

Annual Report 2021-22

Amici di Raoul Follereau



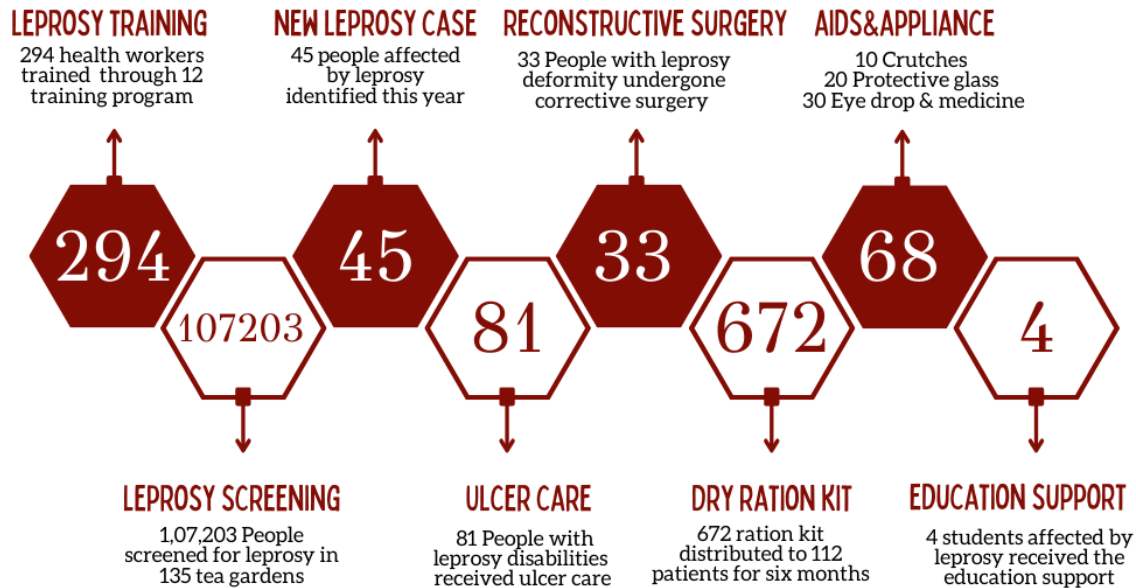
Director message

The second wave of the Covid 19 pandemic affected the country badly from March 2022 to July 2022. The COVID lockdown forced people to stay at home resulting in adverse impacts like loss of livelihood, lack of food, mental and emotional breakdown, loss of family members, lack of medical assistance. AIFO India stepped out in support of setting up of dry ration kits, cooked meals, free supply of oxygen at home, installation of free oxygen units in government hospitals. AIFO gave priority to leprosy affected people, disabled people, transgender, covid positive families in relief activities. AIFO continues to reach out to people affected by leprosy through tele-calling for mental-emotional support, medical advice, second opinion for reconstructive surgery and ulcer care. It was challenging but donors and volunteers joined hands to do incredible work and touch the lives of thousands during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Dr Jose Manikkathan,

Secretary,

Reach and Impact



AIFOs leprosy work in Assam

AIFO team reached 107203 people of 135 Tea Gardens of seven districts (Dibrugarh, Charaideo, Cachar, Kamrup, Sonitpur, Biswanath, Morigaon) of Assam through our leprosy screening program.



Community Based Case Detection - a Hybrid Programme, along with the regular NLEP District Case detection activities, which was piloted at Dibrugarh district was further extended to Udalguri with 47 participants.



Reconstructive surgeries

Dr Manimozhi coordinated 33 reconstructive surgeries at Borgang Hospital. Dr Jerry Joshua, Plastic Surgeon, Director of SLRTC Karigiri performed all the surgeries with the assistance of Dr. Bada MCh Plastic Surgery, Shillong, Dr Vivek, Dr Sonali MCh plastic Surgery students from Guwahati Medical College.



Collaboration with Government

Dr. Uday Praveen, District Collector of Udalguri District provided support to his district – known as “Sporadic case reporting District” surrounded by endemic districts. He delegated responsibilities to Asst Dy Commissioner to monitor and provide administrative assistance to the Program.

We were able to review the leprosy program for the first time in the district when assistants and program guidance were assured.



Dr Jose, Director visit to Assam

Dr.M.V. Jose, Director visited Dibrugarh, Guwahati and Silchar districts to monitor our program from 2nd March to 10th March 2022. During the visit he met RCS patients, Mrs. Keerti Jalli, Dy Commissioner of Cachar district, District, Dr. Jerry Joshua, administrator of Borgang Hospital and Director, National Health Mission Assam. Dr Jose also participated in sensitization cum reorientation training programs of CHO's and NLEP Staff.



Meeting with Dy Commissioner of Cachar district

Dr. Mani & Dr. Jose along with NLEP team visited Mrs. Keerti Jalli, Dy Commissioner of Cachar district, District of Assam on 3rd March 2022.



Special Action Plan with NLEP & NHM in Dibrugarh district

A detailed debriefing was carried out to the State Leprosy Officer, and NHM Mission Director about the SAP (Special Action Plan) in the district of Dibrugarh. They had placed on record the contribution of AIFO and its partners and had extended their request to continue until the situation gets stabilized to be sustained and further scale up to other districts in upper Assam.



Leprosy related works during covid pandemic

Carrying out the activities during COVID19 and Post COVID needs extra efforts of planning and has to be coordinated with Partners. The NHM MD - Dr. Laxmanan Guwahati, SLO Dr. Pranati Das, Dy Commissioner, Joint Director Health Dibrugarh and other Officials were contacted during COVID Emergency/ Lockdown phase to ensure their support.

The entire health system was deployed for COVID operations. However, the MoH Government of India / Central Leprosy Division had made a policy of leprosy as an

essential service to ensure that MDT and other medicines reach the patients without fail, following all the protocols of the hot spot areas, with emphasis on patients from the migrant population.

Every effort, activity and strategy was very well appreciated; our NHM MD personally requested Dr. Jose and MCKS to extend expertise support to NLEP Assam, which was agreed.

It's the first time a SAP being developed and pilot studied in the State of Assam – which was also one of the tasks for ILEP/AIFO- NLEP Consultants to develop such a practical model.

Covid Relief Project- supported by HCL Foundation



AIFO India with the support of HCL Foundation enabled it to provide medical equipment to Anekal government hospital, Covid medicines & consumables to Jigini municipality and installation of oxygen pipeline system at Singasandra UPHC, Arakere UPHC and Begur UPHC in Bangalore during the difficult time of covid19. With the raise of covid 19, AIFO and HCL Foundation in collaboration with Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike set up a medical oxygen pipeline system in three urban PHCs named Konanakunte

UPHC, Arakere UPHC and Singasandra UPHC. It was inaugurated on 3rd Feb 2022 in the presence of Dr. Suresh G.K, Deputy Health officer, Bommanahalli, Dr Kumar MOH, Bommanahalli, Mr. S Joshua Livingston, Deputy Manager, HCL Foundation, Dr.Chethana T, Lead Health at HCL Foundation.



Covid consumable to Anekal Government hospital with HCL Foundation

AIFO distributed one labor cot, two ECG machines, two computers, 20 pulse oximeters, 20 IRR thermometers, One small generator, 700 disposable bed sheets, 600 gloves, 200 face shield, 500 N95 masks, 100 PPE kit, two drinking water dispensers, one generator and 10 litter of sanitizer to Anekal hospital.



Covid consumable to Jigini municipality with HCL Foundation

300 Disposable bed sheets, one automatic soap dispenser, one drinking water dispenser, 300 N-95 Masks, 100 PPE Kit, 300 sterile gloves, 100 faces shield, 200 pulse oximeter and 20 IIR thermometer to Jigini municipality, Bangalore.



Dry ration kits during covid pandemic

Distribution of dry ration kits to neglected people; 16 People affected by leprosy, 70 street sweepers / Pourakarmika of BBMP staff, 80 Transgender and Poor people, and families of people with disabilities, Total of 229 families benefitted from the same.

Don't Forget Leprosy Campaign- Supported by Sasakawa Health Foundation, Japan

Don't forget Leprosy Campaign initiated and supported by Sasakawa Health Foundation, AIFO India enabled to conduct Covid-19 impact survey of 982 families with 2202 population living in 24 self-settled leprosy colonies of four districts of Odisha. 24 colonies house to house survey identified colony development concern and needs of the people affected and their families. The survey has found out that: a) 99 youth lost jobs during 1st wave and 90 during 2nd wave; b) 507 people with leprosy are involved into begging; c) 50 school dropout's children; d) 817 with disabilities; e) 403 with ulcer; f) in one colony, only two elderly women left alone with vulnerabilities; g) 98.5% mentioned discrimination; h) 423 elderly requiring care; i) the basic entitlement and schemes availed by the people listed in survey report along with other findings. The survey has also found out that leprosy pension in Odisha is Rs. 500 per month, which is 80+% less than the pension provided in other states such as; Rs. 3016 in Telangana; Rs. 3000 in Uttar Pradesh; and Rs. 3,000 in Andhra Pradesh.

PARTNERSHIP FOR SOCIAL GOOD

SPARSHA GUNA – Physiotherapy and wound care services



The Good Sam Foundation (GSF) and Amici Di Raoul Follereau (AIFO India) came together and started working for people with disabilities as well as ulcer and wound care in the year 2021-22. Our inclusive approach helped us to reach out to people across urban and rural areas of Karnataka. We have adapted wound care by the use of ayurveda formulations, amniotic membranes, silk protein extracts, physiotherapy and low-level laser therapy.

We are pleased to share that our Low-Level Laser

Therapy is helping to treat sport and soft tissue injuries, degenerative conditions and neurogenic pain and we are seeing positive results.

Soon after the second wave of the pandemic, we launched our Physiotherapy services for the people with disabilities, post-operative care both at home & center. Our team is committed and extends support to those who are aged and bedridden.

COVID RELIEF WORK - "CORONA CARE BANGALORE"

CORONA CARE Bengaluru



AIFO Joined hands with the Gold Quest Foundation, Breads, Project vision and ECCO "Corona care Bangalore" initiative to support cooked meals for family members of covid positive during the lockdown. We received huge volunteer support in kind of dry ration materials as well as people volunteered for cooked meal transportation. Meals prepared in a centralized kitchen and transported across Bangalore.



HONORS & RECOGNITIONS



Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike award

Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike, Bommanahalli felicitated the front-line workers and covid warriors on 18th Feb 2022 at Christ University, Bangalore.

AIFO India and HCL Foundation Oxygen Pipeline project on government health facilities has received recognition and appreciation.

Dr. M. V. Jose, Director of Amici di Raoul Follereau received the memento and certificate in the presence of Shri Dr. Ravikumar Surpur, IAS, Zonal coordinator and Commissioner, Social

welfare department, Government of Karnataka, Shri Dr Harish Kumar IAS, Zonal Commissioner, and Special Commissioner (SWM)

INDO-ITALIAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE IMPRESSA AWARD



AIFO India was honored by the Indo-Italian chamber of commerce Impresa award 2022 for outstanding work for leprosy in northeast India. On the occasion Claudio Maffioletti CEO & Secretary-General at Indo-Italian Chamber of Commerce highlighted AIFO India contribution in the field of leprosy and handed over the award to Dr Jose, Director of Amici di Raoul Follereau.

DR HANSEN'S AWARD



Dr Jose, Director AIFO India honored with "Dr Hansen's Award" on the occasion of 'Anti-Leprosy Day' program jointly organized by the Government of Karnataka and Sumanahalli Society. Dr Parimala S Maroor, Director, State Institute of Health and Family Welfare, Dr Nadeem Ahamad, District Leprosy Officer of the Bangalore urban district, Dr.Kalpna, District Leprosy Officer for Bruhut Bangalore Mahanagara Palike and Fr George Kannanthanam, Director of the Sumanahalli society was present on the occasion.

Our board and compliances

T V Srinivasan	Chairperson
Emily Kizhakekara Mani	Vice –chairperson
Manikkathan Varghese Jose	Secretary
Vijayalakshmi R	Treasurer
Daisy Kandathil	Trustee
H P Nagendra Prasad	Trustee
Anna Mary Josephine,	Trustee

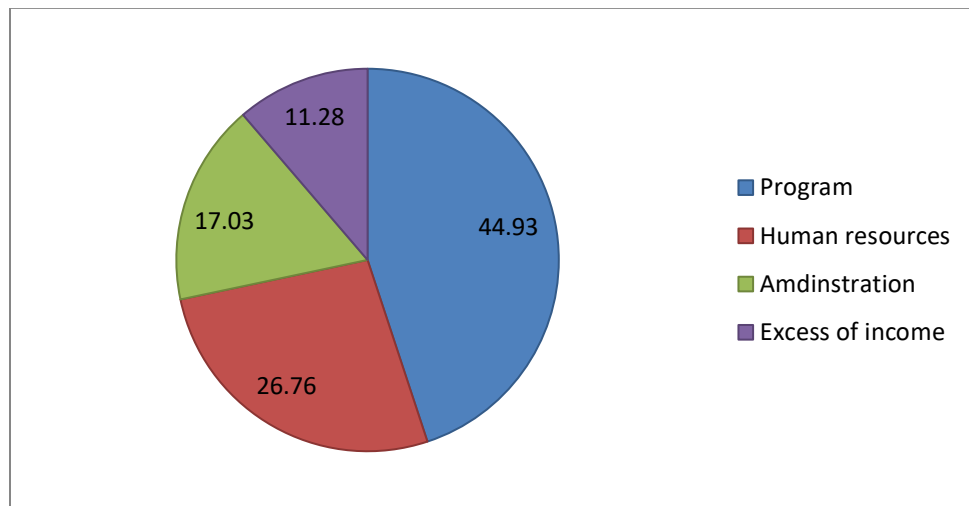
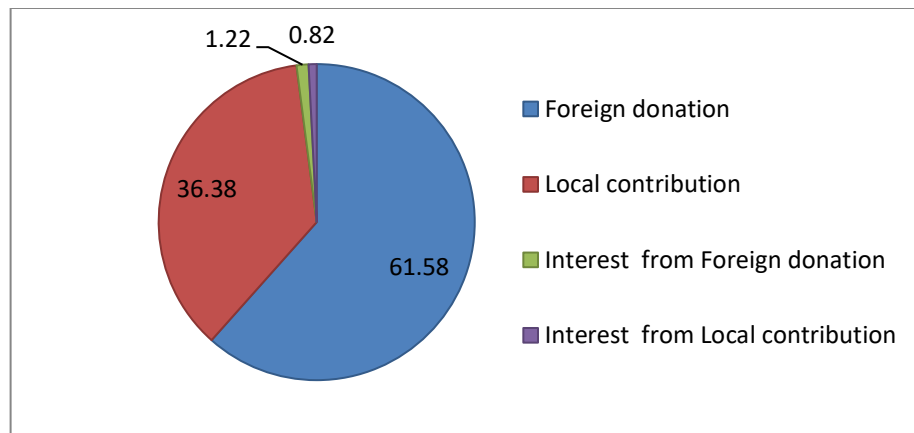
- All board members are independent board members,
- None of the board members received any remuneration from the organization,
- Board members' relatives are not working in the Organization,
- No vendors are associated with board members,
- Major board decisions

- Dr. Alexander, Chairperson of Amici di Raoul Follereau board succumbed to Coronavirus on 14th Jan 2022.
- Mr. T.V. Srinivasan who was Treasurer has been elected as Chairperson,
- Mrs.Vijayalakshmi. R. Trustee has been elected as Treasurer.
- M/S Dias and associates re-appointed as auditors for 2021-22

OUR DONORS

International donors, corporate and foundation donors	Individual donors from India
<p>International donors</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● AIFO Italy ● AMI Italy ● Sasakawa Health Foundation, Japan ● Bristol Shirdi Sai Trust, UK ● Magis Movimento, Germany <p>Indian corporate and foundation donors</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● HCL Foundation ● MCKS Trust Fund ● M/s. SPI Specialities Pharma Pvt Ltd ● Troika Health Care Private Limited Alias THC Pvt. Ltd, ● RSP Design consultants 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Ms. Sapna Padmanaban ● Mr. Vishal Bhaw ● Mr. Anwasha Mitra ● Dr. Nagendra Prasad ● Mr. Jude Rajesh Natarajan ● Ms. Mary V P ● Mr. Pankaj Shah ● Mr. Ralph D Souza ● Mr.Arunjot Singh Bhalla ● M/s Gopal Krishna N Kolhar & Susheela Kumari Chandmal

Categories	Cost	Percentage	Categories	Cost	Percentage
Foreign donation	8,671,586.00	61.58%	Program	6,326,915.00	44.93%
Local contribution	5,122,594.54	36.38%	Human resources	3,768,469.00	26.76%
Interest from Foreign donation	172,297.00	1.22%	Administration	2,397,575.51	17.03%
Interest from Local contribution	115,434.00	0.82%	Excess of income	1,588,952.03	11.28%
Total	14,081,911.54	100.00%	Total	14,081,911.54	100.00%



About Amici di Raoul Follereau (AIFO India)

Amici di Raoul Follereau, affectionately shortened to AIFO India, was established in 1998 by Dr V. Ekambaram. Our inspiration is Raoul Follereau (1903-1977), a French journalist and social reformer who devoted his life to the upliftment of people with leprosy. AIFO India is an evidence-based organization that addresses leprosy through a community-based approach to bringing about inclusive development. Our responsibility is to rebuild communities affected by leprosy in the North-East and other parts of India; as part of a national consortium of Civil Society Organizations partnering with the Government.

AIFO has consultancy status with the Government of India, WHO, and State governments including among the members of the International Federation of Anti-Leprosy Associations (ILEP), and has an MoU with Central Leprosy Division for supporting state governments in the villages of Karnataka and North East states. AIFO is an ISO 9001:2015 Certified Organization, Vetted by Global Giving (USA) and CAF America (USA). HCL Foundation was vetted and listed in AIFO India in the “HCL Coffee table book” as one of the best health NGOs in India. AIFO responds to emergencies & natural disasters including Covid-19 in Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh, and North-East.

Legal compliances and financial transparency

Registered as a public charitable trust: No. 117/IV/290/1998-1999/JNR/BLR on 10-04-1998

Income tax and relevant financial compliances

- 12A - AAATA2183QE20214,
- 80 G - AAATA2183QF20214,
- CSR Registration - CSR00001743,
- FCRA 094420816,
- PAN AAATA2183Q,
- TAN BLRA01739D,
- NGO Darpan KA/2017/0165675
- FCRA Renewal applied in the reporting year.

Policy updates

- A board rotation policy exists and is practiced.
- Prevention of sexual harassment (POSH) policy and the committee is in practice. No complaints have been received in the reporting year.
- Child protection policy and Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) policy and the committee are in practice. No complaint has been received in the reporting year.



“Rebuilding communities affected by leprosy”

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