

Annual Report: Project Axshaya: 2010-11

Mamta Samajik Sanstha

Mamta Samajik Sanstha is a non-profit voluntary and registered organization with a mission to reach the un-reached people with right message, right service at the right time.

The organisation was formed keeping the vision to improve the lives of those children and women ensnared in adverse circumstances in the foothills of Himalayas due to their financial and social constraints. The organisation started with a handful of committed and dedicated workers with zeal to serve the society without any personal gain in the year 1992 when the state of Uttar Pradesh, specially the Hilly belt was struggling with poor socio-economic and health status.

Apart from the core area of Health, Mamta has effectively launched & completed several development projects. In principle, we strive for sustainable development through primary health care, Adult Literacy including legal literacy, diversified agriculture, gender empowerment and community participation

Presently, the organisation is closely associated with state and central governments, concerned Departments, Local Panchayat (Civil Societies), 40 grassroots level Organizations & more than 350 Community level civil society's leaders and members, women & men volunteers in more than 600 villages & slums of Uttarakhand and U.P. It has partnership with 17 NGOs for more than 5 years in 6 districts of Uttarakhand & 1 district of U.P. The organisation has highly motivated staff & 250 dedicated Village volunteers along with a team of 20 subject experts/ Consultants.

Our Partners have been UNICEF, Action Aid, World Vision India, Core Group, TPAK/JICA, Japan, World Food Programme, Most Micro Nutrients Programme, USAID, UNIFEM, Stop TB Partnership and IUATLD (The Union). Currently we are working with TPAK-JICA, Japan, The Union and Women and Child Development Deptt ,ICDS, Govt of Uttarakhand.

Milestones in the field of combating TB:

Since its establishment, the Mamta Samajik Sanstha(MSS) has effectively launched & completed several Tuberculosis related projects because the twin epidemics of TB & HIV are among the core focus areas for MSS. MSS is an active partner with the RNTCP, The Union (IUATLD), USAID and The Stop TB partnership. The key TB Control activities of the MSS in the recent past include the following:

1.) Project for TB awareness & DOTS expansion at Nagthaat - Kalsi, Dehradun:

- 1) Base line survey conducted with 100 families in 7 project villages in January, 2009
- 2) Tested the sputum samples of 990 suspected patients in 30 villages through our lab technician and detected 19 new patients, who were referred to the PHC for treatment
- 3) Appointed and Trained one Lab Technician and Identified and placed 30 DOT providers in 20 targeted villages
- 4) Facilitated quarterly capacity building programs for DOT providers and TB alliance meet
- 5) Sensitized about 10,500 People through community awareness meetings
- 6) Conducted house to house visits in 575 households to cover 3575 to spread awareness on DOTS and TB

7) Facilitated wall writings in 80 villages to create awareness on TB

2. TB ACSM Project in Haridwar & Almora in partnership with USAID : March 2009 to September 2010

- Formed 10 ACSM community support groups and conducted 76 sensitization meetings in 6 blocks of Haridwar and Almora Districts of Uttarakhand
- 323 CDPO and Aanganwari Supervisors and Workers were sensitised on TB and DOTS in Haridwar and Almora Districts of Uttarakhand
- 418 students were sensitized in Haridwar and Almora Districts of Uttarakhand
- 1450 suspects were referred for sputum examinations out of which 1001 sputum tests were done. 64 were found positive and placed on DOTS
- Activities like 45 wall paintings and 1115 house to house visits were undertaken for DOTS related awareness

3.) Axshaya project to foster civil society involvement in Uttar Pradesh and Uttarakhand: April 2010 to till date

The project aims to improve the reach, visibility and effectiveness of RNTCP through civil society support in 13 districts of Uttarakhand and 5 districts of Uttar Pradesh and to engage communities and community-based care providers in selected districts by 2015 to improve TB care and control, especially for marginalized and vulnerable populations including TB- HIV patients. Mamta Samajik Sanstha, as a sub recipient under the Union is carrying out ACSM interventions in close association with the state and district level RNTCP personnel in Uttar Pradesh (UP) and Uttarakhand (UK) districts.

Brief about the other health related activities

- Conducted regular sensitisation programs on TB and HIV/AIDS in more than 600 villages of Uttarakhand and western U.P. under various initiatives.
- Conducted more than 500 trainings and orientations in the past 16 years for middle and grassroots level functionaries and communities on TB and HIV/AIDS
- Has been associated with ICDS and Most India-USAID Micro-nutrient program State offices, Dehradun as their Master Trainers to train their various level functionaries.
- Conducted State, Divisional and district level stakeholders meets in Uttarakhand to promote RNTCP and DOTS with the help of TB ACTION
- Baseline Survey regarding Health, Hygiene & Social awareness of Adolescent Girls in a Remote Block Ghat, Distt Chamoli and Vikasnagar, Dehradun, Uttarakhand. Also made remarkable achievements in the field of adolescent health in collaboration with JICA, Japan

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Key deliverables and major achievements from April 2010 to 30th April 2011:

The project in the first year aimed to empower civil societies in the 5 district of Uttarakhand and Uttar Pradesh, namely, Almora , Haridwar in Uttara Khand and Moradabad, Meerut, JP Nagar in Uttar Pradesh. The project was launched in October 2010 at Dehradun with stakeholders from state government, NGO partners and UNION representatives.

- ◆ In the past one year, the project has identified and trained 5 members each from the 4 NGO partners per district in the RNTCP which makes a total of 100 NGO partner members trained in RNTCP. These trained people further organized GKS/community meetings in different villages and communities and till date the project has conducted 507 meeting sensitizing 6841 persons.
- ◆ The project also sensitized 100 CBO members on RNTCP and to build their capacity in leadership and to support TB control program.
- ◆ To strengthen the referral system at the village level, 148 rural health providers were trained in the mentioned five districts on RNTCP and DOTS.
- ◆ The project also facilitated soft STS, TBHV and counselors. As a result of training and strengthening local level bodies, the NGO partners referred 520 suspects out of which 30 persons were diagnosed as affected with TB.
- ◆ All the districts have 12 members TB forum with volunteers from different community groups to support advocacy issues pertaining to welfare of TB patients. These trained CBO members, RHPs and health staff meet periodically to discuss various issues with DTO and DTC staff to contribute in TB control program and improve the existing services.

A brief synopsis of the activities is as follows

Activity no.	Activity	Targets	Achievements			Reason for gap , if any
3.1.7.2	Train NGO network	5 members from 4 NGO partners	4 DISTRICTS: 20 NGOs:100 partners			Achieved
3.1.8.2	GKS meets	16 meetings with 10-15 participants /per month	Type	Meetings	participants	Achieved: now after receiving the guidelines focusing on 75% PRI/GKS
			GKS	144	1768	
			SHGs	22	506	
			PRIs	0	0	
			CBOs	3	49	
			other	117	1839	Achieved
3.1.9	World TB Day	2 events/per year	26 programs : 2365: 5 district and state			Achieved

3.4.4.2	Soft skills training for health staff	50 persons per districts: in 1 batch of 25 persons	17 batches : 428 persons	Achieved
4.1.1	CBOs training	10 CBO: 2 member each	50 CBOs: 95 members	5 members couldn't come due to personal/family reasons
4.1.2	CBO meeting with District official	5 Quarterly meetings	5 meetings/1 per district : average 15 members	Achieved
4.2.1	Sputum Collection and Transport		10: 1 in each quarter/per district	Achieved
			280: verified referrals	Referral for Sputum is in progress(reason for delay : hesitation from DTO due to bio hazard risk)
4.2.2	Retracing Initial Defaulters	1. Core team formed/meetings 2. 50 visits /per month	10: 1 in each quarter/per district 13: verified retrieved ID	Achieved Referral is in progress
4.2.3	TB Forum meetings	12 members: 5 qtly meets	10: 1 in each quarter/ district: average 12 members	Achieved
4.3.2.1	RHP training	30 per districts =150 in 5 districts	148 trained	2 persons didn't turn up due to personal/ family reasons
4.3.2.2	RHP and DTO meets	5 qtly meets: 20 members	5 meetings: 1 per district: average 12 members	Achieved
4.4.1	ICTC & DMC meets	5 qtly meets/: 20 members	5 meetings/1 per district: average 17 members	Achieved

Quotes:

As per Chief Functionary, MSS, Mr J.M.Singh “ the project Axshya is like a boon for those people in the community who couldn't access TB care services due to various reasons. The project Axshya through GKS, Mid media activities and sputum collection and transport facilities will reach to the unreached and unserved people and provide them services at their door step through CBO partners. Our target would be to knock out each door to knock out TB”

As per State TB officer -Uttrakhand, Dr.Ajeet Gairola: “the Axshya project is unique & very important especially relevant for a state like Uttarakhand. The project not only undertakes civil society and NGO involvement for TB control but also capacity building for NGO and Programme Staff “

Success stories:

- In Meerut, TB Forum is initiated with 12 representatives from slums, communities, women's groups, youth and religious bodies. TB Champions and DOT's providers have also joined TB forum. TB Forum regularly visits OPD and interacts with TB patients to find out the challenges they undergo during treatment which they later take up in the meetings with TB forum review meetings with DTO. The TB forum members have also divided their areas and have identified certain volunteers who are supporting to identify existing TB cases in their respective areas, so that the patients concerns are addressed at right time. The forum members also identify DOTS providers for patients who has problem in taking medicines from DOTS center.
- In the month of May 2011, STO Utrakhand, Dr. Gairola attended TB forum meeting at Almora during his Almora district supervisory visit and appreciated the Endeavour made by DC and project .
- Members of TB forum with support from SPMU, Axshaya project conducted an industrial awareness program at Relaxo shoe company – SIDCUL –Haridwar on 12.3.11. In this program TB sensitization was done through thematic magic show and street play which were prepared and performed by community health workers. In the program 80 factory workers along with management staff of factory participated. In the end, the management also requested project team to conduct such awareness programs periodically in their factory establishment. They also asked to conduct sputum checkup camps in future and assured to refer suspected cases to nearest DMC.
- As a result of regular GKS meeting in the TU Laxsar, Haridwar district , Uttarakhand ; 50 suspected persons were referred for diagnosis out of them 28 people went for sputum examination and out of these 28, 3 cases were found sputum positive and are put on treatment.
- The DTO in Moradabad has taken initiative to conduct monthly review meetings with DTC staff and Axshaya project NGO partners along with DC to motivate the NGO partners to increase referrals and to improve GKS. He asked to share the GKS plan with STS and told STSs to attend and facilitate meetings with NGO partners and DC. He also announced in the meeting on 18th May 2011 to all the NGO partners at Moradabad that the best performing NGO partner will be recommended to get scheme for worth rs.1.5 lacks.
- In the meeting with DPM, NRHM at JP Nagar on 16th May 2011, the DPM assured that they would like to have combined GKS/PRI/VHSC meetings to strengthen GKS/VHSCs to take up TB related issues.

List of sub-SRs (ensure correct spellings, contact details and name of districts served):

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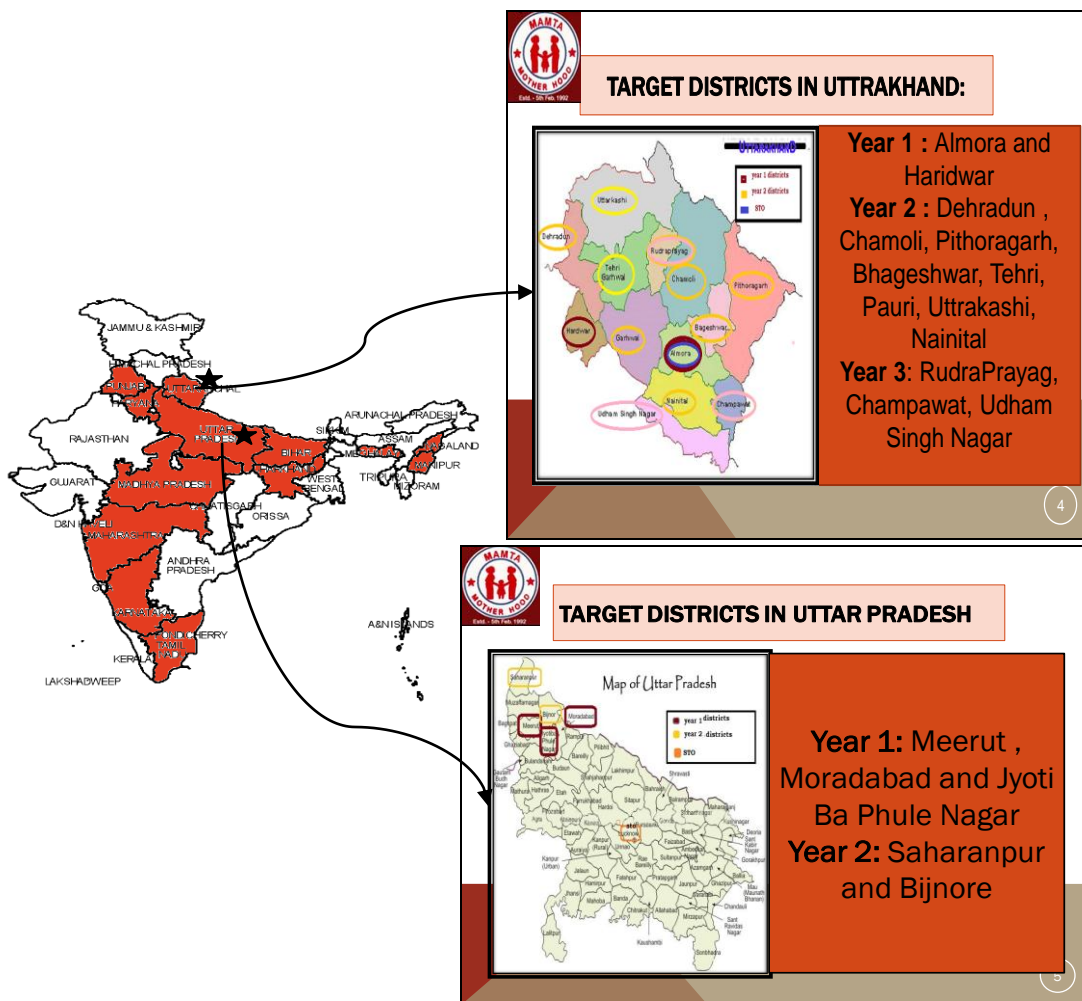
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The selection of new NGO partners for new districts is in the pipeline and will be finalised by end of June 2011.

Map of states and districts served:



Highlights of the project with MSS, Dehradun:

- Sputum collection centers run by civil societies and sustained referral system
- Each village is networked with DOT providers representing different groups(man, woman, marginalized section of society, PLHIV)
- Civil societies linked with RNTCP schemes for financial support
- Independent TB forums to monitor and support independent civil societies : to take TB patients rehabilitation issues to policy makers: Introduction of welfare policies for TB patients and their family

