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BD-India launches SANKALP to support TB elimination drive

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Becton Dickinson (BD) India has launched SANKALP - a 'Pledge to Fight TB Together'. Launched in Rewari, project SANKALP is aimed to be a catalytic effort to further strengthen the existing state machinery for TB diagnosis and

management and develop a replicable and sustainable model that can be scaled up in other geographies.

The project is being initiated in Khol TB Unit (TBU) of District Rewari, with the target to cover a 2.2 lakh population spanning 38,000 households in 118 villages in Year one. SANKALP will be subsequently reviewed and scaled up to other TBUs in Rewari over the next three to five years.

Project SANKALP aims to support TB patients. This will be achieved by bringing the TB diagnostics closer to the patients through a customised SANKALP mobile screening van that is equipped with state-of-the-art diagnostic interventions including CBNAAT, X-Ray and AI-assisted Teleradiology innovation, and blood glucose monitoring for eligible cases (patients) as per the NTEP algorithms and guidelines.

The SANKALP team will conduct door-to-door active case finding for increased case detection and notifications, while also focusing on improving awareness within the community and healthcare providers for proper referrals to the programme.