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# Local Dissemination Workshop

Kamarajpuram Settlement.



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## Introduction

The Local dissemination Workshop was conducted by Karpagam Academy of Higher Education (KAHE) at :

- 1) Kamarajapuram settlement.
- 2) Ukkadam Settlement.
- 3) Muthanakulam Settlement.

The intention of the workshop was to spread awareness amongst the stakeholders about Binucom's objectives and serve as a trust building exercise for initiating dialogue between the colony dwellers and the KAHE research team.

The workshop was conducted in two stages

- firstly a free health camp was conducted by Karpagam Medical College (KMC), wherein, the primary intention was to build a rapport with the slum dwellers and create a platform to ease the process of conducting survey.

Secondly, this was followed by Focused Group Discussions( FGD). FGD was conducted as a participatory exercise to delineate the concerns of the settlements. The health camp consisted of a team of two doctors and assisting nurses who conducted systematic processes starting with patients registration, followed by doctors consultation and, providing corresponding medication. The questionnaire prepared by KAHE team, specifically for the health camp was affixed along with the registration forms to procure information suitable for research.

### **Dissemination Workshop 1: Kamarajapuram Settlement.**

The health camp at Kamarajapuram attracted a positive response with close

to 80 registrations. Simultaneously, a team of surveyors analysed the settlement to collect individual household data on issues related to mobility and health. The typology in houses were also identified and brief details were prepared based on the survey. Nearly 35 surveys were completed on the first day, followed up by approximately 60 surveys on the next day.

Following the household survey, a Focused Group Discussion (FGD) was executed under the guidance and expertise of Mr. Uday Kumar (designation) in Kamarajapuram and Mr. Michael Arokya of Bharathiar University. Identification of issues (specific to health and mobility) predominant in the settlement were mapped in three stages:

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identifying common pattern of health problems amongst dwellers/workers living in particular settlement. Dwellers will pool their information about health problems that are unexplained or just might be related to the job, patterns can quickly emerge.



- **Mobility Mapping:** Mobility Mapping is a visual presentation of people's movements within and outside their community. This tool helps to identify issues and problems related to socially differential mobility and access to resources.



- **Body Mapping:** Body Mapping is a way of

- **Prioritisation Mapping:** The first two stages helped focus on primary concerns expressed by the residents. further to which, a chart was prepared to understand the degree of fluctuation within

different primary concerns. Further to this, a prioritization chart was tabulated to assess the primary causes for the existing issues.



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