

Five Months Report COVID 19 Relief and Restoration Program 22nd March to 22nd August 2020 At a Glance

Communities served:

- Migrant Workers
- Refugees
- Teachers of Private Schools
- Service Providers
- Small Businesses
- Destitute Local Families.

People Reached:

- Cooked Meals provided - **72,000** persons
 - Ration / Cash Support - **18,000** persons
(Kits for a month)
 - Teachers & Service Providers- **750**
 - Petty Business Persons- **235**
- Migrant Workers** (and their families)
Directly benefited: **10,000** persons
Indirectly benefitted: **3,50,000** persons
- Expenditure: 72 Lakhs INR**
(As on 22nd August 2020)

Brief Report

1. Two Innovative Initiatives

a) Support for Private School Teachers:

Recognizing the problems being faced by teachers of private schools who have not received their salaries since March 2020 and may not receive till August, COVA started a program to provide Rs. 10,000 to teachers as part of their salary that will also enable 2 students to study free for a year as per the agreement with the school managements. So, apart from saving school teachers from starvation and help them to live with dignity till they receive their salaries, this program will also help in preventing dropout of students that is expected to be at least 15% in the coming year due to the current economic meltdown.

A Win-Win arrangement for Teachers, Students, Management and Society!

Taking note of similar problems being faced by service providers like office assistants, sales executives, and technicians engaged in computer, mobile and other repairs COVA provided support to 27 of its volunteers and service providers.



COVID Relief - Ration and Cash Support to Private School Teachers.

In all, COVA has supported 750 teachers and service providers in different ways including provision of ration kits and is working to support 1500 teachers

b) Restoration of Small Businesses

Most people engaged in small businesses like selling vegetables, fruits, tea etc. had lost their working capitals during the Lockdown and now have no means to restart their businesses. Immediately with the easing of the Lockdown, COVA launched a program from 7th June 2020 to provide working capital to help restore small businesses.



Grants of Rs. 2000 to 5000 were provided to 125 persons and rickshaws of 60 scrap collectors were repaired at an average cost of Rs. 2500. This is helping beneficiaries of this program to start earning Rs.400 to Rs. 500 daily and thereby support themselves and their families for years to come.

COVA also facilitated SAFA in identification of 50 beneficiaries who were provided loans as part of the Build Back Program. COVA seeks your generous donations to help restore at least 1000 small businesses.

2. Success in Advocacy for Migrant Workers

With the Lockdown, the Migrants were not getting their weekly wages and with their meagre savings depleted, they were on the verge of starvation. On COVA's representation, the Government of Telangana immediately announced that free rations would be provided to all the migrant workers in the State through Government Ration Shops along with Rs. 500 in cash for sundry expenses. This Over 3.5 Lakh migrant workers have benefited from this scheme.



[Chief Minister of Telangana announcing Free Rations for Migrant Workers!](#)

3. Cooked Food

COVA provided lunch and dinner to 1000 migrant workers and their families at Gagan Pahad and 50 migrant workers at Jalpally for 21 days till they received rations from the government. From 1st May to 31st June 2020 COVA started a Community Kitchen in collaboration with Surge Impact Foundation to provide cooked food twice a day to 500 migrant workers and their families to help them to fast with ease during the month of Ramazan at Kishanbagh, Hyderabad.



4. Ration Kits

COVA provided 3000 kits with a month's ration to migrants, teachers of private schools, destitute families and Refugees from 6 countries viz. Myanmar, Sudan, South Sudan, Afghanistan, Syria and Somalia.



5. Enumeration of Migrant Workers

COVA has enumerated 10,000 persons from 4000 families of migrant workers in Gagan Pahad, Katedan and Kishanbagh areas and facilitated them to get cooked food and rations from the Public Distribution System.

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