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The Publication Section has energetically performed activities on Research Capacity Strengthening and Research Knowledge Management in DMR by carrying out regular publication of Journal, Bulletin, E-Newsletters, dissemination of up-to-date research findings and health information to the public and photographic services.

SERVICES PROVIDED

1. RESEARCH CAPACITY STRENGTHENING

1.1 PUBLICATION SERVICE

1.1.1 Myanmar Health Sciences Research Journal (MHSRJ)

The Myanmar Health Sciences Research Journal which represents the Ministry of Health and Sports and has been published by the Department of Medical Research as the focal institute is the outstanding symbol of medical Society in Myanmar. It stands for not only the local reference resource but also the valuable treasury one related with medical research in Myanmar. It is published three times a year and printed in 500 copies per issue, presents review articles, original articles, short reports regarding about a variety of health research in Myanmar.

Publishing of MHSRJ Volume 28, No. 1, 2 and 3 consisting of 39 articles was accomplished during the reported year. Twenty-six articles were accepted for Vol. 29, No. 1, Vol. 29, No. 2, respectively in 2016.

A total of 63 research papers presented at paper reading session and poster display of the 44th Myanmar Health Research Congress were submitted to the MHSR Journal. The annual meeting of the MHSR Editorial Committee was held on 7 September, 2016 and the new committee which consists of 25 members (Thirteen from DMR and twelve from Medical Universities) was formed.

1.1.2 DMR Bulletin

Under the guidance of the Editorial Committee, DMR Bulletins (Monthly) in 2016 were published including 42 out of 274 International News about Medicine and Health

articles sent by DMR scientists and 11 articles of Abstracts of Research Paper published or read abroad by DMR Scientists. Moreover, 15 abstracts of awarded papers at the 44th Myanmar Health Research Congress, as well as 1 awarded paper from the 6th Traditional Medicine Research Congress were appeared. In addition, advertisements on Hepatitis B Vaccine Clinic, Cervical Cancer Screening Clinic, Reproductive Health Hot-line, Poison Information Centre, recently available books at DMR through Central Biomedical Library and web site addresses launched in DMR are mentioned in the Bulletin.

The articles sent by various divisions and scientific groups of DMR were thoroughly reviewed by the respective committee members.

1.1.3 DMR E-Newsletter

During the year under report, 4 monthly issued DMR E-Newsletter Vol. 5, No. 3, Vol. 6, No. 1 and Vol. 6, No. 2 were circulated to current and retired staff of the DMR through Online service.

1.1.4 Special Publications

Annual Report (2015), List of Research/Service Programmes and Projects for 2016, မြေကိုက်ရောဂါ ကျန်းမာရေးအသိပညာပေးသုတေသနဆောင်းပါးများ were published in 2016.

1.1.5 Others

“Reflections of a Director-General (Medical Research)” written by Prof. Aung Than Batu was distributed according to the author’s instruction during the year under report.

1.2 DELIVERY SERVICE

The mailing lists of the MHSR Journal and the DMR Bulletin were regularly updated according to the supervision of the Editorial Committee. The MHSR Journals are distributed to the health institutions (up to the district hospitals) as well as some international organizations. The Bulletins are also delivered all over the country (i.e., up to township hospitals) by postal services and emails. The delivery lists of the MHSR Journal and the Bulletin are as follows.

No.	Name of Place	MHSR J	Bulletin
1.	Yangon Region (Departments, Medical Universities, Hospitals)	107	164
2.	Nay Pyi Taw (Ministerial Office, Departments, Hospital)	74	83
3.	Other States & Regions	106	410
4.	DMR (All divisions & retired staff)	109	111
5.	Authors & Reviewers	39	-
6.	Foreign Institutions	10	-
Total No.		445	768

1.3 MHSR JOURNAL WEBSITE (www.myanmarhsrj.com)

Under the guidance of the MHSR Journal Editorial Committee, Online submission at its website (www.myanmarhsrj.com) has been successfully launched since May 2016 as a part of upgrading the journal to meet the international standard.

It was found that most users are very pleased to retrieve full text of all articles which have been published since 1989, after registering as members on the website and total members of the journal website were 475 up to December, 2016.

There were 5569 visits to the website from 75 countries including Japan, Korea, Great Britain, USA, etc. starting from the launch to end of 2016. Fifteen authors made Online Submission and 3 articles have been accepted from it under the report.

Although Online submission make researchers get an easy access by just clicking for searching articles as well as submitting/ reviewing manuscripts, those who faced with difficulty in using internet access still have a chance to perform manual procedures. Advertisements of department consisting of Congress, Scientific Talks, Workshops, etc. were regularly shown at the website.

1.4 DMR OFFICIAL WEBSITE (www.dmrlm.gov.mm)

The publications of DMR: MHSR Journals, Bulletins, E-Newsletters and Annual Reports, and Events of DMR (monthly) were regularly updated at the Official Website in order to disseminate health information effectively.

2. RESEARCH KNOWLEDGE MANAGEMENT

As one of the Research Knowledge Management Programmes, the up-to-date research findings and health related information of DMR are timely released to the public through the media including newspapers, journals and TV channels (MRTV, Myawady, MRTV4, Sky Net) at the Department of Medical Research. During the year under the report, necessary services for the Health Information Dissemination of the department have been provided.

2.1 A total of 4 Health Research articles written by DMR scientists were appeared in the Mirror Daily and Myanmar Alinn Daily newspapers in 2016.

- (က) စိုက်ပျိုးရေးသုံး သီးနှံဖျက် ပိုးသတ်ဆေးနှင့် ခြင်အန္တရာယ်
- (ခ) မြန်မာ့တိုင်းရင်းဆေးပင် ဆေးခါးကြီး၏ ဆီးချိုသွေးချိုရောဂါကုသခြင်း
အပေါ်ဆေးစွမ်းထက်မြက်မှု သုတေသနပြုလေ့လာခြင်း
- (ဂ) အစွမ်းထက်ဆေးမြင်းခွာ
- (ဃ) မြေကိုက်ခံရလျှင် ထိရောက်မှန်ကန်သော ရှေးဦးသူနာပြုစုခြင်း

2.2 Press Release was conducted daily by members of the Information Subcommittee during the period of 44th Myanmar Health Research Congress in January, 2016.

3. OTHERS

3.1 Photographic Service & other

Photographic works have been carried out for documentations of various academic and social activities held in DMR including Myanmar Health Research Congress, workshops, seminars, scientific talks, symposia, meetings. During the period under report, the

photographic service was carried out for 172 occasions of the above various activities held in DMR. Binding work was done as necessary.