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## **Andheri Health Centre Crosses Milestone: 50,000 Laparoscopic Sterilisations**

L&T's Andheri Health Centre (AHC), which renders several health services to the community, has crossed a major milestone of 50,000 female Laparoscopic Sterilisation Procedures from 1979 till today. The team of doctors have sterilised 50,000 women and 3,870 men.

AHC (previously known as Andheri Welfare Centre) started its operation in 1968. The services rendered by AHC include Family Planning, Mother & Child Health Care including immunisation, Skin & Leprosy clinic, Chest Diseases & Tuberculosis clinic, and Cataract & Eye Check-up. Family Planning operations through laparoscopic procedures started in 1978-79 with a dedicated team of ten gynecologists, anesthetists and surgeons at Andheri. The Centre undertakes several procedures: Copper-T insertion, and Medical Termination of Pregnancy (MTP with Cu-T).

AHC's services are utilised by the families of L&T employees and community at large. For the yeoman services, AHC has received many awards from the Municipal Corporation, Bombay Chamber of Commerce & Industry, and FICCI for the contribution and excellent work in family planning.

AHC is recognised by the Municipal Corporation of Greater Mumbai for these national programmes: Implementation of Family Welfare Programme as per the rules and regulations of Government of India; Medical Termination of Pregnancy under M.T.P. Act, 1971; and Immunization of children. The other services at the Centre are: Sonography (at subsidised rates); Counselling & Health education; and Training programmes for the health workers of NGOs and other bodies; endoscopy; X-ray; and diabetes clinic.

Many of these services are offered FREE OF COST through integrated outpatient, operating and counselling services.