



Annual report for the year 2023-24

Executive Summary:

During the report period we were able to contact 503 exposed workers and identify 103 silicosis patients out of which 12 died. These were in Surendranagar and Morbi districts largely. We filed 2 complaints before the National Commission for Human Rights involving 19 deaths due to silicosis and 47 alive cases. Our 13 complaints are pending before the Commission for disposal for 73 deaths and 150 alive cases. During the year 9 families of the deceased workers were able to claim Rs.1 lakh as financial assistance from the Government of Gujarat. As per the data of Rural Workers Welfare Board from 2015-16 to 2021-2, 154 were paid the amount of Rs.1 lakh. We claim complete credit for all the payment. The site does not give information on how many claims were turned down at different junctures. We continued to help workers covered under ESI Act to get them due benefits. We helped one of the silicosis patients to file claim for disability benefit with scant evidence. We succeeded to get his medical examination done by the Spl. Medical Board set up by ESIC. We made several representations and visits to the Labor department and Welfare Board for unorganized sector workers. As a result of our all-round efforts, Government of Gujarat increased the amount of financial assistance to be paid to the NoKs of the workers dying of Silicosis from Rs.1 lakh to Rs.4 lakh. We continued to work with the networks. We attended ANROEV meetings at Bangkok. We also visited Nagrik Manch in Kolkata and participated in the meeting. Later we were invited for a public lecture by them. During the second visit we also visited Shramjibi Pathshala in Howrah and a Union in Taki and spoke with them. We published pamphlets, poster and booklet on silicosis as well as for the construction workers. Our silicosis project is supported by Human Capability Foundation and another project for the construction workers is supported by Azim Premji Foundation. We continued supporting Silicosis patients with the medical devises like Oxygen concentrators or Nebuliser or Toilet seats as well as diagnosis for silicosis. We are supporting the families of the workers died of Silicosis to claim financial assistance from Government of Gujarat. We organized several events for awareness and advocacy during the year. We received good support from media which can be seen from the list of media reports in this report. We are thankful to the Bhansali Trust for supporting us by giving 6 Oxygen Concentrators for use.

Locating Silicosis patients:

PTRC has engaged itself in identifying patients of silicosis, a terminal occupational disease among workers of several occupations. In the past, we worked with Agate stone polishers and the Quartz crushing industry workers, while in the past 4-5 years, we are working with Ceramic, Stone sculpture, Engineering and other industry workers exposed to silica particles at work.

From April 2023 to March 2014 our team was able to contact 503 workers exposed to silica at work and identify 91 workers suffering from Silicosis in Surendranagar, Rajkot and Morbi districts. We

registered 12 deaths due to silicosis in this period. Occupations involved are ceramic industry, stone sculpture, mining and firebricks industry.

We opened project office at Morbi for silicosis project in May 23.

Complaints before the National Human Rights commission:

During the report period we filed three separate complaints before the National Human Rights Commission for Silicosis. In the complaint filed on 13 January for Surendranagar district we named 14 cases of conformed cases of deaths due to silicosis and 22 cases of silicosis. For the complaint of Morbi district on 3 January we named 5 cases of conformed cases of deaths due to silicosis and 25 cases of silicosis. In total we filed complaints for 19 deaths and 47 alive cases. For Anand district the complaint was file don 5 January which named 8 victims who have died and have received financial assistance of Rs.1 lakh and they are seeking additional amount of Rs.3 lakh from the State Government. We followed up with the complaints already filed earlier. In all our 13 complaints are pending before the Commission for disposal for 73 deaths and 150 alive cases.

- We filed complaint for Surendranagar district for 14 deaths due to silicosis and 22 alive cases. The complaint was assigned number 32/6/24/2024 on 03/01/24.
- We filed complaint for Morbi district for 5 deaths due to silicosis and 25 alive cases. The complaint was assigned number 24/6/37/2024 on 03/01/24.
- We filed complaint on 04/01/24 for 8 deaths due to silicosis in Khambhat who received Rs.1 lakh but did not receive additional Rs. 3lakh as directed by the Commission in its recommendation in complaint no.351/6/3/2010
- Filed response in complaint no. 671/6/24/2020 on 12/10/2023
- Filed response in complaint no. 641/6/24/2020 on 12/10/2023
- Filed response in complaint no. 798/6/3/2022 on 14/10/2023
- Response filed on 23/01/24 in complaint no.671/6/24/2020
- Response filed on 23/01/24 in complaint no.1017/6/24/2022
- In Complaint no1218/6/21/2019 we filed our response on 17/04/2023 and then the complaint was closed by the Commission on 30/05/23 directing – “As regards framing policy for rehabilitation of the silicosis victims, the Commission hereby directs the Chief Secretary, Govt. of Gujarat to take an appropriate step in furtherance of same and submit compliance report within a period of eight weeks for official records of the Commission.”
- In complaint no 641/6/3/2020 the Commission directed DM, Surendranagar, “It is therefore, requested that the additional/complete report as directed by the Commission in the matter be sent latest by 05/05/2024, for further consideration by the Commission” on 28/03/24.
- In our complaint no.1017/6/24/2022 the Commission directed DM, Surendranagar, “It is therefore, requested that the additional/complete report as directed by the Commission in the matter be sent latest by 29/04/2024, for further consideration by the Commission on 22/03/24.
- In our complaint no.641/6/24/2020 the Commission directed DM, Surendranagar, “It is therefore, requested that the additional/complete report as directed by the Commission in the matter be sent latest by 23/02/2024, for further consideration by the Commission on 16/01/24
- In our complaint no.798/6/3/2022 the Commission directed Chief Secretary, Government of Gujarat, ‘It is therefore, requested that the additional/complete report as directed by the Commission in the matter be sent latest by 14/03/2024, for further consideration by the Commission” on 05/02/24
- In our complaint no.463/6/3/2023 the commission directed DM, on 16/02/24 Morbi, “It is therefore, requested that the additional/complete report as directed by the Commission in the matter be sent latest by 25/03/2024, for further consideration by the Commission.”

Work with workers registered under Social Security:

One of the Silicosis affected worker Dinesh Bhaktiram Chauhan had worked in a unit which was in the ESI implemented area. For some time, his contribution was deducted and he had an old dispensary slip. Based on that we represented with the local ESI office manager and after



constant follow-up we succeeded in getting his case admitted. He was sent to the Special Medical Board in October 2023. Unfortunately, till date he has not been paid any benefit as the ESIC does not have his contribution documents which are more than 20-year-old. The case has been sent to HQ for consideration, we are told. He is completely disabled and cannot earn his living. PTRC staff accompanied his wife to the regional office in Ahemdabad on 13 March.



We received a complaint from a widow that her husband died in road accident and she has not been paid any benefit from ESIC. We collected all the documents and filed complaint before the sub regional office as well as local office. Later we were informed that the unit in question is not situated in the covered area and hence she cannot claim under this law.

In 2019 whole of Vadodara district was brought under coverage of ESI Act. Once registered the units have to deduct ESI contribution from the wages of the workers and against this contribution, they can enjoy benefits enshrined in the law including medical benefit. For medical benefit ESI Corporation has to set up dispensaries in the areas. In spite of repeated demands, even after 5 years no new dispensary has been set up in the newly covered areas. We filed application under the

Right to information act and sought information. The information so collected was analysed. Times of India carried a story on 31/01/2024 on this situation. The report in this daily drew attention of the bureaucrats and assured quick action. I was invited by the Dy. Director at his office to discuss the matter.

We helped one worker from Waghodiya GIDC to claim his benefits. We represented the case with the Sub regional office and it was resolved immediately on 7 August.

We filed RTI before ESIC for information on the dispensaries, staff position, average OPD etc.

Victim Support:



We are supporting him by providing monthly requirement of ration needed. When we visited last, we observed that he has constructed toilet but it has no door. The house is on the public road and it was very embarrassing situation for the family. We made an appeal to our sympathisers and we found one donor who happily donated required amount and we were able to fix door to the toilet. We support victims get oxygen concentrator or cylinder as the case may be. We also provide nebulizer, toilet

seat, walker and other equipment for making their life easy. Helped Dinesh Bhaktiram to visit Civil Hospital, Rajkot for consultation. We have been supporting two bedridden silicosis patients to get monthly ration kit.

Meeting with the Silicosis victims in Morbi

We organized a meeting with the silicosis victims in Morbi at our office on 27 March. 8 victims attended the



meeting. It was decided that on 7 April World health day will be celebrated by them. They planned to meet the Collector and present a memorandum presenting their demands. They also decided that they will organize protests at a public place in Morbi on 7th April for awareness. They also decided that 28/4 International Workers Memorial Day also will be celebrated. They will organize meetings for planning details. They were happy about the actions taken by the Collector following media reports.

Media reports and its impact:

In the report period we had several occasions when we appeared in the media. On 5 January our article appeared in Daily Divya Bhaskar as guest editorial. It was regarding the National Policy on Safety,

Health and Environment published by the Government of India in 2009 but not enforced. It also talked about need to ratify ILO C.155 by the Government of India.

In the month of March 3 silicosis victims succumbed to their lung injury. We sent press note to the local media which attracted wide coverage. Following the media reports, District Collector took serious note of the press coverage. He invited a meeting with the labor department and sought information and passed instructions. He also invited meeting with the industry representatives and discussed the matter with them. Media reported these meetings. Following these meetings the labor department and health department officials contacted us and requested us to share the information on the silicosis victims. Until now they were creating hurdles in the financial assistance claims being made by the victims but now, they requested us to cooperate with them.

On 27 March during my visit to Morbi we visited District collector and thanked him for the actions taken by him. We drew his attention to the fact that the industry is blaming worker for silicosis saying they don't wear masks given to them but the Factory Act provide for monitoring the dust at work to the permissible exposure limits. There is no discussion on who is violating the law and what actions will be taken for reducing the dust levels. We presented him with a set of our publications



Publications



We reprinted our popular booklet on Silicosis. This is 5th edition with lot of new information. We also published pamphlets for the construction workers safety, and one on migrant workers.

Sri Govind Maru published e-book of our Gujarati publication Kalmukho Silicosis in June 23 which can be accessed at: chrome-extension://efaidnbmnnnibpcjpcglclefindmkaj/https://govindmaru.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/06/ebook_69_jagdish_patel_kaalmukho_silicosis_2023-06-12_.pdf

Three different pamphlets were prepared and published for construction workers under APF project.

One pamphlet was published on the occasion of International Workers Memorial Day, 28 April, 2023 in Morbi. Poster in different sizes were printed for display and distribution. A Hindi pamphlet was printed for the migrant workers in Morbi and Than. Brochure on Silicosis in Hindi was published.

Networking, visits:

We attended several online meetings including one with Jan Swasthya Abhiyan (Peoples Health Assembly) on 20 January where we emphasised need to work closely with each other on locating victims of occupational diseases. We also drew attention of the audience that there are many Indian states where even one organization is not found which is working on OHS rights and we need to encourage organizations in these states.



Following Sreedhar Rammuthy's (leading environmentalist and Occupational health activist, founder



of ENVIRONICS Trust) death a meeting was organized by ANROEV on 4 January which we attended. A meeting by MLPC on a research project on computer aided AI based diagnosis of silicosis was organized on 5 January. We attended another ANROEV meeting on 2 February.

On 27 January we attended Human Rights Conference at Ahmedabad and spoke on

Occupational Health problems in Gujarat.

From 1 to 6 March, we attended ANROEV South Asia Strategic meeting at Colombo. We attended ABAN as well as ANROEV meetings. I conducted 3rd session on Occupational health and started from where the Bangkok Conference ended. At the conference we had sent a questionnaire to the members and based on the replies to the questionnaire, we discussed how can members start working on lung diseases.



Exchange visit:



On 22 March PTRC team visited Beawar in Rajasthan for exchange visit to GSVS organization. GDVS is working on multiple issues including assistance to the silicosis victims, organizing workers, livelihood programs, day care centre for children of migrant women workers and so on. We visited the day care centre and talked to the women workers who send their children to the centre. We then visited the stone crushing factories which are extremely dusty. We attended a meeting with the office bearers and members of the trade union of the

women workers. We visited some silicosis patients. We then attended a meeting with the women who are engaged in manufacturing shampoo, soap and other toiletry items and market them

Asbestos:

In April 23 we represented with the Ministry of Chemical And Fertilizers, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Ministry of Environment and Forest and requested to support inclusion of Chrysotile asbestos in the Schedule of the Rotterdam Convention.

Advocacy:

Visited Unorganized Workers Welfare Board in April 23 to follow up with the pending claims before them by the families of the deceased workers.

Visited office of the Labor Secretary and met with the Dy Secretary to follow up with the representation for enforcement of NHRC recommendation for rehabilitation policy for silicosis

patients as well as to comply with the 2017 Supreme Court order in PIL 110/2006 to pay Rs.3 lakh to the NoKs of the workers dying of silicosis.

Sent representation to the Ministry of health, Government of Gujarat for various demands for silicosis patients on 21 April

Visited Dy. Director, health and family welfare, GoG and submitted him memorandum on 21 August. We also visited TB department in the same ministry and represented how mis-diagnosis of TB can be prevented. Visited Member Secretary of the Unorganized Workers Welfare Board and Principal Secretary, Labour and Employment to represent framing rehabilitation policy for the silicosis patients.

Drafted rehabilitation policy for silicosis patients and shared with Member Secretary, Unorganized workers welfare Board, Gujarat for consideration.

Impact:

Ultimately Government of Gujarat resolved to increase the amount of financial assistance to Rs.4 lakh from Rs.3 lakh on 11 March 23. This is our biggest achievement.

Organized:

On 28 April we observed International Workers Memorial Day at Morbi. This was attended by silicosis patients and widows and other family members of the deceased workers.



- Meeting with silicosis victims at Morbi on 25 May
- Meeting with labor lawyer and silicosis victims from Morbi on 6 July
- Meeting with construction workers in Ahmedabad in Motera on 27 July
- Meeting with construction workers in Ahmedabad at Uma colony on 28 July
- Meeting with silicosis victims at Dhrangadhra on 16 August.
- Meeting with project staff and PRAYAS representative to review progress at Ahmedabad on 4 September.
- Meeting with project staff and PRAYAS representative to review progress at Ahmedabad on 15 September.
- Training for construction workers at Ahmedabad under APF project on 7 October.

- Meeting in Gandhinagar with the construction workers on Occupational Diseases on 27 October.
- Project review meeting on 16 November at Ahmedabad for APF project.
- Project review meeting on 1 December at Ahmedabad for APF project
- Organized induction training for new staff at Surendranagar on 3 December.

Lecture and Presentation:

- At AAJEEVIKA training for their fellows at Ahmedabad on 8 September.
- At Nagrik Manch Annual meeting in Kolkata on 22 September
- At Shramjibi Pathshala, Howra, W.Bengal where they are preparing to open OPD for Occupational diseases on 23 September.
- At a Union Office in Taki, W. Bengal with the office bearers of Nagrik Manch on 24 September.



- On line lecture- presentation for the African artisans on Silicosis organized by Responsible Jewelry Council, Chicago.
- Before the PRAYAS team at Kapadvanj on 1 October
- On 16 October, gave presentation at CIVIDEP meeting in Bangalore
- On 16 December gave lecture at NAPM meeting, Ahmedabad

Attended:

- ANROEV biannual conference at Bangkok along with Silicosis victim from Than From 6 to 10 May, 2023. At the Conference we conducted two meetings – one on Occupational lung diseases and another on accidents.
- Meeting with the office bearers and activists of Nagrik Manch, Kolkata on 11 May at their office in Kolkata
- Seminar on industrial accidents at Vishakhapattanam on 16 May
- PRATYAS Staff meeting at Ahmedabad on 1 July to introduce them the new project
- PRAYAS meeting at Ahmedabad on 2 August

Visited:

- Morbi, Wankaner, Panchasiya to meet with the stakeholder to appeal them to support the project on 24 May
- Than on 5 July with field officer Navinbhai Ramanuj and visited silicosis patients
- Rajkot on 6 July to visit Silicosis victims. Visited widow of Late Bharat Beladiya and families of late Ramesh Rudakiya and Sanjay Chikhaliya
- Silicosis victims in Morbi on 7 July
- Silicosis victims in Khamabhat on 10 July.
- Dr. Nitesh Shah in Ahmedabad on 13 July.
- Accident site near Karjan where accident took place at construction site of bullet train on 5 August with expert.
- Silicosis victim Dinesh Bhaktiram at his Surendranagar residence on 16 August. Also visited stone sculpture unit in Wadhwan and one suspect case of silicosis in Wadhwan.
- Visited Silicosis patients in Wankaner on 30 August.
- Visited Azim Premji University and met with Sri Himanshu Upadhyay and Sri Aadithya on 17 October.

New project:

In collaboration with PRAYAS Centre for labor actin and research we took up a new project in Ahmedabad to work with construction workers. Project is supported by Azim Premji Foundation. We appointed required staff for the project in June.

Guests:

Ms. Sumedha Sharma, representative of Human Capability Foundation visited our silicosis project. She attended staff meeting where she was given presentation on the work done in Morbi. She attended a meeting of victims organized on 29 September which was attended by the victims from Than and Morbi. Later she visited silicosis patients who were bedridden. On 30th September she visited stone sculpture unis in Dhrangadhra, Stone park training Centre and silicosis patients in Dhrangadhra before leaving.

Challenges faced:

We faced several challenges from different corners and stake holders.

Our major challenge remained manpower. The project is in second year and in the two years we could not find any stable field officer to work in Rajkot. We gave add twice in two different newspapers published from Rajkot. We spread the message through social media and we requested social work colleges and NGOs and others in our contact. We conducted interviews several times and every time we would select someone who would either not join or join and leave soon. In Thangadh and Wankaner we wanted to appoint field officers but we met with the same fate. We wanted to appoint a female health worker to work with families of the workers exposed to silica. Once we selected four candidates – two male candidates, one for Rajkot, and another for Wankaner and two female candidates – both for Thangath one for regular filed work and another for work with families, provided induction training but all of them refused to join later.

Another challenge we face from the exposed workers, suspect cases of silicosis and silicosis patients. They do not know us and hence initially they do not respond. When we explain them, they expect some favor like expenses for medicines and so on but when they realize that we are not a philanthropic organization they get disappointed. Some times they do not share their medical papers.

In some cases they suspect us. When some patients approach their employer to claim compensation, they offer a meagre amount and tell them that if you do not accept this amount, the organization will settle claim on your behalf, pocket your money and will not share anything with you. Then the patient starts looking at us with suspicion.

When we organize a trip for the suspect cases to visit Civil Hospital, we convince 7/8 patients to join us, they would agree, we would arrange for vehicle e but on the day of the trip only few would turn up.

While at the Hospital sometimes the doctors would ask the patient to stay back for tests and observation, they would refuse to stay back and thus all our efforts to get them diagnosed would go waste.

Organizing victims is our important program. But it is a very difficult task. Patients are a disappointed lot and entuse them to get organized is difficult. If their health condition is very poor, they cannot travel to the meeting venue.

At Government level the local labor commissioner office would turn down the claim for financial assistance on flimsy ground. Our request for meeting would not be replied. Even when we have a meeting and peruse for some change nothing would move for a long time

We wanted the victims to go to the court to realize their rights for compensation either under the Employees Compensation Act or ESI Act. But most, who should have been covered under ESI Act are not covered. In such case only option is to file claim under EC Act but the patients would not have any evidence of their employment make it difficult to file claims, The employers do not give them Identity mandatory under the Factory Act, nor would they give pay slip mandatory under Payment of wages act and they have designed their own way of paying wages in the Bank. Many of the workers are either employed through unwritten contract and in absence of any valid contractor. In many cases workers themselves are given contract to manufacture where they are paid wages per piece. All these make it difficult to go to the court.

The only option left to us is to file a complaint before the National Human Rights Commission. It is easy to file a complaint before the commission, but due to the deliberate delay in responding by the government, it takes 8 to 10 years for the complaint to be disposed of. Also, when the commission disposes and gives recommendations, the government either delays or does not implement the recommendations at all.

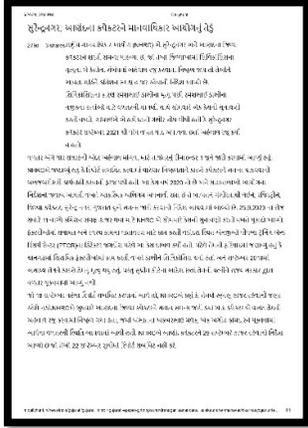
Appreciations:

When we help a patient with Oxygen concentrator or nebuliser or toilet seat, they highly appreciate us. Recently at Than we gave Oxygen concentrator to a patient and we also helped him file RTI before ESIC for his pending claim for disability benefit. He was highly appreciative.

We help family members of the deceased workers to file claim for financial assistance, and collate necessary documents to be attached. We then accompany family members to submit the file with the Labour department. The Officer in labour department highly appreciates our work and say that you are earning PUNYA (blessings) by this work. District TB officer in Morbi is also very helpful and appreciative.

Some victims were happy that we are trying hard to get them Antyoday card which can fetch them higher quantity of rations from PDS. Some appreciated our efforts to get them financial assistance in spite of crossing the deadline for applying.

Media Reports:

No	Media	Title of the report	Date	Link
1	Daily Hunt	सुरेन्द्रनगर, आण्डेना कले कटरने मा नवा घि का र आयो गजुं ते दुं	22/08/23	
2	Indian Express	No report on aid for kin, NHRC summons 2 district collectors	19/08/23	
3	Times of India	Contributions grow, existing ESIC dispensaries crumble	31/04/24	

3	Morbinews.in	સીલીકોસીસ રોગના નીમૂલન અંગે જાગૃતિલક્ષી સેમીનાર યોજાયો	08/04/23	https://morbinews.in/an-awareness-seminar-on-eradication-of-silicosis-was-held  મોરબી: સિલિકોસિસ રોગના નીમૂલન અંગે જાગૃતિલક્ષી સેમિનાર યોજાયો સિલિકોસિસ એટલે કેકસાં સંબંધિત બી.મારી. રેતી, માટી અને પૂણમાં morbinews.in મોરબી: સિલિકોસિસ રોગના નીમૂલન અંગે જાગૃતિલક્ષી સેમિનાર યોજાયો https://morbinews.in/morbi-an-awareness-seminar-on-eradication-of-silicosis-was-held/
4	Morbi Today	મોરબી ખાતે સીરમીક ઉદ્યોગને ધ્યાને રાખીને સીલીકોસીસ નીયંત્રણ કાર્યક્રમ કેમ નહીં?	10/04/23	https://morbitoday.com/news/558861570  મોરબી ખાતે સિરામિક ઉદ્યોગને ધ્યાને રાખીને સીલીકોસીસ નીયંત્રણ કાર્યક્રમ કેમ નહીં? મોરબી ખાતે સિરામિક ઉદ્યોગને ધ્યાને રાખીને સીલીકોસીસ નીયંત્રણ કાર્યક્રમ morbitoday.com https://morbitoday.com/news/558861570 2:38 pm
5	Banas Gaurav		08/04/23	વિશ્વ આરોગ્ય દિવસે સીલીકોસીસ પીડીત સંઘ મોરબી દ્વારા જાગૃતિ કાર્યક્રમ યોજાયો મુખ્યમંત્રી કલ્યાણભાઈ પુસ્કરે નીતિ બહુ મંડળના સભ્ય રાજીવ રાવલની હાજરીમાં મુખ્યમંત્રીના અધિકારીઓ દ્વારા સીલીકોસીસ રોગના નીમૂલન અંગે જાગૃતિ કાર્યક્રમ યોજાયો.  સીલીકોસીસ પીડીત સંઘ મોરબી દ્વારા જાગૃતિ કાર્યક્રમ યોજાયો. મુખ્યમંત્રી કલ્યાણભાઈ પુસ્કરે નીતિ બહુ મંડળના સભ્ય રાજીવ રાવલની હાજરીમાં મુખ્યમંત્રીના અધિકારીઓ દ્વારા સીલીકોસીસ રોગના નીમૂલન અંગે જાગૃતિ કાર્યક્રમ યોજાયો. સીલીકોસીસ પીડીત સંઘ મોરબી દ્વારા જાગૃતિ કાર્યક્રમ યોજાયો. મુખ્યમંત્રી કલ્યાણભાઈ પુસ્કરે નીતિ બહુ મંડળના સભ્ય રાજીવ રાવલની હાજરીમાં મુખ્યમંત્રીના અધિકારીઓ દ્વારા સીલીકોસીસ રોગના નીમૂલન અંગે જાગૃતિ કાર્યક્રમ યોજાયો.
6	Banas Gaurav		12/04/24	મુખ્યમંત્રી કલ્યાણભાઈ પુસ્કરે નીતિ બહુ મંડળના સભ્ય રાજીવ રાવલની હાજરીમાં મુખ્યમંત્રીના અધિકારીઓ દ્વારા સીલીકોસીસ રોગના નીમૂલન અંગે જાગૃતિ કાર્યક્રમ યોજાયો.  મુખ્યમંત્રી કલ્યાણભાઈ પુસ્કરે નીતિ બહુ મંડળના સભ્ય રાજીવ રાવલની હાજરીમાં મુખ્યમંત્રીના અધિકારીઓ દ્વારા સીલીકોસીસ રોગના નીમૂલન અંગે જાગૃતિ કાર્યક્રમ યોજાયો.
7	Vatsalyam Samachar		01/4/24	સીલીકોસીસ પર કામ કરતી સંસ્થાને મોરબી કલેક્ટર સાહેબ સાથે શુભેચ્છા સુવાક્ષત કરી, વધુ એકનો ભોગ લીધો ૧૪/૪/૨૩ સીલીકોસીસ પર કામ કરતી સંસ્થાને મોરબી કલેક્ટર સાહેબ સાથે શુભેચ્છા સુવાક્ષત કરી, વધુ એકનો ભોગ લીધો.  સીલીકોસીસ પર કામ કરતી સંસ્થાને મોરબી કલેક્ટર સાહેબ સાથે શુભેચ્છા સુવાક્ષત કરી, વધુ એકનો ભોગ લીધો.

8	Sandesh		13/03/24	<p>આરોગ્ય અધિકારી, ઔદ્યોગિક સલામતિ વિભાગ ગંબીર રોગ વિશે અજાણ્ય સિલિકોસિસ બિમારી અંગે મોરબી જિલ્લા કલેક્ટરે તપાસનો આદેશ કરી તમામ વિભાગોને દોડતા કર્યા</p> <p>મોરબી, તા.૧૩/૦૩/૨૦૨૪ - મોરબી સિલિકોસિસ બિમારી અંગે મોરબી જિલ્લા કલેક્ટરે તપાસનો આદેશ કરી તમામ વિભાગોને દોડતા કર્યા. આરોગ્ય અધિકારી, ઔદ્યોગિક સલામતિ વિભાગ ગંબીર રોગ વિશે અજાણ્ય સિલિકોસિસ બિમારી અંગે મોરબી જિલ્લા કલેક્ટરે તપાસનો આદેશ કરી તમામ વિભાગોને દોડતા કર્યા.</p>
9	Sandesh		12/03/24	<p>અંદેશ - ૧૨/૦૩/૨૦૨૪</p> <p>તબીબી વિસ્તાર પણ જેનો ઈલાજ થોપી રહી તેવી શ્રીમતીનો હાથકાર મોતનું બીજું નામ સિલિકોસિસ : મોરબીમાં ભયજનક સ્થિતિ, એક માહિનામાં ૩નાં મોત</p> <p>શ્રીમતીની તબીબી સલામતિ સમીક્ષા બાદ ૩૦ દિવસોમાં આરોગ્ય તંત્રે પોરે પિંડામાં મોત થયું.</p>
10	Vatsalyam Samachar		29/04/24	<p>ફેફસાંમાં ભરેલી સીલીકા જ એક માત્ર પુરાવો હતો, કામ કર્યાનો ડાહ્યાભાઈનું મૃત્યુ: એપ્રિલમાં બીજું</p> <p>વ્યાજબી સમયે મરણ પામીને ડાહ્યાભાઈનું મૃત્યુ એપ્રિલમાં બીજું. ફેફસાંમાં ભરેલી સીલીકા જ એક માત્ર પુરાવો હતો, કામ કર્યાનો ડાહ્યાભાઈનું મૃત્યુ: એપ્રિલમાં બીજું.</p>
11	Vatsalyam Samachar		02/05/24	<p>Date: 02-05-2024, Thursday શબી: 02/05/2024, ગુરુવાર</p> <p>મોરબી અને ઘાનના સીલીકોસિસ પીડીતો એ સુરેન્દ્રનગર જીલ્લા ના ધાનમાં વિશ્વ કામદાર દ્વારા સ્મૃતિ દીવસ મનાવવામાં આવ્યો</p> <p>સુરેન્દ્રનગર જિલ્લાના ધાનમાં સીલીકોસિસ પીડીતો એ સુરેન્દ્રનગર જિલ્લાના ધાનમાં વિશ્વ કામદાર દ્વારા સ્મૃતિ દીવસ મનાવવામાં આવ્યો.</p>
12	Vatsalyam Samachar	મોરબીમાં સીલીકોસિસને કારણે થતા મોત અંગે કલેક્ટર પાસેથી અહેવાલ માંગતું રાષ્ટ્રીય માનવ અધિકાર પંચ	18/12/23	<p>https://vatsalyamsamachar.com/gujarat/morbi/the-human-rights-commission-sought-a-report-from-the-morbi-district-collector-on-the-morbi-morbi-silicosis-issue/</p> <p>MORBI:મોરબી સિલિકોસિસ મુદ્દે માનવ અધિકાર પંચે મોરબી જિલ્લા કલેક્ટર પાસે માંગ્યો અહેવાલ</p> <p>સમાચાર પત્ર વાંચવા અર્થે ક્લિક કરો...</p> <p>હંમેશા સત્યની સંગાથે વાત્સલ્યમ સમાચાર દૈનિક સમાચાર પત્ર</p> <p>JOIN US</p>

13	Morbi Today	રાષ્ટ્રીય માનવ અધિકાર પંચે મોરબીમાં સીલીકોસીસને કારણે થયેલા મોતની કલેક્ટર પાસે માહિતી માગી.	19/12/23	https://morbitoday.com/news/785996525
14	Sanj Samachar	મોરબીમાં સીલીકોસીસને કારણે થતા મોત અંગે કલેક્ટર પાસેથી અહેવાલ માંગતુ રાષ્ટ્રીય માનવ અધિકાર પંચ.	19/12/23	https://www.sanjsamachar.net/news-detail/The-National-Human-Rights-Commission-sought-information-from-the-Collector-on-deaths-due-to-silicosis-in-Morbi
15	Morbi Update	રાષ્ટ્રીય માનવ અધિકાર પંચે મોરબીમાં સીલીકોસીસને કારણે થયેલા મોતની કલેક્ટર પાસે માહિતી માગી	૨૧/૧૨/૨૩	https://www.morbiupdate.com/2023/12/21/national-human-rights-commission-seeks-report-from-collector-on-deaths-due-to-silicosis-in-morbi
16	Vatsalyam Samachar	મોરબી સીલીકોસીસ મૃત્યુ, અંગે મોરબી કલેક્ટર અને લેબર કમિશનર પાસે પંચ ચે 4 અઠવાડિયામાં એક્શન રીપોર્ટ માંગ્યો.	29/02/2024	https://vatsalyamsamachar.com/gujarat/morbi/panchnhrc-seeks-action-report-within-4-weeks-from-morbi-collector-and-labor-commissioner-on-morbi-silicosis-deaths/
17	Kaptan	મોરબીમાં ૨૯ દિવસની અંદર સીલિકોસિસના કારણે ત્રીજું મોત	06/03/24	https://kaptan.co.in/category/%e0%aa%86

18	Gujtak	મોરબી અને થા નના સી લી કો સી સ પી ડી તો એ થા નમાં વિ શ્વ કા મદા ર સ્મૃતિ દી વસ મના વ્યો	01/005/24	https://gujuttak.com/news/silicosis-victims-morbi-thane-observed-world-workers-remembrance-day-thane
19	Morbi Update	સિલિકોસીસ ઉપર કામ કરતી સંસ્થાના નિયામકની કલેક્ટર સાથે મુલાકાત, મહત્વપૂર્ણ ચર્ચા	30/03/24	https://morbiupdate.com/2024/03/30/director-of-institute-working-on-silicosis-meets-with-collector-important-discussion/
20	Morbi Gaurav Samachar	સીલીકોસીસ વધુ એક નું મોત!! સિલિકોસીસ પર કામ કરતી સંસ્થાએ મોરબી કલેક્ટર સાથે શુભેચ્છા મુલાકાત કરી	30/03/24	https://morbigauravsamachar.com/2024/03/30/silicosis-kills-one-more-an-organization-working-on-silicosis-had-a-greeting-meeting-with-the-morbi-collector/
21	Vatsalyam Samachar	સીલીકોસીસ પર કામ કરતી સંસ્થાએ મોરબી કલેક્ટર સાહેબ સાથે શુભેચ્છા મુલાકાત કરી. સીલીકોસીસે વધુ એક સીરામીક કામદારનો ભોગ લીધો	30/03/24	https://vatsalyamsamachar.com/gujarat/morbi/institute-working-on-silicosis-meets-morbi-collector-sir-silicosis-claims-yet-another-ceramic-worker/
22	Morbi Update	મોરબીમાં આંતરરાષ્ટ્રીય કામદાર સ્મૃતિ દિવસ ઉજવાયો કલેક્ટર કચેરીમાંથી અમને કાઢી મુકાયા, સાંભળ્યા નહીં, પીડિતોની વ્યથા : કોઈ સાંભળતું નથી	29/04/23	https://morbiupdate.com/2023/04/29/international-workers-remembrance-day-was-celebrated-in-morbi/

23	Morbi Update	મોરબીમાં સિલિકોસીસથી વધુ એક મોત	30/03/24	https://morbiupdate.com/2024/03/30/another-death-from-silicosis-in-morbi/
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Our team:

PTRC has in its team for silicosis project 3 field officers – one each in Morbi, Than and Dhrangadhra. We have Chirag Chavda in Morbi, Darshan Parmar in Than and Navin Ramanuj in Dhrangadhra. We appointed Mr. Sarthak Tomar as Project Director in November, 23 but he left in end of January, 24 due to personal reasons. We appointed staff for silicosis project in Rajkot, Wankaner, Surendranagar and Than but they did not continue for a long time. For Azim Premji supported project we appointed two field investigators but one of them left us while Akhilesh Parmar has continued. Mr.Rohit Patel is appointed as part time accountant while Niranjana Patel is volunteering in maintaining accounts.