



Don't forget leprosy



GLOBAL APPEAL 2022



to End Stigma and Discrimination against Persons Affected by Leprosy

PHOTO BOOK

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Photo Exhibition

Leprosy, also known as Hansen's disease, is a communicable disease that can be cured with drugs that are available free of charge. But while drugs can cure the disease, they alone cannot erase the social stigma and prejudice that are a legacy of centuries of myths and misunderstandings about leprosy.

The Global Appeal is an annual message to spread awareness and call for an end to the unwarranted discrimination that persons affected by leprosy continue to face. Initiated in 2006 by Yohei Sasakawa, the WHO Goodwill Ambassador for Leprosy Elimination, the appeal is issued every January to coincide with World Leprosy Day.

"Don't forget leprosy"

Each year it receives the support of influential partners from different fields to build solidarity and ensure that its message reaches far and wide.

The Global Appeal 2022 Photo Exhibition is a selection of photos submitted to a contest on social media on the theme of "Don't forget leprosy." The images depict the lives of persons affected by leprosy and/or members of their families amid the COVID-19 pandemic.

We hope you enjoy the selection.

<https://gasasakawa.org/>



Children in leprosy colonies in India are very careful to protect their health from the coronavirus.
(Photo by APAL, India)



We raise awareness to protect ourselves and others from COVID-19.

(Photo by NLT Lalgadh Leprosy Hospital & Services Centre, Nepal)



Correct knowledge equals proper protection.

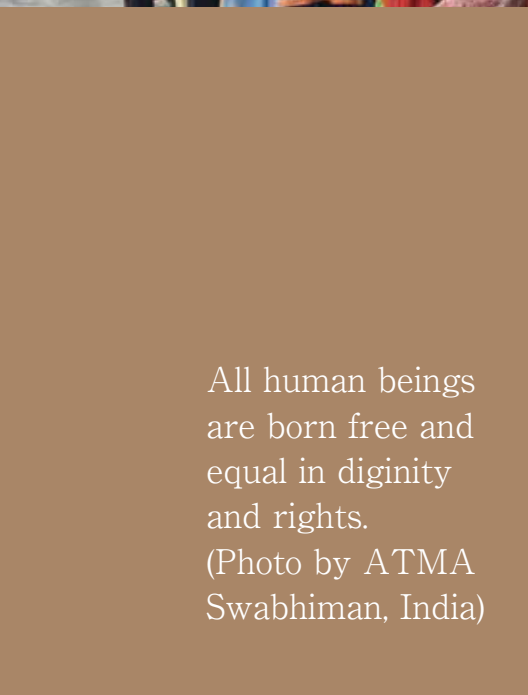
(Photo by SKSS, India)



A rally to raise awareness of COVID-19 prevention measures and the situation of persons affected by leprosy amid the pandemic. (Photo by ATMA Swabhiman, India)



The mental health of persons affected by leprosy tends to be neglected. We want to state that MENTAL HEALTH is part of TOTAL HEALTH. (Photo by RedAid Nigeria)



All human beings are born free and equal in dignity and rights. (Photo by ATMA Swabhiman, India)



Good hand hygiene can protect you from COVID-19! (Photo by IDEA Niger)





Smiling faces of people from different ethnic groups in Yunnan Province.

(Photo by HANDA, China)



Assiba, 27 years old, lives in a leprosy colony in Bénin with her son Jérémie. She fights against discrimination and poverty for her son's future.
(Photo by Marie-Charlotte Noulens)



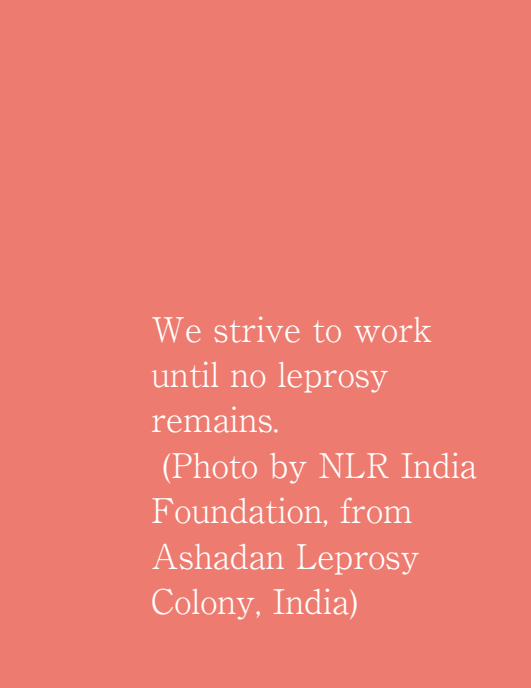
Timely detection prevents deformities and spread of leprosy.
(Photo by ATMA Swabhimani, India)



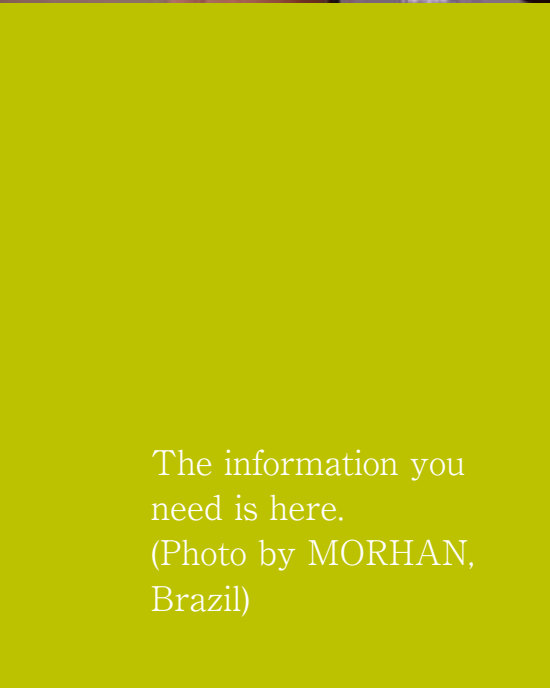
When times are tough, a gift like this brings even more pleasure.
(Photo by MORHAN, Brazil)



Sharing the joy of a performance can spread awareness.
(Photo by MORHAN, Brazil)



We strive to work until no leprosy remains.
(Photo by NLR India Foundation, from Ashadan Leprosy Colony, India)



The information you need is here.
(Photo by MORHAN, Brazil)





Md. Soliman Ali, leader of ALO Society in northern Bangladesh, promotes the "Don't forget leprosy" campaign.
(Photo by ALO Society, Bangladesh)



Delivering books and stationery helps these boys and girls affected by leprosy to continue their studies.
(Photo by Purple Hope Initiative, Nigeria)



Putting smiles on the faces of people affected by leprosy plays a vital role to drive away self-stigma and self-discrimination.
(Photo by Gate Foundation Ghana)



She asked me to take her photo.
(Photo by Wangcai, HANDA volunteer, China)



Thanks to the organization Shantha Jeeva Jyoti, which detected and followed her case, Ambika is rehabilitating her life.

(Photo by Fontilles, Spain)



Happy Children's Day. Children are society's treasure.

(Photo by ATMA Swabhiman, India)

Sasakawa Leprosy (Hansen's Disease) Initiative

The Initiative is a strategic alliance that links together the WHO Goodwill Ambassador for Leprosy Elimination, Sasakawa Health Foundation, and The Nippon Foundation for achieving a leprosy-free world.

<https://sasakawaleprosyinitiative.org/>

“Don't forget leprosy (Hansen's disease)” campaign

Initiated by Sasakawa Leprosy (Hansen's Disease) Initiative, the “Don't forget leprosy” campaign aims to ensure that leprosy is not forgotten amid the coronavirus pandemic and to encourage all involved in leprosy work to stay focused on the goal of zero leprosy.

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