

South 24 PG Network of People Living with HIV/AIDS (SNP+)



ANNUAL REPORT AND AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 2020-2021



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MESSAGE FROM THE FOUNDER & PRESIDENT



It gives me great pleasure to present to you the Annual Report of SNP+ for the year 2020-21.

We have been serving the community for the past 15 years and our logo helps to symbolise that we are persistently working to ignite the flame of awareness, rights, equality and fraternity in the human hearts.

For SNP+ the year 2020-21 was a year where we delivered strong performance. The driving factor behind our performance was the effect of anchoring to our core strength areas – our values, our activities and people like you who have always supported our cause.

The focus for the year was primarily on education children infected and affected with HIV (CLHIV) and welfare for living with HIV/AIDS women (WLHIV) through capacity building and linking them with government schemes various and entitlements. We are happy to say that we have been able to empower 100 women leaders from amongst the community to advocate on the issues and concerns of PLHIV.

At SNP+ we drive change by working in collaboration with key stakeholders like Ministers, District Magistrate, Additional District Magistrate, MP, MLA, CDPO, Chief Medical Officer of Health, SDO, Block Development Officer, Gram Panchayat, Sundarban Unanyan Mantri among others.

ORGANIZATIONAL HIGHLIGHTS

- 7114 people tested and 432 PLHIV linked to ART Center
- 37 CLHIV <18 years getting educational support of Rs.2000/- every month from CDPO, District Social Welfare Department, South 24 parganas
- 2 Female CLHIV will be receiving educational and nutritional sponsorship during their entire student life cycle from IIMC
- 113 CLHIV provided with nutritional support by Awaz Organization, Hand of Hope
- 170 PLHIV provided with nutritional support from BDO
- Overall 452 WLHIV linked with government welfare schemes
- 40 WLHIV & 25 PLHIV have opened savings bank account
- 59 WLHIV linked with government entitlements like Adhaar card, voter and ration cards
- 10 WLHIV has been successfully helped with legal aid services from DLSA
- o **27** beneficiaries linked to Indira Abas Yojana
- 525 PLHIV has been linked for free transport pass for visiting ART Centre



The inclusion of other high need communities in the team helped to achieve our mission and create an enabling environment.

The key focus area for the coming year would be to scale up our activities and also to strengthen the networks at the sub-divisional level so that PLHIV can have affordable and accessible services everywhere. Additionally, we look forward to building the capacity of many more leaders and change makers from amongst the community.

Our achievements and dream has been made possible only because of you. I would, therefore, like to express my gratitude to all our beneficiaries, our funders and donors especially for their sustained financial and technical support, and also to all government officials and friends. I am thankful to all of you for being part of our journey and especially for your belief in us.

Together we have reached out to so many people and made a difference in their lives. I seek your continued support.

Best Regards,

Khitish Mondal

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South 24 Parganas Network of People Living with HIV/AIDS (SNP+) is a community-based organization by, for and of people living with HIV and AIDS (PLHIV). Since 2005 the organization has started working in the South 24 Parganas district. SNP+ runs several programs for scaling up of HIV prevention care, support and treatment related services. SNP+ has been operating in West Bengal and has developed essential networking and linkages with important stakeholders.

In the year 2013, the organization expanded services to under privileged children as well as child in need of care and protection on care and support services, counselling, etc. SNP+ works in collaboration with other organizations working on cross-cutting issues of disability, trafficked victims and various high need communities.

VISION

To create a stigma & discrimination free society and better the quality of life for PLHIV and other marginalized & vulnerable section of the society.

MISSION

- SNP+ is to respond to the needs of the people who have no access to receive education/information regarding HIV/AIDS & to improve quality of life of HIV positive people and other marginalized & vulnerable population in society
- o To function as a coalition of community based organization
- To improve the quality of life of PLHIV and other marginalized & vulnerable population of society

AIM

"Our **AIM** is to improve the socio-economic condition of PLHIV and other marginalized & vulnerable population in society"

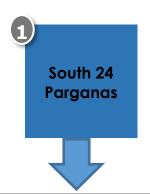
OBJECTIVES

- To strive for empowerment of people living with HIV/AIDS and other marginalized & vulnerable population in society from exploitation, negligence & injustice
- To ensure & implement economic, social, political & legal rights for PLHIV and other marginalized & vulnerable population of the society

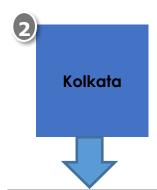


OUR REACH

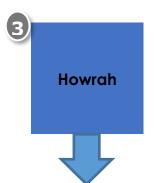
SNP+ is working in 3 districts of West Bengal



29 Blocks,
07 Municipality,
312 Panchayat,
5 Sub Division,
5 Sub Division
Hospital,
1 ART Centre,
27 ICTC,
4 Link ART
Centres



141 Ward,
 15 Borough
 Office, 21 ICTC,
 4 ART Centre



2 Sub Division,
2 Municipality,
15 Blocks,
157 Gram
Panchayat,
2 BPHC, 14 ICTC,
3 LAC

Five Sub Division Level Network of SNP+

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• BSNP+ (Baruipur Sub Division Network of People IIving with HIV/AIDS)

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CSNP+ (Canning Sub Division Network of People Living with HIV/AIDS)

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 DSNP+ (Diamond Harbour Sub Division Network of People Living with HIV/AIDS)

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• KSNP+ (Kakdwip Sub Division Network of People Living with HIV/AIDS)



GOVERNING BODY & STAFF

There are seven Governing Body members who are from the network and are people living with HIV/AIDS (PLHIV). Three Governing Body members are full time actively involved with the organization.

Board Member Names	Designation
Mr. Khitish Mondal	Founder & President
Mr. Probal Sarder	Vice President
Mr. Sushanta Pramanik	Secretary
Tinku Roy	Joint Secretary
Mrs. Reboti Mondal	Treasurer
Mr. Ayub Ali Mollah	Board Member
Tanusree Sarder	Board Member

Human Resource	Number
Full time paid staff	27
Part time paid staff	11
Volunteers	7

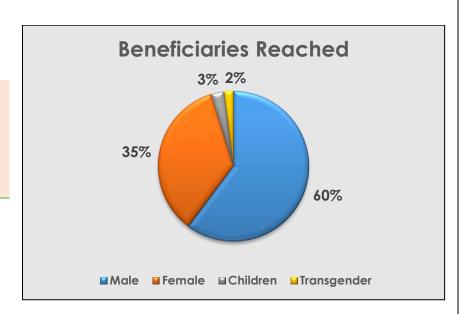
75% of SNP+ staff strength consists of women

No. of registered members of SNP+	1450



OPERATIONAL HIGHLIGHTS FY 2020-21

Total Beneficiaries Reached **9780 PLHIV** & 328 TG(HRG)









Intervention	# of Beneficiaries
New Cases Detected	315
Linked to ART Center	268 PLHIV
Lost TO Follow Up (LFU)	1175 PLHIV brought back to treatment
DOTS	6485 PLHIV screened & 680 referred
Counselling	6780 Beneficiaries
48 Support Group Meetings on ART Adherence, Hygiene, Safe Sexual Education, Stigma, etc.)	1272 Beneficiaries
Free Transport for ART Center visit	420 PLHIV
Linkages with Indira Abas Yojana	10 PLHIV
Social Entitlements (Adhaar card, ration card, voter card)	180 PLHIV
Government Social Welfare Schemes	2003 PLHIV
Nutrition Support	4334 PLHIV
Referred to DLSA	13 WLHIV
Stigma and Discrimination Cases	9 Cases successfully resolved
Referral to Shelter Home	7 CLHIV
TG identified	328
Total free Condom distributed	40937



PROJECT OVERVIEWS

VIHAAN Care & Support Centre

- Funded by GFATM
- Objectives
 - Early linkage of PLHIV to care, support and treatment services
 - Improved treatment adherence & education for PLHIV
 - Expanded positive prevention activities
 - Improve social protection & well-being of PLHIV

TI-TG Programme

- Funded by WBSAP&CS
- Objectives
 - Empower TG/Hijras with knowledge, Skil, and aptitude to protect themselves against HIV by provission of a scaled up and comprehensive packege of prevention services.
 - Decrease HIVand AIDS- related morbidity and mortality by facilitating access by TG/Hijra to stigma free continum of care service.
 - Reduce stigma and discrimination, address multiple vulnarabilities and strengthen community response.



PROJECT OVERVIEWS

SWAWLAMBAN Program

- Funded by WBWDU
- Objectives
- Empowerment of merginalised women(Widow) through this teloring programme.
- •To undertake vocational skills and small enterprises development training especially among women and to support the trained persons for generating their income.

Sputum Collection & Contact Tracing

- Funded by District Health & Family Welfare Samity
- Objectives
- Earlier diagnosis and treatment of TB (within PLHIV) to reduce mortality
- Prevention of ongoing TB transmission (among PLHIV)
- •Increase the awareness about TB prevention and care services

YEAR AT A GLANCE

EVENTS & SPECIAL INITIATIVES

ART Distribution:

We all know that due to lock down situation all over India from 23rd March 2020 to till date SNP + doing the work in hand to hand with various ARTC of South 24 Parganas, Kolkata, and Howrah. With the support of DAPCU Kolkata, CMOH of south 24 pargana, CMOH of Diamond Harbour and BMOH of Howrah area staff of SNP + has distributed ARV medicine to the nearest LAC and ICTC of those





area not only that from the ICTC and LAC they have dispensed the drug to the clients house so that no one could Miss a single dose of ARV medicine. So, we are doing community dispensing of ARV drugs to the PLHIV clients of the remote areas of Hooghly, Howrah, South 24 Parganas and some areas of Kolkata, during the lockdown period.

From the starting of lock down we have distributed 2217 Packets nutrition support to the needy PLHIV by our four ARTC (MRBH, SSKM, RPC, STM) and four LAC of south 24parganas and 243 packets distribution by home dispensing because they cannot abele in ARTC with the support of various stakeholders. We have also hired five motor cycles for distributing ARV drugs and nutrition support to the PLHIV clients of the remote areas of the above mentioned districts, we have distributed 950 ART through home delivery, and distributed 1400 ART to different LACs in south 24 Parganas and Howrah district. All these activities) have been technically advised and financially supported (Likes car hire, Truck hire charged) by NCPI+



WORLD AIDS DAY - Was celebrated in December, 2020 with support from WBSAP&CS through Kolkata DAPCU, CMOH of South 24 Parganas and Diamond Harbour and also supported by NCPI+. 12 stalls were put up in Kolkata, South 24 parganas health district and Diamond Harbour health district.

Total 1230 people were screened for HIV, among

whom **05** were found to be HIV positive. Apart from screening, counselling, condom distribution, positive speaking, day long campaigning on information and awareness, various street plays and events were arranged.

Nutrition support to needed PLHIV

We all know that due to lock down situation all over India from 23rd March 2020 to August 2020 te SNP + doing the work in hand to hand with the support of Interglobe Aviation Pvt Ltd, Indigo Airlines (CCU), catering units of CCU (Taj Sats and Oberoi flight service), SNP+ provided some dry food among 1800 PLHIV. All food' items were distributed through ART centers, LACs and some through home delivery. We also received foods support from "Manav Sewa Group" (100 Packets) and "DSWO South 24 Parganas" (100 packets), "IIMC" and "Back to Life" provided 167 packets and also 50 packets provided Mr. Prasenjit Das, DR. DEBASISH SAHA MR. PUSPENJIT DAS DAMODAR VALLEY CORPORATION HEAD OFFICE KOLKATA and Sumita Samant (Dy



Director (Mainstreaming & IEC) of WBSAC&PS for their generous support in crisis time for the PLHIV and their family.

We had hired two trucks for six days, for community dispensing of ARV drugs and nutrition support, in various areas of Howrah, Kolkata and South 24 Parganas.













Activities Details:

SI. No	Support given by	Date of Nutrition support received		Distribution Areas	Total No of Nutrition Packets.
1	ManavSewa Group	7-04-2020		MRBH ARTC	820
				MCH ARTC	195
2	IIMC(Indian Institute of Mother	8-04-2020		STM ARTC	645
	and Child) and "Back to Life"			SSKM ARTC	305
3	DSW	24-04-2020	\rightarrow	Diamond Harbour LAC	220
4	Interglobe Aviation Pvt Ltd,	29-4-2020		Canning LAC	103
	Indigo Airlines (CCU), catering units of CCU (TajSats and Oberoi flight service)			Baruipur LAC	400
5	DAMODAR VALLEY	8-05-2020		Amtala ICTC	30
	CORPORATION(Kolkata)			Domjur LAC (Howrah)	80
6	Interglobe Aviation Pvt Ltd,	18-5-2020		Kakdwip LAC	158
	Indigo Airlines (CCU), catering			HNP+ (Howrah)	160
	units of CCU (TajSats and Oberoi flight service)			Home dispensing at Garia, Sonarpur,	640
7	International Justice Mission through D.S.W.O (South 24	04.08.2020 (200 pkts)		Baruipur, Canning etc.	
	Pgns).			Sonarpur Vihaan Office	250
8	Jagrati Mission through TSU	28.08.2020 (78 pkts)		TG office, Topsia	78
9	World Vision	14.09.2020 (250 pkts)		TG office, Topsia	250
	<u>Total</u> 4334				4334



ADVOCACY INITIATIVES

Stakeholder	Issues
District Magistrate & Additional District Magistrate	Widow Pension for 20 WLHIVRenewal of Link Worker Project
District Social Welfare Officer & Child Development Project Officer	 Linkages of 10 PLHIV for various disability equipment (wheel chair and hearing aid) Educational support for 120 CLHIV
CMOH, Diamond Harbour	 Link Worker Project
Sundarban Unayan Mantri	 For various skill training of 50 WLHIV & construction of Home
Block Development Officer	 GR Support for 200 BPL PLHIV in Baruipur, Canning, Diamond Harbour & Magrahat
MR Bangur	 Treatment related and related services Collaborating with the various programs run by the hospital
Link ARTC	Treatment and related services
Indian Institute of Mother and Child Care Services (IIMC)	 For 50 Orphan CLHIV for education & nutritional support
NGO Bansdroni Riddhhi	For 30 WLHIV and 100 CLHIV for nutrition support and clothes
NGO iLead Foundation	For vocational training for 50 CLHIV



MEDIA COVERAGE

এইচআইভির ভয় কাটিয়ে ওঁদেরও কাছে টানছে পুজো



স্বাতী মল্লিক

উনিশ বছর আগে যখন ধরা পড়ে যে, তিনি এইচআইভি পঞ্জিটিভু, বে, াভান অব্যাজার নালাচ্ড, ক্যানিংয়ের একচিলতে দোকানটি বৃদ্ধ করে দিতে বাধ্য হয়েছিলেন ক্ষিতীশ মণ্ডল। কারণ, দোকানে খদ্দেররা আসতেন না। তিন বছরের মেয়ে আর এক বছরের ছেলেকে নিয়ে সে সময়ে গ্রামে পড়েছিলেন একঘরে **ट्र**स থ্যালাসেমিয়ায় আক্রান্ত, আমডাঙার বছর ষোলোর ঝুমা মাইতির (নাম পরিবর্তিত) রক্ত পরীক্ষায় এইচআইভি (হিউমাান এইচআইভি (হিউম্যান পরীক্ষায় ইমিউনোডেফিসিয়েন্সি ভাইরাস) ধরা পড়ে ছ'সাত মাস আগে। সে কথা স্কুলে আজও জানানোর সাহস করেনি ক্ষো আজত বানালোর পারলে স্কুলে সে। "ভয় হয়, জানতে পারলে স্কুলে বন্ধুরা পাশে বসবে না। গ্রামেও থাকতে দেবে না," বলছে ঝুমা।

ছুত্মার্গ আর ভাত ধারণার সঙ্গে লড়াই করতে করতে সমাজের এক প্রান্থত গিয়ে দাঁড়ানো এইচআইভি পজিটিভ মানুবগুলোর কাছে তাই দুর্গাপুজোর আলাদা মাহাত্ম্য নেই। পুজোর থিমের টক্কর অথবা সাবেক আচার-অনুটানের মূল শ্রোত থেকে

থেকে যান এইচআইডি পঞ্জিটিভেরা।
শরীরের প্রতিরোধ ক্ষমতা
কমে যাওরায় অনেক ক্ষেত্রই
এইচআইভি-র দোসর হয়ে আসে
রাজারোগ'। তাই উৎসবেও বাড়ির
চার দেওয়ালের ভিতরে বন্দি থেকে
যান ক্ষিতীশ-ঝুমারা। বর্তমানে কয়েক
হাজার এইচআইভি পঞ্জিটিভদের
নিয়ে কাঞ্জ করা ক্ষিতীশের কথায়,
"অসুথের প্রথম দিকে পুজো বলে
কিছুই ছিল না। ওর্ধের চাকা কোথা
থেকে আসবে, সংসার কী ভাবে
চলবে, সেই চিন্তাভেই রাতে ঘুম হত
না।" আর কিশোরী ঝুমার আফশোস,
"আমারও তো ইচ্ছে করে মণ্ডপে
গিয়ে মাকে দেখার। কিন্তু বাড়ি থেকে
খুব একটা বেরোই না। তবে এখনও
তোঁ কেউ জানেই না। অবে এখনও

সমাজের অকুঞ্চন থেকে রেহাই নেই এদের নিয়ে কাজ করা সমাজকর্মীদেরও। হাবড়ার শিল্পী ইন্দ্রজিৎ পোন্ধার বলছেন, 'গাত বছর চন্দননগরে জগান্ধাত্রী প্রতিমা তৈরি করতে গিয়েছিলাম। এক বয়ক উদ্যোভা ফেসবুকে শিশুদের সঙ্গে আমার কিছু ছবি দেখে ওদের পরিচয় জানতে চেয়েছিলেন। ওরা এইচআইভি পঞ্জিটিভ শুনেই আমার থেকে দু'পা পিছিয়ে গেলেন।''

থেকে দু'পা পিছিরে গেলেন।
তবে দুর্গাপুজার আবহে
এই দূরত্ব ঘূচিয়ে এইচআইভি
পজিটিভদের কাছে টানছে পূর্ব
কলকাতার একটি পুজো কমিটি।
আমডাঙার ঝুমা বা বারাসতের
রাবেয়া খাভুনের (নাম পরিবর্তিত)
মতো একাধিক এইচআইভি পজিটিভ
কিশোরীর তৈরি বাঁশের হ্যারিকেন,
পাটের পুতুল, শীভলপাটির বাাগে
সাজছে টাংরার কামারডাঙা সাধারণ
দুর্গাৎসব সমিতির পুজেমগুপা
প্রতিমা তৈরির সঙ্গে সঙ্গে দুর্লিভির্ব বাড়িবে হত

এমন ভাবনা কেন? ইন্দ্রজিতের কথার, "এদের চেরে অসহার ভার কেউ নর। তাই পূজোর সঙ্গে এদের ভূডতে চেরেছিলাম। রোগী নর, রোগকে ঘৃণা কর্মন— পূজোর এই বার্তা দিতে চাই।" পূজো কমিটির তরক্ষে সমীর সাহা জানাছেন, পূজোকে সর্বজনীন করার লক্ষ্যে এই প্রস্তাবে সম্মতি দিরেছেন তার। খুঁচিপুজোর উপচারেও তাই আপন করে নিরেছেন এই প্রান্তিক মানুবদের।

আপাতত তহি নাওয়া-খাওয়া ভূলে ব্যাগ-পুতুল বানাতে ব্যস্ত ঝুমা-রাবেয়ারা। একযোগে তারা বলছে, 'জুন থেকে পুজোর কাজ করছি। বেশ ভাল লাগছে।''



MOST SIGNIFICANT CHANGES STORIES





"I was shattered the day I came to know the HIV status of my husband, myself along with my two children. We were all HIV positive. My world had come to a complete halt" says a 35 years old Jarina Gharami of Rajbora Gram, Baruipur. The Medical College Counsellor had given us the address of SNP+

The first day we went there I could not hold back my tears. I don't remember for how long I cried. Khitishda and Susantada spoke to us and explained a lot of things. Slowly we started

going there for support group meetings and getting ration support for my son and daughter. Those were the most difficult years of our life when we were ostracised from family and friends and also financially broke. My husband could not work as he was very sick. Earlier he used to sell vegetables and fruits. He has died four years back. But I feel SNP+ has brought out the strength in me. Khitishda's mentoring has helped me to become what I am today. I am indebted to SNP+

The woman who hardly went out of her house is now unhesitant to speak in public. I am a social worker at SNP+ drawing a salary of Rs.5000/- every month. My children are pursuing their education as I always dreamt.

It was a proud moment for me when we went to the District Magistrate's Office in Alipore and successfully advocated for supporting the education of 37 BPL CLHIV. This was the day I felt my life had some meaning. Those 37 children are just like my own son and daughter. These children are now getting scholarship of Rs.2000/- every month. This was a dream come true and a major achievement in my life.

Today I feel I have more to give to life. I want to stand beside all those HIV positive people who have lost their hope and are fighting against discrimination and stigma. "Hum honge kamayab, hum honge kamayab ek din, maan mein hai viswas pura hai viswas..."





Tinku Roy, a resident of Sonarpur, West Bengal is a member of SNP+

2006 was the year I was detected HIV positive along with my 6 years old son. The moment my husband came to know about our HIV status he deserted both of us. He never came back.

Both my parents had died long time back. So, I had no place to go to. My sisters and other relatives avoided me. I wanted to commit suicide because I had no way out.

If SNP+ had not stood by us at that point of time, we would have committed suicide.

My son, Nitish, is now 21 years studying in 1st Year College. He is my lifeline.

I am a social worker at SNP+ that is how I am able to meet the household expenses and that of my son's education.

When my husband left me, I had no income and no educational background. I did not know how to take care of the everyday expenses. But I was determined to educate my son and give him the best. With the help of SNP+ I was able to send my son to Anandaghar, a home for children in Madhyamgram. There they took care of his education and nutrition till he was 15 years of age. SNP+ also helped me to get ration and books for my son.

It was then that my belief in life came back and I slowly got involved with the activities and movement of SNP+

I had also been part of the national movement for passing the HIV Bill. I had gone to Delhi and I was also part of the "HIV Bill dharna". My 15 years of association with this organization is a long story and I have seen the organization growing and reaching out to people like me in distress specially those for whom all doors are shut. Now I am part of the Advocacy team of our organization. I am regularly going to MR Bangur Hospital for advocating on various issues and concerns of PLHIV.

Today my age has increased and my hairs are slowly turning grey but the shine in my eyes is still there. SNP+ has given me a new lease of life. My son is studying and is preparing for government jobs.

"I owe my journey to SNP+ who has helped me realise my potential. It is only because of SNP+ that people like us are still alive. Thank you SNP+ for all that you have done for me".



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