**YCDA - COVID-19 Response in India**

**Location: District: Boudh & Bolangir State: Odisha**

**Target group: Vulnerable families tested covid positive, Returned Migrant workers, Daily wage earner, women headed households etc.**

**Summary**

Odisha a north-eastern state in India is fighting a deadly COVID-19 outbreak due to the second wave. Thousands of people every day are infected and struggling to get access to required medical treatment and compel them to stay in home isolation. Apart from this, Thousands of daily wage earners, hawkers, street vendors, and other unorganized sector people are affected due to sudden lockdown. Donations to this fund will help people infected with COVID in accessing required medical care and meal kits of essential commodities.

**Challenge**

Getting access to required medical care for people particularly in rural areas and help families with food and other supplies is an urgent need. Due to lockdown, people depending on daily earning are the worst sufferers. The impacts of the pandemic are greater than what we can see or imagine in the life of these poor people who are at risk.

**Solution**

Given this, we are putting our best efforts to help these vulnerable people by facilitating access to required medical care and essential food supplies. The vulnerable families will be provided with a meal kit, that can be used to cook meals for the family. We have a network of village-level volunteers who can do this job adhering to COVID protocols.

**Long-Term Impact**

With this intervention, the project will support 5000 vulnerable families and allowing them to manage their needs while in medical care either or home isolation and fight against COVID. In YCDA, we will update you about our intervention and the result we achieved.

**Proposed Interventions:**

Looking in to the scenario, we propose to support these groups in following ways;

**Support Dry Food Kits:** As the crisis around the COVID-19 pandemic grows, the livelihoods of a large number of families surviving on daily wages have been shaken up. We propose to provide dry food support to such families and to help them have a reliable supply of meals in the absence of employment opportunities. Initially dry ration/food pockets of essential commodities will be provided to these families to manage their daily needs. Each meal kit (for a family of 5-7) contains a combination of wheat flour, potato, pulses and other groceries items that can be used to cook meals for the family for two months.

**Access to Treatment:** Many people particularly in rural areas are struggling to get access to required timely medical care. This is due to fear, lack of proper information and stigma in the society. Government has taken many good steps to provide relief to the people. During this situation, we will be facilitating all these efforts of Government by providing right information to people, facilitating people to access good medical care and supplies coordinate with various support service available around to make life easy.

**Community Awareness & BCC:** Our team is involved since the inception of COVID 19 in creating awareness through campaigns and community engagement on maintaining social distancing and sanitation protocols. Will further use various people friendly IEC/BCC mechanism to pass the critical messages to community and children. Here, safety gears to frontline workers & volunteers will be also ensured. Community people will be provided with hygiene kit to maintain the sanitation protocols.

**Financial Plan**

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| **Sl no** | **Component** | **Description** | **Unit cost** | **Total Budget** |
| **1** | **Meal kits** | Each meal kit (for a family of 5 - 7) contains a combination of wheat flour, pulses, etc. that can be used to cook meals for the family for at least 15 days to one month.  | Each kit for a family costs @ 2000 x 5000 families  | 10,000,000 |
| **2** | **Access to Treatment** | Facilitating providing right information to people, access good medical care and supplies.  | 25,000 per families x 100 families  | 25,00,000 |
| **3** | **Community Awareness & BCC** | Create awareness through campaigns on maintaining social distancing and sanitation protocols. Will distribute hygiene kit to each families.  | 300 per families x 5000 families | 15,00,000 |

**Selection of Beneficiaries:**

Beneficiaries for various interventions will be selected in consultation with local Gram Panchayat representatives and district administrations. While selecting focus will be given to those beneficiaries who are left out from other entitlements schemes, daily labors, street venders, migrant who have returned from destination and other vulnerable families who find difficult due to various reasons to manage their daily survival needs.

**Operating mechanism:**

Looking in to the government protocols, at present we will operate remotely as much as possible together with village level volunteers and barefoot service providers. We have network with local venders & service providers who can provide required support to these vulnerable families. Target people will be contacted through different mechanism such as telephone, WhatsApp etc. After situation is normal, we will explore other best possible mechanism for engagement.

**List of items proposed for one family.**

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| **Sl. No** | **Item name** | **Unit**  | **Unit cost** | **Total Amount (Rs)** |
| 1 | Wheat -Flour (Atta) | 10 | 40 | 400 |
| 2 | Dal | 3 | 80 | 140 |
| 3 | Refined cocking Oil | 2 | 170 | 340 |
| 4 | Salt | 2 | 30 | 60 |
| 5 | Jaggery | 2 | 40 | 80 |
| 6 | Onion | 3 | 30 | 90 |
| 7 | Potato | 5 | 25 | 125 |
| 8 | Biscuits  | 5 | 20 | 100 |
| 9 | Turmeric powder | 100 grams  | 30 | 30 |
| 10 | Soya bean chunks | 2 | 120 | 240 |
| 11 | Flaked rice | 5 | 50 | 250 |
| 12 | Hygiene kits | 5 | 100 | 500 |
| 13  | Packing, handling and cartage cost | 1 | 50 | 100 |
|   | **Grant Total**  | **2455** |

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