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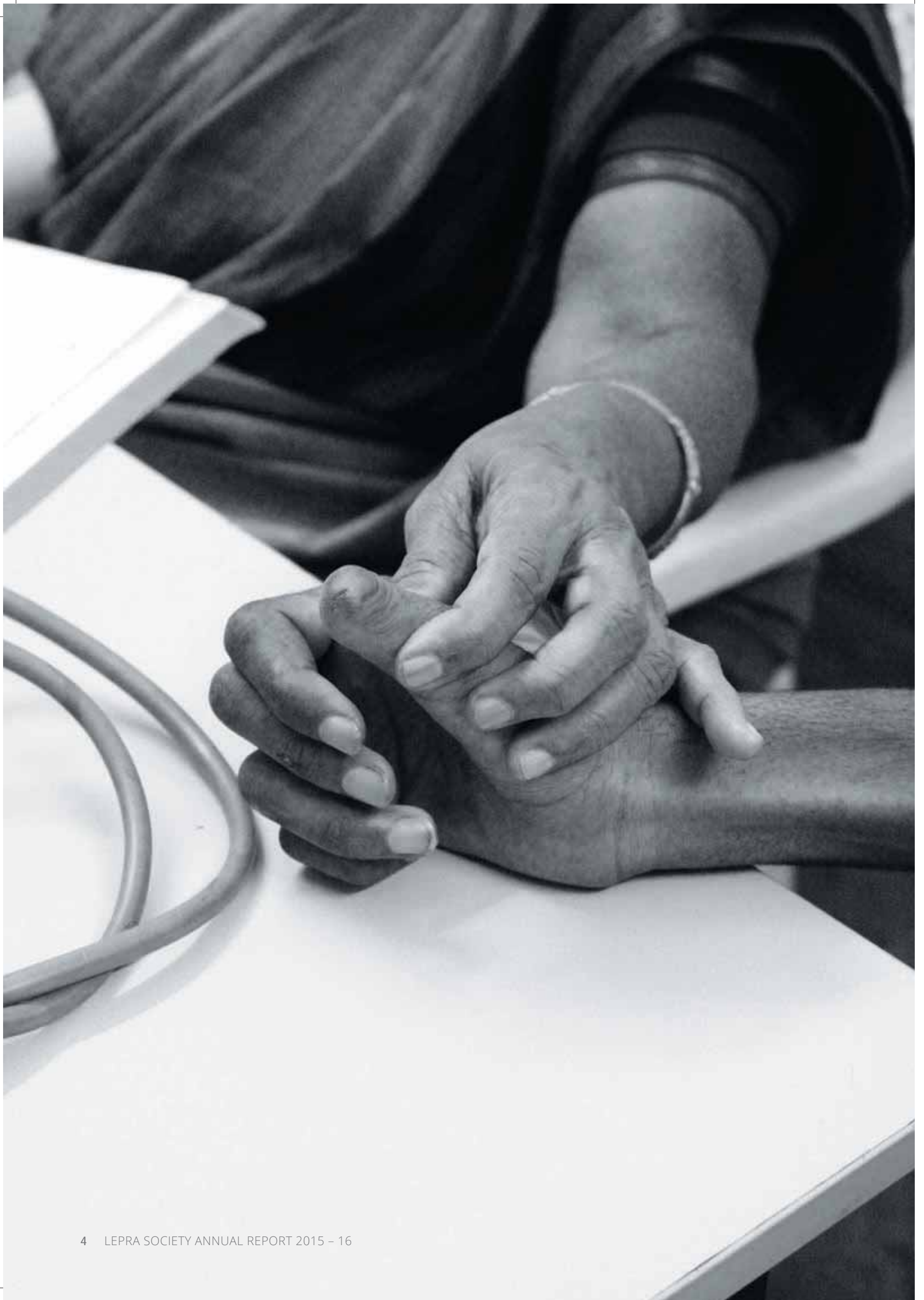
VISION

TO BE A LEADER
IN REDUCING THE
INCIDENCE AND IMPACT
OF LEPROSY AND OTHER
NEGLECTED DISEASES



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BACKGROUND

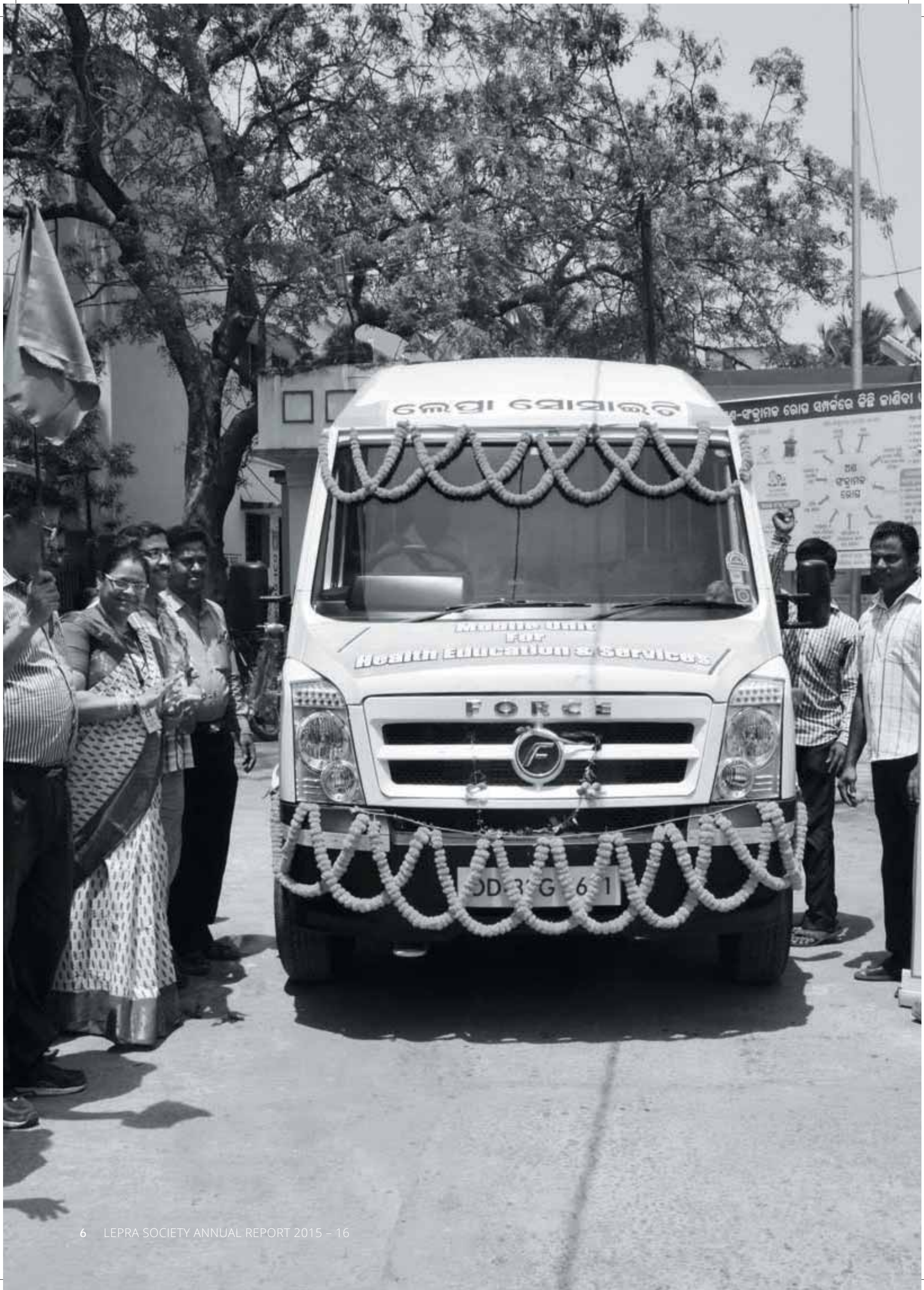
A twenty-seven-year-old leading NGO headquartered in Secunderabad, Telangana, LEPRA Society has been undertaking interventions in leprosy, which forms the core of its work, apart from other neglected diseases such as lymphatic filariasis, kala-azar, tuberculosis, HIV/AIDS, malaria and eye care in eight states of India namely, Assam, Delhi, Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, Jharkhand, Madhya Pradesh, Odisha and Telangana. The Blue Peter Public Health and Research Centre carries out clinical, laboratory and public health research, as well as outreach activities.

LEPRA Society has been reaching out to marginalised and inaccessible communities in remote and difficult-to-reach areas with an array of health care services, particularly in neglected diseases and those suffering disabilities arising as a result. It also helps people affected with such disabilities to tackle stigma and discrimination. LEPRA Society not just takes care of the health conditions, but also ensures the mental and physical wellbeing of the people it works with thereby enabling them to lead healthier, happier and dignified lives. It helps people rehabilitate and integrate into the mainstream of society, particularly for those who face social isolation and exclusion.

LEPRA Society has pioneered Referral Centres, which provide a range of specialised services from diagnosis, treatment and cure (includes medication, aids and appliances, physiotherapy, reconstructive surgery and counselling) resulting in holistic care at this one-stop point. The organisation's strong point has been disability care and morbidity management, particularly in leprosy and lymphatic filariasis. These referral centres are located in government and non-government set-ups. The organisation has a well-developed Information, Education and Communication system to create awareness about the diseases, break myths, misconceptions and stereotypical notions about diseases.

The organisation helps facilitate socio-economic rehabilitation of the persons it works with, besides pensions for the old and disabled and educating the children of the affected since many are from the lower economic echelons of society.

LEPRA Society is an affiliate of the global Lepra family and member of the ILEP (International Federation of Anti-Leprosy Associations) in India.





NEW PROGRAMMES

Three new projects were begun: Restoring Lives of Forgotten People in Samastipur, Bihar and Combined Approaches to Tackle Leprosy and Lymphatic Filariasis (Sankalp) in Andhra Pradesh and Odisha.

Restoring Lives of Forgotten People funded by the Big Lottery Fund (BLF) and effect: hope which tackles leprosy and Lymphatic Filariasis (LF) was initiated in April 2015. A baseline study of all blocks of the district was undertaken by the block coordinators using the Knowledge, Attitude and Practice (KAP) tool. This data provides details on the case loads of leprosy, LF and hydrocele in the district. A protective footwear unit was also established at Hasanpur by LEPRA Society.

Sankalp – a holistic project to tackle LF and leprosy was launched in Odisha on November 23, 2015. It is being implemented in collaboration with the Department of Health, Government of Odisha in 1272 villages of seven blocks of Puri district and two blocks of Nayagarh district with a goal to break transmission, prevent disability and address issues of dignity and poverty of people affected by lymphatic filariasis and leprosy. The project activities include mapping/line listing, baseline study, IEC (Information, Education and Communication), formation of Self-Support Groups, support to MDA (Mass Drug Administration) campaign,

vector-control measures, school health education programme, working with Private Medical Practitioners, sensitisation and capacity building of service providers, Morbidity Management and Disability Prevention (MMDP), Mobile Footwear Unit, facilitation of surgical care and support for socio-economic rehabilitation, undertaking operational studies and empowerment of people we work with.

Sankalp in Andhra Pradesh was launched in Vijayawada in December 2015. This project is being piloted in three districts, namely, Krishna, Guntur and Prakasam. Sankalp aims to improve the quality of life among individuals in terms of their health, social and economic status.

A mobile footcare van, a unique initiative of LEPRA Society with the support of Pavers Shoes, UK was started in April 2015 to provide protective footwear to the people affected by leprosy and LF in 63 colonies of Bihar. The van has been moving around in hard-to-reach areas distributing footwear made from Micro-Cellular Rubber (MCR) to men and women affected by leprosy.

LEPROSY

India carries half the global leprosy burden. The focus of LEPRAs Society's work continues to be on this Neglected Tropical Disease. In addition to diagnosis and specialised treatment made available to leprosy-affected people, LEPRAs Society continues its advocacy efforts as well.

The referral centre is a one-stop hub and the fulcrum of the activities in leprosy. The Centre at Dhoolpet in Hyderabad was relocated to Mahaboobnagar in Telangana as nearly 12 per cent of leprosy Grade 2 disability and 1001 LF cases were reported from here. Also, the health infrastructure in terms of expertise for leprosy and LF services was inadequate in Mahaboobnagar district.

The referral centre was inaugurated in January 2016. The purpose is to promote early case detection among women and children and prevent disability as well as halt the worsening of the existing disabilities among people affected by LF and leprosy. It also empowers the people affected and their forums to claim their rights and entitlements. People living in the town and district can now easily access the services there instead of travelling to Hyderabad.

List of Referral Centres (within government, non-government set-ups and LEPRAs premises)

Andhra Pradesh

Tirupati

Vijayawada

Vizianagaram

Bihar

Munger

Patna

Delhi

Jharkhand

Dhanbad

Madhya Pradesh

Indore

Jabalpur

Sanawad

Odisha

Angul

Bargarh

Baripada

Berhampur

Bhadrak

Bolangir

Cuttack

Dhenkanal

Jharsuguda

Koraput

Nabarangpur

Sonepur

Telangana

Nallakunta, Cherlapally (Hyderabad)

Mahaboobnagar


Kagaznagar

In Madhya Pradesh, LEPRAs leveraged State NLEP funds to conduct PoD camps and facilitated provision of footwear. The Government provided entire budgets for organising camps in all districts of the state. LEPRAs Society's Technical Resource Units contributed to the improvement in case detection and management of leprosy cases and also the implementation of Leprosy Case Detection Campaign and Intensive Case Detection Drive in endemic blocks.

As part of advocacy, LEPRAs Society has been taking up the rights of people affected by leprosy particularly on the issues of stigma, discrimination and human rights. LEPRAs Society continues to work in partnership with forums such as the Association of People Affected by Leprosy (APAL), Society for Leprosy Affected People (SLAP-Andhra Pradesh), SLAP (Telangana), APAL in Odisha, Sam Utthan in Bihar to support existing advocacy initiatives. It also helps build the capacity of these organisations and links them to state administrative machinery to access welfare schemes.

LEPRAs Society advocated with Rashtriya Bal Swasthya Karyakram (RBSK) and Director, NRHM for the inclusion of leprosy screening of children by RBSK along with the regular activities.





Leprosy Parameters	Men	Women	Children	Total
Persons affected by leprosy registered at the centre	4078	2254	282	6614
New diagnosed cases referred to GHS for registration and treatment	804	408	101	1313
Referral to project	2389	1220	203	3812
Cases tested for slit skin smear	851	371	52	1274
Cases found skin smear positive	290	102	16	408
Cases suspected with drug resistance	5	4	17	26
New MB cases diagnosed	502	265	84	851
Cases with GI disability among new cases	190	72	11	273
Cases with GII disability among new cases	188	63	14	265
Disability cases attended	11291	5315	397	17003
Cases assessed for NFI	6980	2977	354	10311
Cases identified with new impairment/disability	455	158	26	639
GI MCR footwear provided	2756	1377	316	4449
GII MCR footwear provided	5152	2697	28	7877
Ulcer cases treated	3924	1996	46	5966
Ulcer cases healed	1311	767	24	2102
Cases referred for RCS	607	170	43	820
Cases underwent RCS	402	152	37	591
People reached through self-care camps	2621	1844	199	4664
Persons admitted in IPoD	1081	405	56	1542
Persons registered for first time	2856	1455	150	4461

Overall Indicators

Reaction /
Neuritis diagnosed 2002

School children
covered 79929

Reaction /
Neuritis treated 2225

IEC - direct 40831

DMPR clinics
facilitated 1347

IEC - indirect 14594

Cases registered for
steroid management 1663

Population
covered
under IEC 1187879

Cases with reactions
recovered by steroid
management 1221

Cases referred
to Government 1380

Cases on
steroid management 2564

Persons
facilitated
legal support 336

Cases provided
with self-care kits 2858

Persons provided
with aids and
appliances 8061

Cases received
counselling and
disability care 20023



LYMPHATIC FILARIASIS

India carries 55 per cent of the global burden of this Neglected Tropical Disease which is not curable but can certainly be contained. LEPRA Society is the forerunner among NGOs in developing an integrated approach for disability care in leprosy and lymphatic filariasis. Disabilities in LF have been addressed through home-based and community-based approaches. Self-care advocated by LEPRA Society has helped in morbidity management through which people have found relief.

Three new projects were begun by LEPRA Society this year: Sankalp in Odisha and Andhra Pradesh (with support from Lepira in the UK) and

Restoring Lives of Forgotten People in Bihar (funded by Big Lottery Fund) adopt this integrated approach to treat people affected by leprosy and LF.

KoBo mobile Technology is being used for Knowledge, Attitudes and Practices (KAP) study and data collection in Sankalp projects.

LEPRA Society supported the State Filariasis Programme Unit in the MDA in Bihar and Madhya Pradesh. It also participated in a national level consultation meeting on Innovative Approaches in Prevention of Disability (PoD) programmes organised by ILEP and the Government of India wherein LEPRA presented its combined

approach and shared the Munger Project experience. The organisation also took part in the Neglected Tropical Disease NGDO network where it contributed to discussions to WASH (Water Sanitation and Hygiene) and NTDs, particularly leprosy. LEPRA was nominated in the Morbidity Management and Disability Prevention working group.



LF Parameters	Men	Women	Children	Total
New cases line-listed or identified	3355	8297	186	11838
Gr I cases	804	2239	92	3135
Gr II cases	1232	3474	70	4776
Gr III cases	821	1664	21	2506
Gr IV cases	528	755	3	1286
Cases trained on self-care/MMDC	5181	8406	1429	15016
Cases practising self-care	3429	3515	107	7051
Persons received footwear	1971	3945	45	5961
Persons reported with acute attacks	472	750	15	1237
Cases treated for acute attacks	327	475	27	829
Cases treated for entry lesions	408	709	11	1128
Cases reported with entry points healed	341	625	8	974
Cases reported with reduced swelling	776	1463	23	2262
Beneficiaries availed services for first time	1662	3536	54	5252

Overall Indicators

MMDCs 457

Persons attended MMDCs 11309

Self-care kits distributed 6762

LF support groups formed 173

IEC - direct 17087

IEC - indirect 10419

Population covered under IEC 475749

Persons registered for first time at the centre 7324

Cases referred for hydroelectromy 2239

Persons underwent hydrocele surgery 832

SER or livelihood skills 32



TUBERCULOSIS

Tuberculosis is still a major public health problem in India and the country carries the highest incidence of cases in the world. Timely diagnosis and treatment can cure patients and prevent deaths due to this disease. LEPRA Society has been providing treatment to patients in the referral centres. As a sub-recipient of Axshya Project (funded by GFATM under Round 9), LEPRA Society has been implementing this project with 16 partner NGOs covering 22 districts of Madhya Pradesh and Odisha. LEPRA Society has been carrying on its advocacy efforts in TB like leprosy.



TB Parameters	Men	Women	Children	Total
Chest symptomatic tested	8592	5501	231	14324
Sputum positives diagnosed	1281	543	30	1854
Extra-pulmonary cases registered	139	192	52	383
Cases put on DOTS	1644	905	109	2658
MDR-TB cases registered	49	15	0	64
TB-HIV co - infection registered	51	14	2	67
Person registered for first time	10136	3336	276	13748

Overall indicators

Cases cured	1190	Children on INH Prophylaxis	160	Population covered under IEC	130476
Cases completed treatment	565	Defaults retrieved and put on DOTS	215	Health workers trained	935
MDR-TB put on DOTS+	46	IEC - direct	93935		
Child new cases	102	IEC - indirect	495		

HIV/AIDS

As the emphasis is on Neglected Tropical Diseases, mainly leprosy and lymphatic filariasis, the scaling down of operations is on in HIV/AIDS. Vihaan, Hifazat and Prevention of Parent-to-Child Transmission projects are being implemented by LEpra Society as it is a sub-recipient to GFATM in Odisha and Madhya Pradesh. The Parent-to-Child Transmission and Hifazat concluded in November 2015 and February 2016 while Vihaan is continuing until December 2016 under the new

funding model of GFATM. The Targeted Interventions in Adilabad, Rangareddy and Hyderabad were handed over to the State AIDS Control Society and other Targeted Interventions are to be phased out as well by March 2016. LEpra Society renders technical support to three CBOs.

Cheyutha was able to secure its income tax exemptions like 12 A and 80 G. In Odisha, seven of the ten implementing CBO partners did not have 12 A

registration. LEpra facilitated 12 A registration, while 3 have FCRA as well.

The District Collector, Bolangir agreed to provide livelihood support to 100 most vulnerable People Living with HIV/AIDS from government schemes.

With the help of Vihaan project people have been linked to different social welfare schemes like Madhubabu Pension Schemes, Antodaya Anna Yojana, Sanjog Card with bus pass for travelling to ART Centres.

HIV Parameters	Men	Women	Children	Total
People reached through outreach programme	24368	23665	4726	52759
ANC mothers tested for HIV	-	3331	-	3331
ANC mothers found sero-positive	-	55	-	55
PLHIV on record in the project (Cumulative)	-	60248	-	60248
ANC mothers put on ART	-	65	-	65
PLHIV put on ART	960	769	72	1801
Persons registered at the centre for the first time	2804	3306	277	6387

Overall indicators

PLHIV put on ART 40

Live births reported 85

PLHIV had positive marriages 33

Children diagnosed HIV positive 75

Children administered with nevirapine 73

IEC - direct 22139

CLHIV deaths reported 217

Affected families receiving nutritional support 884

IEC - indirect 259

PLHIV counselled 18587

PLHIV availed legal support 24

Population covered under IEC 64835

Institutional deliveries reported 87

PLHIV mothers received baby-care kits 41

MALARIA

Samdiravedchi (light for all in Gond language) in Adilabad district, Telangana State, funded by the Jamsetji Tata Trust is the only project focussing on malaria and diarrhoea-related mortality and morbidity. The Malaria Samadhan Sibirs, pioneered by LEpra (originally in Mayurbhanj,

Odisha) are held here. Distribution of long-lasting impregnated bed nets to pregnant women, health camps, sensitisation and training the stakeholders, medical, para-medical, anganwadi health workers on preventive measures constitute the activities.

The communities were able to access government health facilities and there were no deaths reported due to malaria and diarrhoea due to prevention measures and awareness created in the population.

Malaria Parameters	Men	Women	Children	Total
Fever cases referred for malaria testing	17884	13552	12176	43612
Persons diagnosed with malaria	781	606	559	1946
Total number of beneficiaries availed services for the first time	12479	9710	8079	30268

Overall indicators

Below 5-year old child new cases (% of total) reported **53**

IEC events/activities conducted - direct **160**

Pf malaria cases reported **1717**

IEC activities conducted - indirect **17**

Malaria cases treated **1946**

Population covered through IEC activities **9878**

Mosquito breeding points sprayed chemical larvicides with community mobilisation **436**

LLIN bed nets distributed **222**



EYE CARE

The Mahanadi Netra Chikitsalaya or the LEPRO Mahanadi Eye Hospital constructed in an impoverished area of Sonepur is a far-sighted venture of LEPRO Society to enable the population of more than two million (out of which

28 per cent are Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes) in Boudh and Sonepur districts and a few blocks of Bargarh and Bolangir in western Odisha to access eye care services. The Hospital completed more than

a decade of service. This institution has emerged as a credible one in eye care earning a good reputation. LEPRO Society has become a partner to Sight Savers under its National Rural Eye Health Programme from May 2015

Eye Care Parameters	Men	Women	Children	Total
New cases accessed at Base Hospital OPD	9764	6995	2097	18856
New cases accessed at Vision Centres OPD	3938	4212	475	8625
Cases visited for review or follow-ups	5130	4101	648	9879
Cataract IOL surgeries	2801	2513	8	5322
Improved/restored visual acuity	2940	2771	235	5946
Glaucoma cases diagnosed	213	105	11	329
Persons treated for glaucoma without surgery	182	66	2	250
Other surgeries	277	328	16	621
Persons screened with low vision	90	62	767	919
Persons with low vision provided with aids and devices	52	19	101	172
Persons diagnosed for higher level intervention	50	37	0	87
Persons facilitated to undergo cataract surgeries at govt hospital	299	351	0	650
Persons identified with Refractive Error (RE)	5819	5384	1116	12319
Persons provided spectacles	2823	2417	1195	6435
Persons provided contact lens	2025	1178	812	4015
Persons screened at camps	4854	4472	305	9631
Persons treated at camps	829	429	43	1301
Persons provided spectacles at camps	842	841	5	1688
Persons referred to Project Hospital	1668	1683	248	3599
Teachers trained	306	58		364
People receiving transportation support	1004	870	4	1878
Persons registered at the centre for the first time	7821	7046	1332	16199

in Odisha State. In Bihar, the Rural Eye Health programmes are being implemented in four districts of the State.

The LMEH works under a four-pronged approach—base hospital service, outreach diagnostic camp, school screening and health education. Additionally, the institution also conducts activities for the leaders, volunteers and the grassroots service providers besides observing World Sight Day.

The referral centres are also equipped to deal with eye problems including lagophthalmos. The complicated cases are generally referred to private/government hospitals for treatment and surgeries.

Overall indicators

Persons referred to higher level facility 236

Outreach diagnostic camps organised 245

Staff trained 244

School screening camps organised 47

Students screened 3037

Students identified with RE 290

Students provided spectacles 68

IEC - direct/indirect 1526



OTHER HEALTH INTERVENTIONS

LEPRA Society has been carrying out work in other areas besides the main diseases outlined above.

GH Parameters	Men	Women	Children	Total
Persons tested/suspects referred	2255	3390	1099	6744
Persons treated for general health ailments	2036	3408	1062	6506
Number of beneficiaries availed services for the first time	63	228	69	360
Cases with diabetes and hypertension	502	614	1	1117
Persons with diabetes	470	581	-	1051

Overall indicators

Persons with hypertension	1034	IEC events/activities conducted - direct	205
New cases diagnosed positive and put on treated/registered	181	IEC activities conducted - indirect	19

The Health Care Wash Project, which began in 2014, funded by Water Aid, aims to bring change in the policy implementation scenario of water, sanitation and hygiene infrastructure and ensure that its maintenance is guaranteed by health service providers in health care facilities.

WASH Parameters	
Number of health institutions focused upon	20
Number of health facilities staff trained	558
Number of health facilities established or improved the WASH facilities	24
Number of health facilities displayed the IEC material/wall paintings	60
Number of committees trained on WASH	103
Number of persons attended training on WASH	3255
Number of health care staff participated in exposure visits	64
Number of health care staff practices WASH	170
Number of health care staff trains the other beneficiaries on WASH practices	22490
Number of health care centres adapted and improved WASH facilities	24
Advocacy with the government and health care facilities	15



RESEARCH

The Blue Peter Public Health and Research Centre (BPHRC) is the nodal centre for implementing LEPROA Society's strategic research in the fields of Leprosy, Tuberculosis (TB), Lymphatic Filariasis (LF), and TB-HIV co-infection. The centre functions in line with the above strategic aim of LEPROA Society with a clinic and two laboratories (Immunology and Molecular Biology and Microbiology) as core components. In addition, the centre also closely works with the clinics, outreach programme from other projects and regions and programmes department of the society.

The BPHRC is recognised as a centre for receiving research grants from national and international funding agencies. In addition, the centre is recognised by the Ministry of Health, Government of India (MoH-Gol), Leprosy control division, and WHO-SEARO as a referral centre for molecular drug resistance tests for leprosy. The MoH-Gol's TB control division recognises the centre as a state level referral centre with a

biosafety level 3 laboratory for the conduct of culture and molecular drug resistance tests for TB. The BPHRC is recognised as an external centre for PhD registration by the University of Hyderabad and Osmania University.

The clinic at BPHRC includes a referral centre for diagnosis and management of complications in leprosy, including physiotherapy. The TB services include a designated microscopy centre for diagnosing and treatment of TB; facility integrated counselling centre for HIV which provides voluntary counselling and testing services for HIV suspects and prophylaxis and referral services for PLHIV. The morbidity management services for persons affected with lymphatic filariasis are a recent addition. The BPHRC also conducts community outreach activities in its operational area covering about 315,210 people. During 2015-16, BPHRC continued its clinical, laboratory and outreach services for self-reporting and referred patients with leprosy, TB, HIV and LF (details below). The centre has signed MoU with the Revised National Control Programme

of Andhra Pradesh and Telangana States for MDR-TB laboratory services.

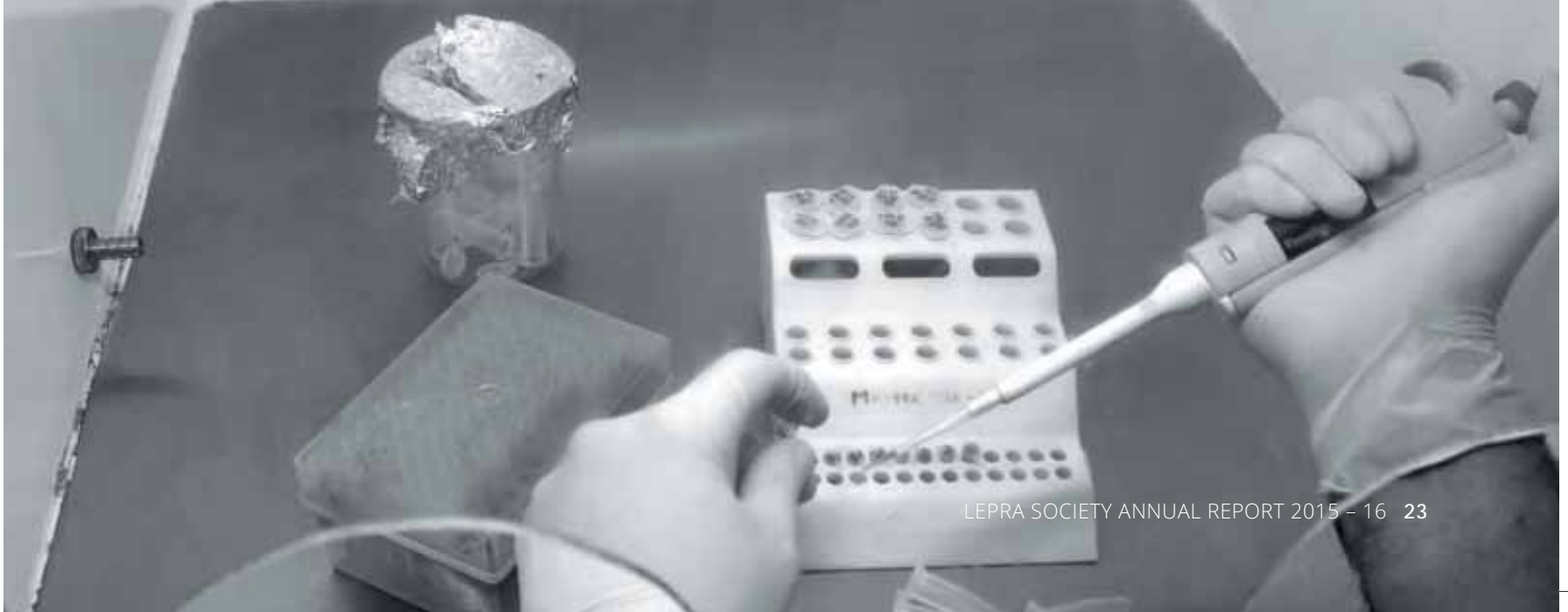
Research activities at the centre focus on early case detection and antimicrobial drug resistance and host immune mechanism towards infections in leprosy, TB and TB-HIV. The BPHRC continues to partner with the Department of Biotech, Indian Council of Medical Research, India and National Institute of Health, US for multi-centric Indo-US Vaccine Action Programme (VAP) Initiative and Regional Prospective Observational Research for Tuberculosis (RePORT) India. Multi-centric collaborative research is also being carried out on better management of genital TB in women funded by the Indian Council of Medical Research. The Centre partners with the Pittsburgh University, US for the research capacity building in the fields of TB and HIV. During the reporting period, the centre published five research papers in peer reviewed journals.

DETAILS OF CLINIC AND OUTREACH

OP visits	3724 (Leprosy-1627; TB-1138; HIV-196; LF: 32; simple general ailments: 731)
Outreach medical camps	736 persons reached
Outreach days	214 (To Schools, Self-Help Groups (SHGs), prison, contact survey, awareness programmes, Gas companies)

Numbers registered for treatment

Leprosy	146 (New cases for MDT: 50; G1 disability: 9; G2 disability: 13; Leprosy reactions treated T1R: 11; T2R:38; Neuritis: 15; Ulcer care provided to 132 persons; MCR footwear provided: 59 persons)
Tuberculosis	Chest symptomatic screened: 502, smear positives among those screened: 104; Registered for TB treatment under RNTCP: 94 (NSP: 73; Repeaters: 21)
Lymphatic Filariasis	8 registered for morbidity management; Community morbidity management camp was organised: 15 persons with LF participated in the camp
HIV screening	1831



ACRONYMS

ART	Anti-Retroviral Therapy
CLHIV	Children Living with HIV/AIDS
DOTS	Directly Observed Treatment Shortcourse
DPMR	Disability Prevention and Medical Rehabilitation
GFATM	Global Fund to Fight Aids, Tuberculosis & Malaria
GI and GII	Grade I and Grade II
IEC	Information, Education and Communication
INH	Isoniazid Prophylaxis
IOL	Intra-Ocular Lens
IPOD	Integrated Prevention of Disability
MDR-TB	Multi-Drug Resistant Tuberculosis
MMDC	Morbidity Management and Disability Camp
Pf	Plasmodium falciparum
PLHIV	People Living with HIV/AIDS

STAFF INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL

STAFF PARTICIPATION IN INTERNATIONAL EVENTS					
Year	Place	Purpose	Participants	Funded by	Expenses incurred (INR)
Jul-2015	UK	UK-Strategy Planning Workshop	P K Jayashree, Ashim Chowla, Dr J Subbanna	LEPRA UK	3,15,223.00
Jul-2015	Singapore	6th FIMSA Conference	Sanjeev Kumar	Royal Society Tropical Medicine & Hygiene	97,566.00
Sept-2015	Abu Dhabi	NNNTD Conference	Ashim Chowla	LEPRA UK	90,631.00
Sept-2015	UK	UK Staff Conference	Ashim Chowla	LEPRA UK	1,04,633.00
Sept-2015	Brighton	Induction Programme at International HIV / AIDS Alliance Office	Ashim Chowla	International HIV Aids Alliance	-
Sept-2015	Boston	To attend RePORT International meeting	Dr Vijayalakshmi Valluri	NIH-CRDF Global	1,10,000.00
Sept-2015	Abu Dhabi	Participate in NGDO NTD Network Meeting	Dr J Subbanna, P Jayaram	LEPRA UK	1,22,029.00
Oct-2015	France	ILEP Committee meeting and members assembly in Paris to participate in advisory panel	Ms Rachna Kumari	ILEP	20,883.00
Oct-2015	Kuala Lumpur	Blue Sky Week	LT.Gen.MA Tutakne Dr J Subbanna	International HIV Aids Alliance	67,186.00
Dec-2015	UK	Board of Trustee's meeting	Lt.Gen. VD Tiwari	LEPRA UK	1,65,712.00
Feb-2016	Geneva	ILEP Panel meetings & Members Assembly	Ms Rachna Kumari	ILEP	51,533.00
Feb-2016	Quito, Equador	Alliance LO's meeting	Ashim Chowla	International HIV Aids Alliance	1,84,486.00
Feb-2016	UK	M&E Training. Develop monitoring tools of the project	Ms Pratima Sahi, Sandeep Swain & Ms Lalitha	LEPRA UK	3,59,947.00
Mar-2016	UK	Meetings attended at the Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine	Rajni Kant Singh	LEPRA UK	1,04,221.00

AUDIT STATEMENT

Mehra Goel & Co. Chartered Accountants

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To
The Governing Body of Lepra Society

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of **Lepra Society** ("the Society"), which comprises the Balance Sheet as at March 31, 2016, the Income and Expenditure Account and the Receipts and Payments Account for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information for the year then ended.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

The Society's Management is responsible for preparation of these financial statements that give a true and fair view of the financial position and financial performance of the Society in accordance with the accounting principles generally accepted in India. This responsibility also includes maintenance of adequate accounting records for safeguarding the assets of the Society and for preventing and detecting frauds and other irregularities, selection and application of appropriate accounting policies, making judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent, and design, implementation and maintenance of adequate internal financial controls, that were operating effectively for ensuring the accuracy and completeness of the accounting records, relevant to the preparation and presentation of the financial statements that give a true and fair view and are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the Standards on Auditing issued by The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India. Those Standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal financial control relevant to the Society's preparation of the financial statements that give a true and fair view in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on whether the Society has in place an adequate internal financial controls system over financial reporting and the operating effectiveness of such controls. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of the accounting estimates made by the Society's Management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion on the financial statements.



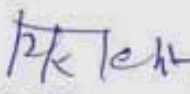
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Opinion

In our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us, the financial statements give a true and fair view in conformity with the accounting principles generally accepted in India;

- a) in the case of Balance Sheet, of the state of affairs of the Society as at 31st March, 2016;
- b) in the case of the Income and Expenditure Account, of the excess of income over expenditure for the year ended on that date; and
- c) in the case of the Receipts and Payments Account, of the total receipts and total payments for the year ended on that date.

For **Mehra Goel & Co.**
Chartered Accountants
Firm's Registration No.: 000517N


R.K. Mehra
Partner
M. No.: 06102



Place: New Delhi
Dated: 08th August, 2016

AUDIT STATEMENT

LEPRA SOCIETY
(REGISTRATION NO. 474 of 1989)

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST MARCH, 2016

Particulars	Schedule	Amount in ₹	
		As at 31st March, 2016	As at 31st March, 2015
Liabilities			
Capital Fund	1	10,16,12,607	8,99,74,337
Social and Economic Rehabilitation (SER) Revolving Fund	2	23,22,168	23,22,168
Current Liabilities	3	60,14,653	39,30,230
Total		10,99,49,428	9,62,26,735
Assets			
Fixed Assets	4		
Gross Block		15,18,84,904	15,10,44,291
Less: Depreciation		9,78,58,339	9,68,71,615
Net Block		5,40,26,565	5,41,72,676
Current Assets: Loans and Advances	5	95,35,743	1,05,54,518
Term Deposits with Banks	6	2,16,24,292	1,31,73,952
Cash and Bank Balances	7	2,47,62,828	1,83,25,589
Total		10,99,49,428	9,62,26,735

Significant Accounting Policies and Notes to Accounts 19
The Schedules Referred to Above form an integral part of the financial statements

As per our report of even date attached

For Mehra Goel & Co.
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Firm Registration No. 000517N


R. K. MEHRA
Partner
M. No. 06102



Place : New Delhi
Dated : 8/8/2016

For and on behalf of LEPRA SOCIETY


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Head (Finance)

LEPRA SOCIETY
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INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2016

Particulars	Schedule	Amount in ₹	
		For the Year ended 31st March, 2016	For the Year ended 31st March, 2015
Income			
Grants Received	8A	18,67,50,245	19,76,94,153
Interest	9	29,44,027	25,83,746
Donations Received			
- Foreign		32,396	13,887
- Local		36,22,179	35,88,061
Profit / (Loss) on disposal of Fixed Assets (Net)		(46,350)	(4,95,624)
Collections from Lepra Mahanadi Eye Hospital	14 A	3,09,37,199	2,02,37,547
Other Income	14 B	27,88,609	31,22,840
Total		22,70,28,305	22,67,44,610
Expenditure			
Salaries, Staff Welfare and Training	10	6,02,67,770	5,52,20,155
Grants given to Projects Aided	11	1,45,93,485	2,45,07,336
Medical and Programme Expenses	12	9,50,74,363	10,62,89,810
R&D Expenses at Blue Peter Research Centre (Annexure I)		2,08,37,627	1,98,09,208
Maintenance and Administrative Expenses	13	1,62,05,996	1,37,40,588
Depreciation	4	90,18,294	86,31,608
Total		21,59,97,535	22,81,98,715
Surplus/(Deficit) carried over to the balance sheet		1,10,30,770	(14,54,105)

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RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2016

Particulars	Schedule	Amount in ₹	Amount in ₹
Opening Cash and Bank Balances as at 1st April, 2015 (A)	7		1,83,25,589
Add: Receipts			
Grants Received	8		18,67,50,154
Grants-in-Kind - Fixed Assets (per contra)			6,07,500
Interest Received			
- On Fixed Deposits - Foreign Contribution Regulation Act (FCRA) Account		1,49,168	
- On Fixed Deposits - Local Donation Account		19,42,283	
- Bank Interest - Foreign Contribution Regulation Act (FCRA) Account		5,42,982	
- Bank Interest - Local Donation Account		8,19,313	
- Interest on refund of TDS		63,764	
			35,17,510
Donations Received			
- Foreign Donations		32,396	
- Local Donations*		36,22,154	
			36,54,550
Other Receipts	14		3,76,48,685
Term Deposits received during the year			14,31,817
Total Receipts (B)			23,36,10,216
Less: Payments			
Grants given to Projects Aided	11		1,45,93,485
Investments (purchases of assets):			
- Buildings		14,88,199	
- Medical Equipment		4,41,935	
- General Equipment		32,46,670	
- Vehicles		28,98,951	
			80,75,755
Research and Development -(At Blue Peter Public Health & Research Centre)			
- Medical Equipment		16,24,287	
- General Equipment		4,22,605	
- Recurring Expenditure (Annexure II)			1,96,86,250
Grants-in-Kind - Fixed Assets (per contra)			6,07,500
Salaries, Staff Welfare and Training	15		6,05,19,492
Medical and Programme Expenses	16		9,19,48,553
Maintenance and Administrative Expenses	17		1,84,77,502
Others	18		13,35,391
Term Deposits made during the year			98,82,157
Total Payments (C)			22,71,72,977
Closing Cash and Bank Balances as at 31st March, 2016 (A+B-C)	7		2,47,62,828

*Local Donations includes amount received in donation boxes

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LIST OF MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEMBERS

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Chairman

Dr V. Rukmini Rao
Vice-Chairman

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Prof Radhamohan

Dr Dinkar D Palande

Mr S. Ramanathan

Dr Urmila Pingle

Dr Y.B. Jayanth Kumar

Ms P.K. Jayashree

Lt. Gen. Dr M.A. Tutakne (Retd.)

Dr P. Suranjeen Prasad

MEMBER SECRETARY

Mr Ashim Chowla

Salary Structure

S.No	Designation	Range
1	Senior Management Staff	Rs. 50,000 – Rs. 2,40,000
2	Middle Management Staff	Rs. 35,000 – Rs. 65,000
3	Supervisory Level	Rs. 10,000 – Rs. 40,000
4	Junior Level	Rs. 5,000 – Rs. 12,000

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S.No	Positions	Gender		Total
		Men	Women	
1	Senior Management Staff	7	1	8
2	Middle Management Staff	73	14	87
3	Supervisory Level	100	36	136
4	Junior Level	60	24	84
Total		240	75	315



“If we are able to increase the awareness for leprosy, I am sure it will be a predicament of the past. I congratulate LEPRA Society for taking such a bold step and doing such a fantastic job about it.”

R. Madhavan

Award-winning actor and producer
and LEPRA Society's Goodwill Ambassador



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and 35 (i)(II) (175 %) of Income Tax Act, 1961