

**ACTION ON HIV**

# HIV Support in South India

*Working to combat the HIV/AIDS pandemic*

*‘One of the major factors in the spread of HIV in rural communities in South India is men having unsafe sex outside marriage.’*

Subash Chellaiah, USPG Link Officer for Asia and Oceania



**India factfile**

**Capital:** New Delhi  
**Languages:** Hindi, English and at least 16 other official languages  
**Religion:** Hinduism, Islam, Christianity, Sikhism, Buddhism, Jainism  
**Export:** Agricultural products, textile goods, gems and jewellery, software services and technology, engineering goods, chemicals, leather products  
**Further Information:**  
<http://www.csittd.com/>

**USPG in South India**

In 2008, USPG sent £ 30,414 to support the wide range of Church of South India programmes, including healthcare, education, and development.

## About this Project...

▶ **Target: £5,010 / €6,680 | Project 457**

Since the first case was identified in 1986, the number of people in India living with HIV has now reached 5.1 million people, most of them in southern states. The state of Tamil Nadu has one of the largest proportions of those living with HIV. One of the primary ways that HIV is spread is thought to be through men visiting sex workers, becoming infected, then passing on the virus to their wives. The Church of South India Mission Hospital, established in 1910 is based in Woriur, Tiruchirappalli, and is supporting those who are HIV positive by providing

medical support. The hospital provides a comprehensive programme of antiretroviral treatment, advising and treating patients irrespective of their religion and caste, offering total health support, from preventative education to long-term care. Money donated through USPG will help the hospital to run its HIV programmes.

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