

# Progress Update ART NETWORK 2022

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## **ART Background**

The ART Network, established in 1994 by the BEIJING Declaration in 1993, has ten NSs as members; amongst them 7 NSs are in ASEAN: Cambodian RC, Thai RC, Lao RC, Myanmar RC, Philippines RC, Indonesian RC and Malaysian RC.

The network existence relies on annual membership contribution, and on special contributions from specific partners such as Japanese RC and Italian RC.

#### **WAY FORWARD**

set by the 30th ART Annual Reflection Meeting, 13-14 November 2018 in Myanmar

- Organize in each respective country, the World AIDS Day,
   1st December under theme decided by the UNAIDS;
- 1. Build Capacity of the ART members on Harm Reduction;
- 2. Strengthen partnership with people and community workers;
- 3. Conduct ART Annual Reflection meeting to share, to learn and to formulate regional action plan;
- 4. Promote information and experience sharing amongst members;
- 5. Integrate program on MIGRATION, HIV/TB and other comorbidity diseases.

## **ART Chairman and Secretariat**

CRC was elected chairman and secretariat of the Network for the period 2018-2020; And the Network chairmanship and the secretariat have then extended to date due to COVID-19;

The COVID-19 pandemic has disrupted the annual reflection meetings and regular coordination as well as financial contribution. For the last three years, only three NSs paid annual membership contribution (Cambodian RC, Thai RC and RCS of China);

## CRC approaches to IFRC Bangkok to

- Re-plan the strengthening of cross-border cooperation for migrants, who seek for ARV and health care in the border areas of Cambodia, Laos and Thailand with funding support from partners through the Federation;
- 2. Review the ART Network, with technical support from IFRC for future direction;
- Continue coordinating and encouraging Network members to actively participate in Global HIV/AIDS events such as the World AIDS Day, at national and regional levels;
- 4. Enforce greater and more meaningful involvement of infected and directly affected people in the Network response.

#### 2021 HIV/AIDS Fact Sheet in ASEAN/ART Members (UNAIDS)

No.	Countries	HIV Prevalance (15-49)	Total PLHIV	HIV New Infection
1	Indonesia	0.3%	540,000	27,000
2	Thailand	1.0%	520,000	6,500
3	Lao PDR	0.3%	15,000	<1,000
4	Cambodia	0.6%	75,000	1,100
5	Philippines	0.2%	140,000	21,000
6	Malaysia	0.3%	82,000	5,500
7	Myanmar	0.8%	270,000	11,000
8	Singapore	0.2%	8,000	<100
9	Vietnam	0.3%	240,000	5,700
10	Brunei Darussalam	N/A	N/A	N/A
11	Timor-Leste	0.2%	1,400	<200
12	China	N/A	N/A	N/A
13	Mongolia	<0.1%	<1,000	<100
14	Republic of Korea	N/A	N/A	N/A

## CRC ENGAGEMENT IN NATIONAL MOVEMENT TO END AIDS BY 2025

- Regular plan of actions: monthly awareness raising on prevention and fight against the spread of HIV/AIDS and non discrimination;
- Encourage people, particularly the high-risk groups and young people, to actively participate as national movement to achieve the Royal Government roadmap to end AIDS by 2025;
- Integrate COVID-19, TB/Hepatitis B and the elimination of the transmission of HIV/AIDS and congenital syphilis from mother-tochild;
- Campaigns towards key dates: National Day for Mother and Child Health and the World AIDS Day;
- Active involvement of media/online agents in dissemination, education and sharing experiences;

### **KEY TO SUCCESS**

- Strong support from leaders;
- Strong mechanism from NHQ down to branch/sub-branches;
- Close cooperation with the Royal Government and relevant stakeholders and target groups;
- Youth & Private sector involvement/supports;









