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MIZORAM STATE TOBACCO CONTROL SOCIETY

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Short Report of Mizoram State Tobacco Control Society (MSTCS) for the Month of January 2015

Some of the activities undertaken by Mizoram State Tobacco Control Society (MSTCS) during the month of January 2015 are highlighted below–

Sl.No	Name of Activity	No. of Participants
1.	Live discussion on “Tobacco and its related matters” was held in the General Health India Programme at Doordarshan Kendra on 12 th January 2015 from 6:00PM to 6:30 PM. The panelist for this Live Discussion were Dr. Jane R.Ralte, State Nodal Officer cum Project Officer, MSTCS, Rev. Vanlalnghaka, a renowned Pastor and Mr. Laldampaia, Member of Tobacco Quitters of Mizoram	3
2.	3 days Staff Refresher Training Programme was conducted for Staff working under Mizoram State Tobacco Control Society i.e Bloomberg Initiative to Reduce Tobacco Use and National Tobacco Control Programme at Administrative Training Institute, Aizawl from 15 th to 19 th January 2015. Resource Persons for programme included Professor and Head of Psychology Department, Mizoram University and Associate Professor, Administrative Training Institute.	12
3.	Notice was handed over to Station Director, Doordarshan Kendra, Aizawl on 23 rd January 2015 regarding violations of COTPA Section 5 along with photographic evidence of the violations. Meeting was subsequently held with Station Engineer and other staff in the matter and they were instructed to review all their programmes to ensure that violation of COTPA Section 5 are not observed in the programmes telecast from there station. They gave their assurance that remedial actions would be taken immediately. The staff of MSTCS along with working partners will be vigilant to monitor violations.	
4.	In collaboration with Nehru Yuva Kendra Anti Tobacco Programme was conducted amongst campers of National Integration Camp at Youth Hostel Luangmual on 24 th January 2015. In this programme participants were from the states of Mizoram, West Bengal, Madhya Pradesh and Assam.	50
5.	Meeting was held with Joint Director, Food and Drugs Administration regarding Food Safety Standards Act on 28 th January 2015 to discuss ways to scale up enforcement of GUTKHA Ban throughout the state.	
6.	Meeting was held with Designated Magistrate on Cases Related to COTPA regarding cases on Section 7 of COTPA on 28 th January 2015.	
7.	Letters informing about the provisions of COTPA Section 5 and requesting them to comply with the law have also been sent to the two biggest Cable Networks in Mizoram, LPS and Zonet on 29 th January 2015.	
8.	We have given stress to Anti Tobacco Squad drive by conducting drives simultaneously in most district Headquarters on the very first working day of the year, i.e 5 th January 2015. We have conducted drives regularly with no let up during this	

	month with the aim of giving this important message to the public that enforcement of COTPA would be undertaken stringently throughout the year starting from the very beginning of the year.	
	<u>Anti Tobacco Squad:</u> Anti Tobacco Squad drives report for the month of January 2015 is attached separately	
	Total	65