



Saving Lives | Cancer Cure



RISE AGAINST CANCER

2024

NEWSLETTER



Dear Supporters,
Greetings from Indian Cancer Society (ICS)!

One imagines a toddler as a cute little bundle of joy; playing, smiling and laughing, learning, seeing and experiencing new things every day. But, why was 15 month Mohd. Azar crying the whole day? What looked to be a simple case of vomiting – indigestion turned out to be a distressing diagnosis; of acute leukemia - type of blood cancer. The traumatized mother's heart sank to the depths of despair. She dreaded the pain her son would have to undergo, but, she even more feared the thought that her poor financial condition would not give her child a fair chance to survive and fight the deadly disease. In these stressful conditions, ICS through its **Cancer Cure Fund (CCF)** came in the form of much needed and timely financial help for Azar. This brought back relief on the face of Shehnaz as she sees her son smiling and responding well to treatment.

What will 54 year old Swapana, a home maker decide when she's just been diagnosed of CANCER? Spend what ever little her painter husband earns on her prohibitive medical treatment or spend that money on educating her children - her elder daughter is studying for Masters while her younger son is completing his Bachelors.

As a true Indian mother, she decided to give preference to educate her children even at the cost of losing her life. But, children chose the other way. They left their education mid-way and started the medical treatment of their mother. As months passed the financial condition worsened, the family again faced a existential crisis. Here, once again ICS CCF stepped in and took over the burden of medical expenses from the family. A happy family of father, mother, daughter and son express gratitude to ICS as Swapana recovers appreciatively post her successful surgery.

This is the story of lakhs of Azars and Swapanas who along with their families undergo the every day struggle of survival and their cancer treatment and ICS CCF has only been able to support a few for their treatment.

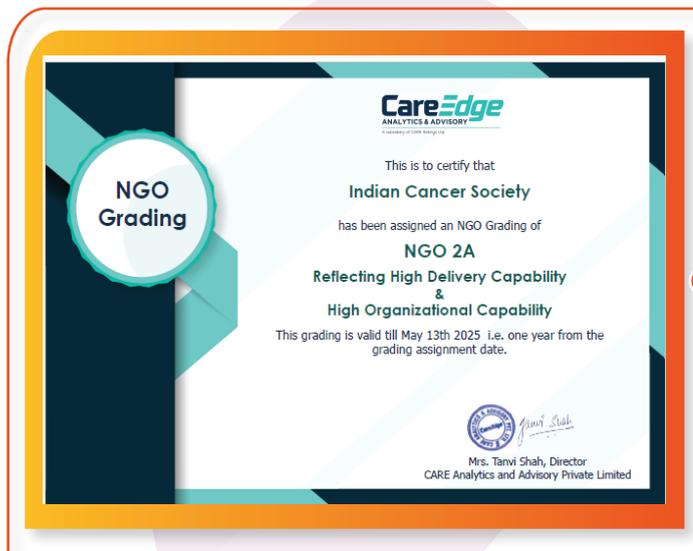
What began as an innovative idea of significant and sustainable philanthropy of saving lives of cancer patients has now completed Twelve years of successful execution "Indian Cancer Society's - Cancer Cure Fund" a fund utilised for financially supporting the treatment of underprivileged cancer patients.

Welcome to the latest edition of the **India Cancer Society's Cancer Cure Newsletter!** As we embark on another year filled with hope and determination, we are thrilled to share with you the impactful work being done for those affected with Cancer.

The Indian Cancer Society was established in 1951 by Dr. D.J. Jussawalla and Mr. Naval Tata as India's first voluntary, non-profit, national organization for supporting activities encompassing the entire continuum of cancer care - cancer awareness, screening for early detection, financial help for diagnosis and treatment, support groups, rehabilitation of cancer survivors, medical, education and research (registry).

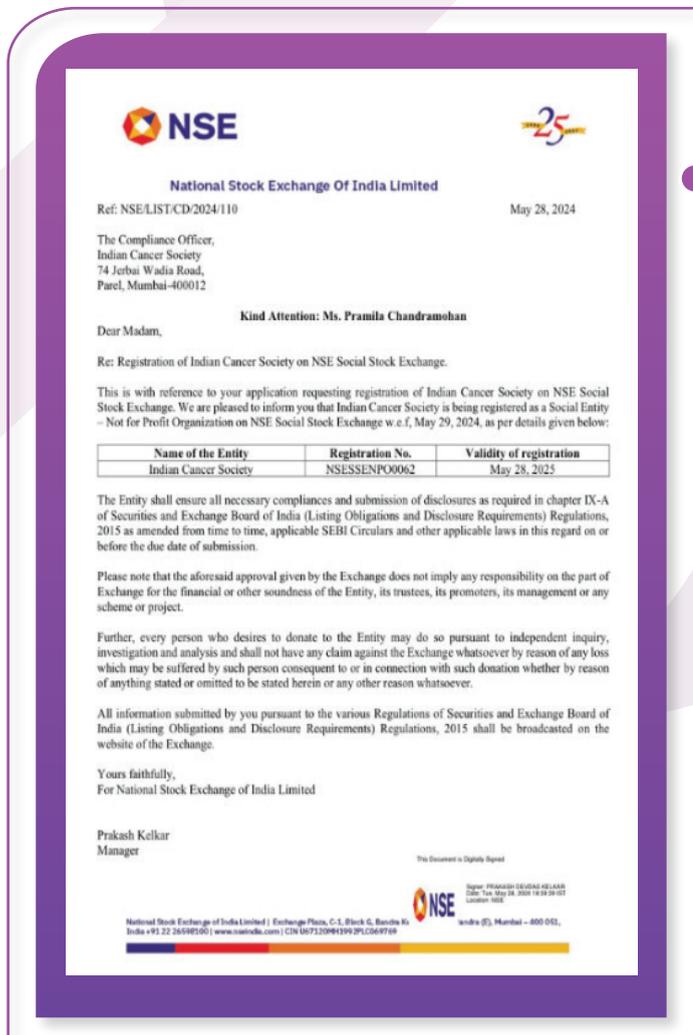
Indian Cancer Society has been doing sterling work in fighting cancer across India. It has been and continues to be the beacon of hope for thousands of underprivileged cancer patients.

The society is entirely dependent on public support for all its activities.



ICS has conducted its NGO grading through Care Edge and we are happy to inform that ICS has been awarded “NGO 2A - High Delivery Capability; High Organisational Capability”.

NGO grading provides an expert opinion on institutional credibility in terms of organisational sustainability and programme effectiveness. NGO grading is a tool to identify NGOs with sound performance records after rigorous evaluation and due diligence. It is conducted by an independent organisation with unbiased opinion



Pleased to inform that ICS is now registered as a Social Entity – Not for profit organisation on the NSE – Social Stock Exchange

The Cancer Cure Fund is one of the flagship project of the ICS which was launched in 2011 in collaboration with Indian Cancer Society(ICS), Tata Memorial Hospital(TMh) a leading institution in Oncology and HDFC Asset Management Company (HDFC AMC) a premier asset management company in India.

This fund is a unique, first of its kind philanthropic dedicated mutual fund approved by the securities market regulator with an intention to consistently generate funds for poor cancer patients across the country which has stood the test of time and has successfully completed 12 years.

The contribution to the mutual fund is capital protected and returned/renewed at the end of a three -year period. The annual dividend surrendered by the investor is donated to CCF for meeting whole or part of the cost of cancer treatment for the poor. From 2014, HDFC AMC matched the investors donation with an equal contribution as corporate social responsibility(CSR), effectively doubling the donation impact. In 2020, due to COVID-19, the scheme was paused.

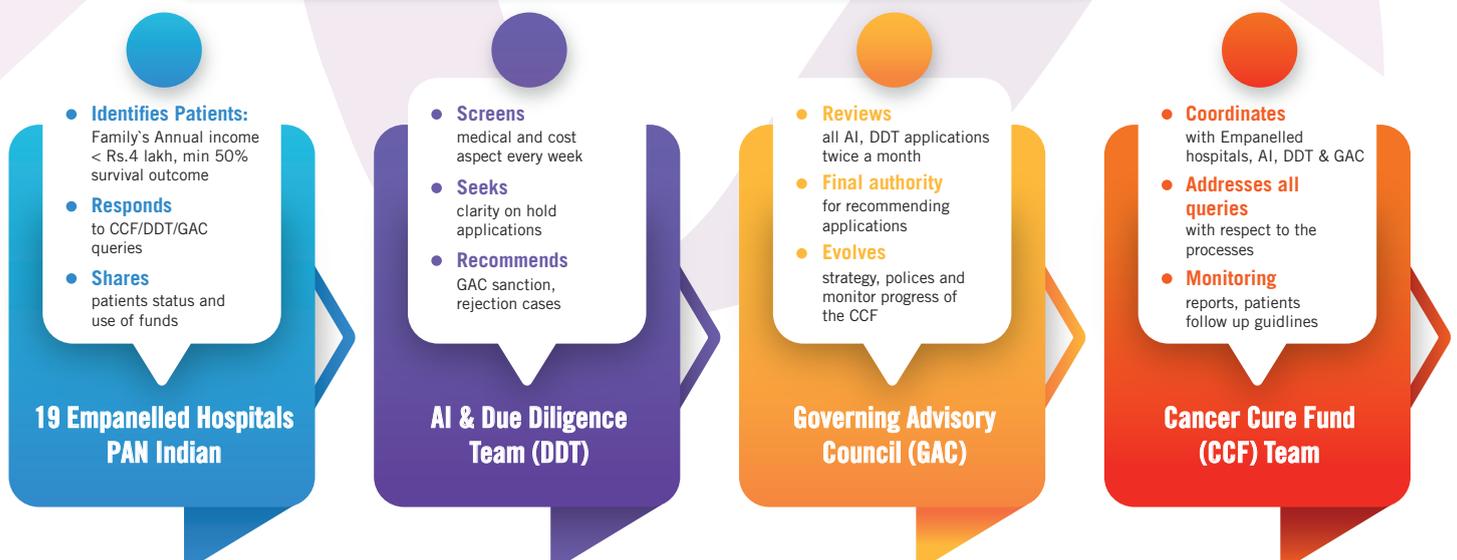
Thanks to the HDFC AMC team the fund has relaunched in 2023.

Investors now contribute 50% or 75% of the dividend income towards the fund.

The fund focuses on significant and timely financial assistance to cancer patients, aimed at curative treatment and standard of care through the ICS's Cancer Cure Fund (CCF) Project via its empanelled hospitals.

Hospital selection criteria include comprehensive standard of care, underserved location for cost reduction and affordable treatment. ICS Governing Advisory Council (GAC) regularly review these hospitals to ensure compliance with guidelines. Navya a clinically validated AI system, conducts initial screening of the applications received through these hospitals recommending those that fulfil 50% chance of survival. A Due Diligence Team (DDT) of top oncologists review applications that need further evaluation ensuring quality and affordable care, while maintaining a quick turn around time. Services from Navya, oncologists and the GAC are pro bono. Use of technology and operating guidelines enable standardized processes leading to transparency and accountability in fund utilization.

Method of utilising CANCER CURE FUND (CCF) MODEL



The ICS-Cancer Cure has by now successfully completed more than a decade of philanthropic service in saving thousands of precious cancer patients lives, and thereby leaving a positive impact not only in the lives of the patients but also of their families. This accomplishment is not just about the decade-long timeline but also about achieving over 50% success in patient survivorship, making the project even more fulfilling. Equally gratifying is to see the surviving patients lead normal and happy lives.

Over the decade innumerable corporate donors like HDFC AMC, Bharat Petroleum Corporation Ltd. (BPCL), ICICI Foundation, Clearing Corporation of India Ltd.(CCIL), Aditya Birla Capital Foundation, Kotak Mahindra Bank Ltd., Kotak Securities Ltd., Brother International, STCI Primary Dealer, A H Wadia Trust etc. and numerous individual donors have donated their hard-earned monies in ICS-Cancer Cure's able hands. The Cancer Cure along with its GAC team follows a transparent and robust process to judiciously utilize these donated funds leading to Saving Lives.

In our quest to save more lives, the active participation of our donors by way of donations have helped us reach out to the ever-increasing number of needy, deprived cancer patients.

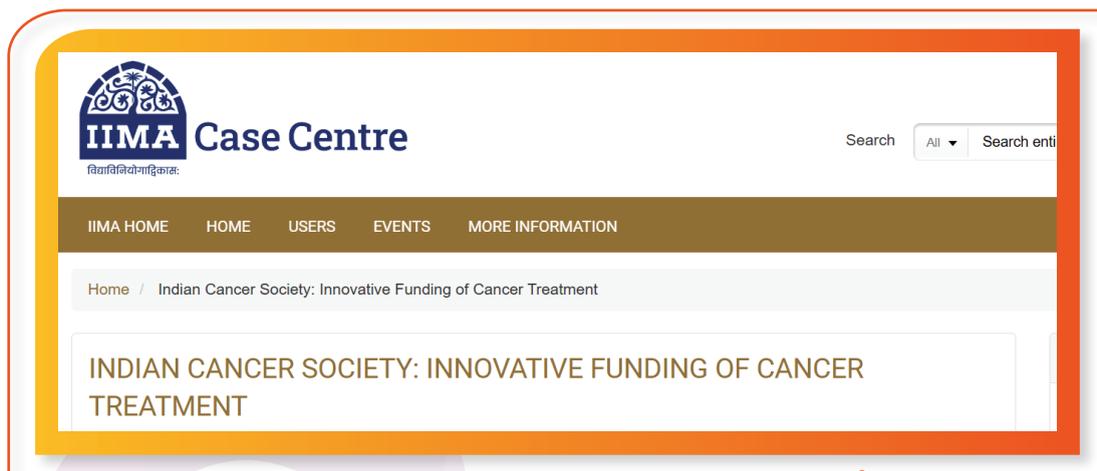
We extend our heartfelt thanks to all our donors.

“ Together, let's continue to give hope to those who hope against hope.”



Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu

Delighted to announce that **ICS – Cancer Cure Fund's innovative funding model** is now published in **the Indian Institute of Management – Ahmedabad Case Centre**



ABSTRACT

Indian Cancer Society: Innovative Funding of Cancer Treatment More than 10 years and three investment rounds after it had created a **new model for fundraising** - through which **more 5,000 donors** had contributed towards a cause that had **impacted 11, 054 lives**, with a **total disbursement of INR 184 crore** until March 31, 2022 - the Indian Cancer Society (ICS) faced new challenges. The roadblock that had emerged in 2010 had raised its head once again in the form of the Covid - 19 pandemic in 2020. Net earnings on the huge amount of the corpus were close to negligible, and the dwindling interest and dividend rates had made it challenging to get a reasonable return. Earlier, dividends, from debt funds were tax - free for the investor and the Dividend Distribution Tax was payable by the fund. In 2020, these dividends became taxable in the hands of the recipient at their marginal tax rate. Thus, the mutual fund model adopted in 2010 was no longer practical for philanthropy funding. How would ICS continue to generate the funds that were required to not only sustain itself but also treat underprivileged patients with cancer, a disease whose treatment drained the pockets of even relatively affluent people?

LEARNING OBJECTIVE

1. To learn how NGOs in India are classified in terms of structure and funding models and to explore the essentiality of a sustainable funding model for NGOs, beneficiaries and donors
2. To identify how donors are classified in terms of their ability to contribute and to study the nature of customer / donor behaviour that leads to a purchase / donation
3. To study the Cancer Cure Fund (CCF) with respect to its structure, features, returns and process design and to analyse the unique selling propositions (USPs) of CCF that convinced a customer to commit and make a donation
4. To analyse the road ahead for ICS after three successful tranches of the HDFC AMC Debt Fund for Cancer Cure.

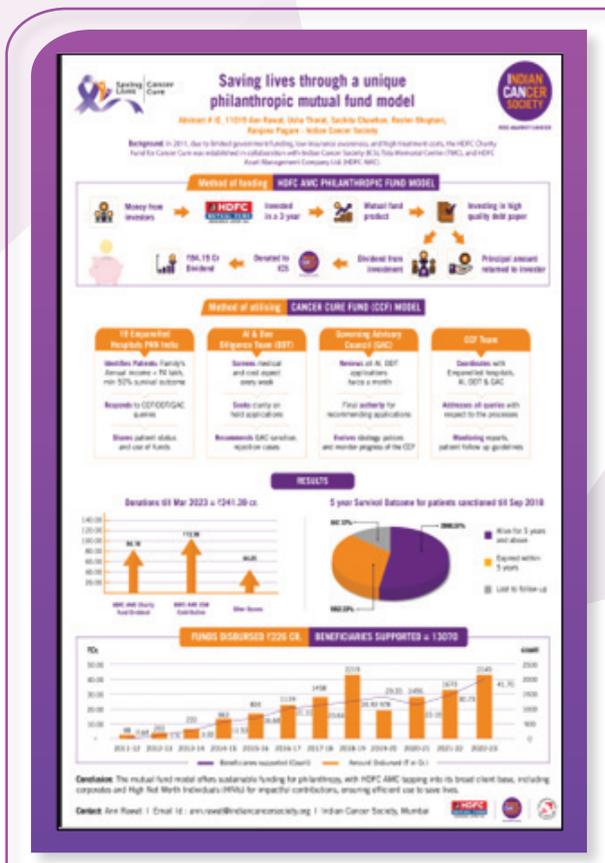
POSTERS / PAPERS PRESENTED ON INTERNATIONAL AND NATIONAL PLATFORMS AND AWARDS

2023 – Ottawa, Canada The Société Internationale d'Oncologie Pédiatrique / International Society of Paediatric Oncology (SIOP) Poster presentation on **Impact of Financial Support and Outcomes of Children with Cancer** – Indian Cancer Society-Cancer Cure Fund (ICS-CCF) and on Structured Paediatric Care Aids the AI in Prior Authorisation for financial assistance- Navya AI and ICS-CCF

2023 – Indian Cancer Congress (ICC) Mumbai, India : Awarded **2nd prize** for Oral Presentation on Artificial Intelligence (AI) and its role in the authorisation process for philanthropic funding.



BEST POSTER PRESENTATION ON SAVING LIVES THROUGH UNIQUE PHILANTHROPIC MUTUAL FUND MODEL.





Pediatric Hematology Oncology Support Services Conference (Phossccon) Chennai, India : Awarded 1st prize for impactful childhood cancer video - making a difference in lives of children with cancer- Nidhi's story won the prize

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wE3yY9z4jvc>

ICC PANEL DISCUSSIONS Awareness, Accessibility and Affordability of Cancer Care



4th Nov. 23 - Indian Cancer Society
The session on Awareness, Accessibility, and Affordability of Cancer Care at Indian Cancer Congress was moderated by Mrs. Usha Thorat, Hon. Secretary and Managing Trustee ICS, featuring speakers who are experts and leaders in the healthcare domain.

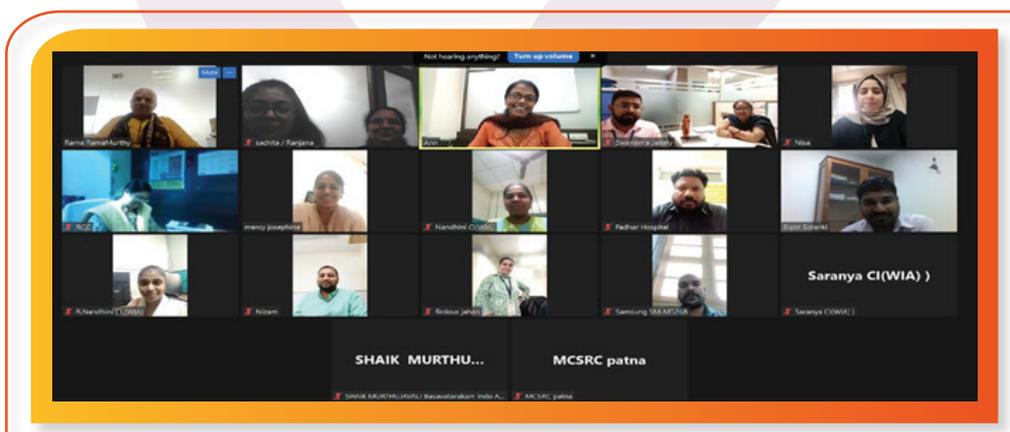
Panel I Subject	Universal accessibility and affordability of Cancer Care
Moderator	Ms. Usha Thorat, Managing Trustee and Secretary, Indian Cancer Society
Speaker	Dr. Indu Bhushan Ex- CEO of NHA, Ex-CEO Ayushman Bharat, Ex-Director General ADB
	Dr. Lalatendu Sarangi, Director, Acharya Harihar Post Graduate Institute of Cancer.
	Ms. Usha Thorat, Managing Trustee and Secretary, Indian Cancer Society
Panel II Subject	Use of science and IT in designing optimal cancer screening and care systems
Moderator	Ms. Usha Thorat, Managing Trustee and Secretary, Indian Cancer Society
Speaker	Dr. Vijay Chandru, Founder Strand Life Sciences
	Dr. Naresh Ramarajan, Founder Navya Care
	Dr.R. Venkataramanan, CEO – Founder, Karkinos Healthcare Cancer Care



The session was extremely interactive and received high praise. All the speakers actively addressed the challenge of making cancer care affordable and accessible. They emphasized the importance of effective planning, collaboration, and execution with distributed care centres, utilizing the advancements in science and technology as the pathway forward.

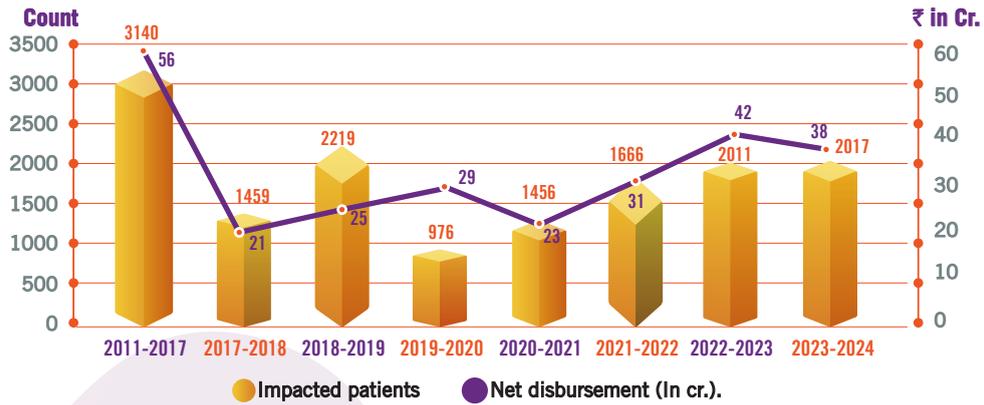
OTHER HIGHLIGHTS OF CANCER CURE

- Tata Memorial Hospital doctors **Dr. Amit Joshi** from Solid Tumor and **Dr. Anant Gokarn** of Haemat Oncology have joined as **members of the Governing Advisory Council**.
- ICS received the **dividend of Rs.2.05 Cr. in 2023** through the 4th series of the **HDFC Charity fund for Cancer Cure**. Some of the top investors to the fund include **HDFC Bank Ltd., HCL Capital Pvt. Ltd., Ultratech Cement Ltd., Exide Industries Ltd., HDFC AMC Ltd., Reliance Industries Ltd., Union Bank Of India, ICICI Bank Ltd.** The next dividend is scheduled for release in **May'24**.
- Few of the CSR donations received from major corporates include contributions from **HDFC AMC Rs.20.25 cr., ICICI Foundation was Rs.8.69 cr., support from Kotak Bank was Rs. 1.70 cr., Rs. 1.15 cr. from BPCL, Clearing Corp. of India was Rs.1cr, Kotak Securities Rs.70 lakh, Aditya Birla Capital Foundation Rs.50 lakh, A H Wadia Trust Rs.50 lakh, Brother International contributed Rs. 43 lakh, LG Rs. 42 lakh, STCI Finance Rs.30 lakh and STCI Primary Dealer Rs. 25 lakh.**
- **Audit conducted in 5 of the Cancer Cure empanelled hospitals viz. Cancer Institute and Christian Medical College – Tamil Nadu, Cachar Cancer Hospital – Assam, Mahavir Cancer Sansthan – Bihar and Baswatarakam Indo American Cancer Hospital - Telangana to ensure adherence to the guidelines and the processes by Mahajan and Aibara Chartered Accountants and LLP audit firm.** Observation on the audit was shared with the hospitals.
- The Government of India has announced **The Digital Personal Data Protection (DPDP) Act 2023** which holds significant implications for NGOs handling patient data. It mandates stringent measures to ensure the confidentiality, integrity, and security of personal health information. Indian Cancer Society is ensuring that it obtains explicit consent from patients for data collection, processing, and sharing, leading to transparency in how data is used. The Act also requires NGOs to implement robust data protection protocols and provide patients with rights to access, correct, and delete their data. Non-compliance can result in severe penalties, making it crucial for NGOs to align their data management practices. **ICS is taking all possible measures to adhere to this Act to protect patient privacy and maintain trust.**
- On **March 29, 2024**, a Zoom meeting was organised with all co-ordinators from the empanelled hospitals to recognize their contributions and support. They were given an **overview of Cancer Cure's performance and challenges for 2023-24**. Additionally, questions / issues expressed by attendees were addressed during the discussion.

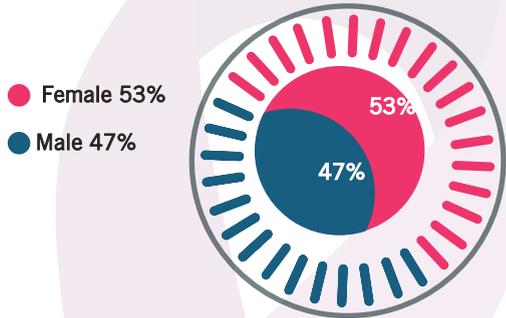


CCF IMPACT

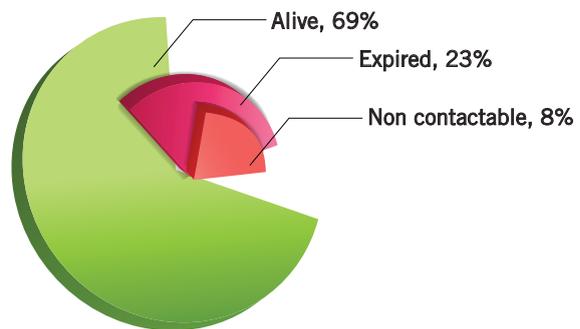
PATIENTS SUPPORTED 14944, FUNDS DISBURSED ₹ 269 cr.



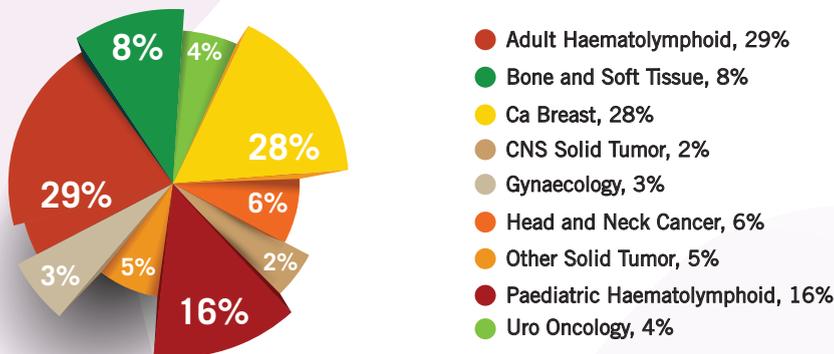
GENDER WISE PATIENTS SUPPORTED, N = 14944



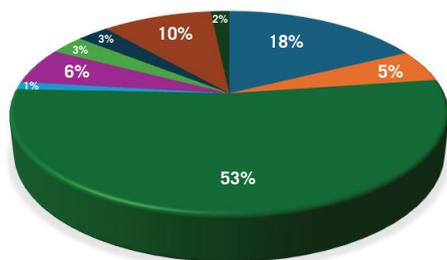
PATIENT STATUS %, N = 14944



DIAGNOSIS COUNT %, N = 14944

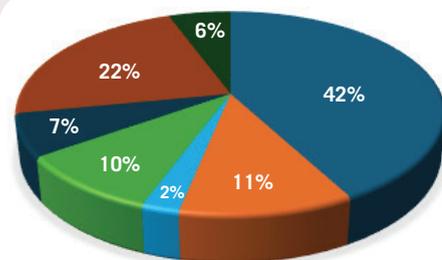


FEMALE BENEFICIARIES WITH CANCER, N = 7959



- Adult Haematolymphoid, 18%
- Bone and Soft Tissue, 5%
- Ca Breast, 53%
- CNS Solid Tumor, 1%
- Gynaecology, 6%
- Head and Neck Cancer, 3%
- Other Solid Tumor, 3%
- Paediatric Haematolymphoid, 10%
- Uro Oncology, 2%

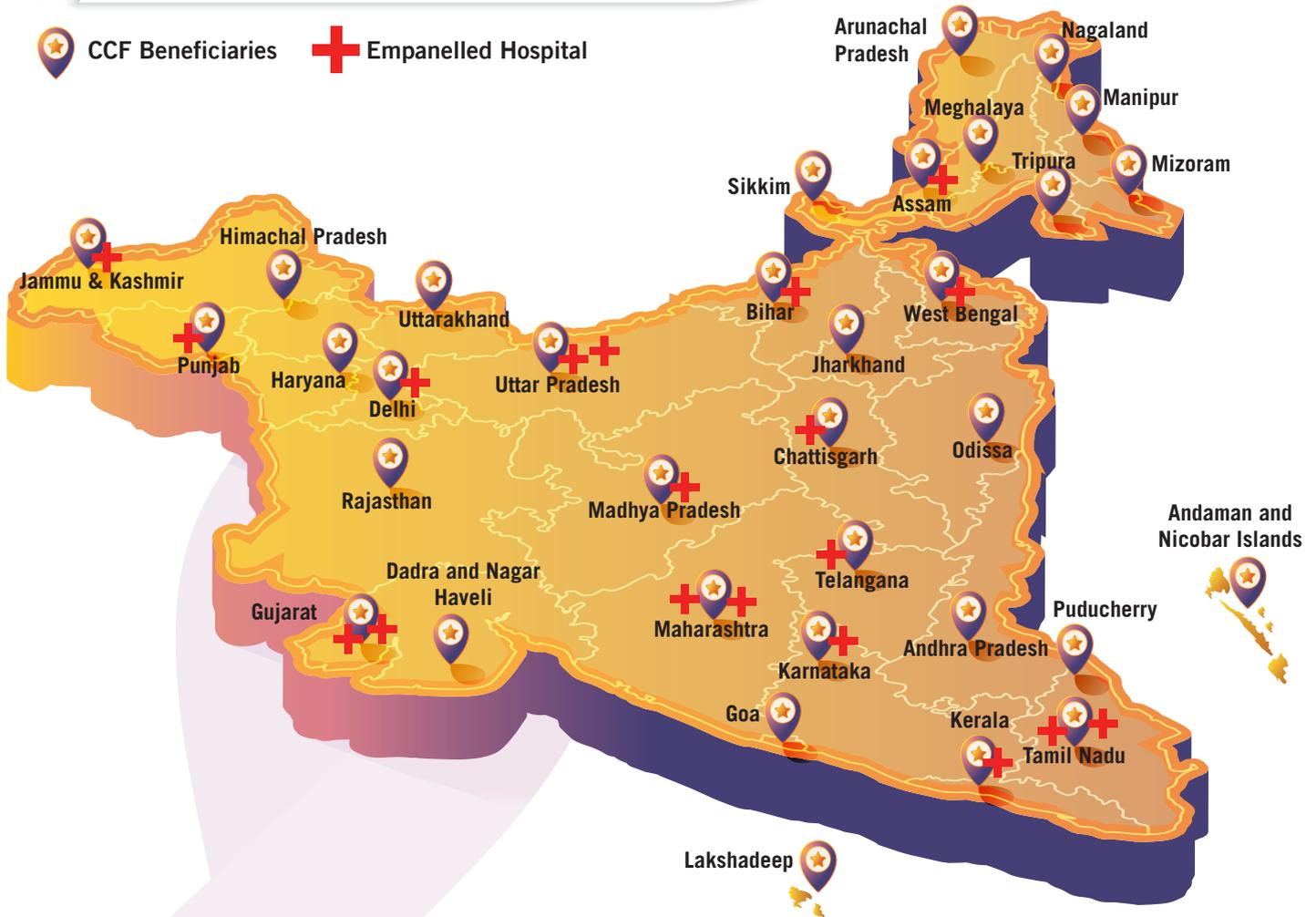
MALE BENEFICIARIES WITH CANCER, N = 6985



- Adult Haematolymphoid, 42%
- Bone and Soft Tissue, 11%
- CNS Solid Tumor, 2%
- Head and Neck Cancer, 10%
- Other Solid Tumor, 7%
- Paediatric Haematolymphoid, 22%
- Uro Oncology, 6%

STATEWISE BENEFICIARY DISTRIBUTION

 CCF Beneficiaries
  Empanelled Hospital



STATE AND UTs	SUPPORTED BENEFICIARIES	STATE AND UTs	SUPPORTED BENEFICIARIES
Andaman and Nicobar Islands	4	Lakshadweep	1
Andhra Pradesh	1263	Madhya Pradesh	633
Arunachal Pradesh	10	Maharashtra	1471
Assam	339	Manipur	23
Bihar	1415	Meghalaya	3
Chandigarh	5	Mizoram	3
Chhattisgarh	89	Nagaland	6
Dadra and Nagar Haveli	4	Odisha	129
Delhi	145	Puducherry	13
Goa	8	Punjab	172
Gujarat	898	Rajasthan	162
Haryana	46	Sikkim	11
Himachal Pradesh	7	Tamil Nadu	2267
Jammu and Kashmir	472	Telangana	534
Jharkhand	402	Tripura	53
Karnataka	865	Uttar Pradesh	1212
Kerala	718	Uttarakhand	14
		West Bengal	1547
TOTAL 14944			

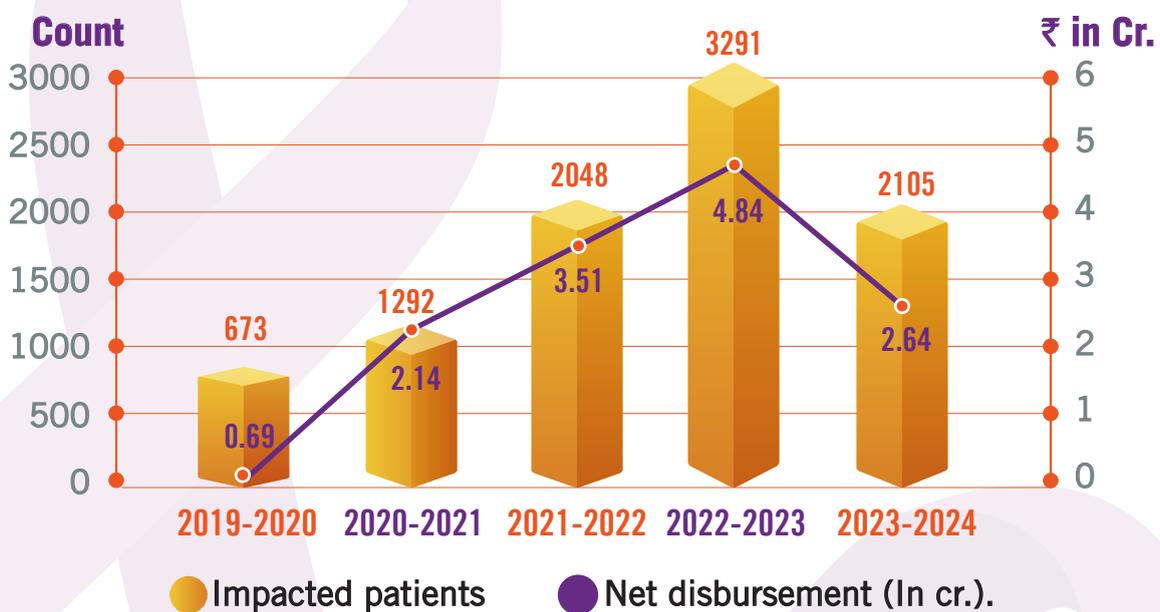
DR. ARUN KURKURE INITIATION AND TREATMENT FUND

The Dr. Arun Kurkure Initiation and Treatment fund (AKITF) continues to support patients who are unable to afford the initial investigations expenses followed by treatment cost. ICS is grateful to donors who continue to support us year on year. Since 2019, we have been able to impact the lives of 9,400 patients both genders being supported equally with an amount of Rs. 14 crores, Most of the patients fall under the age group greater than 45 years, majority of these patients were from Maharashtra.

When diagnosed 1% of the patients did not have cancer. The feedback by the hospitals and the patients confirmed that 85% have initiated the treatment off which 6% expired.

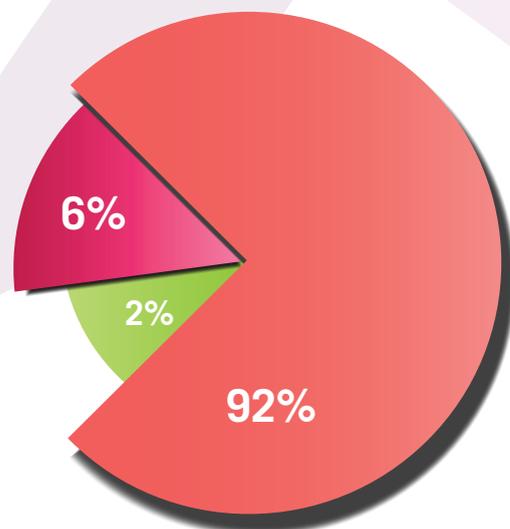
AKITF IMPACT

PATIENTS SUPPORTED 9408, FUNDS DISBURSED ₹ 13.84 cr.



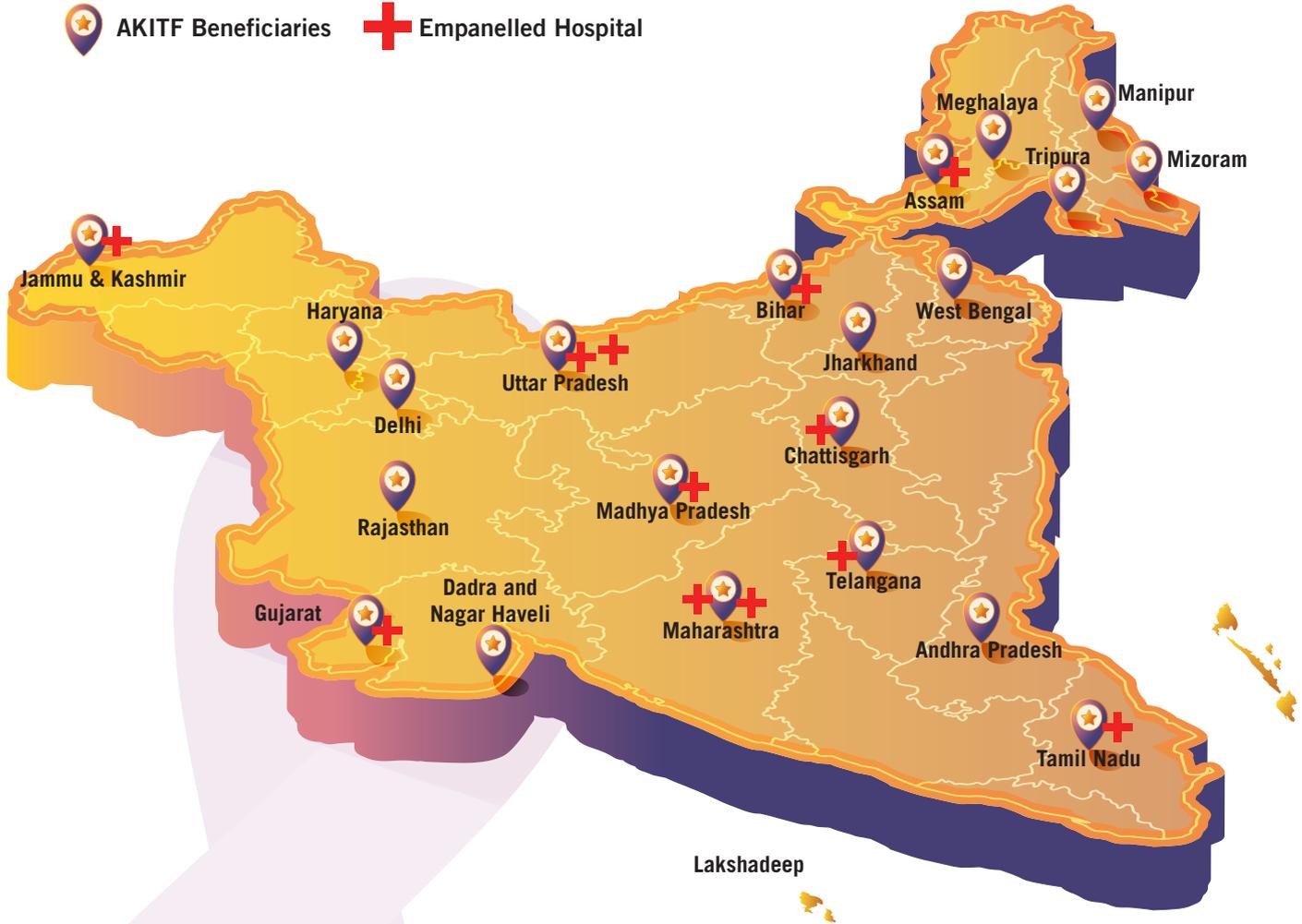
TREATMENT INITIATED BY 7997 PATIENTS

- Alive, 92%
- Expired, 6%
- Unknown, 2%



STATEWISE BENEFICIARY DISTRIBUTION

 AKITF Beneficiaries
  Empanelled Hospital



STATE AND UTs	SUPPORTED BENEFICIARIES	STATE AND UTs	SUPPORTED BENEFICIARIES
Andra Pradesh	12	Madhya Pradesh	405
Assam	2830	Maharashtra	3061
Bihar	570	Manipur	28
Chattisgarh	918	Meghalaya	2
Dadra and Nagar Haveli	1	Mizoram	6
Delhi	1	Rajasthan	1
Gujarat	841	Tamil Nadu	29
Haryana	1	Telangana	2
Jammu and Kashmir	198	Tripura	123
Jharkhand	22	Uttar Pradesh	353
		West Bengal	3
TOTAL 9408			

Impact Assessment – Conducted for Cancer Cure Fund and AKITF project Snapshot.

For detailed report : <https://www.indiancancersociety.org/what-do-we-do/cancer-cure>

Outcomes Of Treatment Programme

1. The programme improved patient outcomes by enabling better access to treatment and better care.
2. The Programme facilitated in decreasing the cancer incidence and mortality.
3. The programme was advantageous for most people as it helped them to go back to work, pursue their education, continue their daily activities, and recover their life span to better quality.
4. The programme bolstered beneficiaries' confidence in facing challenges and inspired hope for long-term sustainability.

Conclusion

The CSR funded programme for cancer treatment has had a significant impact on the lives of patients across India, including paediatric cancer patients. It has provided access to treatment for those who may not have been able to afford it, alleviating the financial burden on families, improving the chances of survival and recovery for patients, and raising awareness about cancer prevention and early detection.

Additionally, it has reduced the psychological burden of patients and their families, providing support and nurturing the will and confidence of patients to combat cancer and endeavour to survive.

The programme is an excellent example of how corporate social responsibility can make a meaningful impact in the healthcare sector, where access to treatment and recovery can be challenging.

In summary, the programme demonstrates society's concern for its citizens by providing access to high-quality healthcare, significantly for those who faced a significant economic and survival challenge.

Findings Social Impact Study - SBI Foundation

- Due to the financial assistance the beneficiaries and their families they are able to look forward to a second chance at life.
- The quick turnaround time between a beneficiary applying for assistance and receiving it ensured that no one's treatment was affected.
- Apart from gaining their health back, they also received mental and emotional solace as a result of the money they received. This has allowed most of them to return to some level of normalcy and regain the ability to live their pre-cancer life.
- ICS has stayed true to their commitment of assisting those who are underserved and perhaps needed assistance the most.
- While other programs at ICS are able to support the investigation and diagnostics phases of the treatment process as well as elements of post treatment care looking ahead, this program could also consider integrating these components along with provision of awareness of patients around managing their health and nutrition in the future.

OUR SUCCESS STORIES

Name: Mr. Jayram Meher
Age and Gender: 28 years old and Male
Location: Bargarh, Odisha
Hospital: Tata Memorial Hospital, Mumbai
Diagnosis: Burkitt's Lymphoma



Jayaram Meher, a promising student hailing from Brahmandihi, Bargarh, found his life taking an unexpected turn when he was diagnosed with Burkitt's lymphoma at the tender age of 19, while pursuing his studies in the 12th grade. His family, with an annual income of only Rs. 18,000, faced a daunting challenge upon learning about his diagnosis and sought help from Tata Memorial Hospital in Mumbai for treatment. The estimated cost of treatment, seemed insurmountable for Jayaram's family. However, with unwavering determination and the assistance of social workers at Tata Memorial Hospital, Jayaram and his brother, secured financial support from ICS-CCF. Jayaram underwent treatment and successfully completed it in January 2014. Inspired by the compassion and support he received during his battle with cancer, Jayaram resolved to dedicate his life to serving his country. Despite the physical and emotional toll of his illness, he pursued his education and physical training diligently. In June 2021, he realized his dream by joining the Central Industrial Security Force (CISF). Jayaram's remarkable journey serves as a beacon of hope and resilience, not only for his family and village but for the entire nation. His brother, , acknowledges the pivotal role played by the Indian Cancer Society in their lives, describing it as a godsend that not only saved Jayaram's life but also improved their financial situation. Today, at 28 years old, Jayaram is stationed in Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh, serving his country with dedication and passion. Despite his demanding responsibilities, he remains committed to his two-year follow-up appointments, embodying the spirit of perseverance and inspiring others with his story of triumph over adversity.

OUR SUCCESS STORIES

Name: Mrs. Savitha K Raju
Age and Gender: 51 years old and Female
Location: Hosur, Tamilnadu
Hospital: Sri Shankara Cancer Hospital & Research Centre, Bengaluru
Diagnosis: Ca Cervix



Mrs. Savitha K Raju, a 51-year-old lady from Hosur, Tamil Nadu, received a devastating diagnosis of Ca cervix at Sri Shankara Cancer Hospital, Bengaluru. Her husband, retired from a local bank, and their studying daughter were deeply affected by the news. With a meager income as a school teacher, Savitha's financial resources were limited, and the family's savings were quickly depleted by the diagnosis and investigations. Thankfully, the Indian Cancer Society provided vital funds, enabling Savitha to undergo radiotherapy and brachytherapy. Responding well to treatment, she has since completed her regimen and returned to normal life. The family expresses immense relief from the financial stress, profoundly grateful for the support received during this hard time.

Name: Mr. Ganesh More
Age and Gender: 58 years old and Male
Location: Alibaug, Maharashtra
Hospital: Tata Memorial Hospital, Mumbai
Diagnosis: Multiple Myeloma



Mr. Ganesh More, a 58-year-old male from Alibaug, Maharashtra, running a small shop, faced the challenge of Multiple Myeloma in 2022. As the sole breadwinner from a low socioeconomic background, the cost of a Bone Marrow Transplant seemed insurmountable. With a son aspiring to pursue higher education, the family was financially strained. Tata Memorial Hospital, in collaboration with the Indian Cancer Society, intervened, securing funds for the treatment. After a successful Bone Marrow Transplant in October 2022, Mr. More responded well to the treatment. His son once compelled to abandon studies, has now resumed education. The family expresses profound gratitude to the hospital and Indian Cancer Society for providing Mr. More with a second chance of life.

Name: Ms. Saanchi Chandramaniya
Age and Gender: 3 years old and Female
Location: Banaskantha, Gujarat
Hospital: SRCC Hospital, Mumbai
Diagnosis: Neuroblastoma



Ms. Saanchi Chandramaniya, a 3-year-old girl from Banaskantha, Gujarat, was diagnosed with High Risk Neuroblastoma. Her father, employed as a diamond assorter, earns Rs. 20,000/- per month, while her mother is a homemaker. With no other source of income, Saanchi's diagnosis brought financial strain to the family. Thanks to the support under the AKITF funds for Initial Diagnosis & Treatment, Saanchi received urgent medical attention at SRCC Hospital, Mumbai, in September 2023. Early diagnosis facilitated prompt chemotherapy treatment, crucial in addressing her condition swiftly.

Name: Master. Mohammed Hamza
Age and Gender: 6 years old and Male
Location: Arafatnagar, Bengaluru, Karnataka
Hospital: Sri Shankara Cancer Hospital & Research Centre, Bengaluru
Diagnosis: Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia



Master. Mohammed Hamza a 6-year-old boy started his educational journey with lot of enthusiasm. His fate took a sudden turn, after he was diagnosed with Pre B-Cell Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia (Pre B-ALL), a type of blood cancer in July 2023 at Sri Shankara Cancer Hospital & Research Centre, Bengaluru. Mohammed's father is an income scrap dealer with modest earnings while his mother is a homemaker. The family faced lot of financial challenges and had almost lost all their hopes in arranging funds for their son's treatment. Fortunately with the support of the Indian Cancer Society-Cancer Cure Fund (ICS-CCF) and its donors timely financial assistance was provided for Mohammed's treatment. Thus with the help of ICS-CCF and its donors Mohammed commenced his cancer treatment journey and responded positively to chemotherapy process. Mohammed has successfully completed his treatment and looks forward to join back his school in the next academic year. The Hamza family is immensely grateful to the Indian Cancer Society and its donors for Mohammed's treatment which would not have been possible without their crucial support.

Name: Mrs. Kasthuri Pandi
Age and Gender: 30 years old and Female
Location: Dindigul, Tamilnadu
Hospital: Cancer Institute, Chennai
Diagnosis: Ca Breast



Mrs. Kasthuri Pandi, a 30-year-old widow from Dindigul, Tamil Nadu, faced immense challenges after losing her beloved husband. Struggling to navigate through grief and loss, she received the devastating diagnosis of cancer. With two young children studying in 6th and 4th grade, and limited financial resources, she felt overwhelmed by the prospect of treatment expenses. Thankfully, the Cancer Institute offered her the opportunity to seek funding from the Indian Cancer Society (ICS). With the financial support provided by ICS, Mrs. Kasthuri was able to undergo her treatment, relieving her of the burden of medical expenses. Now, on a 3-month follow-up, she expresses her gratitude towards the Cancer Institute and ICS for their invaluable assistance, allowing her to focus on caring for her family with the support of her parents. She acknowledges the lifeline that ICS provided, expressing heartfelt thanks for their support, encouragement, and kindness throughout her journey to recovery.

Name: Mr. Sanjay Kumar
Age and Gender: 49 years old and Male
Location: Begusarai, Bihar
Hospital: Mahavir Cancer Sansthan & Research Centre, Bihar
Diagnosis: Ca Penis

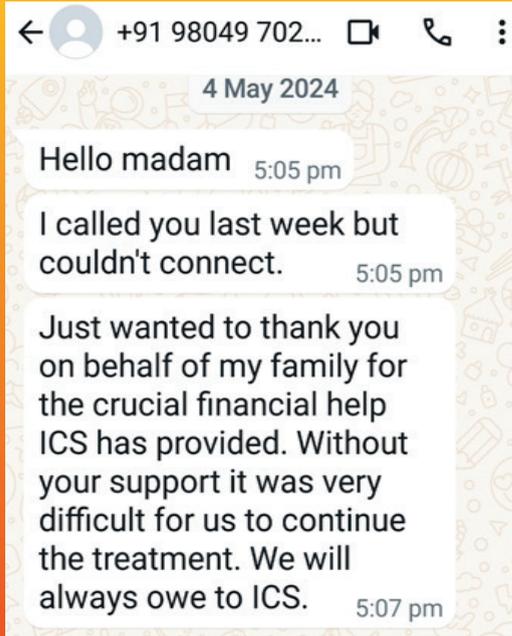


Mr. Sanjay Kumar, a 49-year-old male from Begusarai, Bihar, was diagnosed with Carcinoma of the Penis. Thanks to early detection, he underwent successful surgery in January 2024 through the AKITF program of the Indian Cancer Society. Now, receiving ongoing treatment at Mahavir Cancer Sansthan & Research Centre, Patna, and Sanjay is able to continue his work, supported by the timely intervention that saved his life at an early stage. Grateful for the support received from all the donors and the Indian Cancer Society, his entire family expresses deep appreciation for the assistance provided during their challenging journey.



Name: Master. Shah Iqbal
Age and Gender: 5 years old and Male
Location: Anantnag, Jammu and Kashmir
Hospital: Sher i Kashmir Institute of Medical Sciences, Jammu and Kashmir
Diagnosis: Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia

Master. Shah Abrar Iqbal, a 5-year-old boy from Anantnag, Jammu and Kashmir, initially sought medical attention for recurring tonsillitis. Despite initial treatment, further investigation revealed abnormalities, prompting referral to SKIMS hospital. With his father as the sole breadwinner, employed as a laborer, the family faced financial distress. However, the intervention of the AKITF provided crucial financial assistance for the child's initial treatment, easing the family's burden. Persistent Minimal Residual Disease (MRD) added to the family's ordeal, but with continued medical care, the child eventually tested negative for MRD after four months. To sustain ongoing treatment, they enrolled in the Cancer Cure Fund (CCF), receiving essential financial aid. Now, undergoing treatment and responding positively, the family acknowledges the vital support from medical professionals, AKITF, and CCF, emphasizing the pivotal role of financial assistance in overcoming obstacles to childhood cancer treatment.



Hi Team,

My mother was undergoing cancer treatment in CMC Vellore. She was diagnosed with breast cancer 2021 . After it was big shock to mom and the family, we worried that how to get the best treatment without much cost. Your support during the time of treatment was remarkable.

On behalf of my mother and my family, I would to thank Indian Cancer Society for your amazing service. Thank you for continuous follow ups after the treatment ,specially Ms.Latha from ICS.

4:40 pm

Mam lots of thank you for your sponsorship for my treatment . Now I am all right and also my family member also. And once again thank you for your financial support for our family.
Thank you for who are all sponsor for my treatment.

7:36 pm

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