

World Rare Disease Day observed



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To mark the World Rare Disease Day the Molecular Diagnostics Counseling Care and Research Centre (MDCRC), conducted an awareness campaign about Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy(DMD).

Mr. K. Periaiah, Commissioner of Police, Coimbatore city, who was the guest of honour, flagged off the event from Uppilipalayam signal.

Students from Hindustan College of Arts & Science Coimbatore and Jeyandra Saraswathi College of arts

and science Coimbatore carried placards at traffic signals showing the symptoms placards to the public to create awareness among them.

The campaign started from 7.30 am and ended by 9.00 am and 160 volunteers had participated (20 per signal both sides).

World rare disease day is observed on Feb 28th of every year. On this day we educated the public that Duchenne muscular dystrophy is a lethal genetic disorder, although categorised as rare but it is nothing but a neglected / orphan disease which affects

only the male children in an outsized number in Tamil Nadu as compared to the world statistics.

In order to voice out their rights and fight for their benefits, MDCRC had taken this initiative to publicise our services offered and empower them to conquer Duchenne said Dr B .R. Lakshmi, founder and head MDCRC

DMD is a devastating, life threatening genetic disorder predominantly affecting boys, who progressively lose their physical functions and finally succumb to the disease.