

## A little belief can help provide an ocean of relief

Azad Foundation with the support of generous donors like you could support women chauffeurs and families of women trainees who lost their livelihoods during the COVID19 pandemic. We had shared this in our previous report. As we emerge from lockdown, our support in the form of food relief, access to information and support on government social security schemes, assisting survivors of gender based violence and interventions on sanitation and hygiene continue along with adaptations to access new livelihood opportunities. This report talks of our relief work and exploring new livelihood opportunities.

**To provide relief Azad Foundation launched a mobile-based application to map Community need assessment on food, social security scheme access, gender Based Violence and COVID19 hygiene. They also Launched State Helplines for support**



### CREATING A LOCAL SUPPORT NETWORK CONNECTING, VULNERABLE HOUSEHOLDS TO NETWORKS

i.e government and local CSO's since March 2020 (post lockdown)

**Supported by 540 community members**



### LAUNCHING A DIGITAL\*\*\*, MOBILE BASED APPLICATION FOR COMMUNITY NEED ASSESSMENT

to collect baseline information for targeted support on-food security, access to information on social security schemes, support to gender based violence survivors and information on COVID19 and access to sanitation and hygiene needs. This was launched in April 2020.



**22221\*\* COMMUNITY NEED ASSESSMENT FORMS** have been filled across Delhi, Jaipur and Kolkata.



**STATE LEVEL HELPLINES LAUNCHED** for community to call in case of specific assistance and support since May 2020.

**803 calls were received on the helpline.\*\*\***

Azad has reached out to 22,000 households across Delhi, Jaipur and Kolkata through their digital community need assessment tool, which has helped provide different levels of support to communities as seen in glimpses from our report shown below. The full report can be accessed at <https://bit.ly/3ko16Us>

### [ AZAD'S INTERVENTION ON FOOD SECURITY ]



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**DIRECT OUTREACH BY AZAD**  
SUPPORTING VULNERABLE FAMILIES WITH A MONTH'S SUPPLY OF DRY GROCERY, SOAP, MASK AND MENSTRUAL HYGIENE PRODUCTS

**7764** Households connected for food security through government and civil society initiatives

**80% HOUSEHOLDS**

did not have information on Social Security Schemes including the schemes or provisions for relief during the lockdown

#### PROFILE OF THESE HOUSEHOLDS

**66%** from vulnerable communities (SC/ST/OBC)  
**17%** from minority community  
**58%** households have monthly income less than INR 8000

**Delhi 83%**  
**Jaipur 97%**  
**Kolkata 52%**

**Delhi**  
51% from vulnerable communities (SC/ST/OBC)  
16% from minority community  
39% Households have monthly income less than INR 8000  
**Jaipur**  
84% from vulnerable communities (SC/ST/OBC)  
4% from minority community  
63% Households have monthly income less than INR 8000  
**Kolkata**  
15% from vulnerable communities (SC/ST/OBC)  
22% from minority community  
38% Households have monthly income less than INR 8000

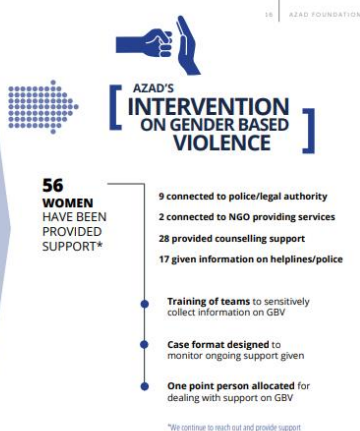
### [ AZAD'S INTERVENTION ON SOCIAL SECURITY ]

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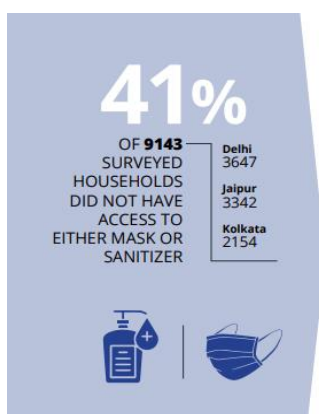
Households assisted to avail Social Security scheme including ration, pension, Jan Dhan among others.

**950**

Households informed on Social Security Schemes through mediums like helpline, booklets, leaflets, WhatsApp/ Text Messages



Our virtual community need assessment indicated that Not only violence but other forms of discrimination was also prevalent in the form of increasing care work and restrictions on mobility. This guided our support, assisting survivors through counselling and legal support



Azad teams and communities engaged in mask production and distribution



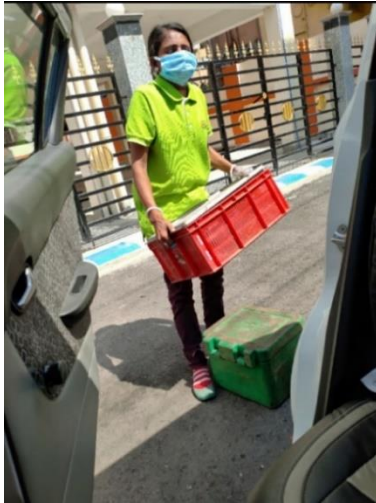
The lack of access to masks revealed by the community need assessment also spurred the Azad teams to work on production of masks, which were distributed, to all community members along with relief supplies across Delhi, Jaipur and Kolkata.

**New Opportunities in E-Commerce-** In addition to these initiatives to build community resilience, Azad has also been exploring ways to enable more women trainees to get employment. Since the transport sector is still recovering from the shocks of lockdown, the safety concerns related to travel, and the e-commerce sector was the new emerging need of the hour, Azad could successfully transition through some collaborations with e-commerce delivery chains to enable trainees to explore jobs as delivery agents. So far, 12 women in Delhi, 8 in Jaipur 12 in Indore and 14 women in Kolkata have begun working as delivery agents as shown in the pictures below. We continue to explore more such opportunities while we will keep the relief work ongoing with the support of our donors

*We thank all our supporters, partners, and donors because of whom we have been able to support our communities and continue our attempts to build back better with resilience.*

*Thank you all for your support!!*

*Azad Foundation Team*



Women in Kolkata, procuring groceries and other essentials for delivery



Women with Wheels in Delhi delivering essentials on two wheelers.