

COVID-19

# RELIEF REPORT

BASUNDHARA



*During the tragic crisis period for the*

*Pandemic Corona Virus*



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*Basundhara is involved in various, projects for the children, women and aged since its inception. But it has acted very promptly in the times of natural calamities such as Super cyclone, Flood or any emergency situations, to the needy people in terms of relief, rehabilitation and reconstructions.*

*Due to the pandemic Covid-19 situations there are lockdowns, short downs and restrictions in various areas of the city and the State. The lockdown has disproportionately hurt marginalized communities due to loss of livelihood and lack of food, shelter, health, and other basic needs. The government does have a responsibility to protect the health and well-being of the population, but some of these steps have left thousands of out-of-work migrant workers stranded, with rail and bus services shut down, so also the slum dwellers, rickshaw pullers, trolley pullers, auto-rickshaw drivers etc in the city areas of Cuttack and suburbs of the district are facing lots of un-expected problems. Thousands of homeless people are in need of protection for food, shelter, masks, dry foods etc to save their lives.*

### Affected People By Covid-19

*We get a sense of the magnitude of the crisis by looking at the people who are badly affected by Covid-19 pandemic in the State of Odisha , particularly in the Cuttack city areas along with the suburbs. Due to loss of work on series of lockdowns many of who have been left without work. They are mainly the slum dwellers, migrant labourers, vulnerable-landless labourers, petty traders, tailors, barbers, construction workers, rickshaw/auto/Ola/Uber drivers and many others. Most saddest part is un-speakable situation of the migrant workers . Many have gone back to their home states and many others are stranded across the Cuttack town and NH sites without work or support. Looking at the above situations of the most vulnerable communities during the lockdown, Basundhara made every effort to reach the victims and tried to help them with all the necessary support including Cook food, dry food, sanitary kits, masks and counseling services.*

## Three fold Management of COVID-Relief Works

In COVID-19 Basundhara has organized the Covid-Relief work in 3-fold management divisions. It s like Project structuring, Funds Collections and thirdly Distribution. The General Secretary is in the Charge of mainly generating funds, the sub-ordinate staffs handled the selection of actual affected areas/Wards/Slums etc and the field Staffs are engaged in distribution of Relief materials to the beneficiaries in different places maintaining the guidelines of Govt relief codes. The President of Basundhara Dr. Jogamaya Pattnaik and the General Secretary Mrs. Saila Behea and other Members have discussed the issues on the Covid-19 relief programmes and very



closely monitored it in all respect so that the real beneficiaries could be benefited in true sense at this crucial time.

## **Cooked Food distribution through Mass kitchen**

The cook food was distributed for three months to the daily wage laborers, beggars and very poor family in different Wards under Cuttack Municipality and Jagatpur-Choudwar areas for two times in a day for three months. There are total 30, 200 meals distributed in three months to the

families during the lockdown.



*(Relief – Cook food distribution in Railway station areas)*



# ଦୈନିକ ୨୦୦ ଖାଦ୍ୟ ବାଣ୍ଟୁଛି ଚାଇଲ୍ଡଲାଇନ୍



କଟକ, ୩୧/୩(ଭିଏସ): ଚାଇଲ୍ଡଲାଇନ୍ ଏବଂ ସାଇ ସେବାଗ୍ରାମର ମିଳିତ ଉଦ୍ୟମରେ ଚାଇଲ୍ଡଲାଇନ୍ ପକ୍ଷରୁ ଦୈନିକ ୨୦୦ ଅସହାୟଙ୍କୁ ଖାଦ୍ୟ ବଣ୍ଟନ କରାଯାଉଛି। କରୋନା ପାଇଁ ରେଳ ଷ୍ଟେସନ ଏବଂ ବିଡ଼ାନାସା ନୂଆସାହି ଅଞ୍ଚଳରେ ଫସିଥିବା ଲୋକଙ୍କୁ ଏହି ଖାଦ୍ୟ ବଣ୍ଟନ କରାଯାଉଛି। ଏମାନଙ୍କ ମଧ୍ୟରେ ରାତ୍ରି ଏବଂ ମୟୂରଭଞ୍ଜର ଅଧିକାଂଶ ଲୋକ ଥିବା ଜଣାପଡ଼ିଛି। ମଧ୍ୟାହ୍ନ ଓ ରାତି ସମୟରେ ଦୁଇଓଳା ଖାଦ୍ୟ ଦିଆଯାଉଛି। ଏହି ଅସହାୟ ଲୋକଙ୍କ ମଧ୍ୟରେ ୧୭ ଜଣ ଶିଶୁ ଓ ୬୦ ଜଣ ବୟସ୍କ ଅଛନ୍ତି। ଚାଇଲ୍ଡଲାଇନ୍ ସଂଯୋଜକ ନାରାୟଣ ଶୁକ୍ଳ ଏବଂ ବସୁନ୍ଧରା ଲିଗାଲ ଅଫିସର ଅକ୍ଷୟ କୁମାର ସ୍ୱାଇଁଙ୍କ ନେତୃତ୍ୱରେ ଏହି କାର୍ଯ୍ୟକ୍ରମ ଜାରି ରହିଥିବା ସୂଚନା ମିଳିଛି।

(With Migrant labourers belong to Jharkhand, Bihar, WB, Mayurbhanj)



**Free Meals at : Railway Station/ College Square/  
Jobra areas:**

*Sri Bhimsen Sabat and Narayan Sukla, Kabita Mohapatra with local police officials have distributed meals, railway station, college square, sai-  
mandir areas, in two times for three months nearly 18200 meals to the  
dail labors, collies, rickshaw pullers, slum dwellers etc. The food covers  
like boiled rice,  
dalma, bhaji  
etc.*



## Cooked Food distribution in Station areas of Cuttack

As there nearly 120 people covering from the beggars, rag-pickers, daily-wage laborers were without food for nearly three days, Basundhara reached to them with the local community volunteer namely Sri *Bhimsen Sabat*. They were provided both day and night time meals for three months and nearly 9000 plus meals have been distributed in the area and still we are in contact with them for any emergency help.



### Ward No-2 Hatigada, Bidanasi Utkalika Aras:

Ak Swain alongwith Bikash Mohanty and Mr. Priyabrata Debata with local community leaders have distributed meals, to the stranded migrant laborers of Jharkhand, Bihar, West Bngal and Mayurbhanj areas in Ward - no-2 Hatigada, Bidanasi area for three months. The two time meals have covered 45 local families and migrant laborers during the covid-19 lockdowns. The food covers like boiled rice, dalma, bhaji etc.





### Ward No-2 Bidanasi Utkalika Aras:

There 32 numbers of migrant labors were provided two time meals for three months. They are mostly from Jharkhand, Bihar, West Bengal, Mayurbhanj and Keonjhar areas.



*They have been provided all the basic facilities for shelter in Utkalika Campus, Bidanasi. Initially they were given dry food, but later cook-food facilities have been arranged as per the need of the situation. The information has been shared to the CMC and the Police Department, Cuttack for their kind records.*

## Ward No-1 & 2 MUNDHA SAHI, Bidanasi Areas:

Bikash Mohanty along with Ak Swain of Basundhara and the local community leader Lenka have distributed Dry Food Packets to the stranded migrant laborers, very poor slum dwellers and non-BPL card holders who are without food for a week. The dry-food covers flattened rice, gud, biscuits and patato. Total 450 packets have been distributed in this Ward in two phases.



## Dry Food Distribution – Ward No-2, Mundha Sahi, Ctc

*In this Ward 145 dwellers are without any BPL or Ration Card, and they were struggling heard to get the daily ration and vegetables as they are out of work and shops are closed for shutdowns. In two different times they were given 650 dry food packets containing Flat rice, jiggery, biscuits and potatoes. The local community leader and Advocate of Orissa High Court, Mr. Sukanta Lenka had facilitated the distribution for smooth and real beneficiary selections in the Mundha Sai slum.*



### Items-

- 1.Chura: 1 KG. per family
- :2.Gurh: 500 Gram per family
- 3.Biscuit: 2 packets per family
4. Potatoes -3 kg per family

Photo Feature on Dry Food distribution in Jagatpur/Choudwar areas:-



## Dry Food distribution to the Third-Genders in Ward No-28

*This is the sad reality that while a number of local bodies and voluntary Organisations and civic bodies are providing food the poor, distributing masks, and other essential items in the Cuttack City, the transgender community has been largely overlooked. There is no organized help coming to them from any quarter. It's mostly the members of their community helping each other. We have provided them dry food items to them in monthly intervals.*



# Ward No-48 & 49, Jagatpur Dry Food Distribution :-

## ଓଲ୍‌ସା ଓ ବସୁନ୍ଦରା ପକ୍ଷରୁ ଶୁଖିଲା ଖାଦ୍ୟ ବଣ୍ଟନ

କଟକ-ଜଗତପୁର, ୨୭/୪(ଇମିସ): ଓଲ୍‌ସା ଆଇନସେବା ସଂସ୍ଥା ଓ ଚାଇଲଡ୍‌ଲାଇନ ବସୁନ୍ଦରାର ଶୈଳ ବେହେରାଙ୍କ ପକ୍ଷରୁ ଜଗତପୁରର ୪୮ ଓ ୪୯ ନମ୍ବର ୱାର୍ଡର ଅସହାୟ, ବୃଦ୍ଧ, ମହିଳାଙ୍କୁ ଶୁଖିଲା ଖାଦ୍ୟ ବଣ୍ଟନ କରାଯାଇଛି। ଆଇ.ବି ରୋଡ୍ ବେହେରା କମ୍ପ୍ଲେକ୍ସ ପରିସରରେ ସରକାରୀ ସାହାଯ୍ୟ ନ ପାଇ ଏବଂ ଅନ୍ୟ ରାଜ୍ୟର ଫସି ରହିଥିବା ଶ୍ରମିକମାନଙ୍କୁ ଉକ୍ତ ଶୁଖିଲା ଖାଦ୍ୟ ବଣ୍ଟନ କରାଯାଇଥିଲା। ଉକ୍ତ ବଣ୍ଟନ କାର୍ଯ୍ୟରେ ଓଲ୍‌ସା ଯତି ବିପିନ ଚୌଧୁରୀଙ୍କ ସମେତ କର୍ମକର୍ତ୍ତା



ବିରଞ୍ଚି ନାରାୟଣ ସାମଲ, କାନ୍ତୁଚରଣ ବେହେରା, ବିଜୟ ମିଶ୍ର, ଅଶୋକ ମହାନ୍ତି, ରାଜେଶ୍ ପାତ୍ର, ଧର୍ମାନନ୍ଦ ସାହୁ, ବିଷ୍ଣୁଚରଣ ସାହୁ, ଗୋପା ସାମଲ ଏବଂ ପୂର୍ବତନ କର୍ପୋରେଟର ଦୟାନିଧି ନାୟକ ପ୍ରମୁଖ ସହଯୋଗ କରିଥିଲେ।



**Canal Road slum :- Dry Food distribution:-**



### **Effects of immediate relief by Basundhara :**

*The family those received relief items and the migrant laborers who have provided free meals, they passed very positive comments. During visit of our Office staff members they interviewed a lot of affected people in various Wards of Cuttack city and Jagatpur areas. The affected families appreciated the efforts taken by Basundhara as they received relief items in timely manner. They said that Basundhara has selected genuinely affected and the poorest families who have no other alternative to provide food. Local people assisted our team members during distribution as they were satisfied with our beneficiary selection and quantity of food.*

### **Challenges ahead :**

*The coming days are likely to be tougher for all of us due to several factors such as the flow of more migrants into the state post lockdown and shortage of work. Migration dynamics will see a transformation in Odisha. The pandemic coincides with the summer months when the Odia migrant populations in other States return to their native villages for wedding festivities and crop harvest. The situation calls for a roll-out of urgent administrative measures, starting with affordable or free testing, identification, and quarantine of bearers of the virus in slum areas. This has to be followed by the provision of door-to-door drinking water and mobile toilet facilities to avoid crowds.*

### **Gratitude to our most valued Donors**

*Basundhara requests all the valued donors to accept the heartfelt thanks and contentment on account of their timely help and contributions for the Covid-19 Relief Work for helping hapless poor and migrant people in and around of the Cuttack City, Odisha.*



*The Covid-19 Relief Work ran successfully as a result of the wholehearted cooperation with benevolent souls like you and we hope that God will give you moral strength and power to tend by the poor and needy badly affected by Covid-19 pandemic situations. We hope for your cooperation and support for such a noble work in the future and we take this opportunity to thank you once more. Without your cooperation it could have not been possible for us to reach and help such a big number of vulnerable people during the covid-19 crisis period. The dream of Sasundhara Covid-19 relief help and many other becomes fruitful only if more valuable souls like you support such causes with good for one and all. The relief work is still in continuation in terms of Mask distribution, helping poor families for job, vocational training to the young adults and counseling to the affected people due to crisis situation. The effort is on and the Relief work is continued for neediest people who are in need of our support and help in the dire crisis situation. The Sasundhara Family thanks again for your kind contributions during the need of the hour. You all are an example to us of a true servant spirit, esteeming others more than yourself, and putting 'serving' priorities ahead of your own.*

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