



GUIDELINES FOR CERTIFICATION AND AWARD AT THE DISTRICT LEVEL FOR ACHIEVING POTENTIAL LEPROSY ELIMINATION/ LEPROSY ELIMINATION STATUS UNDER NATIONAL LEPROSY ERADICATION PROGRAMME

DISTRICT AWARD SCHEME

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Message

I am pleased to share that the Central Leprosy Division has come up with a guidance document for Certification and Awarding the Districts for achieving Potential Leprosy Elimination/Leprosy Elimination Status under National Leprosy Eradication Programme (NLEP).

Government of India has set a timeline to achieve elimination of various communicable diseases like Leprosy under the National Health Policy 2017. India has achieved leprosy elimination as a public health problem in the year 2005. Under NLEP, it is aimed to ultimately reduce Grade-2 Disability percentage to Zero among new cases of leprosy and Zero new child cases.

To achieve leprosy elimination at the district level, MoHFW has taken up an initiative to incentivize the well-performing districts for achieving the disease elimination status.

Recognizing and appraising well-performing districts for achieving the leprosy elimination target will motivate the other states/districts to prioritize and undertake the implementation of the key activities of NLEP in elimination mode, which will eventually result in achieving the status of “Leprosy Free India”.

I owe this opportunity to appreciate and congratulate the Central Leprosy Division, stakeholders and partners for contributing to developing the comprehensive guidelines for facilitating the States/Districts for claiming the awards.


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MESSAGE


It gives me immense pleasure to announce that Central Leprosy Division has developed the Guidelines for Certification and Award at the District level for achieving Potential Leprosy Elimination/ Leprosy Elimination Status under National Leprosy Eradication Programme (NLEP).

Leprosy, as a public health problem (Prevalence Rate <1 case/ 10,000 population), was eliminated at the national level in 2005. The agenda of eliminating leprosy at sub-national is still unfinished; there are still a few states/UTs which have yet to achieve the elimination of leprosy as a public health problem. Having achieved the target of elimination of leprosy as a public health problem at the national level, the next goal to be achieved under NLEP is to **make the country leprosy free**.

In order to achieve the target of zero leprosy at the national level, it is considered important to first focus on sub-national elimination of the disease. Success at the sub-national level would eventually aggregate to success at the national level. With a view to encourage the States and the Districts in their local endeavours to achieve the goal of zero leprosy, it has been decided to reward and incentivize the well performing Districts. This document provides details of the scheme, process for identifying potential districts, pre-requisites for claims, verification, certification and awards for efforts towards '**Leprosy Free**' status, at the district level.

I am confident that this initiative will help us in focusing our efforts on leprosy elimination and achieve the goal of Leprosy free India.

I take this opportunity to applaud all the stakeholders and contributors, especially my team at CLD, State Leprosy Officers and World Health Organisation for their contribution in developing such comprehensive and lucid guidelines.


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BACKGROUND:

India has achieved enormous success in leprosy control, particularly in the last four decades. Elimination of leprosy as a public health problem, which means Prevalence Rate <1 case/ 10,000 population, was achieved at the National level in 2005. At the sub national level, there are still a few states/UTs which have yet to achieve the elimination of leprosy as a public health problem. Having achieved the target of elimination of leprosy as a public health problem at the national level, the next goal to be achieved under NLEP is to make the country leprosy free. This means elimination of leprosy as a disease with zero transmission, and zero new cases of leprosy.

In order to achieve the target of zero leprosy at the national level, it is considered important to first focus on sub-national elimination of the disease. Success at the sub-national level would eventually aggregate to success at the national level.

With a view to encourage the States and the Districts in their local endeavors to achieve the goal of zero leprosy, it has been decided to reward and incentivize the well performing Districts. This document gives details of the benchmarks, pre-requisites for claims, verification, certification and awards for efforts towards 'Leprosy Free' status, at the district level.

2. AWARDS AND CRITERIA

2.1 Silver Category award for Potential Leprosy Elimination Status at District level:

Certification and silver category award for potential leprosy elimination status at district level with a cash prize of INR 2,00,000/- for the district reporting no new leprosy cases for 3 years consecutively.

Eligibility: District with no new case* of leprosy reported for 3 years consecutively.



Award: Certificate and Cash prize of Rs. 2,00,000/- per District.

2.2. Gold Category award for Leprosy Elimination status at District level:

Certification and gold category award for leprosy elimination status at district level with a cash prize of INR 3,00,000/-, if the district reports no case of leprosy for 5 years consecutively.

Eligibility: District with no new case* of leprosy reported for 5 consecutive years. In other words, the eligible district is required to sustain the silver category status for 2 consecutive years.

***No new case of leprosy means “zero new case of leprosy, zero new G2D, zero new child case, zero new adult case in the entire district.**

Award: Cash prize of Rs. 3,00,000/- per District.

Table: Monetary & Non-Monetary awards for Potential Leprosy Elimination and Leprosy Elimination status at district level.

Award / Status	Monetary award for district (Rs.)*	Non-Monetary award
Silver	2,00,000 /-	Certification and Felicitation at the State level
Gold	3,00,000 /-	Certification and Felicitation at the National level

2.3 For district with population less than 2 lakh, the cash award amount shall be 50% of the amount stipulated for each award category.

2.3.1. The expenditure for the award for the Districts shall be financed through the PIP route.



2.4 Timelines

The awards will be given every year starting 2021-22 as per the following timelines:-

- By 31st August: States/UTs to submit claims for District for certification / award
- September - February: Verification of Claim by Central Leprosy Division as per the procedure laid down.
- March: Distribution of Awards

For the purpose of award claim, data till 31st March of the year of application will be taken into consideration.

3. PROCESS FOR CLAIMING THE AWARD

The following process will be followed each year:

3.1 Inviting claims for award

CLD/MoHFW will issue communication inviting claim applications for the award from the States/UTs.

3.2 Submission of Application

Any district eligible for the award under Silver/Gold category as per the criteria given above for the award can claim the award. The claim for each eligible district needs to be submitted individually through the Principal Secretary/ Secretary (Health)/ MD (NHM) of the State/ UT concerned to the Central Leprosy Division (CLD), Directorate General of Health Services, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi.



3.3 Assessment of the Award Claim Application at State/UT Level

It shall be the duty of the MD (NHM) of the State/UT concerned to ensure that the claim for the award has been assessed and validated by an independent committee of technical experts at the State/UT level, called the State/UT Leprosy Elimination Award Assessment Committee. The State/UT Leprosy Elimination Award Assessment Committee, shall have at least 10 members, including

1. Mission Director; NHM - Chairman
2. State /UT Leprosy Officer - Secretary
3. Representative from Regional Office for Health & Family Welfare (ROHFW)/ Director Health Services (DHS)
4. Local WHO State/UT coordinator
5. Representative from Medical Colleges.
6. Representative from NGO/ Civil society.
7. Representative from Relevant Leprosy Institutes (e.g. RLTRIs / CLTRI)
8. One District Leprosy Officer
9. Representative from Indian Association of Leprologists (IAL)/ (Indian Association of Dermatologists Venereologists and Leprologists (IADVL)
10. Representative from Association of Persons affected by Leprosy (APAL)
11. Representative from International Federation of Anti-Leprosy Associations (ILEP)

3.4 The role of the State Leprosy Elimination Award Assessment Committee will be:

- To review the claims of the district concerned for the award
- To ensure the eligibility of the District for the award
- To examine, validate, verify and certify the epidemiological and other relevant data as per the criteria laid down for award.
- To ensure that all necessary documents and information are submitted with the claim



3.5 After the State/UT Leprosy Elimination Award Assessment Committee validates the claim of the District for the award, the State/UT shall submit the Award Claim Form (Annexure-I) along with the following documents to the Central Leprosy Division:-

- i)** Duly signed and endorsed Award Claim Form from the District concerned. **(Annexure-1)**
- ii)** Epidemiological indicators of the eligible District for preceding 10 years **(Annexure 2)**.
- iii)** Road map for the coming 2/5 years for maintaining leprosy services and surveillance in the district **(Annexure 3)**.
- iv)** Details of State/UT Leprosy Elimination Award Assessment Committee **(Annexure 4)**.
- v)** Form for validation of claim for Silver/Gold category award for potential leprosy elimination/leprosy elimination at district level **(Annexure 5)**.

4. ASSESSMENT OF THE AWARD CLAIM APPLICATION AT CENTRAL LEVEL

4.1. An independent committee, namely National Leprosy Elimination Award Assessment Committee, (hereafter, National Committee, for short) will be constituted as follows:-

1. Directorate of General Health Services - Chairman
2. Deputy Director General (Leprosy) - Secretary
3. Joint Director / ADG – Leprosy - Member
4. Representative from CLTRI
5. Representative from one of the RLTRIs
6. Representative from World Health Organization (WHO)
7. Representative from National JALMA Institute for Leprosy and other Mycobacterial Diseases, Uttar Pradesh
8. Representative from International Federation of Anti-Leprosy Associations (ILEP)



9. Representative from Indian Association of Leprologists (IAL)/ (Indian Association of Dermatologists Venereologists and Leprologists (IADVL)
10. Representative from any of the Medical College & Hospital in Delhi, preferably a senior doctor attending to leprosy patients.
11. Representative from National Institute of Epidemiology (NIE)
12. SLOs from 2 independent States/UTs on nomination basis.

4.2. After the Central Leprosy Division (CLD) receives an Award Claim Application, the Nodal Officer in the CLD, i.e Additional Director General/Joint Director (Leprosy), shall acknowledge within 7 days the receipt of the application. The Nodal Officer shall also check and communicate to the State/ UT concerned, if any additional information is required.

4.3. Once the Award Claim Application is found to be complete, the National Leprosy Elimination Award Assessment Committee shall make a preliminary study of the claim, and shall constitute a team for field/spot verification as follows*:

- (i) 2 representatives from CLTRI
- (ii) 2 representatives from RLTRIs
- (iii) 2 WHO NTD Coordinators from independent State(s) / UT(s)
- (iv) 2 SLOs from independent State(s) / UT(s)
- (v) 4 DLOs from independent State(s) / UT(s)
- (vi) 4 representatives from IAL/IADVL
- (vii) 2 representatives from ILEP
- (viii) 2 Regional Directors, RoHFW from independent State(s) / UT(s)

*The National Committee will decide the size of the Field Team according to the number of blocks to be visited in the given district. The above-mentioned composition of the Field Team is only indicative.

The National Committee shall be free to constitute the field teams on case-to-case basis as per the requirements for field/spot verification in a given district.



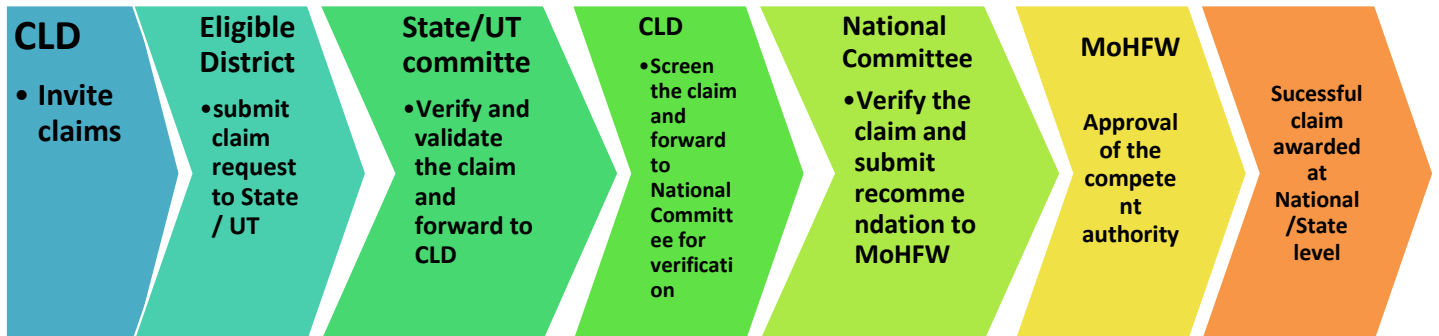
- 4.4. Every Field Team shall submit its report to the National Committee in the prescribed format.
- 4.5. The National Committee shall submit its assessment cum recommendation report on the basis of the following:
 - Desk review of epidemiological data furnished by the District/ State/UT.
 - Recommendation of the Field Team.
- 4.6. The report of the National Committee shall be submitted in the prescribed format (**Annexure 6**) to the CCD Division, MoHFW, New Delhi
- 4.7. WHO Country Office will remain engaged in the Assessment process through NPO, Leprosy/ other senior officials, as deemed fit.
- 4.8. The field team shall identify the gaps and constraints that may hamper the progress of the District to sustain the elimination status. The CLD shall make a suitable communication of the same to the District/State/UT concerned.

5. APPROVAL FROM THE COMPETENT AUTHORITY

- 5.1. Once the Assessment cum Recommendation Report is submitted by the National Leprosy Elimination Award Assessment Committee to the CCD Division, MoHFW, the same will be submitted for approval to the Competent Authority, Secretary, HFW, MoHFW.
- 5.2. After approval of the Report by the Competent Authority, the District/State/UT will be communicated about its eligibility for the Award.
- 5.3. The Award will be given at the date and time to be decided by the CLD/MoHFW/State/UT concerned.



6. FLOWCHART



7. SOURCE OF FUNDING

S. No	Activity/Item	Source
1	Monetary awards for districts	State /UT NHM PIP
2	Field visits/National committee meetings for verification of claims	Head quarter funds under NLEP/Travel/Mobility budget head of States/UTs under NHM PIP/Budget of govt. Institutions for travelling/ILEP budget (if available) /WHO Budget
3	Documentation of leprosy elimination efforts in the district/State concerned	State /UT NHM PIP

Application form to be submitted to the Central Leprosy Division, MoHFW, by the eligible State/UT for claiming the award for Silver / Gold Category for Potential Leprosy Elimination/ Leprosy Elimination at District level

To
The Deputy Director General – Leprosy,
Central Leprosy Division, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare
Nirman Bhawan,
New Delhi-110 011

Subject: Application for claiming award for achieving **Silver / Gold Category for Potential Leprosy Elimination/ Leprosy Elimination at District level** in the District State/UT

Sir / Madam,

This is to inform you that the Districtin the State/UT of has achieved (Silver/Gold) category status for Potential Leprosy Elimination/ Leprosy Elimination at District level as per criteria given by CLD. All the supporting Annexures, i.e. Epidemiological Indicators of last 10 years (**Annexure 2**), Roadmap for maintaining leprosy services and surveillance (**Annexure 3**), and details of State/UT Leprosy Elimination Award Assessment Committee (**Annexure 4**) have been checked and validated by the designated State Leprosy Elimination Award Assessment committee. Award Claim in prescribed proforma (**Annexure 5**) is attached for kind consideration with the request for grant of award along with the requisite certification.

(State/UT Leprosy Officer)

Name and Designation

Endorsement:

It is certified that the claim made above has been checked for its veracity, and is recommended for approval by the competent authority, MoHFW, GoI on the basis of the relevant records.

Sd/- and stamped

Mission Director, NHM
(State/UT)

Countersigned and stamped

Principal Secretary (Health) /
Secretary (Health)
(State /UT)

Annexure 2

Silver / Gold Category award for Potential Leprosy Elimination/ Leprosy Elimination status at District level																						
S. No.	Names of Blocks in District	Names of Urban areas in District	F.Y. 2015-16				F.Y. 2016-17				F.Y. 2017-18				F.Y. 2018-19				F.Y. 2019-20			
			New child case	New adult case	New GID	New G2D	New child case	New adult case	New GID	New G2D	New child case	New adult case	New GID	New G2D	New child case	New adult case	New GID	New G2D	New child case	New adult case	New GID	New G2D
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Annexure 3

Road map for next 2 years / 5 years for maintaining leprosy services and surveillance in the district

	Action Point	Interventions/ Activities	Yes/No	Remarks
A	Political and administrative commitment	A1) Allocation of adequate resources/funds for leprosy programme		
		A2) Posting of full time SLO		
		A3) Posting of full time DLO		
		A4) Dedicated field staff for leprosy up to the block level		
		A5) Regular review of leprosy programme at the level of MD-NHM/Secretary Health		
B	Continued Capacity building of healthcare workers for leprosy for quality services	B1) Calendar for training of Medical officers		
		B2) Calendar for training of CHOs at HWCs under AB-CPHC		
		B3) Calendar for Training of ANMs		
		B4) Calendar for Training of Staff nurses		
		B5) Calendar for Training of Physiotherapists		
		B6) Calendar for Training of Lab Technicians		
		B7) Calendar for Training of NMSs/NMAs		
		B8) Calendar for Training of MPWs		
		B9) Calendar for Training of ASHAs		
		B10) Calendar for Training of other frontline workers (FLWs)		
C	Active leprosy coverage under	C1) Provision of training of Medical Health Teams under RBSK		

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RBSK, • RKSK, • CPHC-AB 	C2) Provision of training of Counsellors of Adolescent health clinics		
		C3) Coverage of leprosy screening through CBAC by ASHAs and submission of the reports on NCD portal		
		C4) Suspect identification, referral, diagnosis, treatment and reporting		
D	<p>Early detection, diagnosis, and treatment with MDT.</p> <p>Prevention and Management of complications of leprosy (reactions, neuritis, and disabilities)</p> <p>Mechanisms to identify relapses and their management</p>	<p>D1) System in place for Active Case Detection and Regular Surveillance (ACD&RS) Availability of adequate facilities for case detection, suspect identification, referral and confirmation of diagnosis of leprosy at SC/PHC/HWC and other healthcare levels</p> <p>D2) Line listing of suspects and confirmed cases and their follow-up</p> <p>D3) Availability of MDT and other drugs upto SC/HWC level</p> <p>D4) Availability of trained personnel, infrastructure facilities for identification, diagnosis and management of relapse cases, lepra reactions, nerve damage, deformities, impairments and disabilities</p> <p>D5) Availability of diagnosis and treatment services for patients in Hard-to-Reach areas</p>		
E	Post -exposure prophylaxis	E1) Availability of SDR in case contact screening is required to be done for any new case of leprosy (if found)		
F	Disability Prevention and Medical Rehabilitation (DPMR) Services	F1) For old residual cases to get complete rehabilitation care at their doorstep		
		F2) For MCR foot wears		
		F3) For Self-care kits		
		F4) For Ulcer management kits		
		F5) For RCS facilities		
		F6) For Aids and Appliances		

G	Generating awareness about leprosy among general population and healthcare workers	G1) Tool/IEC material in place for awareness generation among targeted populations		
		G2) Organization of annual Sparsh Leprosy Awareness Campaigns (SLAC)		
H	Record maintenance, effective data Management and reporting	H1) Availability of house hold screening registers, referral slips, slips for missing household members and Upgraded Simplified Information System (USIS) formats		
		H2) Data management system in place for compiling monthly/quarterly/annual reports under NLEP as per the CLD guidelines		
		H3) Maintenance of NIKUSTH portal		

Annexure 4

**Details of State/UT Leprosy Elimination Award Assessment
Committee**

Date of constitution of the committee:

S. no	Name	Designation	Organization and contact details

State/UT Leprosy Officer

Endorsed by:

Mission Director
(NHM)

Annexure 5

Form for validation of claim for Silver / Gold Category award for Potential Leprosy Elimination/ Leprosy Elimination at District level By State/UT Leprosy Elimination Award Assessment Committee				
A. DISTRICT DETAILS				
Name of State /UT			Name of District	
Names of blocks in District Enclose list of blocks			Award claimed	Silver Category award for Potential Leprosy Elimination at District level
Names of Urban areas in District Enclose list			(Tick the selected option)	Gold Category award for Leprosy Elimination at District level
B. RECORDS CHECKED AND INDICATORS ASSESSED				
PART 1 : Epidemiological Indicators				
S. No.	Indicators	Yes/No	If yes, since when (consecutive no. of years)	
1	Zero new adult leprosy case			
2	Zero new child leprosy case			
3	Zero new Grade I Disability case of leprosy			
4	Zero new Grade II Disability case of leprosy			
PART 2: Road map for next 2 years / 5 years for maintaining leprosy services and surveillance in the district				
System in place for				
S. No.	Action Point	Interventions/ Activities	Yes/No	If No, explain gaps
1	Political and administrative commitment	Allocation of adequate resources/funds for leprosy programme		
		Posting of full time SLO		
		Posting of full time DLO		
		Dedicated field staff for leprosy up to the block level		
		Regular review of leprosy programme at the level of MD-NHM/Secretary		

		Health		
2	Continued Capacity building of healthcare workers for leprosy for quality services	Calendar for training of Medical officers		
		Calendar for training of CHOs at HWCs under AB-CPHC		
		Calendar for Training of ANMs		
		Calendar for Training of Staff nurses		
		Calendar for Training of Physiotherapists		
		Calendar for Training of Lab Technicians		
		Calendar for Training of NMSs/NMAs		
		Calendar for Training of MPWs		
		Calendar for Training of ASHAs		
3	Active leprosy coverage under <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RBSK, • RKSK, • CPHC-AB 	Provision of training of Medical Health Teams under RBSK		
		Provision of training of Counsellors of Adolescent health clinics		
		Coverage of leprosy screening through CBAC by ASHAs and submission of the reports on NCD portal		
		Suspect identification, referral, diagnosis, treatment and reporting		
4	Early detection, diagnosis, and treatment with MDT. Prevention and Management of complications of leprosy (reactions, neuritis, and disabilities) Mechanisms to identify relapses and their management	System in place for Active Case Detection and Regular Surveillance (ACD&RS) Availability of adequate facilities for case detection, suspect identification, referral and confirmation of diagnosis of leprosy at SC/PHC/HWC and other healthcare levels		
		Line listing of suspects and confirmed cases and their follow-up		
		Availability of MDT and other drugs upto SC/HWC level		
		Availability of trained personnel, infrastructure facilities for identification, diagnosis and management of relapse cases, lepra reactions, nerve damage, deformities, impairments and disabilities		
		Availability of diagnosis and treatment services for patients in Hard-to-Reach areas		

5	Post -exposure prophylaxis	Availability of SDR in case contact screening is required to be done for any new case of leprosy (if found)		
6	Disability Prevention and Medical Rehabilitation (DPMR) Services	For old residual cases to get complete rehabilitation care at their doorstep		
		For MCR foot wears		
		For Self-care kits		
		For Ulcer management kits		
		For RCS facilities		
7	Generating awareness about leprosy among general population and healthcare workers	Tool/IEC material in place for awareness generation among targeted populations		
		Organization of annual Sparsh Leprosy Awareness Campaigns (SLAC)		
8	Record maintenance, effective data Management and reporting	Availability of house hold screening registers, referral slips, slips for missing household members and Upgraded Simplified Information System (USIS) formats		
		Data management system in place for compiling monthly/quarterly/annual reports under NLEP as per the CLD guidelines		
		Maintenance of NIKUSTH portal		
9	Whether the Committee is of the opinion that adequate systems are in pace for maintaining surveillance and services for leprosy in order to sustain the leprosy elimination status and help the country achieve Leprosy Elimination at the National level.			
10	Gaps and constraints, if any identified that may hamper the progress of the District to sustain the elimination status.			
11	Any other remarks/observations			

Signature by all committee members

Date:

Annexure 6

Form for evaluation of claim for Silver / Gold Category award for potential Leprosy Elimination/ Leprosy Elimination at District level By National Leprosy Elimination Award Assessment Committee					
Date:					
A. DISTRICT DETAILS					
Name of State / UT			Name of District		
Names of blocks in District (list enclosed)			Award claimed	Silver Category award for Potential Leprosy Elimination at District level	
Names of Urban areas in District (list enclosed)			(Tick the selected option)	Gold Category award for Leprosy Elimination at District level	
B. Blocks Visited by National field team					
1		7			13
2		8			14
3		9			15
4		10			16
5		11			17
6		12			18
C. INDICATORS ASSESSED by Field Team					
PART 1 : Epidemiological Indicators					
S. No.	Indicators	Comments by National Filed team			
		Information provided by the State/UT found True/False	If False, remarks		
1	Zero new adult leprosy case				

2	Zero new child leprosy case		
3	Zero new Grade I Disability case of leprosy		
4	Zero new Grade II Disability case of leprosy		

**PART 2:
Road map for next 2 years /5 years for maintaining leprosy services and surveillance in the district**

System in place for

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		Calendar for Training of ANMs		
		Calendar for Training of Staff nurses		
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		Calendar for Training of other frontline workers (FLWs)		
3.	Active leprosy coverage under • RBSK,	Provision of training of Medical Health Teams under RBSK		
		Provision of training of Counsellors of Adolescent health clinics		

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4.	<p>Early detection, diagnosis, and treatment with MDT.</p> <p>Prevention and Management of complications of leprosy (reactions, neuritis, and disabilities)</p> <p>Mechanisms to identify relapses and their management</p>	<p>System in place for Active Case Detection and Regular Surveillance (ACD&RS)</p> <p>Availability of adequate facilities for case detection, suspect identification, referral and confirmation of diagnosis of leprosy at SC/PHC/HWC and other healthcare levels</p> <p>Line listing of suspects and confirmed cases and their follow-up</p> <p>Availability of MDT and other drugs upto SC/HWC level</p> <p>Availability of trained personnel, infrastructure facilities for identification, diagnosis and management of relapse cases, lepra reactions, nerve damage, deformities, impairments and disabilities</p> <p>Availability of diagnosis and treatment services for patients in Hard-to-Reach areas</p>		
5.	Post -exposure prophylaxis	Availability of SDR in case contact screening is required to be done for any new case of leprosy (if found)		
6.	Disability Prevention and Medical Rehabilitation (DPMR) Services	<p>For old residual cases to get complete rehabilitation care at their doorstep</p> <p>For MCR foot wears</p> <p>For Self-care kits</p> <p>For Ulcer management kits</p> <p>For RCS facilities</p> <p>For Aids and Appliances</p>		
7.	Generating awareness about leprosy among general population and healthcare workers	<p>Tool/IEC material in place for awareness generation among targeted populations</p> <p>Organization of annual Sparsh Leprosy Awareness Campaigns (SLAC)</p>		

8.	Record maintenance, effective data Management and reporting	Availability of house hold screening registers, referral slips, slips for missing household members and Upgraded Simplified Information System (USIS) formats		
		Data management system in place for compiling monthly/quarterly/annual reports under NLEP as per the CLD guidelines		
		Maintenance of NIKUSTH portal		
9.	Whether the Committee is of the opinion that adequate systems are in place for maintaining surveillance and services for leprosy in order to sustain the leprosy elimination status and help the country achieve Leprosy Elimination at the National level.			
10.	Gaps and constraints, if any identified that may hamper the progress of the District to sustain the elimination status.			
11.	Any other remark/observation			
D. ASSESSMENT – OUTCOME				
RESULT OF ASSESSMENT OF CLAIM		CLAIM APPROVED		CLAIM NOT APPROVED
(Put a tick in the box for the option selected)				

Sd/....

Secretary

National Leprosy Elimination Award Assessment Committee