

## History

- 1979 : Regional Leprosy Training and Research Institute (RLTRI), Raipur established, as one of the 3 RLTRIs in the country, established with the aim to provide specialized care to the leprosy cases, undertake research in the field of leprosy and develop specialized manpower by imparting training to vertical leprosy staff, deployed all over the country
- 2005: India achieved elimination at national level & Integration of NLEP services with the General Health System of state at national level
- August 2005: The institute has been given additional responsibility of Regional Office of Health and Family welfare for the State of Chhattisgarh. For monitoring various national health programmes including NVBDCP, RNTCP, RMNCHA+, HIV, AIDS, NPCDCS, NBCP, IDSP, Disaster Management.
- 2006-07: In the transition period post integration: The institute has undertaken Operational research on function of GHS staff on directive of Central Leprosy Division of Directorate General of Health service among the Indian states
- 1992 to 1999: Ofloxacin trial started, RLTRI Raipur was part of the Ofloxacin trial.
- 2000 TO 2008: Field visit under the Modified Leprosy Elimination Monitoring (**MLEC**) program was undertaken throughout the country.
- 2004: Field visit under the Leprosy Elimination Monitoring (**LEM**) program was undertaken throughout the country.
- 2012-13: phase-I of ICMR project titled “Endemicity of leprosy and utilisation of health services in selected areas of Uttar Pradesh, Chhattisgarh and Tamilnadu”.
- 2016-18 Phase II of ICMR project titled “Endemicity of leprosy and utilisation of health services in selected areas of Chhattisgarh and UP”.
- 2016 onwards: Field monitoring of nationwide LCDC activity.
- 2017- A small project of clinico-epidemiological-microbiological study of leprosy in Dadra and Nagar Haveli.
- 2018-2019: Assistant Medical Officers (AMO) training started: Assistant Medical Officers are a cadre specific to the state of Chhattisgarh. These AMOs have done a 3 year bridge course and are presently posted in primary health centres of the state of Chhattisgarh. The Assistant medical Officers from high endemic districts of Chhattisgarh were started to be trained NLEP. Looking in the large number of these AMOs 2 batches per month were dedicated exclusively to them for last 2 years (2018-2019 & 2019-2020).
- 2019-2020: The state has Chhattisgarh has now mandated the one year compulsory rural duty for all MBBS students. Thus in order to train these students on NLEP, the MBBS internship was increased from 3 days to 5 days.
- 2019-2020: NIKUSTH training: RLTRI faculties were involved as master trainers for imparting NIKUSTH training for states of India.
- 2020-2021: RLTRI hospital was taken and converted in to “100 Bedde Dedicated COVID-19 Care Centre” by the state of Chhattisgarh. RLTRI Laboratory was converted in COVID-19 diagnostic laboratory using TRUENAT by the state of Chhattisgarh.

