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COVID -19 RELIEF WORK BY JEEVAN VIKAS SANSTHA IN 2020-2021

1. SUPPORTED BY: CARITAS INDIA

Jeevan Vikas Sanstha has been active in relief works and charity works ever since the dreaded Covid-19 virus began to spread in India in the month of March 2020. We concentrated mainly on the displaced migrants who lost their job and are left without daily food for their survival.

1. Strategy for JVS Partners:

- Mobilized local dry food grain resources from the Community
- All the local based institutions were appealed to do the Act of Charity in a ways that they can do.

2. Main Initiatives taken by JVS

- Requested the generous people to contribute dry food grains for the migrant and poor people
- Collected the dry food grains from the people

3. Outcome of the Initiatives taken by the partners

- With the help of local Church and community, we could collect dry food grain for the poor and deserving people
- In the first month we could collect food grains and distribute them to 250 poor people and also distributed sanitary items to them.

4. Innovative ways of response

- Appealed to several authorities and requested those to contribute something generously towards the poor people who are adversely affected with lockdown specially the old and poor who are deprived of ration from the ration shops.

JVS served for the community during the COVID 19. Provided ration kit to 520 families in which covered around 2600 people. Caritas India supported for 340 families and for rest of the 180 families received support by the local leaders and volunteers. . At first we did the survey and collected information of the quarantine migrant people those are living in the schools and not allowed to stay at their home for 14 days

Data of Covid- 19 response by JEEVAN VIKAS SANSTHA.

1	Number of total people reached out by Jeevan Vikas Sanstha	2600 People
2	Number of migrants reached out by Jeevan Vikas Sanstha	600 People
3	No of people given psychosocial Support by JVS	520
4	Number of dry ration kits distributed by JVS	520 Families
5	Number of volunteers involved with COVID-19 Relief works	12
6	Total amount spent till date for covid-19 relief works	2,90,000/-

GEOGRAPHICAL COVERAGE

SN	State	District	Block	Location/ village/ area	No. of families	No of individuals
01	Maharashtra	Amravati	Achalpur,	Chitodiya	50	

02	Maharashtra	Amravati	Achalpur	Kandli	40	
03	Maharashtra	Amravati	Anjangaon	Anjangaon	25	
04	Maharashtra	Amravati	Akot	Akot	15	
05	Maharashtra	Amravati	Chikhaldara	Mariyampur	50	
06	Maharashtra	Amravati	Dharni	Kara	20	
07	Maharashtra	Amravati	Daryapur	Sanglood	20	
08	Maharashtra	Amravati	Dharni	Duni	20	
09	Maharashtra	Amravati	Daryapur	Kholapur	70	
10	Maharashtra	Amravati	Achalpur	Memna	30	
11	Maharashtra	Amravati	Chikhaldara	Churni	180	
				Total	520	2600

While carrying out these relief works JVS followed:

For Community:-

- Marking on 1.5 meter to stand the beneficiary in line.
- Beneficiaries should cover their mouth with mask or cloths.
- Informed about the precautions on COVID 19 before distribution
- Keep Food kit on distance and let them take one by one, do not give hand to hand.

For Staff:-

- Use mask on mouth
- Use Sanitizers time to time
- Maintain Safe distance while packing and distribution.
- Use hand glosses while distribution.

ACTIVITIES

- Purchasing the material
- Packing the Food Kit.
- Marking in distribution place to stand beneficiary in the line and safe distance.
- Transportation from pick up and drop place.
- Taking support from local leaders and PRI members for distribution

CHALLENGES

- While distribution to maintain the safe distance as social distancing but local leaders and PRI members support to maintain it.
- Travelling from one location to another in lockdown.
- Find out the neediest families in the community. Because everyone tries to become beneficiary in getting free.
- Misunderstanding in the community if some families do not get the food kit.
- Difficult to get facilities for hand wash all the times.

LEARNINGS

- Local leaders and PRI members support creates cooperative atmosphere in the community.
- We have to follow guideline for own safety.
- Community must know the accessories they have been getting.
- Community should from where they have getting the food kit.
- Community still not aware about precautions on COVID 19, so it was helpful to redirect them while distribution.



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कांडली येथे कॅरिटास इंडिया, जीवन विकास संस्था, रोमन कॅथलिक चर्च यांचे सयुक्त विद्यमाने जिवनावश्यक वस्तु वाटप

दि. ०७ प्रति. संजय चौबितकर :- कांडली ग्राम पंचायत येथे ७ एप्रिल ला कॅरिटास इंडिया, जीवन विकास संस्था व रोमन कॅथलिक चर्च यांचे सयुक्त विद्यमाने कांडली येथील ४० कुटुंबियांना दैनंदिन लगणाच्या जिवन आवश्यक वस्तुचे वितरण करण्यात आले. त्या वेळी संस्थेचे फादर स्वामी, फादर बॅंझामिन, श्री देशमुख, पोलिस पाटील श्रीमती. मीरा म्हाला, बोबडे तलाठी आणि परतवाडा पोलिस स्टेशनचे ठाणेदार सदानंद मानकर यांनी कोरोना विषाणु विषयक मार्गदर्शन करुन वस्तुचे वाटप करण्यात आले. पोलिस स्टेशनचे



अधिकारी कर्मचारी, श्री राजेश माल्हा, सुनिल भोरे हे प्रामुख्याने उपस्थित होते.

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जिवन विकास संस्थेने ३०० कुटुंबांना वाटले धान्य

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2. SUPPORTED BY: AUS, AUSTRIA

The Project benefitted 130 poor families who have lost their jobs due to corona pandemic. In the first stage 20 she-goats will be purchased and distributed to 10 extremely poor and deserving families among them. Since goat-rearing can bring some stable income for the families after a few months that will give them some support in the near future. In the second stage, dry food grains of essential food items will be purchased and distributed to 130 families. That will enable them to survive temporarily and will give some relief from the present crisis of survival for these families.

Beneficiaries identified and supported with the below accessories:

Sr. No.	Items	Total number of items	Cost for single item in Rs.	Total cost in Rupees
1.	She-goats	20	6000	120000
2.	Dry food kits	130	1550	248350
3.	Transportation			3000
4.	Audit Fee			2000
Total				373350

Items distributed in each Dry Food kits:

Sr. No.	Items	Quantity per head in Kg.	Price per Kg. Rs.	Total Kg.	Total cost in Rs.
1.	Rice	10	32	1300	41,600
2.	Wheat flour	10	23	1300	29900
3	Edible oil	05	110	650	71500
4	Washing soap	05 nos.	10	650	6500
5	Bathing soap	03	25	390	9750
4	Spices (Chilly, Coriander, turmeric, Garam masala)	2 kg (500 gm each)	180	260	46800
5	salt	2	20	260	5200
6	Tea powder	1	270	130	35100
7	Bags, packing charges				2000
Total					248350.



3. SUPPORTED BY: MISSIO

- The immediate objective of the proposed project is to eradicate hunger and malnutrition in 250 tribal and Dalith households through the supply rations kits which will contain essential dry daily provisions.
- As the Covid -19 Pandemic has left a severe blow to the very poor labour class of this area, this project is only to address to the basic relief of the victims. As a result we hope that they will be able to find a viable solution for their future livelihood. Till then this project will be of immense help for them to stand in their feet.

Fund Allocated for Beneficiaries:

Sr. No.	Items	Beneficiaries	Rs.
1.	Food kits	250 families	150000
2.	Transportation of food kits to villages		10000
3.	Programme monitoring expenses		3000
4.	Communication and Auditing		1500
	Total expenses for one month		164500



4.EMERGENCY RELIEF WORKS: DRY FOOD DISTRIBUTION:

SUPPORTED BY: MANOS UNIDAS SPAIN

Having received the permission from the funding agency (Manos Unidas) to spend the balance amount of the NILA project amounted to Rs. 1, 27,272/- the Director of Jeevan Vikas Sanstha, Paratwada Fr. Jose Kunnapply and Sr. Jenifer the Project coordinator carried out the Dry food distribution activities along with the support of the other Priests in three villages namely Damni, New Memna and Malkapur. The most deserving families were being selected through the survey. There were about 41 families in Damni, 29 families in New Memna and 9 families in Malkapur area. (9 families from Damni have migrated to urban areas in search of work. So we selected 9 families from Malkapur). Thus total 79 food kits were being distributed. Following is the table of each dry food kits amount.

Sr. No.	Items	Quantity	Purchased Price
1.	Wheat Flour	10 Kg.	Rs. 220/-
2.	Rice	10 Kg.	Rs. 320/-
3.	Edible Oil	5 liters	Rs. 528/-
4.	Tuvar Daal (Pulses)	2 Kg	Rs. 196/-
5.	Sugar	2 Kg.	Rs. 38/-
6.	Washing Soap	2	Rs. 19/-
7.	Bathing Soap	2	Rs. 45/-
8.	Chilly Powder	500gm.	Rs. 50/-
9.	Coriander Powder	200 gm	Rs. 34/-
10.	Turmeric	200gm	Rs. 34/-
11.	Salt	1Kg.	Rs. 8/-
12.	Tea leaves	250gm	Rs. 65/-
13.	Masks	2 each	Local Contribution
		Total	Rs. 1557/-

Sr. No	Items	Amount Paid
1.	Grocery	Rs. 123003/-
2.	Labour Pay: Packing provisions:	Rs. 800/-
3.	Labour Pay: Loading and unloading	Rs. 600/-
4.	Transportation charges	Rs. 869/-
5.	Audit Fees	Rs. 2000/-
	Total Amount	Rs. 1,27,272/-



5. SUPPORTED BY: ZOMATO FEEDING INDIA

Jeevn Vikas Sanstha made an appeal to Zomato Feeding India for material help for the migrant labourers who lost their works due to Covid- 19. Zomato Feeding India responded positively and quickly and came forward to help to 400 families with the provisional Ration Kits containing the basic needs and provisions for the households. These kits were distributed in Churni, Malkapur and Chikhaldara area for the extremely afflicted Tribal Families. The food kit contained white flour, Rise, Tea Powder and Edible Oil etc. This was an instant relief for the families of the labourers who came back to their villages from Urban Areas due to Covid-19.



OTHER PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION BY JEEVAN VIKAS SANSTHA IN 2020-2021

6. SABAL

SUPPORTED BY: CARITAS, GERMANY (CARITAS INDIA)

- JVS SABAL is working in 51 Villages,14 Panchayats,3 Blocks,2 Districts
- 6029 Households and with 34,082 population (Ref. Annexure)

OUTCOME - 1: For 3000 Korku households in Churni Block in Chikaldara, food security is enhanced with diversification in food production and intake.

- 151 farmers have cultivated 25,100 Kg of Gram in 63-acre, 46,000 kg of Wheat in 70.05-acre 1,000 kg of Green peas in 5 acres, 700kg of Masur in 3 acres (Rabbi season Feb-20)
- 151 Farmers have cultivated 72,800 Kg of Gram, Wheat, Green peas and Masur in 151 acres. (Rabbi season Feb-20)
- 316 Farmers have developed demo plots in Kharif Season, 266 farmers have cultivated Mix cropping and 50 farmers - Mono cropping. (Kharif Season -2020 Ref. KOBO)
- 316 Farmers have used 665-time INM, 509-time IPM and 172 Pest Management (Ref. KOBO)
- 316 farmers have cultivated 93002 Kg of Paddy in 153.08-acre, 73,388 kg of Jawar in 155-acre 1,28,825 Kg of Maize in 163.04-acre, 23,980 kg of Kutki in 44.55 acre and 28,563 kg of Soyabean in 112.02-acre land. (Ref. KOBO)
- 316 Farmers have cultivated Paddy, Jawar, Maize, Kutki and Soyabean
- 3,47,758 Kg in 628.41 acres. (Kharif Season -2020)
- Farmers have cultivated 21,700 Kg Tur from 99 Acre, (Kharif Season -2020)
- 8 Farmers have collected 14065 Liter Cow urine and 34500 kg Cow dung from 8 Cow urine Center and earned amount Rs. 11,990 /-, and 165 farmers benefited from it (Ref. Annexure)
- 62 Farmers from 26 villages prepared Vermin Compost and production is 11085 kg (Ref. Annexure)
- 120 famers have done soil testing and issued 120 Soil health card PDKV, Akola (Ref. Annexure)
- 33 Farmers Collected 297 kg Seeds for 3 Seed banks and 18 Farmers benefited from it. (Ref. KOBO & MPR)
- 5 observation well have increased ground level water
- Through Soil and water Conservation Structure people Constructed 9 structures and got 597 human days' work (Ref. KOBO)
- 26 Volunteers have developed gully plug (9.5 cub.) at Panchala
- Farmers are happy with Soil and water conservation structures which have increased food crop area and production.
- 240 farmers have developed demo plots for Rabbi Season
- 39 Farmers got good result in milk production through daily use of Azola
- 27 farmers have planted fodder grass and grass seeds

OUTCOME - 2: 2500 Korku households have achieved protein self-sufficiency.

- Total numbers of nutritional gardens are prepared by ANC/PNC Mothers, Malnutrition children's HH and other Families are 1251. Namely ANC =234, PNC=248, Adolescents girls=158, Malnutrition child = 125, other families = 486. (Ref. KOBO)

- Total size of Nutritional Garden= 291022 Sq/ft, harvested vegetables in Kg = 10308.5 Kg and vegetables sold = 938 kg and collected amount rs.11980/- (Ref-KOBO)
- 749 Children and 188 Mothers benefited 7 kinds of Vegetables from Systematic Nutrition garden developed by 15 Aganwadi Centers. (Ref. KOBO)
- 34 Families collected and consumed 138 forest food products and 85 non-timber forest products. 10 Families consumed food as well as earned Rs.25,800/-from Forest food. (Ref. KOBO)
- 8 multiple Nurseries were developed with 5000 Saplings and planted 4349 Saplings by 1034 HH beneficiaries. (Ref. KOBO)
- As for Data collection of Child profiling we have 1702 children.
- 872 SAM/MAM children got protein mix from SABAL
- Protein Mix is being prepared for 90 children in the 6 villages
- 70 children are freed from malnutrition
- 28 Poultry units are redistributed to ANC/PNC Mother. Through Poultry units one family has earned amount Rs. 6180/-only (Ref. KOBO)
- 254 families make use of Moringa in daily food (Leaves, Flowers and Drumstick)

OUTCOME - 3: 3000 Korku communities, especially women and children, will have access to institutional nutritional services and schemes.

- 387 Vulnerable families received Dry Ration Packets and Sanitation kits from SABAL, Caritas India (Ref. Annexure)
- 129 (Sickle cell—26, TB—22, other-81) People of comorbidities received Dry Ration Packets and Sanitation kits from SABAL, Caritas India (Ref. Annexure)
- 300 Vulnerable families received Dry Ration Packets from Immaculata Society, Mumbai
- Total Number of Aganwadis are 66 in 51 villages, Total Number of Children of Age 0.6 to 6 are 3549 who receives yearly 1,51,187.4 kg of Dry Ration packets from the ICDS program.
- 166 ANC/PNC Mothers received 1082 Services and benefits from Government (Ref. KOBO)
- 166 ANC/PNC who receives bio monthly 954.5 kg of Dry Ration packets from the ICDS program.
- 494 ANC/PNC Mothers are found to be high risk mothers in 24 villages
- 217 ANC/PNC women benefited from Amrut Aahar Yojana.
- 20 Women received Baby Care Kits from Akatmik Bal Seva Yojna
- 11 children are enrolled to Aganwadi. Mother and children got 36 benefits.
- 8 NRC referrals are recovered referred by SABAL NHW (Ref. KOBO)

OUTCOME - 4: Nutrition care and support institutions and local governance systems are made more responsive and accountable with the initiative of Korku collectives and advocacy.

- 63 Families have received amount of Rs. 1,18,65,500/-of Subsidized seeds, Agricultural equipment and other scheme from Government with 95% discount. (Ref.KOBO)
- Nearly 3005 people have got Job through MGNREGA (Ref. KOBO and Annexure)
- Through SABAL intervention 1006 People have Submitted 367 various application to 11 Grampanchyat and Panchayat Sameti .06 issues are resolved namely, C.C. Road, Drinking water well, Electricity etc.
- 1105 families got 5kg rice from Garib Kalyan Yojna.
- 644 Families got, Rice (5 Kg), Tur Dal and Gram Dal (1 Kg each) as free ration for Eight months.
- 57 families got Rice (5 Kg), Tur Dal and Gram Dal (1 Kg each) as free ration for three months on Aadhar Card

- 55 Families got seeds for Nutritional garden from ATMA
- 53 Families received seeds of Udit, Mug and Sesamum from Maria Nilaya, Washim
- 35 Families received seeds from KVK for the nutritional garden
- 5 SHG members got Job at MSRLM
- 1287 People submitted form for Namuna-4 to Grampanchayat.
- 289 Families have applied for the MGNREGA work (Ref.KOBO)
- 68 People submitted for New Job Card to Grampanchayat.
- 56 Beneficiaries have submitted forms for P.M Housing Yojana to panchayat Samiti.
- 33 PDS related applications are submitted to department.
- 12 Farmers have submitted form for Tinpatri and Tadpatri to Panchayat Samiti

Other Result

- We have 68 Volunteers in 37 villages (Ref. Annexure)
- Farmer's group earned of Rs. 22,750 by selling Vermi-Compost
- Vasundhara Khad Nirmitti Kendra Solamu and Vastapur earned Rs 9,750/-- through sell of 15 quintal Vermin compost
- Annually earned Rs 14,900 /- through Ujwala Ata Chakki Chichati .
- 02 Women group promoted organic grains and earned (amounted Rs. 6000/-)
- Women group promoted INM and earned (amounted Rs.4500/-)
- 130 human days' work is done voluntarily in the project area
- 20 Families have developed Soak pits to have drainage free village

1. How did the project manage to overcome the challenges?

- In collaboration with Govt. leaders, Local leaders, Anganwadi teachers, ASHA/ANM Social Mobilization and awareness programs were conducted in the villages.
- SABAL Staff joined the village protection committee and helped people to prevent from Corona.
- We Identified Poor, needy and vulnerable people and distributed dry ration packets and Sanitation kits .
- We formed Farmers field school, encouraged to share new learnings, conducted demo on IPM & INM and had Exchange and exposure visits.
- Through CBO's applications were written for MGNREGA, Conducted Livelihood.
- training program and encouraged for IGP and nutrition garden and plantation of Fruit Saplings.

2. Major learning that will be used for further improving the project

- To cultivate team sprit within Local leaders, VDC, Farmers field School, Volunteers, MCC, Mother collectives, Aganwadi teachers, ASHA workers, and ANM.
- To have networking and linkages with Go, and NGO's and to tap Government resources as well Local resources.



7. JEEVAN –EMPOWERMENT ANIMATION

SUPPORTED BY: MISEREOR, GERMANY(CARITAS INDIA)

PROJECT AREA

12 villages from the Chikhaldara cluster and 4 villages from the Dharni cluster.

1. 1000 Tribal households have achieved greater political empowerment with greater representation in local governance Processes.
2. Tribal Communities have achieved Food Security with practice of Sustainable Agriculture.-
3. Community mobilized resources and accessed the rights and entitlements.

Community will ensure the political education program by increasing community demands for local development by their own.

- Vastapur Gram Panchyat awarded as Smart Village for its development concern.
- 7 Special Committees formed by Gram Panchayat for Covid 19
- Community Solved Drinking Water's issue and received through Water Tanker.
- Community Received Regular paid and free Ration during Covid 19
- Replaced blockage pipeline in Malkapur and Baglinga village.
- Youth volunteers have been taking support classes for nearby children
- Electricity department changed DP in Kara and Baglinga village.
- Community demanded and Received Community Hall in Baglinga village.
- Paving Blocks Road completed in Badnapur and Solamahu villages.
- 7 new electric Poll placed in Badnapur and Mozri villages.
- Constructed new Concrete Road in Somwarkheda and Baglinga village.
- Hymns Lights placed for the villagers in 2 program village.
- Constructed Water Tank for Livestock in Kulangan Khurd and Budruk village.
- 42 women are doing free Tailoring Course in Program villages.
- 60 meter Pipeline repaired by the Gram panchayat in Badnapur village.
- Sanitation Cannel constructed in badnapur village.
- Summitry construction resolution passed by the Solamahu Gram Panchayat.

Community will have greater say in setting the agenda of Gram Sabha.

- 7 Common and 7 Special ram Sabha conducted in program villages.
- 915 people participated in common and 335 women participated in special Gram Sabhas.
- 167 applications submitted on the various concerned.
- 17 issues identified and 13 issues are being solved.
- After April 2020 due to the COVID 19 had no gathering for Gram Sabha.

Community led MGNREGA implementing benefiting 1000 households.

- 2670 demands submitted by community to get MGNREGA work.
- 1840 people received work in 16 villages under MGNREGA.
- 76 soak pits prepared by community through MGNREGA work.
- 61 New Job Cards received in the community.
- 7 Farmers are benefitted by various works through MGNREGA.

Community improved quality of implementation of schemes with greater follow-up.

- 179 Toilet constructed in villages through Government Schemes.
- 217 families received support of Rs. 2000/- direct benefit to account as Covid 19 relief in program villages.
- 24 applications for old age pension schemes updated online.
- Gram Panchayat placed 4 Dustbin in Mozri village on the demand of villagers.
- 103 farmers received PM sanman Schemes.
- 4 farmers received Cattle Shed in program village.
- 13 families received new ration card.
- 60 farmers received Crop Security Solar Panel by the Forest Department.
- 4 people received Cast Certificate in Sosokheda village.
- 6 SHG from Jambu, Kara, Sosokheda and Nanduri village received 1 lack for livelihood support through Bank of Maharashtra.
- 38 farmers received Gram Seed by the Agriculture department for Rabi season.

At least 3 community led networks initiated with the support of other agencies (NGO)

- 13 networking meeting conducted with the likeminded agencies.
- 397 families received Poultry through the networking with KVK.
- 17 farmers received exposure visit through the networking with KVK.
- 60 quarantine families benefitted by ration kit through by Fatima Convent.
- 350 saplings planted through the networking in villages.
- 56 farmers were given Soil testing demo by KVK, Akola.
- 14 farmers received Napier Grass plants by Animal Husbandry.
- Covered 120 Animal by giving vaccination by Animal Husbandry.
- Had meeting with Pani Foundation regarding watershed work competition.
- Had networking meeting with World Vision and Khoj regarding MGNREGA and Migration.
- 7 Farmers received fodder for their livestock through Animal Husbandry.
- 83 families received free refill of Gas cylinder through the forest department.
- 25 families received Water wheel through Habitat support.
- Tailoring course is started in program village for women by Forest department.
- Students of 10th and 12th Standard received course guide by the World Vision of India.
- For livestock registration covered 1289 animals by ADHAR.

Women lead farmers facilitate other farmers for food security.

- 36 women led farmers are doing farming in program villages.
- There are 9 women led farmer facilitators helping to 36 women farmers for organic farming.

Community starts reviving indigenous seed and mix cropping.

- 36 Women farmers and 50 Men farmers are engage with promoting the indigenous seed in this Kharip season.
- 16 farmers promoting traditional seed storage system and they used to stored traditional seed.
- 11 farmers are promoting Millet in their land.

Community promoted alternative livelihood and horticulture.

- 47 families are practicing Nutritional Garden in the community.
- 09 Nutrition Garden get destroyed due to the heavy raining.
- 35 families have Livestock as traditional earning source by selling milk.
- 18 Farmers are practicing Horticulture in their land. Guava, Berry, Mango etc.
- 15 New Farmers are promoting Horticulture with the support of JEA.
- 27 families have livelihood source of Vegetable garden in their farm.
- Farmers group of Sosokheda and Dobanbarda village promoting fisheries on local dam.

Community promoted Sustainable Agriculture Practices.

- 116 farmers including Women are promoting Sustainable Agriculture.
- 35 farmers used Cow Dunk manure in their land.
- 17 farmers test their land and received soil testing card.
- 16 farmers received Crop Loan.
- 4 farmers received grain cleaning machine by Agriculture Department.
- 2 farmers of Kara village received Agriculture equipment by the Agriculture Department.
- Farmer's information and Cost Benefit Analysis Card for farmers.

3.1 Community access the various forests Produced.

- Cultural Team received Cultural Kit through the PESA fund in the Mozri village.
- 179 families earned good income by selling Mahuva, Custard apple, Vegetables and other Forest produce.
- 62 families were engaged in collection of Mahuva Seed which they used to prepared edible oil.
- 173 people received pass to use pasture in the forest for their livestock.
- Sosokheda villagers received 40 acres of land by forest for fodder cultivation.
- 250 Families received Mosquito Net through PESA fund in Vastapur village.

ACTIVITIES IMPLEMENTED DURING REPORTING PERIOD

Monthly Staff Meeting

In the monthly staff meetings discussed on the intervention process and the team work of the Jeevan Staff for the community initiatives. Create opportunities for community facilitators to take initiative on the role and the responsibilities for their own community.

Meeting on Sustainable Agriculture Practices

Had meetings with the Farmers in Program villages in which discussed on the sustainable agriculture and organic farming practices. It was an interactive session between farming Facilitators and the farmers as they share their experiences on the traditional farming and the resources they have been using for farming.

Demonstration on Organic growth promoters and repellent.

Conducted demonstration with the farmers for Kharip and Rabbi Season. Community facilitators support to organize and manage the meetings and the demonstration on the field. Farmers shared their experiences on organic pesticides such as Lamit, Dashparni and Bio compost.

Interactive meetings were conducted

The interactive meetings between community and the various departments were conducted time to time. In those meetings community received the update information about the resources available in the govt. Departments and other agencies for the community.

- **Farmers Conference in Bhopal**

Four tribal farmers (including 2 women and 2 men) actively participated in the Farmers Conference in Bhopal. A woman Farmer Mrs. Meera Dhande shared her experience and success about the organic farming and the support of Caritas India. Team participated in Tribal Dance, “Gaduli” and Group discussion on the subject given in conference. All the members actively participated in Exhibition by introducing the various products.

- **Covid-19 Relief and Response**

During the Covid-19 supported community by giving ration kit and aware by giving information about precaution and symptoms. With the support of Caritas India distributed Ration Kit to 340 families in the community. And also mobilized more kit with the support local leaders and supporter.

- **Webinars on Program Implementation**

During the Covid-19 and Lockdown it was difficult to implement the activities in the community. But through the Webinar sessions learned to work with new ideas in the community. And it was really helped for better work in the community for last three months.

IMPACT STORIES

VILLAGERS CONTRIBUTED FOR VILLAGE ISSUE

Now days it is rare to see the unity in the mankind for resolving each other’s issue. But a tribal village set an example for others of the unity and contribution toward social responsibility. A tribal village called Somwarkheda situated in the Chikhaldara Cluster of Melghat Region which comes in the Amravati district of Maharashtra State in India. Population of this village is around 1273. There are 70% ST and 30% NT. Community found in this village. Among 65% are depending on their own land for Farming and rest are on the Livestock and MREGS work for livelihood.

Community found the issue of bust road from village to



main road. The road was much



busted and was difficult to walk even through it. While discussion with CBO in the meeting conducted by JEA, this issue came on priority basis. And therefore JEA team asked participants to take initiative to take over this issue to solve with the support of local

Government. Also motivated them to conduct community meeting again and prepare the application to submit in the Gram Panchayat and Panchayat Samiti.

So the meeting was conducted on next day in which again community discussed on the same issue, prepared application and submitted to Mr. Mansaram Thakre, Sarpanch of Somwarkheda Gram Panchayat.

Mr. Mansaram said them, "Gram Panchayat doesn't have fund to repair the road, and it is under the Zila Parishad." But on his statement **Mr. Ganu Thakre asked, "We elected you as our representative, are you not responsible to do this for us?"** On their initiative Sarpanch promise them to forward their application to Zila Parishad.

Even a week passed Gram Panchayat did not take any action on their application. So Mr. Kishor Patokar again asked community for meeting. In this meeting **Mr. Kishor said, "How long we can wait for other? Why don't we contribute to repair the road?"** And surprisingly community respond positively to his statement and decided to do it by manually contribution.

On next morning villagers contributed for manually work of Road repairing. They filled the holes and gaps and made it good. Finally with the good understanding and unity community made this road good to walk. And also set an example for other villagers of unity and social responsibility. Here we can say that villagers solved their village issue itself.

सोमवारखेडावासीयांनी बुजविले रस्त्यावरील खडे

जिल्हा परिषद बांधकाम विभागाचे दुर्लक्ष
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अखत्यारीत येत असलेल्या गंगोदारी ते मोरगड रस्ताही खडेमय झाले असून या रस्त्यावर गंगोदारी, बोराला, सोमपूर, एकशिरा, तेलखार, मोरगड, चाकी, रती, काकादरी, चौऱ्यामल, रुईपना, धर्मशोध, बहादुरपूर, चांदपूर अशी गावे येतात. सरर रस्ता हा जिल्हा परिषद टेम्पुवॉडा संकलमने येत असून या संकलमने रस्त्याची दुरुवस्था झाली आहे. सोमवारखेडा येथील रस्त्यावरील खडे मातीने बुजवण्यात गंगोपाल खडके, जम शोळके, गानू टाकरे, दवाराम टाकरे, हरी टाकरे, मसगाम टाकरे, लालमाम टाकरे, किशोर पाटीकर, लालमाम टाकरे, राजकुमार टाकरे, दादाबाब टाकरे आगमनात सहय, व अन्य गाववासी उपस्थित होते.

गौलखेडा बाजार : चिखलदरा तालुक्यातील सोमवारखेडा हे १२७७ लोकनसरीचे आदिवासी बहुल गाव या गावाला जोडण्याकरिता मुख्य रस्त्यापासून नागापूर, गौळखेडा बाजार ते मलकापूर असा पौच मार्ग आहे. हा मार्ग जिल्हा परिषद बांधकाम विभागाच्या अखत्यारीत येत असून चार किलोमीटर रस्त्यावर खडूंचे साम्राज्य पसरले आहे. मोठा वर्षापासून या रस्त्याची डागडुणीही झालेली नाही. त्यामुळे या रस्त्यावर दररोज अपघाताच्या घटना घडत असून जिल्हा परिषद

बांधकाम विभागाचे दुर्लक्ष होत आहे. अखेर प्रश्ननाला कंटाळून सोमवारखेडावासीयांनीच रस्त्यावरील खडे मातीने बुजविले.

सोमवारखेडा येथील नागिकांना या चार किलोमीटर च्या रस्त्याने बुचाकी, चारचाकी ने प्रवास करणे तर सोडा साचे पावदळ चालणेही दुरापास्त झाले आहे. याकडे संबंधित विभागासह लोकप्रतिनिधींचेही दुर्लक्ष होत आहे. जिल्हा परिषद बांधकाम विभागाच्या



8. SAMARTH

BUILDING RESILIENCE FOR WOMEN-HEADED DISTRESSED RURAL HOUSEHOLDS

SUPPORTED BY: CARITAS GERMANY, (CARITAS INDIA)

PROJECT AREA:

- Amravati district of Maharashtra.

PRIMARY PARTICIPANTS:

- 400 women-headed households

IMPACT

- Empowered and Dignified life for the 400 farm widows, vulnerable women, women-heads of families or vulnerable women with improved livelihood and realisation of entitlements

OUTCOMES

1. 400 vulnerable women-headed families of disadvantaged communities will have improved livelihood security with micro-enterprises and income generation activities and realisation of protection rights.
2. At least 1000 families (including 500 vulnerable families) will have increased their monthly income by at least Rs. 4,000 with improved agriculture practice and access to entitlements of schemes and programmes.

ACTIVITIES

Samarth will address not only the economic well-being of vulnerable women and women-headed families, but it will help the women to achieve more respectable social standing and social acceptance. Therefore, *Samarth* will work in the sectors of social, economic and political uplift of distressed women. While they will be assisted to gain self-reliance in terms of economic needs of family, they will also be supported to participate as capacitated and empowered citizens in the grassroots-level democratic processes. With the positive outcomes in the economic and democratic spheres, it is expected that their social acceptance will only increase as the women continue to register small successes. The main activities that will be implemented for *enabling* and *capacitating* the distressed women are the following;

1. **Be-friending & Psycho-social Counselling:** *Be-friending* will be used as the strategy to address the psychological stress of women in distress. Be-friending is a process in which a field worker works with the woman in need in an intensive, empathetic manner to understand and solve the problems of the woman in distress. Regular psychosocial counselling sessions, along with *befriending* visits, will be made available for the distressed families for helping them recover from the shock and sorrow and to start life afresh. At least weekly visits will be made to each of

the families to maintain continuous relationship with the women in distress. *Samarth* will help these families to prepare *family-level plan* for development of new income source as per the situation analysis. Befriending will also help the families prevent future suicides and worsening of the distress. While remaining focussed on the *Samarth* objective of economic and social empowerment of distressed women, efforts will be made to identify vulnerable households in the intervention villages. Such households like migrant families, families with persons with disabilities and chronically and terminally ill will be reached out and psychosocial support will be extended to them for preventing suicides.

2. **Mobilization of Women heads of Families:** The first and foremost step of *Samarth* will be identifying and mobilizing vulnerable women into small neighbourhood groups. Village-level meetings will be conducted, issues of agrarian crisis and the challenges of families in distress will be discussed and participatory solution search will be initiated on these group platforms.
3. **Trainings for Suicide-victim Families and Widows:** Regular trainings and sensitisation programmes will be organised for helping the family and women necessary orientation, behaviour change and skills. Trainings will be held on government programmes and schemes, livelihoods, micro-enterprises, sustainable and low-cost agriculture, etc.
4. **Income Generation for Women-headed Families:** For increasing income and to strengthen the social standing of suicide victim families, *Samarth* will help women identify various off-farm and on-farm income generation activities that are locally sustainable. After conducting a feasibility study with the women, *Samarth* will help them with skills and a small seed money (if they are unable to access benefits of government schemes or the scheme benefits are insufficient) to set up micro-enterprise units that will offer reliable livelihoods to women. These livelihood initiatives will be set up as per the requirement of that trade in the village and the willingness of identified families. Some of the ***On-Farm initiatives*** that would be pursued are;
 - ***Livestock activities:*** Livestock is the second occupation of the rural area and most of the community depends on livestock. Women-headed families will be encouraged to take up activities like dairy, goat-rearing, poultry etc by connecting them with relevant government schemes.
 - ***Vending of Farm Produces:*** Women or women's groups will be encouraged to start vending of vegetables or other farm produces to earn incomes. They will be helped to set up shops or obtain carts for vending their produces.
 - ***Mushroom cultivation:*** Families in distress will be helped with many techniques to increase their farm production. One of the options will be mushroom cultivation which is low-cost but with high return possibilities.
 - ***Horticulture and medicinal plants cultivation:*** Families will be linked with government schemes for starting horticulture and cultivation of medicinal plants which will increase family incomes considerably. The families that start these activities will also be linked with market.
 - ***Setting up Nursery unit:*** Women will also be helped to raise nurseries of culturally and nutritionally important trees so that they can earn additional incomes from these activities.

Samarth will also identify and promote viable off-farm units that women can initiate and sustain for increasing their family income and improving their social standing. Families will be helped with both skills and resources for starting such ventures and efforts will be made to link all families with the benefits of schemes specifically designed for the micro-enterprise promotion of women. Some of the options that will be considered for ***off-farm livelihoods*** are the following;

- *Establishment of petty shop:* Women will be encouraged to open petty shops in their villages to earn a dignified living. These petty trades will yield the dual benefit of mobilising enough income to look after her family and become self-reliant.
 - *Ladies' garments and artificial jewellery shop:* Women will be supported to purchase the required material in bulk from traders and sell in their own locality with reasonable margin of profit to earn additional incomes.
 - *Sound System and decoration:* Women-headed families will be motivated to start income generation by starting sound system and tent-house business which are highly in demand in villages especially during festival and marriage seasons.
 - *Other Trades:* There are several other petty trades which can give sustaining income to women-headed families. These include tailoring and sewing machines, *peeko-fall (stitching the border of sarees)*, grinder and flour mill units, spice processing, small mills for processing pulses, units for preparing snacks and *papadum*, tea and snacks shops, shops for selling religious articles etc. Women will be encouraged to start trades after necessary training and linking them with government schemes and programmes.
5. **Organizing Women in Distress:** Women from farmer suicide victims' families from each village will be formed into groups and these groups will hold regular meetings to discuss issues that they confront. These groups will be linked with NABARD, ATMA, Skill India, MUDRA, PMMIS for their skill and capacity building. The group office-bearers will also be trained on managing the group affairs.
6. **Scheme Mapping & Eligibility Fulfilment:** All schemes work on eligibility in the sense that beneficiaries need to produce documentary evidence to prove that they deserve the benefits of the scheme. *Samarth* will ensure that the families, especially women, will have all their eligibility documents ready. The be-friending companions of *Samarth* will conduct a mapping of the various government schemes that will be useful for the social and economic advancement of suicide victim families and help them access the benefits of these schemes.
7. **Increasing Agriculture Productivity:** The proposed intervention will help farmers further increase their knowledge on localised, and scientific agriculture on both indigenous and modern drought-resistant food crops and increase farm productivity. While ensuring that agriculture becomes economically and environmentally-sound, the intervention will strengthen drought-resilience of farming system. Communities will also be helped to identify local solutions for pest and nutrient management. Apart from broadening the variety of cultivated food crops, special emphasis will be given to reviving traditional nutritious crops that are drought resistant. Hardy but reliable crops which contribute to food and nutrition security, will be revived/strengthened. While working on technology and local know-how related to water management and agriculture strengthening, the proposed programme will work with local governance systems to ensure (i) agriculture development and water conservation programmes of government are implemented well in a transparent manner (ii) community-based systems are functionalised to ensure accountability of public systems to respond to water and agriculture needs and (iii) community level initiatives are made to collectively identify solutions to make agriculture more climate change resilient.



9.SAVE A FAMILY PLAN (SAFP, CANADA)

Save A Family Plan (SAFP) is an international non-governmental organization that is committed to seeking justice to the poor in India. It works in partnership with Jeevan Vikas Sanstha more than ten years. The programme is implemented around 30 villages in the Diocese of Amravati. It provides financial assistance and services to those who are suffering from Cancer, Leprosy, HIV, Tuberculosis, physically challenged, destitute and widows through the Family Development Programme. It is the charity core program, aiming to help families meet basic needs, as well as promoting self-reliance and sustainability. Therefore at first we identify the families who need a helping hand. With the right support, the selected families are able to build a sustainable income for themselves. It includes development sectors like economic growth through small business initiatives and savings, food security, education, health and hygiene, gender equality, environment, governance, and women empowerment. In partnership with Jeevan Vikas Sanstha, the SAFP has impoverished around 695 families with monthly financial support and training to help them to achieve their goals. 100% of all donations is received by the poor. These families have graduated of its 6-year Family Development program and have been doing well with stable source of income. Because of this support the families have received training in marketing and entrepreneurship to give them the tools needed to start their own small business. Families also receive assistance from program staff in applying for government programs and benefits enabling families to collectively access through local governments to help with issues including agricultural assistance, medical insurance, education and housing. At present we have 260 families who have been receiving support and 40 more families are in the process of receiving benefits from this project. The staff conducts training on Entrepreneurship Development Programme where they gain knowledge and ideas about starting the small business initiatives by themselves. Other trainings at regional and centre level too have been conducted throughout the year on topics like, Health awareness, Health practices, immunization, Organic kitchen garden, Herbal Medicine, Waste Management, Vermi compost, , education, human rights, Awareness programmes, Hygiene, Awareness in implication of bad habits, Awareness on social welfare schemes, Gender impact assessment etc. We too celebrate women's day, girl child etc. Save a Family Plan India too pays constant visit to the partner family and monitors their small business activities that have been undertaken by the beneficiaries. We too keep in touch with the donors by writing letters and Christmas cards explaining about the development and wellbeing of the families. Though there was lock down in this year we have managed to conduct trainings in the villages itself with the precautions. We could also provide funds to the families to begin the small business initiative. The animators visit constantly the partner families and motivate and guide them in the

process of development. The Director and the project Coordinator too visit the families personally and give them valuable guidance to run the business effectively. By doing this we come to know the family very closely. It helps us to identify the other areas where we have to focus and help the families to come up in life. Each year the partner families take up different small business activities. In some cases they continue with the same. The family plans for the small business activities at the beginning of the year with the help of the animators. Thus they are prepared in advance to take up the various tasks with the financial assistance that they receive in the coming year. Three families have received housing scheme from the donors and are in the process of construction. It gives joy to see that the families are able to start business of their own. With the cooperation of the family we are able to implement this project successfully.





10.PRAGATI

SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURAL LAND DEVELOPMENT AND SKILL DEVELOPMENT

SUPPORTED BY: MANOS UNDAS, SPAIN

PROJECT AREA:

- 6 rural villages within the district of Amravati, Maharashtra state, India. The below given geographical maps depicts the target block in Amravati District of Maharashtra State of India.

The project envisages whole round development of agricultural land of 60 farmers in six villages namely Kalvit, Gondvihir, Masonna, Pandhari, Belkheda, and Salepur. The proposed project is from January 2021 – December 2022. It includes the Director Fr. Jose Kunnappally, Coordinator Sr. Jenifer, animators Mrs. Sheela and Mr. Ramlal. The project also includes Self Help group of women, Kishori groups, Skill development training for the young girls, Support classes for the student from grade I to grade V of the target villages combined with various trainings on agriculture, income generation activities for their future livelihood. All the proposed project villages fall in Vidharbha region predominantly occupied by the backward Korku and Bhil tribes and Scheduled Caste people. All the proposed villages come within Achalpur very close to the boundary of Melghat region of Vidharbha. The main objective of the project is to eradicate hunger and malnutrition through sustainable agricultural practices. The long term objective is to help 60 most underprivileged families develop their agricultural land into better income generating resources and to train the youth in these families for future livelihood jobs.

ACTIVITIES IMPLEMENTED:

- **FARMERS GROUP:** Six farmers groups have been formed in six villages with the help of the Village head, Police Patil and according to the selection criteria. A brief orientation about the project was given to the farmers by the Director of Jeevan Vikas Santha Fr. Jose Kunnappally. The main aim was to initiate the project with the selected families and to motivate the famers to start with the organic agriculture in their farms. Father explained about the project and the various activities that we are going to focus on. Father ensured their full cooperation and support in continuing the project in the selected villages.
- On 11th February 2021 a training programme was conducted on Sustainable organic agricultural practices in Jeevan Vikas Sanstha. Mr. Suresh Zamerkar was the resource person. Fr. Jose Kunnappally introduced the farmers about the project and the funding agency. How they are willing to contribute to help the poor farmers in India. Sr. Jenifer spoke about the various other activities such as women's group, support classes, tailoring classes that would be undertaken through this project. Thereafter Mr. Suresh explained in detail about what is organic farming, its methods and types of farming. It is the agricultural process, uses pest control derived from organic manure and animal or plant waste. He explained to them we need to respond to the environmental suffering caused by chemical pesticides and synthetic fertilizers. It is a new system of agriculture that repairs, maintains, and improves the ecological balance. Organic farming uses organic inputs, green manures, cow dung, etc. The organic agricultural practices could be practiced by the selected farmers though which they will be able to preserve the quality of the land for generations after generation. He also gave some instructions in doing the

farming and how one has to be convinced in carrying out these activities. He guided them how they have to construct the organic manure pits in order to make the manure. The training ended with the vote of thanks by Mrs. Sheela.

- On 7th April 2021 a training on Vermi Compost and Jeevamruth was conducted in two villages namely Pandhari and Masona. Having constructed the organic manure pits by the sixty farmers the next process of how to go about in making the organic manure was explained by Mr. Suresh Zamerkar with the demonstration. He explained to them about the advantages of organic farming and its uses. With the use of cheaper and local inputs a farmer can earn a good return on investment. These products are more nutritional, tasty and good for health. It is also environment friendly and profitable to everyone. The farmers learned the process of making the manure. They also clarified their doubts.
- **SKILL DEVELOPMENT TRAINING:** Two tailoring centers have been opened in the villages itself namely Gondvihir and pandhari. Two teachers have been appointed to train the students. Each centre consists of 15 students. The classes began from 18th January 2021. It is a five months course where they will be learning tailoring as well as training programmes on various topics have been conducted. Thus each year around 60 girls would be learning receiving the tailoring course. On 6th of April training on health and hygiene, specific on menstrual cycles, reproduction was conducted in two villages. Sr. Precilla GNM from Malkapur conducted the session. There are also other training programmes that would be conducted through out this year like training on Gender discrimination, the rights of women etc.
- **SUPPORT CLASSES:** Support classes have been started in all the six villages. The teachers have been selected from the village itself. The Classes began from the month of January. Due to lock-down this has been closed temporarily but hopefully will begin in the near future.
- **SELF HELP GROUP:** 12 Self Help groups have been formed in the villages. The initial meetings have been conducted and they have been trained to do the savings. Small business initiatives like goat rearing and poultry farming would be initiated in the coming months through the project.





11. YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

SUPPORTED BY: DON BOSCO TECH. DELHI

Under this project various vocational courses are being conducted for the youth. Vocational courses like Solar PV installer, Electrician Course and Hospitality etc. were conducted for the young boys and girls to help them to build up their future career. Even though there was a temporary voltage to the regular classes due to Covid-19 Pandemic, online classes were regular conducted and three courses were conducted during the year. Overall above 100 youth were trained, passed out and were given certificates after completing their regular courses. This will have a greater impact on the local society because these courses will definitely help them to find out a job or self employment in their own locality.

