

Achievements (as on June 2008)

Regional Cancer Centres:

As of now, there are 27 Regional Cancer Centres, including 6 NGOs, providing comprehensive cancer care services. Outreach and research activities in prevention and treatment of cancers are carried out by these centres. (List of Regional Cancer Centres given in Annexure I)

Oncology wing:

Support has been given to 82 institutes in both Government Medical Colleges and Government Hospitals for development of Oncology wing. At present there are 246 institutions with radiotherapy facilities across the country, including the 27 Regional Cancer Centres.

District Cancer Control Programme:

The District Cancer Control Programme, which has been developed to initiate awareness and early detection activities at the district level; are in place in 28 districts at present.

IEC Activities:

Health education is an important tool for prevention and early detection of cancers, which is given importance in every scheme under the National Cancer Control Programme. The programme supports activities of health magazine 'Kalyani' and telecast by Prasar Bharti targeting especially those living in the most populous States. It is an interactive programme which provides an interface to the people with experts on various health and social issues. Kalyani is telecast in 9 capital Doordarshan stations-Bhopal, Bhubaneswar, Dehradun, Guwahati, Jaipur, Lucknow, Patna, Raipur, Ranchi and 12 sub regional stations i.e. Gorakhpur, Varanasi, Bariely, Mau, Allhabad, Indore, Gwalior, Jagdalpur, Daltonganj, Bhawanipatna, Sambalpur & Muzaffarpur. IEC materials in the form of audio-video spots, posters, leaflets, flipcharts etc. have been developed. Advertisements have been given in the leading dailies for creating awareness about cancer among the general masses.

National Cancer Awareness Day:

The birth anniversary of Nobel Laureate Madam Curie is being observed as National Cancer Awareness Day since 2001, to create more awareness about cancer. The theme for 2007 was “Detect Early, Save Life’. Some pictures related to National Cancer Awareness Day may be seen at: http://www.whoindia.org/EN/Section20/Section385_1353.htm

Onconet- India:

NIC has prepared the Detailed Project Report for Operationalisation of Onconet India. Under the project 25 RCCs will be linked with each other and also each RCC would in turn be linked to 4 peripheral centres thus facilitating telemedicine services and continued medical education. Telemedicine Services including tele-consultations, tele-referral, tele-pathology etc. will be provided. The budget for the project is Rs.13.25 crores, which will be done in 2 phases. Early detection, treatment, follow-up and management of cancer cases are the main services to be provided by this project.

Membership of IARC: International Agency for Research on Cancer is a specialized agency of WHO to coordinate International Cooperation in Cancer Research. India has become a member of IARC at the 48th Session of the governing Council of IARC held in May 2006 at Lyon, France, which shall provide a fillip to cancer research in the country. So far IARC has provided technical and financial support for several cancer research and preventive projects in India.

Budget Allocation: The tentative budget for the 11th Five Year Plan is Rs.2400.00 crores. The budget allocation for 2007-08 is Rs. 140.00 crore.

LIST OF REGIONAL CANCER CENTRES

Govt RCCs

1. M.N.J.Institute of Oncology, Hyderabad, **Andhra Pradesh**
2. Dr. B.Borooah Cancer Institute, Guwahati, **Assam**
3. Indira Gandhi Institute of Medical Sciences, Patna, **Bihar**
4. PGIMER, **Chandigarh**
5. Pt.J.L.N Medical College, Raipur, **Chattisgarh**
6. PGIMS, Rohtak, **Haryana**
7. Indira Gandhi Medical College, Shimla, **Himachal Pradesh**
8. Sher-i-kashmir Instt., Srinagar, **Jammu & Kashmir**
9. Government Medical College, **Jammu& Kashmir**
10. Kidwai Memorial Institute of Oncology, Bangalore, **Karnataka**
11. Regional Cancer Centre, Thiruvananthapuram, **Kerala**
12. Regional Institute of Medical Sciences, Imphal, **Manipur**
13. Civil Hospital,Aizwal **Mizoram**
14. Dr.B.R.A. Institute Rotary Cancer Hospital, AIIMS,**New Delhi**
15. Regional Cancer Centre, Cuttack, **Orrissa**
16. JIPMER **Puducherry**
17. S. P. Medical College, Bikaner, **Rajasthan**
18. Arignar Anna Memorial Instt., Kancheepuram, **Tamil Nadu**
19. Civil Hospital, Agratala, **Tripura**
20. SGPGI, Lucknow, **Uttar Pradesh**
21. Chittaranjan National Cancer Institute, Calcutta, **West Bengal**

NGO RCCs

22. Gujarat Cancer Research Institute, Ahmedabad, **Gujarat**
23. Cancer Hospital & Research Institute, Gwalior, **Madhya Pradesh**
24. Rashtra Sant Tukdoji, Nagpur, **Maharashtra**
25. Tata Memorial Hospital, Bombay, **Maharashtra**
26. Cancer Instt., Chennai, **Tamil Nadu**
27. Kamla Nehru Memorial Hospital, Allahabad, **Uttar Pradesh**

Distribution of 27 Regional Cancer Centres

