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AWARENESS ABOUT SWELLING OF GINGIVA AT MUMBAI RTO

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Venue: Mumbai RTO

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Organizing Agency: Department Of Public Health Dentistry, MGMDCH; NSS Unit, MGMDCH, Mumbai RTO & IDA

Number of Students attended: 8

Swollen gums, also known as gingival swelling, is a common oral health condition characterized by inflammation and enlargement of the gum tissues surrounding the teeth. It is often a sign of an underlying dental or oral health issue and should not be ignored. Based on etiopathogenesis, enlargements could be inflammatory, drug influenced, those associated with systemic conditions or diseases, neoplastic or false enlargements. According to location, enlargements could be marginal, papillary or diffuse. Based on distribution they can be localized or generalized. MGM Dental College constantly takes efforts of extending the oral health care to the community. The oral care initiative was also extended to patients at MUMBAI RTO with the intention of creating awareness about the importance of nutrition in maintenance of good oral hygiene.

Aim and objective:

1. To assess the oral health status of patients and to provide necessary Dental treatment.
2. To educate them and create awareness about swelling of gingiva and its etiology
3. To assess the gingival health of the individuals visiting the camp for check-up.

Method:

- **Bleeding Gums:** Gums that bleed during brushing or flossing may indicate inflammation.
- **Swollen or Red Gums:** Healthy gums should be pink and firm. Swelling or redness may be a sign of irritation.

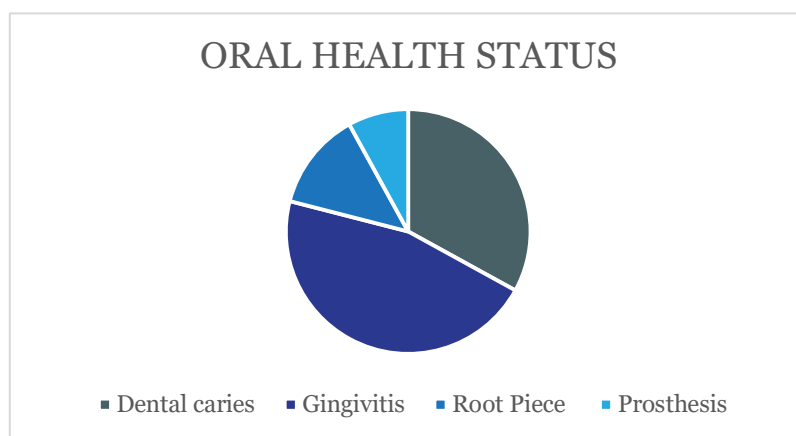
- **Persistent Bad Breath:** Chronic bad breath that doesn't improve with oral hygiene could be a sign of gum disease.
- **Gum Recession:** If your teeth appear longer than before, it could be a result of receding gums.

A type III examination was carried out with the use of tongue depressor in day light. All the patients were assessed for oral health status and were explained the need to get the problems corrected. The patients were made aware of the existing dental problems and how swelling of gingiva can affect their general health.

Observations: A total of 70 patients were examined for various dental problems. Those requiring extensive treatment were referred to MGM Dental College and Hospital, Kamothe.

Oral health status:

Condition	No. of individuals	Percentage %
Dental caries	23	33
Gingivitis	32	46
Root piece	9	13
Prosthesis	6	8



Interpretation and conclusion:

1. Dental caries and gingivitis are the most common problem among the patients which can be reduced by utilizing proper diet and nutrition and also the facilities available the PHC.
2. Oral health education and prevention strategies should be implemented in order to reduce the disease burden among these patients. Majority of the oral diseases are due to lack of proper health education of the patient and insufficient dietary intake.
3. The various etiology of gingival swelling was explained to the patient and they were encouraged to report to a dentist in case of any oral disease.



INVESTIGATION BEING DONE BY THE TEAM MEMBERS

List of Attendees

Name of Staff	
1.	Dr. Vaibhav Thakkar
Name of Interns& Students	
1.	Sneha Chouhan
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4.	Patil Vedant Pramod
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