Each day, more than 200 women die from cervical cancer in India. This should not happen because we have all the tools we need to prevent it.

Nearly all cervical cancers are caused by an infection with human papillomavirus (HPV) not successfully controlled by the immune system, which lead to cell changes that, if untreated, become cancer.

The avoidable path to cervical cancer

- **HPV Infection**
  - Usually the immune system clear the infection, but sometimes it leads to cell changes

- **Precancerous lesions**
  - If left untreated, uncontrolled growth of abnormal cells can become cancer

- **Cervical Cancer**
  - Every year we lose 77,400 women in India due to cervical cancer

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Data source: Global Cancer Observatory, International Agency for Research on Cancer.

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To eliminate cervical cancer as a public health problem we need:

- 90% of girls HPV vaccinated by age of 15.
- 70% of women screened by 35 years of age and aging by 45.
- 90% of women identified with cervical disease receive treatment.

What is PRESCRIP-TEC doing in India?

- Informing and sensitising women about the screening process for higher accessibility and acceptability of the screening programs.
- Facilitating self HPV testing at home to make things easier for women living in remote areas.
- Introducing artificial intelligence in the gynaecological examination to improve diagnosis precision and to make work easier for health workers.
- Providing women who need treatment of cervical lesions immediate assistance.

In India there are the following partners working in PRESCRIP-TEC Project: the Manipal Academy of Higher Education (MAHE), St. John's Medical College, a unit of CBCI Society of Medical Education Bengaluru, Dharmasthala Manjunatheshwara Educational Society Ujire, the Chittaranjan National Cancer Institute, Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology and the Tata Medical Centre.

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