

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

Annual Report 2016-2017

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President's Voice

The South 24 Parganas Network of People Living with HIV/AIDS is a community-based organization by, for and of the people living with HIV and AIDS. It is a platform of the PLHIV (people living with HIV and AIDS) from where they can fight for their rights and against all discrimination. The network was formed on 21st November of year 2004 and was registered in 2005 under the Societies Registration Act. It was formed with Seven PLHIVs of South 24 Parganas. Five Sub-Divisional Level Networks were also formed on 2010. We tied up with WBSAP&CS AND NACO, AAWAZ for nutritional support since 2006, Rotary International for Non-formal Education in the year 2015-2016, WBWDU Vocational Training for underprivileged women year 2017-18, CINI (2017 till date) for the treatment, prevention and protection of Tuberculosis patients.



It was formed to create a stigma & discrimination free society and for betterment of the quality of life for PLHIV and other marginalized & vulnerable population of society. Later we realized that women & children are very much marginalized in our society. So our future plan includes empowerment women & overall development of children.

Our AIM is to improve the socio-economic condition of PLHIV and other marginalized & vulnerable population in society. To strives for empowerment, emancipation & implementation of economic, social, political & legal rights of people living with HIV/AIDS and other marginalized & vulnerable population in society.

Our ultimate goal is to create a stigma & discrimination free society for all PLHIVs by the year 2025. So that all PLHIVs can lead a normal & healthy life free of any discrimination.

SNP+ Ongoing projects at a Glance

Programme	Supported by	Aspiration of work	Location	Targeted Beneficiary
Deepshikha CSC	NCPI+ Of Global Fund under Care and Support Programme.	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>VIHAAN Programme</u></p> <p>Early linkages of PLHIV to care, support and treatment services, Differentiate care, Improved treatment adherence and education for PLHIV. Expanded positive prevention activities. Improved social protection and wellbeing of PLHIV. Strengthening community systems and reduced stigma and discrimination.</p>	Sonarpur	Total No. of Registered Clients: more than 4000
Jeebandeep CSC			Park Circus	Total No. of Registered PLHIV Client: more than 4000
TB HIV intensified programme	Health and Family Welfare Samity of District	ICTC positive HIV PATIENTS are linked to ARTC, counselling, ICTC Eligible Spouse, Partner and Children are tested, TB Testing, home visit and group meeting.	Entire South 24 Parganas	Total identified TB-HIV client: 109 and PLHIV Client: more than 650
Aawaaz	Hand of Hope, Joyce Meyer Ministries, World Mission	The programme aimed to cater to CLHIV in and around South 24 Parganas by providing Nutrition and health related support.	Entire South 24 Parganas	Total 35 Children catered in this project.

AshaKiran	Rotary Literacy Mission	The major thrust of this programme was to promote education among the lower income group of the society and reduce the number of drop-out and out-of-school children from the society.	South 24 Parganas (Canning, Baruipur, Joynagar)	Total 225 children In four Intermediate Centre
Empower Adolescents to develop Healthy Reproductive Lifestyles including Preventing the spread of HIV/AIDS	Purnima Foundation	Creating awareness among adolescent girls and boys on reproductive health issue including HIV/AIDS. This was the main objective as well as to sensitize parents and community to create a barrier free world.	Basanti and Sonarpur	Total Boys 40 and Girls 40
VorsharAlo	Formed on 2009. Making writing pad	Formation of a self-help group and district level network.	Sonarpur	One Self-help group.
Sabalamban (Garment Making Programme) supported by Women & Child Development (undertaken by Govt. of West Bengal)	Begins from August,2016	This is a garment making programme by the underprivileged women of the society.	Caning Block-1	50 women were learning
THALI (Tuberculosis Health Action Learning Initiatives Project)	May,2017	This is a project working in different urban areas on prevention and care of TB.	19 wards under Rajpur-Sonarpur Municipality	3 lakhs population will be covered through this programme.

Snapshot of Vihaan programme activities

-:Total Registration of PLHIV, Kolkata- April 2016 to May 2017:-

Programme	Male	Female	TG	M C	F C	Total
Help Desk	393	420	8	51	40	912
Jeebandeep CSC	3236	1835	26	141	103	5341
Dipshikha CSC	328	258	9	12	9	616
Total	3712	2318	39	190	138	6614

Staff Strength of SNP+

1	Project Director	3	Honarium
2	Project Coordinator	5	Contractual paid
3	Field Officer	1	Contractual paid
4	Assistant Field Officer	1	Contractual paid
5	Teacher for Intermediate Center	5	Contractual paid
6	Counsellor	2	Contractual paid
7	Accountant	2	Contractual paid
8	Peer Counsellor	3	Contractual paid
9	Outreach Worker	34	Contractual paid
10	Touch Agent	19	Contractual paid
11	Office Support Staff	3	Contractual paid
	Total Staff	78	

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.
- ✚ To function as a coalition of community based organization.
- ✚ To improve the quality of life of PLHIV and other marginalized & vulnerable population of society.

Vision

To create a stigma & discrimination free society and betterment the quality of life for PLHIV and other marginalized & vulnerable population in society.

Aims & Objectives

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

Our Objectives are

- ✚ To strive for empowerment of people living with HIV/AIDS and other marginalized & vulnerable population in society.
- ✚ To strive for emancipation 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 PLWHA and other marginalized & venerable population in society.

Yearly Activities

World TB Day 2016- "Unite to End TB"

World TB Day is celebrated every year by the people all across the globe on 24th March. This year the theme of World TB Day is "Unite to End TB", which was mainly organized to raise the common public awareness about the epidemic disease of Tuberculosis as well as to get their efforts in order to totally eradicate this disease.

SNP+ has actively participated in this awareness campaign with all stakeholders and respective Govt. departments on 24th March, 2016. SNP+ has played an active role in spreading awareness among People living with HIV to understand, prevent, diagnose and treat TB. As we are all aware with the fact that TB remains one of the world's deadliest diseases and which is also a leading cause of death in people with HIV/AIDS; in 2015, one in three deaths among HIV-infected individuals worldwide was due to TB. However, SNP+ took this opportunity to mobilizing the Govt. stakeholders for better understanding of TB disease and to aware the clients about several types of test, DOTs course, HIV-TB co-infection in details. This advocacy initiative benefited our client to understand the symptom of TB and support system for TB patients.

Postcards to President of India

SNP+ actively participated in the campaign of #Post card to President# in 2016. This campaign was conducted to pass the pending HIV Bill, which was tabled in the Rajya Sabha on 11th February, 2014 with amidst constant din and confusion. The bill had been shuttling between the health and law ministries, with millions of HIV positive people getting being subjected to discrimination due to the delay. Though, the government has been addressing these issues. But if the bill is passed, even the private sector will come under its ambit. It would also ensure that HIV patients would get free treatment. As only the first phase of treatment is free now and they have to pay for second and third phases. The bill also aims at covering the victims under 'Right to informed consent' and 'Right to confidentiality'.

Containing the disappointment over the bill not being tabled, *PLHIV* collaboration networks conducted a postcard campaign to ensure the demolition of discrimination issues and strengthen the treatment methods for HIV. People living with HIV, social activists and non-governmental organizations (NGO), (CBO) urged president to pass the pending HIV/AIDS bill.

The bill will protect the rights of the HIV-afflicted and work towards zero discrimination against them and the treatment should be completely free.

Association with Rotary India Literacy Mission

Association with Rotary is another remarkable achievement for SNP+ in this year. It is a wonderful experience to work with Rotary literacy mission for the Asha Kiran Project. Whenever we feel the need to approach them regarding any matter, we always receive a prompt and well considered reply. SNP+ would like to thank them especially for their assistance and enthusiastic attitude to work for social cause.

The major objective of this component is to reduce number of out-of-school children in selected under-served areas through provision of access to formal primary education. Asha Kiran Project also addresses the barriers to education faced by low income families. Children, who do not complete primary education because they drop out from their school due to poverty, poor quality of education and living in difficult, disaster prone areas are the targeted beneficiaries of Asha Kiran programme. By setting up of Children Learning Centers, that uses a multi grade system in education, children can finish primary school. Parents, community and the regular schools are actively participating in the centers. Greater access to quality education for all children is the motto of this programme.



Need assessment at Basanti-Canning

SNP+ conducted a need based assessment survey at Basanti– Canning with the help of Purnima Foundation. The major thrust was to find out certain issues related with the life of adolescent children. A set of questionnaire was made to find out certain points, which are:

- ✚ Most adolescents who acquire HIV are infected through sexual behaviour. Many of them are recently infected and are unaware of their HIV infection status. Thus, many are in an early stage of HIV infection, which makes them ideal candidates for early interventions, such as prevention counseling, linkage to and engagement in care.
- ✚ To understand the abstract ideas. These include grasping and developing moral philosophies, including rights and privileges. Establish and maintain satisfying relationships. Adolescents will learn to share intimacy without feeling worried or inhibited.
- ✚ Move towards a more mature sense of themselves and their purpose.

- ✚ To question old values without losing their identity.
- ✚ The sudden and rapid physical changes that adolescents go through make adolescents very self-conscious. They are sensitive, and are worried about their own physical changes. They may make painful comparisons about themselves with their peers.

Awaaz

Awaaz is the project name initiated by the Hand of Hope, Joyce Meyer Ministries, and World Mission. It will take up the responsibility of providing care and support and mainstreaming of HIV inflicted, affected and vulnerable children. The focus, undoubtedly, is on children inflicted with HIV, children of HIV inflicted parents. Antiretroviral treatment through linkages with govt. run programme and providing nutritional support was the main activities of Awaaz.



Few moments of remembrance achievements...

Last year a seven years old boy experienced a harsh situation in his school at Bishnupur, south 24 Pargana. Out reach worker of SNP+ tried hard to solve this issue by several discussion and awareness campaign with the school and local community. Though, the school was initially not agreed to accommodate this boy in their school. However, with the help of SR, DCPO & Govt. officers, the boy was returned back to his school with all educational support provided by the district authorities. The about HIV/AIDS among the community near by the school and inside the school

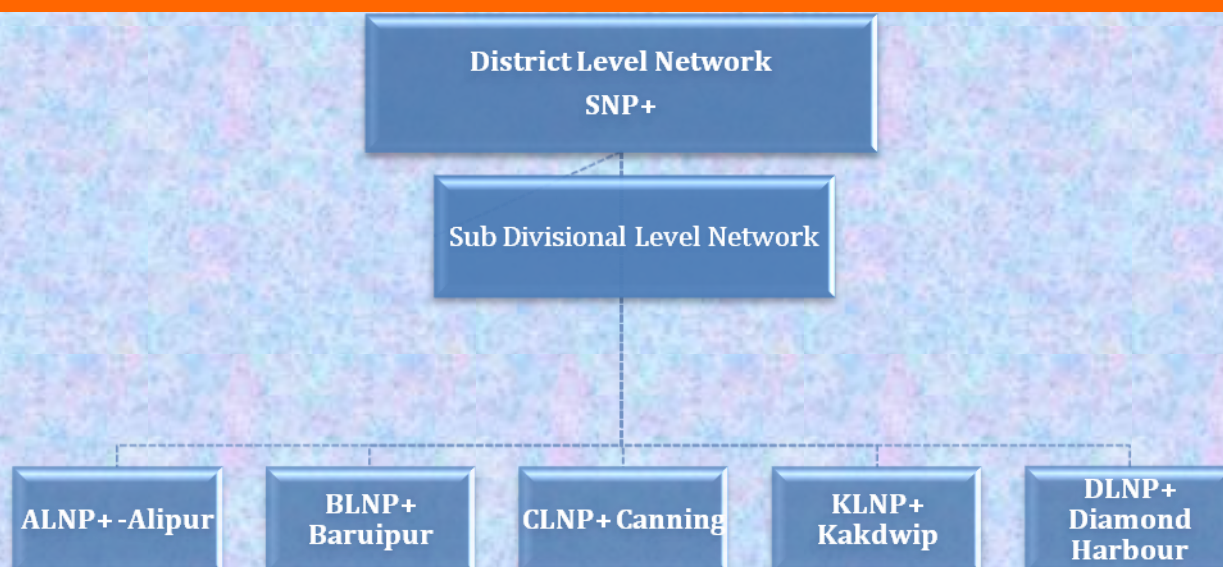
Case Study

KD (first letter of her name), WLHIV and widow residing in North 24 Pargans district and registered client of Jeeban Deep CSC reported about the discrimination faced at her locality by the neighbors, counselor and former land owner. She is a ON ART Patient of RG KAR MCH. Her husband was also HIV reactive but fortunately her two son aged 17 and 6 years are free of HIV.

The Incident took place in the last week of November 2014 but the Jeeban deep CSC came to know about the incident on December 2, 2014. KD submitted a written complaint letter to Jeebandeep CSC through her area's ORW regarding the social harassment at her locality and has been repulsed from her own house with her children by the Councilor's husband and neighbors. She was staying in a house with her children. She was thrown out of her house with her children and the house was put under lock and key. Some influential persons of her locality has done this for promoting purpose.

Jeebandeep CSC contacted with local authorities including the concerned Minister. The Minister contacted the local MLA & Chairman of Municipality. With their help she was able to return to her house with her children.

Organogram



TRIANGULAR APPROACH

ADVOCACY

NETWORK BUILDING

SERVICE DELIVERY



SNP+ Partners

SNP+ strongly acknowledges that the path it has chosen cannot be pursued alone and support is always needed for this mission. The constant support and encouragement it receives from various government bodies and non-governmental organizations, other NGOs, CSOs, funders and supporters is acknowledged by SNP+ with modesty and gratitude. SNP+ sincerely acknowledges the encouragement and support it receives from:

- Bengal Network of People Living with HIV/AIDS
- National AIDS Control Organization
- West Bengal State AIDS Control and Prevention Society
- Indian HIV/AIDS Alliance
- Zila Parishad
- AWAAZ- A Voice for the Voiceless
- Rotary India Literacy Mission
- Human Rights Law Network (HRLN)
- District Legal Service Authority (DALSA)
- The Purnima Foundation
- District Health & Family Welfare Samiti (HIV/TB Co-ordination Committee)
- RNTCP, South 24 Parganas
- SAATHII-Solidarity & Action Against The HIV Infection in India
- School of Tropical Medicine
- ICTCs/PPTCTs/Link ART Centers South 24 PGS
- Medical Colleges and Hospitals in Kolkata
- Nodal ART centre MR Bangur
- All District & Sub-division level Hospitals
- Family Planning Association of India
- MP, SDOs, BDOs, Panchayat Pradhans of GP, DSWO, BSWO,
- All NGOs & CBOs
- District Food and Supply

Photo Gallery



