

Snakebites to get the 'antidote' of a Monowheel

Thane Based Crisys Foundation designs Ambulance

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Snakebites, not getting timely treatments are going to claim several lives in thane district. To make it easy for the patient to reach the hospital and to provide First-aid to the patient in this period – Crisys Foundation from Thane has made Mono-Wheel Ambulance. In first phase, 30 Adivasi Padas are going to be given the ambulance free of cost, and then with help of donors, the organisation plans on reaching it to 300 such Adivasi padas/ villages.



Last week, a girl a Kalyani Bhoir, (age 16), died by not reaching timely treatment after a snakebite in Vikramgad Taluka. Every year at least 20 such lives are lost in Thane District. Mono-Wheel Ambulance was developed by Crisys
Foundation to reduce this death toll informed Ms. Apoorva Agwan. The Mono-Wheel is extremely lightweight and can traverse any

type of rural roads. After snakebites the poison rapidly spreads through the body which causes breathing problems. For such a situation the Mono-wheel has manual and automatic Ventilator service as well said Dr. Sarita Parikh, Klara Koeppl and Glenn Fernandes. Snake traps, shoes and Pinak, an Ayurvedic Medicine is also included in the Mono-Wheel Kit.

Crisys Foundation is a software development company. The funds generated will help us reach upto 30 padas with the Ambulance and the kits from Jawhar, Mokhada, Vikramgad Talukas. The organisation plans to reach 300 such villages. The organisation also creating awareness about operating the Mono-wheel and also about snakes which is greatly needed in the masses said Apoorva Agwan.

Making the Mono-wheel approximately costs: Rs. 10,000. While suggesting that if donor comes forward maximum villages can be reached with this Mono-wheel, she also expects that plans should be thought up on Government level as well.