

International Presentation Association Response to COVID -19 in North India Province

Sr. Sneha PBVM as a Delhi Minority Commission Member sharing her experience on Covid -19, Delhi India

“The Almighty Makes use of the weakest means to bring about his works”

Non-government organizations were called by Prime Minister at national level and by our Chief Minister in Delhi to set up shelter homes. Community kitchens were opened through NGO where cooked food is distributed in entire Delhi. Dry food packets have been distributed by Catholic Religious of India and volunteers Christian groups. There is lot of fear and anxiety of being exposed to corona virus. Still few advocates, Priests, sisters, Christian and inter denominations, inter religious groups and civil society came forward to take up challenging mission in the midst of fear and anxiety. Passes to carry out relief work has been sanctioned under Delhi police for mobility.



“We had our relief team in collaboration with Catholic Religious of India, Delhi Arch Diocese Social Service Centre, Chetnalaya. We had dry food packets collected already for 2000 families. Our group distributed dry food packets to riot affected families who lost everything in communal violence. We took up 4 community kitchens. Each centre feed 2000 people daily with lunch and dinner costing Rs.20000/-.” (Sr . Sneha, PBVM a Delhi Minority Commission member).

Holy family sisters, Jesuits and Don Bosco are the religious communities provided breakfast as well as dry food packets to the poor and needy around the place.

Sr . Sneha had been coordinating with government machinery and religious groups and monitoring quality of food served by NGOs and the neglected Muslim areas by government machinery themselves to ensure that no community will suffer based on religion.



Bhalswa Community, Delhi (India)

We have been under lockdown for nearly a month due to Covid - 19 pandemic. We could compare this experience as deep calls to deep. The self-realization enabled us to become aware of the divine self in



and around us. At this time of great uncertainty, pain and suffering all around, we the daughters of Nano ventured out to help our needy brethren who needed food to survive. The government is providing ration only to those





who have ration card. So we precisely selected the people who do not have ration card, daily wagers and migrants. Ration was distributed to the migrants by Srs. Jarsi, Sumitha and Keerthana.

Even though due to lock down we did not have enough cash in our hand we approached few good hearts to extend their helping hand for the needy. Few came forward to share the expenses and with the help of Jesuit fathers of Jahangirpuri Parish, we helped 106 families in and



around Bhalswa. We too have instructed our staff to help the people of their area with needed help line numbers. It was great help and many benefited. We shared our garden vegetables with our neighbors. Ration was given to the construction workers by Sr. Jessy Lobo.



As the corona virus cases' steadily number in Delhi, especially in Jahangirpuri it is an alarm. At the same time we keep our complete trust in the Mighty bring healing to the suffering humanity and the whole healer walk on this earth to heal us. We have stitched mask for us and gave to few families and individuals. We thank opportunity and His abundance.



increasing in and concern for us. God. May Jesus world. May the at home and used God for this

Dabwali community, Haryana (India)

The Agents of social security in this pandemic

We the Presentation sisters (Deepanjali Trust) at Dabwali (Haryana) have been experiencing the lockdown in India for the past one month. It was very scary and painful to hear and see the reality around. We came to know that the people at Harsh Nagar slum are not given ration for their survival because they don't have ration card. Srs. Lalitha and Basanti rushed there to see the situation and

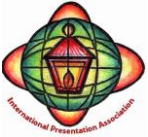


interacted with the people. Listening to their stories of not having food for few days and homeless, it was breaking for us. We felt and empathies with them to help them. Next day we (Deepanjali Trust) distributed ration



Srs. Nisha, Teresa, Basanti and Lalitha were ration to the slum people. Also communicated to the local authorities to reach them out continuously.

very heart compassionate and promised (Deepanjali Trust) to 35 families. distributing



The pandemic is spreading everywhere in India but the poor and no health security as well. In the slum around 175 families are the vulnerable society can be easily affected with covid- 19. The



sisters (Deepanjali trust) masks as a preventive distribute for the people and in the neighborhood. Sr. Mrs. Ashu along

childrens parliament children house to house the masks distributed. The masks were made by our staff and

Many kind hearted people also provided with clothes as well as to stitch the masks. It was amazing to see the sharing and caring happened during this lock down among the people.



homeless people have living. They are Presentation decided to make measure and to slum



Basanti and with the were volunteers.

Jammu Community, Jammu and Kashmir (India).

Covid-19 Relief for the Migrants

The world is in the grip of the unprecedented pandemic of Covid-19. Each day we wonder what the news from within the country and across the globe will bring. We thought the JANTA CURFEW imposed by Mr. Narendrea Modi for a day would be a sort of a remedy; little did we know that it was only a foretaste of the days to come. Two days later, twenty one days of 'India Lock down' brought life to a standstill. The unskilled migrant workers and the daily waged laborers were hit the hardest by this uncertainty.



Hungry, helpless workers were simply left to fend for themselves by their contractors.

Jammu too has a good number of community feeling and Sisters at Jammu provided dry migrant labourers worth Rs. were provided with N-95 face These activities were done in



them. Rising to the growing sense of compassion the Presentation ration kits to nearly 40 families of 40,000/-,The frontline worriers masks worth half a lakh rupees. collaboration with J& K dioceses.

One day salary along with worth 1.5 lakh was given to the

contribution from the school J&k Govt. fund. Money alone

cannot solve the misery around. God alone reigns supreme. While we are house bound, we spend a good quality time in prayers and adoration.

