



MEMBER ORGANISATIONS



SRI LANKA	
Community Development Services (CDS)	
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Organization's Mission and Focus	For a better life - bringing together people from all segments of society especially vulnerable, at risk and inadequately served population groups to be represented and respected as equal citizens in society through a movement that participates in the belief and practice of human

	<p>rights, health rights and integrated social development through national and international cooperation.</p>
<p>Types of Services or Support Offered</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Delivering information and services in sexual and reproductive health and rights of youth, women including female headed households and adolescents ➤ HIV & STI awareness, prevention and advocacy strategies for youth, sex workers MSM and migrant worker populations ➤ Rights based health, human and labour rights interventions on labour migration ➤ Poverty reduction through health and nutrition, household cash management/financial literacy and education and skills advice and referrals to less privileged and vulnerable communities ➤ Governance awareness, education and behaviour change to youth populations civic consciousness and civic liberties ➤ Mobilising, empowering and building the technical and financial capacity of NGO and CBO partners through capacity building, advocacy and behaviour and social change. ➤ Advocating for access to health and nutrition education and information services for all. ➤ Poverty alleviation and community strengthening (community health & nutrition, micro enterprise development, skills building, education and behaviour change communication)

<p>Target Groups (In Sri Lanka)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Women including female headed households, children, and adolescents ➤ Youth and youth groups ➤ Urban, rural and estate poor ➤ Less privileged, vulnerable and at-risk population groups including sex workers, MSMs & PLHIVs ➤ Migrant workers including migrant domestic workers and their families ♣ Community stakeholders (NGOs/CBOs and GROs) ➤ Public service personnel and local administrative officers ➤ Private sector
<p>Geographic Reach</p>	<p>National level, CDS works in all the districts in the country</p>
<p>Partnership Interest</p>	<p>Colaboration for technical support and programatic guidance for TB prevention and advocacy as this is a new area CDS is exploring</p>
<p>Success Stories</p>	<p>As a result of the long-standing credibility built through the RCF/CARAM Asia ongoing project which conducts HIV prevention programs, research, VCCT clinics, capacity building and advocacy related to migrant workers and their families regarding HIV/AIDS, CDS was recognized as a credible organization working for the health rights of migrant workers by the Sustainability of HIV Services for Key Populations in Asia (SKYPA 2) program.</p>

Which is a regional program funded by the GFATM. As a result of this recognition CDS was invited to The Community Led Monitoring (CLM) Technical working group. CLM involves community-based organizations and members assessing the quality and accessibility of the HIV services they receive to advocate for improvements in service delivery.

CDS was also invited to represent migrant workers for the Activity Planning Workshop for the National HIV/STD Strategic Plan 2022-2030 on the 28th March 2023, where government and CSO's developed activities for the NSP together CDS was also invited for the Community Recommendations Presentation for the NSP 2022-2030 on the 23rd March. At this meeting communities and civil society presented the outcomes of the community review of the draft of the NSP to the National STD/AIDS Control Programme.

CDS was also invited for the Community Voices: Review of Draft National HIV/STD Strategic Plan 2022-2030, on the 21st of March. At this meeting SKPA-2, together with over 25 community and civil society representatives, led a meeting to review the draft of the National HIV/STI Strategic Plan (NSP). As a result of the involvement of CDS in these key meetings and presenting important recommendations related to migrant workers which should be included in the National HIV/STD Strategic Plan 2022-2030 the NSP reflects more activities for migrant workers including most of the ones requested by CDS.