

REPORT

CANCER AWARENESS AFRICA

FESTIVAL

TANGA,

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**KWASABABU WATOTO HAWAWEZI
KUPAMBANA NA CANCER WENYEWU**

CANCER AWARENESS EVENT IN TANGA

Under the Motto “... ***because kids can't fight cancer alone!***” IPMC, Rise'n'Shine and Eveline Ndosi (KCMC) organized a festival on pediatric cancer of two days in Tanga, Tanzania end of January. The festival was funded with the amount of 18,995,000 Tshs by the NIHR and UK Aid through the AI-REAL study from OXFORD university and KCMC.

Teams from the big Hospitals in Tanzania, KCMC, Muhimbili, Bombo and Bugando joint forces to spread the word and do check-ups.

The festival was hosted by the Urithi Museum, the local Bombo hospital and the Islamic Health Service (Jamiiyaatulakhlaaqlislam) also provided checkups and an ambulance. The Tanga Beach Hotel contributed infrastructure for children's games such as a bouncing castle.

The community was involved in different ways, the Tanga Kwanza Jogging Club were leading the Marathon and got involved in the football match. Several Orphanages were actively participating in stage performances (among them Kafa Dellgioia Orphanage and Chuda Orphanage) and the Usagara Secondary School, Old Tanga Secondary School, and the Changa English Primary School were played an active role in the festival. Dr. Buge was the guest of honor from the city council. The female MC Nyanjala guided through the event on Sunday and gave space to all teams to talk. The climax of the festival was the performance of Rise'n'Shine, an afro-reggae band from Mwanza/Tanzania. The song *afyakwawatoto* inspired the audience, the dancing and singing had such a strong impact, that even two weeks after the event the band still receives videos of children singing and

performing

the

song!



TEAMS INVOLVED

Team PrevACamp (KCMC, Moshi)

Dr. Simon Kamanda, Dr. Atukuzwe Kahawa, Priscus Mapendo, Tatu Msangi, Evaline Ndosu)

Team Iccare (Bugando, Mwanza)

Dr. Kristin Schroeder, Hillary Sued (iccare president) Norbert Mtenga (iccare, education)

Team Tumaini la Maisha (Muhimbili, Dar es Salaam)

Dr. Primus, Dr. Chambega, Dr. Jane, Nurse Ruchius, and Dr. Elizabeth (Clown Doctor)

Team Bombo Hospital (Tanga)

Dr. Muhamed, Dr. Saina, Dr. Evaline from the Pediatric Ward

Ground Team (Tanga)

Helena David (ground coordinator), Nyanjala Maingu (MC), Christian Mgana and Given (Stage, and sound engineers), Juma Videographer, Kids entertainment, Marathon /Match Team

Team Rise'n'Shine (Mwanza)

Angel (Singer, Children's Program Leader), CG (Organizer and Musical Director) Obadia (Marathon and Match Organizer), Imani (Drummer), Baraka Solo (Solo Guitar), Baraka Bass (Bass), Jona (Promotion Manager), Eliya (Sound), Masunga (face paint), Dr. Bahati (Singer, overall coordinator of the event /IPMC)

Team IPMC (Mwanza)

Kabula Moshi (Treasurer), CG (Implementation), Dr. Anne-Christina Achterberg-Boness (overall coordinator)

Data collected from KCMC

Adult registration – 155

Pediatrics registration – 52

Pediatrics not registers – xxxxx

HIV TEST 61 both were negative

PSA TEST – 20 both were normal


Blood collection – 14 units

Referral to KCMC – 3

Referral to BOMBO HOSPITAL – 3

TIMETABLE OF THE EVENT

Friday evening		
6:00 p.m.–8:00 p.m.	Initial Meeting of all Teams Introduction of all people Dr. Bahati Stage organization CG	Urithi Tanga town

	Activities and timetable Jona	
Saturday		
8:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	Marathon Loud speaker Lorry M.C. Marathon Obadia Media Jona	
4:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m.	Football match Team Muhimbili Team Bugando Team KCMC Team Rise'n'Shine Team Usagara Team Islamic Help Tanzania	Bumbuli School Football ground
7:00 p.m.–8:00 p.m.	Sound check Rise'n'Shine CG and Christian Mgana Orphanage CG and Christian Mgana Speakers CG and Christian Mgana	Urithi
Sunday		
8:00 a.m.	Preparation Setting of the infrastructure Teams	Urithi
8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.	Official opening Introduction of the guests of honor and small speeches MC, guests of honor	Urithi
9:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.	Rise'n'Shine performance Cancer Awareness Songs Band Children's entertainment Bibi Fire	Urithi
9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.	Speeches and Examination - KCMC Team Explanation of what is in the tents, Pediatric, Oncology, Adult and Lymphoma study, Testimonies Dr. Simon Kamanda, Dr. Atukuzwe Kahawa, Priscus Mapendo, Tatu Msangi, Evaline Ndosu	Urithi
10:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	Orphanage Performance	Urithi

	Theater play and songs from Kids Bibi Fire	
11:00 a.m. – 12:00 a.m.	Speeches Team iccare Warning sights of pediatric cancer I care, Tree of life Dr. Kristin Schroeder, iccare president, education coordinator	Urithi
12:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.	Break	Urithi
1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.	Children's games, face painting and check ups	Urithi
2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Speeches Team Tumaini la Maisha (TLM) Dr. Primus, Dr. Chambega, Dr. Jane, Nurse Ruchius, Dr. clown Elizabeth, Survivor Kelvin	Urithi
3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Rise'n'Shine performance	Urithi

LESSON LEARNED

Tanga was on fire the weekend of the festival – the marathon through town was a good opener to make the event public. Anyway, many people already new something about the festival because of the promotion work on online platforms and radios.

The strategy to do community involvement was working out well. The linking up with local health institutions, schools and orphanages made it to have all the time kids being around and parents learning about cancer.



A very positive effect of the festival was the networking aspect for the teams from the different hospitals. There was room for discussions and also a commitment to be involved in the next event. The feedback round after the event was positive so far concerning the organization and the community involvement. It was said that next time the medical preparations should get more attention. Also, the duration of the event was discussed and it was proposed to do a cancer awareness week and a festival of two days on the weekend.

PICTURE GALLERY





