

**NATIONAL PROGRAMME FOR PREVENTION AND
CONTROL OF DEAFNESS (NPPCD),
NATIONAL HEALTH MISSION, MIZORAM
FY 2023 - 2024**

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Status of Implementation :

- NPPCD was launched in Mizoram since April, 2014 and currently, the Programme is implemented in nine (9) districts namely Aizawl East, Aizawl West, Champhai, Kolasib, Lawngtlai, Lunglei, Mamit, Serchhip and Siahia District.

Objectives of the Programme :

- 1) To prevent avoidable hearing loss on account of disease or injury.
- 2) Early identification, diagnosis and treatment of ear problems responsible for hearing loss and deafness.
- 3) To medically rehabilitate persons of all age groups, suffering with deafness.
- 4) To strengthen the existing inter-sectoral linkages for continuity of the rehabilitation programme, for persons with deafness.
- 5) To develop institutional capacity for ear care services by providing support for equipment, material and training personnel.

Best Practices, innovative initiatives, Achievement & Performance :

1. Training during FY 2023-2024 :

- Training of Staff Nurse from District Hospital, Sub District Hospital, CHCs and UPHCs (7th March, 2024).
- Training of Staff Nurse from PHCs (8th March, 2024).
- Training of Medical Officers from PHCs (12th March, 2024).

2. Good practices / Special Achievement during FY 2023-2024 :

- NPPCD Mizoram had distributed a total of 287 Free Hearing Aids in collaboration with Deen Dayal Sravana Foundation (DDSF), Andhra Pradesh & Coal India Ltd., Kolkata under Hon'ble Governor of Mizoram, Shri Dr. Hari Babu Khambampati initiative. (29th January, 2024).
- **Review Meeting held on 30th November, 2023** at DHME Auditorium, MINECO, Khatla.
- **Observance of World Day of the Deaf 2023 was held on 25th September, 2023 at Durbar Hall, Raj Bhawan.**
- **Observance of World Hearing Day 2024 was held on 4th March, 2024 at MJA Conference Hall, Treasury Square.**
- **IEC (Information, Education & Communication)** – Printing of Leaflets, Pamphlets, Poster, Panel Discussions and Making of TV Spot and Broadcasting on local channels like DDK, Zonet & LPS and Awareness Campaigns along with Free Clinics. First NPPCD Weekly Bulletin & Weekly Report was published on 17th November, 2023 (Friday).

3. Procurement of Equipments :

- Otoendoscope with light source for Civil Hospital, Aizawl.
- Tympanometer for District Hospital, Kolasib.

4. Case Detection & Reports (FY 2023-2024) :

- No. of people screened for Deafness - 73573
- Total No. of Hearing Loss - 5444
- No. of persons fitting with Hearing Aids - 288
- No. of Surgeries performed - 159
- Speech & Language Therapy done - 190
- No. of persons referred for Rehabilitation (Speech Therapy + Hearing Aid) - 2461
- No. of Awareness & Screening Camp organised - 51
- No. of Patients screened - 2125
- Total No. of Hearing Loss (Screening Camp) - 931