

From emergency response to building resilience and rekindling hope -  
*we could not have done it without your support*

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COVID 19 has impacted mankind like never before. The plight of children and families from underserved communities is particularly dismal.

Thousands of vulnerable children faced the brunt of the pandemic, which has claimed the lives of both their parents, leaving them alone at risk of abuse and exploitation. Some children are abandoned by the surviving parent because they alone cannot bear their responsibility. In the midst of this, children are left without viable support from their extended families who themselves are struggling to survive.

All SOS Children's Villages across the country extended provision through Short Stay Homes. We have sheltered over 280 new children in the last few months in our short stay homes. A quarter of these children have now joined over 6,500 children who are living and growing in 32 Children's Villages across 22 states/UTs.

Our dedicated SOS mothers and caregivers left no stone unturned to ensure that these children remain safe, secure, upbeat, and continue to learn. We are also supporting over 1000 care leavers (settled youth) who have lost jobs either through financial assistance and or through reskilling.

We have ensured that all our staff and mothers get vaccinated. With your support, we have equipped all Children's Villages with oxygen concentrators as well as medical kits, in preparation for the third wave.

We are also safeguarding over 22,000 children and their families from the disadvantaged rural or semi-urban communities under the Family Strengthening Programme. We have ensured that these children continue to get nutritious food and learn online. Our teams have undertaken several initiatives like supplying COVID-Medical Kits, Dry Ration, Community Kitchens, Free Ambulance Service etc. for the affected families, including beyond the ambit of the programme. Our co-workers are tirelessly facilitating vaccination drives in several clusters, busting misinformation and encouraging these communities to overcome vaccine hesitancy with the generous support from HNIs, major donors and their respective foundations or/and Corporates; COVID relief kits are being distributed to thousands of families.

Now that the second wave is on a downward curve, our focus has moved from emergency response to building resilience. We are helping those who are worst affected to rebuild their lives through livelihood assistance by way of providing them psychological and technical support.

We stand committed to responding and extending support to the needy in every possible way.

We would like to express our earnest gratitude and heartfelt regards to all our supporters.



## .. SOS CARES ..

*Fueling Dreams, Enabling Futures*



Over 280 children were brought to the Short Stay Homes at SOS Children's Villages across the country in the last few months. Nearly one third of these children are now enrolled in the Family Like Care programme in the Children's Villages for extended, long term care, while around 20% children have gone back to reunite with their families, and the remaining children continue to take shelter in the Short Stay Homes.

### COMMUNITY SUPPORT FOR COVID RELIEF UNDER FAMILY STRENGTHENING PROGRAMME



**Dry Ration Support**  
to 7350+ people



**Livelihood Support**  
for 440+ caregivers

#### Education Materials Distributed

to 8300+ children across 32 project locations in the country



**Tuition Support**  
for 3200+ children under the Family Support Programme as well as from the community.



**Remedial Cash Support**  
given to 900+ care-leavers for unemployment due to COVID



**COVID First Line Treatment**  
center in Thrissur sheltered 800+ children. The center looked after their health and emotional well being, besides **providing safe and secure environment.**



1000+  
**COVID Kits Distributed**



**Community Kitchens**  
catered to 15000+ Meals to 1100+ covid positive patients



1350+  
**Hygiene and Sanitation Kits**



150+ COVID positive patients were provided  
**Medical Support**



**Employment Training**  
to 22 youths to upgrade their skills



190+ children, mothers and coworkers were provided  
**Training on Emotional Well-being**



220+ patients availed  
**Ambulance Services**



**Facilitated Social Welfare**  
Schemes for 6250+ people



100+ availed  
**Domiciliary Service**

### Awareness on COVID VACCINATION AND PREVENTION



Number of Slums or Villages Reached  
**271**



Number of People Sensitised or Made Aware  
**65,500+**



Number of Districts Covered  
**46**



Number of People Vaccinated  
**8600+**



Number of People Registered for Vaccination  
**14,000+**



Number of People Registered for RTPCR or Antigen Test  
**2790+**





Offering...

# HOPE

## FACILITATING THE VACCINATION DRIVE for youth

SOS Children's Village Faridabad campus turned into a vaccination centre for hundreds of eligible youth above 18 years and staff members of various Child Care Institutions as they received the first dose of the Covishield vaccine - a few office staff members of DCPO, Child Welfare Committee and Child Line also took the jab.



## HELPING CHILDREN ORPHANED BY PANDEMIC with food and support

Losing both parents to the pandemic can be traumatic. Our SOS Children's Villages of India workers continue to lend a helping hand and emotional support to many children including this child along with his grandfather with dry ration to cope with these turbulent times.



## LET'S BREAK THE CHAIN to protect self and others

Our SOS Children's Villages of India community workers in Visakhapatnam led a mobile awareness campaign for COVID-19 prevention and vaccination. Launched by Andhra Pradesh Zonal Commissioner of Municipalities Ch Govinda Rao, the campaign outreached hundreds in Bheemili busting misinformation and vaccine hesitancy, leading to a positive change.



The Government Hospital Medical team at SOS Children's Village Jammu conducted COVID tests of all children, mothers and staff members. All 123 people tested negative.

## REACHING OUT TO THE lesser privileged

Dry ration was provided to underprivileged families in Rourkela, who lost their livelihood due to the pandemic and extended lockdowns. The initiative was carried out under Family Strengthening Programme in collaboration with Give India.



## CULTIVATING AN INNOVATIVE NUTRITION GARDEN

One of the Self-Help Groups supported by us from Koletiwadi village in Alibag, Maharashtra, is cultivating organic vegetables for a family that helps in offering nutritional support.

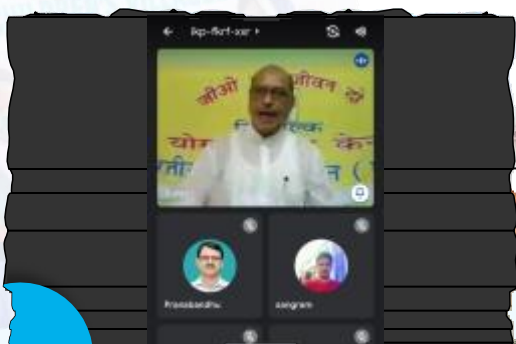
## SECURING THE FUTURE for children who lost parental care due to COVID-19

As per Child Welfare Committee recommendation, SOS Children's Villages of India Family Strengthening team in Bhubaneswar reached out to 15 children from Baliana and Ballipatna block of Khurda, who lost their parents and needed support. SOS caregivers did due diligence before incorporating them into our Kinship Care programme.



## BOOSTING MINDFULNESS among children

With an aim to keep children engaged in creative pursuits amid lockdown and uncertainties, Family Strengthening Programme Bhubaneswar organised a virtual yoga session in collaboration with Bharatiya Yoga Sansthan in the city. The children learnt about the benefits of yoga, meditation and breathing exercises and how it can impact their overall well-



## CELEBRATING THE MULTI-TALENTS of children

On 5th June, World Environment Day, Family Strengthening Programme Nagapattinam organised a fun-filled drawing competition along with a poem and essay writing contest for children. More than 20 children participated in this joyful, virtual event.





# .. *Helping Hands* ..

## Nisha, an inspiring frontline worker and a COVID HERO



Nisha, a ground level worker and an animator works with SOS and serves the community selflessly. Residing in JJ Colony - one of the slum clusters of Delhi, she looks after 120 children and 63 families in her cluster. She is an integral part of The Community Kitchen Programme which started in May 2021 in JJ Colony Bawana with an objective to serve two square meals and breakfast to COVID-struck families, who were not just grappling with the disease but also lack of care and support. Nisha mobilized volunteers, youth groups and community heads to implement this initiative.

Together, they started preparing a list of COVID positive families and persons who were home quarantined. Next, for the whole month of May, she personally monitored the operations at the community kitchen, ensuring good hygiene was maintained while cooking, packing and serving the food packets. After the meals were cooked, she delivered the food packets at the doorsteps of these COVID patients, every day. During this task, she adhered to all the necessary preventive measures such as wearing a mask, maintaining hygiene and physical distance. Within a month, she served more than 100 people. She also persevered and managed to receive a donation of INR 11,000 from a local person; the amount was utilized in feeding 11 non-Family Strengthening families who were at the verge of starvation during the crisis. Nisha is our hero without a cape!



## Providing a home away from home!



Six-year-old Ananthakrsihnan and 3-year-old Aadhikrishnan were brought to our short stay home facility on 5th June 2021, providing temporary accommodation and additional support in absence of their parents. Their parents had got infected by COVID-19 seven months back and were recently diagnosed with severe pneumonia. They were forced to undergo inpatient treatment in hospital due to the severity of illness.

Since, there were no relatives to take care of these little children during their parents' stay at the hospital, the local Panchayat authorities intervened and approached the Child Welfare Committee, Ernakulam for arranging temporary shelter for these children, who in turn reached out to us. The children were given adequate care and support along with unconditional love during this critical phase. Once the parents recovered, they took the children back in June 2021, along with hearts full of gratitude for our SOS Children's Villages of India community caregivers.



# THANK YOU

*For rekindling hope, spreading joy!*

Thank you for your thoughtful contributions and relentless support in helping those impacted by the pandemic. You have been our constant companion in making a difference to the communities we operate in. With you by our side, we will continue to empower the lesser privileged, helping them sail through these turbulent times.

A little can change a lot. Do your part to help them out during these trying times.

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