

Engaging Media for Effective Advocacy

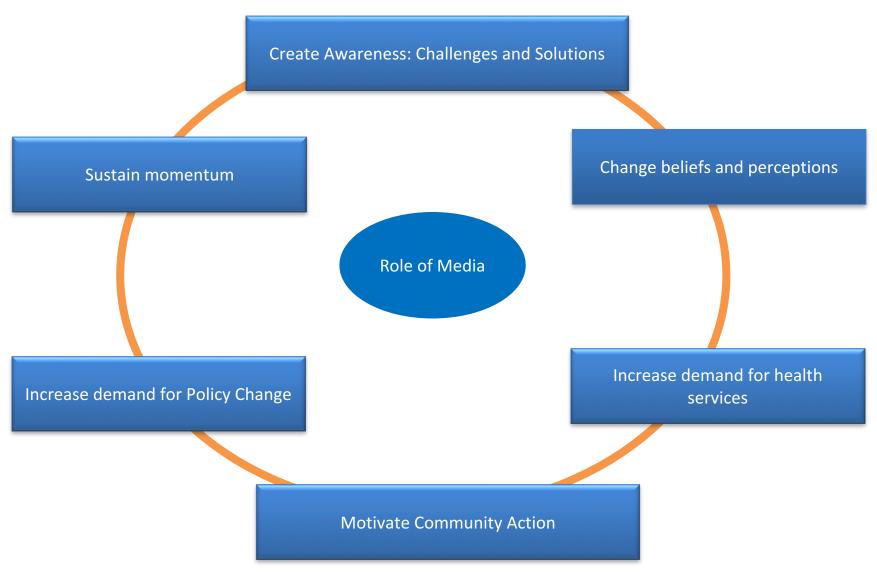
Divya Vaidyanathan and Juhi Gautam



"We can't quite decide if the world is growing worse, or if the reporters are just working harder."

~The Houghton Line, November 1965

Media's Role: The Proverbial Watchdog





The Media as it is Today: "Breaking News"





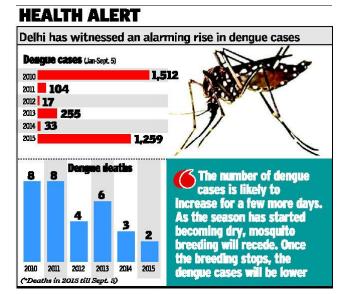




Public Health News: Sporadic and Sensational

Health Reporting \ Disease Reporting







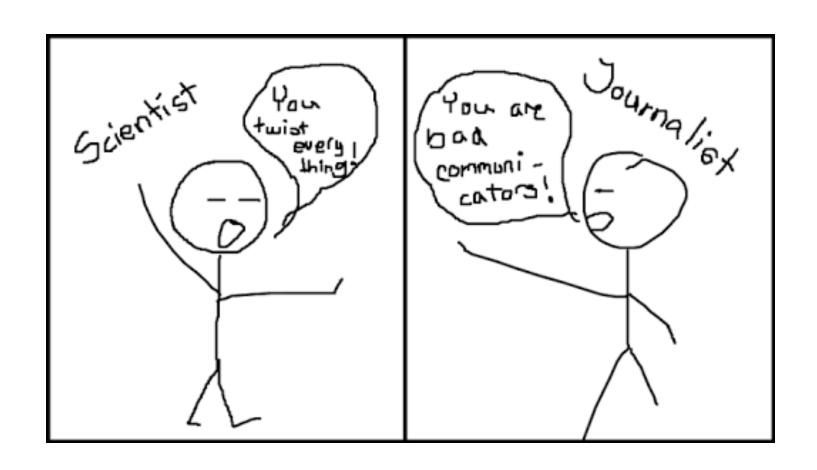
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How media can drive health policy



Long, long ago....



Media engagement 101: Bridging the gap

Getting the first step right

- In-depth assessment of media outlets' priorities and their audience
- Clearly defined goals and objectives

Tactical planning

- Building relationships, identifying right stakeholders and aligning your work with their priorities
- Workshops/Training to encourage evidence-based reportage

Smart messaging

- Pitching story ideas according to editorial priorities and audience
- Breaking down information for better understanding
- Impact: Numbers and the 'human face'

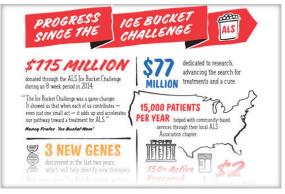
Sustaining reportage

- Regular and accurate information dissemination on recent developments in the TB landscape
- Engaging with new journalists to amplify messaging across geographies
- Echo the coverage



New Media: Endless possibilities







Encourage action

Go 'Viral'

Spread the message







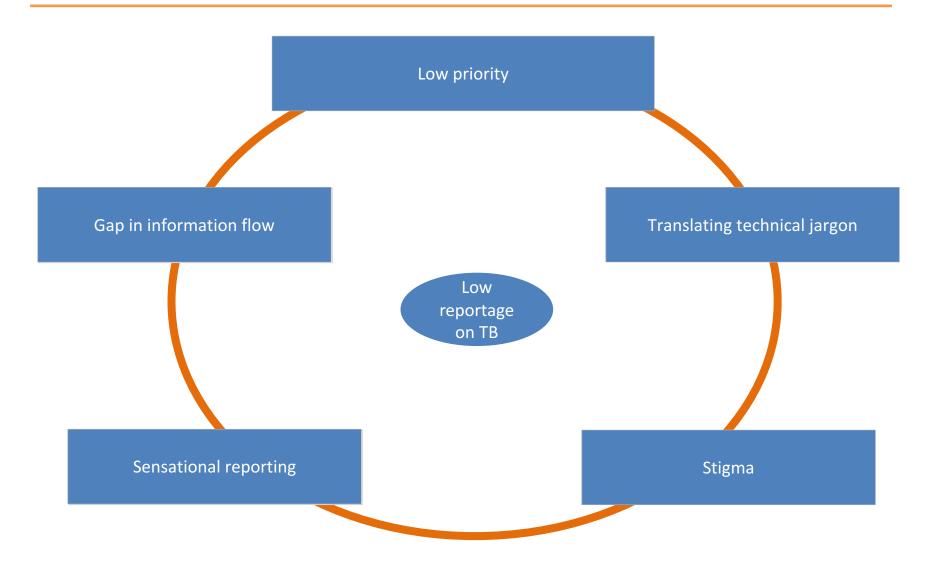


Mobilise funds Share support Demand policy change



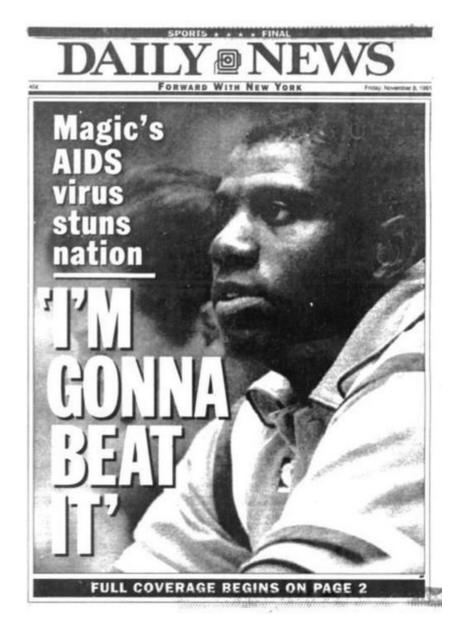
Media Advocacy for TB: The GHS experience

Challenges of TB Reporting in India





'TB Harega Desh Jeetega' Campaign: India's Magic Johnson moment





Had TB in 2000, fully cured now: Bachchan

Amitabh Bachchan disclosed



publicly for the first time on Sunday that he had tuberculosis just when he had begun to shoot

for a game show in 2000. The actor said during a BMC drive that he is fully cured now. **P 2**

Celebrities can *trigger* a campaign, but media *sustains* the discourse.



GHS' Media Engagement on TB

Media sensitisation workshops



Interaction with survivors



Event based Media



Media Site visits



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Television coverage





Radio shows





Print



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TB division drafts plan to eliminate the disease by 2025

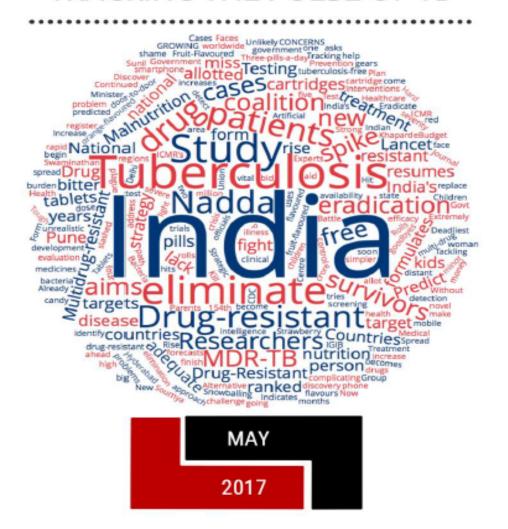
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TRACKING THE PULSE OF TB



GHS' Media Engagement on TB



Catalysing Change: One 'post' at a time





TB continues to be one of the major health challenges of India #PresidentMukherjee

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120 street-plays are being conducted at major construction sites across the

city, for sensitizing construction workers and site security officers followed

TB Harega Desh Jeetega in ♥ Mumbai, India.

24 March · ② · 🧼



TBHaregaDeshJeetega

@MoHFW GUJARAT #unitetoendtb



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share the struggle of being a #woman coping with #TB in India #HateTheDiseaseNotThePatient

Khurafati Nitin Retweeted





TBHaregaDeshJeetega @TBHDJ

On #InternationalWomensDay watch Nandita, a young DR-TB survivor encourage us to #UnmaskStigma against #TB patients #TBHaregaDeshJeetega



Evolving Media Narrative: Heartening Trends

2014

Mumbai tops global list of tuberculosis cases

Has More Than 50,000 TB & 28,000 MDR-TB Patients

India ropes in Big B for TB control campaign

Sensationalized or event-based reportage in India

1 in 5 TB cases were reported by pvt docs
Notifying was made easy as novi developed web tools for monitoring TB

TB cases surge by 9%; BMC attributes it to better detection

Multi drug-resistant cases rose from 3608 to 4.374 in 2016

How private data, free tests revealed TB's true prevalence

Media reportage more evolved and focused on specific issues and challenges

A peek into Centre's draft plan to eliminate TB by 2025

Draft National Strategic Plan proposes monetary incentives for private sector doctors and patients

TB time bomb: the price of policy inertia

India's TB burden is exacerbated by the government's refusal to augment resources and enable access to newer drugs

Spontaneous and sustained media appetite for nuanced policy level reportage

Media advocacy is an enduring process, but we must persevere!





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THANK YOU



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