PARTNER INDIA
COVID-19
EMERGENCY RELIEF
CAMPAIGN 2021
Dear Friends,

It is with deep gratitude and sincere appreciation that I write to you to share an update on how your support enabled us to reach out to some of the most vulnerable communities during the second wave of COVID-19 in India. With your generous support towards iPartner India's COVID-19 Emergency Relief Campaign, we provided families with food and medical supplies and provided 10 oxygen concentrators to a hospital to support critical patients. The outpouring of generosity and support from you has been phenomenal.

The world witnessed one of the deadliest catastrophes, as India battled the second wave of COVID-19. While the healthcare system collapsed, people gasped for oxygen supplies, family members ran pillar to post for medical assistance and hospital beds for their loved ones, the funeral pyres continued to burn on the other side of town. Such were the horrific scenes from cities across India and in small towns and villages where the situation was even more grave.

Last year, the pandemic impacted the migrant labourers and daily wage workers as cities after cities came under lockdown. The mass migration from the cities to their native towns and villages took a huge toll on their lives with families walking thousands of miles facing death and starvation. iPartner India through the support of our donors reached out to provide ration supplies and essential items to some of the most vulnerable communities.

This year, India faced an unprecedented challenge with many families affected by the growing COVID-19 pandemic. Friends, well-wishers and donors came together to combat the second wave by bringing organizations, volunteers and individuals from across sectors to help respond to this crisis.

THANK YOU for helping us reach out to those people who desperately needed our help. We could not have done this without your support.

With sincere gratitude,

Eshant Rajput
As the second wave of Covid-19 swept through India, iPartner India initiated the COVID Emergency Relief Campaign to raise funds to support resource-poor families and vulnerable communities who needed urgent medical assistance, food and medical supplies.

India recorded well over 350,000 positive cases each day - the highest figures recorded in any country at any point during the pandemic. The second wave in recent months has overwhelmed the healthcare system, leaving hospitals struggling to cope and critical drugs and oxygen in short supply. India is only the second in the world to record more than 300,000 deaths - behind the US and Brazil but the real number of fatalities might be much higher as many deaths are not officially recorded.

In this context, the COVID Emergency Relief Campaign was extremely crucial. Racing against time, we were able to reach out to our partners on the ground who critically needed our support to provide ration, medical assistance, oxygen concentrators and essentials to vulnerable communities to survive the second wave.

Every day, our team received frantic calls for urgent medical supplies and leads for vacant hospital beds. This time around many NGO frontline workers also reached out to us for medical assistance as they and their families got affected.

With your support, we have successfully distributed ration to these families along with the required medicines, oxygen concentrators and nutrition supplements.

Having failed to prepare for the second wave despite the warnings from experts, now officials and health authorities are saying that a possibility of a third wave in India is inevitable.
IPARTNER INDIA’S PARTNERS ON GROUND
DURING FOOD AND MEDICAL SUPPLIES DISTRIBUTION DRIVE
**IMPACT 1**

**NUTRITIOUS MEALS**

10,78,880 Nutritious meals were distributed to vulnerable individuals to sustain and survive the second wave of COVID-19.

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**IMPACT 2**

**HYGIENE KITS AND MEDICAL SUPPLIES**

30,872 hygiene kits and medical supplies were distributed to individuals from extremely resource-poor backgrounds.

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**IMPACT 3**

**SUPPORT TO FRONTLINE WORKERS**

NGO workers have been on the frontline and even during last year's nationwide lockdown, they were the first point of contact to provide assistance to those who needed help. During the second wave, many of them were affected by COVID and required medical assistance.

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**IMPACT 4**

**NGOs SUPPORTED**

iPartner India's partners on the ground were supported to provide immediate relief to vulnerable communities to sustain the second wave.

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**IMPACT 5**

**OXYGEN CONCENTRATORS**

10 oxygen concentrators have been installed at the Badshah Khan District Civil Hospital in Faridabad, Haryana. These concentrators are placed in a district hospital, where thousands of patients are getting help. The third COVID wave is predicted in India soon, hence these concentrators will help patients in the future as well.

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**IMPACT 6**

**AREA OF REACH**

iPartner India's COVID-19 Emergency Relief Campaign was carried out across the country from North to South to East to West.
Impact Made Through Your Support

- Nutritious meals provided: 10,78,880
- Hygiene kits and medical supplies distributed: 30,872
- NGO frontline workers supported: 97
- NGOs supported for relief work: 13
- Oxygen concentrators distributed: 10
- States covered: 11
Sunita is from the Nat community, a community that practices inter-generational sex work. She has two children, a daughter and a son. Her husband is an alcoholic and does not contribute to support his family.

Sunita used to work as a domestic help in her village. Her son is 20 years old and was not doing anything. Through project Rakshan, he was supported to complete his 10th grade exam. Sunita's daughter is also studying in 10th grade. She is bright and intelligent and is keen to complete her studies. When her daughter passed her 8th grade, Sunita wanted to send her daughter to Mumbai to enter sex work so that she could earn and support her family. With continued counselling and support from the field team, Sunita attended a gender training where she finally decided not to send her daughter to Mumbai.

Today her daughter is one of iPartner India's Rakshan scholar. Sunita earned a meagre INR 2,000 per month through domestic work. But when the nationwide lockdown took place, many of the girls came back from Mumbai and they started doing all the household work themselves. Hence Sunita lost her only source of income. The responsibility of taking care of her family rested on her. Buying ration for the family became very difficult. She had to borrow money to buy food but could barely last for ten days. She was in a crisis and there was nobody to help her. Sunita’s husband lives with his mother and although he has a Public Distribution System card, which gives them an access to Government aid, he refuses to share it with his family. Through iPartner India’s COVID-19 Emergency Relief Fund campaign, Sunita received food and medical supplies to help her family sustain during the second lockdown.

“The ration and medicine helped me and my children during the lockdown, without this, we would not have survived.” ~ SUNITA
THANK YOU FOR WALKING THIS JOURNEY WITH US