



Post Fellowship Reporting - Project Summary

Report Title: HIV/AIDS in India- Not far behind Africa... **Name:** William LaMonte

Other Team Members:

Program: NYC - Asia Program

Trip Dates: 11/30/-0001 - 11/30/-0001

Location Visited: India

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Project Summary: With the fastest growing population in the world, India ranks among the most diverse culturally, but also has one of the largest AIDS populations world-wide! With close to 3 million HIV cases, India ranks third- behind Nigeria & South Africa. Even with such numbers, India's HIV crisis has received little global attention. Having had first hand experience with HIV education in Africa, I decided to travel to India for a closer look.

Career Impact: *Had a first hand look at schools in both urban & rural India

*Interviewed top HIV/AIDS NGO directors for an inside look at how the epidemic is handled on multiple levels

*Compared strategies implemented in India to those of several African countries

*Saw first hand how cultural taboos provide obstacles for progressive change

*Obtained several media materials/resources for HIV/AIDS education on a school & community level

Classroom/Community Impact:*Shared experience through photos and stories

*Group discussions concerning the HIV epidemic and how it relates to 1) NYC 2)India 3)Globally

*Advisory implementation of CSL project (Community Service Learning) dealing with HIV/AIDS

*Observing World AIDS Day (December 1st)

*Incorporation of HIV statistics into Advanced Biology Curriculum

Open Response: *Advisory CSL project related to HIV/AIDS

*Observation (school-wide) of World AIDS Day

*Power Point Presentation of AIDS epidemic in India vs. Africa (Problems and Steps Taken)

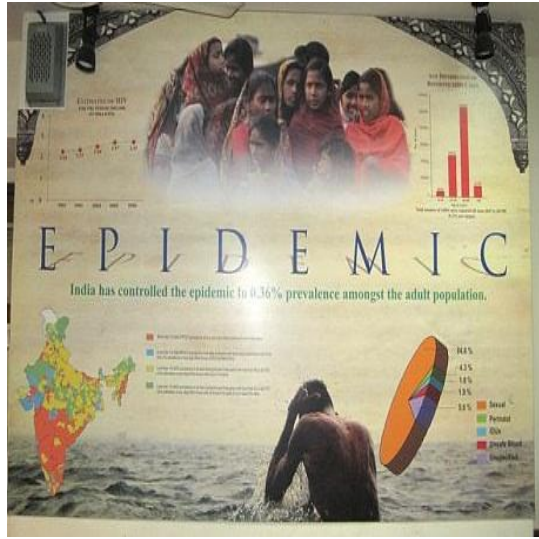
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Quote: "India has some of the most beautiful things I have ever seen, and yet some of the darkest too. Hope can bring light to the darkness."

Photos:



The Majestic Taj Mahal



Billboard Ad Concerning HIV/AIDS



Me at the Taj Mahal



Teaching in the Rural Village



The children of the rural village



The children of a neighboring village



An Urban School in Delhi



Crowds of People at a Religious Ceremony