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FOREWORD

The National STD/AIDS Control Programme (NSACP), Ministry of Health continues to be diligent in contributing to the prevention and control of STIs and HIV in Sri Lanka. NSACP always collaborates with its committed partners. They include government, nongovernment, private sector agencies as well as UN and other international partners. Together we make HIV prevention and care services more effective, of high quality, and accessible to all, regardless of the service recipients' financial and social status.

The Annual Report of the National STD/AIDS Control Programme was first published in 2012. Since then, over the years, it has become a very useful source of STI and HIV related information in Sri Lanka that is sought after by many stakeholders from both national and international organizations.

This report summarizes the activities conducted by the NSACP during 2014 and data on STI and HIV collected from all service delivery facilities. In addition, other relevant information was collected from other government sectors and private healthcare institutions for inclusion in this report. For more regular updates of information on STI and HIV, readers are requested to visit the NSACP website which can be found at, http://www.aidscontrol.gov.lk

Publication of this Annual Report would not have been possible without the loyal and continuous support throughout the year from the staff in STD clinics and ART centers. NSACP continues to work towards the improvement of data quality of the reporting units and would like to acknowledge the effort taken to submit data on a timely and regular basis.

With the limited resources available, it is a formidable task to collect, collate and present information from so many reporting units that are scattered throughout the country. I would like to congratulate the staff of the Strategic Information Management (SIM) unit for compiling this document.

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ABBREVIATIONS

ABC abacavir

ALP alkaline phosphatase

ANC antenatal clinic

ART antiretroviral treatment

ARV antiretroviral drugs

AZT zidovudine

BB Beach boy

DGHS Director General of Health Services

DDGPHS Deputy Director General of Public Health Services

DFM Diploma in family medicine

DRV darunavir

DTM Diploma in transfusion medicine

DU Drug user

D4T stavudine

ECS early congenital syphilis

EFV efavirenz

ELISA enzyme linked immunosorbent assay

EMTCT elimination of mother to child transmission

EIA enzyme immune assay

ETU emergency treatment unit

EQA external quality assessment

FSW Female sex worker

FTC emtricitabine

GFATM Global Fund to fight AIDS, TB & Malaria

HDL high density lipoprotein

HIV human immunodeficiency virus

HPV human papillomavirus

HSV herpes simplex virus

HCG human chorionic gonadotropin

ICU intensive care unit

ICTA information and communication technology agency

IDU Injecting drug user

IDV indinavir

IEC information, education & communication

KP key population

LFU lost to follow up

LPV lopinavir

LPV/r lopinavir and ritonavir

LDL low density lipoprotein

MAC mycobacterium avium complex

MCH maternal & child health

MARP most at risk populations

MD Doctor of medicine

MLT Medical laboratory technologist

MO Medical officer

MS Medical student

MTCT mother to child transmission

MSM Men who have sex with men

NAITA National apprentice and industrial authority

NGO nongovernmental organization

NGU non-gonococcal urethritis

NNRTI non-nucleoside reverse transcriptase inhibitor

NRTI nucleoside reverse transcriptase inhibitor

NSACP National STD/AIDS control programme

NS Nursing student

NVP nevirapine

OI opportunistic infections

PA particle agglutination

PLHIV People living with human immunodeficiency virus

PHI Public health inspector

PHNS Public health nursing sister

PGC presumptive gonococcal infection

PI protease inhibitor

PMTCT prevention of mother to child transmission

PEP post exposure prophylaxis

PCU primary care unit

PICT provider initiated counselling and testing

RAL raltegravir

SGOT serum glutamic oxaloacetic transaminase

SGPT serum glutamic pyruvic transaminase

STI sexually transmitted infections

STD sexually transmitted diseases

TB tuberculosis

TDF tenofovir

TPPA Treponema pallidum particle agglutination assay

TPHA Treponema pallidum hemagglutination assay

UNAIDS Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS

UNICEF United Nations International Children Emergency Fund

UNFPA United Nations Population Fund

VDRL venereal disease research laboratory test

WHO World Health Organization

3TC lamivudine

1. INTRODUCTION TO NSACP, SRI LANKA

Vision	Quality sexual health services for a healthier nation
Mission	Contributing to a healthier nation through sexual health promotion, emphasizing prevention, control and provision of quality services for sexually transmitted infections including HIV.

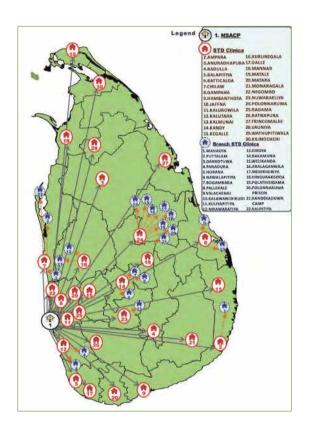


Figure 1.1 Network of full-time STD clinics and branch STD clinics in Sri Lanka

The National STD/AIDS Control Programme (NSACP) of Ministry of Health, is the principal government organization that is responsible for the national response to HIV/AIDS in Sri Lanka. Being a specialized public health programme of the Ministry of Health, NSACP is responsible for coordinating, planning and implementation of the HIV National Strategic Plan and AIDS Policy in the country. The headquarters of the NSACP is situated at 29, De Saram Place Colombo 10, Sri Lanka.

As of end 2014, there are 30 full-time STD clinics and 22 branch STD clinics in Sri Lanka. Of these STD clinics, 12 have the capacity to provide antiretroviral treatment (ART) services. The only non-NSACP ART facility is located in the Base Hospital Angoda (IDH). NSACP networks with all these clinics.

Main functions of the National STD/AIDS control programme consists of;

- ◆ Coordinating and participating in the national response to HIV epidemic
- ◆ Carrying out HIV prevention interventions
- ♦ Helping to create an enabling environment for STI and HIV prevention
- ◆ Provision of clinical services for sexually transmitted Infections
- Provision of treatment and care for people infected and affected by HIV
- Provision of laboratory services for STI and HIV
- ◆ Condom promotion for STI and HIV prevention
- Provision of counselling services for STIs and HIV
- Prevention of mother to child transmission of HIV and syphilis
- ◆ Training and capacity building of health and non-health staff
- ◆ Carrying out HIV and STI surveillance
- Carrying out research in STI and HIV
- ◆ Carrying out Monitoring and evaluation of STI and HIV services
- ◆ Dissemination of Strategic information on STI and HIV

The National STD/AIDS control programme (NSACP) provides leadership technical guidance to all STD clinics and ART clinics in the country. The Director of the NSACP and the Senior Management Team meet regularly to discuss issues and necessary actions in STD and HIV prevention and control.

2. HISTORY OF STD & HIV CONTROL IN SRI LANKA

It is reasonable to think that sexually transmitted diseases (STDs), syphilis in particular did occur in ancient Sri Lanka. But their prevalence seems to have been low till the Portugese reintroduced them in the sixteenth century.

Attempts to control STI have been in operation for about 175 years. The Vagrants Ordinance No. 4 of 1841, the Contagious Diseases Ordinance No. 17 of 1867 and the Brothels Ordinance No. 5 of 1889 were passed with a view of controlling venereal diseases. By 1886 free VD clinics and wards were available in Colombo, Kandy and Galle. As a result of the report of The Venereal Diseases Commission of 1920, STD

- In 1949, Professor George Leiby, Professor of Syphilology, of the University of California visited Sri Lanka on a WHO assignment and recommended to establish 60 venereal diseases clinics in Sri Lanka.
- ◆ In 1951 WHO established the Venereal Diseases Control Project (Ceylon 0005) under the leadership of Dr S. M. Laird.
- Anti-Venereal Diseases Campaign (Anti-VD Campaign) was established in 1952 and Dr E. D. C. Pereira was the first Superintendent.
- Anti-VD Campaign was renamed as the National STD/AIDS Control Programme (NSCAP) in 1985 to provide more attention to prevention of HIV and provision of treatment and care for people infected with HIV. Dr G.N. Jayakuru was the first Director of NSACP.

control was started on an organized basis. In 1938 a Venereal Diseases Control Programme was initiated and the Venereal Diseases Ordinance No. 27 was passed. From 1941, doctors who worked in venereal diseases clinics were trained for three months in Colombo before they started work outstations.

In 1949, Professor George Leiby, Professor of Syphilology, of the University of California visited Sri Lanka on a WHO assignment. One of his recommendations was the establishment of 60 venereal diseases clinics,

staffed by trained medical officers - a number we have not achieved still.

In 1951 the Chief of the Venereal Diseases and Treponematoses Section of the WHO, Geneva visited Sri Lanka. As a result the WHO established the Venereal Diseases Control Project (Ceylon 0005) under the leadership of Dr S. M. Laird².

The objectives of the project were to:

- ◆ To establish a model venereal diseases clinic in Colombo, which would serve as the chief clinic for the country and the training centre for medical and paramedical personnel.
- ◆ To develop a full venereal diseases service with trained staff in the main outstations.
- ◆ To establish serological tests for syphilis for expectant mothers to control congenital syphilis.
- ◆ To train local staff in simple serological testing.
- ◆ To develop diagnosis and treatment facilities for seafarers in the port of Colombo.

As a result of this project the Anti-Venereal Diseases Campaign (Anti-VD Campaign) was established in 1952. Dr E. D. C. Pereira the first Superintendent of the campaign was a dynamic leader. She was able to achieve most of the objectives very soon. Every OPD building of a provincial hospital had rooms demarcated to the VD clinic with separate access because of her initiative. Some of these are still used. Dr Laird revisited Sri Lanka in 1967 and was happy with the progress made³.

With the 13th Amendment to the Constitution of Sri Lanka implemented in 1989, the Anti-VD Campaign was decentralised. The Director lost control of all the clinics except the Central Clinic in Colombo. With the peripheral clinics going under the management of the provincial health services the quality of the work deteriorated. Some clinics were manned by doctors with no training in Venereology. Though there is more coordination now, the problems created by this legislation have not been fully rectified. In 1996 Cabinet approval was granted to take over to the Central Health Ministry, some STD clinics which were physically located in hospitals managed by it. However, for this to be effective, concurrence was necessary from the provincial governments⁴. That concurrence has been granted only for the STD clinics in Galle (Mahamodera) and Jaffna.

With the advent of HIV/AIDS in the early 1980s, the Anti-VD Campaign was renamed the National STD AIDS Control Programme (NSCAP) in 1985 and more attention was given to prevention of HIV and provision of treatment and care for people infected with HIV. Dr G.N. Jayakuru who was already the Director of the Anti-VD Campaign became the first Director of NSACP.

In 1996, the World Bank committed the major part of its funds under the Health Services Project (IDA/WB/HSP/SL) to strengthen the NSACP. A modern four- storied Central STD complex in Colombo and 21 upgraded or newly constructed provincial/ base hospital clinics were constructed. The Central STD complex houses the administrative and financial units, the Central STD and HIV clinics, the National reference laboratory, the Strategic Information Management (SIM) unit and the Multi-sectoral HIV prevention unit.

Up to 2005, all the Superintendents or Directors of the Anti-VD Campaign and the NSACP were specialists in Venereology. The post of Director NSACP is considered a senior administrative post and they were considered as regional experts in the HIV and STI field.

By 2005 the Ministry of Health changed the requirements to be the Director of the NSACP which made it easier for a medical officer who is already in the administrative grade to get the post of Director/NSACP. The first non-venereologist to be the Director/NSACP was Dr N. Edirisinghe (2006-2012). He was succeeded by Dr S. Liyanage (2013 to date).

Table 2.1 Directors of the National STD/AIDS control programme

Directors of National STD/AIDS control programme									
Name	Time period								
1. Dr G.N. Jayakuru	1985 - 1995								
2. Dr T. Arulananthan	1996 - 1997								
3. Dr I. Abeyewickreme	1997 - 2004								
4. Dr S. Settinayake (Part-time)	2005								
5. Dr N. Edirisinghe	2006 - 2012								
6. Dr S. Liyanage	2013 - to date								

As shown in the figure 2.1, NSACP comes under the Deputy Director General-Public Health Services (DDG-PHS). A senior management team comprised of coordinators of programme areas assists the Director NSACP to take policy decisions on HIV prevention and provision of treatment and care. As mentioned above, all most all peripheral STD clinics come under the administration of provincial directors of health services. However, technical guidance and capacity building of staff are provided to peripheral STD clinics by the National STD/AIDS control programme.

DGHS

DDG (PHS)

DIRECTOR NSACP

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Figure 2.1 Organisational structure of the NSACP

Postgraduate training in Venereology

From the time of the establishment of the Anti-VD Campaign in 1952, Venereology was considered a specialty within public health. There was a separate cadre of specialists in Venereology. Doctors were selected for a career in Venereology. To apply they had to have at least two years of service as a Medical Officer of Health (MOH). They were trained for three months at the Central VD clinic and then posted to man the outstation clinics. Then they were sent abroad to UK or USA for DPH (or equivalent) and further training in Venereology at a centre/s of excellence. When they returned they were appointed as specialists in the Anti-VD Campaign.

With the establishment of the Postgraduate Institute of Medicine (PGIM), from 1980 the specialist qualification became MD in Community Medicine with local and overseas training in Venereology. The Sri Lanka College of Venereologists (originally called the College of Genitourinary Physicians) was formed in 1995. The college took a decision to revise the training of a specialist in Venereology to accommodate increasing demands in the context of HIV/AIDS epidemic. The college was able to get a Board of Study in Venereology established in the PGIM in 2001. It organized courses for the Postgraduate Diploma in Venereology from 2002 and the MD in Venereology from 2003⁵. Today, there are 68 doctors with the PG Diploma, 40 with MD and 6 Board certified specialists in Venereology.

3. MONITORING STD SERVICES OF NSACP

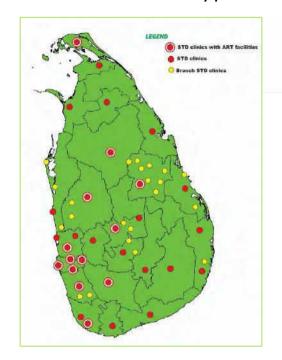


Figure 3.1 STD and ART service delivery points - 2014

Monitoring of services provided by 30 STD clinics and 22 branch clinics is one of the important tasks of the Strategic Information Management unit (SIM) of National STD/AIDS control programme. Figure 3.1 shows the distribution of these STD clinics. In addition to provision of STD treatment and care services, all these clinics also provide HIV testing and counselling services and HIV care services for those who are living with HIV. However, specific drug treatment for HIV (antiretroviral treatment) and monitoring of immune function are available only in 13 centers. The Quarterly Return from the STD clinics (QRSTD) is the key document used for monitoring of STD clinics.

Services provided by STD clinics are utilized by variety of people including most at risk populations such as sex workers, MSMs and drug users who are mainly targeted by the programme since they play a major role in the HIV epidemic. Vulnerable groups identified as clients of sex workers, beach boys and prisoners are also important receivers of the services offered by STD clinics. Apart from that, the general population comprising of youth, pregnant women, local and foreign employees are provided with screening services for STIs and HIV. Many in-ward patients are referred by clinicians of other specialties (Gynecology & Obstetrics, Neurology, Dermatology etc.) depending on the clinical symptoms and risk assessment. All these clinic attendees are given specialized care with regard to curative and preventive aspects, free of charge while guaranteeing privacy and confidentiality by specially trained health staff.

Figure 3.2 New patients registered in STD clinics during 2014

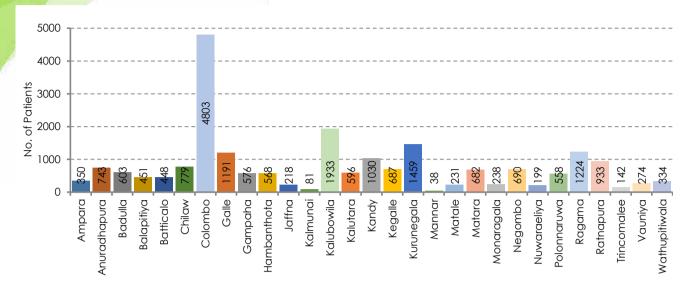


Figure 3.2 shows the number of newly registered patients in central and peripheral STD clinics during 2014. The maximum number of patients was seen at the Colombo STD clinic followed by Kalubowila, Kurunegala and Ragama. The majority of clinics had more than 500 new STD patients during the year 2014.

Figure 3.3 Percentage of patients diagnosed with a STD in 2014

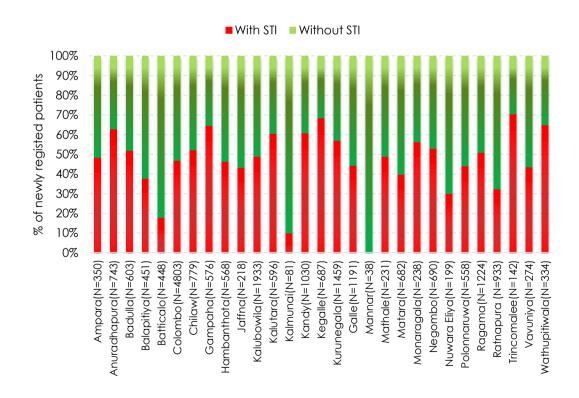


Figure 3.3 indicates the proportion of new STD clinic attendees who were diagnosed to have at least one sexually transmitted infection. In 13 clinics more than half of the new clinic attendees were having at least one STI.

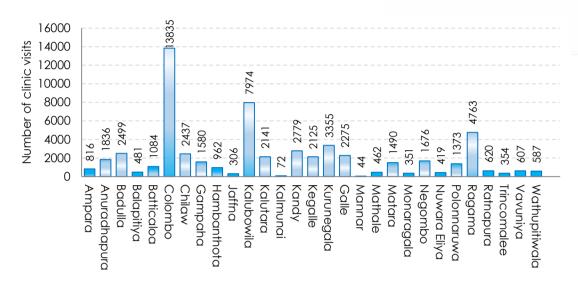


Figure 3.4 Total number of client visits by STD patients during 2014

Figure 3.4 indicates the total number of clinic visits by STD clinic attendees including new and previously registered patients on subsequent visits. The central STD clinic Colombo has the highest number of STD patient visits, followed by Kalubowila and Ragama clinics.

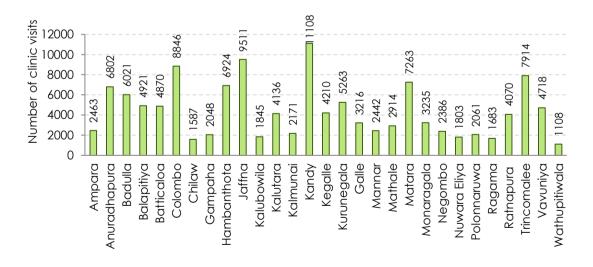


Figure 3.5 Number of client visits other than STD patients during 2014

Figure 3.5 illustrates the total number of clinic visits by people other than STD patients. It includes visits for pre-employment screening, antenatal screening and visits on outpatient basis.

Figure 3.6 Comparison of clinic visits by STD patients and other clients- 2014

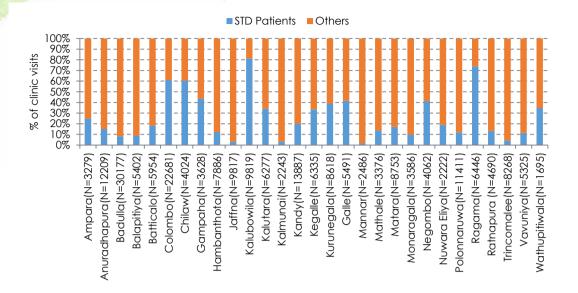


Figure 3.6 indicates the proportions of visits made by STD patients and visits made by others. Others includes those who visit STD clinics for pre-employment screening, screening for visa and antenatal screening. Visits by "other clients" predominate in most of the smaller clinics such as Mannar, Jaffna, Kalmunai and Trinchomalee STD clinics. Over 60% of all visits in Kalubowila, Ragama, Colombo and Chilaw STD clinics had visits by STD patients.

Figure 3.7 Trend of sex workers registered in STD clinics 2010-2014

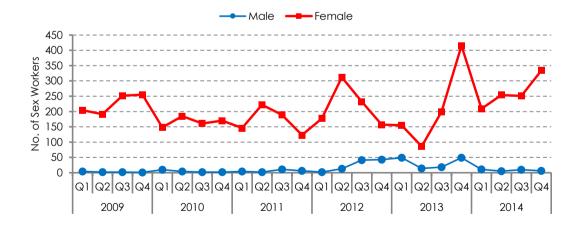


Figure 3.7 shows the number of newly registered sex workers in all STD clinics during last five years for each quarter. There is an increasing tendency with some fluctuations in between among the female sex workers attending the clinic. More and more male sex

workers attended services since 2012. These trends may reflect the outreach activities carried out by Global Fund interventions including escorting sex workers to STD clinics.

Screening for syphilis

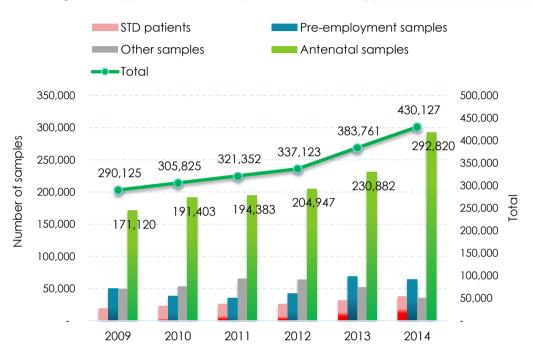


Figure 3.8 Types of blood samples screened for syphilis end of 2014

Figure 3.8 indicates the total number of blood samples screened for syphilis during last 6 years using VDRL testing. Most of these samples were from antenatal mothers. The total number screened has been increasing with the scaling up of services.

HIV screening services

HIV testing is performed by National STD/AIDS control programme for variety of reasons. In addition to testing of STD patients with risk exposures, pregnant women, survey samples and other clients who are coming for pre-employment and visa screening are tested in STD clinic laboratories.

Survey Samples STD Patients Other Samples Antenatal Samples -Total 300,000 300,000 252,732 Number of samples 250,000 250,000 200,000 200,000 150,000 150,000 102,187 81,304 78,366 100,000 100,000 50,000 50,000

Figure 3.9 Types of samples screened for HIV during 2011-2014

Figure 3.9 shows the total number of blood samples screened for HIV during the last 4 years and proportions of various types of samples. A significant increase in the number tested is observed in 2014 due to expansion of the EMTCT services. Almost 60% of total samples tested during 2014 were from antenatal screening.

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2014

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Partner notification (contact tracing) services

2011

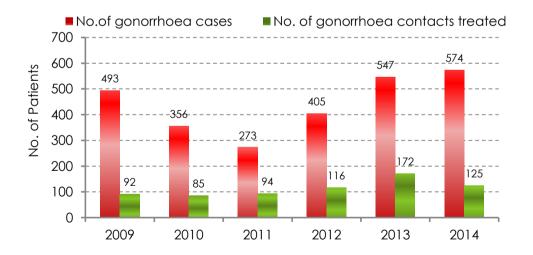


Figure 3.10 Treatment of contacts for gonorrhoea at all STD clinics 2009-2014

Partner notification and epidemiological treatment is one of the important components of the comprehensive STD care. Graph 3.10 shows the number of confirmed and presumptive gonococcal cases (PGC) and the number of contacts treated during the last 5 years. It is evident that less than one quarter of patients with gonorrhoea have brought their partners to STD clinics for epidemiological treatment.

Figure 3.11 Treatment of contacts of syphilis, 2009-2014

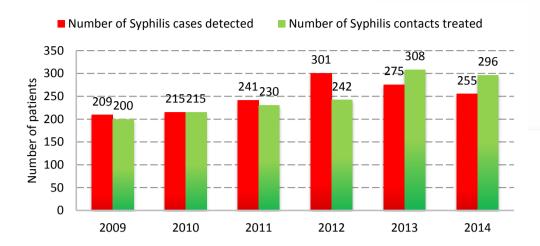


Figure 3.11 shows the number of syphilis cases and the numbers of their partners managed in all STD clinics during last 6 years. In 2013 and 2014 partners managed are more than the number of index syphilis cases as most of these patients are having multiple concurrent sexual contacts.

Table 3.1 Details of clinic attendances in STD clinics during 2014													
Province	Clinic	New patients registered			New	New patients with STIs			Total no. of clinic visits by STD patients		Total no. of visits by others		
		Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
Central Province	Kandy	503	527	1030	248	378	626	1159	1620	2779	2707	8401	11108
	Matale	118	113	231	34	79	113	225	237	462	758	2156	2914
	Nuwara Eliya	71	128	199	33	27	60	157	262	419	738	1177	1915
	Ampara	161	189	350	79	90	169	415	401	816	93	2370	2463
Eastern Province	Batticaloa	199	249	448	43	37	80	533	551	1084	633	4237	4870
easiem Frovince	Kalmunai	39	42	81	3	5	8	29	43	72	996	1175	2171
	Trincomalee	81	61	142	69	31	100	211	143	354	2758	5156	7914
North Central	Anuradhapura	421	322	743	245	222	467	1033	803	1836	2426	7947	10373
Province	Polonnaruwa	279	279	558	128	11 <i>7</i>	245	644	729	1373	937	9101	10038
North Western	Chilaw	342	437	779	113	293	406	1077	1360	2437	677	910	1587
Province	Kurunegala	689	770	1459	276	556	832	1579	1776	3355	1894	3369	5263
	Jaffna	148	70	218	70	24	94	222	84	306	4267	5244	9511
Northern Province	Mannar	17	21	38	0	0	0	28	16	44	376	2066	2442
	Vavuniya	141	133	274	82	37	119	359	248	607	1132	3586	4718
Sabaragamuwa	Kegalle	370	317	687	203	267	470	1111	1014	2125	1047	3163	4210
Province	Ratnapura	525	408	933	141	160	301	272	348	620	1570	2500	4070
	Balapitiya	224	227	451	75	95	170	233	248	481	458	4463	4921
Caudhann Dravinas	Hambanthota	322	246	568	152	111	263	531	431	962	1452	5472	6924
Southern Province	Galle	750	441	1191	231	297	528	1233	1042	2275	1473	1743	3216
	Matara	348	334	682	129	141	270	813	677	1490	1417	5846	7263
Here December	Badulla	300	303	603	120	193	313	1232	1267	2499	1830	25848	27678
Uva Province	Monaragala	95	143	238	43	91	134	148	203	351	837	2398	3235
Western Province	Colombo	3229	1574	4803	1347	904	2251	9082	4753	13835	5442	3404	8846
	Gampaha	257	319	576	158	214	372	759	821	1580	763	1285	2048
	Kalubowila	1264	669	1933	425	518	943	4833	3141	7974	740	1105	1845
	Kalutara	265	331	596	112	249	361	899	1242	2141	1797	2339	4136
	Negombo	368	322	690	161	204	365	796	880	1676	1416	970	2386
	Ragama	757	467	1224	332	290	622	2953	1810	4763	776	907	1683
	Wathupitiwala	151	183	334	101	116	217	265	322	587	317	791	1108
Total		12434	9625	22059	5153	5746	10899	32831	26472	59303	41727	119129	160856

Table 3.2 Details of partner management in 2014											
Province	STD Clinic	Contacts of Syphilis treated			Contacts of Gonorrhoea treated			Contacts of Trichomoniasis treated			
		Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	
	Kandy	4	4	8	3	2	5	0	0	0	
Central Province	Matale	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	
	Nuwara Eliya	5	2	7	9	3	12	0	0	0	
	Ampara	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Eastern Province	Batticaloa	9	8	17	1	0	1	3	5	8	
Easiern Province	Kalmunai	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	
	Trincomalee	2	1	3	1	1	2	0	0	0	
North Central province	Anuradhapura	13	22	35	13	9	22	0	1	1	
Norm Central province	Polonnaruwa	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	
North Western Province	Chilaw	4	5	9	0	0	0	1	0	1	
Norm Western Province	Kurunegala	11	14	25	0	2	2	6	0	6	
	Jaffna	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Northern Province	Mannar	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
	Vavuniya	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Cale average and the cale	Kegalle	14	8	22	0	7	7	10	0	10	
Sabaragamuwa Province	Ratnapura	5	6	11	1	5	6	3	0	3	
	Balapitiya	1	1	2	2	1	3	1	1	2	
Carolla ann Duardin a a	Galle	3	3	6	4	3	7	2	0	2	
Southern Province	Hambanthota	3	1	4	4	5	9	0	0	0	
	Matara	0	1	1	0	2	2	0	0	0	
Hya Brayinga	Badulla	5	5	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Uva Province	Monaragala	7	7	14	3	2	5	0	0	0	
Western Province	Colombo	28	27	55	5	4	9	1	0	1	
	Gampaha	7	1	8	1	0	1	0	0	0	
	Kalubowila	7	4	11	4	9	13	1	4	5	
	Kalutara	8	6	14	4	2	6	0	0	0	
	Negombo	4	4	8	0	1	1	0	0	0	
	Ragama	5	8	13	2	0	2	0	0	0	
	Wathupitiwala	4	4	8	7	1	8	0	0	0	
Total		153	143	296	64	61	125	28	11	39	

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	Kandy	1973	24024	4739	2923	112	49	5	30	49	6	2	37	45	2	2	18
Central Province	Mathale	231	6300	1484	225	6	3	1	7	7	0	0	5	0	0	0	0
	Nuwara Eliya	412	9599	1141	43	6	25	5	0	5	2	0	0	4	2	0	0
	Ampara	451	2223	1111	91	39	7	1	1	26	5	0	0	10	6	0	0
Factors Brandons	Batticaloa	448	3326	2734	306	3	0	0	0	13	0	1	0	16	0	1	0
Eastern Province	Kalmunai	93	4601	2171	14	4	2	0	0	5	1	0	0	4	0	0	0
	Trincomalee	184	4675	1803	843	14	40	19	15	4	0	0	5	4	0	0	4
North Central	Anuradhapura	1384	15143	2927	1781	58	29	1	2	22	7	0	2	22	7	0	2
province	Polonnaruwa	1484	8176	1405	2646	6	14	3	28	2	2	1	20	2	2	1	20
North Western	Chilaw	1151	14669	1235	2063	60	31	3	20	39	2	2	10	37	1	2	5
Province	Kurunegala	1559	21527	4664	207	127	32	0	7	63	0	0	1	63	3	0	0
	Jaffna	210	8194	2324	1973	8	96	39	18	3	3	0	0	3	2	0	0
Northern Province	Mannar	38	1823	454	169	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Vauvniya	666	2855	960	516	13	19	0	3	27	1	0	1	5	1	0	1
Sabaragamuwa	Kegalle	1265	9441	2099	1612	88	96	11	50	230	4	1	22	23	4	1	0
Province	Ratnapura	1352	15724	3449	549	68	80	15	19	21	2	0	0	21	1	0	0
	Balapitiya	375	4760	594	173	18	8	0	0	21	1	0	0	12	1	0	0
	Galle	3696	10038	2408	2916	238	91	29	36	95	5	5	6	85	9	3	6
Southern Province	Hambanthota	654	17286	2815	428	18	91	15	7	5	6	0	4	5	6	1	1
	Matara	907	12572	3643	409	15	0	0	1	41	0	0	4	14	0	0	0
	Badulla	508	28182	2424	539	84	360	19	27	50	6	0	26	20	4	0	6
Uva Province	Monaragala	238	2353	1138	505	64	44	6	5	3	4	0	0	43	1	0	0
	Colombo	8969	28045	8389	9628	1633	283	83	1061	670	23	5	879	299	23	0	0
	Gampaha	1067	17942	1589	695	51	108	2	25	49	7	1	31	23	8	1	5
	Kalubowila	3612	630	936	829	232	0	0	12	157	8	0	11	86	0	0	7
Western Province	Kalutara	596	2537	3042	392	59	6	7	9	42	2	1	7	39	1	1	7
	Negombo	1359	6992	744	1955	159	26	0	21	28	8	0	18	24	6	0	10
	Ragama	2434	5348	1122	1011	85	84	11	31	85	8	1	20	46	10	1	19
	Wathupitiwala	325	205	544	137	17	1	1	0	17	2	1	0	13	1	1	0
Total		37641	289190	64088	35578	3285	1625	276	1435	1779	115	21	1109	968	101	15	111

^{*} Other samples include samples sent from hospitals for screening or confirmation

		Tab	le 3.4. Se	x worke	ers amo	ng clinic	attend	ees in 20	014				
Province	STD Clinic	New sex	workers reg	istered	New se	x workers v	vith STI	Total n	o. of Sex wo	orkers	Total C	Clinic visits t workers	y Sex
Central Province Eastern Province North Central province North Western Province Northern Province Sabaragamuwa Province Southern Province Uva Province		Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
	Kandy	0	67	67	0	38	38	0	120	120	0	158	158
Central Province	Mathale	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1
	Nuwara Eliya	0	2	2	0	0	0	1	26	27	1	28	29
	Ampara	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	2	2	0	0	0
Eastern Province	Batticalo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Edsieili Flovilice	Kalmunai	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Trincomalee	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
North Central	Anuradhapura	0	32	32	0	16	16	0	44	44	0	76	76
province	Polonnaruwa	0	5	5	0	0	0	0	36	36	0	8	8
North Western	Chilaw	0	17	17	0	17	17	0	80	80	0	80	80
Province	Kurunegala	0	36	36	0	29	29	0	42	42	0	92	92
No while a way	Jaffna	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	2
	Mannar	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
riovince	Vavuniya	3	3	6	1	0	1	8	7	15	12	9	21
Sabaragamuwa	Kegalle	0	16	16	0	12	12	0	31	31	0	50	50
Province	Ratnapura	0	16	16	0	2	2	6	32	38	6	32	38
	Balapitiya	0	29	29	0	1	1	0	32	32	0	37	37
Southern	Galle	0	59	59	0	24	24	0	96	96	0	203	203
Province	Hambanthota	0	28	28	0	2	2	0	60	60	0	78	78
	Matara	0	18	18	0	4	4	6	32	38	6	32	38
Una Duarda a a	Badulla	0	4	4	0	1	1	0	6	6	0	7	7
uva Province	Monaragala	1	3	4	0	3	3	0	3	3	1	3	4
	Colombo	6	357	363	2	212	214	6	451	457	12	1499	1511
	Gampaha	0	56	56	0	24	24	0	82	82	0	119	220
	Kalubowila	10	121	131	5	94	99	15	268	283	30	274	380
Western Province	Kalutara	0	16	16	0	11	11	0	20	20	0	29	29
	Negombo	12	34	46	2	28	30	15	110	125	34	125	279
	Ragama	0	72	72	0	44	44	0	89	89	0	97	97
	Wathupitiwala	0	53	53	0	13	13	0	59	59	0	72	122
Total		32	1048	1080	10	577	587	57	1730	1787	102	3111	3560

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Province	Clinic	Single	e/ Never m	arried	Marrie	ed /Living to	gether	Sepa	rated /Divoi /Widowed	ced	N	ot Known	
		Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
Central	Kandy	219	187	406	270	317	587	14	23	37	0	0	0
Province	Mathale	41	11	52	71	98	169	6	4	10	0	0	0
riovilice	Nuwaraeliya	33	47	80	38	80	118	0	1	1	0	0	0
	Ampara	60	62	122	101	124	225	0	3	3	0	0	0
Eastern	Batticaloa	47	67	114	146	175	321	5	5	10	1	2	3
Province	Kalmunai	13	17	30	26	25	51	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Trincomalee	39	25	64	42	36	78	0	0	0	0	0	0
North Central	Anuradhapura	153	47	200	258	245	503	10	30	40	0	0	0
province	Polonnaruwa	82	90	172	191	180	371	6	9	15	0	0	0
North Western	Chilaw	165	219	384	165	185	350	3	39	42	0	0	0
Province	Kurunegala	253	124	377	422	590	1012	14	56	70	0	0	0
NI - alla - ara	Jaffna	73	32	105	66	37	103	7	0	7	0	0	0
Northern	Mannar	10	14	24	7	7	14	0	0	0	0	0	0
Province	Vauniya	53	49	102	84	74	158	3	9	12	1	1	2
Sabaragamuwa	Kegalle	99	38	137	261	253	514	10	26	36	0	0	0
Province	Ratnapura	239	136	375	268	239	507	13	25	38	5	8	13
	Balapitiya	137	72	209	85	145	230	2	8	10	0	2	2
Southern	Galle	392	155	547	325	261	586	30	21	51	5	2	7
Province	Hambanthota	164	106	270	152	135	287	6	5	11	0	0	0
	Matara	190	145	335	147	164	311	11	22	33	0	3	3
Harris Barristana	Badulla	109	82	191	176	214	390	13	2	15	2	1	3
Uva Province	Monaragala	30	49	79	64	91	155	1	3	4	0	0	0
	Colombo	1631	337	1968	1533	857	2390	60	378	438	5	2	7
	Gampaha	115	76	191	139	204	343	3	39	42	0	0	0
W - 1	Kalubowila	666	177	843	581	471	1052	17	21	38	0	0	0
Western	Kalutara	147	56	203	111	269	380	1	0	1	6	6	12
Province	Negombo	153	72	225	190	177	367	25	72	97	0	1	1
	Ragama	434	131	565	295	261	556	28	75	103	0	0	0
	Wathupitiwala	74	22	96	77	137	214	2	22	24	0	0	0
Total		5821	2645	8466	6291	6051	12342	290	898	1188	25	28	53

		Tab	le 3.6. O	ccup	ational	status o	f new	STD clir	nic atten	dees	in 2014	ı				
no torr	OTD OUT	U	nemploye	d		Employed	t		Student			Retired			Not knowr	1
Province	STD Clinic	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
	Kandy	58	287	345	392	176	568	28	60	88	17	4	21	8	0	8
Central Province	Mathale	16	81	97	93	26	119	5	4	9	3	1	4	1	1	2
	Nuwara Eliya	18	83	101	47	31	78	3	14	17	1	0	1	2	0	2
	Ampara	1 <i>7</i>	114	131	135	26	161	9	49	58	0	0	0	0	0	0
Eastern Province	Batticaloa	49	137	186	162	44	206	12	46	58	1	0	1	0	0	0
Easiern Province	Kalmunai	12	19	31	21	16	37	6	7	13	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Trincomalee	4	42	46	73	2	75	3	17	20	1	0	1	0	0	0
North Central	Anuradhapura	33	202	235	363	103	466	13	16	29	12	1	13	0	0	0
province	Polonnaruwa	100	195	295	156	34	190	18	50	68	2	0	2	3	0	3
North Western	Chilaw	22	183	205	302	111	413	18	142	160	0	1	1	0	0	0
Province	Kurunegala	81	517	598	547	186	733	43	58	101	11	2	13	7	7	14
Northern	Jaffna	49	152	201	261	36	297	10	57	67	3	0	3	0	0	0
Province	Mannar	9	9	18	5	0	5	3	12	15	0	0	0	0	0	0
riovince	Vavuniya	16	86	102	122	21	143	3	26	29	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sabaragamuwa	Kegalle	14	202	216	329	102	431	24	13	37	3	0	3	0	0	0
Province	Ratnapura	53	211	264	439	107	546	25	90	115	8	0	8	0	0	0
	Balapitiya	139	168	307	39	45	84	19	31	50	0	0	0	2	5	7
Southern	Galle	204	274	478	483	96	579	51	66	117	11	3	14	3	0	3
Province	Hambanthota	49	46	95	87	6	93	9	18	27	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Matara	41	189	230	263	74	337	38	71	109	6	0	6	0	0	0
Uva Province	Badulla	93	224	317	174	37	211	25	34	59	2	1	3	6	3	9
ova Flovince	Monaragala	45	114	159	49	11	60	1	18	19	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Colombo	365	747	1112	2660	721	3381	141	97	238	58	7	65	5	2	7
	Gampaha	49	152	201	261	36	297	10	57	67	3	0	3	0	0	0
	Kalubowila	176	311	487	974	298	1272	102	59	161	10	1	11	2	0	2
Western Province	Kalutara	65	225	290	162	69	231	21	29	50	10	5	15	7	3	10
	Negombo	73	141	214	284	163	447	6	17	23	5	1	6	0	0	0
	Ragama	129	202	331	568	182	750	48	83	131	12	0	12	0	0	0
	Wathupitiwala	30	83	113	116	96	212	6	2	8	1	0	1	0	0	0
Total		2009	5396	7405	9567	2855	12422	700	1243	1943	180	27	207	46	21	67

	Table 3.	7 Reaso	on for atte	endanc	e amo	ng new S	STD clini	ic atter	ndees in :	2014			
Province	STD Clinic	Cor	ntact of pat	ients		Voluntarily	/		Referral fro			Others*	
		Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
	Kandy	26	45	71	213	100	313	7	11	18	257	371	628
Central Province	Mathale	6	7	13	39	21	60	0	3	3	73	82	155
	Nuwara Eliya	12	7	19	37	25	62	3	7	10	19	89	108
	Ampara	22	17	39	70	23	93	25	40	65	44	109	153
Eastern Province	Batticaloa	15	21	36	28	45	73	4	32	36	152	151	303
Easiem Province	Kalmunai	0	4	4	7	3	10	2	5	7	30	30	60
	Trincomalee	4	3	7	23	7	30	6	26	32	48	25	73
North Central	Anuradhapura	9	29	38	96	63	159	29	31	60	287	199	486
province	Polonnaruwa	1	0	1	246	232	478	5	30	35	27	17	44
North Western	Chilaw	62	31	93	124	73	197	68	212	280	88	121	209
Province	Kurunegala	115	52	167	314	181	495	56	69	125	204	468	672
	Jaffna	1	6	7	41	12	53	74	38	112	30	13	43
Northern Province	Mannar	0	1	1	3	0	3	11	15	26	3	5	8
	Vavuniya	10	8	18	28	11	39	11	35	46	92	79	171
Sabaragamuwa	Kegalle	124	58	182	133	87	220	10	8	18	103	164	267
Province	Ratnapura	20	26	46	118	61	179	60	155	215	327	166	493
	Balapitiya	10	7	17	44	16	60	3	36	39	167	168	335
Carolla and Dura dura a	Galle	24	7	31	100	71	171	206	164	370	422	197	619
Southern Province	Hambanthota	13	41	54	53	39	92	93	38	131	135	156	291
	Matara	31	25	56	97	35	132	107	140	247	113	134	247
Harris Branda and	Badulla	49	32	81	62	29	91	35	63	98	154	175	329
Uva Province	Monaragala	15	14	29	7	16	23	0	32	32	72	82	154
	Colombo	126	85	211	1488	449	1937	16	179	195	1599	861	2460
	Gampaha	22	15	37	89	45	134	35	57	92	111	202	313
	Kalubowila	38	39	77	414	135	549	27	117	144	785	378	1163
Western Province	Kalutara	22	22	44	96	122	218	67	82	149	80	105	185
	Negombo	45	29	74	129	101	230	30	47	77	164	145	309
	Ragama	38	26	64	188	84	272	28	89	117	503	268	<i>77</i> 1
	Wathupitiwala	2	1	3	86	82	168	0	0	0	65	98	163
Total		862	658	1520	4373	2168	6541	1018	1761	2779	6154	5058	11212

^{*} Referrals from doctors or other healthcare workers, NGOs etc,

		Sex Wo	orkers	MS	SM	Drug	Users	Priso	ners	Oth	ner*
Province	STD Clinics	No received HIV Testing	No. receive HIV result	No. received HIV Testing	No. received HIV result	No. received HIV Testing	No. received HIV result	No. received HIV Testing	No. received HIV result	No. received HIV Testing	No. received HIV result
	Kandy	67	67	107	78	97	97	0	0	2526	2470
Central Province	Matale	1	1	7	7	0	0	0	0	394	394
	Nuwara Eliya	2	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	734	722
	Batticalloa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	468	468
Eastern Province	Kalmunai	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	86	86
	Trincomalee	0	0	0	0	0	0	26	26	644	644
North Central	Anuradhapura	70	70	68	68	0	0	46	46	2128	2128
province	Polonnaruwa	26	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	2957	2897
North Western	Chilaw	17	17	48	48	8	8	0	0	859	859
Province	Kurunegala	40	40	0	0	0	0	0	0	1919	1900
	Jaffna	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	486	485
Northern	Mannar	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	635	112
Province	Vavuniya	3	3	3	3	0	0	6	6	1299	1299
Sabaragamuwa	Kegalle	29	29	50	50	3	3	12	12	2750	2750
Province	Ratnapura	27	27	0	0	224	223	62	54	1093	1011
	Balapitiya	36	26	61	37	14	12	0	0	399	263
Southern	Galle	252	183	405	249	259	161	70	64	1341	751
Province	Hambanthota	14	9	2	0	0	0	11	6	699	299
	Matara	27	24	0	0	0	0	95	57	1087	437
Here Beer de e e	Badulla	2	2	0	0	0	0	47	47	2627	2627
Uva Province	Monaragala	4	1	0	0	0	0	2	0	252	175
	Colombo	218	83	358	244	2	2	127	109	5017	3807
	Gampaha	66	24	55	33	1	0	0	0	950	803
	Kalubowila	187	80	220	58	358	74	10	10	1847	1205
Western	Kalutara	19	19	24	22	2	2	66	66	1438	1383
Province	Negombo	152	134	62	40	132	132	199	199	1567	1515
	Ragama	72	7	255	82	33	0	22	16	1475	783
	Wathupitiwala	54	25	13	10	4	2	2	2	561	525
Total		1388	899	1740	1031	1137	716	803	720	38,792	33,333

^{*} Beach boys, client of sex workers, other STD clinic attendees etc.

	Table	3.9. Details o	of awarenes	s programm	es conducto	ed by STD cli	nics in 2014		
		Lect	ures	Exhibi	tions	Works	hops	Other (s	pecify)
Province	STD Clinic	No. of programmes	No. of participants						
Central	Kandy	75	9537	3	62500	12	854	3	360
	Matale	28	1498	0	0	1	15	0	0
Province	Nuwara Eliya	32	2050	3	1800	0	0	0	0
	Ampara	89	5839	1	150	0	0	7	5200
Eastern	Batticalloa	37	2391	0	0	0	0	1	28
Province	Kalmunai	4	602	0	0	0	0	2	124
	Trincomalee	19	1240	0	0	2	100	2	600
North Central	Anuradhapura	61	8023	0	0	0	0	49	3853
province	Polonnaruwa	28	3168	0	0	0	0	0	0
North Western	Chilaw	97	6772	2	3700	0	0	0	0
Province	Kurunegala	56	7542	3	10500	8	483	5	994
Northern	Jaffna	45	2060	0	0	5	200	0	0
	Mannar	9	586	0	0	2	198	0	0
Province	Vavuniya	47	2709	0	0	1	30	0	0
Sabaragamuwa	Kegalle	75	7604	1	3800	9	724	1	1000
Province	Ratnapura	104	8875	0	0	0	0	1	19226
	Balapitiya	11	2155	2	780	1	40	2	462
Southern	Galle	79	9360	1	20	1	20	12	615
Province	Hambanthota	9	724	1	1200	40	2420	1	24
	Matara	130	8905	1	15000	3	71	0	0
Uva Province	Badulla	246	15957	1	200	0	0	0	0
uva Province	Monaragala	49	3954	2	1000	3	106	3	1000
	Colombo	66	2793	14	60680	13	1243	732	964
	Gampaha	97	8911	1	1500	0	0	0	0
Western	Kalubowila	13	684	2	360	4	210	36	571
	Kalutara	73	8052	0	0	4	356	5	995
Province	Negombo	1	30	0	0	1	50	0	0
	Ragama	65	4490	0	0	0	0	23	792
	Wathupitiwala	21	3295	0	0	0	0	3	935
Total		1666	139806	38	163190	110	7120	888	37743

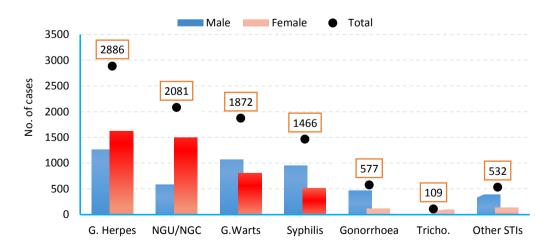
4. SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED INFECTIONS

National STD/AIDS control programme considers STI surveillance as an important element of the National response to HIV epidemic. STI surveillance gives useful information about the risk of HIV in various populations and geographical areas.

None of the sexually transmitted diseases are notifiable in Sri Lanka. As a result data from STD clinic attendees is the primary source of data for STI surveillance. SIM unit of the NSACP carries out data collection from all STD clinics on a quarterly basis. STI related data are collated, summarized and analyzed prior to regular dissemination via NSACP website www.aidscontrol.gov.lk and through various reports.

Symptoms of STIs (Many S	TIs may be asymptomatic)
Males	Females
 Ulcers or sores in genitals Discharge from urethra Burning when urinating Warts or lumps in genitals Pain and swelling of testes Enlarged nodes in groins 	 Ulcers or sores in genitals Discharge from vagina Burning when urinating Warts or lumps in genitals Lower abdominal pain Enlarged nodes in groins

Figure 4.1 Number of sexually transmitted infections in Sri Lanka in 2014



Tricho. Other STIs 1% 6% ■ G. Herpes Gonorrhoea 6% G. Herpes ■ NGU/NGC 30% **Syphilis** ■ G.Warts 15% ■ Syphilis ■ Gonorrhoea Tricho. G.Warts NGU/NGC 20% 22% Other STIs

Figure 4.2 Percentage of Sexually transmitted infections in Sri Lanka in 2014

Figures 4.1 and 4.2 show the number and percentages of STis reported during 2014. Genital herpes, non-gonococcal infections, genital warts were more common STIs followed by syphilis and gonorrhoea. Females were more among reported genital herpes and non-gonococcal infections.

Genital herpes

Genital herpes is caused by the herpes simplex virus (HSV) that enters the body through small breaks in your skin or mucous membranes. Most people with HSV have no signs or symptoms. When present, signs and symptoms may include, small red bumps, blisters (vesicles) or open sores (ulcers) in the genital and anal areas. Some HSV infected people can have recurrent episodes of genital ulcers.

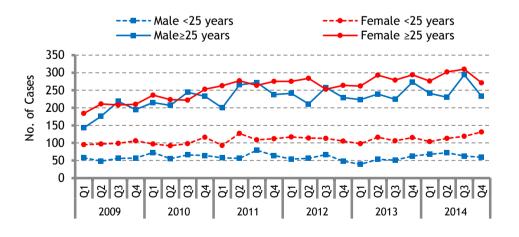


Figure 4.3 Trends of genital herpes infections, 2009-2014

The number of patients presented with genital herpes during 2009 to 2014 is given in the above graph according to the age and sex distribution. It is common among the more than 25 year age group and more females were reported compared to males.

Recurrences being more frequent and more symptomatic among females could be one possible contributing factor. Balapitiya, Chilaw, Kalutara and Ratnapura STD clinics have reported less number of genital herpes cases in 2014.

Non-gonococcal urethritis and cervicitis

Non-gonococcal urethritis and cervicitis are the second commonest STI reported during 2014. Monitoring the trend of non-gonococcal infections among males is considered a good indicator to monitor trends of new STIs. Symptoms of non-gonococcal infections in males include discharge from urethra and/or burning pain during urination. There are many causative organisms which can give rise to this diagnosis; *Chlamydia trachomatis* being the commonest. However, specific diagnostic facilities for *Chlamydia trachomatis* is not available in STD clinics in Sri Lanka. Therefore all symptomatic chlamydia infections are included in the diagnosis of "non-gonococcal infections".

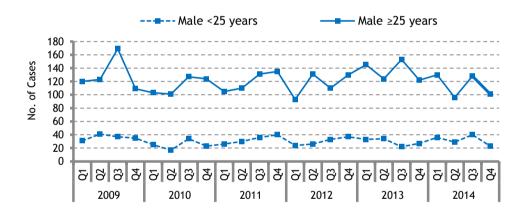


Figure 4.4 Trend of reported non-gonococcal urethritis males, 2009-2014

Figure 4.4 illustrates the number and age distribution of the male patients diagnosed with non-gonococcal urethritis. There are more males over 25 years among patients diagnosed with non-gonococcal infections. Trends of reported cases are fairly stable over last six years.

Genital warts

Genital warts are the third common reported STI during 2014. Genital warts are caused by a virus named Human Papiloma Virus (HPV). In most of the cases HPV infection has no signs or symptoms. But persistent infection of some HPV types can cause cervical cancer in women. Some HPV virus types cause genital warts. The signs and symptoms of genital warts may include small, flesh-coloured or gray swellings in the genital area. The size of the genital warts may be as small as 1 millimeter or may grow into large clusters.

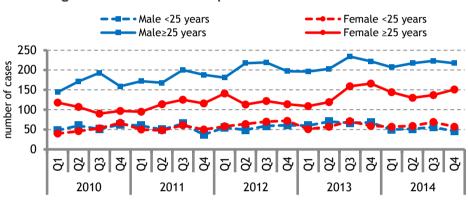


Figure 4.5 Genital warts reported from STD clinics 2010-2014

Figure 4.5 shows the number of patients reported with genital warts from all STD clinics. Warts are more common among males compared to females and there is an increasing tendency among both males and females.

Syphilis

Syphilis is a well-known sexually transmitted disease caused by a bacterium named *Treponema pallidum pallidum*. Clinically and serologically syphilis is divided into 4 stages- primary, secondary, latent and tertiary. There is also a condition known as congenital syphilis, which occurs when a pregnant woman with syphilis passes the infection to her unborn infant. Congenital syphilis can be disabling, even lifethreatening, so it's important for a pregnant woman with syphilis to be treated.

Figure 4.6 shows the total number of infectious or early syphilis (exposure to syphilis within last 2 years) during the last 5 year period according to age and sex distribution. More cases have been reported among males aged more than 25 years. The overall trend had been fluctuating with peaks in 2010 and 2011.

Figure 4.6 Infectious syphilis in all STD clinics 2010-2014

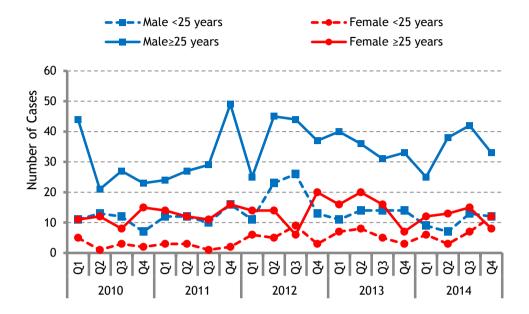


Figure 4.7 Late syphilis cases in all STD clinics end of 2014

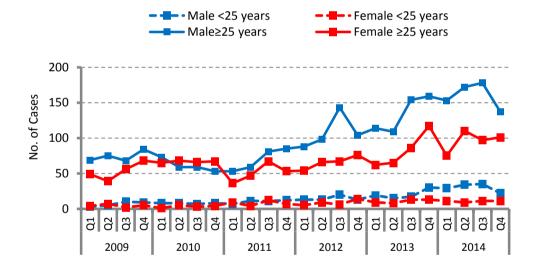


Figure 4.7 illustrates the total number of late or non-infectious syphilis cases reported during the last six year period. There is a rising trend among males and females more than 25 years of age.

Figure 4.8 Reported congenital syphilis cases in all STD clinics 2003 - 2014

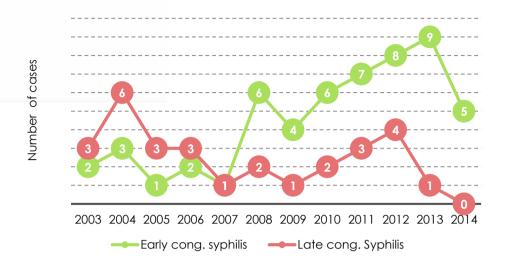


Figure 4.8 illustrates the total number of early and late congenital syphilis cases reported during the last twelve years. During 2014 only 5 cases of early congenital syphilis cases were reported. Two cases were reported from Colombo, and one case each from Hambanthota, Jaffna and Kegalle STD clinics respectively.

All five cases of congenital syphilis reported during 2014 were belonging to the case definition-3 of congenital syphilis. Case definition-3 includes, mother treated less than 4 weeks prior to delivery, mother untreated, treatment status undocumented or unknown and mother not completed the recommended course of penicillin. In addition, mother treated with non-penicillin antibiotics also included in this case definition.

Gonorrhoea

Gonorrhoea is a bacterial infection caused by *Neisseria gonorrhoeae*. Signs and symptoms of gonorrhoea may include thick, cloudy or pus discharge from the penis or vagina and pain or burning sensation when urinating. However, majority of women with gonorrhoea may not show any symptoms.

• Male <25 years</p> Female <25 years Female ≥25 years Male≥25 years 100 No. of Cases 80 60 40 20 0 5 2010 2011 2012 2013 2014

Figure 4.9 Gonorrhoea cases reported from STD clinics 2010-2014

Figure 4.9 indicates the trend of gonorrhoea cases and number treated for their sexual contacts (presumed gonorrhoea cases) detected during the last five years according to age and sex distribution. It is clearly evident that males who are 25 years and older are affected more with a rising trend since 2011. These cases include both confirmed gonococcal as well as presumptive gonococcal infections where confirmatory evidence is not available due to lack of gonococcal culture facilities in majority of STD clinics.

Trichomoniasis

Trichomoniasis is a sexually transmitted infection caused by a microscopic, one-celled parasite called *Trichomonas vaginalis*. The organism usually infects the urinary tract in men, but often causes no symptoms. Trichomoniasis typically infects the vagina in women. Some of the symptoms and signs of trichomoniasis include, abnormal vaginal discharge, vaginal discomfort, discharge from the penis and painful urination.

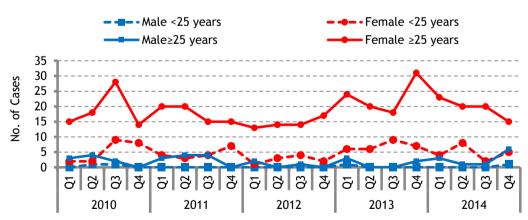


Figure 4.10 Trichomoniasis in all STD clinics 2010-2014

Figure 4.10 illustrates the number of patients diagnosed with trichomoniasis since 2010. It is noticeable that females aged more than 25 years are most affected.

		Table 4.	l Number o	f reporte	d early (i	nfectious) s	syphilis co	ases, 20 1	1-2014				
Duardaga	STD Clinic		2011			2012			2013			2014	
Province	21D CIINIC	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
	Kandy	8	2	10	14	2	16	7	3	10	10	6	16
Central Province	Matale	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	2	6	2	2	4
	Nuwara Eliya	2	2	4	2	3	5	5	5	10	2	2	4
	Ampara	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Eastern Province	Batticaloa	2	3	5	4	5	9	1	0	1	2	3	5
Lusieili Flovilice	Kalmunai	0	0	0	3	0	3	1	0	1	0	0	0
	Trincomalee	1	0	1	3	1	4	1	0	1	0	0	0
North Central	Anuradhapura	9	1	10	0	0	0	2	2	4	1	0	1
province	Polonnaruwa	2	3	5	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0
North Western	Chilaw	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	2	6
Province	Kurunegala	0	0	0	2	2	4	3	0	3	1	0	1
	Jaffna	0	1	1	1	0	1	2	2	4	0	0	0
Northern Province	Mannar	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Vavuniya	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sabaragamuwa	Kegalle	8	2	10	3	2	5	2	3	5	6	6	12
Province	Ratnapura	4	2	6	4	1	5	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Balapitiya	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	3	3	0	3
Southern Province	Galle	5	1	6	15	1	16	8	6	14	20	8	28
Southern Province	Hambanthota	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	3	3
	Matara	5	2	7	12	7	19	6	3	9	2	3	5
Uva Province	Badulla	3	4	7	6	2	8	3	2	5	0	0	0
uva Province	Monaragala	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	3	0	1	1
	Colombo	78	27	105	96	30	126	104	37	141	83	25	108
	Gampaha	3	0	3	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0
	Kalubowila	16	5	21	20	4	24	13	1	14	20	7	27
Western Province	Kalutara	4	1	5	4	2	6	2	3	5	3	2	5
	Negombo	1	0	1	6	5	11	3	3	6	7	2	9
	Ragama	27	6	33	26	9	35	16	7	23	13	4	17
	Wathupitiwala	-		_	0	1	1	2	1	3	0	0	0
Total		179	62	241	224	77	301	193	82	275	179	76	255

		Tab	le 4.2 Num	ber of la	te syphil	is cases rep	oorted, 2	011- 201	4				
Dravinas	CID Clinia		2011			2012			2013			2014	
Province	STD Clinic	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
	Kandy	33	19	52	30	14	44	37	18	55	31	17	48
Central Province	Matale	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	1	3	4
	Nuwara Eliya	1	3	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2
	Ampara	6	5	11	4	3	7	7	2	9	6	7	13
Eastern Province	Batticalloa	4	1	5	3	0	3	5	8	13	7	5	12
Easieili Flovilice	Kalmunai	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	2
	Trincomalee	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	4	4	1	5
North Central	Anuradhapura	6	1	7	16	5	21	12	8	20	15	19	34
province	Polonnaruwa	1	3	4	6	2	8	1	0	1	21	5	26
North Western	Chilaw	6	10	16	4	0	4	10	11	21	24	15	39
Province	Kurunegala	11	10	21	19	26	45	20	19	39	33	32	65
	Jaffna	3	0	3	0	0	0	2	3	5	1	3	4
Northern Province	Mannar	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Vavuniya	12	6	18	7	11	18	9	4	13	5	3	8
Sabaragamuwa	Kegalle	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	3	11	14	5	19
Province	Ratnapura	8	5	13	18	11	29	18	15	33	10	11	21
	Balapitiya	0	1	1	4	0	4	3	2	5	5	5	10
Southern Province	Galle	13	3	16	23	20	43	48	13	61	38	16	54
300mem Flovince	Hambanthota	11	6	17	17	8	25	23	13	36	7	1	8
	Matara	3	2	5	10	3	13	11	3	14	4	5	9
Uva Province	Badulla	10	8	18	6	7	13	25	23	48	33	10	43
ova Flovince	Monaragala	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	4	5	9
	Colombo	128	98	226	222	131	353	239	145	384	264	150	414
	Gampaha	4	8	12	13	6	19	8	11	19	27	11	38
	Kalubowila	16	14	30	40	17	57	34	17	51	71	38	109
Western Province	Kalutara	15	7	22	13	10	23	21	13	34	16	14	30
	Negombo	4	11	15	6	8	14	16	16	32	31	12	43
	Ragama	23	14	37	29	15	44	56	19	75	74	23	97
	Wathupitiwala	-	-	-	2	0	2	1	2	3	11	8	19
Total		319	235	554	492	297	789	617	373	990	760	425	1185

			Table 4.3 N	lumber c	of gonorri	noea case	s 2011- 2	2014					
	ATD OIL I		2011			2012			2013			2014	
Province	STD Clinic	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
	Kandy	13	2	15	18	13	31	26	12	38	25	6	31
Central Province	Matale	0	0	0	3	1	4	4	0	4	1	2	3
	Nuwara Eliya	2	2	4	17	15	32	20	22	42	9	3	12
	Ampara	2	0	2	1	0	1	4	0	4	1	0	1
Eastern Province	Batticaloa	1	4	5	6	1	7	13	3	16	1	0	1
Easieili Flovilice	Kalmunai	2	2	4	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0
	Trincomalee	20	0	20	19	1	20	11	0	11	4	1	5
North Central	Anuradhapura	16	7	23	18	13	31	24	1	25	18	4	22
province	Polonnaruwa	11	3	14	17	0	17	3	1	4	8	0	8
North Western	Chilaw	3	0	3	2	0	2	3	1	4	3	0	3
Province	Kurunegala	3	4	7	3	4	7	18	3	21	6	1	7
	Jaffna	4	1	5	4	0	4	7	0	7	3	0	3
Northern Province	Mannar	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Vavuniya	1	0	1	5	0	5	10	2	12	13	0	13
Sabaragamuwa	Kegalle	1	1	2	2	0	2	23	11	34	11	5	16
Province	Ratnapura	3	3	6	15	4	19	10	2	12	5	1	6
	Balapitiya	5	8	13	2	4	6	9	1	10	5	1	6
Southern Province	Galle	1	2	3	15	2	1 <i>7</i>	10	3	13	14	12	26
Southern Province	Hambanthota	11	0	11	15	4	19	15	18	33	19	23	42
	Matara	2	1	3	7	2	9	10	2	12	13	5	18
Uva Province	Badulla	3	0	3	7	3	10	4	1	5	4	1	5
uva Flovince	Monaragala	8	9	17	0	0	0	4	2	6	6	2	8
	Colombo	30	11	41	75	18	93	108	18	126	168	26	194
	Gampaha	8	2	10	5	1	6	13	1	14	7	0	7
	Kalubowila	10	16	26	24	9	33	39	13	52	53	10	63
Western Province	Kalutara	9	1	10	6	0	6	10	1	11	9	0	9
	Negombo	3	2	5	5	1	6	6	1	7	17	1	18
	Ragama	13	7	20	14	2	16	16	5	21	32	3	35
	Wathupitiwala	-	-	-	1	0	1	2	0	2	9	3	12
Total		185	88	273	307	98	405	423	124	547	464	110	574

	Table	4.4 Numb	er of non-	gonoco	cal ure	hritis and c	ervicitis :	reported	. 2011- 201	4			
Dravinas	STD Clinic		2011			2012			2013			2014	
Province	21D Clinic	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
	Kandy	60	218	278	42	226	268	24	242	266	30	230	260
Central Province	Matale	8	3	11	0	0	0	5	3	8	5	4	9
	Nuwara Eliya	4	2	6	20	18	38	18	14	32	4	6	10
	Ampara	12	0	12	6	0	6	14	0	14	7	1	8
Eastern Province	Batticaloa	0	0	0	1	0	1	2	3	5	4	4	8
Edsieili Flovilice	Kalmunai	1	1	2	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0
	Trincomalee	1	0	1	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	0
North Central	Anuradhapura	60	16	76	40	19	59	51	2	53	24	7	31
province	Polonnaruwa	1	0	1	6	0	6	0	0	0	1	0	1
North Western	Chilaw	16	102	118	6	93	99	16	60	76	7	85	92
Province	Kurunegala	45	131	176	52	140	192	70	237	307	35	204	239
	Jaffna	13	3	16	17	6	23	3	0	3	9	3	12
Northern Province	Mannar	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Vauniya	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	0	8	10	0	10
Sabaragamuwa	Kegalle	1	3	4	1	0	1	77	50	127	73	14	87
Province	Ratnapura	42	56	98	15	17	32	12	4	16	16	5	21
	Balapitiya	10	33	43	8	21	29	7	12	19	7	4	11
Saudhara Bravinaa	Galle	15	80	95	31	80	111	23	100	123	18	89	107
Southern Province	Hambanthota	5	0	5	10	3	13	13	4	17	15	4	19
	Matara	6	28	34	6	44	50	14	30	44	18	14	32
Uva Province	Badulla	4	0	4	7	8	15	6	6	12	9	1	10
uva Province	Monaragala	1	34	35	0	0	0	2	0	2	4	12	16
	Colombo	144	109	253	141	239	380	144	290	434	142	341	483
	Gampaha	29	105	134	40	102	142	17	103	120	13	108	121
	Kalubowila	54	43	97	43	81	124	57	82	139	42	114	156
Western Province	Kalutara	8	96	104	13	33	46	5	45	50	7	17	24
	Negombo	34	75	109	28	108	136	42	124	166	33	150	183
	Ragama	39	37	76	46	63	109	22	60	82	46	50	96
	Wathupitiwala	-	-	-	5	11	16	5	27	32	4	25	29
Total		613	1175	1788	584	1312	1896	660	1498	2158	583	1492	2075

		Table	4.5 Numbe	r of geni	ital herpe	es cases re	ported, 2	2011- 201	4				
Duna dan na	CTD Clinia		2011			2012			2013			2014	
Province	STD Clinic	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
	Kandy	59	89	148	80	107	187	69	95	164	65	122	187
Central Province	Matale	13	35	48	7	20	27	13	32	45	12	39	51
	Nuwara Eliya	7	13	20	10	6	16	8	12	20	8	7	15
	Ampara	24	34	58	14	21	35	26	34	60	28	42	70
Eastern Province	Batticalloa	11	6	17	1	6	7	11	11	22	6	12	18
Easiem Flovince	Kalmunai	2	7	9	2	4	6	2	4	6	2	2	4
	Trincomalee	28	11	39	23	18	41	21	13	34	22	18	40
North Central	Anuradhapura	86	48	134	58	47	105	53	70	123	66	69	135
province	Polonnaruwa	48	52	100	31	54	85	29	50	79	43	52	95
North Western	Chilaw	54	60	114	39	58	97	38	55	93	25	43	68
Province	Kurunegala	109	110	219	94	109	203	79	101	180	92	138	230
	Jaffna	3	3	6	11	7	18	2	3	5	17	3	20
Northern Province	Mannar	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Vavuniya	42	17	59	39	13	52	26	22	48	41	20	61
Sabaragamuwa	Kegalle	10	28	38	11	16	27	33	54	87	44	85	129
Province	Ratnapura	82	124	206	74	102	176	71	97	168	52	68	120
	Balapitiya	30	46	76	26	41	67	29	48	77	19	39	58
Southern Province	Galle	40	65	105	34	66	100	26	78	104	41	73	114
300mem movinee	Hambanthota	30	37	67	23	26	49	18	38	56	37	21	58
	Matara	41	31	72	54	77	131	45	49	94	51	44	95
Uva Province	Badulla	21	34	55	33	70	103	32	73	105	38	71	109
	Monaragala	22	33	55	0	0	0	4	13	17	9	26	35
	Colombo	195	225	420	195	225	420	227	182	409	224	183	407
	Gampaha	25	70	95	45	74	119	29	55	84	55	52	107
	Kalubowila	127	146	273	128	166	294	133	150	283	139	167	306
Western Province	Kalutara	33	76	109	37	71	108	33	76	109	22	57	79
	Negombo	20	33	53	32	44	76	35	36	71	26	52	78
	Ragama	70	87	157	58	70	128	53	85	138	54	81	135
	Wathupitiwala	-	-	-	5	7	12	20	27	47	22	40	62
Total		1232	1520	2752	1164	1525	2689	1165	1563	2728	1260	1626	2886

Table 4.6 Number of genital warts cases reported, 2011- 2014													
Province	STD Clinic		2011			2012			2013			2014	
riovince	STD CIIITIC	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
	Kandy	40	32	72	63	45	108	52	39	91	41	41	82
Central Province	Matale	10	9	19	5	7	12	15	10	25	10	7	17
	Nuwara Eliya	5	3	8	7	9	16	3	2	5	6	2	8
	Ampara	25	9	34	21	12	33	18	20	38	19	11	30
Factory Drovings	Batticaloa	2	1	3	6	2	8	4	8	12	4	5	9
Eastern Province	Kalmunai	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	3	3	0	1	1
	Trincomalee	10	9	19	17	6	23	1 <i>7</i>	10	27	5	4	9
North Central	Anuradhapura	77	21	98	66	48	114	65	40	105	39	30	69
province	Polonnaruwa	38	16	54	30	27	57	25	26	51	28	18	46
North Western	Chilaw	42	31	73	34	21	55	37	25	62	34	23	57
Province	Kurunegala	72	69	141	71	66	137	68	78	146	73	66	139
	Jaffna	4	0	4	3	4	7	3	1	4	11	6	17
Northern Province	Mannar	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0
	Vavuniya	0	3	3	15	2	17	15	6	21	12	5	17
Sabaragamuwa	Kegalle	20	10	30	22	21	43	58	43	101	43	34	77
Province	Ratnapura	39	43	82	49	36	85	40	26	66	29	33	62
	Balapitiya	8	6	14	15	11	26	1 <i>7</i>	7	24	15	13	28
Southern Province	Galle	21	25	46	37	36	73	36	33	69	54	42	96
Southern Frovince	Hambanthota	23	14	37	25	8	33	26	21	47	38	17	55
	Matara	18	18	36	26	22	48	39	21	60	25	28	53
Uva Province	Badulla	21	6	27	13	17	30	14	23	37	12	20	32
ova Flovince	Monaragala	6	4	10	0	0	0	5	4	9	8	5	13
	Colombo	208	120	328	233	115	348	275	110	385	253	122	375
	Gampaha	24	27	51	32	32	64	35	42	77	35	31	66
	Kalubowila	85	67	152	102	86	188	90	58	148	102	86	188
Western Province	Kalutara	31	39	70	27	36	63	50	42	92	37	41	78
	Negombo	27	16	43	45	24	69	44	35	79	46	39	85
	Ragama	84	61	145	72	55	127	59	47	106	72	66	138
	Wathupitiwala	-	-	-	2	5	7	10	10	20	17	8	25
Total		940	659	1599	1038	754	1792	1120	791	1911	1068	804	1872

		Table 4	.7 Number	of tricho	monias	is cases re	ported, 2	2011- 20	14				
Province	STD Clinic	2011			2012			2013			2014		
riovince	31D CIIIIC	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
	Kandy	2	11	13	0	12	12	0	15	15	2	0	2
Central Province	Matale	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
	Nuwara Eliya	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0
	Ampara	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Eastern Province	Batticaloa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	6	8
Lasieiii i ioviiice	Kalmunai	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Trincomalee	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
North Central	Anuradhapura	0	1	1	0	0	0	2	1	3	0	1	1
province	Polonnaruwa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
North Western	Chilaw	0	2	2	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1
Province	Kurunegala	1	5	6	1	1	2	0	17	17	0	8	8
	Jaffna	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Northern Province	Mannar	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Vavuniya	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3	0	1	1
Sabaragamuwa	Kegalle	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	15	15	1	16	17
Province	Ratnapura	3	12	15	1	3	4	2	4	6	0	2	2
	Balapitiya	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	2	2
Southern Province	Galle	0	4	4	0	3	3	0	2	2	0	0	0
soumern Frovince	Hambanthota	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0
	Matara	0	0	0	0	4	4	0	0	0	0	1	1
Uva Province	Badulla	1	3	4	0	4	4	1	10	11	0	3	3
uva Flovince	Monaragala	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Colombo	0	32	32	1	30	31	0	31	31	5	20	25
	Gampaha	0	5	5	0	1	1	0	3	3	0	2	2
	Kalubowila	2	1	3	0	6	6	1	6	7	0	15	15
Western Province	Kalutara	1	2	3	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	1
	Negombo	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	5	5	0	11	11
	Ragama	1	3	4	0	1	1	0	4	4	1	7	8
	Wathupitiwala	-	-	-	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total		11	88	99	3	68	71	6	121	127	12	97	109

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Sri Lanka has been categorized as a country with a low level HIV epidemic. The term 'low-level epidemic' is used for epidemics where HIV prevalence remains less than 1% in the general population and below 5% in any key population. In such a scenario, HIV case reporting and monitoring of HIV programmatic data plays a vital role in understanding the HIV epidemic in the country.

Figure 5.1 Number of all HIV cases reported by district, 1987-2014

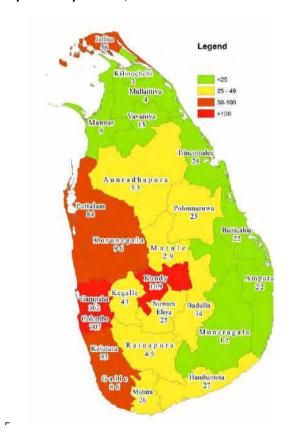
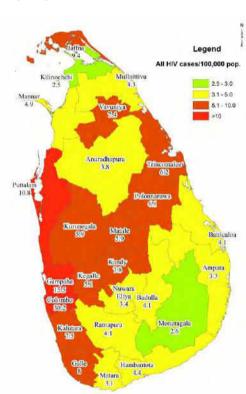


Figure 5.2 Rate of all HIV cases reported by district per 100,000 pop., 1987-2014



Figures 5.1 and 5.2 show the distribution of the total number of HIV cases reported since 1987 (since the first Sri Lankan HIV case reported) and the rates per 100,000 population in each district. Colombo, Gampaha and Puttalam districts shows the highest HIV rates with over 10 HIV cases per 100,000 population of the district.

Figure 5.3 Number of new HIV cases reported in 2014 by district

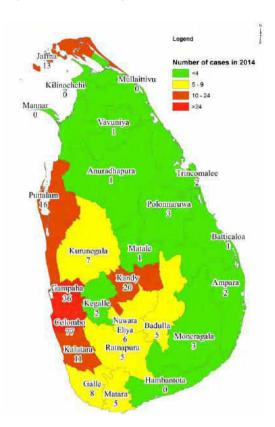
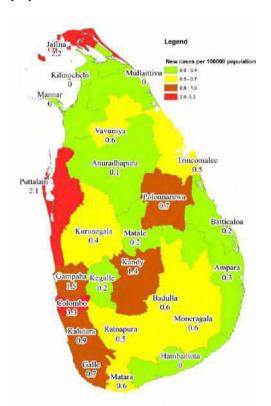


Figure 5.4 Rate of new HIV cases reported in 2014 by district per 100,000 population



Figures 5.3 and 5.4 show the number of new HIV cases reported in 2014 and the rates per 100,000 population in each district. Colombo, Puttalam and Jaffna districts show the highest HIV rates with over 2 new HIV cases per 100,000 population in 2014.

The National STD/AIDS control programme (NSACP) has a HIV case notification system since the beginning of the HIV epidemic in Sri Lanka. HIV confirmatory test, (Western Blot or Line Blot) has been available only at the National reference laboratory at NSACP. This has greatly facilitated the HIV case notification system as all the screening positive HIV blood samples are sent to the NSACP laboratory with a form (Health 1214) containing basic epidemiological information.

Females -Males 186¹⁹⁶ No. of HIV cases reported 55 42 54 47 50 23 - 22 - 30 - 32 2005 2006 2007 2008 2009 2010 2011 2013 2001 2002 2003

Figure 5.5 Reported HIV positives in Sri Lanka 1987-2014

The first HIV positive Sri Lankan patient was reported in 1987. As end of 2014, there were 2073 cumulative HIV positives reported to the National STD/AIDS control programme.

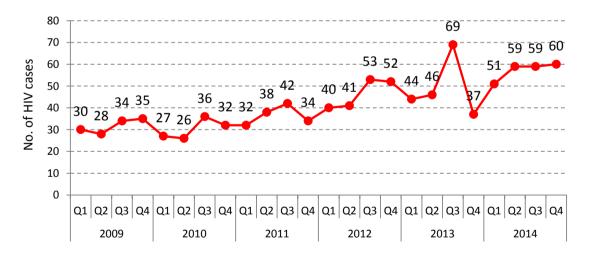
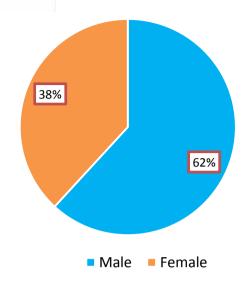


Figure 5.6 Reported HIV positives in Sri Lanka, 2009-2014

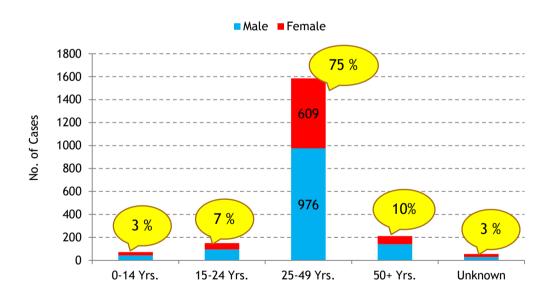
The number of HIV positive persons reported per quarter is regularly disseminated by the National STD/AIDS control programme. Figure 5.6 shows reported numbers have doubled during last 6 years.

Figure 5.7 Percentage of males and females among reported HIV cases (N=2073)



Majority of the reported cases were males (62%) and the male to female ratio is 1.6:1 (Figure 5.7)

Figure 5.8 Reported HIV cases by age group 1987-2014 (N= 2073)



Reported HIV cases in Sri Lanka show that majority (76%) of the infected people are in 25-49 year age group (figure 5.8).

Figure 5.9 Age groups among reported HIV positives 2005-2014

The trend of percentage of age groups are given in figure 5.9. The 25-49 age group continues to dominate in all the years.

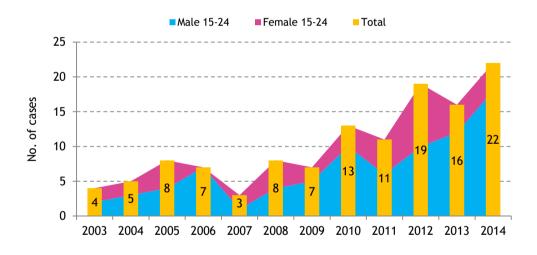


Figure 5.10 Trend of young HIV positives (15-24 years) - 2003-2014

Figure 5.10 shows a slow but steady increasing trend among HIV infected young persons (15-24 years) reported since 2003.

Figure 5.11 shows the probable mode of transmission in 228 cases newly reported in 2014. However, the probable mode of transmission cannot be determined in 16% of the cases, due to incompleteness of the reported data. Sexual contacts constitute for over 80% of the reported new cases {Heterosexual (male-female) 55% and homosexual/bisexual (male-male) contacts among men 28%}. It is noteworthy that

only a single case of mother to child transmission was reported during 2014 (three year old boy) and only 1% of reported cases had a history of injecting drug use.

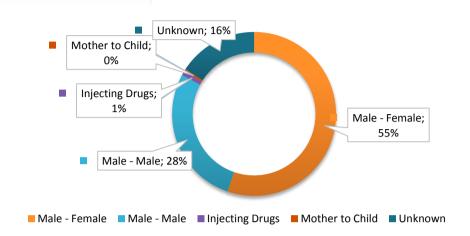


Figure 5.11 Probable mode of transmission of new HIV cases in 2014 (N=228)

A rising trend of male-male or bisexual transmission among men is observed over the years. (Figure 5.12 and figure 5.13). This trend may be due to increasing probing for male to male sex and/or more reporting due to less homophobia in the community. There are no cases of HIV due to blood transfusions since the year 2000. Over the years the "unknown %" has reduced suggesting more comprehensive data collection.

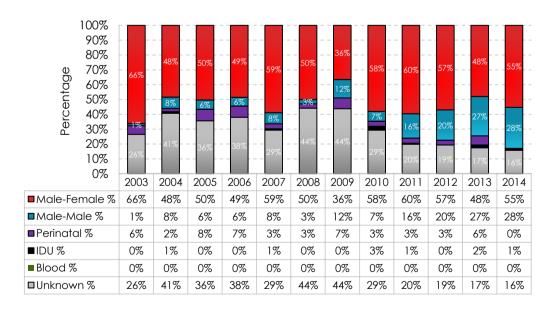


Figure 5.12 Trend of probable mode of transmission, 2003-2014

Figure 5.13 Trend of male to male/bisexual transmission

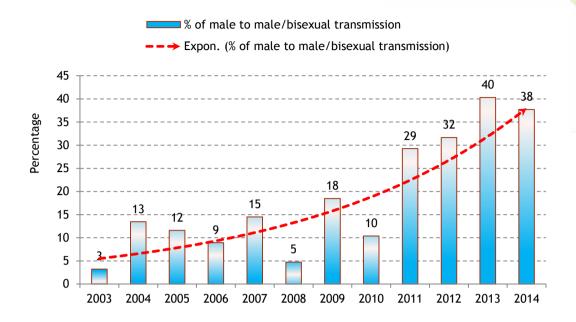
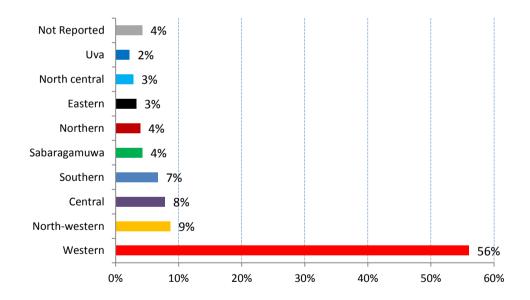


Figure 5.14 HIV cases by province of residence 1987-2014 (N= 2073)



Geographical distribution of reported HIV cases (according to the address given at the time of reporting) is shown in the figure 5.14. Majority of cases are coming from the Western province (56%). Each of other provinces has contributed to less than 10% of the total HIV cased reported since 1987. This could be due to a reporting bias as most of the testing facilities are concentrated in and around Western province.

Table 5.1 Estimated number of people living with HIV in Sri Lanka, 2000-2014

				PEOPLE I	IVING WI	TH HIV			
Year	(All ages)		(Adult	s, ages 15	5+)	(Women, ages 15+)			
	Estimate	Low	High	Estimate	Low	High	Estimate	Low	High
2000	<1000	<500	1000	<1000	<500	<1000	<200	<200	<500
2001	<1000	<500	1100	<1000	<500	1100	<500	<200	<500
2002	<1000	<1000	1200	<1000	<1000	1200	<500	<200	<500
2003	<1000	<1000	1400	<1000	<1000	1400	<500	<200	<500
2004	1100	<1000	1600	1100	<1000	1600	<500	<500	<500
2005	1300	<1000	1900	1200	<1000	1900	<500	<500	<1000
2006	1500	1000	2300	1500	1000	2200	<500	<500	<1000
2007	1700	1200	2700	1700	1200	2600	<1000	<500	<1000
2008	2000	1400	3100	2000	1400	3100	<1000	<500	<1000
2009	2200	1600	3500	2200	1600	3500	<1000	<500	1100
2010	2400	1700	3900	2400	1700	3800	<1000	<1000	1200
2011	2600	1900	4400	2600	1800	4300	<1000	<1000	1400
2012	2900	2000	4800	2800	2000	4600	<1000	<1000	1500
2013	3100	2200	5200	3000	2100	5100	<1000	<1000	1700
2014	3300	2300	5700	3200	2200	5600	1000	<1000	1800

Table 5.1 indicates the latest estimated number of people living with HIV. It is estimated that there are around 3300 (range 2300 – 5700) people living with HIV as of end 2014. Of these, 97% are estimated to be in over 15 year age group and the majority of them are estimated to be males (69%).

6. INTEGRATED BIOLOGICAL AND BEHAVIOURAL SURVEILLANCE SURVEY in 2014

Data amongst key populations (KP) is required to evaluate and guide national response to HIV epidemic and currently only minimal up to date data related to KAP is available. Behavioural Surveillance Survey in 2006/2007 studied behavioural component only. Funding was made available by the Global Fund to fight AIDS, TB and Malaria (GFATM) to carry out the first IBBS survey⁷ in Sri Lanka.

Formative assessment (FA) conducted in September 2014 showed undertaking of an integrated biological and behavioural surveillance (IBBS) survey using Respondent Driven Sampling (RDS) was feasible. Participation of IBBS was voluntary, anonymous and consisted of a face to face behavioural questionnaire linked to data from HIV and syphilis.

Objectives of the IBBS survey

- To estimate the prevalence of HIV and syphilis and associated risk behaviours amongst four key populations in Sri Lanka
 - o Female sex workers (FSW)
 - Men who have sex with men (MSM)
 - o People who inject drugs (PWID)
 - o Beach boys (BB)
- To assess the use of and access to health and social welfare programs among FSW, MSM, PWID and BB in Sri Lanka

Methodology of the IBBS survey

Respondent driven sampling (RDS) is a methodology to undertake an IBBS survey with hard-to-reach populations. This is a type of snowball sampling (chain referral), using mathematical modelling of network sizes to estimate population prevalence. Sampling starts with 'seeds' to recruit their peers. Coupons are used to keep track of recruiters and recruitees. Electronic data collection using electronic tablets were used in the field for the first time in Sri Lanka for IBBS. In addition, HIV and syphilis testing were conducted using rapid testing for the first time in a field survey. Trained counsellors issued the test results to the survey participants and referral to the STD clinics done where necessary for retesting and case management. Data was analysed using RDSAT software.

Table 6.1 Number of KAP enrolled for IBBS survey by district

District	FSW	MSM	PWID	ВВ	Total
Colombo	605	504	326	-	1,435
Kandy	354	-	-	-	354
Galle	302	355	-	306	963
Anuradhapura	-	358	-	-	358
Total	1,261	1,217	326	306	3,110

(FSW- Female sex workers, MSM- Men who have sex with men, PWID- People who inject drugs, BB- Beach boys)

Summary of IBBS survey results

Men who have sex with men (MSM)

Table 6.2 MSM aggregate IBBS data from Colombo, Galle and Anuradhapura

Characteristic	Overall estimate	prevalence	e/frequency
	%	SE*	95% CI**
HIV (Colombo and Galle)***	1.03	0.0043	0.2 – 1.9
HIV (All three sites)***	0.88	-	-
Syphilis- Active (Colombo and Galle)***	1.96	0.0083	0.3 – 3.6
Syphilis - Active (All three sites)***	1.66	-	-
Composite knowledge	30.46	0.0162	27.3 – 33.6
Used a condom at last anal sex	57.94	0.0197	54.1 – 61.8
Tested for HIV in the past 12 months and	15.42	0.0169	12.1 –18.7
knows result			
Received free condoms from NGOs or a	26.85	0.0183	23.3 – 30.4
health care center in the last 12 months			
Reached with HIV prevention programs	19.29	0.0177	15.8 – 22.8
(received free condoms and know where			
HIV testing can be obtained)			

*Standard Error (SE) **SE and confidence intervals do not account for variability in population size estimates, making them narrower than they should be.*** Only Colombo and Galle (Total population = 5,069) can have standard error and confidence intervals calculated, as there were no HIV and active syphilis cases in Anuradhapura sample. Current methods cannot calculate confidence intervals when all participants belong to a single group (in this case, all are HIV and syphilis negative in Anuradhapura).

Beach boys

Table 6.3 Summary analysis of key variables beach boys in Galle

Characteristic	Overall prevalence/ frequency estimate			
	rrequenc	cy estimate		
	%	95% CI		
HIV	0			
Syphilis	0			
Composite knowledge	20.1	16.0 – 23.4		
Used a condom at last sex with a tourist	67.6	61.8 – 73.3		
Tested for HIV in the past 12 months and knows result	4.3	1.5 – 7.4		
Received free condoms from NGOs or a health care center in the last 12 months	15.1	10.9 – 18.7		
Reached with HIV prevention programs				
(received free condoms and know where HIV testing can be	7.8	5.0 – 10.0		
obtained)				

• Nature of interaction with tourists

- Most BB act as tour guides or hotel related staff
- More than a third of BB have sex with tourists
- Frequency of engaging in sex with tourists varies, with just under half indicating 'sometimes', and only just over ten percent indicating 'every time'
- More than a quarter received money the last time they had sex with a tourist
- Most of the tourists are European

Sex work

 Nearly one third have received money, gifts, or favours in exchange for sex, and nearly a quarter have ever paid for sex

Condom usage

 Over two thirds used a condom last time they engaged in sex with a tourist

Female sex workers

The average age of a FSW in Colombo is 38.6 years, with most respondents (32.2%) over the age of 45 years. On average, FSW have 2.1 clients a day and are paid 1,286 rupees for last sex act.

Table 6.4 . FSW aggregate IBBS results from Colombo, Galle and Kandy

Characteristic	Overall prevalence/frequency estimate					
	%	SE*	95% CI**			
HIV (Colombo and Galle)***	1.03	0.0035	0.3 – 1.7			
HIV (All three sites)	0.81	-	-			
Syphilis- Active (Colombo and Galle)***	1.96	0.0083	0.3 – 3.6			
Syphilis - (All three sites)	0.98	-	-			
Composite knowledge	34.93	0.0149	32.1– 37.8			
Used a condom at last sex with a client	92.96	0.0079	91.4 –			
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Tested for HIV in the past 12 months and knows result	35.01	0.0154	32.0 –			
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Received free condoms from NGOs or a health care	37.67	0.016	34.5 –			
center in the last 12 months	07.07	0.010	40.8			
Reached with HIV prevention programs			15.8 –			
(received free condoms and know where HIV testing	29.85	0.0148	22.8			
can be obtained)						

*Standard Error (SE), **SE and confidence intervals do not account for variability in population size estimates, making them smaller than they should be. *** SE and CI cannot be calculated for all, as there are HIV cases only in Colombo and Galle, and active syphilis cases only in Colombo. Current methods can calculate confidence intervals when there is at least a single case in all locations.

Injecting drug users/ People who inject drugs (IDU/PWID)

Mean age of the PWID was 40.2 (range 18-66). They had 2.7 (range 0-50) mean number of sexual partners during last 12 months.

Table 6.5 PWID summary analysis key variables

	Sam	ple	Population			
Characteristic	propor	tions	estimates			
	n/N	%	%	95% CI		
HIV	0/326	0	0			
Active syphilis	0/326	0	0			
Composite knowledge	101/307	32.9	33.3	27.5 – 39.1		
Used a condom with last sex sexual	75/290	25.9	24.0	18.8 – 28.9		
partner	70,270	20.7	21.0	10.0 20.7		
Tested for HIV in the past 12 months and	27/326	8.3	8.7	5.8 – 11.8		
knows result	27,020	0.0	01 ,			
Received free condoms from NGOs or a	19/320	5.9	6.0	3.5 – 8.5		
health care center in the last 12 months	, , ,					
Reached with HIV prevention programs						
(received free condoms and know where	14/326	4.3	4.1	2.2 – 6.1		
HIV testing can be obtained)						
Unsafe injecting practices (shared	166/326	50.9	43.5	43.5 – 55.0		
injecting equipment at last injection)	33,32			2.2		

Conclusions of the IBBS survey

In all key affected populations surveyed, HIV and syphilis prevalence are low (HIV prevalence <1.0%, syphilis prevalence <2.0%)) but most behavioural indicators are not performing well (low testing, low comprehensive knowledge, and mixed condom usage).

Most KAP know where to obtain an HIV test, but very few have ever been tested, and even fewer have been for a test in the last 12 months and received their results. Reasons for not getting HIV tests include not knowing where to go, too busy, and low risk perception. Those who have been tested, predominantly seek services at government STD clinics, and are satisfied with the services. However, this contradicts the qualitative and anecdotal reports from the IBBS sites, where respondents commented that the services at the IBBS sites were far friendlier, more affordable, and

with less waiting times. One of the main reasons for participating in IBBS survey is for testing, and most HIV tests are currently being done at the government STD clinics. Expanding testing choices with mobile and moonlight HIV testing and counselling (HTC), and engagement with the private sector to expand testing to additional, nongovernment clinic venues will be beneficial.

There is a need for an impact evaluation of the current awareness, information, education and communication (IEC) and social behaviour change communication (SBCC) campaigns. Overall, media usage is not particularly high, with TV as the most frequent outlet, but radio and newspaper not showing high volumes of usage. Internet usage is poor (including amongst MSM), and therefore online activities and targeting should not be a priority at this time. Mobile phone usage is high, providing the potential for m-health projects, as many of the key populations indicated they would be interested in receiving HIV and heath related text messages.

Alcohol and drug consumption amongst FSW, MSM and BB is not particularly high. However, amongst those few who have injected, most shared injecting equipment.

There are high levels of stigma across all key populations and districts, while most respondents would be willing to care for an HIV positive family member, most do not believe an HIV positive student should be allowed to go to school, and would not buy food from an HIV positive food seller.

Most respondents go to government STD clinics for HIV testing, but not when they have symptoms of an STI. The first point of call is typically a private pharmacy or chemist, illustrating that reported STIs is an underestimate of the STI case load.

Recommendations from IBBS Survey

1. Increase awareness and condom usage

Formulation and implementation of a comprehensive condom policy/strategy national plan, using expanded channels, private sector collaboration, and interventions with clients to create an enabling environment through ongoing advocacy for awareness on HIV/STI and access to condoms.

2. Increase HIV testing

Review current peer educator model to assess strengths, weaknesses, impact and areas for improvement and develop tailor made BCC strategies and models for key population sub groups.

3. Increase participation to address HIV

Documented approaches around KAP engagement in similar contexts should be explored and piloted in the Sri Lankan context (e.g. KAP led outreach, development of new and continuation of existing MSM, FSW and other KAP collectives and social groups, and strengthening community systems)

4. Reduce stigma around key populations and HIV

Social, institutional and personal stigma related to MSMs, as well as HIV related stigma amongst key populations, should be addressed through SBCC interventions

5. Innovate with HIV interventions

The potential for m-health (mobile phone-health) interventions should be explored, given the high ownership of mobile phones amongst MSMs and all other key populations.

6. Additional research needs

Operational research to explore and document community perceptions, identify gaps in knowledge, attitudes, and skills, and develop strategies to increase the correct and consistent use of condoms and other behaviours.

Reference:

This article is a summary of the full IBBS report which is cited as "Integrated Biological and Behavioural Surveillance (IBBS) Survey among Key Populations at Higher Risk of HIV in Sri Lanka, 2014 – Report, Colombo, National STD/AIDS Control Programme, Management Frontiers (Pvt) Ltd and KIT, 2015".



Figure 6.1 IBBS survey demonstrated that rapid HIV tests can be used for MARP outreach testing programmes



Figure 6.2 From the IBBS results dissemination workshop

7. CONDOM PROMOTION

In the early days, condoms were promoted primarily as a family planning method in Sri Lanka. The first family planning clinic of Family Planning Association (FPA) was inaugurated on 2nd September 1953 at De Soysa Maternity Hospital (DMH) in Colombo which provided some contraceptive services including provision of condoms. In early 1970s, FPA conducted a very successful condom social marketing programme where they introduced the brand name 'Preethi'.

Since 1960s, the Family Health Bureau (FHB) has been in the forefront in bringing modern methods of family planning (FP) including condoms to grass-root level through family health care workers. Promotion of condoms as a FP method is one of the major tasks that has been carried out by FHB since its inception.

It is well accepted that condoms are effective in the prevention of transmission of STIs and HIV in addition to its family planning usage. Therefore, condom promotion is an important strategy adopted by National STD/AIDS control programme (NSACP) to promote sexual health and well-being of people of Sri Lanka. This activity falls in the NSACP programme area of IEC, advocacy & condom promotion.

Initially, condoms were distributed to persons attending STD clinics, to needy persons through outreach activities of NSACP and through NGOs that work with high risk behavior groups. Peer led targeted interventions for female sex workers (FSW), men who have sex with men (MSM), drug users and beach boys (BB) were commenced in year 2011. Condoms and lubricants are essential parts of sexual health services package offered to these population groups.

Around 3 million condoms were procured by the NSACP in 2012 through Global Fund round-9 HIV project for the use in years 2013 - 2014. These were distributed through STD clinics and through Family Planning Association and its sub-recipient NGOs to the high risk populations & other vulnerable population.

Following table shows number of condoms distributed among the high risk behaviour groups through the Family Planning Association in 2013-2014 via peer educators.

Table 7.1 Condoms distribution according to the risk population in 2013 & 2014

Risk Population	Number of condoms distributed		
kisk ropulation	2013	2014	
Female Sex Workers (FSW)	566,439	828,460	
Men who have sex with men (MSM)	217,738	402,509	
Beach boys (BB)	52,972	87,845	
Drug users (DU)	27,411	102,142	
Total	864,560	1,420,956	

Condom promotion among patients attending STD clinics is an essential part of preventive work that is carried out daily by health care providers within services. Following table shows condom distribution among STD clinic attendees by STD clinic care providers.

Table 7.2 Number of condoms issued by STD clinics 2010-2014

Province	STD Clinic	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Control	Kandy	5,473	10,544	14,637	9,659	9,015
Central	Matale	820	6,065	5,000	0	1,200
Province	Nuwara Eliya	8,298	16,286	31,078	30,540	31,300
	Ampara	15,752	7,211	11,559	18,787	16,475
Eastern	Batticaloa	1,200	3,048	3,024	2,476	1,300
Province	Trincomalee	4,780	1,420	998	934	1,570
	Kalmunai	2307	625	248	192	0
North central	Anuradhapura	28,944	3,268	10,800	11,020	19,400
Province	Polonnaruwa	6,898	2,160	6,695	6,858	8,915
Northwestern	Chilaw	4,326	17,468	6,750	8,940	13,920
Province	Kurunegala	10,080	5,900	12,982	14,180	18,000
Northern	Jaffna	0	4,659	2,360	65	2,985
Province	Mannar	1,650	1,530	2,016	1,024	1,728
TTOVITICE	Vavuniya	10,472	2,200	2,640	3,000	2,300
Sabaragamua	Kegalle	12,087	12,560	12,452	17,370	23,505
Province	Ratnapura	44,723	28,515	32,666	51,092	31,336
	Balapitiya	2,016	1,079	1,262	2,500	3,022
Southern	Galle	7,470	2,298	4,962	10,200	12,387
Province	Hambantota	3,036	1,946	6,091	9,881	16,000
	Matara	2,079	1,550	6,074	9,284	2,800
Uva Province	Badulla	6,900	5,272	5,912	4,380	7,670
Ovariovince	Monaragala	400	600	0	1,350	1,350
	Colombo	32,616	7,880	39,484	52,720	45,668
	Gampaha	16,365	11,633	18,374	14,742	15,807
Western	Kalubowila	8,632	4,659	9,792	12,102	12,638
Province	Kalutara	5,825	13,010	9,202	9,288	8,900
TIOVITICE	Negombo	2,195	4,026	12,191	6,635	6,165
	Ragama	4690	5049	5612	5772	7721
	Wathupitiwala	NA	NA	70	236	325
All		250,034	182,461	274,931	315,227	323,402

Table 7.2 shows a slow but steady improvement of condom distribution by STD clinics to their attendees since 2011.

8. CERVICAL CYTOLOGY SCREENING SERVICES

Cervical cancer is the 4th most common cause of cancer deaths worldwide for females, and the 9th most common cause of cancer deaths overall. Over three-quarters of all new cases of cervical cancer cases are diagnosed among the age group of 25-64 years. Data published by National Cancer Institute of Sri Lanka in 2006 indicates that it is the 2nd commonest cancer among females of Sri Lanka with a rate of 9.4 per 100,000 population⁸.

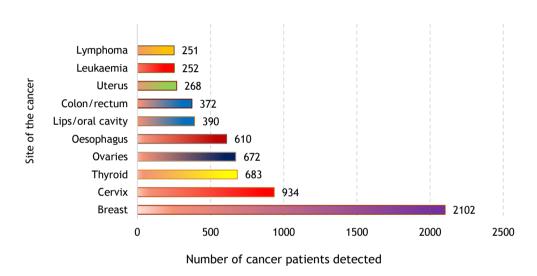


Figure 8.1 Leading cancer sites of females in Sri Lanka-2006

(Source: Cancer Registry, National Cancer Control Programme 2006)

Human Papilloma Virus (HPV) has been implicated in 99.7% of cervical squamous cell cancer cases. STD and HIV clinics are providing services to populations with high risk behaviors who have a higher risk of developing cervical carcinoma. Early detection of cervical neoplasia is the key step in saving the lives of many women in the reproductive age group with a risk of developing cervical malignancy.

Both cervical cancer and the pre-invasive lesions of the cervix (CIN) are significantly more common in HIV-positive women compared to HIV negative women. The risk of having CIN in the setting of HIV appears to be related to the degree of immunosuppression. It is evident that cytological screening is as effective in HIV-positive women as it is in HIV-negative women. Since 1993, invasive cervical cancer in HIV-positive women has been classified as an AIDS-defining illness.

PAP smear screening at NSACP

Pap smear screening was started in NSACP in year 2004. Currently the screening is done at the central STD clinic Colombo and at 13 peripheral STD clinics. National STD /AIDS Control Programme data shows that total number of pap smears done at the central clinic increased with time from 2009 onwards to more than 1000 smears per year. The screening services offered were able to find out number of lesions suggestive of high grade Intra-epithelial lesions and carcinomas.

1381 1299 Results of Pap smears Total Pap smears dor HPV effect Carcinoma CINIII/HSIL LSIL NSI/SI* NILM Total No of Pap done 1063 1204 1381 1299 1104

Figure 8.2 Details of Pap smear testing in National STD/AIDS control programme 2004-2014

Figure 8.2 shows the total number of Pap smears done from year 2004 to 2014 at the Central STD clinic, Colombo and the results of these Pap smears. As shown in figure 8.2, Pap screening service has detected few patients with cervical carcinoma and a number of precancerous lesions over the years.

Following table gives the descriptions of abbreviations used to denote Pap smear results.

Table 8.1 Abbreviations used to indicate the results of Pap smear examination

NILM	Negative for Intra Epithelial Lesion or Malignancy
NSI/SI	Non Specific Infection/Specific Infection
LSIL	Low grade Squamous Intraepithelial Lesion
CIN III/HSIL	Cervical Intraepithelial Neoplasia grade3 / High grade Squamous Intraepithelial Lesion
HPV effect	Cellular changes due to Human Papilloma Virus infection

In addition to Central STD clinic Colombo, 14 other full time STD clinics have screened clinic attendees during 2014. Figure 8.3 shows the total number of Pap smears done in all the STD clinics in 2014. In the STD clinic setup, there are a number of challenges for Pap screening which include lack of medical laboratory technologists and other logistic issues.

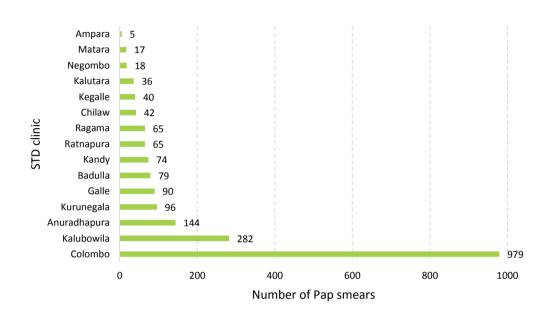


Figure 8.3 Pap smears done in STD clinics in 2014

Recommendations for Pap smear testing for women who attend STD clinics/ with history of STI⁹

- For all women who do not have documented evidence of a normal Pap test within the preceding 12 months.
- ◆ Annual screening for women aged 21-30 years.
- Every 2-3 years for women aged over 30 years if three consecutive annual Pap tests are negative.

Source: Guidelines for cervical cytology screening and reporting in Sri Lanka 2010 by Sri Lanka college of Pathologists, College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists and Family Health Bureau.

What is Pap smear screening? 10

The Papanicolaou test (abbreviated as Pap test, known earlier as Pap smear, cervical smear, or smear test) is a method of cervical screening used to detect potentially pre-cancerous and cancerous processes in the cervix (opening of the uterus or womb). Abnormal findings are often followed up by more sensitive diagnostic procedures, and, if warranted, interventions that aim to prevent progression to cervical cancer. The test was invented by and named after the prominent Greek doctor Georgios Papanikolaou.

A Pap smear is performed by opening the vaginal canal with a speculum, then collecting cells at the outer opening of the cervix at the transformation zone (where the outer squamous cervical cells meet the inner glandular endocervical cells). The collected cells are examined under a microscope to look for abnormalities. The test aims to detect potentially pre-cancerous changes (called cervical intraepithelial neoplasia (CIN) or cervical dysplasia; the squamous intraepithelial lesion system (SIL) is also used to describe abnormalities), which are caused by sexually transmitted human papillomaviruses. The test remains an effective, widely used method for early detection of pre-cancer and cervical cancer. While the test may also detect infections and abnormalities in the endocervix and endometrium, it is not designed to do so.

If results are abnormal, and depending on the nature of the abnormality, the test may need to be repeated in six to twelve months. If the abnormality requires closer scrutiny, the person may be referred for detailed inspection of the cervix by colposcopy.

9. HIV TESTING AND COUNSELLING

HIV testing and counselling (HTC) is a vital component of the scaling up of HIV prevention, treatment, care and support services. Increasing uptake of HTC leads to earlier diagnosis and more effective care. Early diagnosis can reduce transmission and improve health outcomes due to the availability of effective and affordable antiretroviral treatment (ART) and other preventive interventions.

National STD/AIDS control programme plays a leading role in the provision of HIV testing and counselling services in the country. Populations with risk behaviours attend public STD clinics for HTC services. In addition, attempt has been made to provide these services to most-at-risk populations through outreach activities.

Table 9.1 Types of blood samples screened for HIV

Type of sample	Number tested	No. positive	Test positivity rate
Blood donor screening	380,367	25	0.01%
Private hospitals and laboratories	237,605	63	0.03%
Antenatal mothers	168,221	5	0.003%
STD clinic samples*	72,063	113	0.16%
Tri forces	20,191	0	0.00%
Prison HTC programme	13,803	4	0.03%
TB clinic screening	7,409	18	0.24%
Total	899,659	228	0.03%

^{(*} STD clinic samples include STD clinic attendees, testing symptomatic patients and testing of contacts)

During the year 2014 a total of 902,013 blood samples have been tested for HIV. These tests were carried out at STD clinics, blood banks, hospitals of Tri forces and private sector hospitals & laboratories. Data on HIV testing from 70 private sector hospitals & laboratories were reported to the National STD/AIDS Programme during 2014. The highest test positivity rate is seen among TB clinic attendees (0.2%). A progress was observed in HIV testing among TB patients where 7,409 patients received the test. HIV testing coverage among TB patients increased from 40% during 2013 to 78.8 % during 2014.

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MSM

Figure 9.1 HIV testing and counselling among most-at-risk populations in 2014

Most-at-risk populations such as men who have sex with men (MSM), female sex workers (FSW) and drug users get tested when they attend STD clinics. Coverage of HIV testing among them continued to be low during the year similar to the previous years as shown in the figure 9.1. Only 26% of estimated MSM, 12% of FSW and 14% of drug users were tested by the STD clinics of National STD/AIDS control programme, of which 63-73% attended the clinic to collect the results.

FSW

Most- at- risk populations

Drug users

Rapid HIV testing was introduced in Colombo and Kalutara districts in December 2014 to improve the coverage of testing among high risk and vulnerable populations in the community. This was a World AIDS Day initiative which was carried out by staff attached to STD clinics in the above two districts. Scaling up of HIV testing using rapid tests in other districts is planned for 2015. In addition, periodic testing of drug users attending rehabilitation centers in Colombo, Galle, Gampaha and Kandy districts were carried out during the year. Initial steps were taken in collaboration with foreign employment bureau to implement a programme to offer HIV screening to returnee migrants through a general health screening programme.

Of the estimate of 2900 people living with HIV only 1525 (all reported HIV cases (2073) minus reported deaths (548)) have been identified by end 2014 and are aware about their HIV status (52.6%). This emphasizes the need to generate an increase in demand and improve access to testing services to cover the gap.

10. ANTIRETROVIRAL TREATMENT AND SERVICES FOR PEOPLE LIVING WITH HIV

The HIV testing and counselling services and HIV care services are provided through all 30 full-time and 22 branch STD clinics in Sri Lanka. This article provides details of people living with HIV who are on antiretroviral treatment (ART) and service delivery points available for prescribing ART.

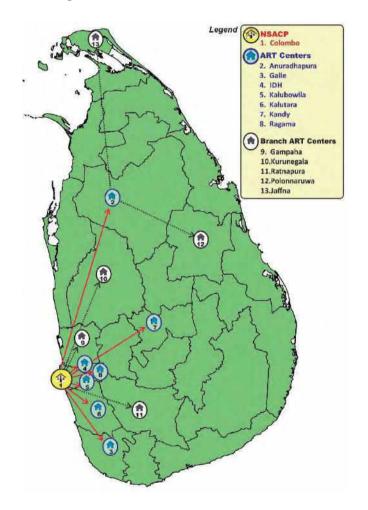


Figure 10.1 ART centers in Sri Lanka-2014

Antiretroviral Treatment (ART) is used to treat people living with HIV infection. These drugs do not eliminate virus or cure the HIV infection. However, when taken in combination they can control replication of the virus. ART has been proven so successful that HIV has become a chronic disease in which progression to AIDS has become increasingly rare.

National STD/AIDS control programme of the Ministry of Health is the sole provider of ART in Sri Lanka as private sector healthcare institutions are not providing this service.

Except Base hospital Angoda (IDH), all other ART dispensing centers are coming under the National STD/AIDS Control Programme.

During the year 2014, ART was procured using funds made available by the Global Fund project. However, it has been decided to include procurement of ART using the Health Ministry budget from the year 2016 onwards. A concept paper on commitment on procurement of ART and its sustainability through the Ministry of Health budget has been approved. In addition, an allocation of Rs.500, 000.00 per year has been approved by MOH for the local purchase of essential drugs for opportunistic infections or emergency ART requirements.

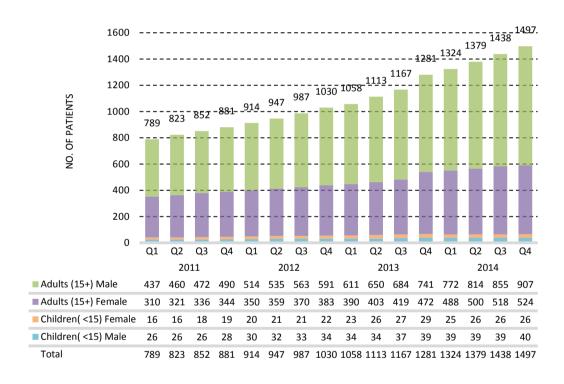


Figure 10.2 All PLHIV ever enrolled in HIV care up to end of 2014

Figure 10.2 indicates the cumulative number of PLHIV enrolled in the clinics of National STD/AIDS control programme for providing medical care since late 1980s. Of the 2073 cumulative number of HIV infected people reported up to 2014, 1497 have been ever enrolled in HIV care (72.2%). These numbers need to be interpreted with caution as the number 2073 includes very early cases of HIV infected people when ART was not available in Sri Lanka or anywhere the world. In addition, possibilities of duplication cannot be ruled out. In Sri Lanka, HIV infection is not a notifiable disease and providers do not have a legal requirement to report all cases to the National STD/AIDS control programme.

In Sri Lanka, the antiretroviral treatment (ART) was added to the HIV care programme in late 2004. ART programme was initiated with the financial support of World Bank and continued with the funding support of Global Fund. From 2016, the government of Sri Lanka will be funding the procurement of antiretroviral drugs.

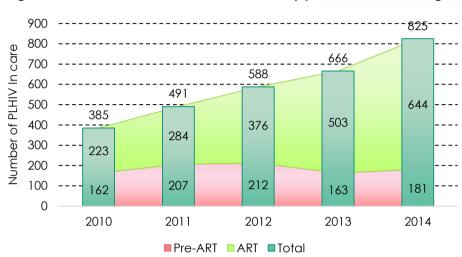


Figure 10.3 Number of HIV clinic attendees by pre-ART and ART stages

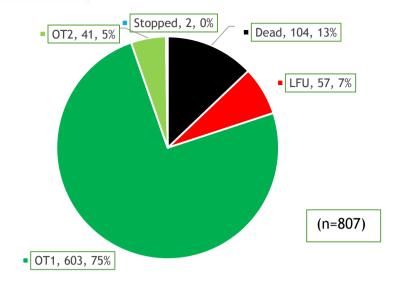
Figure 10.3 shows the number of PLHIV who attend HIV clinic according to pre-ART and ART stage. At the end of 2014 there were 825 PLHIV in 13 ART centers situated in the locations shown in figure 10.1. (These annual numbers excludes deaths, loss to follow ups and those who stopped ART due to medical reasons).

Table 10.1 Number of HIV clinic attendees by pre-ART and ART stage - end of 2014

ART Clinic	Pre-ART	ART	Total
1. Colombo & Ratnapura	85	396	481
2. Ragama	20	69	89
3. IDH	9	78	87
4. Kandy	15	40	55
5. Galle	8	14	22
6. Kurunegala	12	7	19
7. Kalubowila	7	10	17
8. Gampaha	12	4	16
9. Jaffna	4	10	14
10. Kalutara	5	7	12
11. Anuradhapura	1	6	7
12. Polonnaruwa	3	3	6
Total	181	644	825

The total number PLHIV who were initiated on ART since 2004 is 807. Figure 10.4 illustrates the outcome of all these PLHIV who initiated ART as of end 2014. Majority (603, 75%) remains in first-line regimens while 41 (5 %) have switched to second-line regimens. Fifty seven (7%) have been loss to follow up and 104 (13%) have died.

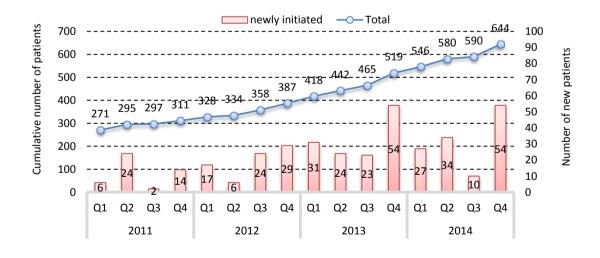
Figure 10.4 Outcome of all PLHIV who initiated ART since 2004 as of end 2014



(OT 1= first-line ART regimen, OT 2=second-line ART regimen, LFU=Loss to follow up)

Figure 10.5 shows the number of people living with HIV who are on ART. There were 644 on ART at the end of 2014. The bars in the graph shows the number of patients newly initiated ART in each quarter since 2011.

Figure 10.5 Number of PLHIV on ART 2011-2014



ART regimens (ART drug combinations)

Zidovudine based ART regimens are being phased out due to their side effects and the regimen of tenofovir, emtricitabine and efavirenz is used as the first-line ART regimen according to the new guidelines. The ART drugs received in 2014 included newer antiretroviral drugs like atazanavir, darunavir and raltegravir and these are considered as second or third-line options.

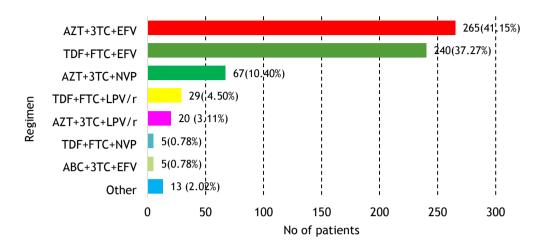


Figure 10.6 Number and the percent of ART regimens used as of end 2014

"Other" ART regimens.AZT+3TC+NVP- (1, 0.16%), ABC+TDF+FTC+LPV/r- (2, 0.31%), AZT+3TC+RAL (1, 0.16%), TDF+FTC+ATV/r- (3, 0.47%), LPV/r+DDI+ABC/3TC- (1, 0.16%), ABC+3TC+LPV/r- (4, 0.62%), RAL+3TC+DRV/r- (1, 0.16%)

Figure 10.6 illustrates the different ART regimens used as of end 2014. As of end 2014, the commonest ART regimen (combination) was zidovudine, lamivudine and efavirenz (41%).

Table 10.2 ART Regimen used according to the first and second-line

ART Regimen	First- line	Second-line	Total
AZT+3TC+EFV	265	0	265
TDF+FTC+EFV	235	5	240
AZT+3TC+NVP	68	0	67
AZT+3TC+LPV/r	12	8	20
TDF+FTC+LPV/r	8	21	29
TDF+FTC+NVP	5	0	5
ABC+3TC+EFV	4	1	5
ABC+3TC+LPV/r	3	1	4
TDF+FTC+ATV/r	1	2	3
AZT+3TC+RAL	1	0	1
RAL+3TC+DRV/r	1	0	1
ABC+TDF+FTC+LPV/r	0	2	2
LPV/r+DDI+ABC/3TC	0	1	1
Total	603	41	644

Table 10.2 shows the ART regimens used as of end 2014 according to first-line or second-line category as the same ART regimen can be used in either category depending on the circumstance. Of the total number on ART, 94% (n=603) were in first-line ART regimens.

Figure 10.7 illustrates the current number of PLHIV who are on ART according to the ART center at which they are getting treatment. Majority of the PLHIV (396 or 61%) are

managed at Colombo ART center and the second highest number is managed at Base hospital Angoda (IDH) followed by STD clinics Ragama and Kandy.

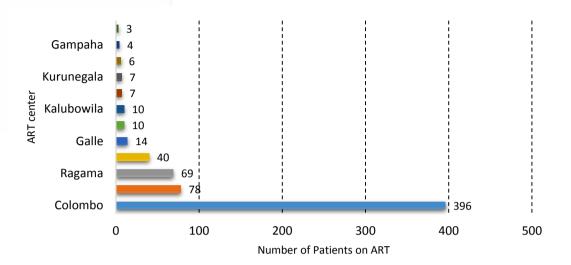


Figure 10.7 Number of PLHIV on ART by ART center as of end 2014

Cohort analysis of PLHIV on ART

Cohort analysis of patients on ART allow comparison of treatment outcome over time and between groups of patients who have had equal duration of ART. The cohort analysis compares the baseline clinical status of a group of ART patients who started treatment in the same month and year (cohort) with their status at 12, 24 and 60 months.

Figure 10.7/8 shows the outcome of 144 patients those who initiated ART in 2013. At the end of 12 months follow up, 91% were alive and on ART. Deaths consisted of 5% while 3% were lost to follow up. The lost to follow up group includes those who do not attend at the clinic for 3 months from the due date.

Figure 10.8 Outcome of PLHIV who initiated ART in 2013, after 12 months (N=144)

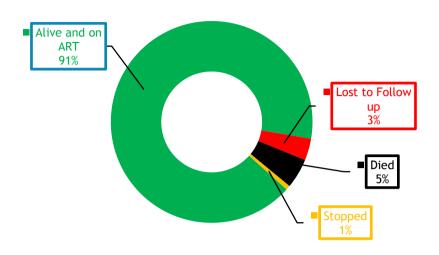
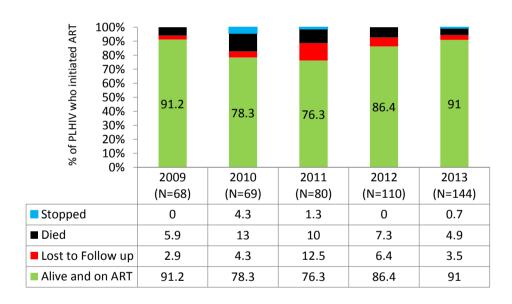


Figure 10.9 Trend of 12 month outcomes in cohorts of PLHIV, 2009-2013



The above graph (Figure 10.9) illustrates the 12 months' outcome of patients who initiated ART in last 5 consecutive years. The number of patients who started on ART has gradually increased from 68 in 2009 to 144 in 2013. Over 90% of patients who initiated ART in 2013 are alive and on ART after 12 months of ART initiation.

Figure 10.10 indicates the percentage who are alive and on ART among PLHIV who initiated ART during 2007 (60 months) 2008 (24 and 60 months) 2009-2012 (12 and 24 months) and in 2013 (12 months). In year 2009, 91% had been alive and on ART at the end of 12 months and it has dropped to 76% at the end of 60 months period.

Figure 10.10 Trend of 12 month outcomes in cohorts of PLHIV, 2009-2013

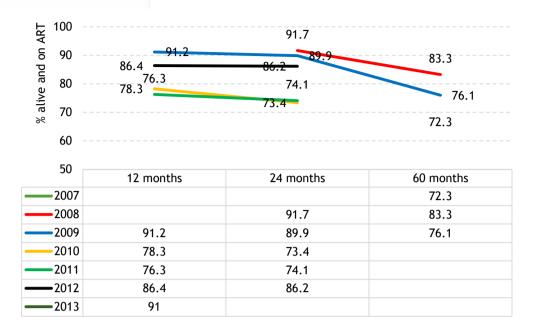


Table 10.3 Cohort analysis for patients who started ART in 2013 (12 months)

	Cohort analysis for patients who started ART in 2013 (12 months)					
		Number of patients who started ART in				
Follo	ow-up details of the cohort			2013		
		All	Mal		Fem	
			<15	15+	<15	15+
a.	Original cohort started on ART in this clinic	144	4	88	1	51
b.	Transfers In (Add +)	11				
C.	Transfers out (Subtract -)	11				
d.	Net current cohort(N)	144	4	88	1	51
	Status of these patients after 12					
	months of starting ART					
e.	On original 1st line regimen	130	4	77	1	47
f.	On 2nd line regimen (Switched)	1	0	0	0	1
g.	Stopped (S)	1	0	0	0	1
h.	Died (D)	7	0	7	0	0
i.	Lost to follow-up (F)	5	0	4	0	1
j.	Number alive and on ART(A) {N-(S+D+F)}	131	4	77	1	49
k.	Percent of cohort alive and on ART (A/N*100)	91.0	100.0	87.5	100.0	96.1

Table 10.3 shows the outcome of PLHIV who initiated ART in 2013 by age and sex. Females in the over 15 years had a better treatment outcome than that of males in the same age category. Only one (1) patient had been switched to 2^{nd} line regimen during the 12 months period.

Table 10.4 Outcomes of PLHIV twelve (12) months of initiation of ART by ART centre

Twelve (12) n	Twelve (12) month outcome 0f PLHIV who initiated ART during 2013 by ART center					
	Net no.	Outcome at the 12 month follow up				
Clinic of ART initiation	initiated ART in 2013	Stopped due to medical reasons	Died	Lost to follow up	No. alive & on ART	% alive & on ART
Colombo	84	1	3	0	80	95%
IDH	17	0	0	3	14	82%
Ragama	21	0	4	1	16	76%
Kandy	3	0	0	0	3	100%
Kalubowila	5	0	0	1	4	80%
Kalutara	2	0	0	0	2	100%
Galle	7	0	0	0	7	100%
Kurunegala	2	0	0	0	2	100%
Gampaha	3	0	0	0	3	100%
Total	144	1	7	5	131	91%

The table 10.4 illustrates the 12 month outcome of PLHIV who initiated ART during 2013 according to the clinic of ART initiation. Lower percentage of "alive and on ART" are seen in IDH and Ragama.

National ART guideline- 2014

An update of the guideline for use of ART for prevention and treatment of HIV, was developed by the NSACP in 2014. This was developed by a team of consultants including venereologists, physicians, paediatricians, obstetricians etc. This was developed based on the consolidated guidelines on the use of antiretroviral drugs for treating and preventing HIV infections published by WHO in August 2013. WHO assisted the development and printing of Sri Lankan guidelines.

Subcommittee of NAC on HIV care and counselling

Subcommittee for HIV care and counselling of the National AIDS Committee had meetings every 4 months during 2014. The members of subcommittee include medical administrators, consultants, PLHIV, donors and other relevant stakeholders. Meetings were held with officials of the Medical Supplies Division of the Ministry of Health to streamline the ART procurement process through the Global Fund.

Training of healthcare workers on HIV care

Twelve (12) training programmes on comprehensive care for management of PLHIV and to address issues related to stigma and discrimination were conducted in major

hospitals throughout the island. These hospitals are Panadura, Negombo, Ratnapura, Chilaw, Gampaha, Kegalle, Hambantota, Balapitiya, Matale, Vauniya, Ampara and Nuwara Eliya.

HIV drug resistance early warning indicators

The emergence and transmission of HIV drug resistance (HIVDR) is an unavoidable consequence of ART, even when appropriate drugs are prescribed and adherence is maximally supported. Nonetheless, efforts must be undertaken to limit HIVDR emergence especially because significant population-level HIVDR may necessitate switch from non-nucleoside reverse transcriptase (NNRTI) based first-line regimen to more expensive and less well tolerated boosted protease inhibitor-based second-line regimens⁶.

WHO has introduced few early warning indicators which can be used to predict drug resistance among PLHIV who are on ART. The purpose of implementing an HIVDR EWI monitoring system is to assess the extent to which ART programmes are functioning to optimize prevention of HIV DR

Currently Sri Lanka do not have laboratory monitoring facilities to monitor HIV drug resistance mutations. In addition, viral load monitoring is only available on non-regular basis. Therefore it is important to monitor EWI to predict emergence of drug resistance. Lack of a computerized database system for ART centers has made this a challenge to monitor some of the EWI such as on-time drug pick on a regular basis.



Figure 10.11 Efavirenz is one of the commonly used ARVs

Table 10.5 shows an attempt to introduce EWI for the first time in Sri Lanka.

Table 10.5 Early warning indicators for PLHIV who were initiated on ART in 2013

Early warning indicator	Early warning indicator - Definition	Indicator value For Sri Lanka
1. On-time pill pick-up	Percentage of patients (adult or children) that pick-up ART no more than two days late at the first pick-up after the baseline pick-up.	Data not available
2. Retention in care	Percentage of adults and children known to be alive and on treatment 12 months after initiation of ART.	91%
3. Pharmacy stockouts	Percentage of months in a designated year in which there were no ARV drug stock-outs.	91.6% (there were no stock outs for 11 months)
4. Dispensing practices	Percentage of adults and children prescribed or picking up mono or dual ARV therapy.	0%
5.Virological suppression	Percentage of patients receiving ART at the site after the first 12 months of ART whose viral load is <1000 copies/ml.	(Only limited data available & Viral load testing was not available throughout the year)



Figure 10.12 Patient records are methodically maintained at ART centers of NSACP



Figure 10.13 Training of healthcare workers on ART at NSACP pharmacy



Figure 10.14 A banner highlighting the importance of HIV testing and treatment

11. POST EXPOSURE PROPHYLAXIS FOR HIV

Post-exposure prophylaxis refers to medications given to prevent HIV infection after exposure to potentially infectious material. Post exposure prophylaxis (PEP) for HIV following occupational exposures in healthcare settings have been available in various parts of the country since 2008. Antiretroviral drugs for PEP are now available in twenty eight (29) government hospitals and nine (9) STD clinics in the country. PEP is offered after counselling and according to guidelines issued by NSACP.

Occupational exposure is defined as any contact with an infectious body fluid as a result of an injury with a needle or any other sharp instrument, via mucous membranes or an existing cutaneous condition (wound, eczema, scratch, etc.) usually in a healthcare setting. Potentially infectious body fluids include: blood, CSF, synovial fluid, pleural fluid, pericardial fluid, amniotic fluid, semen, or vaginal secretions. Non-infectious body fluids include faeces, nasal secretions, saliva, sputum, sweat, tears, urine and vomit; as long as these are not visibly contaminated with blood.

The risk of infection following exposure is assessed by the severity of the exposure and the local HIV prevalence.

Care pathway for people exposed to HIV

Assessment of the severity of exposure

- Clinical assessment of exposure
- Eligibility assessment for HIV post-exposure prophylaxis
- HIV testing of exposed personnel and source if possible
- Provision of first aid in case of broken skin or other wound

Counselling and support to the affected person by explaining,

- Risk of HIV
- Risks and benefits of HIV post-exposure prophylaxis
- Side effects
- Enhanced adherence counselling if post-exposure prophylaxis to be prescribed
- Specific support in case of sexual assault

Prescription of antiretroviral medication when indicated

- Post-exposure prophylaxis should be initiated as early as possible following exposure (within a maximum duration of 72 hours)
- 28-day prescription of recommended age-appropriate ARV drugs
- Drug information
- Assessment of underlying comorbidities and possible drug-drug interactions

Follow up assessment

- HIV test at 3 months after exposure (repeated in 6 months if medications were given)
- Link to HIV treatment if possible

Table 11.1 Availability of ART for PEP in the country during 2014

District	Hospitals / STD Clinics	Exact Location	Contact No./Ex	tension
Anuradhapura	TH - Anuradhapura	Medical ICU	025 2236461	
	PGH – Badulla	ETU	055 2222261	Ext.322
Badulla	STD Clinic – Badulla	STD Clinic	055 2222578	
	BH – Diyathalawa	ICU	057 2229061	Ext.357
Batticaloa	STD clinic - Batticaloa	STD clinic	065 2222261	
	National Hospital of Sri Lanka	ETU/OPD	011 2691111	Ext.2429
	Lady Ridgeway Hospital	Indoor dispensary	011 2693711-2 242	Ext.219,
	De Soysa Maternity Hospital	Theatre	011 2696224-5	Ext.326
	Castle Street Hospital for Women	Intensive Care Unit(ICU)	011 2696231-2	Ext.230
Colombo	Eye Hospital	Room 4A Injection room	011 2693911-5	Ext.231
	TH- Sri Jayawardenapura	ETU	011 2802695-6 3019	Ext.3018,
	TH- Kalubowila	ETU	011 2763261	Ext.277
	STD Clinic-Kalubowila	STD Clinic	011 4891055	
	National Institute for Mental Health	Pharmacy	011 2578234-5	Ext.222
	BH- Angoda (IDH)	Infection control unit	011 2411284	Ext.264
Galle	TH – Karapitiya	Pharmacy/ETU	091 2232250	Ext.7813
Galle	STD Clinic – Galle	STD Clinic	091 2245998	
	TH - Ragama	ICU	011 2959261	
	STD Clinic – Ragama	STD Clinic	011 2960224	
Gampaha	DGH - Gampaha	Primary Care Unit(PCU)	033 2296897 113	Ext.112,
	DGH - Negombo	MICU	031 2222261	Ext.104
	Chest Hospital - Welisara	OPD/ETU	011 2960509	
Jaffna	Teaching hospital Jaffna	OPD	065 2222261	
	GH – Kalutara	Accident & emergency unit	034 2222261	Ext.250
Kalutara	STD Clinic - Kalutara	STD Clinic	034 2236937	
	BH – Panadura	ETU	038 2222261	Ext.243
	BH- Horana	Theatre	034 2261261	Ext.319
Kandy	TH- Kandy	ETU	081 2233338, 2234208	081
	STD Clinic – Kandy	STD Clinic	081 2203622	
Kegalle	STD Clinic – Kegalle	STD Clinic	035 2231222	
Kilinochchi	Base Hospital -Kilinochchi	STD clinic	021 2285327	
Kurunegala	TH – Kurunegala	ICU-Accident & Emergency	037 2233906 208	Ext.907,

District	Hospitals / STD Clinics	Exact Location	Contact No./Extension
Matara	DGH – Matara	ETU	041 2222261 Ext.161
Matara	STD Clinic – Matara	Clinic	041 2232302
Monaragala	STD Clinic - Monaragala	Primary Care Unit	055 2276261 Ext.215, 213
NuwaraEliya	GH NuwaraEliya	PCU/STD Clinic	052 2234393 Ext.321
Polonnaruwa	GH- Polonnaruwa	Infection control unit	027 2222384 Ext.121
	STD Clinic - Ratnapura	Clinic	045 2226561
Ratnapura	GH - Ratnapura	ICU	045 2225396 Ext.225, 337
	BH - Embilipitiya	ICU	047 2230261 Ext.126, 129
Trinchomalee	STD clinic-Trinchomalee	ICU	
Vauniya	District General Hospital- Vavuniya	Emergency treatment unit	024 2224575

The Central STD clinic Colombo offered PEP services to 257 healthcare workers during 2014. The source blood samples were tested for HIV using a WHO recommended Rapid test followed by an ELISA. Of the 257 healthcare workers, 24 healthcare workers were given ART for post exposure prophylaxis. Follow up HIV testing at 6 weeks, 3 months and 6 months after the initial accidental injury is recommended. Uptake of follow up testing by health care workers was not satisfactory.

Figure 11.1 Post exposure prophylaxis provided during 2014 at NSACP

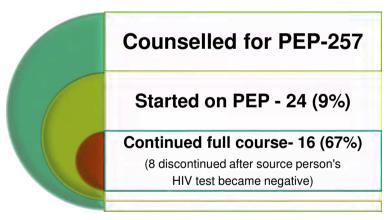


Figure 11.2 includes the different ART regimens that were prescribed to healthcare workers.

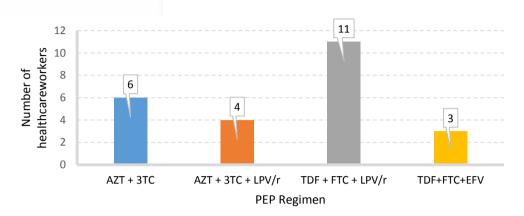


Figure 11.2 Post exposure prophylaxis ART regimen used in 2014

At present, post exposure prophylaxis following sexual exposure is available for HIV negative partners of sero-discordant couples usually following accidental condom rupture, and the NSACP intends to give PEP for all rape victims in future. During 2014, no individuals have received PEP following sexual exposures. Five (5) individuals who presented to the Colombo clinic following accidental needle stick injuries and human bites in non-occupational settings were counselled and offered baseline and follow up HIV testing.

12. ELIMINATION OF MOTHER TO CHILD TRANSMISSION OF SYPHILIS AND HIV

The EMTCT programme for syphilis and HIV in Sri Lanka was further scaled up in 2014. The steering committee regulated and guided programme through regular reviews. High burden districts such as Colombo, Gampaha, Kandy, Matara, Galle and Hambanthota were selected for the initial phase.

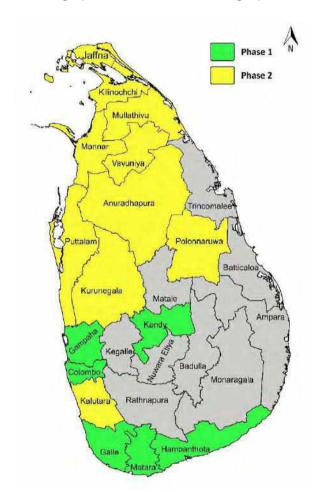


Figure 12.1 Scaling up of antenatal HIV testing by the end of 2014.

In the year 2014 the screening services were scaled up to cover Northern, North Central and North Western provinces from the 3rd quarter. With further scaling up it is expected to cover the whole country by 2016. International funding agencies UNICEF, World Bank and WHO supported the programme.

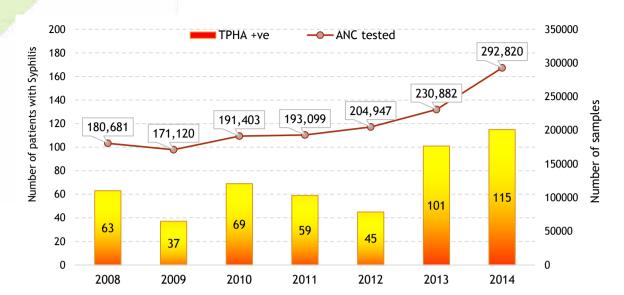


Figure 12.2 Trends of syphilis testing among pregnant women from 2008-2014

As a result of revival of the programme for EMTCT of HIV and syphilis, the screening for syphilis among pregnant women in government STD clinics increased to 292,820 at the end of 2014 (Figure 12.2).

Number of samples tested for HIV among pregnant women increased from 17,000 in 2012 to 168,221 by the end of 2014. In the year 2014, 115 pregnant women were diagnosed as having syphilis while 9 pregnant women were confirmed as having HIV infection. By providing appropriate treatment, mother to child transmission of HIV infections could be eliminated in these cases. Five cases of congenital syphilis have been reported and all of them belong to case definition 3.

Case definition 3 of congenital syphilis.

The babies born to mothers with any of the following conditions will be diagnosed as having congenital syphilis (case definition 3)

- Mother was treated less than 4 weeks prior to delivery.
- Mother was untreated, treatment status undocumented or unknown.
- Mother not completed the recommended course of penicillin during pregnancy.
- Mother treated with non-penicillin antibiotics.

Number of cases reported ■E.cong.S ■L.cong.S

Figure 12.3 Incidence of congenital syphilis in Sri Lanka 2003-2014

(E.cong.S-Early congenital syphilis, L.cong.S-Late congenital syphilis)

Figure 12.3 shows the number of congenital syphilis cases reported during the period of 2003 to 2014.

Table 12.1 Expected outcomes and achievements in PMTCT of HIV and syphilis

Expected outcomes by end of 2014	Achievement by
expected outcomes by end of 2014	end of 2014
1. 50% of ANC attendees receive HIV testing facilities	44%
2. 100% of identified HIV positive pregnant women receive ART	100%*
to reduce mother to child transmission	
3. 100% of infants born to identified HIV infected mothers	100%*
receive ART drugs for 6 weeks as prophylaxis	
4. Syphilis prevalence is less than 1% among antenatal women	0.04%**

^{*} Of known cases, ** (115/292820x100)

Since 2011, all pregnant women diagnosed with HIV infection, who received services for PMTCT delivered HIV uninfected babies. EMTCT services for HIV helps to achieve Millennium Development Goals (MDG) mainly 4, 5 and 6 i.e. reduce child mortality, improve maternal health and combat HIV/AIDS in women and children.

Table 12.2 Data related to mother to child transmission of syphilis during 2014

	Indicator	Value in 2014	
1.	Number of VDRL tests done among pregnant women in 2014 (by STD clinics)	292,820	
	Worneri II 2014 (by 31D clinics)		
2.	Number of TPPA positive samples detected by antenatal screening in 2014	115	
3.	Number of pregnant women with syphilis who were offered services	111	
4.	Number of pregnant women provided adequate treatment before 36 weeks of POA	107	
5.	Number of congenital syphilis cases reported during 2014	5	

Table 12.2 indicates the VDRL screening services provided for the antenatal population with the service outcome for the year 2014.

Table 12.3 Data related to mother to child transmission of HIV during 2014

Indica	tors on HIV positive pregnant women and their babies in 2014	Number
1.	Number of HIV tests done among pregnant women	168,221
2.	Number of pregnant women with HIV reported (4 known, 5 new cases)	9
3.	Number of HIV positive women who received PMTCT services	9
4.	Number of abortions among all pregnant women with HIV	2
5.	Number of live births among all pregnant women with HIV	7
6.	Number of babies born to HIV positive women who received ART prophylaxis	7
7.	Number of babies born to HIV positive women who received exclusive formula feeding (No babies received breast feeding)	7
8.	Number of HIV positive babies born to mothers who were tested with DNA PCR	7
9.	Number of DNA PCR test positives	0
10.	Number of previous pediatric HIV infections reported during the year	1

Table 12.3 indicates the screening services provided for the antenatal population during year 2014 and outcomes. None of the babies born to HIV positive women were infected with HIV. One case of a three (3) year old boy infected with HIV was reported due to mother to child transmission in the year 2014.

Eight (8) consultative workshops and six (6) steering committee meetings were held for the programme of Elimination of Mother to Child Transmission of HIV and Syphilis in 2014. These programmes were conducted with the financial support from UNICEF. In

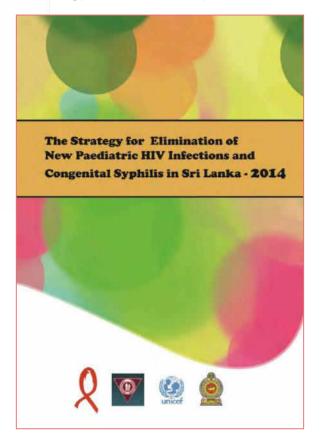
addition, 7 desktop computers, 3 multimedia projectors, 1 fax machine and 5 printers were distributed among National reference laboratory and STD clinics in the Phase-I districts using the same funding source.

IEC materials worth Rs. 1,033,800 were distributed to all the districts involved in the programme from 2013 through Medical officer of district STD clinics and medical officer for maternal and child health in the district.

Table 12.4 Syphilis among pregnant women and % treated by province-2014

Province	STD Clinic	Pregnant women with syphilis			Number	Treatment
110411166	31D CIII IIC	Early syphilis	Late syphilis	All syphilis	Treated	%
Control	Kandy	1	5	6	6	100%
Central Province	Matale	0	0	0	0	-
TTOVITIEC	Nuwara Eliya	0	2	2	2	100%
	Ampara	0	5	5	5	100%
Eastern	Batticaloa	0	0	0	0	-
Province	Kalmunai	0	1	1	1	100%
	Trincomalee	0	0	0	0	-
North Central	Anuradhapura	1	6	7	7	100%
province	Polonnaruwa	0	2	2	2	100%
North Western	Chilaw	0	2	2	2	100%
Province	Kurunegala	0	0	0	0	-
	Jaffna	2	1	3	2	67%
Northern	Mannar	0	0	0	0	-
Province	Vavuniya	0	1	1	1	100%
Sabaragamuwa	Kegalle	1	3	4	4	100%
Province	Ratnapura	2	0	2	2	100%
	Balapitiya	0	1	1	1	100%
Southern	Galle	1	4	5	4	80%
Province	Hambanthota	4	2	6	6	100%
	Matara	0	0	0	0	-
	Badulla	2	4	6	6	100%
Uva Province	Monaragala	0	4	4	4	100%
	Colombo	10	13	23	21	91%
	Gampaha	0	7	7	7	100%
	Kalubowila	4	4	8	8	100%
Western Province	Kalutara	1	1	2	2	100%
TOVITICE	Negombo	1	7	8	7	88%
	Ragama	2	6	8	8	100%
	Wathupitiwala	0	2	2	2	100%
Total		32	83	115	110	96%

Figure 12.4 A strategy for elimination of paediatric HIV and syphilis



A strategy document on elimination of paediatric HIV infections and congenital syphilis was published by NSACP in 2014. This document gives directions on elimination of paediatric HIV infections and congenital syphilis as summarised below.

Management of pregnant woman with syphilis: All pregnant women should be screened for syphilis at the first antenatal visit preferably before 12 weeks of gestation to prevent congenital infection. Women testing positive should be treated. Their partners should also be treated and plans should be made to treat their infants at birth. Review syphilis test results at subsequent visits and at the time of delivery. If the woman was not tested during pregnancy, syphilis screening should be offered after delivery. All identified pregnant women with positive non-treponemal tests (VDRL/RPR) should be tested further using confirmatory treponemal test (TPPA/TPHA/FTA IgG) to confirm the presence of treponemal infection. If the treponemal test is positive the pregnant woman should be treated with penicillin injections according to the stage of infection.

Management of pregnant women with HIV: Scaling up of HIV testing will be done to screen all pregnant women for HIV. When women are identified with HIV during pregnancy, EMTCT services are offered according to the guidelines on Management of HIV infected pregnant women. Antiretroviral therapy for prevention of mother to child transmission is started from 14 weeks or if identified later, as early as possible according to the current guidelines. Patients are managed in coordination with the consultant obstetrician and paediatrician. Babies are given ART from birth to 6 weeks and mothers are counselled on appropriate feeding practices.

13. LABORATORY SERVICES

The laboratory services for HIV and STD in the country are provided by the National reference laboratory of NSACP and by district STD clinic laboratories linked in a network manner. The National reference laboratory is situated in the headquarters of the NSACP. In addition, each peripheral STD clinic has their own laboratory situated within their clinic. The National reference laboratory of NSACP provides laboratory services to the Central STD clinic Colombo, Colombo group of hospitals, MOH areas in the Western province and functions as the reference laboratory to all the other peripheral STD clinics and private sector laboratories in the country.





The Reference Laboratory of NSACP extends its services with many testing facilities to people living with HIV (PLHIV) in order to improve treatment and care services for them. These tests are useful to monitor the response to antiretroviral treatment. Assays of viral load and CD4 count are two major tests that are required by PLHIV and these are provided with no restriction. A highly sensitive real time PCR method is in place for the viral load assay. A haematological and biochemical analyser are placed in the laboratory to fulfil the test requirements. Early infant diagnosis of babies exposed to HIV is supported by the NSACP through the funds received from global fund (GFATM). HIV drug resistance testing is supported by World Health Organization (WHO). These two tests have been arranged to provide an uninterrupted service to meet the requirement. Routine screening of antenatal mothers for syphilis and HIV is carried out in a phased manner throughout the country. This was started as a pilot project and it has been carried out for many years at De Soysa Maternity Hospital. This service was extended to include all antenatal mothers attending Castle Street Hospital for

Women. During 2013 the service was commenced in Western & Sothern provinces with Kandy district. In 2014 it was expanded to cover 5 provinces. With this service expansion central and district STD laboratories play a major role in providing antenatal syphilis & HIV screening tests in their respective provinces. This has significantly increased the work load of the STD laboratories demanding technical man power which has not yet been met. The National reference laboratory itself experienced an increase of 14,332 tests for HIV screening with expanding the provision of services to the MOH areas of Western province.

Other than routine diagnostic testing, the National reference laboratory contributes to STD and HIV surveillance and research activities on a regular basis and carries out all HIV and syphilis testing for sentinel surveillance. During 2014 it contributed by testing and provision of quality assurance for IBBS conducted by NSACP.

Table 13.1 Number of tests carried out at National reference laboratory during 2014

Name of the Test	Number of Tests
HIV EIA	60,536
HIV PA	1169
HIV (RAPID)	978
Western blot	630
HIV - viral load assay	581
CD 4 count	1519
VDRL	59,469
TPHA/TPPA	9324
Syphilis EIA	03
Gonococcal culture	4683
GC culture for ABST	200
Hepatitis B S Antigen	131
Cervical cytology	979
Urine HCG for pregnancy	100
Full Blood Count	1061
HSV 1-IgM	112
HSV 1-IgG	112
HSV 2-IgM	112
HSV 2-IgG	112
Blood sugar	156
Bilirubin	556
SGOT	566
SGPT	566
Alkaline Phosphatase	556
Serum Creatinine	32
Lipid Profile	153

Data relevant to the number of tests performed in 2014 are given in detail in table 13.1. In addition, samples were sent to India for 19 DNA PCR tests for early infant diagnosis.

To maintain a high quality of services rendered the National reference laboratory participates in the following External Quality Assessment (EQA) Programmes.

- i. External Quality Assessment conducted by the National reference laboratory of Australia twice every year for HIV antibody testing.
- ii. Proficiency testing for Syphilis serology conducted by Centre for Disease Control Atlanta, USA twice every year.
- iii. Gonococcal Antimicrobial Susceptibility Programme quality assessment conducted by WHO collaborative centre in Sydney, twice every year.
- iv. Quality Control for CD4 testing by WHO once in every two months.

As required by a National reference laboratory, the laboratory of NSACP conducts External Quality Assessment Programmes on HIV serology, syphilis serology and microscopy to all STD clinic laboratories, blood banks and some private hospitals, where they are assessed periodically and advised accordingly.

Table 13.2: Number of tests carried out in 2014

Places	Dry Smears	Wet Smears	Urine Tests	EQA Smears	Total
Central Laboratory in Colombo	8424	4621	1450	4861	19356
Peripheral STD Laboratories	26682	9915	1750	00	38347
Grand Total	35106	14536	3200	4861	57703



Figure 13.2 Microscopy section of the National reference laboratory of NSACP

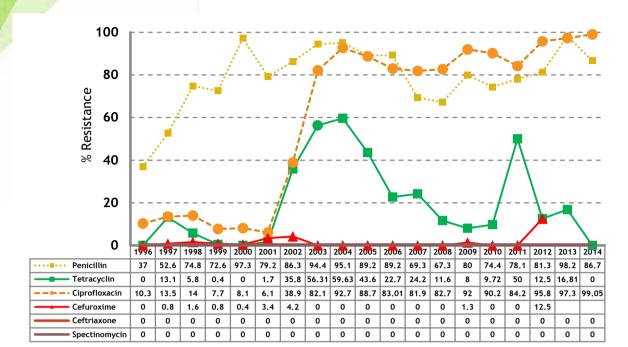


Figure 13.3 Gonococcal antibiotic resistance pattern 1996-2014*

The National reference laboratory has been conducting Gonococcal Antimicrobial Surveillance in Sri Lanka for many years. During 2012, there were five high level resistant cases of gonorrhoea to cefuroxime axetil, which exceeded 5% resistance level to the recommended first line treatment. As a result, the treatment guideline for uncomplicated gonorrhoea was changed from Cefuroxime to Cefixime in November 2012.

The National reference laboratory organizes teaching and training activities related to STD and HIV diagnostics. In-service training programmes were conducted during 2014 in order to update the knowledge of laboratory staff working in the reference laboratory, the peripheral STD laboratories and the private sector laboratories.

^{*} Resistance testing for cefuroxime was not carried out in 2013 & 2014

14. MULTI-SECTORAL COLLABORATION

The Multi-sectoral unit of NSACP oversees, coordinates and provide technical support for advocacy, capacity building, awareness and internalization of STI and HIV prevention activities of the multi-sectoral institutions (relevant ministries, departments and civil society organizations).

Prison Sector- HIV prevention programme

Prison sector STD/AIDS intervention programmes have been conducted since 2005. The objective of the prison sector programme is to prevent HIV/AIDS and other sexually transmitted infections among prison community in Sri Lanka, through life skills based education approach and health promotion in prisons. All these interventions are overseen by a steering committee which consists of members of Prison department and National STD/AIDS control programme. The present project is funded by the Global Fund and has several levels of activities. HIV prevention activities in prisons island-wide include advocacy, skill building sessions for welfare officers and medical staff on sexual health promotion. Trained well fare officers will train the prison inmates as peer educators (PE). The PEs are supposed to carry out both formal and informal sessions for inmates using different communication methods such as videos and educational flip charts. These PEs have taken the leadership to prevent HIV/AIDS. These intervention activities are implemented based on a communication strategy developed for the prison sector.

Prison inmates volunteered for HIV testing after peer educator's formal and informal discussions. Island wide 30 mobile HIV testing clinics were started with the help of local STD clinics and were structured in a formal manner in 2014. HIV testing among prisoners through 30 mobile clinics are carried out once a month since year 2012. "HIV testing guidelines for prison setup" was developed and followed to conduct HIV testing through mobile clinics from year 2014. This guideline was circulated among both STD and relevant prison staff. The confirmed positive cases are referred for treatment and care services at STD clinics. Same blood samples were used to test for VDRL (syphilis test). Group counselling method is adapted prior to drawing blood samples for HIV testing and negative test results are conveyed by prison medical officer after post-test counseling. Positive results are conveyed by a trained medical officer of the relevant STD clinic.

Prison sector activities conducted during 2014

The peer educators have developed leadership qualities for prevention of HIV among in-mates. They have provided peer education to 21,800 fellow inmates during 2014 as confirmed by the prison authority. This is reflected by the increased demand for voluntary blood testing in prison settings.

The HIV testing guideline has been introduced to the prison sector and 13,803 inmates underwent voluntary HIV testing and counselling in prisons Island wide during 2014. Of these four (4) HIV positive cases were found giving a sero-positive rate of 0.03% among prison inmates in 2014.

Table 14.1 Summary of activities carried out in the prison programme 2012-2014

	20	12	2013		2014	
Activity	No. of programmes	No. of participants	No. of programmes	No. of participants	No. of programmes	No. of participants
Steering Committee meetings for HIV/AIDS prevention in prison setup	5	112	3	48	4	66
Advocacy meetings on HIV prevention for jailors and planing officers	2	68	5	284	4	135
Two-day Training of prison inmate peer educators for behavior change communication	58	2339	34	1320	30	1200
Peer leader reviews for solving problems of peer educators for behavior change communication	5	271	12	661	0	0

Different communication materials were distributed among 30 prisons in the island to carryout interventions parallel to the World AIDS Day 2014. All officers recruited to the prison Department in 2014 were given skill based HIV prevention training with emphasis of proper handling of HIV positive prison inmates.

All 30 prisons participated in World AIDS Day 2014 commemoration with the participation of prisoners to develop their skills and awareness. They organized an World AIDS Day walk, art competitions and other relevant activities. Five hundred (500) prisoners from the main four prisons in Colombo (Colombo Remand, Colombo Magazine, Welikada-male and Welikada-female prisons) participated in the World AIDS Day Walk, which helped to increase HIV/AIDS awareness around Borrella and Punchi Borrella area. Posters, banners and decorated vehicles were used to provide HIV prevention messages and the HIV theme of 2014 "Test today" for promotion of HIV testing.

Police sector- HIV prevention programmes

The National STD/AIDS control programme is carrying out skill building and awareness programmes for police officers with the support from UNFPA.

Following are the objectives of this programme,

- 1. To improve knowledge and attitudes with regard to HIV/AIDS prevention among police offices
- 2. To develop positive attitudes toward condoms as a medical device
- 3. To improve harassment-free law enforcement practices for sex workers

During 2014, five sessions of training of trainers programmes were held based on life skill based participatory training using a three-day module. Total of 264 male and female police officers from Police Training Colleges, Police Academies, Children and Women Bureau were trained. Necessary training tools with IEC materials such as educational tele-films and lectures were provided to trainers to be used as resource materials to maintain uniform standard.

Table 14.2 HIV prevention programmes conducted for police officers

No	Detail Activity	2012		2013		2014	
	Programme	No. of programmes	No. of participants	No. of programmes	No. of participants	No. of programmes	No. of participants
	One day Advocacy programme for highrank officers of the Police at Colombo district on HIV prevention	1	285	0	0	3	260
2	Three day Training of trainer (TOT) programme for police officers on HIV prevention	6	288	5	255	5	264

Police programmes have helped to create an enabling environment to promote HIV prevention activities among sex workers and other key affected populations. As a result, arbitrary arrest of sex workers for keeping condoms have been reduced and the use of condoms as an HIV prevention tool has been understood.

In addition three advocacy programmes were carried out for high rank officers in Western, Southern, North western and Central provinces.

A special hand book named "Laws concerning sex work in Sri Lanka and HIV/AIDS prevention" was distributed among officers of the police department. This book gives an introduction to current laws on sex work in Sri Lanka and verdicts of court cases in relation to sex work. Communication materials were prepared and distributed among all police stations and training schools to carry out HIV prevention programmes.

With support from the multi-sectoral unit of the National STD/AIDS control programme, the Inspector General of Police instructed the conduction of HIV prevention programmes among island wide police stations and training schools to commemorate the World AIDS Day 2014.

Table 14.3 Communication materials distributed in Police programmes during 2014

Communication materials	No. of materials printed in 2014	
Card packs for brothel house based sex workers		
Communication folders for police officers		
Leaflets (Sinhala and Tamil)		
Book on vagrants ordinance and brothel ordinance for police officers		
Banners on HIV testing promotion for World AIDS Day 2014	1500	

Youth sector- HIV prevention programme

The Youth Steering Committee for HIV prevention was established under the guidance of Secretary of Health at the National AIDS Committee. This committee recognized the need to take early action to halt an HIV epidemic among youth.

Following activities which were carried out during the year 2014 with the funds allocated by the government of Sri Lanka.

- ◆ Developed three-day life skill based participatory training module.
- Training of trainers based on the training module for island wide youth council officers and youth co-op officers. A total of 79 Youth co-op trainers and 277 Youth council officers were trained during 2014

These youth co-op and youth council officers were given 3 days training and all necessary communication materials were handed over to carry out programmes at peripheral level. After the training all these trainers are instructed to implement the HIV/STD programmes in their respective areas using both formal and informal methods.

◆ Training Programmes for Medical Officers on life skill based sexual health promotion for youth

The training workshops were carried out to train STD clinic medical officers and Prison medical staff on life skill based sexual health promotion for youth in Sri Lanka. The objective of this workshop was to handle youth for developing skills to prevent HIV/AIDS.

◆ Development and distribution of communication materials for Medical officers who are attached to the STD clinics

A laminated booklet with STI & HIV related pictures and a pen-drive which contained communication materials for different target groups (lecture presentations for different target groups, tele-films, songs, video clips) were distributed among Medical officers of STD.

Armed forces- HIV prevention programme

The activities of Armed forces training was based on the National Strategic Plan for 2013-2017. The objective of the Armed forces training was to achieve a positive behavior change to improve knowledge and safe sexual behavior among the personnel of Armed forces. At the same time it promoted HIV testing among them. Training of trainers based on the training module were done for selected health and other relevant staff island wide. These trainers were given 3 days training and were provided with all necessary communication materials to carry out programmes at their sector. After the training all these trainers were requested to implement the HIV/STD programmes in both formal and informal ways. Monitoring and evaluation of activities of trained trainers were carried out by the respective forces as instructed by the National STD/AIDS control programme. Under these programmes 90 Armed Force personnel as training of trainer (TOT) programmes and 66 officers appointed to work in South Sudan health sector were trained.

All three armed forces conducted different types of programmes to commemorate World AIDS Day 2014. Relevant communication materials (posters, banners and leaflets) were provided.

Road construction sector - HIV prevention programme

The multi-sectoral-unit of NSACP was involved in the empowerment of road sector management staff and workers which are managed by the World Bank. The objective of this programme is to improve knowledge and attitudes on HIV/AIDS, and safe sexual practices among workers in road section. In year 2014 activities were carried out for A002 and A003 road sectors. The activities included:

- Advocacy for high rank project staff
- Awareness for middle level staff and contractor staff
- Community awareness programmes including 300 youth of German technical college students

Education sector, other vulnerable groups and general population

Table 14.4 Other HIV prevention programmes conducted during 2014

Name of the programme	Number trained
HIV/AIDS prevention programme for factory officers	60
Life skill development for teachers	80
Awareness programme on sexual and reproductive health for out of school youth	15
HIV/AIDS prevention programme for school teachers	80
"Mathatathitha" programme for school children	500
Life skill development programme for school children	300
Sexual and health communication - Skill development for medical officers	10
HIV awareness among national schools principals	350
HIV/AIDS prevention programmes for staff of the NDDCB	100

Figure 14.1 Educating life skills to a group of young offenders in HIV prevention



15. THE GLOBAL FUND RELATED ACTIVITIES

Aiming at reaching the Global initiative of 3 zeros by 2015, implementation of the Phase 2 of GFATM grant spanning for 3 years for a cost of 1,353,975 USD commenced in mid June 2013. A memorandum of understanding (MOU) was signed between Principal Recipient (PR)-1 (Ministry of Health) and PR-2 (Sri Lanka Family Planning Association) for better coordination & monitoring of activities to achieve objectives & reach targets. Regular Joint Project Implementation Update (JPIU) meetings were conducted to facilitate effective implementation of the project and review the progress.

The service delivery areas & activities were implemented under 3 objectives.

- Prevention interventions for most at risk populations
- ◆ Care and treatment for PLHIV
- ◆ Generating strategic information, planning & administration of the project

A. Prevention interventions for most at risk populations.

Advocacy programmes – for MARPs (FSW/MSM, Drug Users) to create an enabling environment to conduct targeted prevention interventions by community and STI staff.

Stigma and discrimination towards MARP in health care settings & community are recognised as barriers for effective implementation of targeted preventive interventions. The global fund supported the government principal recipient to reach MARP through community outreach activities carried out by STD clinic staff and non-government PR through community organisations. At various levels support of administrators, policymakers, political leaders, religious and law enforcement officers were sought through advocacy programmes as they play a significant role in creating an enabling environment to conduct these programs. Positive outcomes were seen as a result of advocacy meetings.

Community organisations endorsed that STD clinic staff had less stigmatising attitudes towards MARPs in the project areas. Increase in attendance at STD clinics for services (STI care and HIV testing) was evident. Clear understanding of the role of legal enforcement officers (police) as how to balance law enforcement towards illegal behaviours (sex work, homosexuality and drug use) while supporting HIV prevention activities, was a beneficial outcome of advocacy programmes.

Table 15.1. Details of the advocacy programmes conducted during 2013-2014

Target group & number of programmes conducted	Provinces covered	Districts covered by advocacy programmes	Cumulative expenditure 2013 & 2014 (USD)
FSW (8 out of 10)	Central North central Sabaragamuwa Southern Western	Nuwara Eliya Kandy Polonnaruwa Kurunegala Galle Matara Hambantota Kalutara	4311.00
DU (4 out of 10)	Western Southern Sabaragamuwa	Colombo Galle Ratnapura	1682.00
MSM (6 out of 10)	Western Southern	Ragama Gampaha Chilaw Wathupitiwala Kalutara Galle	2989.00

Community outreach activities by STD care providers to support enabling environment & implement sexual health package for MARPs.

STD clinic staff in Kalubowila, Ragama, Chilaw, Negombo, Kalutara, Ratnapura, Kurunegala, Anuradapura and Galle were engaged in outreach (OR) activities to offer screening for HIV/VDRL, provision of Behavioural Change Communication (BCC) and condom education & distribution to MSM and FSW. This resulted in creating good rapport between STD staff, MARP & community organisations leading to improved attendance at STD clinics. Time, budgetary constraints and logistic problems hampered the implementation of the outreach in some STD clinics. A total sum of USD 1648 was spent for these activities.

Training of STD staff on voluntary counselling and testing (VCT)

VCT is an integral part of identifying & linking HIV positives to care services and to sustain & promote preventive messages for HIV negatives. In 2013, seventy three (73) STD clinic staff who were trained on VCT in 2012, received follow up training through 3 workshops covering 2 days at NSACP, with special attention to identifying and overcoming challenges. USD 1675 was spent.

B. Care & support for PLHIV

Training of HCW in health care settings

Provision of ART to PLHIV not only reduces mortality but also prevents HIV transmission (treatment as prevention). Addressing stigma & discrimination towards PLHIV in health care settings is critical to link PLHIV to treatment and care services and retain them in continued care.

With the objective of reducing stigma in HCS, 12 consultative training workshops spanning over 2 days covering 375 HCW were conducted in Western, Southern, Uva and Eastern provinces compared to 7 WS covering 225 HCW in 2013 (Base Hospital Awissawella, General Hospital Trincomalee, District General Hospital Kalutara, District General Hospital Matara, provincial general hospital Badulla, District General Hospital Mannar, District General Hospital Monaragala). HCW received comprehensive training including PEP, HIV transmission and prevention, comprehensive care including ART etc. As a result reported discrimination of PLHIV by care givers were none. Improved case detection was noted with 644 HIV positives detected during the year 2014.

ART visits

The ARV provision expanded adopting new treatment guidelines in 2013; ARV provision irrespective of CD4 count to sero-discordant couples, MARP and HIV infected pregnant women, TB/ HIV co infected persons in addition to current treatment based on CD4 level. The scaling up of ARV provision has been due to the dedication and commitment of health care staff. A cumulative 644 eligible PLHIV were provided ART as end 2014 through 6 (full time) ART centers & branch clinics (See care & support).

The contribution by Consultant Venereologists who made ART visits (40 visits were made in 2014) to branch ART centres is worthy of note. Kurunegala, Rathnapura, Polonnaruwa & Jaffna clinics where a Consultant Venereologist was not available were covered at a cost of USD 1970. Capacity of MO/STDs strengthened through these supervisory visits as well as through in-service training at the centre. It ensured availability of specialized care to patients in need, improved compliance and minimized patients travel to Colombo for care.

Provision of ART for PLHIV, PMTCT and post exposure prophylaxis:

The global fund and MOH signed an agreement to procure ARV & other health /non health products through VPP (voluntary pooled procurement) in 2013. USD 196776 was spent in 2013 on ARV procurement for ARV need in 2014 & to cover additional need for 2013 (deficit); as direct disbursement through GF /VPP method and local purchase of some ARV. A sum of USD 268721.79 was spent for ARV in 2014 compared to 2013 as the number of patients on ART increased. This includes USD 163174 through pooled procurement and local purchase of ARV (LKR. 13, 404,540 USD 105547.5) by MOH as a measure to avoid stock outs.

Provision of pharmaceuticals, health products and health equipment for strengthening delivery of STI & HIV care

Test kits for screening STD attendees for chlamydia were provided through VPP method at a cost of USD 70070.20. Many laboratory items were purchased locally including diagnostic tests and reagents for syphilis, HIV in adults and Infants, diagnosis of opportunistic infections and monitoring ARV therapy through CD4 and viral load testing for an amount of USD 122,522.

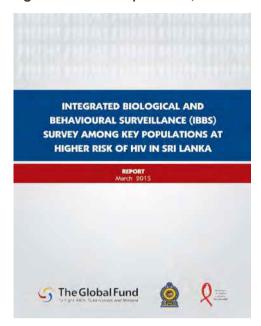
Equipment for STI clinics including liquid Nitrogen guns & storage devices, spot lamps, and proctoscopes, have been supplied at a cost of USD 13150, while reagents to carry out laboratory tests for screening of MARP for STI, a sum of USD 5981 was spent in 2014.

In summary a total of USD 205,742 was spent to provide health equipment & reagents for laboratory diagnostics.

Condoms: Over 3 .25 million male condoms, were purchased for 2013-2014 at a cost of Rs.16,970,250.00 & distributed by PR2 &PR1 among high risk populations. Five thousand (5000) female condoms and 500,000 lubricants were purchased at a cost of USD 55113 & 9448 respectively for 2013-2014.USD 144087.2 is allocated to procure nearly 4 million condoms & 3000 sachets of lubricants for 2015 through pooled procurement method (VPP).

C. Strategic information

Figure 15.1 IBBS Report 2014/2015



A softcopy of the IBBS survey report can be downloaded from this link

http://www.aidscontrol.gov.lk/web/ images/web_uploads/Research_Do cuments/IBBS%20Survey%20in%20Sri %20lanka%20-

20Report%20print%20version.pdf

Summary results of the IBBS Survey is given in the chapter 6 of this report.

The IBBS capturing risk behaviour's & HIV sero-status of key affected populations (FSW, MSM, IDU and beach boys) commenced in 2014 and the field work completed by end 2014.



Figure 15.2 Using rapid HIV tests during IBBS survey

Table 15.2. Progress of program implementation as of end 2014

	Indicator	Baseline	Year	Target	Actual results	% Achieve ment
Impact indicator 1 Treatment & Care	Percentage of adults and children with HIV known to be on treatment 12 months after initiation of antiretroviral therapy	93%	2009	93%	91%	-
1.1 Prevention	Number of prisoners tested and counselled for HIV who received their test results.	1,000	2012	14,979	13,178	88%
1.2 Prevention	Number and percentage of prisoners reached through peer education with BCC for sexual health/HIV prevention	16,800	2012	19,500	21,800	112%
1.3 Prevention	Number of most-at-risk populations (sex workers, clients of sex workers/male STD clinic attendees, people who use and/or inject drugs, men who have sex with men, beach boys) tested and counselled for HIV who received their test results	6,742	2012	23,332	23,343	100%
2.1 HIV care & treatment	Number of eligible adults and children with HIV infection currently receiving antiretroviral therapy.	325	2011	582	644	111%
2.2 HIV care & treatment	Number of Medical officers, nurses and laboratory staff trained in HIV and AIDS care relevant to their duties.	1,200	2008	240	343	143%
3.1 Strategic information	Number and percentage of districts covered by mapping for size estimation.	0	2012	25	25	100%

Financial progress as of end 2014

Financial progress accounts approximately 73% disbursement.

Table 15.3. Summary budget by service deli	very area	
Service delivery area	Budget allocated in USD	Expenditure in USD
1.1. Provide sexual health services for female sex workers	2,158	2,264
1.2. Provide sexual health services for men who have sex with men	4,173	3,212
1.3. Provide sexual health services for beach boys	339	589
1.4. Prepare for provision of comprehensive harm reduction services for drug users	-	525
1.5. Provide sexual health services for prisoners	19,744	19,855
1.6. Procurement of health products - Total SDA	182,205	54,655
2.1. Increased quality and use of voluntary confidential counselling services - Total SDA	378	-
2.2. Increased quality and coverage of HIV and AIDS treatment services - Total SDA	534,885	149,229
3.1. National integrated biological and behavioural surveillance implement, document and disseminate - Total SDA	42,799	305,099
3.2. Formative and operational research implemented documented and disseminated - Total SDA	7,874	-
3.3. Planning, administration, monitoring and evaluation of project - Total SDA	118,467	100,485
3.4. National size estimation of female sex workers, men who have sex with men, beach boys and drug users (Shifted from Phase I) - Total SDA	-	33,159
3.5 Post intervention Knowledge, Attitude and Practice (KAP) Survey (Shifted from Phase I) - Total SDA	-	4,223
Total	913,021	670,295

Table 15.4. Cost category wise as at 31st December 2014

Cost	Cost Category		
Human resources		75,505	76,038
Technical and manage	ement assistance	21,754	164,078
Training		76,645	57,377
Health products and he	ealth equipment	360,803	188,745
Pharmaceutical produc	cts (medicines)*	279,342	-
Procurement and supply	55,630	-	
Infrastructure and other	152	4,254	
Communications mater	4,457	7,363	
Monitoring and evaluation (M&E)		27,951	164,986
Living support to clients/target populations		197	-
Planning and administration		2,254	509
Overheads		8,331	7946
Total		913,021	670,295

^{*} ARV drugs were procured, however no payment was made in 2014.



Figure 15.3 A meeting with GF country team, Local fund agent and GF project staff

16. TRAINING AND CAPACITY BUILDING

Pre-service training and in-service training of STD clinic staff was carried out regularly during 2014.

Table 16.1 Trainings conducted by the NSACP in 2014

Type of training	Duration	No. trained
Pre service training for STD staff-MO	2 months	0
Pre service training for STD staff-MO	2 weeks	24
Pre service training for STD staff-MO	1 month	3
Pre service training for STD staff-NO	2 weeks	5
Pre service training for STD staff-PHNS	2 weeks	1
Pre service training for STD staff-MLT	2 weeks	4
Pre service training for STD staff-Pharmacist	2 weeks	1
Pre service training for STD staff-PHI	2 weeks	5
Pre service training for STD staff-PHLT	2 weeks	4
Pre service training for supportive staff	3 days	3
Lecture in government Healthcare Institutes (NHSL/NISH)	1 Day	
Medical students, Medical faculty Colombo	5 days	76
Medical students, Kotalawala Defence Academy	2 weeks	28
Medical physiotherapy students	1 day	15
Nursing students	4/5 days	190
Intern pharmacists	1 day	21
In service refresher training for MLT(GFATM)	2 days	22
In service refresher training for PHLT(GFATM)	2 days	29
Training programme on MS Excel(GFATM)	3 days	35
Training programme on procurement (GFATM)	3 days	19
Training for healthcare providers in comprehensive care and treatment package on stigma and discrimination (GFATM) (12 programmes)	2 days	405
In service training programme funded by Education Training and Research unit, Ministry of Health (8 prog.)	1 day	248
Counselling and testing for healthcare workers	2 days	30
Steering committee meeting on EMTCT (UNICEF) x 2	1 day	30
Training for Health care providers on EMTCT X 2	1 day	70
In service programme for the private laboratory staff (MLTs and receptionists) funded by private labs	1 day	50
Training of healthcare providers in T.H. Baticaloa, PHC staff	1 day	80
Training of healthcare providers in RDHS Killinochchi	1 day	75
Training of primary healthcare staff, RDHS, Kilinochchi	1 day	70
Training of primary healthcare staff, STD clinic-Trincomalee	1 day	76

Medical students of the Faculty of Medicine Colombo were trained in 6 groups, total of 76 students. Each group had a one week training which included daily clinical sessions as well as lecture discussions. Twenty-eight medical students of the Kothalawala Defence Academy were also given training for two weeks. Student nurses from the Nurses training school had weekly training on STD and HIV.

Postgraduate medical training in Venereology

Consultants in the National STD/AIDS control programme initiated and coordinated the postgraduate medical training in Venereology in collaboration with the Postgraduate Institute of Medicine and Ministry of Health.

The Postgraduate Diploma in Venereology course was commenced on 19th July 2002. This was followed by commencement of a MD Venereology course in 2004. A total of 72 students have followed the course and 68 were successful in the postgraduate Diploma examination. Currently 8 trainees are undergoing training for postgraduate Diploma in Venereology. The Diploma in Venereology is the stepping stone to MD in Venereology.

Forty trainees have completed the MD in Venereology examination and local post MD training including seven trainees who are currently undergoing overseas training in UK and Australia. Sixteen have completed local and overseas training. A major part of the clinical training is given at the NSACP.

Table 16.2 Training of other postgraduate trainee Medical officers at NSACP in 2014

Type of Training	Duration	Number trained
Community Peadiatrics	1 day	28
Dermatology	4/5 days	2
Virology	1 month	1
DFM trainees	5 days	20

17. WORLD AIDS DAY 2014

The 1st of December of each year is designated as the World AIDS Day since 1988. All over the world, this day is dedicated to raising awareness of the AIDS pandemic caused by the spread of HIV infection, and to reminisce those who have died of the disease. Every year, the National STD/AIDS Control Programme together with the non-governmental organizations and other stakeholders observe this day in order to spread information on HIV prevention to the general public.



Figure 17.1 A scene from the AIDS Day walk in Kilinochchi



Figure 17.2 Area politicians and Ministry of Health officials participated in the walk

For the first time the National event for the World AIDS Day was organized in Kilinochchi in the year 2014. This city which is situated in the Northern Province has poorly developed sexual health services due to the devastating civil war which prevailed for three decades prior to 2009.

Currently Kilinochchi is a rapidly urbanizing city and as per Department of Census and Statistics with a population of 127,263 (males-63005, females – 64,258 with a 15-59 year old age category consisting of 64% of the population). With the recent trend in urbanization, development, and population transition in the North, it is important to improve sexual health services in the area. In addition, an influx of migrants from Southern India is seen during last couple of years and there is a higher number of HIV cases reported from the Northern Province.

In order to sensitize the general public in the area, it was decided to organize the National event of World AIDS Day in Kilinochchi on December 1st 2014. The main program of the National event was targeted towards young general population from different work forces, healthcare workers, school children and Tri Forces in the area.

The National event was celebrated with the theme "Test Today" to promote HIV testing among high risk and vulnerable populations.



Figure 17.3 A scene from the World AIDS Day walk in Kilinochchi

Activities carried out for the National World AIDS Day event in Kilinochchi.

 A special one-week HIV testing programme was organized prior to the national event.

- Pre and post press conferences and media conferences were organized during the month of National event.
- World AIDS Day walk started from the General Hospital kilinochchi to the office of the Divisional Secretariat followed by a general gathering for HIV/ AIDS awareness at Nelum Piyasa Security Hall at Iranamadu, Kilinochchi. In spite of heavy rain in the area, the event successfully captured approximately 1000 general public in the morning session and 500 Tri Forces for the evening session. Political leaders from Kilinochchi district took the lead of the public walk.
- Over 100 people from the staff of National STD/AIDS control programme and officials from the Ministry of Health traveled from Colombo to participate in this event.

World AIDS day walk by prison sector- programme

Five hundred (500) prisoners from the main four prisons in Colombo (Colombo Remand, Colombo Magazine, Welikada-male and Welikada-female prisons) participated in the World AIDS Day walk, which helped to increase HIV and AIDS awareness around Borrella and Punchi Borrella area. Posters, banners and decorated vehicles were used to display HIV prevention messages and the HIV theme of 2014 "Test today" for promotion of HIV testing.



Figure 17.4 A scene from the World AIDS day walk in Borella





Figure 17.6 Inauguration of the World AIDS Day walk by releasing red balloons



Table 17.1 Summary of activities conducted by all STD clinics

No.	STD clinic	Summary description of the activities for the World AIDS Day- 2014
1	Anuradhapura	World AIDS Day walk on 01st December 2014, with participation of STD clinic staff and prison inmates. Displaying banners and distribution of leaflets done. A meeting was held with 100 participants on the same day.
2	Kalubowila	A lecture was held for the hospital staff members and an awareness programme was conducted for the drug users who are being rehabilitated at Gangodawila.
3	Colombo	World AIDS Day walk from Welikada prison to Punchi Borella and back. Displaying banners, distribution of leaflets and showing messages in t-shirts and on umbrellas. Prison Inmates, members of the F.P.A. and NSACP, some NGO's participated in this rally. It was conducted on 29th November 2014. Special youth programmes at Oxford College of business, Horizon campus, Cinec, Sitam, Ananda college, Royal college were held.
4	Ampara	Awareness programme with the distribution of leaflets at the Ampara town. Lectures were conducted to 80 army personnel and 400 police officers.
5	Badulla	World AIDS Day walk was held at the same day with participation of prison inmates. Leaflets were distributed and banners were displayed. Two Stage dramas and one guest lecture on "HIV/AIDS and pregnancy" was conducted.
6	Balapitiya	A walk was held at Hikkaduwa town on the same day with participation of public health staff, STD staff, and student nurses. A lecture was delivered at Town hall, Hikkaduwa.
7	Batticaloa	A walk with 150 youth participants. Awareness programme for youth was held at RDHS auditorium. Drama and video presentation done. Awareness programmes for school and community were done.
8	Chilaw	A World AIDS Day walk conducted and distributed leaflets. Blood samples collected from risk groups for HIV testing. Public health staff, Divisional secretarial staff and general public participated.
9	Gampaha	Lectures conducted for 500 OPD patients on HIV prevention. 200 office staff of the town hall participated in a health education programme on the same day. Separate programmes were conducted for the youth and police officers.
10	Hambanthota	Poster and essay competition were held among school students. STD exhibition was conducted. Awareness programme for army personnel and hospital staff conducted.

Cont. table 17.1

No.	STD clinic	Summary description of the activities for the World AIDS Day- 2014
11	Jaffna	Awareness programme conducted at STD clinic, Jaffna. 30,000 leaflets distributed among school children, adolescents, and general public. Road dramas were conducted by the Medical students. Awareness programme conducted at prison and Palali Army camp. An art competition was held.
12	Kaluthara	Awareness programme and two stage dramas conducted at town area. 320 rapid blood tests were performed. Leaflets were distributed.
13	Kalmunai	Street walk with participation of students, public health staff, and hospital staff. Lecture was held at Athawulla hall for 400 participants about prevention of AIDS.
14	Kandy	World AIDS Day walk was held with the participation of prison inmates, vocational trainees, public health staff, MSM, FSW groups, Red cross and several NGO's. An exhibition was conducted at E. L. Senanayake hall. An awareness programme conducted at same venue for 450 participants.
15	Kegalle	World AIDS Day walk at Kegalle town with 500 participants from public health staff, hospital staff and school children. Lecture conducted at town hall for the government servants about HIV prevention.
16	Kurunegala	Youth programme done for 1000 tuition class students. World AIDS Day walk and stage drama conducted on the same day with participation of several NGOs. Health education done for 250 police officers and 200 army personel.
17	Galle	An art exhibition and speech competition were held at Mahamodara Hospital. Lecture was done at Boossa Army camp.
18	Mannar	Awareness programme conducted at RDHS office for the 150 youth participants. Represents at the main World AIDS Day walk at Kilinochchi.
19	Matale	-
20	Matara	Lectures done for the prison inmates, hospital staff and public health staff about prevention of AIDS.
21	Monaragala	World AIDS Day walk with 200 prison inmates participation. Drama activity done in hospital premises. Leaflets and banners were distributed.
22	Negombo	-
23	Nyuwara Eliya	-
24	Polonnaruwa	Awareness programme conducted for 150 participants of hospital staff. Organized exhibition and displaying STI's pictures at hospital premises. 200 school children participated.
25	Ragama	Lecture done at Mass Active Garment, Katunayake for 160 workers and 30 drug users at rehabilitation center, Ragama. "Viridhu" announcing programme at hot spot areas in Ragama and distributed 1000 leaflets.
26	Rathnapura	Distribution of 1000 badges and leaflets at the walk. Health education programmes conducted for government servants and high risk groups.

Cont. table 17.1

No.	STD clinic	Summary description of the activities for the World AIDS Day- 2014
27	Trincomalee	Street walk organized with 250 participants and leaflets distributed. Art, essay and speech competitions were held. Awareness programme conducted for general public.
28	Vavuniya	Awareness programme done for the 100 youth at STD clinic.
29	Wathupitawala	A drama conducted at Naiwala Garment Factory with 1000 participants and leaflets were distributed. Lecture delivered at "Nawadiganthaya" rehabilitation centre for 70 drug users. A blood survey done.

Figure 17.7 A scene from the World AIDS Day walk in Borella





Figure 17.8 A scene from the World AIDS Day walk in Borella



Figure 17.9 A scene from the World AIDS Day walk in Kilinochchi

18. SOCIAL EVENTS IN 2014

Activities of the welfare society

National STD/AIDS Control Program provides welfare facilities through an organized welfare society to the staff to keep them motivated and enthusiastic. The objectives of the NSACP welfare society are to ensure a more satisfactory workplace environ to the NSACP staff, to relieve staff from workplace tension and to improve intellectual, spiritual and cultural aspects of living. Each year the welfare society conducts social events and activities to uplift wellbeing and motivation of NSACP staff.

Table 18.1 Summary of events conducted by the welfare society in 2014

Date	Event
05.04.2014	Celebrating Sinhala and Tamil new Year NSACP staff and families participated in this event with traditional activities to mark the festival.
13.05.2014	Preaching of Buddhist sermons and religious activities to mark "Vesak".
13.05.2014	A competition was held to prepare best "Vesak Lanterns" by each unit of NSACP.
14.12.2014	Annual trip to Polhena beach in Matara, NSACP staff and families participated.

National health programme

The Ministry of Health, Sri Lanka organized a National Health Programme named as "Nirogi Lanka" starting from 1st December for one week in 2014. Each day of this event was marked by set themes.

The objectives were to highlight the availability of free health services, and to uplift knowledge, & attitudes of health care personnel and general public.

In order to provide quality health services in curative and preventive sectors several programmes were conducted island wide. The National STD/AIDS control programme successfully completed activities that are relevant to its mandate.

Table 18.2 National Health Week activities of National STD/AIDS control programme(1/12/2014-5/12/2014)

Date Theme		Activities	
01.12.2014	Day for school children	Lecture discussion on "Prevention of STD/ AIDS and Improving life skills among school children". – Ananda College, Maradana Lecture discussion on "Prevention of STD/ AIDS" – Vocational training center, Narahenpita.	
02.12.2014	Communicable disease prevention	Increase community awareness on STD & HIV/AIDS - Distribution of leaflets by island wide STD clinics. Elimination of dengue breeding sites – NSACP.	
03.12.2014	Nutrition and environment	Lecture discussion on healthy food recipes and distribution of nutrition leaflets.	
04.12.2014	Non communicable diseases	Awareness on 'Non communicable disease to people living with HIV at Positive Women Network- Angoda. Lecture discussion on stress prevention at the workplace.	
05.12.2014	Health promotion for health staff	Healthy life style in NSACP – monitoring BMI, blood pressure, blood sugar. Life skills education to NSACP staff.	

Figure 18.1 A scene from Sinhalese and Tamil New Year celebration - 2014



19. GLOBAL AIDS RESPONSE PROGRESS REPORTING for 2014

The Strategic Information Management Unit of the National STD/AIDS control programme undertakes a number of international reporting requirements. The Global AIDS Response Progress Reporting (GARPR) is one such annual reporting requirement. These indicators were known as UNGASS indicators prior to 2012.

Reporting 2014 data during early part of 2015 was especially challenging as the online platform was not functioning properly up until April 2015. These indicators are important as they are used to assess progress towards the global targets set in the 2011 UN Political Declaration on HIV and AIDS and the Millennium Development Goals. These data are used widely by the international community and organizations to assess the country situation and to justify fund allocation.

Table 19.1 summarizes the data submitted for 2014 with their source.

Table 19.1 Summary GARPR indicator results - 2014

No.	GARPR Indicator	Results and Source of Data
1.1	Young People: Knowledge about HIV prevention	17.3%, DHS study -2007
1.2	Sex before the age of 15	1.4%, DHS study -2007
1.3	Percentage of women and men aged 15-49 who have had sexual intercourse with more than one partner in the past 12 months	No Data
1.4	Percentage of women and men aged 15-49 who had more than one partner in the past 12 months who used a condom during their last sexual intercourse	No Data
1.5	Percentage of women and men aged 15-49 who received an HIV test in the past 12 months and know their results	No Data
1.6	Percentage of young people aged 15–24 who are living with HIV(ANC)	0% (0/3920) (ANC data from Castle & DMH Hospitals)
1.7	Percentage of sex workers reached with HIV prevention programmes	31.3%, IBBS Survey - 2014
1.8	Percentage of sex workers reporting the use of a condom with their most recent client	93.1%, IBBS Survey - 2014
1.9	Percentage of sex workers who received an HIV test in the past 12 months and know their results	33.9 %, IBBS Survey - 2014
1.10	Percentage of sex workers who are living with HIV	0.8%, IBBS Survey - 2014

No.	GARPR Indicator	Results and Source of Data
1.11	Percentage of men who have sex with men reached with HIV prevention programmes	20.0%, IBBS Survey - 2014
1.12	Percentage of men reporting the use of a condom the last time they had anal sex with a male partner	47.1%, IBBS Survey - 2014
1.13	Percentage of men who have sex with men who received an HIV test in the past 12 months and know their results	14.1%, IBBS Survey - 2014
1.14*	HIV prevalence in men who have sex with men. Percentage of men who have sex with men risk who are living with HIV	0.6 %, IBBS Survey - 2014
1.15	Number of health facilities that provide HIV testing and counselling services.	225 (149:70:6, Public: Private: NGO)
1.16	HIV testing and counselling in women (ANC)	161,221
1.16.1	Percentage of health facilities dispensing HIV rapid test kits that experienced a stock-out in the last 12 months	0%, NSACP - 2014
1.17.1	Percentage of women accessing antenatal care (ANC) services who were tested for syphilis	86.2 %, NSACP - 2014
1.17.2	Percentage of antenatal care attendees who were positive for syphilis	0.04% FHB, NSACP - 2014
1.17.3	Percentage of antenatal care attendees positive for syphilis who received treatment	82.1% (penicillin only), NSACP - 2014
1.17.4*	Percentage of sex workers with active syphilis	0.6%, IBBS Survey - 2014
1.17.5*	Percentage of men who have sex with men with active syphilis	0.8%, IBBS Survey - 2014
1.17.6	Number of adults reported with syphilis (primary/secondary and latent/unknown) in the past 12 months.	All-1440, NSACP - 2014
1.17.7	Number of reported congenital syphilis cases (live births and stillbirths) in the past 12 months	8, NSACP - 2014
1.17.8	Number of men reported with gonorrhea in the past 12 months	464, NSACP - 2014
1.17.9	Number of men reported with urethral discharge in the past 12 months	No data.
1.17.10	Number of adults reported with genital ulcer disease the past 12 months	No data.
1.19	Diagnosis of HIV and AIDS cases	HIV - AII - 226, (F-57, M-169), AIDS- AII-57, (F-13, M-54) NSACP - 2014
2.1	Number of needles and syringes distributed per person who injects drugs per year by needle and syringe programmes	0
2.2	Percentage of people who inject drugs reporting the use of a condom the last time they had sexual intercourse	25.9%, IBBS Survey - 2014
2.3	Percentage of people who inject drugs reporting the use of sterile injecting equipment the last time they injected	46.3%, IBBS Survey - 2014

No.	GARPR Indicator	Results and Source of Data
2.4	Percentage of people who inject drugs who received an HIV test in the past 12 months and know their results	8.3%, IBBS Survey - 2014
2.5	Percentage of people who inject drugs who are living with HIV	0%, IBBS Survey - 2014
2.6a	Estimated number of opiate users (injectors and non-injectors)	45,000(NDDCB)
2.7a	Number of needle and syringe programme sites	0
2.7b 3.1	Number of opioid substitution therapy sites Percentage of HIV-positive pregnant women who received antiretroviral medicine to reduce the risk of mother-to-child transmission.	0 15.5%, NSACP - 2014 (denominator is the estimated number)
3.1a	Percentage of women living with HIV who are provided with antiretroviral medicines for themselves or their infants during the breastfeeding period	0%, NSACP - 2014
3.2	Percentage of infants born to HIV-positive women receiving a virological test for HIV within 2 months of birth	37.3%, NSACP - 2014
3.3	Estimated percentage of child HIV infections from HIV-positive women delivering in the past 12 months	29.3%
3.4	Percentage of pregnant women who know their HIV status (tested for HIV and received their resultsduring pregnancy, during labour and delivery, and during the post-partum period (<72 hours), including those with previously known HIV status	44.5%, NSACP - 2014 (denominator is the estimated number)
3.5	Percentage of pregnant women attending antenatal care whose male partner was tested for HIV in the last 12 months.	No data.
3.6	Percentage of HIV-infected pregnant women assessed for ART eligibility through either clinical staging or CD4 testing	8.62%, NSACP - 2014 (denominator is the estimated number)
3.7	Percentage of infants born to HIV-infected women provided with antiretroviral prophylaxis to reduce the risk of early mother-to-child transmission in the first 6 weeks	15.5%, NSACP - 2014 (denominator is the estimated number)
3.9	Percentage of infants born to HIV-infected women started on Cotrimoxazole (CTX) prophylaxis within two months of birth	0%, NSACP - 2014
3.10	Number of ("HIV-exposed infants") born in 2013 Number of infants born to HIV positive mothers in 2013 that are diagnosed as negative for HIV	09, 09, NSACP - 2014
3.11	Number of pregnant women attending ANC at least once during the reporting period	396,280 Family Health Bureau data; 2013
3.12	Percentage of health facilities that provide virological testing services (e.g. polymerase chain reaction) for diagnosis of HIV in infants on site or from dried blood spots	14.29%, NSACP - 2014

No.	GARPR Indicator	Results and Source of Data
4.1	Percentage of adults and children currently receiving antiretroviral therapy among all adults and children living with HIV	<15 years - 41.8% and >15 years - 22%, NSACP-2014
4.2a	Percentage of adults and children with HIV known to be on treatment 12 months after initiation of antiretroviral therapy	All-91%, M-88%. F-96.2%, <15-100%, >15-90.6%, NSACP-2014
4.2b	Percentage of adults and children with HIV known to be on treatment 24 months after initiating treatment among patients initiating antiretroviral therapy during 2012	All - 86.2%, M - 85.9%. F - 86.8 %, <15-90%, >15 - 85.9% NSACP - 2014
4.2c	Percentage of adults and children with HIV known to be on treatment 60 months after initiation of antiretroviral therapy	All-76.1%, M- 79.5%. F - 70.4%, <15 - 100%, > 15 -74.6% NSACP - 2014
4.3a	Number of health facilities that offer antiretroviral therapy (ART)	13, NSACP - 2014
4.3b	Number of health facilities that offer pediatric antiretroviral therapy	13, NSACP - 2014
4.4	Percentage of health facilities dispensing ARVs that experienced a stock-out of at least one required ARV in the last 12 months	0%, NSACP - 2014
4.5	Percentage of HIV positive persons with first CD4 cell count < 200 cells/µL in 2014	22.6%, NSACP - 2014
4.6	Total number of adults and children enrolled in HIV care at the end of the reporting period	All -1497, M - 947, F - 550, <15-66, > 15 - 1431 NSACP - 2014
4.7a	Percentage of people on ART tested for viral load (VL) who were virally suppressed in the reporting period	All -13.2%, NSACP - 2014
4.7b	Percentage of people on ART tested for viral load (VL) with VL level ≤ 1000 copies/ml after 12 months of therapy	All -16.9%, NSACP - 2014
4.7c	Percentage of people on ART tested for viral load (VL) with undetectable viral load in the reporting period	All - 34.9%, NSACP - 2014
5.1	Percentage of estimated HIV-positive incident TB cases that received treatment for both TB and HIV	All -18, NSACP - 2014
5.2	Percentage of adults and children living with HIV newly enrolled in care who are detected having active TB disease	AII - 3.5%, NSACP - 2014
5.3	Percentage of adults and children newly enrolled in HIV care starting isoniazid preventive therapy (IPT)	4%, NSACP - 2014
5.4	Percentage of adults and children enrolled in HIV care who had their TB status assessed and recorded during their last visit	29.7%, NSACP -2014
6.1	Domestic and international AIDS spending by categories and financing sources	No data
7.1	Proportion of ever-married or partnered women aged 15-49 who experienced physical or sexual	No data

No.	GARPR Indicator	Results and Source of Data
	violence from a male intimate partner in the past 12 months	
8.1	Percentage of women and men aged 15-49 who report discriminatory attitudes towards people living with HIV	No data
10.1	Current school attendance among orphans and non-orphans (10–14 years old, primary school age, secondary school age)	No data
10.2	Proportion of the poorest households who received external economic support in the last 3 months	No data

^{*}Refer IBBS report for further details

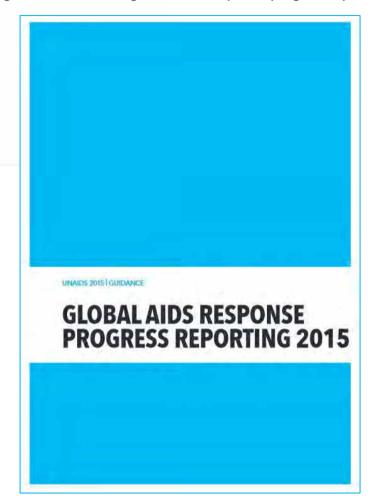


Figure 19.1 Guide for global AIDS response progress reporting

What are the Global AIDS Response Progress Reporting (GARPR) indicators?

The Global AIDS Response Progress Reporting (GARPR) indicators were known as UNGASS indicators prior to 2012. Until 2012, indicator data were collected globally every second year. However, since 2013, GARPR indicator data are collected every year by UNAIDS.

Global AIDS Response Progress Reporting (GARPR) uses a set of core indicators to measure and report on the national response to AIDS epidemic based on the targets arrived at "2011 UN Political Declaration on HIV and AIDS: Intensifying our Efforts to Eliminate HIV and AIDS" (General Assembly resolution 65/277), which was adopted at the United Nations General Assembly High Level Meeting on AIDS in June 2011. UNAIDS is mandated to monitor to the commitments made in the 2011 UN Political Declaration on HIV and AIDS.

20. SUMMARY FINANCIAL REPORT FOR 2014

Table 20.1 Summary financial report for 2014

Financial Sources	Description	Fund Allocation (LKR)	Fund Utilization (LKR)		
	1. Capital Expenditure				
очрны длро	Building construction & repair		655,750.40		
	Office equipment		2,047,889.00		
	Service training programmes	8,629,270.40	2,762,372.12		
Ministry of	Internet services at finance branch	5/52/ /2/ 5/ 15	279,424.00		
Health	Medical equipment		90,300.00		
	SAARC study- research on women and children with HIV		1,241,311.46		
	Sub total	8,629,270.40	7,077,046.98		
UNFPA	Consultative workshops, advocacy programmes. printing of publication,	6,268,834.20	6,268,834.20		
WHO	Consultative workshops, review meetings. Training modules development.	2,825,000.00	327,953.42		
UNICEF	Consultative workshops, review meetings.	2,034,454.00	1,969,148.33		
	Human resources	9,589,135.00	9,630,537.00		
	Technical and management assistance	2,762,758.00	21,624,417.00		
	Training	9,733,915.00	7,517,257.00		
	Health products & health equipment	45,821,981.00	23,837,773.00		
	Pharmaceutical products	35,476,434.00	0.00		
Global Fund	Procurement supply and management cost	7,065,010.00	0.00		
	Infrastructure and other equipment	19,304.00	734,822.00		
	Communication materials	566,039.00	820,928.00		
	Monitoring & evaluation	3,549,777.00	19,739,737.00		
	Living support to clients/target pop.	25,019.00	0.00		
	Planning and administration	286,258.00	59,182.00		
	Overheads	1,058,037.00	1,121,664.00		
	Sub total	115,953,667.00	85,086,317.00		
Total Capital Ex		135,711,225.60	100,729,299.93		
2. Recurrent Exp	Personal emoluments (salaries etc.)		77 105 001 00		
	Travelling expenses		77,185,291.30 344,784.63		
	Stationary & office requisites		721,605.60		
	Fuel supplies		846,268.34		
	Waste management & other		244,448.72		
Ministry of	Maintenance expenditure (vehicles		244,440.72		
Health	etc.)	100,650,000.00	2,575,855.63		
	Postal communication		731,148.73		
	Electricity & water		6,355,284.87		
	Security, cleaning service & others		5,436,583.13		
	Loan interest/transfers		741,075.61		
	Medical supplies		355,389.44		
Total Recurrent	Expenditure	100,650,000.00	95,537,736.00		
Grand Total (LK	R)	236,361,225.60	196,267,035.93		



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21. DETAILS OF SERVICE DELIVERY POINTS - 2014/15

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