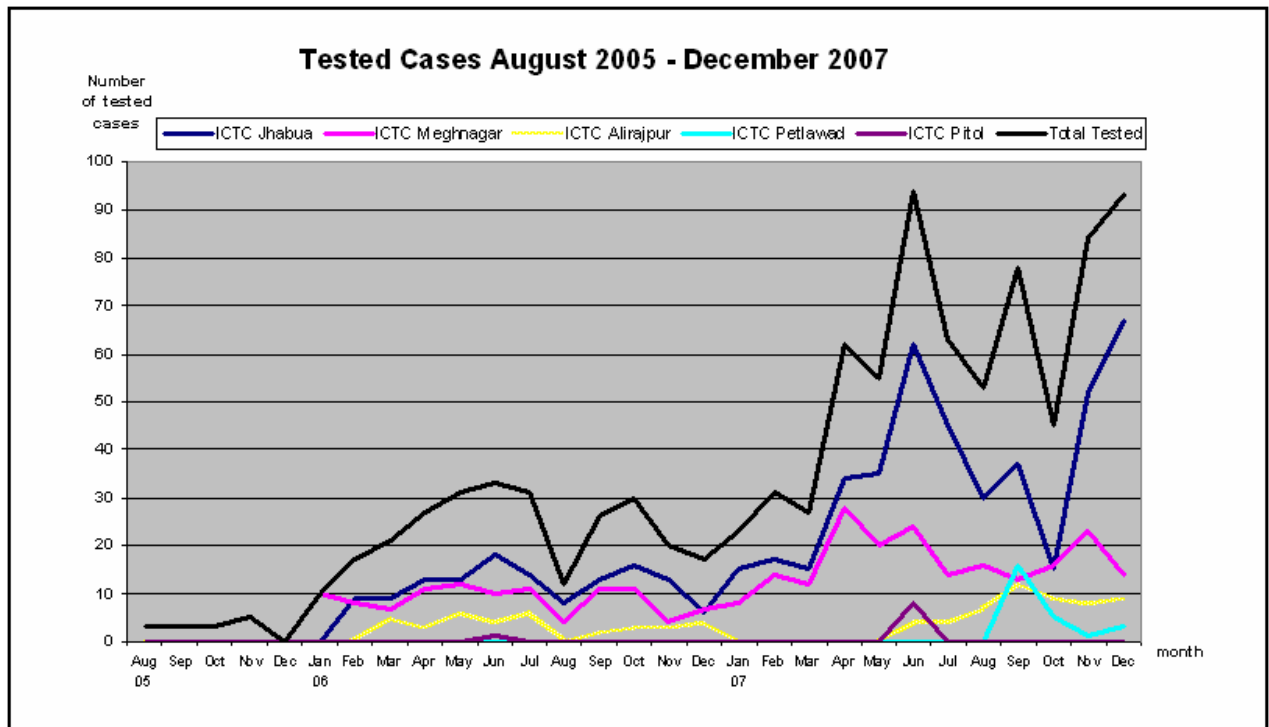


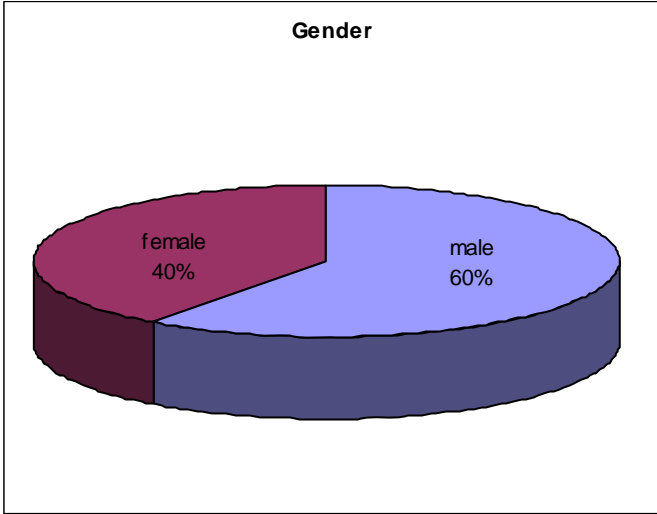
Real Medicine Foundation and Jeevan Jyoti Health Service Society
Jhabua District HIV Prevention and Care Program
August 2006 – December 2007

Over the 17-months span of the program in this remote tribal district of Madhya Pradesh, almost 1,000 patients took an HIV test thanks to the program and an additional 750 sought counseling by program staff. Out of 30 detected HIV positive cases, six succumbed to the disease, half of them children. Seven patients are alive and on free Antiretroviral Therapy (ART) from Government Hospitals, 3 of them children, while another three children do not yet require ART. All children are orphans and live with extended family, receiving psychosocial, transportation, medical and nutrition support through the program.

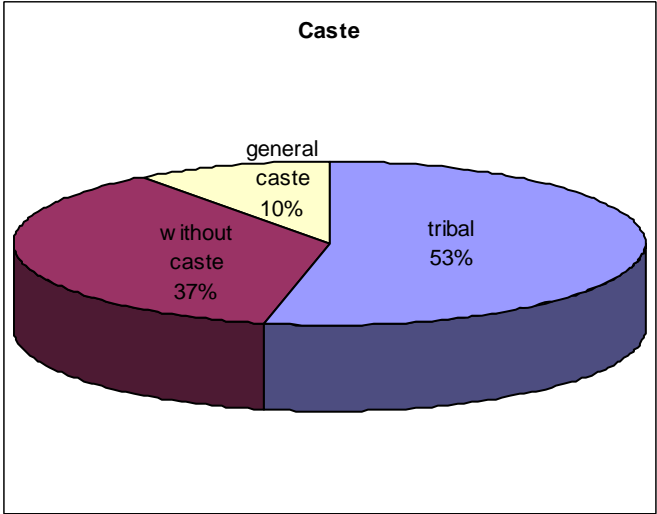
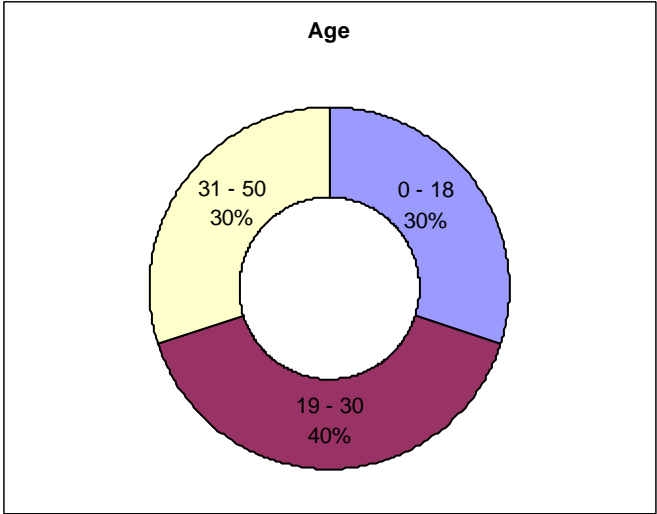
The prevalence of 3% (30 patients out of 991 tested positive) not only underlines the importance of this program, it also shows that the Government needs to upscale its program (it classifies the district in the category with lowest need for intervention, e.g. category D).

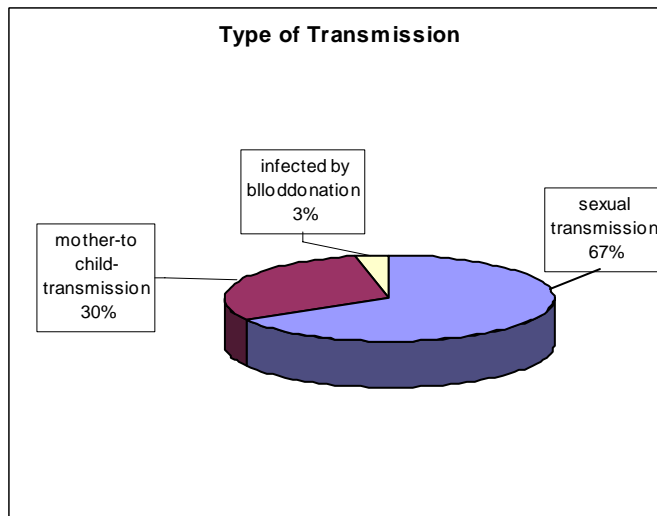
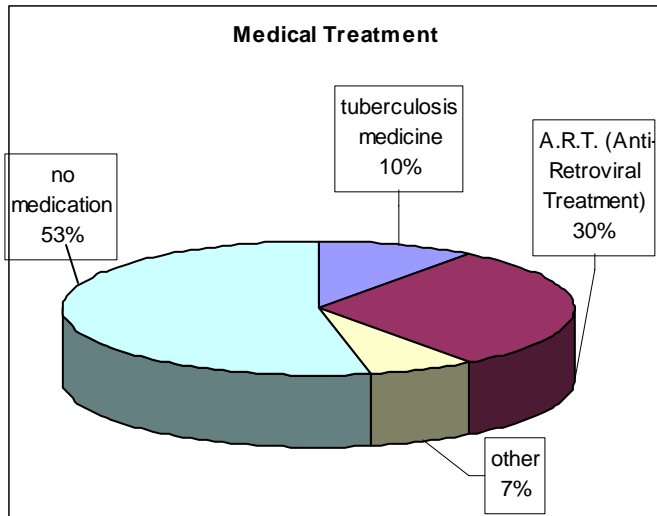
With the National AIDS Control Program Phase 3 launched by the Government of India in 2007, Real Medicine Foundation will help build capacity and continue help the tribal population of Jhabua access high-quality counseling and testing, care and treatment, providing all persons living with HIV/AIDS with psychosocial, transportation and healthcare support.





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As more and more patients are identified and have access to care and treatment, the program is increasingly focusing on prevention. In 2008, prevention of parent-to-child transmission (currently 30% of all transmissions) and treatment of sexually transmitted infections (STIs) which may play a role in up to 2/3 of all transmissions will be tackled.