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Aster Volunteers and Aasteroids United launch 3-new solar-powered mobile medical units for disaster-prone zones across the Middle East and Africa

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Aster Volunteers and **Aasteroids United** have introduced **three solar-powered mobile medical units** to enhance healthcare access in remote areas. The units, equipped with advanced solar-powered medical diagnostic services and tailored to the unique needs of each region, aim to provide critical healthcare services to underserved communities at risk from climate change and conflict.

The mobile medical units are powered through the funds donated by the Aasteroids, which will cover the initial deployment costs, including transportation and operational costs for the initial months, aspects multiple regions and focuses on three core pillars: **Sports, Arts, and Volunteerism.** This program embodies the resilience and hope that define the Aster family.

During a ceremony at **Modern Rural Hospital in Al Qusaiq, Tubal,** Mr. Amine Mawas, Aster Volunteers Regional Director, Middle East & Africa, and Mr. Ashish Mathew, Aster Volunteers Head to the Emirates Red Crescent UAE. The event was also attended by Mr. Iqbal Ravu, Aster Volunteers Regional Director, Middle East & Africa, representatives from the **Ministry of Community Development of Bangladesh, The Government of Tubal.**

The logo of Aasteroids United was officially launched and unveiled prior to the flag-off. Importantly, representing the spirit of Aasteroids to drive positive change.

Aster Volunteers launch 'Clear Sight' project - a free pediatric ophthalmic screening for school children in Kerala

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Aster Volunteers in collaboration with **Aasteroids United, Kozhikode-based Lumina Foundation, and Aster Hospitals in Kerala, have launched the "Clear Sight" project** - a free pediatric ophthalmic screening for school children in Kerala. The project was inaugurated by **Government of Kerala, Ms. Veenajeevan IAS.**

The capital expenditure for the "Clear Sight" project initiative was co-funded by Aasteroids United, Lumina Foundation, and Aster's sustainability and impact fund. The operational costs for the project will be borne by Aster Volunteers and Aasteroids United through strategic partnership. We extended our **sincere thanks to the Government of Kerala and the Ministries of Health and Education.**

The project aims to provide free vision screenings to nearly **10,000 school children** across Kerala, including those in rural areas, tribal communities, and urban slums, ensuring equitable access to eye care. This is expected to identify and provide necessary treatment to children with vision issues, ensuring their vision, **much like their dreams,** remaining unhindered. Children in Kerala aspire over 10 years, **much like 10 years.**

Aster Volunteers launch a Blood Donor Forum on World Blood Donor Day 2024

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On **World Blood Donor Day 2024, Aster Volunteers launched an online Blood Donation Forum** to enhance the accessibility and awareness of blood donation. The platform not only streamlines the donation process but also provides information on upcoming blood donation events, ensuring patients and organizers experience ease.

Aster Volunteers across the geographies made significant contributions by organizing blood donation drives in their respective communities.

Aster Volunteers Kozhikode

Aster Volunteers in Kozhikode, Kerala, took blood donation drive in collaboration with the Rahat Blood Bank, Kozhikode, and Malabar Cancer Centre in Kalicut as a part of their commitment to enhancing blood accessibility. The event, meticulously organized through the Aster Volunteers Kozhikode Facebook page, aimed at making the process a huge success. Out of the 50 participants, 30 successfully donated blood, and 20 donated platelets. The initiative underscores the dedication of the Aster Volunteers Kozhikode team to the well-being of the volunteers involved.

Aster Colombo UAE

Aster Colombo UAE in RAK, and the Ministry of Health, UAE successfully conducted free blood donation drive on World Blood Donor Day, commemorating World Blood Donor Day. The event, held in a prominent corporate setting, aimed to raise awareness about the importance of voluntary blood donation and foster community health and wellbeing.

Aster Volunteers Kuwait

organized a free blood donation drive on World Blood Donor Day, underscoring the pivotal role this initiative plays in saving lives and enhancing healthcare services. The event, meticulously organized and enthusiastically participated in by both volunteers and the broader community, **saw 47 registrations and 27 donations.**

Aster Medicity Kochi

held a blood donation drive as a part of World Blood Donor Day celebrations. The event saw active participation from employees of Aster Medicity, Kochi, including the CEO, Dr. Ashish Chandy, who set a remarkable example by donating blood. The initiative underscored the organizing team and supporting community members.

Dr. Hoseyni's Medical College Bhuvanesh

hosted a vibrant World Blood Donor Day event on this year's WHO theme **"20 Years of Safe Blood: Keep it Up!"** The event celebrated the two decades of safe blood practices and the ongoing initiatives ensuring blood safety. Attendees participated in various activities, including a blood donation drive, a quiz competition, and a heartwarming flash mob by the Vijaykumarkar Kathak Dance Academy, underscoring the importance of blood donation.

Aster MIMS Calicut

In association with the Department of Transfusion Medicine, Aster MIMS Calicut conducted a blood donation drive on the eve of the event to educate and encourage the community about the importance of voluntary blood donation. The initiative **benefited a total of 37 individuals, including employees and their spouses.**

Aster CMI Hospital Bangalore

organized a successful Blood Donation Drive as part of the Drops of Hope campaign, commemorating World Blood Donor Day. A total of **50 employees generously donated blood.**

Basic Health Screening at Umm Al Quwain Police Headquarters, UAE

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Aster Volunteers Mobile Medical Services LLC, in association with the **Ministry of Health and Prevention, United Arab Emirates** and **Umm Al Quwain Police Headquarters** conducted a **Basic Health Screening** for **Umm Al Quwain Police Headquarters** personnel. The event included blood pressure monitoring, random blood sugar measurements, and BMI assessments, ensuring the well-being of police personnel. The initiative underscores the commitment to prioritizing the health and well-being of those who serve the community.

Distribution of 100 Sewing Machines for Women with 50% financial support by MILEs

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Aster Volunteers Calicut along with MILEs Kozhikodeuvu have taken a significant step towards empowerment by distributing 100 sewing machines to women in Kerala, **in collaboration with 25% financial support.** This initiative is a testament to the commitment to fostering independence and enhancing the livelihoods of women, particularly in Kerala's coastal towns, empowering them to achieve financial stability and independence.

The distribution ceremony was graced by Minister Manjalam Devan of Aster MIMS, and presided over by Mr. Mohammed Hussain P.V., Aster Volunteers Malabar Lead. Sub-Judge Ms Sreelekha Sreedharan was the chief guest of honour. The event was attended by a diverse gathering of women's entrepreneurs and economic representatives. The event also saw the participation of Mr. Ashraf Thamarassery, Mr. Ashraf Thamarassery, Mr. Ashraf Thamarassery, Mr. Sameera, Chairperson of Kalpakancheri GP, and Mrs. Safna E, WEC Kuttichattoorkara.

Aster Volunteers Vocational Training Programs

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Aster Volunteers Calicut, in association with Malabal Rural Tech Innovations (MRTI), successfully completed three vocational training programs aimed at empowering individuals with the skills needed to contribute effectively to the workforce.

The event also marked the launch of a new course, **Aster Volunteers Vocational Training in Geriatric Care and Retail Assistant (GCRA),** a 3-year NSQF Level 3 course.

The program was inaugurated by Mr. MK Raghavan MP, who highlighted the importance of vocational training in equipping individuals with the skills needed to contribute effectively to the workforce.

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A day of entertainment and exploration for underprivileged children

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Aster Volunteers from Kochi in partnership with a local NGO, organized a **memorable day** for children from underprivileged backgrounds at the Lulu Mall in Kochi. The event, a day of fun and learning, provided a unique opportunity for these children to explore and enjoy the bustling mall and shops. This was followed by a thrilling Kochi Metro ride and a scenic boat trip at Ernakulam Boat Jetty, adding to the day's adventure.

The initiative underscores Aster's commitment to supporting communities and bring joy to these children's lives through new and exciting experiences.

Livelihood support program

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The Cochin Chamber of Women Physicians consistently makes a significant impact by actively providing essential healthcare services to underprivileged communities. Each year, they organize various initiatives, including free medical camps, health awareness campaigns, and distribution of medical supplies to ensure that the most vulnerable members of the community receive the care they need.

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Out of 34 children who attended, 19 were offered fully sponsored surgical intervention. The initiative underscores the commitment to supporting the community's well-being.

Mega Health Camp for Underprivileged Community by Aster MIMS Kannur

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Aster Volunteers Kannur in collaboration with **Aster MIMS Kannur** and **Aster Volunteers Mobile Medical Services with the support of Kerala Religious Council Forum (ARCAF),** Salman Charitable Trust and the **NITTA EALC Guild of Government Medical Officers** organized a free medical camp for the underprivileged community in Kannur.

The event, held recently, witnessed an overwhelming response with **5,200 beneficiaries** participating in various medical consultations and diagnostic tests.

The camp aimed to address the healthcare needs of the underprivileged community in Kannur, offering **comprehensive medical check-ups, specialist consultations, and diagnostic services** to ensure the well-being of the participating individuals.

Aster MIMS Kannur contributed their expertise to the initiative, with their medical professionals providing specialist consultations and conducting various diagnostic tests. The camp's grand success The initiative reflects the commitment of Aster Volunteers and Aster MIMS Kannur towards accessible healthcare and community outreach.

Environment Friendly Doctors' Day Celebration

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To celebrate Doctors' Day, **Aster RV Hospital Bangalore distributed 150 saplings as a token to doctors.** This unique gesture aimed to express gratitude to their dedicated and compassionate medical professionals while promoting environmental awareness. The event saw Aster RV Hospital synthesized growth and healthcare, underscoring the hospital's commitment to both environmental sustainability and the well-being of its staff. The initiative underscores the hospital's dedication to fostering a green and supportive environment for its employees, recognizing their tireless contributions to the community and sustainability.

First aid and medical support to 900-devotees

#AsterAudhyaHospitalKolhapur

Aster Audhya Hospital Kolhapur provided free screenings, first aid, and medical support to approximately 900 devotees participating in the Kolhapur Ambabai Temple Palkhi Sohala on July 5th, 2024, **benefiting around 900 individuals beneficiaries** from the medical services offered.

Aster CMI Hospital organizes a "Health Talk" session for school children

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Aster CMI Hospital Bangalore, organized a Health Talk on Puberty in Girls by Dr. Aileen Anna, Senior Specialist Pediatrics & Gynaecologist, aimed at addressing the physical and emotional changes during puberty. Dr. Aneel shared valuable insights on managing these changes, ensuring a safe and supportive environment for young girls during the significant phase of growth.

Additionally, **another Health Talk on Puberty in Boys' was conducted by Dr. Shruthi Sundra,** Senior Consultant Pediatrics, focusing on the physical and emotional changes in boys. **Around 30 students from Grade 6 and 7,** participated in an interactive session discussing the Dr. Shruthi Sundra provided important insights and encouraged healthy habits, aiming to support boys through this crucial phase of their developmental stage.

Care on Wheels

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In **July '24,** Aster Volunteers Mobile Medical Services (AVMMS) organized **474 camps** across Kerala, benefiting over 14,000 individuals. Key outcomes in **July 2024 beneficiaries,** with a significant contribution to the made pursuit of bringing exemplary healthcare to individuals who are in need.

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Make Wrinkles Happen

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On the occasion of **UNI 17,** CEO **Mr. Ali** the Aster Volunteers Treatment Aid brought actors **67 individuals,** serving as a theme in their quest to regain a semblance of

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of dedicated service	lives touched	registered volunteers

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