

Leveraging Public Private Partnership
(1st April 2008 – 30th June 2008)

Major Activities undertaken under the component of LPPP:

1. Meeting with NRHM officials to discuss issues on convergence for STI services: - A meeting for mainstreaming of HIV/AIDS with various departments of the state was conducted on 13th May 2008 at MPSACS office. The TSU team and Project Director, MPSACS along with concerned officials from MPSACS were present in the meeting. Besides, representatives from the following departments also participated in the meeting:

1. Ms. Kalpana Shrivastava- Commissioner, Dept. of Women & Child Development.
2. Dr. Rachna Gupta - Dept. of Women & Child Development.
3. Dr. Abha Sahu – Deputy Director, NRHM.
4. Ms. Archana Mishra – Consultant RCH.
5. Mr. Ritesh Jain – Project Manager, NRHM.
6. Mr. Radha Vallabh Sharma- Additional Director, Dept. of Higher Education.
7. Mr. Alankar Malviya- Consultant, UNAIDS, New Delhi.

A discussion was initiated on the support expected from each department. The summary of the discussion is as follows:

Department of Health and Family Welfare: Health workers including ASHA, ANMs, and MHWs, will be trained as per the NACO module. The NRHM representative informed that all ANMs have a month long training schedule and it was decided to incorporate the HIV/AIDS training in this schedule. We requested to give two days out of the one month schedule for providing training on HIV/AIDS and STI which was agreed upon by the NRHM team. It has been planned to conduct training for ASHA and ANMs from A & B districts initially and later move on to other districts.

Although the training module no. 3 for ASHA covers HIV/AIDS topic, yet it is not adequate as it only covers the basics of HIV/AIDS. Therefore it was decided that the NACO module will be shared with NRHM in order to receive their feedback and comments.

A separate training for nurses and lab technicians from NRHM supported STI clinics will be undertaken. The NRHM team suggested that the nurses to be trained in counseling also. A module on HIV/AIDS and STI management as well as counseling will be incorporated in the regular training of the medical officers of the NRHM supported clinics.

NRHM will provide a list of master trainers who will be trained by MPSACS and they in turn will train the staff at the ground level.

NRHM has 198 accredited private hospitals in 38 districts. Doctors from these hospitals will be trained for STI management and referral under PPP.

NRHM will share the data of RTI/STI cases received from NRHM supported clinics with MPSACS which will be further sent to NACO on monthly basis.

The list of private practitioners reporting STI cases can be collected from IDSP situated in the Directorate of Health. Team leader- PPP will coordinate and get the required data and information.

Follow –up: A letter has been sent to the Director of NRHM for issuing necessary instructions to the concerned officials in this regard and we have received a letter of compliance from NRHM.

2. State level sensitization workshop for private sector for HIV/AIDS mainstreaming at Chattisgarh: The State level workshop was organized by the mainstreaming unit of UNDP at Raipur. Many private stakeholders such as President of Chattisgarh Chamber of Commerce & Industries, and industries representatives from BALCO, Grasim and NGOs (STOP AIDS NOW, FXB) were also present. Team Leader, Leveraging Public Private Partnership from TSU, MP made a presentation on expected support from the private partners. It was an initial interaction with few of the private partners who assured their full support to the CGSACS and TSU for carrying forward the agenda of HIV/AIDS in workplaces.

3. Leveraging support from Department of Labour, CII, FICCI and MP Industrial Development Corporation: TL, PPP made several visits to these agencies and gathered the preliminary data on major industries and corporates in A and B category districts. A work plan has been prepared and shared with CII for further discussion. Subsequently, a detailed action plan will be prepared in consultation with CII and MPSACS/TSU and shared with the Department of Labour.

It has been proposed to hold district/ regional level advocacy workshops for the major industries and corporates in the A and B districts in order to solicit support for workplace interventions and discuss the areas of collaboration.

4. Training for formation of State Resource Pool for STI clinics at New Delhi :- TL, PPP attended the training organized by NACO on 22nd and 23rd May 2008 at AMulana Azad Medical College, Delhi. The main objective of the training was to train the identified state resource team from the respective SACS for strengthening the STI services in the states. Broadly the sessions were divided into clinical and non clinical sessions. The clinical sessions mainly dealt with the medical part of STI management and included subjects such as, Physical examination, syndromic management, partner treatment, Laboratory tests for diagnosing STIs/RTIs, Management of STIs/RTIs in high risk groups and Infection control system and waste disposal, Anaphylaxis management. On the other hand the on clinical modules included basic History taking and communication skills, Sex & Sexuality, Public Health importance of RTIs/STIs, sexual violence managing RTI/STIs, Health education/counseling for STIs/RTIs Involvement of youth & Male participation in STI control program and Condom and STI Clinic

administration. The operational guidelines were discussed in detail and a hand on training was given to the participants for filling the CMIS report and Case sheets. It was decided that all the SACS would identify faculty from medical colleges of the state and create a state resource group which would monitor and supervise the SACS supported STI clinics in the state and would also provide training to the district level STI clinic personnel.

Follow up: A detailed report has been submitted to PD, MPSACS and preliminary discussions have taken place with DD STD, MPSACS for follow up with the medical colleges in this regard. Letters have been sent to the Dean's of all medical colleges for identification of the above mentioned team.