Press release from Health and Family Welfare Department, Gyalshing
HWC–PHC Dentam, Gyalshing District, Sikkim
Date: 5th November 2026 ,
Venue: Sopakha and Kumuk Sepi.

An Ayushman Aarogya Shivir-cum-Health Camp, incorporating the SBIF TB Mukt Initiative and Non-Communicable Disease (NCD) Screening Programme, was successfully conducted at Sopakha and Kumuk Sepi on 5th November 2026 under HWC–PHC Dentam, in collaboration with Ashray Foundation (SBIF), HWC–PHSC Uttarey, ASHA workers, Anganwadi Workers (AWWs) and the local community.

The initiative aimed to strengthen healthcare outreach by providing essential screening and healthcare services to people residing in remote and previously underserved areas. Although the second phase of the 100-Day TB Mukt Bharat Campaign and Nikshay Shivir has concluded, Ashray Foundation (SBIF), in coordination with the Gyalshing District Health Department, continues its outreach efforts to cover unexplored and hard-to-reach areas across the district.

The camp provided general medical consultations, health check-ups, chest X-ray examinations, CY-TB testing and sputum sample collection and referral for further investigation.

Screening Statistics:

- Total Footfall: 25
- Chest X-rays Conducted: 25
- CY-TB Tests Conducted: 20
- Sputum Samples Collected/Referred: 04

IEC sessions were also conducted on TB symptoms, early detection, treatment adherence, hypertension, regular BP monitoring, balanced nutrition and healthy lifestyle practices. Awareness was further created regarding ABHA ID registration and PM-JAY benefits.

The programme was attended by the Medical Officer, Staff Nurse, Radiographer, DEO, Health Educator, PHSC staff, ASHA workers, AWWs and supporting staff.

The initiative reaffirmed the commitment of the Health Department and its partners towards accessible healthcare, early disease detection and the collective vision of a TB-free India