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Q1 Name of the organization:

Pallium India Trust

Q2 The purpose of the organization:

Pallium India's vision is ensure the dignity of persons with life-limiting or life-threatening health conditions. Towards this end, it work for the integration palliative care in health systems so that every person has access to effective pain relief and quality palliative care along with disease-specific treatment across the continuum of care. This vision is achieved by catalysing the development of effective pain relief and quality palliative care services and their integration in healthcare provision across India through delivery of services, education building capacity, policy, research, advocacy and dissemination of information. It also undertakes activities at the national level to ensure availability of opioids. Ensuring quality assurance in the provision of palliative care is also a major goal of the organization.

Q3 Information as to the programmes and activities of the organization in areas relevant to the human rights of older persons:

Older persons are the most in need of palliative care services due to illnesses or life –limiting conditions. Often, neglect of older persons includes neglect of their physical and mental health conditions. Provision of targeted palliative care services to older persons contributes to them reclaiming their dignity. In this regard, Palliative India focuses on older persons in its out-patient and in - patient services. It conducts home visits targeting households with older persons who require assistance in their day – to – day activities and also in dealing with their health conditions. Pallium India organizes special activities such as cultural programmes with opportunities for older persons to express their creativity. Through its programmes it contributes to creating solidarity among older persons as a first step in ensuring their dignity. Palliative India also conducts education and campaigns on issues related to the human rights of older persons so that society at large understands and contributes to protection of human rights of older persons.

Q4 Confirmation of the activities of the organization at the national, regional or international level:

National Outreach Programs: We catalysed development of Palliative Care centres in more than 20 States in India. Most of these States till then had little or no palliative care services.

TIPS: In 2006, Pallium India established Trivandrum Institute of Palliative Sciences (TIPS), the flagship of Pallium India. Delivery and demonstration of quality palliative care, education, information, advocacy and need-based research are its focus areas. In 2012, TIPS was declared a WHO Collaborating Centre for Training and Policy on Access to Pain Relief.

Outpatient services are provided at Pallium India and its link centres including several medical college hospitals. It provides in-patient services in its premises and hospice care in association with other organizations. Pallium India provides home care services particularly to older persons with life limiting conditions. Five teams of multi-disciplinary professionals conducts home visits in and around Trivandrum, Kerala on all five days a week. Special home visits like with physiatry, psychiatry teams are conducted based on needs. Pallium India facilitated the establishment of training centres on palliative care in Hyderabad in Telangana, Ahmedabad in Gujarat and in Jaipur in Rajasthan.

Working with Government of India for legislation: Pallium India's work with the Government of India resulted in the amendment of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances (NDPS) act by the Indian Parliament in 2014 resulting in increased access to opioids.

Public Interest Litigation: A Public Interest Litigation (PIL) in the Supreme Court of India which Pallium India spear-headed was filed in 2008 for palliative care access to ensure the fundamental right to life with dignity. The final verdict came through in May 2016. It turned out to be a major agent of change.

Working with government of India for policy with the Central Government: Pallium India's work with Department of Health & Family Welfare of Government of India resulted in creation of the National Program for Palliative Care (NPPC) in 2012. Chairman of Pallium India continues to be a member of the advisory committee to Ministry of Health and Family Welfare of government of India for palliative care.

Working with state Governments: Pallium India also initiated Kerala Government's Palliative Care Policy in 2003 and followed up till declaration, in 2008. Currently it is working with several states for creation of palliative care policies. Working with the Kerala State Social Justice Department to rehabilitate patients with spinal cord injury, the project is named as "Half-way home".

International advocacy: Pallium India with international partners launched the Morphine Manifesto for increasing access to opioids. The chairman of Pallium India co-chairs an advocacy group created by the Lancet Commission on Global Equity in Access to Palliative Care.

National Standards for Quality Assurance: Assisted by the National Hospice and Palliative Care Organization of USA, Palliative India created a national experts group which developed Minimum Standards for Palliative Care Delivery.

Educational programs / activities: Creation of educational tools like Indianised EPEC (Education in Palliative and End-of-life Care) curriculum and the Indian Primer of Palliative Care and conduct of courses. The chairman of Pallium India currently serves as a member of the governing council of the Kerala University of Health Sciences which palliative care as part of health education. Virtual learning through Extension for Community Health Outcome (ECHO) was started on January 2017 to provide training on Pain Management and Methadone for health care professionals.

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Q5 A list of members of the governing body of the organization and their countries of nationality:

Governing members with their designations at Pallium India and nationality:

Dr M R Rajagopal

Founder, Chairman & Trustee Indian

Ms Poonam Bagai

Vice-Chairman Indian

Sri Ashok Chitale

Trustee Indian

Dr Mallika Tiruvadanan

Trustee Indian

Dr K S Lal

Trustee Indian

Mr Keshav Desiraju

Trustee Indian

Dr C Mohanan

Trustee Indian

Prof Sankha Mitra

Trustee Indian

Mr Binod Hariharan

Trustee Indian

Achankunju M Treasurer Indian

Justice M.R.Hariharan Nair

Program Director (Legal) Indian

Manoj G.S.

CEO Indian

Q6 List of financial sources and contributions, including governmental contributions:

- Jamshetji TATA Trust, Mumbai
 - Social Justice Department, Kerala
 - International Association for Hospice & Palliative Care
 - International Association for Study of Pain
 - Savitri Waney Trust
 - Indo-American Cancer Association
 - Jiv Daya Foundation, USA
 - Federation of Malayalee Associations of Americaas
 - Kalpataru Trust
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Q7 Copies of the annual or other reports of the organization with financial statements (File size limit is 16MB):

Annual Report _ 2016-2017.pdf (672.2KB)

Q8 Please attach additional copies if needed (File size limit is 16MB):

Audit Report 2016-17.pdf (3.3MB)

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Q9 Please attach additional copies if needed (File size limit is 16MB):

FCRA-17.pdf (1.1MB)

Q10 A description of the membership of the organization, indicating the total number of members, the names of organizations that are members and their geographical distribution:

Not applicable

Q11 A copy of the constitution and/or by-laws of the organization (File size limit is 16MB):

Trust deed.pdf (11.3MB)

Q12 Please attach additional copies if needed (File size limit is 16MB):

Respondent skipped this question

Q13 Please attach additional copies if needed (File size limit is 16MB):

Respondent skipped this question

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