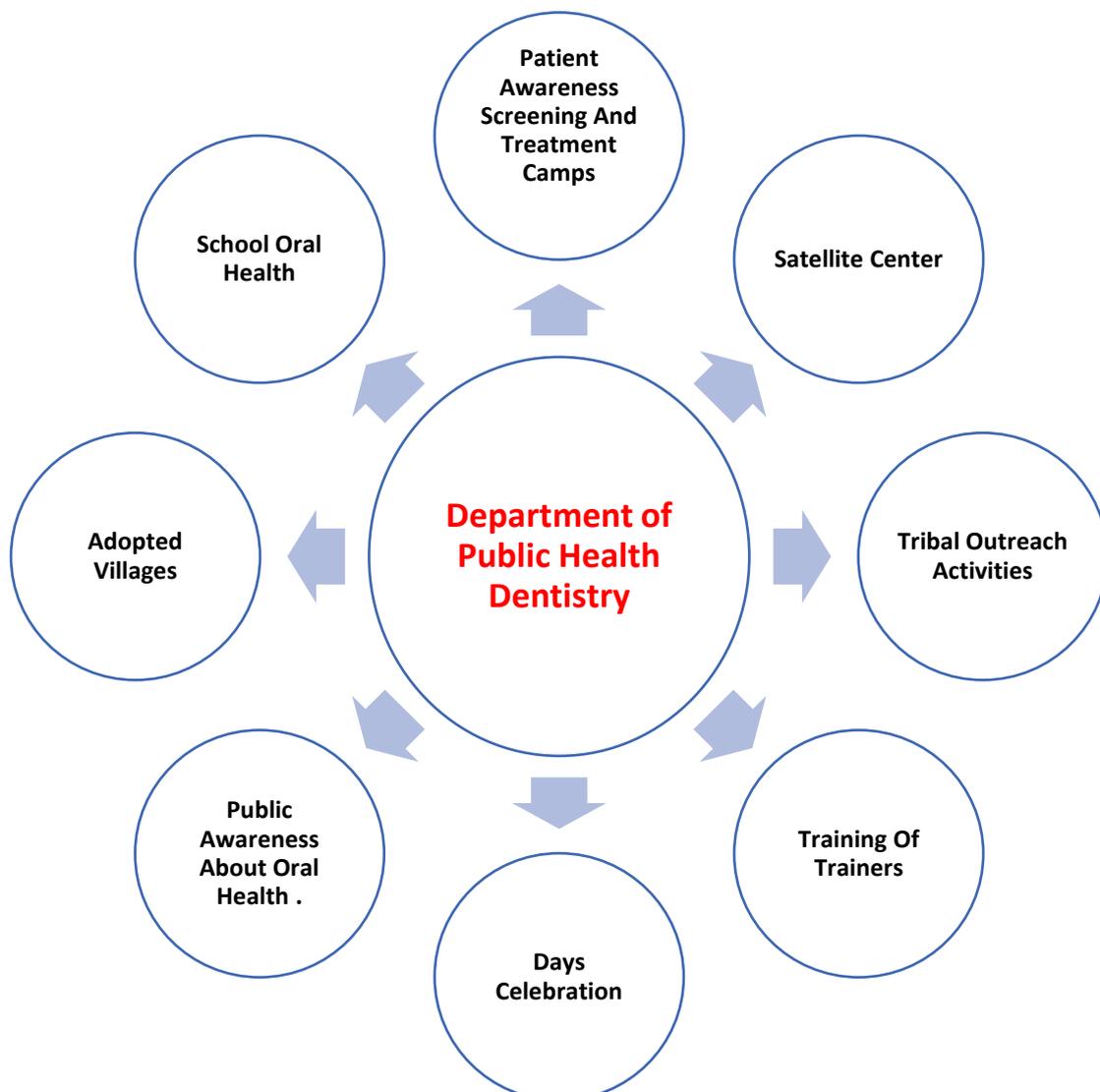




## INSTITUTIONAL SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY ACTIVITIES IN THE NEIGHBOURHOOD COMMUNITY

*On a mission to reduce oral health burden of the community*

Government Dental College and Hospital with the aim of serving the humanity have been striving hard to provide quality dental care to the patients visiting the institute. But we are also aware that to have a larger social impact on society we have to stive harder. Hence, we are also on a mission to reduce the oral health care burden of the society by reaching the community. The department of Public Health Dentistry is working towards the goal of oral health for all by educating, empowering, enabling and assisting the society to improve their oral health. The department has carried out various activities to fulfil their commitment towards the society, Such as:

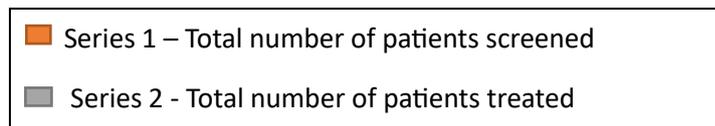
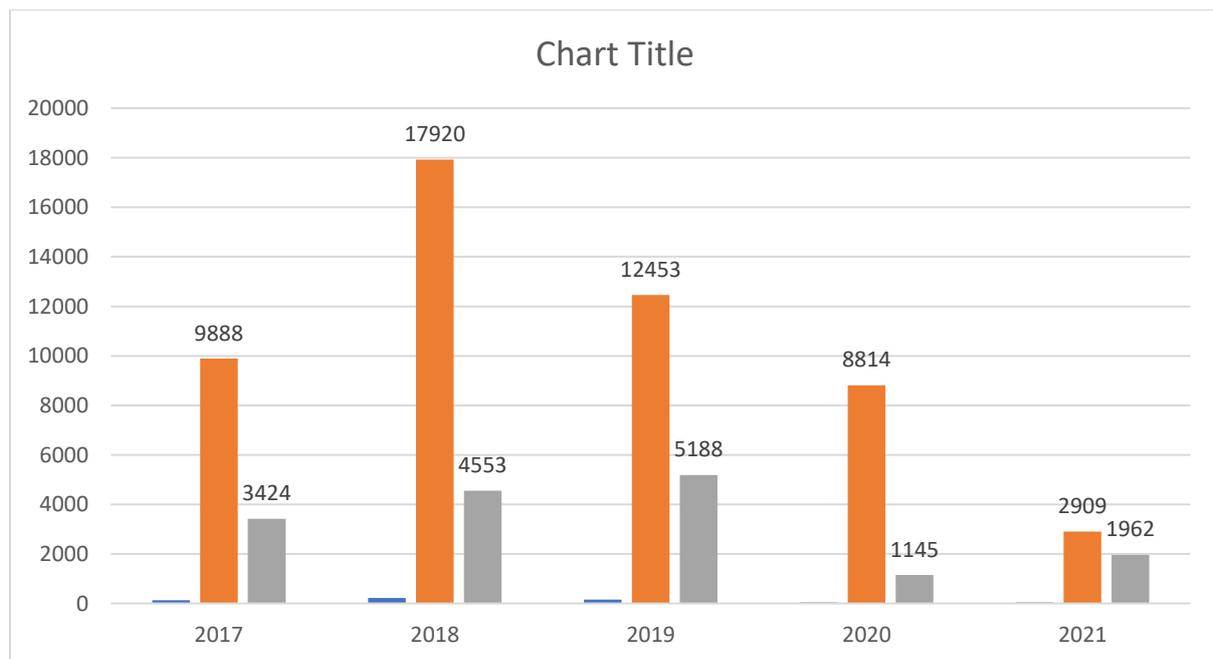




## PATIENT AWARENESS SCREENING AND TREATMENT CAMPS

Department of public health dentistry has conducted various camps for Awareness, screening and treatment. Since 2017 till date, we have crossed 800 camps in spirit of 2020 and 2021 were the covid years. In such camps we make patients aware about good oral health, patients are screened for any dental disease. The basic treatments such as scaling, restorations and simple extraction and preventive treatments such as pit and fissure sealants and fluoride applications are provided to patients in the mobile dental vans or portable dental chairs. The patients who require specialised or surgical treatments are referred to the college.

More than 63000 patients have benefited by the camps. these camps have been conducted at many places such as tribal areas, rural areas, urban slum areas, schools, Fairs etc.



## SATELLITE CENTRES

Oral health is a basic human right and no one should be deprived of it for any reason. Keeping this in mind Government Dental college and Hospital Nagpur has 4 satellite centres.

- **Central jail**
- **Mental hospital**
- **Government Ayurvedic College**
- **Dr Ambedkar hospital and research Centre Nagpur.**

### 1. Screening and treatment of Prisoners in the Central Jail, Nagpur

Visit to the Central Jail Nagpur for the screening and treatment of male and female prisoners is carried out. It was proved very beneficial to not only to the jail inmates but also to the state administration. Very idea of providing oral health care in the central jail itself was not only of huge help to the jail inmates but it has also solved many securities related issues about the dreaded inmates who could be given oral health care whenever required. It has saved a lot of man power, time and energy of jail authorities as well as judiciary as many legal formalities related to taking prisoner physically out of jail could be avoided. The team from department of public health dentistry visit the prison twice a week.



## 2. Screening and treatment camp in the Mental Hospital Nagpur

Once in every month screening and treatment camp was organized in the Mental Hospital, Nagpur. It is very difficult for the mentally disturbed people to take care of their oral health. Bringing all such needy patients was a difficult task for Mental Hospital administration. GDCHN took the responsibility of oral health care of all such people. This has again helped the mentally disturbed patients as well as the Mental Hospital administration also.



### TRIBAL OUTREACH ACTIVITIES

Nagpur is surrounded by a vast area inhabited by the tribals population. Due to various reasons this population are unreached and hence are deprived of varies healthcare facilities. With the motto of “**Reaching the unreached**” Department of Public Health Dentistry have carried out 2 major projects with **SEARCH GADCHIROLI** and **ADDITIONAL TRIBAL COMMISSIONER (ATC) Nagpur**.

The institute has provided oral health care in the far flung remote tribal areas like Gadchiroli. Regular visits of one staff member along with interns at every 15 days interval was organized at SEARCH, Gadchiroli. As per their requirement special camps were organized for different dental procedures. Screening camps were organized in various villages not only for dental

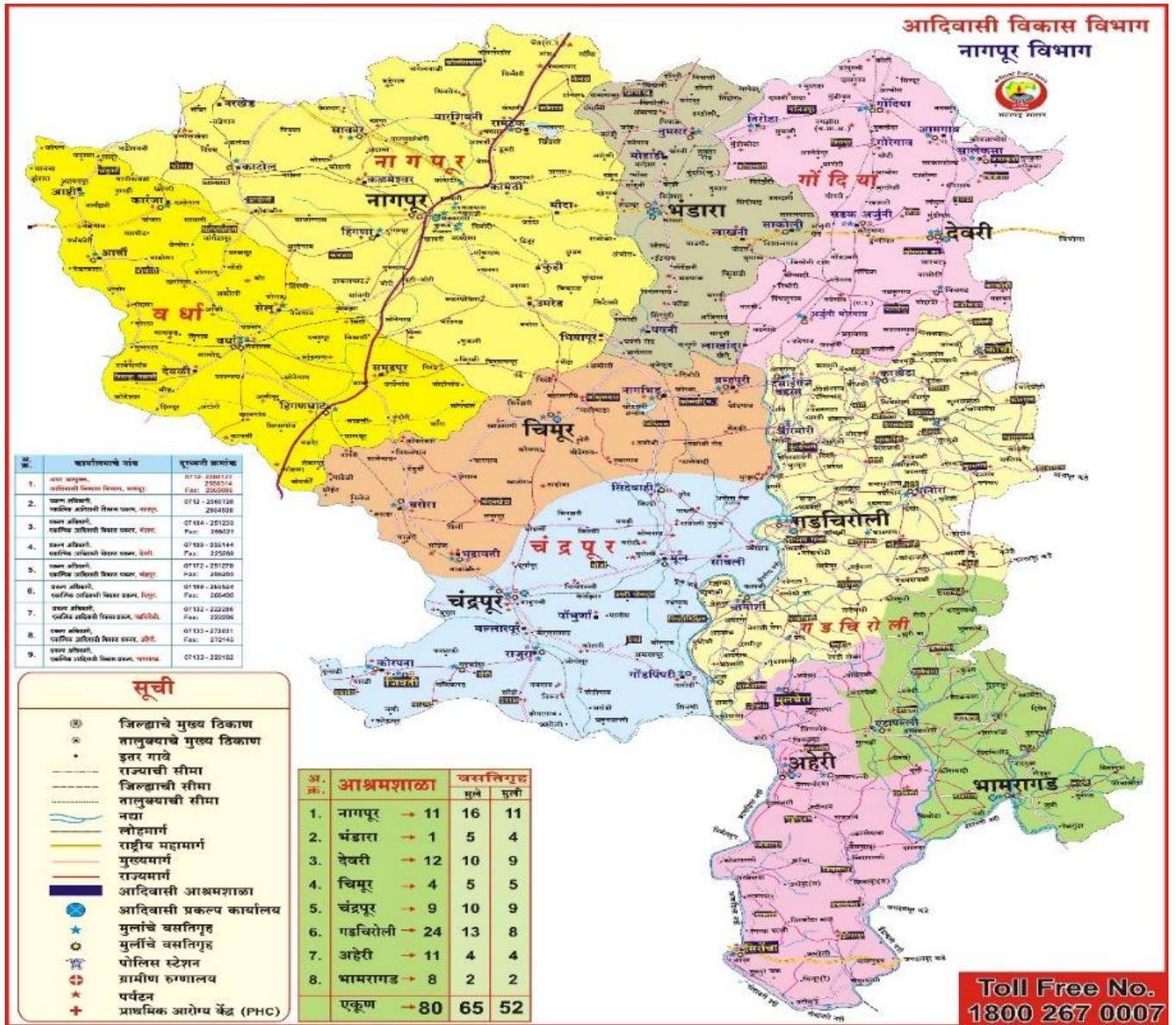


check-ups but also for oral precancerous and cancerous lesions. The patients requiring further treatment were followed up in the institute.



The department also carried out comprehensive tobacco control program CTCP in all tribal Ashram schools and hostels under ATC Nagpur division. The team have screened, the children for oral precancer and cancer lesions provided treatment to all tribal ashram Schools and Hostels under ATC Nagpur. they also created awareness about ill effect of tobacco and motivated children to quit tobacco. more than 23,000 students benefited from the projects.





NOTE: THIS MAP IS NOT TO SCALE AND HAS BEEN MADE FOR THE PURPOSE OF FIELD VISIT IN NAGPUR DIVISION.

## TRAINING OF TRAINERS

We are fully aware that to reduce the oral health burden requires community efforts. Hence also focus on community participation. for improving the community participation, we also have a program of training of the trainers. Here we train the school teachers, anganwadi workers, frontline workers such as Asha workers, ANM nurses etc. In this we train them about good oral hygiene who will intern train their students and patients. By this we are able to reach indirectly in more remote areas and reach larger population for promoting good oral hygiene.



## DAYS CELEBRATION

The Department of Public Health Dentistry observes various day to create more awareness and enthusiasm about the days by observing various actives. Days observed by the department are

- Maharashtra oral health day
- World oral health day
- World health Day
- Science day
- World no tobacco day
- Public Health Dentistry Day
- National tooth brushing day.

To observe these days various week long to month long activities have been carried out by the department. activities carried out such as

- Conducting, awareness, screening and treatment camps
- Conducting preventive treatment camps for children
- Organising various competition such as drawing and slogan competition for school children, quizzes, debates, paint your locker, selfie, reel making, etc competition for the undergraduate and post graduate dental students
- Demonstration of toothbrushing technique to public and school children.



- Observing these days is not just for celebration and creating awareness in public it's like **working for a cause**. **The institute** is working for anti-tobacco awareness since decades, and the anti-tobacco fight still, continues till day. Under this campaign Department of Public Health Dentistry has carried out yellow line campaign, distribution of COTPA rules posters, sensitisation of school teaches for COTPA rules. etc
- Occasions such as 75<sup>th</sup> Independence Day was also celebrated by the department. As a part of **Azadi ka Amrut Mahotsav 75 camps** were planned in collaboration with NMC in different areas of Nagpur. Most of these camps were held in the socio economically backward areas such as urban slums, NMC schools of Nagpur. total patients screened 5839, total patients treated 3275.



Inauguration of 75 NMC camps



World oral health Day



National Tooth Brushing Day



Awareness about COTPA



Yellow line campaign

## PUBLIC AWARENESS ABOUT ORAL HEALTH IN MASSES

To reach maximum number of people the department organises various activities such as

- Rallies
- Nukkad Natak
- Radio Talk
- Newspaper Articles
- Display To Anti-Tobacco Posters in Public Places

Providing oral health education material for especially abled population. Department of Public health dentistry has developed **Braille Oral Hygiene Instruction Booklet** for blinds and oral health **education video with sigh language** for deaf and dumb.

Participation in Fairs and scientific exhibitions such as VIBHA to create awareness and promotion about good oral health



## ADOPTED VILLAGES

Department of Public Health Dentistry has 11 adopted villages with the aim to reduce oral health burden of rural India. These villages have been adopted with some NGO which is working for overall development of the villages such as SUSANSKAR BAHUDESHIYA SANSTHA, NAGPUR and SATYA SAI SANSTHA NAGPUR. Various activities are being carried out in these villages including Rallies for public awareness, Training of school and anganwadi teachers for promoting oral health, screening and treatment of school children and adult population of the village.



## SCHOOL ORAL HEALTH PROGRAM

the school children are our future. This age group is very vulnerable population. But if targeted at early age a habit of maintaining good oral hygiene can developed and maintained lifelong. Keeping this is mind, department of Public Health Dentistry is on a mission to carry out screening in as many schools as possible. In last 5 years more than 200 schools have been covered. Oral health education is provided to school teachers to promote oral health in children, proper toothbrushing technique is demonstrated to children. Screening and treatment are provided to children. Securing the oral health of children is securing the future of oral health.





Hence by reaching the unreached Government Dental colleges and Hospital screen and treat those patients who sometimes are not able to reach the Hospital due to various reason such as unawareness, commutating barriers lack of knowledge, lack of resources etc. the institute also creates awareness about maintaining good oral hygiene at varies strata of the community from school children, to disabled people, from urban slums to rural areas, from adopting villages to reaching tribal areas.