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Medical Officer in Jharkhand | Thanal

Dhanbad, Jharkhand · full-time · mid level · Competitive

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Skills this role needs

- Public health programme management
- Medical camp organisation
- Community health training
- Partnership building with government and CSR donors
- Team supervision

Job description

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Thanal is a social development organisation working in rehabilitation, health, education, welfare and mental health. It was started in 2008 in Vadakara, Kerala, by local community members and professionals, and works under Daya Rehabilitation Trust, a trust registered under the Indian Trusts Act. Today it runs from its headquarters in Malaparamba, Kozhikode, with centres across Kerala and programmes in 19 states and 2 union territories. More than 4,000 staff and around 20,000 professionals and volunteers carry its work forward. The name Thanal means "shade", and the organisation is built on giving shelter, dignity and full rehabilitation to people the system leaves out, not just short-term relief.

Role

As Medical Officer based in Dhanbad, you will lead Thanal's health work in Jharkhand. You will plan and run medical camps and health awareness programmes for underprivileged communities, build partnerships with government and donors, and train and guide the team that brings health care to people who need it most. This role suits a doctor who cares about public health and wants to serve marginalised communities in tough settings.

Responsibilities

- Lead and oversee all of Thanal's state-level health programmes in Jharkhand.
- Plan, organise and run health awareness programmes and medical camps for underprivileged communities.
- Build partnerships with government departments, CSR (corporate social responsibility) donors and other stakeholders.
- Oversee programmes run jointly with partners and make sure they meet their goals.
- Train and guide the team to deliver community health work.
- Supervise the performance of the whole team and support staff in the field.
- Track programme impact and growth, and keep day-to-day operations running smoothly.

Requirements

- At least 2 years of work experience.
- A strong interest in public health and a willingness to serve marginalised communities in challenging field settings.
- Fluency in the local language spoken in Dhanbad and Jharkhand.
- Basic computer skills.
- Experience organising medical camps or health awareness programmes, and training or supervising a health team, will help.
- Based in or willing to relocate to Dhanbad, Jharkhand.

Benefits

- Lead health programmes at state level and shape how care reaches underserved communities.
- Work with an organisation active in 19 states and 2 union territories.
- Be part of a large team of over 4,000 staff and around 20,000 professionals and volunteers.
- Grow your public health and leadership experience in a full-time role.

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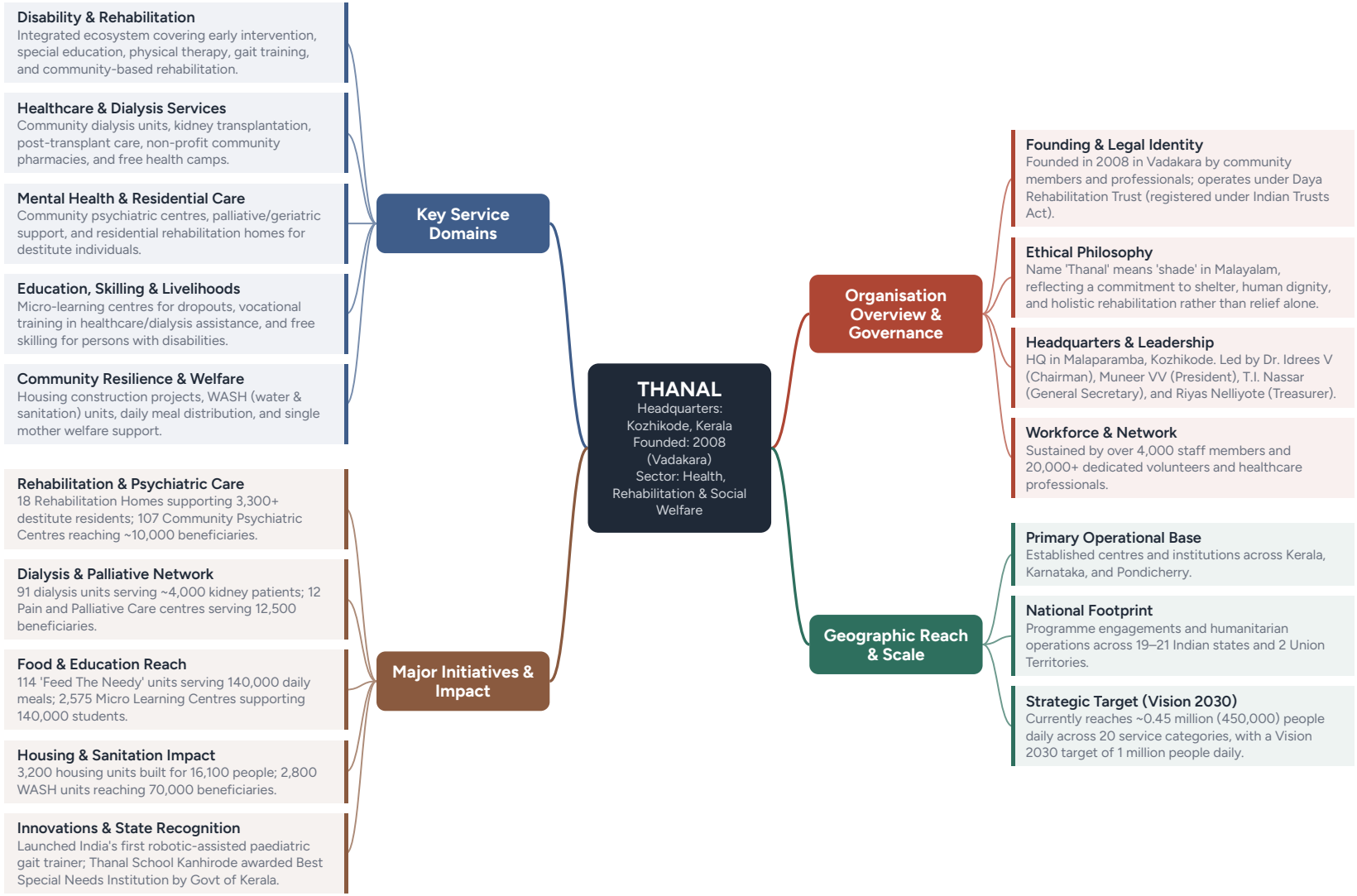

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Major Areas of Work

- Disability and Rehabilitation: Running an integrated ecosystem of early intervention, community based rehabilitation, special education, therapy services, and family counselling for children and adults with disabilities.
- Health: Operating community dialysis units, kidney care and transplantation services, palliative and geriatric support, health camps, and non profit community pharmacies promoting affordable and generic medicine.
- Education, Skilling and Livelihoods: Delivering vocational and certificate programmes in dialysis assistance, rehabilitation assistance, patient care, geriatric care, and computing, many free and reserved for persons with disabilities.
- Women, Children and Community Resilience: Supporting single mothers, mother-headed households, and vulnerable children through welfare access, education support, and policy advocacy.
- Advocacy and Public Engagement: Anchoring the Kerala Disability Festival, a state level platform advancing the social model of disability and universal design.

Major Initiatives and Programs

- Rehabilitation Homes, 18 centres supporting over 3,300 destitute and vulnerable residents
- Dialysis Centres, 91 units serving around 4,000 patients, alongside kidney transplantation and post transplant care services
- Community Psychiatric Centres, 107 units reaching around 10,000 beneficiaries
- Micro Learning Centres for Dropouts, 2,575 units supporting 1,40,000 beneficiaries
- Feed The Needy, 114 units serving 1,40,000 daily meals
- Early Intervention and Child Development Centres, 29 units for around 1,000 children
- WASH (Water, Sanitation and Hygiene), reaching around 70,000 beneficiaries across 2,800 units
- Pain and Palliative Care Centres, 12 units reaching 12,500 beneficiaries
- Housing Project, 3,200 units supporting 16,100 people
- Thanal School for Differently Abled, Kanhirode, recognised as Best Special Needs Training Institution by the Government of Kerala
- India's first robotic assisted paediatric gait trainer, launched for physical rehabilitation

Impact

Thanal currently reaches approximately 0.45 million people a day across 19 states and 2 union territories, with a Vision 2030 target of reaching 1 million people a day. Its programmes span 20 distinct service categories, from dialysis and psychiatric care to housing and education, supported by over 20,000 volunteers and 4,000 staff members. Milestones since 2008 include the launch of destitute homes and palliative care in its founding year, dialysis services from 2011, kidney transplantation from 2019, and COVID era emergency response including street dweller shelters, food, and medical support across Indian metropolitan cities.

Leadership

- Dr. Idrees V, Chairman (health administration expert and former Regional Director, Kozhikode District Social Security Mission, Government of Kerala)
- Muneer VV, President
- T.I. Nassar, General Secretary
- Riyas Nelliyote, Treasurer

Thanal offers the opportunity to work with one of Kerala's largest grassroots rehabilitation organisations, with close to two decades of experience spanning health, disability, education, and welfare. Staff work within a multidisciplinary, community rooted structure that partners with government schemes rather than duplicating them, and get exposure to a wide range of service areas, from dialysis and psychiatric care to vocational training and disaster response, across a network with genuine national reach.

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