PROJECT TITLE : Donation for Suku Akit Against Covid-19

Project Background

Akit tribe is indigenous people in Kepulauan Meranti district, Riau Province. There are 4.887 households that live separately from other communities and away from access to health, education and public services. Due to lack of access to information, health service, and Covid-19 prevention equipment, Akit tribe is being vulnerable group exposed to Covid-19 because Kepulauan Meranti district is the outermost island and borders with Malaysia and Singapore, and also the migration in that area is high.

This project purposed to do the prevention action of Covid-19 through education, provision of Covid-19 preventive equipment, give the health service access and ensure the staple food supplies for Akit Tribe in two villages, Lukun and Lukit, Kepulauan Meranti district. This project focuses on 550 households in those two villages. This project proposed based on humanitarian considerations and the fulfillment of basic rights in the health sector.

The observation of Scale Up found that Akit Tribe got the discrimination by majority group in terms of public service, no identity card and not getting health and education services and keep them in the poor condition and hard to get school access. On the other side, Kepulauan Meranti district is directly bordered with Singapore and Malaysia and created it to be an illegal transit place of Malaysian workers. The risk of Covid-19 in Kepulauan Meranti district is huge because of their direct interaction with illegal workers from Malaysia and Singapore which are pandemic spreading region while the community in Kepulauan Meranti district do not have health access from the government. Therefore, Scale Up will take this action to educate the community about Covid-19, give mask, thermometer and special rapid test tool in these two villages.

Problem

Covid-19 has been a pandemic and reported that 30 persons are positive in Riau province and put this province is in the red zone. Akit tribe in two villages are lack of information about Covid-19 and no have enough prevention equipment. They also do not get health access because their location is isolated. They also get discrimination by the government.

Project Goal

Akit tribe community get health access to prevent Covid-19.

Project Output

•   550 households of Akit tribe (2.500 persons) get health access to prevention and Covid-19 treatment.

•   550 households of Akit tribe (2.500 persons) get effective information about how important to maintain cleanliness and health especially when this pandemic

•   9 persons of community cadre in Lukit and Lukun villages have good knowledge and understanding about the importance of maintaining the cleanliness and health also the risk of

Covid-19.

Metodhology

Scale Up form special team to handle Covid-19 in Lukit and Lukun village, through :

First, Scale Up team engage with government especially social and health services, involved doctors and health counselors of Akit tribe community in the district and village level to educating and socializing Covid-19. Scale Up also do rapid test, put up the banners, help basic food needs, give Covid-19 prevention equipment, hand wash and hand sanitizer. All activities doing participatively. Second, Scale up form village cadre as the representative. This is for the action of sustainability of health care and against the discrimination which done by majority group and government. The cadres are specially trained and they will continue to protect the community against Covid-19 in Akit tribe.

Project sustainability

This project has long-term impact potential. First, this project will educate the importance of maintaining cleanliness and health which done participative to the community and their houses. The house will be posted the information about Covid-19. Second, This project form community cadre and specially trained to remain and monitor the community. Through this cadre, Scale Up assisting continuously and ensure Akit tribe gets their rights to the health services.

Budget

25.400 USD