

REACH Lilly MDR-TB Partnership Media Fellowship Programme

2012-13 FELLOW : MOHAN MARUTI MASKAR-PATIL



Mohan Maruti Maskar-Patil is based in Satara and currently works as a Development Reporter at Lokmat, Maharashtra's leading daily newspaper. Mohan is passionate about development reporting and has written extensively about a range of issues including women's empowerment, the environment, farmer suicides, health, rural development, urbanization, dam displacement and HIV/AIDS. His research focuses on people's participation in development activities, particularly those related to health and environment.



“...Satara District in Maharashtra) is facing heat of Tuberculosis (TB). It is estimated that nine people are affected by TB every day. The number of TB patients is high, as compare to HIV patients. The death toll is 820 patients in the last 33 months due to TB. Now, District health department are on high alert. In the last 3 years, the health department has identified 8667 TB patients from January 2010 to October, 2012.due to infection of HIV & TB, 285 patients have lost their lives in 33 months.”

