

## TCIF organises Truckers' Utsav

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TCI Foundation (TCIF), the country's leading integrated supply chain and logistics solutions provider, organised a 'Truckers' Utsav at Transport Nagar here on Friday.

Speaking on the initiative, Indra R Singh, Project Director, TCIF, said, "Being the leading logistics company in the country, we think it is our responsibility to make life better for the truckers, who are the lifeline for the sector".

Adding, he said, the event was an annual feature of TCIF that provided a platform to bring thousands of truckers together to spread out the message on prevention of HIV/AIDS and sexually transmitted diseases in an interesting, entertaining and stimulating way.

"We realise that owing to the nature of the work of the truckers, they are highly vulnerable to AIDS and other related diseases", he remarked.

He added there were about 5 million truckers in the country, who travelled across 3.3 million kilometres of the country's road network, out of which an estimated 2 million truckers travelled on long distance routes with an average of 8000-10000 kms on an average in a month.

Adding, he said the overall prevalence of HIV/AIDS among long-distance truckers had been reported to be 4.6 per cent, which was 12 times higher than the prevalence among men in general population.

"We want to make truckers aware of the problems faced by them", he revealed.