ALL INDIA INSTITUTE OF SPEECH & HEARING: MYSORE – 570 006

DEPARTMENT OF SPEECH-LANGUAGE SCIENCES

**PROFESSIONAL VOICE CARE CENTER**

**Annual Activities (April 2011-Marc 2012)**

The PVC Unit is dedicated to provide specialized assessment and management services to professional voice users. The unit organized various programs as part of its activities to orient and sensitize different groups of professional voice users regarding the care and maintenance of efficient voice and conservation of voice. Budding professional voice users, such as, trainees training to become singers, teachers, etc., require particular knowledge of the speech and voice production mechanism, their functions, appropriate use and practice for efficient voice use. In this regard orientation programs are conducted to different groups of professional voice users which include lectures, awareness of the participants (regarding voice, speech mechanism and conservation of voice before and after the program using questionnaires), demonstrations and screening of voice for disorders.

The Unit conducted the following programs,

* Orientation Program on “Conservation of Voice” was held on 27th Mar 2012 for the B.Ed students from Ramakrishna Institute for Moral and Spiritual Studies, Mysore.
* Orientation Program on “Conservation of Voice” was held on 14th Feb. 2012 for B.Music students from University Fine Arts College, Mysore.
* Orientation Program on “Conservation of Voice” was held on 20th April 2011 for B.Ed students from Ramakrishna Institute for Moral and Spiritual Studies, Mysore.

**Student training**

***36 final year M.Sc (SLP)*** and ***40 Internship*** *students* were imparted specialized training in the assessment and counseling of professional voice users for ***188 hours*** and ***104 hours*** respectively.

**Clinical services**

The unit provided detailed assessment and management services to professional voice users.

Diagnostic (Assessment) and Counseling services : ***18 clients***

Management services : ***31 clients***

(Ms. K. Yeshoda = 21, Mr. T. Jayakumar = 01, Mr. R. Rajasudhakar = 09)

**Publicity and Information**

Ms. K. Yeshoda, Faculty & Chairperson-PVC Unit was tele-interviewed on the topic, “Singer’s nodule (Vocal nodule) and Voice Problem” and the same was published in the health supplement of The WEEK, September 2, 2011 issue under the heading “Danger at the workplace”.

**Public Education Material**

The following 3 public education pamphlets were released from the PVC Unit at the inauguration of the “National Seminar on Evidence Based Practice in the Management of Voice Disorders” on 15th Mar 2012,

1. *Eight guidelines to keep you talking/ singing..*
2. *Vocal hygiene tips for professional voice users*
3. *Frequently asked questions(FAQ)*

Ms. K. Yeshoda

Chairperson-PVC Unit