taught the use of condoms in schools”

Anglo-Chinese Junior College vs. Raffles Junior College

1600 **Symposium 1: *GP/Medical Perspectives***

→ FAQs on HIV testing and transmission; an update Dr Lee Cheng Chuan *TTSH*

→ Presentations of HIV/AIDS in clinic settings Dr Asok Kurup *SGH*

→ Presentations of HIV/AIDS in ED/hospital settings Dr Lim Poh Lian *TTSH*

→ Anti-Retroviral therapy: The challenges in Singapore Dr Leo Yee Sin *CDC*

Symposium 2: *Youth*

→ HIV/AIDS awareness MTV Asia

→ Fighting stigma and discrimination Ms Nooraini Bte Abdul Rahim and Baby Ariq

→ Youth discussion Speakers pending

Symposium 3: *Ignorance, complacency or denial: Addressing MSM sexual health issues in Singapore*

→ MSM Knowledge, behaviour and attitudes among MSM In Singapore Mr Roger Winder *AFA*

→ MSM-Related STI epidemiology and prevention Dr Martin Chio *NSC*

→ HIV epidemiology in relation to MSM in Singapore pending

→ Recreational drugs and risk behaviour Dr Stuart Koe

→ HIV/STI prevention strategies for MSM: Learning from Hong Kong Paul Louey *AIDS Concern, HK*

1830 **End**

Sunday 28 November 2004

0900 **Plenary 1: Epidemiology of HIV/AIDS in Singapore and the region: Trends and projections**

Dr Ye Tun *MOH Singapore*

0930 **Plenary 2 : Effective programmes for minors and minorities: Lessons from the UK experience**

Mr Colin Dixon *Deputy Executive Director of Service Development; Terrence Higgins Trust; UK*

1000 **Coffee Break**

1030 **Symposium 4: Nursing**

→ Management and prevention of HIV infection in children Dr Chong Chia Yin *KKWCH*

→ Nursing management of common opportunistic infections in the elderly Ms Norfaizilah bte Sari *CDC*

→ Managing paediatric patients with AIDS Ms Jimma Blanquisco *KKWCH*

→ Infection control in the management of patients with HIV Ms Lee Lai Chee *SGH*

Symposium 5: Sex workers and their clients

→ Study on clients of sex workers A/P Wong Mee Lian *NUS*

→ The street walkers project Mr Daniel Tung *DSC*

→ Project masseuse Mr Tan Ee Han *DSC*

→ 100% condom use among brothel-based sex workers in Singapore - an update Ms Lalitha Nair *DSC*

→ UNIFEM project on P. Batam *UNIFEM Singapore*

1245 **Lunch**

1400 **Plenary 3: Personal accounts from people with HIV/AIDS**

1445 **Symposium 6: Volunteers - Different strokes by different folks ... for one cause**

→ Home care programme Jeff Thayala *CDC*

→ Fund-Raising for HIV/AIDS Mary Stevens *CDC*

→ Running a home for PWAs Mr Michael Pang/Sister Lucia Chan *CARE*

→ Working with sexual minorities - virtual outreach Ms Eileena Lee/Leow Yangfa *AFA/MSM*

→ Giving support to warded PWAs Rev Derek Dunn *CHC*

→ Anonymous HIV counselling and testing Mr Alan John *AFA*

Symposium 7: Spiritual dimension

→ Outreach to drug addicts and sex workers Rev Dr Edward Job *Christian Care Services (Singapore)*

→ HIV/AIDS - The Catholic Approach Brother Emmanuel *Brothers of St Gabriel (Boys Town Fraternity)*

→ Others - Pending

1700 **Rapporteur session and wrap up**

Registration Form

Dr Mr Mrs Ms

Name

Organisation

Mailing Address

Email Address

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I have enclosed my _____ bank cheque number _____ for \$ _____
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Registration Fee \$20

Registration fee include all official lunches and coffee/tea breaks.

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75% of registration fee is refundable until 31 October 2004. There will be no refund for cancellation requests received after this date. Refunds will only be made after the conference.

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