COVID-19 Food Fund

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The nationwide lockdown due to the COVID-19 pandemic over two months ago has had an adverse impact on some of the most vulnerable and marginalised communities in India. Almost a quarter of India’s 1.3 billion people live Below the Poverty Line.

A staggering 92 per cent of the workforce is part of the informal sector - Daily wage workers, migrant labourers, domestic workers etc. It is this sector that was hardest hit when the lockdown was announced as they had absolutely no safety net and were left to starve as cities were shut down. The rise in domestic violence, child sexual abuse and the risk of young women and girls being trafficked is a real fear. Images of millions of migrant families with their children walking thousands of miles to their villages remain imprinted in our memories.
Through your kind and generous support, our partners on the ground have been able to provide ration kits for over 63,856 people. A glimpse of our partners preparing ration and hygiene kits to be delivered to families in need.
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<td>Dry rations have been distributed to migrants, daily wage labourers, and homeless people so that they are able to feed their families. The packets include rice, wheat, lentils and cooking oil.</td>
<td>Hygiene kits containing soap, face masks and sanitary kits have also been distributed.</td>
<td>Awareness drives are held to educate people on precautions to be taken to prevent contracting the disease by maintaining basic hygiene such as frequent washing of hands and wearing masks.</td>
<td>Personal Protection Equipment (PPE) have been distributed to frontline health workers by some of our partners in South India.</td>
<td>Several of our partners have set up help line numbers and have made counselling sessions available online.</td>
<td>Most of the activities would not have been possible without the support of a strong network of volunteers managed by our partner organisations.</td>
<td>Our partners, stakeholders and volunteers have helped excluded communities avail government aid.</td>
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We are continuing with our food distribution work as the nationwide lockdown continues in India.

Identifying some of the most vulnerable groups such as migrant families, daily wage labourers, commercial sex workers, forest dwellers, survivors of trafficking and domestic violence and Devadasi’s in South India who are in need of urgent food supplies.

Mapping out areas that have the most vulnerable population.

Distributing ration and basic essentials to ensure families do not starve.

Distributing Personal Protection Equipments (PPEs) to frontline health workers.
Asha (name changed) belongs to the Nat community and lives in Tonk District. She is a commercial sex worker and has three daughters and two sons. Her eldest daughter, Anju (name changed) was forced into commercial sex work last year after passing 8th standard. Their only source of income is through commercial sex work and ever since the lockdown, Asha has been running from pillar to post begging neighbours and local authorities for food. As she does not have any social security identification, she and her family are not eligible to receive aid from the government. Her family went hungry for days.

Through your support, Asha was provided with dry ration and basic essentials, which will help the family survive for at least 30 days.

“This is very unfortunate that many of our daughters are being pulled into commercial sex work without any security. But thanks to Lily Against Human Trafficking and iPartner India for showing compassion and being concerned about the most vulnerable, excluded and helpless in times of hunger and fear of death.”

- Manju Sharma, Founder Secretary, CECOEDECON
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