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PRESS RELEASE

**MUMBAI PORT TRUST 1ST PORT TO START ANTI-RETRO VIRAL THERAPY (ART) CENTRE
FOR HIV POSITIVE PATIENTS**

Every year Mumbai Port Trust observes World AIDS Day/Week. This year the theme is 'HANDS UP FOR HIV PREVENTION'. On 1st December 2016, on the occasion of the World AIDS Day, Shri Sanjay Bhatia, I.A.S., Chairman, Mumbai Port Trust inaugurated the free Anti-Retro Viral Therapy (ART) Centre at MbPT Hospital at Wadala. This ART will be operated in co-ordination with NACO/MDACS. NACO will supply ART drugs free of cost at the MbPT ART Centre. Mumbai Port Trust is the 1st Port to start ART drugs for its employees and their family members. MbPT is dispensing ART medicine for MbPT employees and their dependents since 1999.

Mumbai Port Trust initiated awareness on HIV/AIDS from 2001 and is 1st port to release the 'Work Place Policy' on HIV/AIDS in 2006, MbPT is also having STI/RTI centres in its premises.

This facility of Anti-Retro Viral Therapy (ART) Centre at MbPT Hospital is open to General Public also.

2nd December 2016

(V.R. Joglekar)
Chief PRO

