

MSA GLOBAL FUND HIV PROGRAMME FACTSHEET

BHUTAN



Save the Children

JAN 2017 - SEPT 2018

SNAPSHOT OF OVERALL MSA

GOAL

To reduce the impact of HIV on MSM and transgender populations in South Asia

OBJECTIVES

- To improve the delivery of HIV prevention, care and treatment services
- To improve the policy environment
- To improve strategic information about the impact of HIV on MSM and TG population

BUDGET : USD 6.6 MILLION

PARTNER ORGANIZATION

15 SRs including a technical regional partner APCOM

GEOGRAPHICAL COVERAGE

All over Bhutan

**BUDGET
USD 239,949
(Partners)**



HIV EPIDEMIC SITUATION, 2016

- HIV estimates: NA
- HIV prevalence among adult aged 15 to 49: NA
- People Living with HIV: 441*
- PLHIV who are on ART: 375 (85%)*

KP MAPPING AND SIZE ESTIMATION

	Estimates	HIV prevalence	Condom use
MSM and TG	NA (IBBS 2016 sampled 42)	No (IBBS 2016)	TG 70%, MSM 28% (IBBS 2016)
High risk women	NA (IBBS 2016 sampled 287)	No (IBBS 2016)	32% (IBBS 2016)
DU/PWID	NA (IBBS 2016 sampled 203)	No (IBBS 2016)	7% (IBBS 2016)

NATIONAL S&D INDEX, 2011

% of PLHIV respondents who avoided going to a local clinic when needed:
Not reported

Source:

1. *Program data August, 2017
2. UNAIDS Country Factsheet, Bhutan 2016

3. National HIV, AIDS and STI strategic plan 2017-2023 "On Fast-Track to ending AIDS"

OVERVIEW

The Multi-Country South Asia (MSA) Global Fund HIV Programme has been contributing to support in development and strengthening of civil societies and community-based organizations (CBOs) to reduce the vulnerability and impact of HIV on men who have sex with men (MSM) and transgender (TG) communities in Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, Nepal, Pakistan and Sri Lanka.

This program supports in policy reviews and reforms through evidence-based advocacy

and fosters partnership with community based organizations, civil societies, local governments, health departments and prime stakeholders to address HIV-related issues affecting MSM and TG people through creating stronger community systems, health system and capacity building initiatives. Save the Children International as principal recipient (PR) and its two partners (SRs) have implemented grant from January 1, 2017 in Bhutan.

KEY ACTIVITIES

1. Build capacity of MSM and TG CBOs to undertake policy and advocacy
2. Strengthened organizational capacity of CBOs/CSOs
3. Advocated on HIV issues affecting MSM and TG people at national as well as local level through networking and collaboration
4. Generated knowledge and evidence and conduct evidence-based advocacy
5. Enhanced technical capacity of healthcare providers to deliver quality and friendly services
6. Community mobilization events for MSM and TG issues
7. Sensitized key stakeholders on human rights, Sexual orientation and Gender Identity (SOGI) and MSM and TG issues
8. Conducted studies, program operation research and policy development

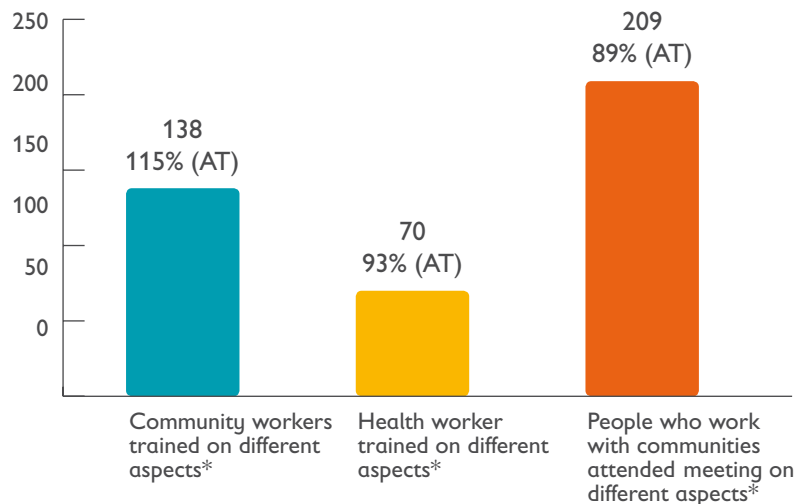
RESULTS

(January to December 2017)

KEY HIGHLIGHTS

- An IBBS 2016 incorporated MSM and TG people and recognized as KP and tailored in national responses
- National HIV, AIDS and STI strategic plan 2017-2023 “ has emphasized MSM and TG people to achieve fast-track to ending AIDS
- Media people trained on HIV and SOGI issues which enabled to promote sensitization on reducing prejudice, promoting human values and influenced the policy makers

**HIV service delivery, Human Rights, reduce Stigma & Discrimination and Linkages*



**AT= Against Annual Target



PARTNERSHIP WITH

Country Coordinating Mechanism, UNAIDS, National AIDS Control Program and Sub-Recipients

- 1) Lhak-Sham (Bhutan Network of People Living with HIV)
- 2) National AIDS Control Program, Ministry of Health/ Department of Public Health

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