



West Bengal State AIDS  
Prevention & Control Society

Health Camps for  
returnee migrants &  
their families, 2017-18  
West Bengal



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## **Foreword**

Sentinel Surveillance data showed that prevalence of HIV infection among the migrants and their spouses is considerably higher than the non-migrants & their spouses.

These out-migrants usually return during festival time to their native places. In order to reach them & their spouses, a total number of 42 intensive health camps and communication campaigns were conducted by West Bengal State AIDS Prevention & Control Society in collaboration with District Health and Family Welfare Samitis at pre-determined strategic locations of the high outmigration blocks/villages during the festival season.

I am thankful to district administration, NGO TI partners implementing LWS, SIA & other intervention programmes, DAPCUs and all the staffs of WBSAP&CS to make the programme successful.

I would like to complement & record my appreciation to the entire team of Targeted Intervention (TI) Division, WBSAP&CS for successfully conducting the programme.

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Migration is perceived to be an independent risk factor for HIV. HIV transmission largely depends on the dynamics of migration process. Though the HIV Sentinel Surveillance 2016-17 indicates a declining trend of prevalence among the Migrant Labourer (0.80%) in West Bengal, still in order to consolidate what so ever has been achieved, there is always a need to reach out those migrants and their spouses with HIV related services tailored for the group apart from the activities couched in the Revised Migrant Strategy already in implementation phase at Migrant Destination sites.

The best time to reach out the migrants is the time when they return home to their villages/native places. This happens during the major festival seasons like Durga Puja, Kalipuja, Eid etc and crop yielding seasons. Hence, intensive package of health and communication activities timed accordingly would reach out to maximum number of migrants and their spouses. Returnee migrants are also often labour contractors or peer group leaders who may in turn pave the way for youth to migrate after the current crop yielding/ festival season. Positioning health services at their doorstep i.e. the home districts of the migrants would also address the limitations of access to services by migrants at destination caused due to paucity of time on the part of migrants as payment for work is based on the time spent on shifts. At the same time it would create access to HIV services for spouses and partners of migrants who are often left behind at source.

Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, National AIDS Control Organisation, Government of India has suggested for initiating activities through Government of West Bengal agencies and West Bengal State AIDS Prevention & Control Society to provide services keeping in view the importance of provision of prevention services for migrants and their spouses.

West Bengal State AIDS Prevention & Control Society (WBSAP&CS), under Department of Health, Govt. of West Bengal, had organized forty two (42) Intensive Health Camps with IEC Campaigns for returnee migrants & their families across eight (8) districts of our State.

Main focus was to create awareness on HIV/AIDS issues among returnee migrants & their spouses. These camps were focused on all basic information regarding modes of transmission of HIV, preventive methods, myths and misconceptions about HIV and AIDS. The information dissemination was a crucial need as majority of camp attendees including large number of returnee migrants are from rural areas and don't have ready access to such information.

## Glimpse of Intensive Health Camps for returnee migrants & their families' 2017-18

Total number of districts in the State	:	23	
Total number of districts where Intensive Health Camps organized	:	8	
Total number of Intensive Health Camps organized	:	42	
Total number of people attended	:	15792	
Percentage of female camp attendees	:	49%	
Total number of Migrants/ their spouses attended	:	8560	
Total number of attendees counselled & tested regarding HIV	:	8124	
Number of attendees found to be HIV reactive	:	14	
Number of HIV reactive attendees linked with nearby ICTC	:	14	
Total number of Migrants/ their spouses counselled & tested regarding HIV	:	6603	
Number of Migrants/ their spouses found to be HIV reactive	:	10	
Number of HIV reactive Migrants/ their spouses linked with nearby ICTC	:	10	
HIV sero-reactivity %	Total	:	0.18%
	Among migrants/ their spouses	:	0.16%
	Among non-migrants	:	0.28%
Total number of attendees counselled regarding STI	:	2807	
Total number of attendees treated for STI	:	1508	

## District-wise Facts & Figures of Intensive Health Camps for returnee migrants & their families' 2017-18



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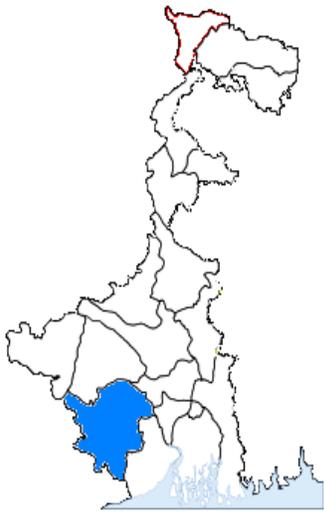


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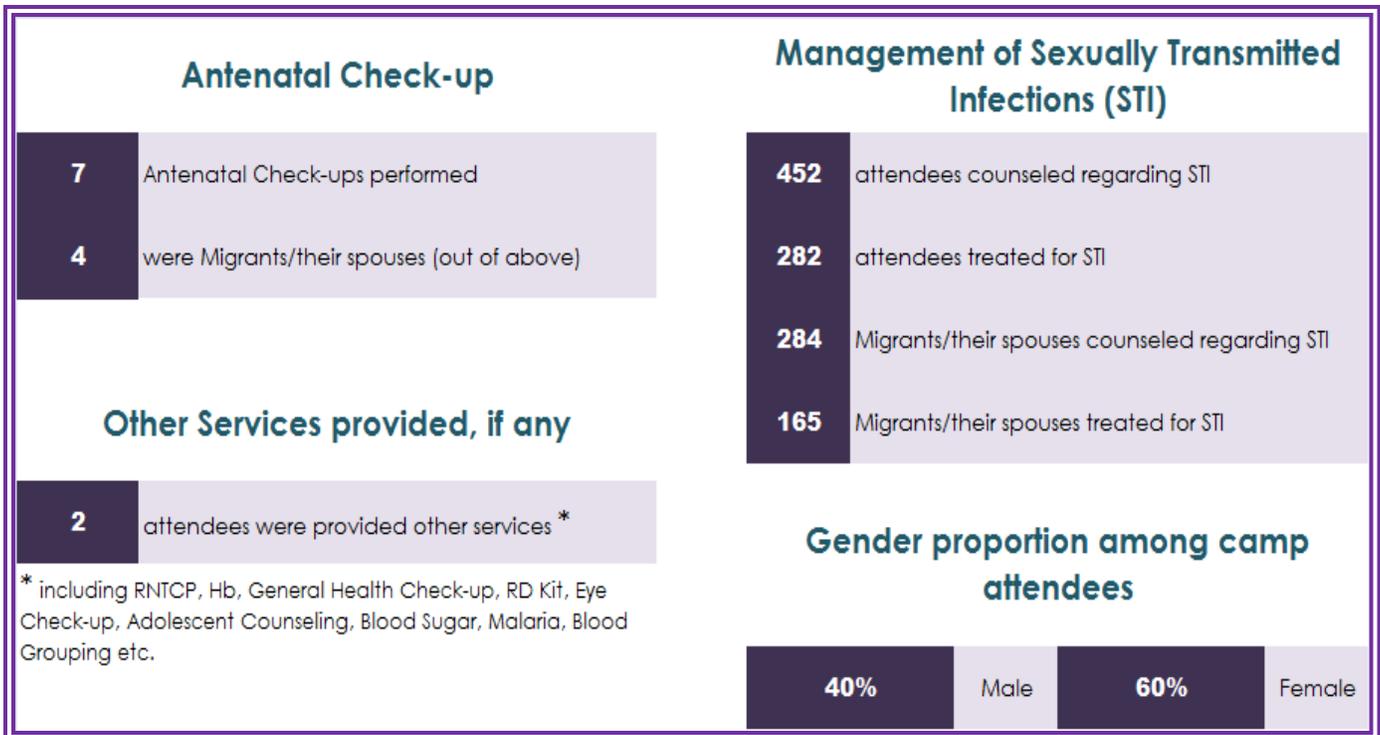
	No. of camps organised	
	Name of the Block/ Municipality	
		<b>5</b>
Kankasha		1
Andal		1
Raniganj		1
Pandabeswar		1
Barabani		1

### Basic Information

<b>5</b>	camps organized
<b>1837</b>	people attended these camps
<b>367</b>	people attended per camp
<b>512</b>	were Migrants/ their spouses (out of total attendees)
<b>28%</b>	attendees were Migrants or their spouses

### Testing of HIV

No. of attendees found to be HIV reactive	<b>1058</b> attendees counseled regarding HIV	HIV sero-reactivity % (among migrants / their spouses)
<b>2</b>	<b>1058</b> attendees tested for HIV	<b>0.22%</b>
HIV sero-reactivity % (Total)	<b>58%</b> of attendees tested for HIV	HIV sero-reactivity % (among non-migrants)
<b>0.19%</b>	<b>453</b> Migrants/their spouses counseled regarding HIV	<b>0.17%</b>
	<b>453</b> Migrants/their spouses tested for HIV	
	<b>88%</b> of Migrants/their spouses tested for HIV (out of Migrants/their spouses attendees)	



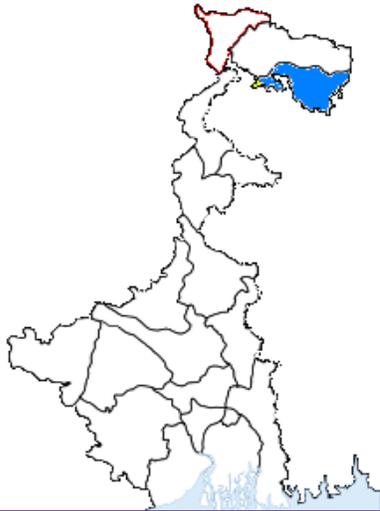
#### Migrants' timing of return to native place from destination sites:

1. October
2. November

#### Major Destination States/ Country of returnee migrants:

1. Maharashtra
2. Orissa
3. Tamilnadu
4. Delhi/ NCR
5. Rajasthan

## COCHBEHAR

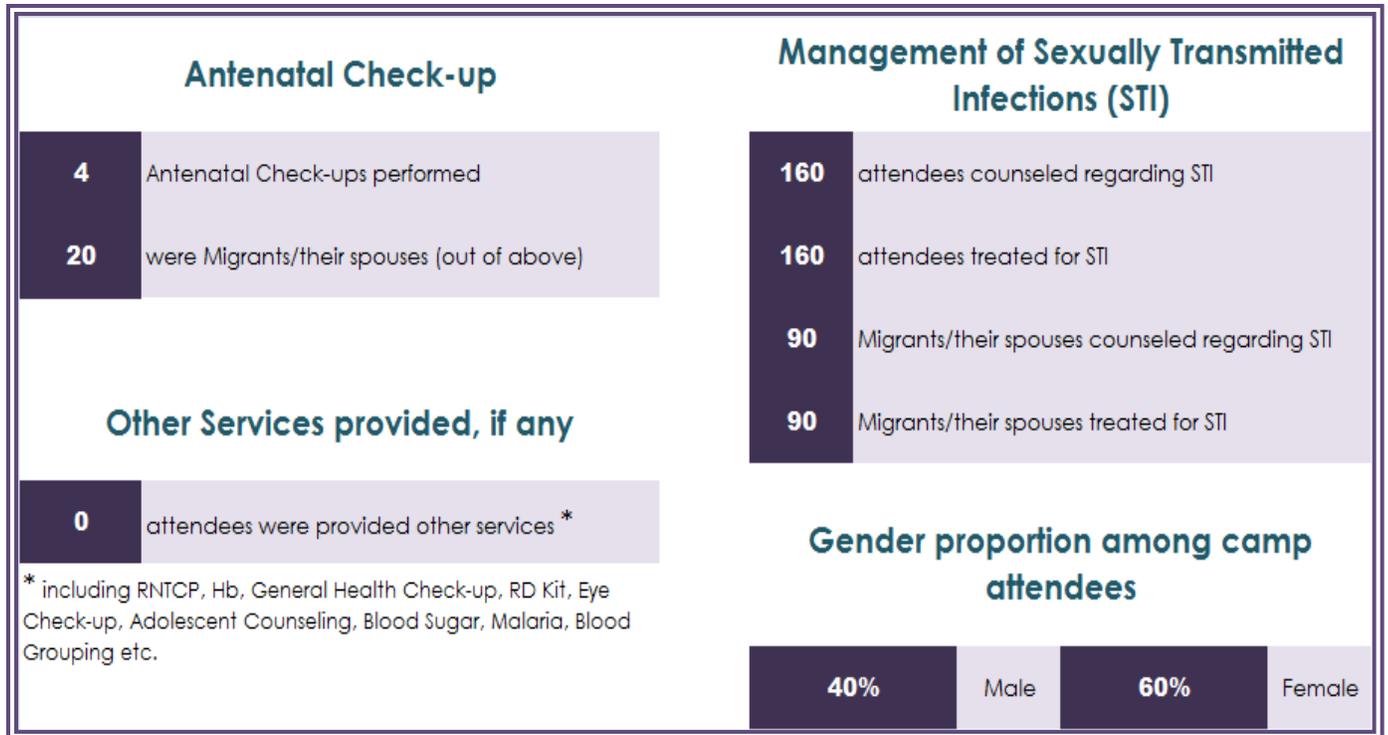
	Name of the Block/ Municipality	No. of camps organised
	Cochbehari-II	1
	Cochbehari-II	1
	Dinhata-II	1
	Tufanganj-I	1
	Tufanganj-II	1

### Basic Information

<b>5</b>	camps organized
<b>1085</b>	people attended these camps
<b>217</b>	people attended per camp
<b>498</b>	were Migrants/ their spouses (out of total attendees)
<b>46%</b>	attendees were Migrants or their spouses

### Testing of HIV

No. of attendees found to be HIV reactive	<b>541</b> attendees counseled regarding HIV	HIV sero-reactivity % (among migrants / their spouses)
<b>2</b>	<b>535</b> attendees tested for HIV	<b>0.00%</b>
HIV sero-reactivity % (Total)	<b>49%</b> of attendees tested for HIV	HIV sero-reactivity % (among non-migrants)
<b>0.37%</b>	<b>356</b> Migrants/their spouses counseled regarding HIV	<b>1.12%</b>
	<b>356</b> Migrants/their spouses tested for HIV	
	<b>71%</b> of Migrants/their spouses tested for HIV (out of Migrants/their spouses attendees)	



#### Migrants' timing of return to native place from destination sites:

2. October

3. November

#### Major Destination States/ Country of returnee migrants:

4. Karnataka

7. Delhi/ NCR

5. Bhutan

8. Rajasthan

6. Kerala

## DAKSHIN DINAJPUR

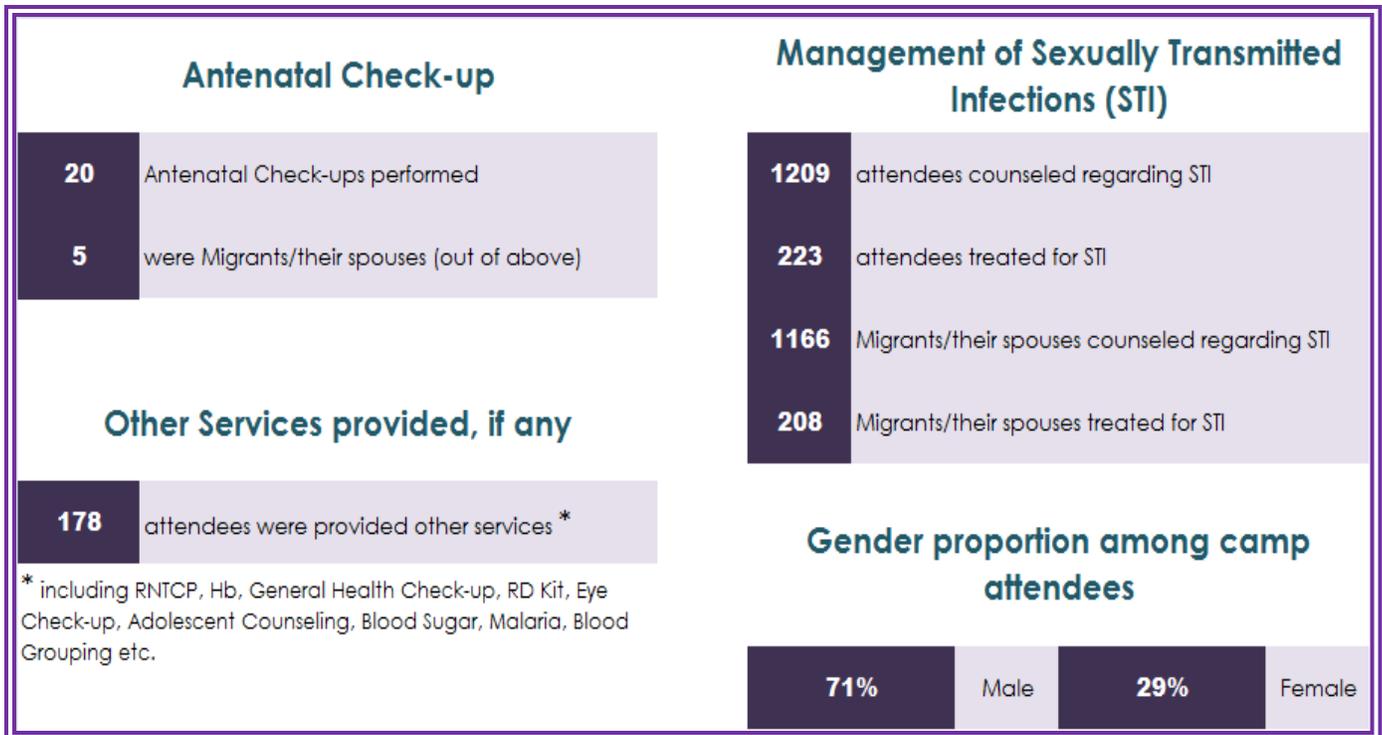
	Name of the Block/ Municipality	No. of camps organised
	Bakirghat	1
	Balurghat	1
	Banshahari	1
	Banshahari	1
	Harirampur	1
	Hill	1
	Kumarganj	1
	Kushmandi	1
	Gangarampur	1
	Tapan	1

### Basic Information

<b>10</b>	camps organized
<b>5759</b>	people attended these camps
<b>576</b>	people attended per camp
<b>4266</b>	were Migrants/ their spouses (out of total attendees)
<b>74%</b>	attendees were Migrants or their spouses

### Testing of HIV

No. of attendees found to be HIV reactive	<b>3</b>	HIV sero-reactivity % (Total)	<b>0.11%</b>
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<b>3323</b>	attendees counseled regarding HIV	<b>3258</b>	Migrants/their spouses counseled regarding HIV
<b>2829</b>	attendees tested for HIV	<b>2815</b>	Migrants/their spouses tested for HIV
<b>49%</b>	of attendees tested for HIV	<b>66%</b>	of Migrants/their spouses tested for HIV (out of Migrants/their spouses attendees)
			HIV sero-reactivity % (among migrants / their spouses)
			<b>0.11%</b>
			HIV sero-reactivity % (among non-migrants)
			<b>0.00%</b>



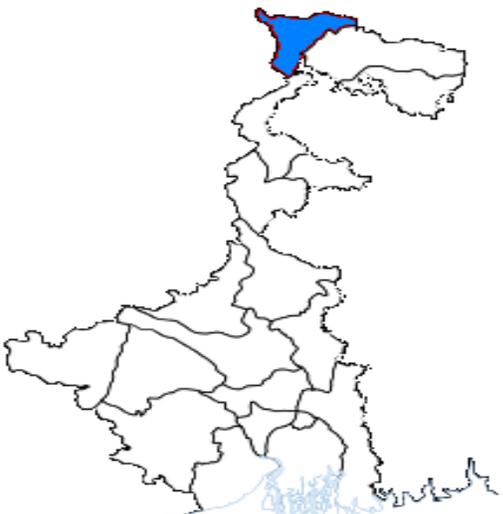
#### Migrants' timing of return to native place from destination sites:

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2. October

#### Major Destination States/ Country of returnee migrants:

1. Gujrat
2. Tamilnadu
3. Kerala
4. Mumbai

## DARJEELING

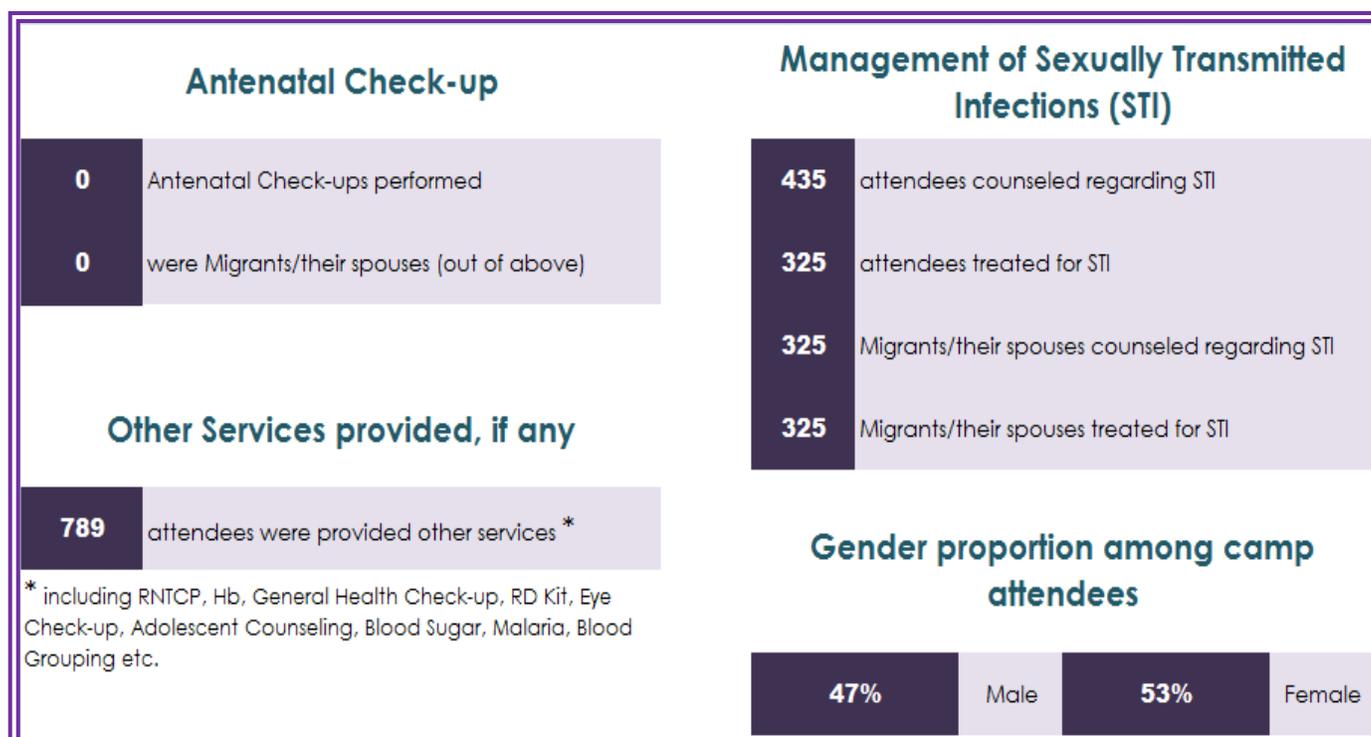
	Name of the Block/ Municipality	No. of camps organised
	Progoti Gram	1
	Sukna	1
	Mirik	1
	Phansidewa	1
	Siliguri	1

### Basic Information

<b>5</b>	camps organized
<b>789</b>	people attended these camps
<b>158</b>	people attended per camp
<b>679</b>	were Migrants/ their spouses (out of total attendees)
<b>86%</b>	attendees were Migrants or their spouses

### Testing of HIV

No. of attendees found to be HIV reactive	<b>3</b>	HIV sero-reactivity % (among migrants / their spouses)	<b>0.92%</b>
HIV sero-reactivity % (Total)	<b>0.92%</b>	HIV sero-reactivity % (among non- migrants)	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>325</b>	attendees counseled regarding HIV	<b>325</b>	attendees tested for HIV
<b>325</b>	attendees tested for HIV	<b>41%</b>	of attendees tested for HIV
<b>325</b>	Migrants/their spouses counseled regarding HIV	<b>325</b>	Migrants/their spouses tested for HIV
<b>325</b>	Migrants/their spouses tested for HIV	<b>48%</b>	of Migrants/their spouses tested for HIV (out of Migrants/ their spouses attendees)



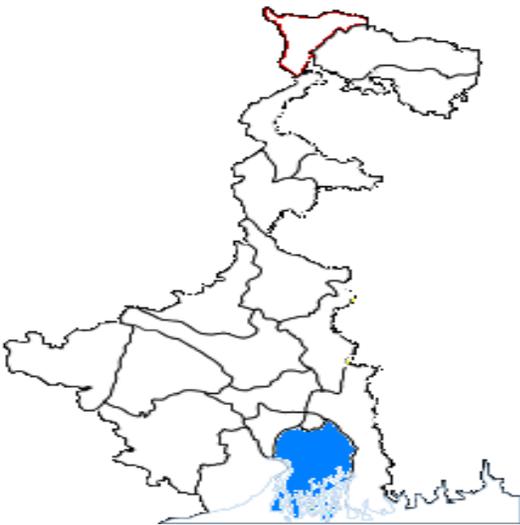
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3. Kerala

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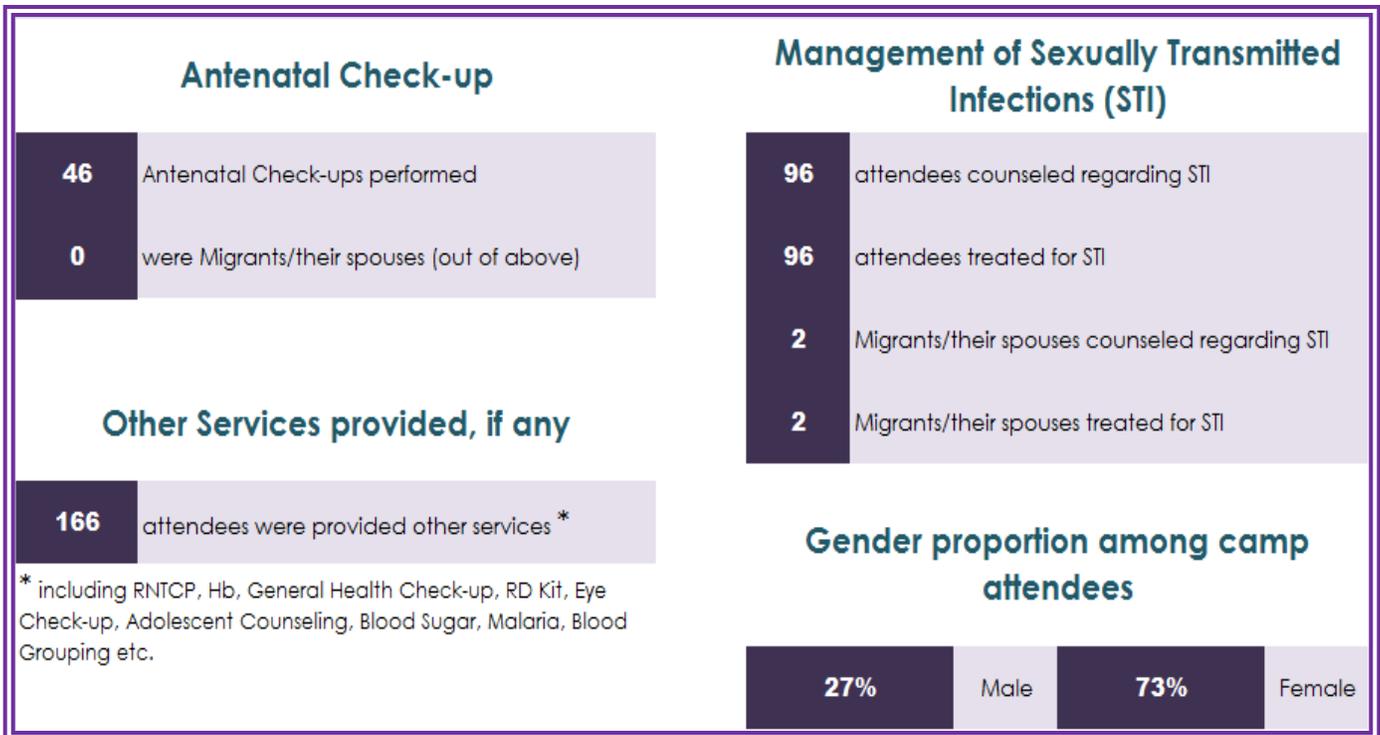
	Name of the Block/ Municipality	No. of camps organised
	Mograhat-I	1
	Mograhat-II	1
	Mograhat-II	1
	Mograhat-II	1
	Baneswarpur RH	1

### Basic Information

<b>5</b>	camps organized
<b>1637</b>	people attended these camps
<b>327</b>	people attended per camp
<b>126</b>	were Migrants/ their spouses (out of total attendees)
<b>8%</b>	attendees were Migrants or their spouses

### Testing of HIV

No. of attendees found to be HIV reactive	<b>492</b>	attendees counseled regarding HIV	HIV sero-reactivity % (among migrants / their spouses)
<b>1</b>	<b>492</b>	attendees tested for HIV	<b>0.00%</b>
HIV sero-reactivity % (Total)	<b>30%</b>	of attendees tested for HIV	HIV sero-reactivity % (among non- migrants)
<b>0.20%</b>	<b>126</b>	Migrants/their spouses counseled regarding HIV	<b>0.27%</b>
	<b>126</b>	Migrants/their spouses tested for HIV	
	<b>100%</b>	of Migrants/their spouses tested for HIV (out of Migrants/ their spouses attendees)	



#### Migrants' timing of return to native place from destination sites:

1. September
2. October

#### Major Destination States/ Country of returnee migrants:

1. Maharashtra
2. Delhi/ NCR
3. Kerala
4. Gujrat
5. Haryana
6. Punjab

## MURSHIDABAD

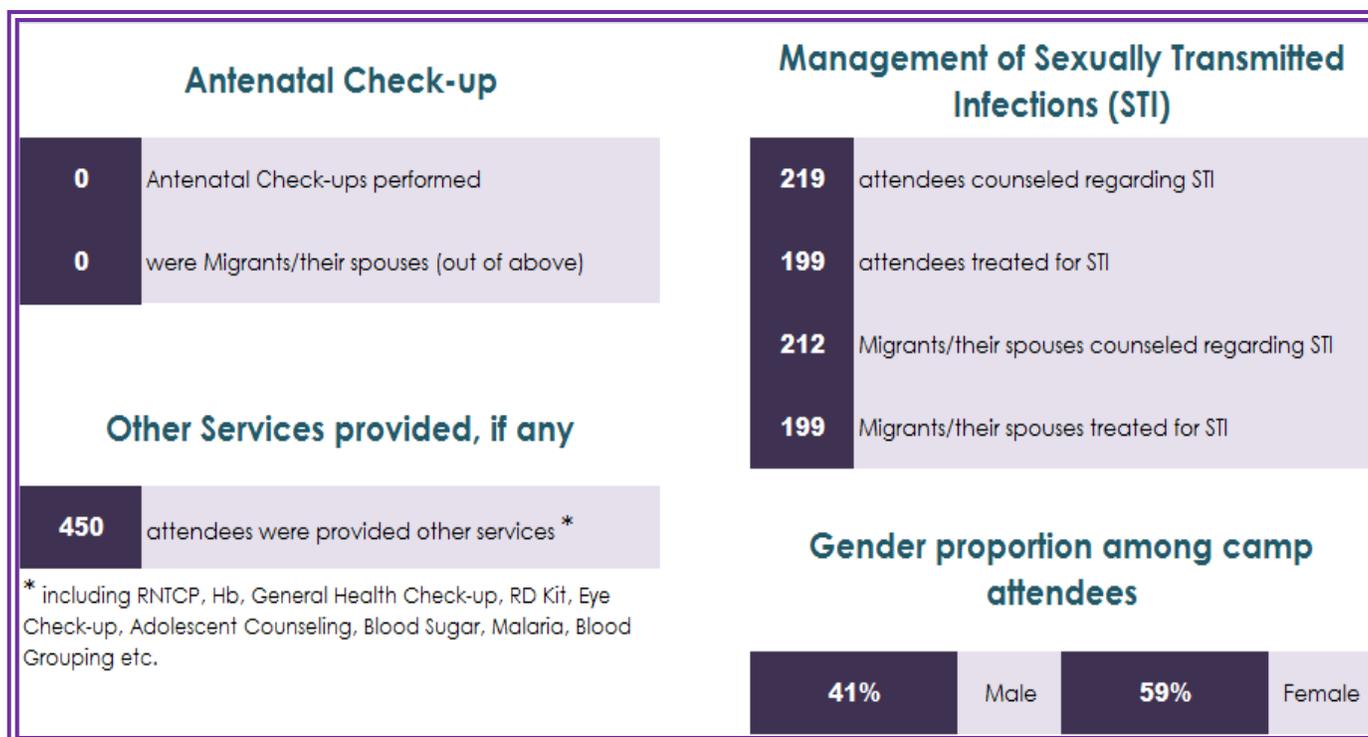
	Name of the Block/ Municipality	No. of camps organised
		<b>3</b>
	Bharatpur II	1
	Lalgola	1
	Raghunathganj II	1

### Basic Information

<b>3</b>	camps organized
<b>2049</b>	people attended these camps
<b>683</b>	people attended per camp
<b>1478</b>	were Migrants/ their spouses (out of total attendees)
<b>72%</b>	attendees were Migrants or their spouses

### Testing of HIV

No. of attendees found to be HIV reactive	<b>1</b>	<b>1238</b>	attendees counseled regarding HIV	HIV sero-reactivity % (among migrants / their spouses)
HIV sero-reactivity % (Total)	<b>0.08%</b>	<b>1238</b>	attendees tested for HIV	<b>0.08%</b>
		<b>60%</b>	of attendees tested for HIV	
		<b>1238</b>	Migrants/their spouses counseled regarding HIV	HIV sero-reactivity % (among non- migrants)
		<b>1238</b>	Migrants/their spouses tested for HIV	<b>0.00%</b>
		<b>84%</b>	of Migrants/their spouses tested for HIV (out of Migrants/ their spouses attendees)	



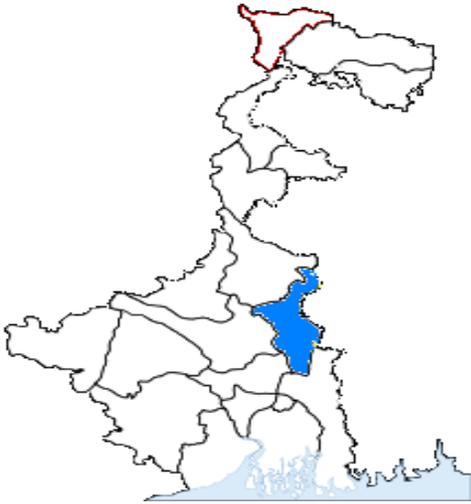
#### Migrants' timing of return to native place from destination sites:

1. October
2. November
3. June
4. July

#### Major Destination States/ Country of returnee migrants:

1. Mumbai
2. Kerala
3. Tamilnadu

## NADIA

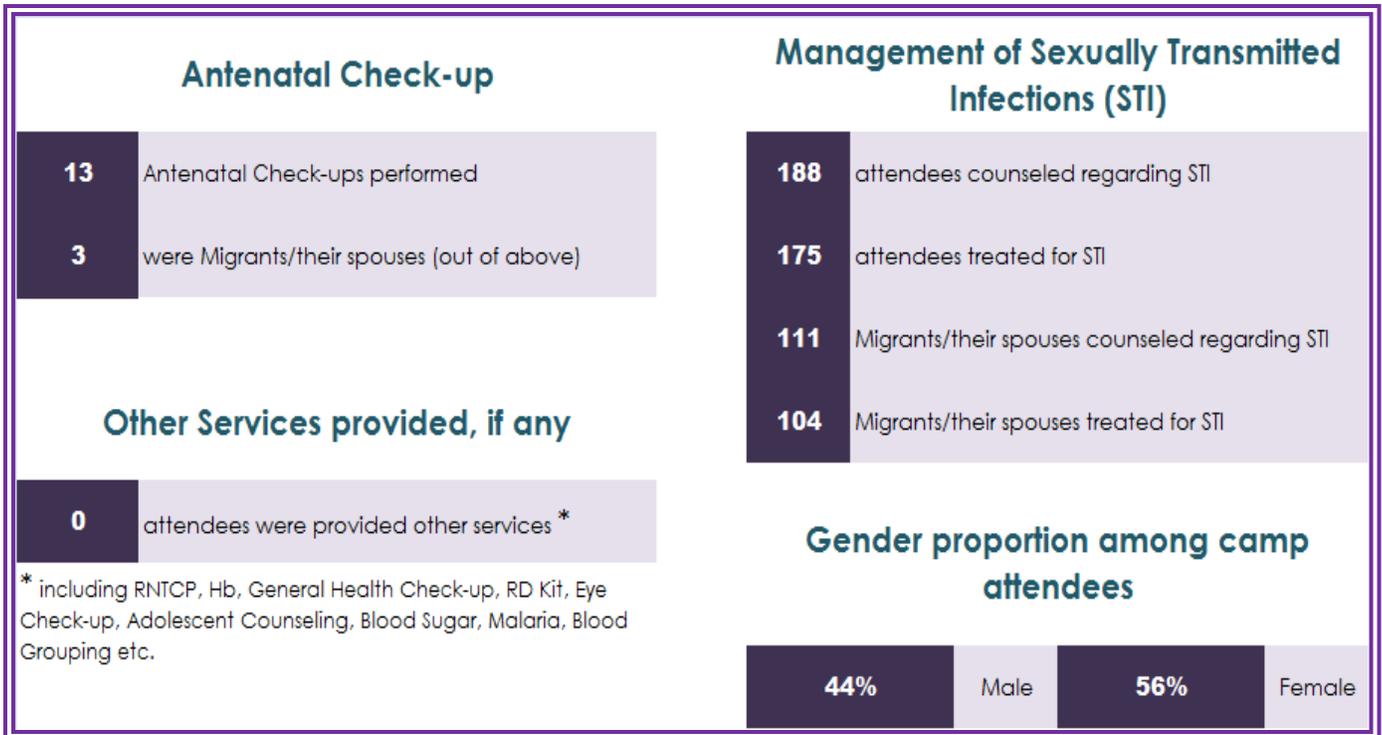
	Name of the Block/ Municipality	No. of camps organised
		<b>6</b>
	Ranaghat - II	1
	Tehatta-II	1
	Krishnagar -I	1
	Chapra	1
	Hanskhali	1
Hanskhali	1	

### Basic Information

<b>5</b>	camps organized
<b>955</b>	people attended these camps
<b>191</b>	people attended per camp
<b>376</b>	were Migrants/ their spouses (out of total attendees)
<b>39%</b>	attendees were Migrants or their spouses

### Testing of HIV

No. of attendees found to be HIV reactive	<b>0</b>	<b>452</b>	attendees counseled regarding HIV	HIV sero-reactivity % (among migrants / their spouses)
HIV sero-reactivity % (Total)	<b>0.00%</b>	<b>443</b>	attendees tested for HIV	<b>0.00%</b>
		<b>46%</b>	of attendees tested for HIV	
		<b>222</b>	Migrants/their spouses counseled regarding HIV	HIV sero-reactivity % (among non- migrants)
		<b>213</b>	Migrants/their spouses tested for HIV	<b>0.00%</b>
		<b>57%</b>	of Migrants/their spouses tested for HIV (out of Migrants/ their spouses attendees)	



#### Migrants' timing of return to native place from destination sites:

1. October
2. November

#### Major Destination States/ Country of returnee migrants:

1. Maharashtra
2. Punjab
3. Madhya Pradesh
4. Nepal
5. Chhattisgarh

## UTTAR DINAJPUR

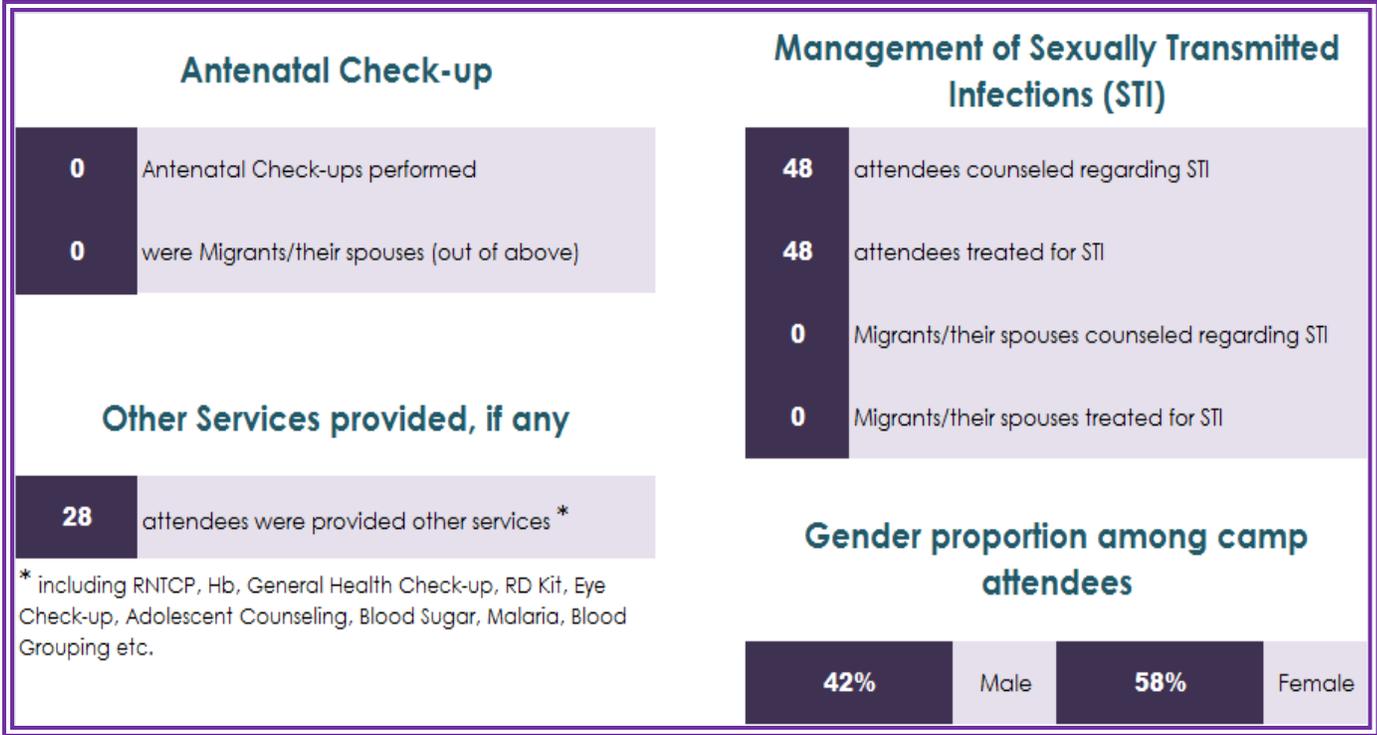
	Name of the Block/ Municipality	No. of camps organised
		4
	Goal Pokhur - II	1
	Chopra	1
	Islampur	1
Goal Pokhur - I	1	

### Basic Information

<b>4</b>	camps organized
<b>1681</b>	people attended these camps
<b>420</b>	people attended per camp
<b>625</b>	were Migrants/ their spouses (out of total attendees)
<b>37%</b>	attendees were Migrants or their spouses

### Testing of HIV

No. of attendees found to be HIV reactive	<b>695</b> attendees counseled regarding HIV	HIV sero-reactivity % (among migrants / their spouses)
<b>2</b>	<b>675</b> attendees tested for HIV	<b>0.32%</b>
HIV sero-reactivity % (Total)	<b>40%</b> of attendees tested for HIV	HIV sero-reactivity % (among non-migrants)
<b>0.30%</b>	<b>625</b> Migrants/their spouses counseled regarding HIV	<b>0.00%</b>
	<b>625</b> Migrants/their spouses tested for HIV	
	<b>100%</b> of Migrants/their spouses tested for HIV (out of Migrants/their spouses attendees)	



**Migrants' timing of return to native place from destination sites:**

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- 2. November

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- 3. Tamilnadu
- 4. Gujrat
- 5. Karnataka