

END . LEPROSY . TOGETHER

40 Years of working/
towards a Leprosy free India!

Annual Report 2018-19



ALERT - INDIA

Association for Leprosy Education,
Rehabilitation and Treatment

In 1978 ALERT-INDIA was established primarily to improve the health status and social inclusion of people afflicted by leprosy living in urban and rural areas with a commitment to promote right to health and inclusive living.

Today ALERT-INDIA advocates and promotes joint practical programmes with different stakeholders to support national efforts that address the challenges in leprosy control and minimizes the socio-economic consequences on persons and communities affected by leprosy in Maharashtra.

Leprosy is not yet a disease of the past...



Leprosy, one of the oldest diseases known to humankind - often associated with tragic individual deformities, isolated communities, poverty and fear - is still a public health challenge today.

With over 200,000 new cases detected globally every year, India accounting for more than half according to the World Health Organization (WHO), there is a continuing need for action.

ALERT-INDIA's VISION

Protect and promote the right to health of people afflicted by leprosy to live a life with dignity and respect.

“ Many medical and public health experts still look for a **magic wand** to make **India leprosy free**; yet no infallible solution is in sight. The real magic isn't in the available technology or the current data about the disease, but how we effectively **engage all stakeholders to control leprosy together**.



ALERT-INDIA's '**Leprosy Elimination Action Programme**' in **endemic districts of Maharashtra** offers a focused approach to achieve leprosy control. 18 Million people were covered in 9000 villages in 2018-19. In the year ahead we wish to increase Leprosy Referral Centers in remote tribal and rural areas and encourage community involvement.

We are thankful to all who helped and trusted us with their valuable time and funds. You reinforce our convictions to work for the rights of people with leprosy.

ALERT looks forward to your continued support as we scale up our programs to reach many more lives in the future.

Antony Samy, Chief Executive, ALERT-INDIA

ALERT-INDIA's Collaboration with Government at Center and State levels is critical.

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Early detection

Individual family and public Awareness

Treatment Monitoring and Control Continuous support

Professional training at different levels
Promotion of Human Rights

Over 70,000 individuals affected by Leprosy diagnosed, referred for treatment and cured.



Maharashtra Prevention of Impairment and Disability (MHPOID) Project

“ I have been associated with ALERT INDIA for almost two decades. The quiet sincerity and professionalism with which ALERT INDIA has been working for the eradication of Leprosy, TB and AIDS has impressed me a lot and deserves all encouragement and support.

Former Chief Secretary - Government of Maharashtra, ALERT committee member, AV.Ranganathan ”



Special clinics established at Rural Hospitals, in 15 endemic districts of Maharashtra since 2002

149



TB cases diagnosed and treated in Mumbai since 2013

Almost 40,000



Sex workers at high risk for HIV reached

200



AntiRetroViral Treatment centres supported in Navi Mumbai & Thane district for immunity monitoring of HIV affected

4



2018-19 Highlights

Urban, rural and tribal population focused upon in 8,912 villages, 74 blocks, 15 districts through Leprosy Elimination Action Programme of ALERT-INDIA providing leprosy care services

18 Million



Were provided with quality health services - for diagnosis of leprosy, prevention of disability and care of disability among leprosy affected

26,970 Children and Adults



TB program has been extended to 8 districts in Maharashtra



Progress in 2018-19

1. ALERT's Leprosy Elimination Action Programme (LEAP)

continued leprosy control in 15 districts with high leprosy prevalence through:

a) Awareness and Early detection

by focused drives and encouraged community participation

b) Leprosy Referral Centers

within the existing Government Health Centres to detect, treat and provide care for any disabilities and deformities caused by leprosy.

c) Cutting the transmission of Leprosy in the long run with treatment that leads to prevention and care of disability among those affected.

d) Training of public health workers

- continuing medical education for private and public health care practitioners.

e) Evaluation and monitoring for advocacy at national level.

f) Promoting rights and inclusion of people affected by Leprosy.

The 'Human Rights Based Approach' works from within the community promoting the participation of people affected by leprosy in availing their entitlements.

Leprosy Referral Centres in 15 districts provided quality care for Leprosy

73



Disability Prevention & Disability Care Camps were conducted at 143 Primary Health Centres in 64 blocks of 12 leprosy endemic districts in remote rural and tribal areas.

287



People in high risk areas were screened

49,452



Self Help Committee members were oriented in advocacy for promoting rights of people affected by leprosy

93



Aids such as Specialised footwear, Splints, Eyewear and Ulcer dressing kits were provided for prevention and care of disability

10,059



Participatory Grievance Redressal Meetings were conducted to identify, address and resolve health related issues of people affected

17



IMPACT

98% of new leprosy cases diagnosed without any disability.

12% of new leprosy cases

diagnosed are children below 14 years

3,398 New leprosy cases were detected

1,047 leprosy patients prevented from developing disability

397 infectious leprosy cases were detected and brought under treatment

ALERT'S Program focus is on Leprosy and continued support for persons affected.



Our other major areas of work

2. Tuberculosis (TB) Control Projects under revised National TB Control Programme

ALERT INDIA worked in 7 wards in Mumbai implementing Private Provider Support Agency (PPSA) to meet the National Strategic Plan of TB elimination by 2025.

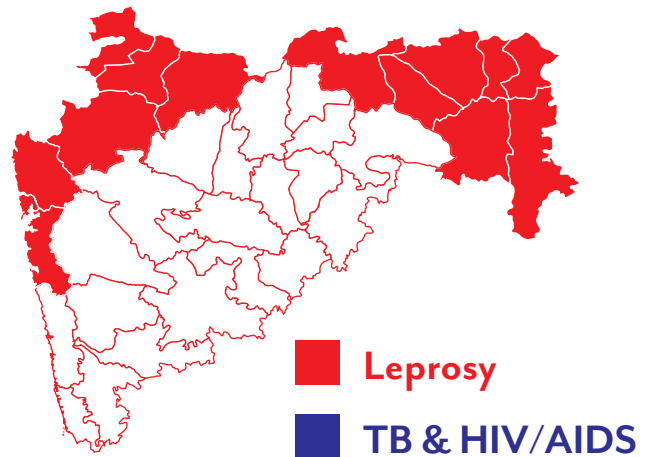
3. HIV-AIDS Control Projects under National AIDS Control Organization

reached over 500 families in Thane district with Home visits; Awareness Meetings; Early Childhood Development and Adolescent sessions.

4. Community Health and Family Development Projects

Programs respond to people affected by TB and HIV/AIDS

Program Areas



IMPACT

8150 Patients received free treatment 85% compliance seen

18124 Free chest X-ray provided to patients in the Private labs
33% detected positive for TB

255 Hub Hospitals; 75 Private labs; 1387 private practitioners; 255 engaged for effective delivery of free diagnostic and treatment services for TB patients.

Direct Beneficiary Transfer incentive for TB patients completing treatment



ALERT's Plan ahead

Plan ahead -

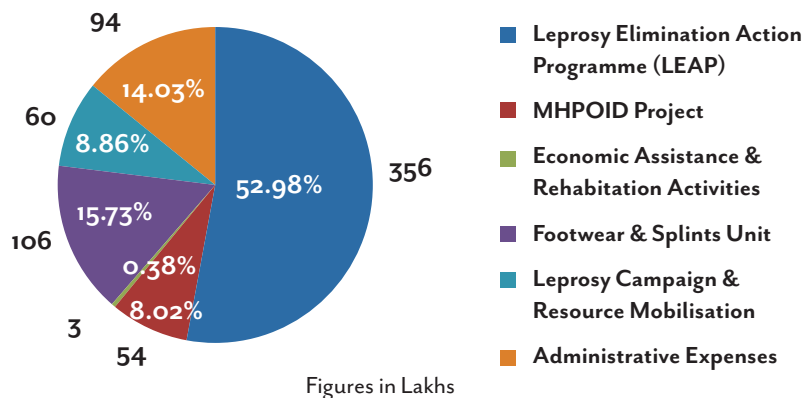
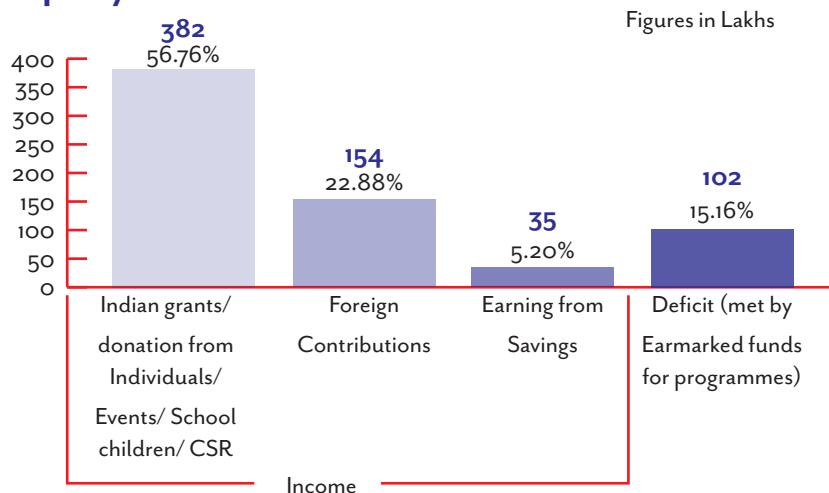
1. Prioritising Leprosy program in endemic areas of Maharashtra reaching tribal and remote areas.
2. Strengthen National Leprosy Eradication Program through advocacy and policy promotion (state/national) for effective leprosy control programmes.
3. Community based rehabilitation services for people with disability due to leprosy and other causes with special focus on women and children.
4. Promoting human rights of people affected by leprosy through participation and strengthening of Community Based Organisations.
5. Provide consultation to Leprosy affected individuals in North East in conjunction with AIFO (Specialist/ Government implementation partner).

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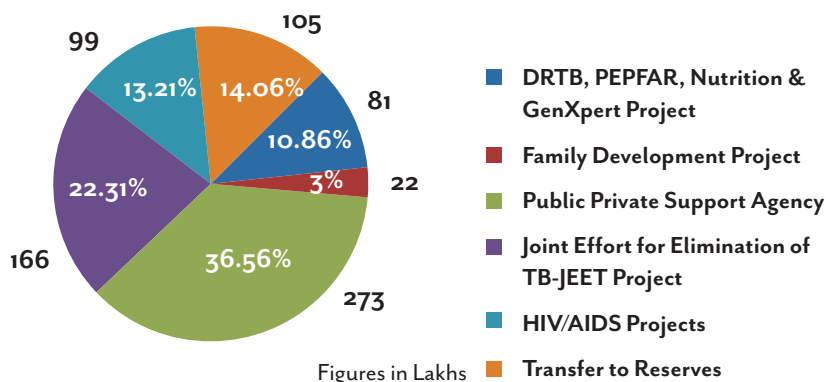
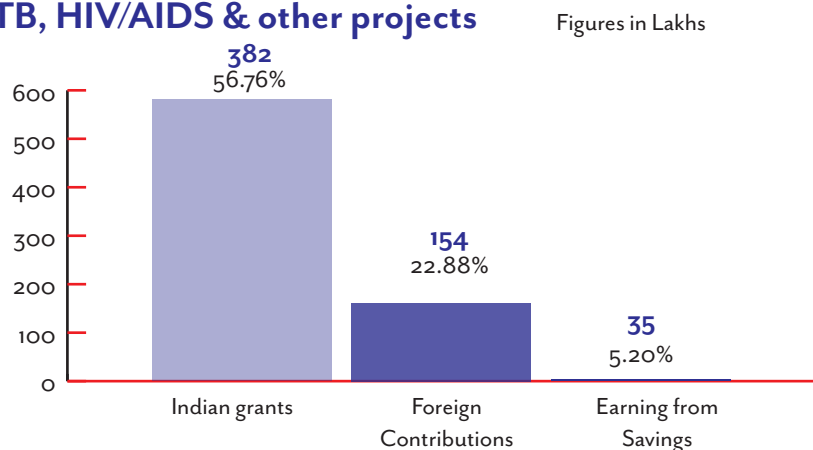
Financials and Transparency

ALERT-INDIA is well governed, accountable, transparent and legally compliant.

Leprosy Control Work



TB, HIV/AIDS & other projects



Registrations :

Trust Registration No : F 7293 BOMBAY

dated 16-01-1982

Society Registration No : BOMBAY 837/81 GBBSD

dated 24-11-1981

U/S 12A of Income Tax (IT) Act 1961 dated 17

December 1982

80G of IT Act [Reg. No. DIT (E) /ITO (Tech) / 80G

/ 1013 / 2010-11 dated 31 January 2011]

Foreign Contribution Regulation Act 1976 [Reg.

No. 083780109 dated

18 February 1985]

Registered Address:

6-B, Mukhyadhyapak Bhavan, Sion (W)

Mumbai 400 022

Auditors:

Mr. Deepak S. Karanth, Proprietor

M/s R.K. Karanth & Co.

Membership No. 39945

Beneficiary Name **ALERT INDIA**

Bank Name **Central Bank of India**

Branch Sion West Branch, Mumbai

A/c Type **Saving**

MICR No. **400016053**

A/c No. **1005019088**

A/c No. **1005016928 (FCRA)**

IFSC Code **CBIN0282064**

Gross Monthly Salary to Staff as on 31 March 2019

Amount (Rs)	Male	Female	Total
Less than 5000*	15	53	68
5001-10000	67	116	183
10001-25000	136	63	199
25001-50000	32	11	43
50001-100000	9	3	12
Total	259	246	505

* Honorarium paid to Peer Educator & Community Volunteers

* For detailed Audit Report 2018-19,

write to info@alert-india.org

Donations exempted under sec. 80-G of I.T. Act, 1961

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Thank you

Board members

NAME	POSITION	PROFESSION
Dr. P. H. Maniar	Hon. Chairman	Leprologist
Ms. Kishwar Nensey	Hon. Vice Chairman	Educationalist
Mr. George Thomas	Hon. Secretary	Media Expert
Ms. Leena Joshi	Hon. Treasurer	Social Worker
Dr. Ashok B. Shah	Member	Dermatologist
Dr. Sharmila Patil	Member	Dermatologist
Mr. Balakrishnan Mangad	Member	Para-Medical Worker
Mr. A. Antony Samy	Ex. Officio	Health Administrator
Dr. Waman S. Bhatki	Co-opted Member	Leprologist
Ms. Stella Mancheril	Co-opted Member	Para-Medical Worker
Ms. Veera M. Rao	Co-opted Member	Social Worker

Four board meetings, One Annual General Meeting held in 2018-19 with 80% and above present.

ALERT-INDIA works in collaboration with

NGOs in the GoodBye Leprosy Consortium | International Leprosy Relief Agencies | National Leprosy Eradication Program | Ministry of Health | Directorate of Health Services | Leprosy National AIDS Control Organisation National | Maharashtra and Mumbai District TB Control Society | Maharashtra State AIDS Control Society

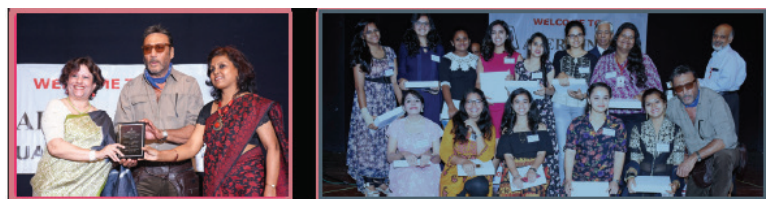
“ Everything we do is made possible because of your generosity, enthusiasm and dedication. While we assure to maximize the value of every contribution we receive, we earnestly appeal to individuals, trusts, foundations, corporate and government institutions to scale up our reach to deepen our impact on more lives.

Veera Rao, Director Resource Mobilisation ”

CSR Partners: H. T. Parekh Foundation | JSW Foundation | Allcargo Logistics Ltd. | UPL Limited | Mumbai International Airport L td (MIAL) | Balaji Telefilms Ltd

Donors: GIVE Foundation | Integrated Village Development Project | United Way of Mumbai | Automotive Manufacturers Ltd | Jaguar Private Limited | Shree Babulnath Mandir Charities | Volkart Foundation India Trust | Soonabai Pirojsha Godrej Foundation | PEN India Ltd | Inner Wheel Club of Bombay | Mr. Sameer Bhakhri

Trust & Foundation: Fairmed India | Anesvad Foundation | Mission Del Sorriso | Inter Aide | Public Health Foundation of India | P ATH | Soonabai Phirojshah Godrej Foundation | Centre for Health Research & Innovation - CHRI | Johnson & Johnson Pvt Ltd | Network of Maharashtra People with HIV/AIDS (NMP+)



“ The noteworthy efforts made by ALERT-INDIA since 4 decades, for the happiness of people affected by leprosy lifts us above ourselves and that gives a purpose and meaning in our life.

Jackie Shroff, Indian Actor, Film Producer and ALERT Committee Member ”

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“My dream is to educate everyone about Leprosy”



‘If I educate and train one grassroots health care provider on Leprosy then an entire community of 1000+ people stand to benefit.’

ALERT’s Leprosy educational communication reaches over 10 Lakh individuals - people in slum pockets & nearby buildings, company workers...and at offices - in Mumbai, Navi Mumbai alone’

ALERT INDIA Health Education officer; Leprosy Technician and Physiotherapist - Tananji Parushuram Kalale

CONTROL
EDUCATION
TREATMENT
AWARENESS

We CAN
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HUMAN
RIGHTS
HEALTH
INCLUSION

Help us reach people in rural and tribal endemic areas

₹35 Lakh will help us run five Leprosy centers in an endemic district for a year reaching 5-6 lakh individuals...

₹ 3 Lakh can provide Leprosy screening among 1,00,000 tribal/ rural population exposed to Leprosy infection

₹15,000/- enables Leprosy screening for children in one tribal residential school

Online donations can be made at : www.alertindia.org

*Donations to ALERT-INDIA are exempt under Section 80-G of Income-Tax Act.

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