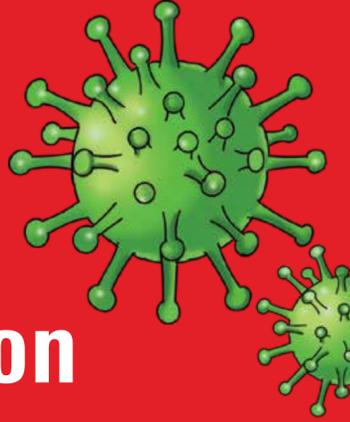


Let Us Work Together to Fight Stigma and Discrimination



COVID-19 outbreak has provoked social stigma and discriminatory behaviours. Social stigma is the negative association between a person/ group of people who share certain characteristics and a specific disease. People living with HIV (PLHIV) are vulnerable to stigma and discrimination which may increase during COVID-19 epidemic.

We should work together to fight stigma and discrimination against them.

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Allay anxiety through **FACTS** and **POSITIVE** and accurate **MESSAGES**



Speak out against false information and double check facts before sharing to stop rumours



Share positive stories of those who have recovered from COVID-19



Appreciate efforts of health workers, essential service providers and support them and their families



Create a supportive environment for PLHIV to access health services such as ART and counselling

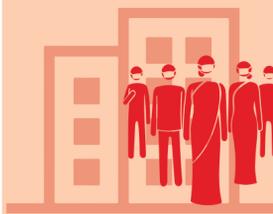


Promote kindness, solidarity, compassion

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Do not indulge in spreading rumours, myths and misinformation



Do not attach locations or ethnicity to the disease and do not label any community or area for spread of COVID-19



Do not talk about PLHIV and other people "transmitting COVID-19" "infecting others" or "spreading the virus" as it implies intentional transmission and assigns blame



Do not target health workers and essential service providers



Do not fuel fear and panic

#TogetherAgainstCOVID19