**Deputation**

Six lecturers, Mr. Gopi Kishore Mrs. Navya, Mr. Mahesh B.V.M. , Mr. Gnanavel, Mr. Jijo P.M. and Mr. Kuppuraj were deputed to Jawaharlal Institute of Postgraduate Medical Education and Research, Puducherry, Regional Institute of Medical Sciences, Imphal, Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose Medical College, Jabalpur in connection with the starting of BASLP programme in these institutions.

**Survey of Communication Disorders**

A survey of communication disorders by trained ASHA workers is going on as a part of an AIISH funded research project worth Rs. 48.23 lakhs in the districts of Mysore, Mandya and Chamarajanagara. In this regard, training for 77 ASHA workers was conducted on the topic Identification of Hearing and Speech and Language Disorders at the Institute. During the reporting year, the ASHA workers screened 84,033 persons staying in 17,253 households in 135 villages in Srirangapatna taluk, Mandya and 1419 among those screened were identified with various types of communication disorders. Totally, 157 were referred for Speech and Language therapy at the Institute and 15 attended the therapy.

