

Over 60 years of Striving & Serving to End Leprosy and TB

ACTIVITY REPORT

2016

VISION :

To reach and serve persons affected by Leprosy or TB, Medically and Socially.

MISSION :

Damien Foundation India Trust offers quality services, both medical and social, to people in need, either directly or through NGOs, Civil Society Organisations and Government.

VALUES:

Transparency
Accountability
Synergy
Respect



'YOUR DONATIONS HAVE HELPED
REWRITE FUTURE OF RAVI'

WHERE WE WORK

(Project Location – State Wise)

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Delhi

- Margaret Leprosy and TB Hospital, South West Delhi

Maharashtra

- Assisi Sevasadan Hospital, Nagepalli

Karnataka

- Swami Vivekananda Integrated Rural Health Centre, Pavagada

Kerala

- St. John's Hospital and Leprosy Services, Trivandrum

Tamil Nadu

- Anandapuram Rehabilitation Centre, Polambakkam
- The Beatitudes Social Welfare Centre, Pope John Garden
- Nilgiris-Wynaad Tribal Welfare Society, Ambalamoola
- Arogya Agam, Aundipatty
- St. Mary's Leprosy Centre, Arispalyam, Salem
- Holy Family Hansensorium, Fathimanagar, Trichy
- DPMR support in 12 districts

Andhra Pradesh

- Damien Foundation Urban Leprosy and TB Research Centre, Nellore
- New Hope Leprosy Centre, Chilakalapalli, Vizianagaram district
- Support to DRTB and DPMR activities in 6 districts
- Support to DPMR activities in 2 districts

Bihar

- Model Leprosy Control Unit, Dehri on Sone, Rudrapura, Rohtas district
- Damien TB Research Centre, Darbhanga
- Support to DPMR activities in 23 districts
- ILEP coordination
- Support to TB control programme in 15 districts

Jharkhand

- Claver Social Welfare Centre, Amda
- Nirmala General and Leprosy Hospital, Dhanbad
- DPMR support in 8 districts

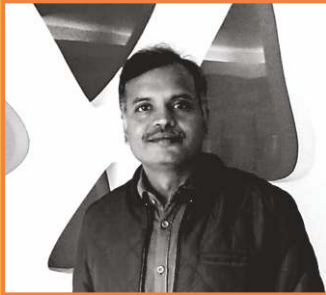
NOTE FROM THE SECRETARY'S DESK

It is my pleasure to present our Activity Report 2016. We have once again had an active and fruitful year.

This report may seem to contain more statistics about the support rendered to our beneficiaries who have been assisted in our various programmes. Yet, as you read the report, I would request you to understand and reflect about the stories behind the statistics – the lives that have been changed and communities transformed through your support.

None of these achievements would have been possible without the continuous support of you, our valuable donors, our dedicated team of staff, our partners, our volunteers and our board members.

We trusted each other, provided support and built on the successful implementation of our projects. Finally, I take this opportunity to truly thank all who have contributed their precious time and their resources.



Shivakumar
Secretary

DAMIEN CONTRIBUTES TO CREATING COMPASSIONATE & SOCIALLY CONCERNED MEDICAL PROFESSIONALS!



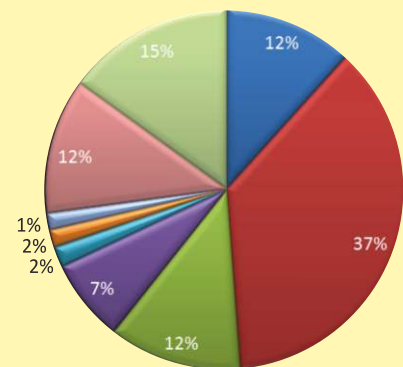
In order to increase knowledge and compassion among future Doctors for Leprosy as an issue, Damien Foundation India trust awards a Leprosy Endowment Prize for Final Year Medical Students. This is done in collaboration with Tamil Nadu MGR Medical University and Sri Ramachandra Medical University.



Damien Foundation India Trust in collaboration with Department of ACSR Government Medical College Nellore, conducted a one-day workshop for Doctors titled "Leprosy Nerve Palsies in the Upper Limb" on 31st January 2016 at the Medical College Auditorium.

Workshop is recognized by the Medical Council of India and 2 credit points were awarded for all the 111 participants.

Financial Report 2016 Application of funds (in %) INR 127 Million



Andhra Pradesh	(12%)
Bihar	(37%)
Delhi	(12%)
Jharkhand	(7%)
Karnataka	(2%)
Kerala	(2%)
Maharashtra	(1%)
Tamil Nadu	(12%)
DFIT Secretariate	(15%)

3000 members provided support for generating regular income



Damien Foundation India Trust (DFIT) is fighting a relentless battle against Leprosy and Tuberculosis (TB) in India, since 1955. Damien Foundation India relies strongly in the power of collaboration and partnership with Government, Non – Profit Organisations and Civil Society for the past 60 years.

OUR FOCUS

- Prevent occurrence of Leprosy and Tuberculosis through advocacy & education.
- Provide medical treatment and deformity correction surgeries for those affected by Leprosy
- Provide diagnostic and treatment services for drug susceptible and drug resistant tuberculosis
- Provide nutritional support and monitor treatment of TB patients
- Provide livelihood support and facilitate social acceptance of persons affected by Leprosy & TB with special focus on women & children

OUR STRENGTHS

Leprosy Control Activities

- 22 field expert teams to facilitate Disability Prevention and Medical Rehabilitation activities in 52 districts.
- 14 referral hospitals to provide services for managing complications related to Leprosy

TB Control Activities

- 17 designated microscopic centres to manage drug susceptible TB
- 8 referral centres for managing complications related to TB
- 2 reference laboratories to support drug resistant TB control in Andhra Pradesh and Bihar

Scale & Reach

- Dedicated and a well trained team comprising of 158 Medical/Paramedical Staff, 30 Administrative Staff and 84 Programme Staff catering to the needs of more than 25000 families affected with Leprosy / TB every year.
- Strengthening of referral system through Primary Health Care centers, Government and Non-Government Organizations covering a population of over 100 million across 8 states in India.

DAMIEN FOUNDATION INDIA TRUST has been

- **Educating** the persons affected by Leprosy and TB and giving them a ray of hope
- **Empowering** the persons affected by Leprosy and TB by giving them a future and a purpose to Live.
- **Enlightening** common man, fighting Leprosy and TB.
- **Encouraging** Society to respect their rights and restore their dignity
- **Ensuring** deformity prevention through self-care practice.

Year after year, for over 60 years!...

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1 SURGICAL SUPPORT

1,10,405

Leprosy affected were given free treatment as Out-Patients

2,097

Leprosy affected were treated In -house

419

New Leprosy cases identified

355

Free Deformity Correction Surgeries for adults and children affected by Leprosy

157

Free minor surgeries done

All types of deformities in leprosy can be corrected through surgery combined with physiotherapy at the early stages. The Occupational therapist trains them to use their hands/limbs effectively and safely in their day to day life.

Ravi, a 14 year old school going student from Nellore district, Andhra Pradesh ignored the early symptoms of Leprosy and ended up with a condition called Wrist drop in his right hand. Wrist drop, also known as Radial Nerve Palsy, is a condition where a person cannot extend their wrist and it hangs lifelessly.

Damien staff, on their regular visit identified his condition and helped him with intensive physiotherapy treatment to release the stiffness in the wrist. He was operated free of cost for wrist drop at Damien Foundation India Hospital, Nellore, Andhra Pradesh. Today Ravi's hand is restored to near normal usage like before with regular self care and daily exercises. Ravi is excited to go back to school to resume his studies.



Your donation of ₹ 36,000 will help many like Ravi experience a life transformation through surgical process called 'Deformity Correction Surgery' and lead a productive life.

2 SPECIAL NUTRITIONAL SUPPLEMENT TO TB PATIENTS



Special diet and nutritious food supplements are provided to persons affected by TB to complement their treatment. Food items such as Rice, Wheat, Cereals, Egg, Cooking Oil etc are given throughout the treatment course for six months to help recover from TB.

Your support of ₹ 12,000 helps to complement and supplement TB treatment by providing nutritious diet for 1 Drug Resistant TB patient.

14,722

Cough symptomatic persons were screened

7,257

Multi- Drug Resistant (MDR) TB suspects were screened

5,133

Follow-up examinations for MDR TB suspects

217

Multi- Drug Resistant TB Patients were admitted, evaluated and initiated treatment at DOT's plus site.

389

Deserving men, women and children were given nutritional supplements.

100000 families covered in TB diagnosis

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3 SELF-CARE

12,190

Leprosy affected were motivated to practice self-care regularly.

1,950

Leprosy affected were supported with customized MCR Footwear

6,938

Leprosy affected were motivated to use appropriate foot wear.

Sensation loss makes Leprosy affected susceptible to wounds in feet and hands. Trained social workers make regular home visits and provide the Leprosy affected and their families with information and tools required for self care, to manage and control further damage to their limbs.

Regular self-care training leads to their own health care, thus helping them to take individual responsibility towards management of their health.

Self-Care initiatives are successful through combined efforts of the individual concerned, Family of the affected, Health care team and Social workers.



Your contribution of ₹ 300 can help provide a special customized footwear for one Leprosy affected that can prevent infections and ulcers caused by nails or sharp objects from the ground.

4 SAFE SHELTER



Leprosy affected patients are stigmatized even today, resulting in their social exclusion and poverty. They are unable to rent a house and live with dignity. This is where Damien Foundation India intervenes and provides financial support to renovate or reconstruct their homes. Only poorest among the affected are selected for this support.

For 45 year old Saguni Devi, a widowed mother with four children, struggling for survival in Darbhanga District, Bihar- the diagnosis that both she and her two kids were affected with Leprosy was a blow beyond compare. Shattered and hopeless, Damien social workers' intervention at the right time in the form of a free Deformity Correction Surgery for Devi and treatment for the two Leprosy affected children was a new lease of life!

The entire family was living in a dilapidated hut and had to cope with the mocking and humiliation for living a pathetic life. Damien Foundation India Trust with support from donors like you extended support to construct a home for her and the family. Today she is safe, secure and has been given a chance to live with dignity and respect.

A contribution of ₹ 30,000 is all it takes to repair or reconstruct a home for a needy person affected by Leprosy or TB.

96

Houses were built/renovated

14

Toilets constructed for the leprosy affected

Other Construction / Renovation work at Damien Centres:

- Renovation of ulcer ward to support the treatment of 30 ulcer patients at Holy Family Hansenorium Hospital, Fathima Nagar, Trichy, Tamil Nadu
- Construction of Pathway in Benitho Leprosy Colony, Fathima Nagar, Trichy, Tamil Nadu

This year, 32 volunteers from Belgium, also known as 'Chantiers' provided funds and actively participated towards construction/renovation of houses and medical infrastructure who came in 4 groups, one group visited Bihar, 2 groups visited Jharkhand and one group to Tamilnadu.



50000 rescued from Leprosy induced deformity

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5 SUSTAINABLE SOURCE OF INCOME

124

Persons affected by leprosy were given livelihood support to ensure sustainable sources of income



Damien Foundation India Trust sets up petty shops, provides pushcarts or livestock support, thereby helping poorest among the affected to have a stable source of Income.

For 45 year old Bagirath, life came to a standstill when he was diagnosed with TB (category II) in the year 2016. He couldn't cope with the strong medication needed for the treatment and was unable to work. As the breadwinner, he was unable to take care of his family or manage his own personal expenses. Damien India sensed his inability to earn and provided him with a load Cycle Rickshaw (Tricycle), worth Rs. 10,000 after treatment. He is now earning Rs. 200 - Rs. 300 average, on a daily basis.



Your donation of ₹ 18,000 will help provide regular income and a stable future through petty shops, pushcarts or livestock!

6 SOCIAL INTEGRATION



Fighting against discrimination is half the battle won for those affected by Leprosy and TB. Even when people affected by Leprosy are cured, social stigma can remain an obstacle to regular life.

People experiencing such social rejection are unable to live with their families, stay married or sustain their jobs.

Damien Foundation India steps in to heal the hurt families through counseling patients, their families and communities to live together with acceptance.

30 year old Sriram from Maharastra suddenly developed skin eruptions on his chest and other parts of the body. His wife and two children were terrified and perplexed when they saw these sores and abandoned him.

Sriram was identified by Damien social workers, hospitalized and treated for Leprosy.

The social workers visited his wife and explained that his condition was curable and not contagious as she had feared and encouraged her to live with him. She has now joined her husband and they live together.

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Leprosy and TB affected are abandoned. They gain family and social acceptance through counselling

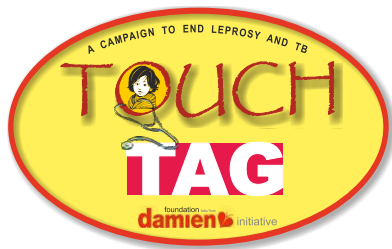


5000 deformity correction surgeries performed

Empowering Communities, Ending Discrimination

Sign up for **Rs.500/-** with a monthly commitment through **TOUCH & TAG** campaign and watch how your **money** changes **lives**

Join the **fight** against **Leprosy and Tuberculosis!**



TOUCH & TAG is the effort of **Damien Foundation India** to **enlighten** schools and colleges, business men & professionals, corporate & media institutions about the magnitude of **Leprosy** and **TB**.

TOUCH & TAG encourages and engages individuals and corporate to **TAG - "TO AFFIRM AND GIVE REGULARLY & CONSISTENTLY"**.

This is a partnership to mobilize practical financial support for the needy.

Did you know?

Every single day, In India alone,
500 people are detected for Leprosy
5000 people detected for TB

Pledge **₹ 500**

today and **Change Lives**

- A regular monthly donation of Rs. 500 for a year can help provide special customized foot wear to 20 affected by Leprosy
- A regular monthly donation of Rs.500 for a year will help with cost of vocational education for 2 adolescent children affected by Leprosy
- A monthly donation of Rs.500 for 3 years can help provide petty shops, push carts or livestock to ensure regular income and a secure future for head of family affected by Leprosy or TB
- A monthly donation of Rs.500 from 4 persons for a year can provide nutritious food for atleast 2 drug resistant Tuberculosis patients.
- A monthly donation of Rs. 500 from 5 persons for a year can renovate the dilapidated home of a needy person affected by Leprosy or TB.
- A monthly donation of Rs. 500 from 6 persons for a year helps cover the cost of a deformity correction surgery for a person affected by Leprosy.

Thank you!

We profusely thank all our individual / corporate sponsors for your contribution and support towards the Projects of Damien Foundation India Trust.



Damien Foundation India Trust (DFIT) is registered under the trust Act (213/1992)
Donations to DFIT are 50% exempted from Tax under 80G of Income Tax Act, 1961

Please pledge a committed support and become a regular donor.

Sign in Now!

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- Option 1:** Direct NACH debits from your savings account
- Option 2:** Cheques/DD payable to "Damien Foundation India Trust"
- Option 3:** Contribute online through our secure payment gateway

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