Field experiences

GLRA India
Introduction

• Founded in 1957 (GLRA)

• Founder Members of International Federation of Anti Leprosy Associations (ILEP)

• GLRA Member of NGO TB consortium in India and National partnership

• Member of subgroup Stop TB strategy (TB & Poverty) PPM and Community & TB in big cities of IUATLD

• In India we currently support 51 NGOs involved in RNTCP
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Community DOTS Delhi experiences at a glance

- Project started in year 2005 in collaboration with Delhi RNTCP

- In selected slums of Northwest, East, and Northeast districts of Delhi.

- Project mainly targets slum dwellers working as daily wagers

- In line with 5th component of Stop TB partnership
  - ACSM
  - Community TB care
**Aim:**
To improve DOT outreach in the slums of Delhi through community DOT volunteers

**Approach:**
- Flexible timing DOT provision
- IPC and patient follow up
- Create Awareness among target slums & network with local NGO’s, Practitioners’, and community groups for early referral
Started with 20 DOT centres in slums each manned by slum volunteer trained as RNTCP DOT provision

Each centre established every 50000 populations
From Jan 2009 we scaled down 15 centres

Criteria of shortlisting volunteers:
- Locally acceptable volunteer from slum, usually chosen by community / opinion leaders
- Volunteer resides in target slum
- Inclination to treat TB patients from residence
- Cured TB patient
**Achievements**:

- Treatment adherence improved at these centres
- Defaulter Rate remained consistently below 5%
- Till Dec 31, 2008, 2246 treated successfully without affecting their daily wages
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Awareness camp in slum

Slum Peers workshop

Street plays

IEC material development
DOT provider in slum operating from her residence
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