

# Samiksha

...by LEPROA Society



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# COVID19 Response

The numbers given here are as on date and will keep updating as we try and reach more beneficiaries. . .

Our  fundraiser is live. . .!!

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**4500+**  
people  
vaccinated



**1000+**  
ration kits  
distributed

**The pandemic did not stop us. .**

In addition to the COVID19 Response initiatives, we continue our services as always. Some examples:

Nutrition and clinical support to HIV/AIDS affected people



Active case finding of Leprosy



Lymphatic Filariasis self-care demonstration



Identifying Rural Medical Practitioners (RMP) in Mahbubnagar TS



Line listing, self-care kits & customised footwear distribution



For more **COVID19 Response** related pictures, [click here.](#)

**20**  
oxygen conc.  
distributed in AP



**5000+**  
COVID19 tests  
were done

## Some numbers reflecting the people we have served. . .

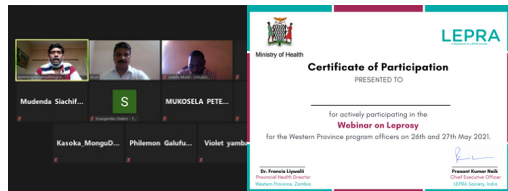
### April 2021

	AP	Bihar, Delhi & Jharkhand	MP	Odisha	TS
New leprosy cases diagnosed	11	69	13	07	41
Counselling to patients & family	73	70	76	126	100
Footwear/ulcer care kits provided	201	287	40	489	358
Management of leprosy reactions	199	141	101	105	103

### May 2021

	AP	Bihar, Delhi & Jharkhand	MP	Odisha	TS
New leprosy cases diagnosed	11	28	9	15	04
Multi-Drug Therapy facilitated	04	28	9	15	04
Footwear provided	67	33	105	185	18
Persons treated with ulcers	18	34	06	43	14

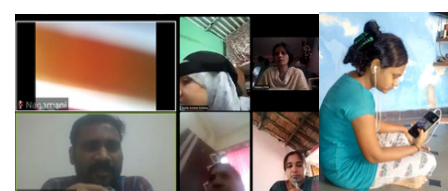
## Other Updates



17 Zambia health workers were given a webinar on Leprosy Management by our staff.



A new Referral Centre was inaugurated at Jamui, Bihar with the support of local Govt.



500+ participants attended the virtual session on "Menstrual Hygiene Day" on 28 May

## Rotary Updates

- The Global Grant for Active Case Finding (ACF) supported by Rotary Delhi has been approved and implementation plans are being worked out.
- Initial discussions with the Rotary Club of Chanakya, Bihar completed and MoU finalisation is under process.
- Rotary Club of Smart Hyderabad continues to support for ulcer dressing at two leprosy colonies in Hyderabad.

## Meet our colleague Tamasi Pattnaik

### Tell us about yourself.

Currently, I am working as Block Health Coordinator in Odisha. I have been with LEPRa since 2015 in the project areas of Leprosy, Lymphatic Filariasis (LF) and Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene.

### Share your experience and learnings at LEPRa?

After joining in LEPRa, I have gained a lot of knowledge and ground-level experience in the disease areas of Leprosy, Lymphatic Filariasis and Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH).

### You have actively participated in LEPRa's mega fundraiser event in 2020 - "Mission One Crore". How was it?

I was happy and emotional that most of our own beneficiaries themselves were able to contribute whatever they can because we helped them get better and trusted in us. I missed doing that this year due to the COVID19 pandemic. Looking forward for the next year's mega event.

### What keeps you motivated?

I am motivated by the fact that I am able to serve the affected people in-person and they are happy & thankful for supporting and providing the necessary medication and treatment. The beneficiaries smiling and going back to their routine is really a pleasant experience.



## Prasant's reflections. . .

May has been marked by extraordinary surge in the COVID19 pandemic with daily new cases registering a high upwards of 4,00,000. This second wave has affected us gravely with nearly a hundred colleagues testing positive including some of the senior management and head office staff. Most of the state offices and head office staff had to resort to work from home in order to prevent infection and continue the work. All the referral centers and the testing services at BPHRC have remained fully functional. We started facilitating the vaccination of the most vulnerable people across the states we work in with the support from Lepra UK and Effect: Hope. We are also getting ready to start a mobile vaccination in and around Hyderabad targeting the people living in the leprosy colonies. I would like to thank Mission Oxygen (a start up from Delhi) to have provided 80 Oxygen Concentrators to 8 hospitals in Andhra Pradesh & Telangana and the distribution of these concentrators is ongoing. Also, LEPRa has signed the final three year partnership agreement with Saathii for our HIV/AIDS work in Madhya Pradesh. While praying that we get over this current situation, I would like to acknowledge and appreciate the outstanding efforts & resilience of all colleagues across India and thank Lepra UK for their continued support.

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