

Mamta Samajik Sanstha



**PROJECT AXSHYA**

A Civil Society Initiative to Strengthen  
TB Care and Control in India

**The Global Fund Round 9 TB Project**



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## MSS at a Glance

### Reach the Unreached

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# ANNUAL REPORT: PROJECT AXSHYA

## Year: 2011-2012

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### **Acknowledgement:**

Project AXSHYA SPMU Team, MSS Dehradun wishes to thank The Union Team for providing monitoring and supportive supervision to our State project management team and our district coordinators. We would also like to acknowledge the support received from State TB Officer, District TB officer and all RNTCP staff from Uttarakhand and Uttar Pradesh for facilitating in our capacity building programme and give their valuable recommendations to reach the unreached areas.

MSS also wishes to thanks all our partner NGO's and other stake holders at district level without whom implementing project activities in remote villages, hard to reach areas might not have been possible.

### **Background:**

Mamta Samajik Sanstha based at Dehradun in state of Uttarakhand is a sub recipient of a Global Fund Round 9 TB grant project with "The International Union Against Tuberculosis and Lung Disease" who is the principle recipient. The project is named as project AXSHYA with the vision to eradicate tuberculosis from India.

The objective of project AXSHYA is engaging community based providers to improve TB services especially community based providers to improve TB services, especially for women and children, marginalised, vulnerable and TB-HIV co-infected population across identified 300 districts of the country. During phase 1 project AXSHYA is coordinating closely with 9 sub recipient in implementing project activities across 300 districts in year 3.

MSS is implementing the project AXSHYA activities in all 13 districts of Uttarakhand state and 5 districts of western Uttar Pradesh.

## **1. Axshya- Goals and Objectives:**

Goal: Improve access to quality TB care and control services through enhanced civil society participation

## **2. Objectives**

- Improve the reach, visibility and effectiveness of RNTCP through civil society support
- Engage communities and community-based care providers to improve TB care and control, especially for marginalized and vulnerable populations including TB-HIV patients

## **3. Geographical Coverage:**

Project AXSHYA is a Global Fund round 9 initiative. In India the Principle recipient of Global Fund is The International Union against Lung Diseases. The project is being implemented in 374 districts across 23 States in India.

- The Union – 300 districts
- World Vision India- 74 districts

## **4. MSS Area of Operation:**

MSS - Mamta Samajik Sanstha, Dehradun is one of the sub recipient partner with The Union in Project AXSHYA (Global Fund Round 9). MSS is covering 13 district of Uttarakhand and 5 districts of Uttar Pradesh.

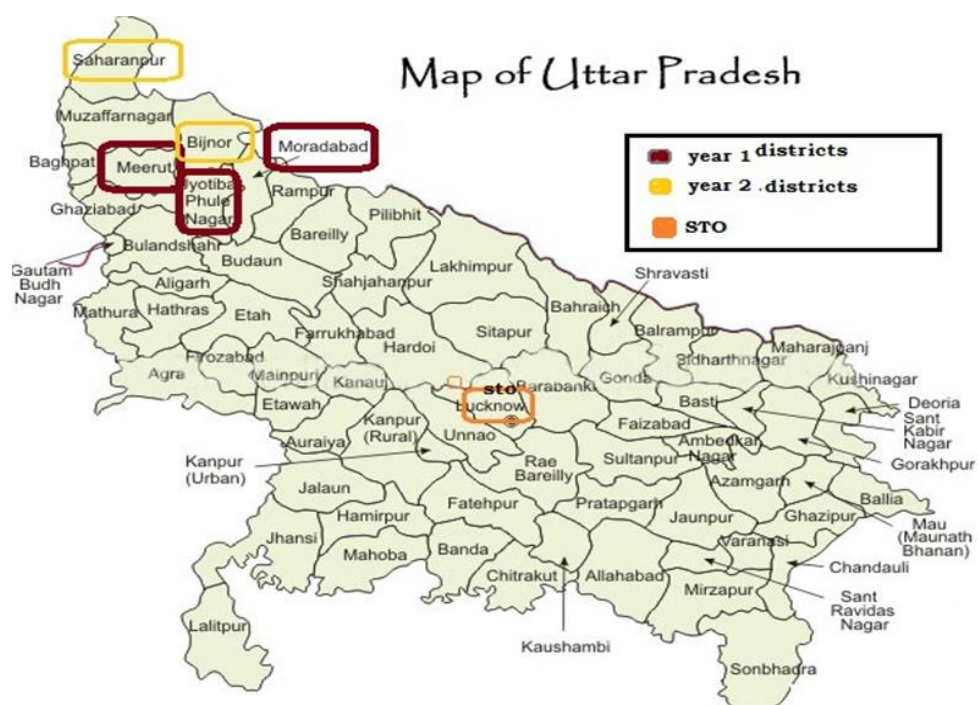
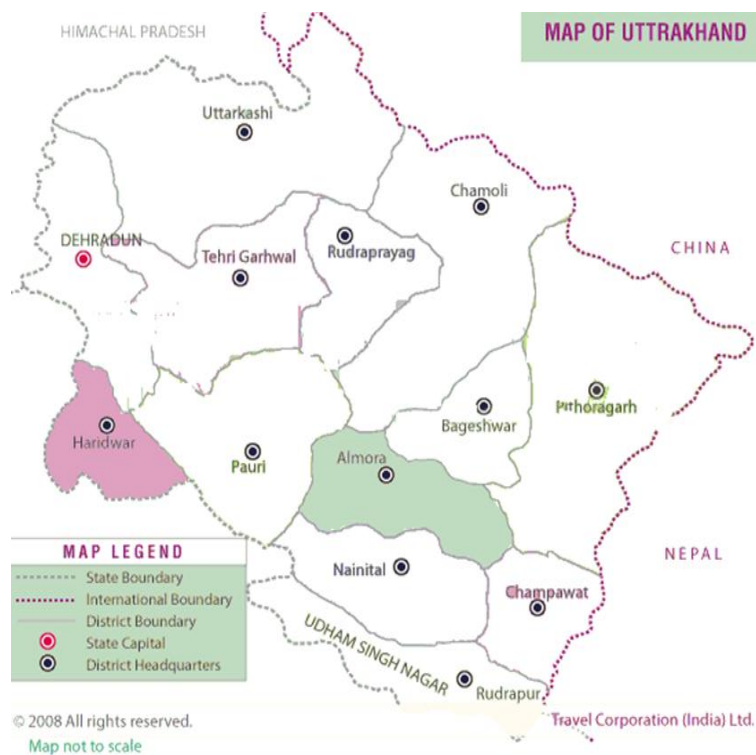
Year 1 districts of Uttarakhand: Almora and Haridwar

Year 1 districts of Uttar Pradesh: Meerut, JP Nagar, Moradabad

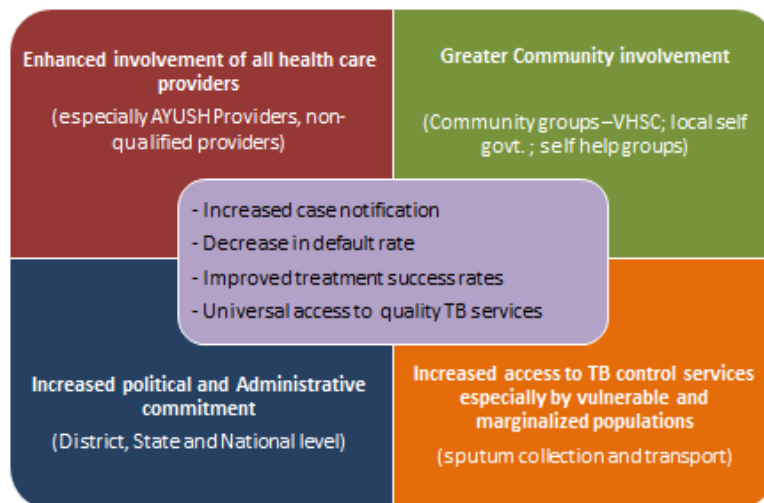
Year 2 districts of Uttarakhand: Dehradun, Bageshwar, Pithoragarh , Nainital, Chamoli , Pauri, Tehri, Uttarkashi,

Year 3 districts: Champawat, Rudraprayag, Udham Singh Nagar

**YEAR WISE DISTRICT REPRESENTATION: (2010-02, 2011-8, 2012 – 03)**



## 5. Activities and expected outcomes:



## 6. Updates on project deliverables:

MSS is delivering project AXSHYA at district level through Advocacy/Communication and Social Mobilization (ACSM) activities. The varied ACSM activities carried out since inception of the project is as below,

### ACSM:



- Community meetings
- Awareness Programme
- Patient Charter
- Special Rallies on WTBD

### Capacity building of district level networks and stakeholders:

- Train local NGO networks
- Train health staff in soft skills

- Capacity building of CBOs
- Sensitize RHCP – Rural Health Care Provider

### **Quarterly Meetings Review meetings of district level networks and stakeholders:**

- RHCP review
- CBO
- ICTC & DMC
- TB Forum members review
- Health staff half yearly review of persons trained in soft skills

### **Special Activities Conducted:**

- Sputum Collection & transport of TB symptomatic from Hard to reach area
- Default Retrieval
- Community Radio Awareness
- Mid Media events – street plays, mobile awareness van, Rallies

### **Key State level activities conducted:**

- Sensitize NGOs to register under RNTCP schemes
- State level training of TOTs for NGO/PP/CBOs training
- State level TOT for training Health Staff in soft skills
- Train district level networks of PLWHs
- Printing and display of Patient Charter

## Updates of Number of participants trained through Capacity Building Training:

State	Period	BCC tool Kit Training	CBO Network Training	NGO Network	RHCP Training	Soft skill Training
Uttarakhand	April'11-Mar'12	473	195	298	288	1128
Uttarakhand	Apr'12-Sept'12	304	60	59	224	176
Uttarakhand	Oct'12-Dec'12	64	0	0	104	214
Uttar Pradesh	April'11-Mar'12	304	60	59	224	176
Uttar Pradesh	Apr'12-Sept'12	340	61	59	462	594
Uttar Pradesh	Oct'12-Dec'12	116	0	0	31	72
Cumulative		1601	376	475	1333	2360

From April'11 till Dec'12 MSS under project AXSHYA has trained 1601 Community volunteers on Behaviour Change Communication, 376 Local grass root level Community based organisation members under CBO network, 475 NGO representatives trained on leadership and Management skills under NGO network, 1333 Rural Health Care Providers were trained under project AXSHYA to support district Revised National Tuberculosis programme.

### 7. Project Outcomes:

Project outcomes in terms of number of referrals done by referring TB Symptomatic cases to Nearest Designated microscopic centres (DMC) for sputum test and number of sputum collection done from vulnerable/marginalised and hard to reach areas in Uttarakhand and Uttar Pradesh.

### Referrals Updates from April'11 to Dec'12

State	Suspects referred	Suspects examined at DMC	Number diagnosed as TB (Smear + and Smear -)	Number initiated on treatment
Uttarakhand	1640	1035	83	82
Uttar Pradesh	3279	2169	713	628
Cumulative	4919	3204	796	710

### Status of sputum of Sputum collection and Transportation till Dec'12:

State	Suspects examined at DMC	Number diagnosed as TB (Smear + and Smear -)	Number initiated on treatment
Uttarakhand	2188	181	180
Uttar Pradesh	3918	335	240
Cumulative	6106	516	420

MSS Under project AXSHYA in 13 Districts of Uttarakhand and 5 districts of western Uttar Pradesh has done 4919 referrals till Dec'12 and among them 796 cases were diagnosed TB (smear positive) and 710 TB cases were initiated on Treatment.

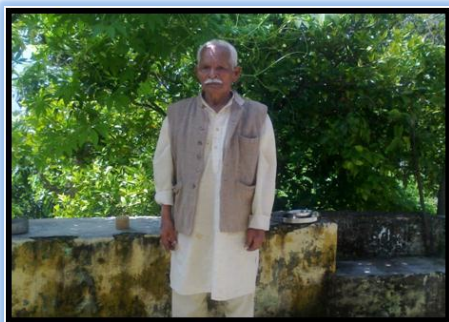
MSS has reached unreached communities such as vulnerable/marginalised/difficult hilly terrain and urban slums through its sputum collection activity and has collected 6106 sputum of TB Symptomatic cases from Uttarakhand and Uttar Pradesh, out of which 516 cases were detected TB (smear positive) and 420 cases were initiated on Treatment.

### Fruits of project AXSHYA:

Outcome	In Numbers
No of Axshya village	87
No of Axshya Mitra	252
No of Sputum Collection Centre	66
No of TB Champion	74

## PHOTO GALLERY:

**TB CHAMPION**  
Completely Cured



**CAPACITY BUILDING  
WORKSHOPS**





## MID MEDIA ACTIVITY



## AWARENESS CAMPAGIN WITH NSS STUDENTS



## A Goshti in the ITBP, Matli on World AIDS Day, 2012

### Condom Distribution at Ambala Highway, Saharanpur among Truckers



## Street play on TB-HIV CO infection



## Partnership Meetings



## Good Practice



## Success Stories



Guddi Devi age 45 from village Than Gaon, Chamba Block - district Tehri. She is suffering from Extra Pulmonary TB since Four Years. Initially her treatment started from Rishikesh private Hospital, she was admitted there for two weeks and treatment went on for 7-8 months. Due to lack of money she came back to chamba to Mashiha Hospital and was treated for two **weeks**, but the problem still was not solved and her condition was deteriorating. Through the help of MSS - Axshya Project, 108 ambulance was called and admitted her in Bauradi Hospital and now she is put on DOTs treatment.

**Name: Banno**

**Husband's Name: Gama**



**Sex: Female    Age: 30 years, Occupation: Cattle Rearing**

**Status: Category 1 TB patient    Weight before DOTs: 35 Kg, Weight on DOTs: 40 Kg**

**Current Address: Jokhalu Old Kalsi Road Block: Vikasnagar Dist. Dehradun**

**State: Uttarakhand**

Banno is an 30 years women belong to Gujjar community. She and her husband "Gama" is residing in jungle of Jokhalu which comes in region of Kalsi and Chakrata since one year. They stay in jungle because their family business is cattle rearing and to feed their cattle they stay in jungle. She has a girl child

Banno is a very hard working lady and always busy with her cattle's and in jungle cutting leaves/grass to feed her cattle.

Banno was diagnosed TB smear positive three months ago from CHC Vikas nagar. Pastor Surendra one of our NGO partner referred her and helped her to do her sputum examination, later he also did follow up with the RNTCP staff in Vikas nagar and Kalsi to start her treatment.

Currently Banno is taking Category one DOTS medicine from Kalsi. She is regular taking her medicine. During my recent field visit I met her and talked to her. She was very happy and smiling. She said that she regularly take medicine. One of their community fellow mate helped her to get medicine from CHC Kalsi, which she takes thrice a week. Initially she was feeling dizzy and tired, but now she feels very fresh and feels herself very energetic. Her weight has increased from 35 to 40 Kg, she also feels hungry and eats a lot. She said in her daily meals she takes eggs, cow milk, and green vegetables and also eats fruits as per availability. Recent update is that only one month treatment of Banno is left and soon she will be fully cured.


Banno and her husband "Gama" were very happy cause we visited them and inquired about her health, they also offered me and Pastor Surendra fresh Cow milk.

### PATIENTS' RESPONSIBILITIES

**You have the responsibility to:**

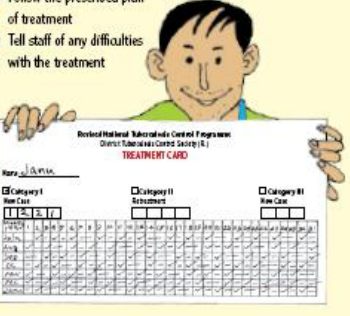
**Share Information**

- Inform healthcare staff all about your condition
- Tell staff about your contacts with family, friends, etc.
- Inform family and friends and share your TB knowledge




**Follow Treatment**

- Follow the prescribed plan of treatment
- Tell staff of any difficulties with the treatment




**Contribute to Community Health**

- Encourage others to TB-Test if they show symptoms
- Be considerate of care-providers and other patients
- Assist family and neighbors to complete treatment




**Show Solidarity**

- Show solidarity with all other patients
- Empower yourself and your community
- Join the fight against TB in your community



### Patients' Charter for Tuberculosis Care

The Charter outlines the Rights and Responsibilities of People with Tuberculosis. It empowers people with the disease and their communities through this knowledge. It is endorsed by the WHO, Stop TB Partnership, national governments and civil society organizations.




**Know Your Rights and Fulfill Your Responsibilities**


### PATIENTS' RIGHTS

**You have the right to:**

**Care**

- Free and equitable care for Tuberculosis (TB)
- Quality care meeting the International Standards (ISTC)
- Benefit from Community Care Programs





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