

INDIAN NETWORK FOR PEOPLE LIVING WITH HIV/AIDS (INP+)

ANNUAL REPORT 2022-23

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MESSAGE FROM GOVERNING BOARD

I am pleased to present the annual report for the financial year 2022-23

on behalf of the INP+ board. Despite facing numerous challenges, INP+

continued to provide its services to the PLHIV community. This is a testament

to the organization's strength and the unwavering commitment of its members

towards the welfare of the community. INP+ also provided technical support to

its affiliated networks and members.

Good governance is crucial for the long-term sustenance of any

organization. Therefore, I appreciate and thank all the members who have been

supportive and encouraging throughout the ups and downs of the organization. I

also extend my sincere thanks to the board members, staff and other well-

wishers who have supported the Network.

We remain committed to reinforcing the reputation of INP+ that has been

earned through decades of hard work and commitment.

K. K. Abraham

President

PROFILE

INP+ is a national network of people living with HIV/AIDS that brings together individuals from various states in India. The organization is committed to improving the well-being of PLHIV in India and is registered under Tamil Nadu Societies Registration Act 27 of 1975 with registration number 231/1997. Its governing board is entirely comprised of people living with HIV, making it a community-based organization. Over the course of 10 years, INP+ has grown to become the largest PLHIV organization globally, with 25 state-level and 250 district-level networks affiliated with it. In 2010, the organization faced financial discrepancies that led to its split into two. However, INP+ overcame the allegations and continued to be active in Kerala, Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, Karnataka, and Odisha, with around 78 district-level networks affiliated with it.

VISION

To ensure People living with HIV/AIDS have equal rights and enable them to live a life with dignity and peace with other members of the society.

MISSION

To improve the quality of life of people living with HIV/AIDS in India and provide them and their families a sense of belonging by ensuring their full and active participation in society and preventing further HIV transmission.

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES

- 1. **PLHIV mobilization**: work towards mobilization for improved prevention and quality of life of PLHIV communities through systematic, continuous development of networks at various state and district levels.
- 2. **Human rights:** promote the elimination of stigma and discrimination and protect the human rights of PLHIV.
- 3. Greater Involvement of people living with HIV/AIDS (GIPA): implement and promote GIPA for the empowerment of PLHIV and making a favourable impact on programmes and policies.
- 4. **Access to information and services:** ensure access to quality information and services for positive prevention, positive living and continuum of care and treatment.
- 5. **Emerging needs of people living with HIV/AIDS**: Respond to emerging needs of the PLHIV community, including sustainable options for livelihood and social security.
- 6. **Positive prevention**: to assist PLHIV in adopting safe sexual and injecting drug use behaviours that help not only prevent the transmission of infection to other people but also protect the health of PLHIV and their partners.
- 7. **Sustainable society**: INP+ services are outcome-focused and professionally managed in partnership with evidence-based interventions and keep it sustainable.
- 8. **Promote and advocate all drug and vaccine trials**: to make sure that they are ethical, clearly explained, and strictly monitored and also ensure trial participants are fully insured against negative drug effects, through participatory involvement. Its advocacy efforts not only promote a research attitude and atmosphere in medical research but also in different fields that would benefit PLHIV.

GOVERNING BOARD

NAME	DESIGNATION	STATE-REGION
Mr. K. K. Abraham	President	Kerala-South
Mr. D. T.Thyagaraja	Vice president Karnataka-South	
Ms. Jahnabi Goswami	General Secretary	Assam –Northeast
Mr. G. Karunanithi	Joint Secretary	Tamil Nadu -South
Ms. Renuka Kotagiri	Treasurer	Andhra Pradesh-South
Ms. Pooja Thakur	Executive member	Chandigarh-North
Mr. Azad Sheik	Executive member	Goa-West

RESPONSIBILITIES OF BOARD:

- ➤ Ultimately responsible for developing strategy, making policy, budget and outcome.
- ➤ Approves audited financial statements and ensures the organization's compliance with laws and regulations.
- ➤ Evaluate activities of the organization, whether they are contributing to its mission and aimed at realizing the strategic objectives.
- Examines the strategic long-term plan, individual annual plans, and budgets and reviews the progress of the plan periodically.
- ➤ Decides timely revisions of plans and budgets in response to the emerging needs of the community.

MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS SINCE INCEPTION

- In 2002, for the first time in history, 189 nations came together at the UN General Assembly (UNGASS) in New York to discuss the global impact of HIV/AIDS. This was a unique session because it was called 'Global Action for a global crisis'. INP+ was represented by its board members in the meeting and discussed the situation of PLHIV regarding the provision of free anti-retroviral drugs (ARV) in India
- In 2003, INP+ moved a step further to ensure the services moved closer to PLWHA by establishing a Life Focus Centre to make sure they are leading a better and healthier life after being infected. The year is also noteworthy as it brought recognition for INP+ in media and gave a new image and visibility to the organization.
- INP+ represented the PLWHA community in a workshop organized by the International Labour Organization (ILO) and submitted a paper on the status and implications of stigma and discrimination at workplaces.
- INP+ participated in the national consultation on human rights, gender and HIV and presented a study paper based on its findings to improve infrastructure and mechanisms to address the myriad concerns arising within the context of gender and HIV infection.
- INP+ did a curtain riser press briefing at the Indian Parliament on HIV prevention and treatment issues. It was the first time that people living with HIV/AIDS had been invited to address the Parliament of the country
- INP+ received the Access Award at the XV International AIDS conference in Bangkok, Thailand.
- INP+ researched to figure out the barriers to scaling up the national ART program and a memorandum submitted to NACO and multi /bilateral agencies to provide support to prepare a plan for universal access to ART in India.

- INP+ was one of the organizations that advocated vigorously for the need of 2nd line ART in India
- INP+ has been at the forefront of fighting for patent issues of ARVs by filing PIL at various high courts across India.
- INP+ advocacy of GIPA (Greater Involvement of People with HIV and AIDS) has been fruitful as it is accepted as a part of NACO's overall strategy and its effects are reflected in NACP 3 (National AIDS Control Program-3).
- To reach out to the grassroots levels of the community, INP+ developed its peer educators for activities to improve treatment adherence and basic services for people living with HIV.

THE ACTIVITIES UNDERTAKEN BY INP+ DURING THE YEAR 2022-23

1. Support to Positive Women Network:

In the reporting year, INP+ and Positive Women Network (PWN+) have decided to run their offices in a single flat on a sharing basis and take a flat at Arumbakkam on lease to both the offices together. INP+ partnered with PWN+ in a program on sexual and reproductive health and HIV. The program was funded by the UNESCO India office to conduct a series of workshops on Sexual and reproductive health and HIV and advocacy on the emerging sexual and reproductive needs of WLHIV. The program was completed in June 2022.

2. Support to conduct Annual General Body meeting of CPK+ and APNP+:

INP+ gave support and guidance to conduct the annual general meetings of the Council of People Living with HIV/AIDS in Kerala (CPK+), and the Telugu Network of People Living with HIV (TNP+) in 2022-23. Whenever a need arises in the member organizations, INP+ provides technical support to run their

program, updating counselling knowledge and supporting them in advocacy activities to address emerging concerns and bring policy changes at local and state levels.

3. India Country Coordination Mechanism (CCM) reconstitution for 2022-25:

The India Country Coordinating Mechanism (CCM) is made up of 26 members who represent the Government (Centre and State), Civil Society Organizations (CSO), Key Affected Populations (KP/KAP), People Affected with Disease (PLHIV/PLWD), Private Sector and Bilateral and Multilateral development partners. The Global Fund mandated the establishment of India CCM in 2002 to ensure that the country has access to Global Fund grants, that these funds are well-coordinated within the national response, and to provide national oversight and ownership of grant implementation.

On February 21, 2022, the CCM election committee was formed. The committee collected applications on August 16, 2022, and organized a meeting with the PLHIV constituency on October 15, 2022. The meeting invited representation from across the country and included members from known networks, such as INP+, NCPI+, and PWN+. The meeting was facilitated by UNAIDS, with funding from India CCM.

There were eight applicants for the one-member and one alternate-member seat, but there was no consensus on the two names due to objections from NCPI+. Therefore, another meeting was held to select the representatives. INP+, NCPI+, and PWN+ unanimously chose Ms. Anandi Yuvaraj as the PLHIV representative and Ms. Celina D'Souza as the alternate representative.

ANNUAL GENERAL BODY MEETING

The annual general body meeting for 2021-22 was held on August 20th, 2022 at the Asha Nivas Social Service Center in Rutland Gate, Nungambakkam, Chennai. There were 22 members present. Mr. G. Karunanithi, the Joint Secretary of INP+, presented the annual report while Ms. Renuka K, the Treasurer, presented the audit report. Both reports were accepted by the general body, and the board members were applauded for their efforts. The main topics discussed during the AGM were fundraising activities, policy changes, and strengthening the networks.

AFFILIATED STATE LEVEL NETWORKS

1	Chandigarh Network of People Living with HIV/AIDS (CNP+) DIC- International Hostel, Sec 15- A Madhya Marg Chandigarh-15	Ms. Pooja Thakur <u>cnppls@yahoo.com</u> +91 9316177261
2	Telugu Network for People living with HIV/AIDS (TNP+), c/o SHIP, Hosanna Mandiram, Gorantla, Guntur-34	Mr.A Ramesh Babu tnp58ap@gmail.com +91 9618205520
3	Karnataka Network for Positive People (KNP+), 1 st floor, APMC Old admin. Office, near RMC police station, Tumkur Road, Yashawantpur, Bangalore-22	Mr. Thyagaraja knppluz@gmail.com +91 9449846900
4	Council of People living with HIV/AIDS in Kerala (CPK+), House no.31/392, Ground floor,(PRRA-13)Lane No.3, Paradise Road, Vytila. PO, Kochi-19	Mr. Joseph Mathew cpkplus@gmail.com +91 9947186871
5	Tamil Nadu Networking People with HIV/AIDS (TNNP+), No.391/30, 8 th street, K K Nagar, South Gate, Near Mahatma Montessori School, Madurai-20	Mr. Kumar tnnpplus@gmail.com +91 9442119204

6	Zindagi Goa, F-11, 2 nd Floor, Pai Building, Behind Uma Petrol Pump, Mundvel, Vasco da Gama, Goa-403802	Mr. Azad Sheik goazindagi@gmail.com +91 9823754869
7	Assam Network of Positive People(ANP+) Sundarpur 1 st bye land, House No. 2a, R G Baruah Road, Sundarpur Near NRL Petrol Pump, Guwahati-781005	Ms. Jahnabi Goswamy <u>Anpplus.assam@gmail.com</u> +91 9706050252

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

District-level networks of INP+

Human Rights Law Network

India Country Coordinating Mechanism

Lawyers Collective

National AIDS Control Organization

State AIDS Control Societies

State-level networks of INP+

The Global Fund to Fight AIDS. Tuberculosis and Malaria

United Nations Development Programme, India

UNAIDS, the Joint United Nations Program on HIV/AIDS

ABBREVIATIONS

HIV – Human Immuno Deficiency Virus

AIDS-Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome

People living with HIV/AIDS

NACO-National AIDS Control Organization

NGO- Non-Government Organization

CBO – Community Based Organization

CSO-Civil Society Organization

SACS-State AIDS Control Society

UNAIDS- The Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS

UNDP-United Nations Development Programme

ART-Anti Retroviral Treatment

SLN-State Level Network

DLN-District Level Network

CCM-Country Coordination Mechanism

PWN+-Positive Women Network

NCPI+-National Coalition of People living with HIV in India

Karpagam Krishnan & Natarajan

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AUDIT REPORT

We have examined the attached Balance Sheet of Indian Network For People Living with HIV/AIDS as at 31^{st} March 2023 and the Income and Expenditure Account for the year ended on that date, annexed thereto.

We have obtained all the informations and explanations, which to the best of our knowledge and belief were necessary for the purpose of our audit.

In our opinion, proper books of account have been kept by the Society as far as it appears from our examination of those books.

In our opinion and to the best of information and according to the explanations given to us, the accounts read with the schedule and notes thereon give a true and fair view.

- a) In the case of the Balance Sheet, of the state of affairs of the society as at 31st March 2023.
- b) In the case of Income and Expenditure account of the Excess of Expenditure Over Income for the period ended on that date.

Place: Chennai Date: 31.10.2023

For Karpagam Krishnan and Natarajan

Chartered Accountants

S. Srikanth Partner M.No.026588

UDIN: 23026588BGRWFI9769



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Income and Expenditure Statement for the Year 01.04.2022 to 31.03.2023

_	Expenditure	
То	Consultany	17,700.00
	Travel	1,92,157.00
**	Communication	2,278.00
п	Office Supply	810.00
**	Depreciation	43,946.00
**	Maintenance	70.00
	TOTAL	2.56.961.00

	TOTAL	2,56,961.00
"	Excess of Expenditure Over Income	2,46,460.00
"	Interest Received	10,501.00

for INDIAN NETWORK FOR PEOPLE LIVING WITH HIV/AIDS

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1004/1 PRESIDENT TREASURER for KARPAGAM KRISHNAN AND NATARAJAN CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

S. SHIKANTH S.SRIKANTH PARTNER

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	Flat # 10. Kash Tow	INDIAN NETWORK F ver, 3rd Floor, New # 1
LTAE	BILITIES	Balance Sh
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		Amount
General Fund		3,001.00
Capital Fund		94,900.00
Members Entrance Fees	A	2,785.00
Project Advances	В	7,30,409.21
Payable	С	1,45,118.00
Loan From PSF		1,56,00,000.00
GRAND TOTAL		1,65,76,213.21

GRAND TOTAL for INDIAN NETWORK FOR PEOPLE LIVING WITH HIV/AIDS

TREASURER

PEOPLE LIVING WITH HIV/AIDS (INP+) , Old # 94, South West Boag Road, T. Nagar, Chennai- 600 017 for the Year Ended 31.03.2023 ASSESTS SCH Fixed Assest D 7,92,907.00 TDS Receivable E 4,79,461.00 Rent Deposit F 50,000.00 Imprest G 1,42,569.00 Bank & Cash Balance Bank Cash 2,13,711.30 1,19,604.00 3,33,315.30 Loan To PWN 2,00,000.00 Excess of Income Over Expenditure
As per Last Balance Sheet
Less: Excess of Expenditure Over Income 1,43,31,500.91 2,46,460.00 1,45,77,960.91 GRAND TOTAL 1,65,76,213.21

for KARPAGAM KRISHNAN AND NATARAJAN CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

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