

Reporting on HIV: Issues and Concerns
Rajasthan Patrika and Kaiser International Health Journalism Program
Jaipur, Rajasthan, October , 21-22, 2005

Location: Toshakhana, Jai Mahal Palace Hotel, Jaipur, Rajasthan

Friday, October 21, 2005

Inaugural session:

- 9:00- 9:30am: Welcoming guests and introductions
9.30-10.00am.: Media as a critical partner in AIDS prevention
Ms. Penny Duckham, Executive Director, Kaiser Media Fellowships Program
10.00-10.45am: Dr. B.L. Chaudhary, Project director, Rajasthan State AIDS Control Society
10:45-11:00am: Mr. Sukumar Verma, Deputy Editor, *Rajasthan Patrika*
11:15-11:30pm: Tea break

Session I:

- 11:30-12.00pm: HIV in India
Ms. Kalpana Jain, Kaiser International Health Journalism Fellow
12:00-12:30pm: HIV in middle class
Mr. Ashok Rau, Executive Trustee & CEO, Freedom Foundation
12:30–12:45pm: Growth of positive networks and need for women’s networks
Ms. Celina D’Costa, Positive People’s Network
1:00-2:00pm: Lunch

Session II:

- 2:00-2:30pm: Science of HIV: What the virus looks like; how does it infect; Vaccines.
Some examples of Science stories and how to approach them
Ms. Subhadra Menon, freelance health and science writer
2:30-3:00pm: Story of Numbers. How are they calculated? District-based data in Rajasthan
Dr. Shyam Sharma, Medical Doctor, Government of Rajasthan
3:00-3:15pm: Tea break

Session III:

- 3:30- 4:30pm: Symptoms of HIV; ARVs Policy in Rajasthan on ARVs. Side effects.
Where do you go for testing?
Dr. U.S. Aggarwal, Technical advisor, Rajasthan State AIDS Control Society
4:30 –5:00pm: Is HIV only a concern of mobile populations in Rajasthan? NACP III in context of state policies.
Mr. Sudhir Verma, Director, Social Policy Research Institute, Jaipur
5:00pm: Discussion

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Day Two

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Session IV:

9:00-9:30am: Panel to discuss: Ethics of reporting, Critique stories. Discuss story ideas

9:30-10:00am: HIV and Women, Gender Issues in HIV reporting

Ms. Angana Parekh, Director, Women's Feature Service

10:00-10.30am: Positive Network's Perspective

Positive Networks and their growth: Need for a women's network:

Ms. Celina D Costa, Positive People's Network

Mr. Brijesh Dubey, President, Rajasthan Positive People's Network

10:30-11:00am: Discussion

11:00-11.15am: Tea break

11:15-12:00pm: Street Theater for HIV/AIDS awareness

12:00pm: Address by Mr. Gulab Kothari, Managing Director and Editor,
Rajasthan Patrika

Session V:

12:30-12:45pm: Short film: "Quiet Storm"

12:45-1:00pm: Orientation for site visit

1:00-2:00pm: Lunch

2:00-5:00pm: Site visit

5:00pm: Tea and wrap up session

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Participant List

Rajasthan Patrika reporters:

1. Sh. Brijmohan Acharya, journalist, Rajasthan Patrika, Bikaner
2. Sh. Harendra Singh Bagwada, Senior correspondent, Rajasthan Patrika, Jaipur
3. Sh. Govind Chaturvedi, Rajasthan Patrika, Kesargarh, Jaipur
4. Sh. Rajendra Denok, journalist, Rajasthan Patrika, Pali
5. Sh. Nilesh Kanther, journalist, Rajasthan Patrika, Bhilwara
6. Dr. Sudha Kanwaria, journalist, Rajasthan Patrika, Udaipur
7. Sh. Dharendra Rahul, Rajasthan Patrika, Jaipur
8. Miss Neha Raj, journalist, Rajasthan Patrika, Jaipur
9. Sh. B.S. Rao, journalist, Rajasthan Patrika, Udaipur
10. Sh. Devendra Sharma, journalist, Rajasthan Patrika, Sikar
11. Sh. Yuglesh Sharma, journalist, Rajasthan Patrika, Ajmer
12. Sh. Sanjay Sharma, journalist, Rajasthan Patrika
13. Miss Rachna Sharma, journalist, Rajasthan Patrika, Alwar
14. Sh. Jitendra Singh Shekhawat, journalist, Rajasthan Patrika, Jaipur City
15. Sh. Amar Pal Singh Verma, journalist, Rajasthan Patrika, Sriganganagar
16. Sh. Jai Prakash Singh, journalist, Rajasthan Patrika, Kota
17. Sh. Arvind Singh Shekhawat, journalist, Rajasthan Patrika, Jaipur
18. Sh. Ajay Soloman, News Photographer, Rajasthan Patrika, Jaipur
19. Sh. Mahaveer Singh, journalist, Rajasthan Patrika, Bharatpur
20. Sh. S.D. Upadhyaya, journalist, Rajasthan Patrika, Banswara

Other Participants:

21. Dr. Hemant Acharya, Joint Director, Rajasthan State AIDS Control Society
22. Ms. Negar Akhavi, Avahan, Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation
23. Sh. Gulab Batra, Senior correspondent, United News of India, Jaipur
24. Sh. Sanjay Bohra, Hindustan Newspaper, Jaipur
25. Sh. Shekhar Deshmukh, Sr. S.E/Reporter, Loksatta, Indian Express Newspapers, Mumbai
26. Dinesh, Rajasthan Network of Positive People (RNP plus), Jodhpur
27. Ms. Brittany Fiore-Silfvast, Kaiser Health Journalism Program, Kaiser Family Foundation
28. Jagdish, RNP plus, Barmer
29. Sudha Jain, Vice President RNP plus, Jalore
30. Tarun Jain, Department of Journalism, Rajasthan University
31. Sh. Dinesh Joshi, Medical College, Jodhpur
32. Sh. Varsh Joshi, RNP plus, Jodhpur
33. Khushboo Kapoor, Department of Journalism, Rajasthan University
34. Sh. Suresh Khanna, Project Coordinator, VCTC, JharJhar
35. Archana Kumawat, Department of Journalism, Rajasthan University
36. Sh. D.P. Malik, Station Director, All India Radio, Jaipur

37. Paras, RNP plus
38. Sh. A.K. Rishi, Freelancer, Jaipur
39. Sh. John Samul, Project Coordinator, Rajasthan Positive Peoples' Network
40. Sanowar, Rajasthan State AIDS Control Society
41. Karuna Sharma, Department of Journalism, Rajasthan University
42. Nishita Singhvi, Department of Journalism, Rajasthan University

Speakers:

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