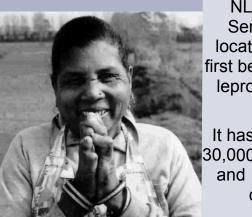




Nepal Leprosy Trust is a Christian charity based in Richmond that works in partnership with people in Nepal.

The charity aims to help and empower Nepali people who are affected by leprosy, disability, or have lost independence through poverty or a crisis.

Such people often suffer rejection from their communities and face many difficulties as a result of the stigma of their conditions.



NLT's Lalgadh Leprosy Services Centre (LLSC) located in south-east Nepal, first began treating people with leprosy (free of charge) in 1993.

It has now treated more than 30,000 individuals with leprosy, and is the busiest leprosy centre in the world!

It also received nearly 50,000 general patient visits last year. They are charged a small fee for their treatment.



Leprosy, despite being curable, is still a major problem in many villages in Nepal - one of the poorest countries in the world.

LLSC also provides specialist training for health staff and others.



A stigma elimination and community development programme in the area around LLSC has benefited many thousands of individuals and their dependents. Through self-help groups, self-care groups and village-focused primary health care activities, the stigma surrounding leprosy has been greatly reduced.



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