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Developmental Psychology

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Unit 1: Report on virtual field visit



On the 13th of October, 2021, a virtual field visit to KEM TDH was organised by the Department of Psychology for the Second-year students of Psychology. The virtual visit was conducted by Mrs. Richa Mulay, who is a medical social worker at the hospital. She helped give the students insight into the work carried out at KEM.

**ABOUT THE ORGANISATION:**

- **KEM** (The King Edward Memorial Hospital) was established in the year 1912 as a small charitable trust, and was founded by *Sardar Srinivas Moodliar*. It started off very small, with just four maternity beds, and in the year 1944, the responsibilities of the hospital were handed over to *Dr. Banooy Coyaji* and under her guidance, the hospital was further developed and expanded vastly. Today, the hospital has around 550 beds, and is has become a multi-speciality hospital that serves urban as well as rural localities.
- **THEIR GOALS:** KEM is a non-governmental organisation whose main aim is to provide modern diagnostic and treatment facilities without any discrimination of any kind (Creed or economic capacity). Their motto "Hospital with a Heart", rings true as they provide treatment to whoever it is that walks in through their doors regardless of economic status. They strive to help people even if they cannot afford expensive treatments, by raising funds for them through the general public.

**ABOUT TDH CENTRE:**

KEM started TDH in order to help children who faced development issues, challenges and children with special needs. It was started in the year 1979, in collaboration with a German social organisation- '*Terre Des Hommes*'. Its unique interdisciplinary approach made it the first of its kind in India. It was the first institute that dealt with various forms of disabilities and challenges under one roof where one could avail of different kinds of doctors, specialists and therapists in one place. This centre is headed by Dr Anand Pandit who is a renowned pediatrician, researcher and director of Pediatrics at KEM.

**THE MORRIS TRUST:**

In the year 2007 Morris trust generously helped the TDH centre to re-equip and redesign their space into a child friendly integrated unit. The colourful centre that we see today is all their hard work and effort. In order to show appreciation for their generosity, the name Morris child development centre is added.

**THE MAIN FOCUS OF TDH CENTRE:**

- As mentioned earlier this was the first centre that provided treatment and therapeutic services various kinds of disabilities. Their main aim is to create availability of all kinds of treatment under one roof. The organisation strives to assess and manage developmental issues in children such as development delays in speech and language, autism, ADHD, learning disabilities, cerebral palsy, hearing impairment, down syndrome and many others.



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