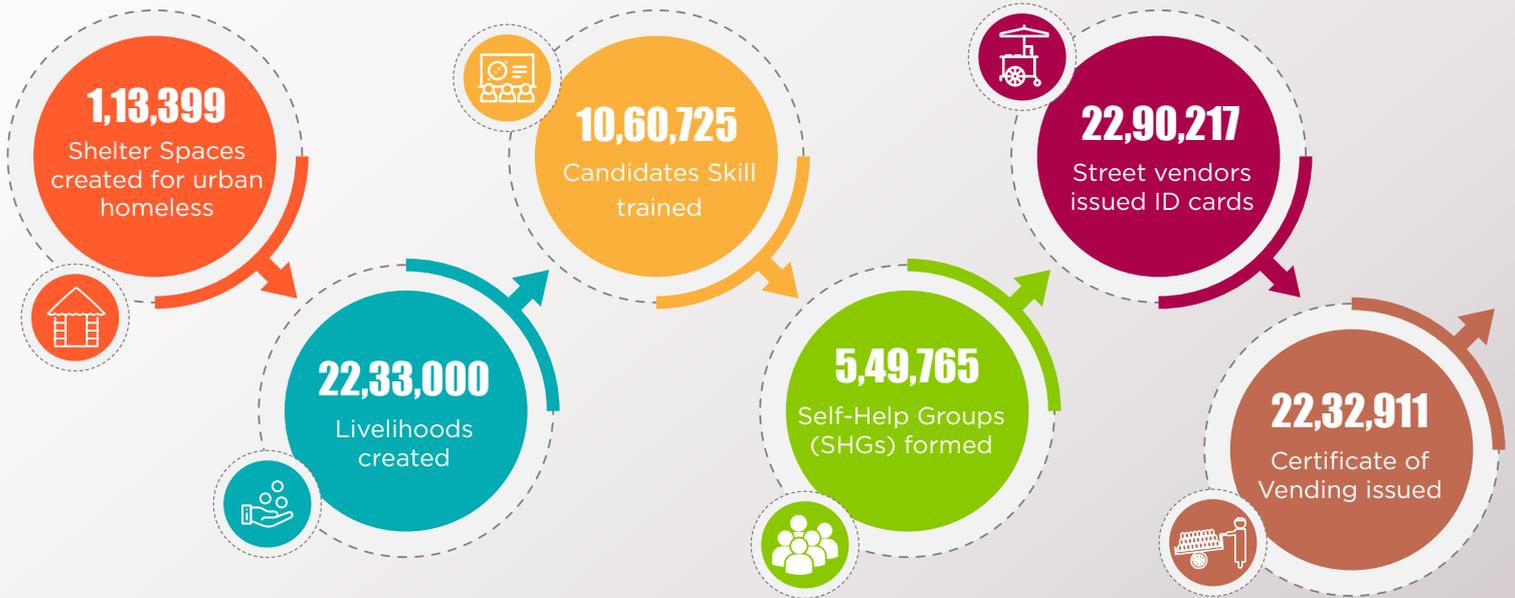




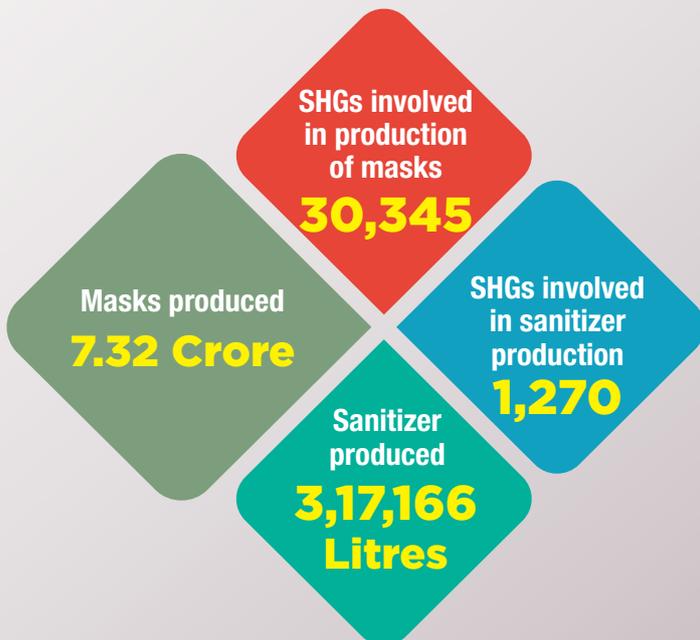
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Updated progress till April 15, 2021



Initiatives of SHGs in response to COVID-19



Progress of PM SVANidhi



SVANIDHI SE SAMRIDDI CAMPS ORGANISED

Special SVANidhi Se Samriddhi camps were organised from April 5-10, 2021 in various cities for ensuring linkage to eligible PM SVANidhi beneficiaries and their families to various Central Government Schemes that provide a safety net to protect citizens from socio-economic risks and insecurities of life. The camps act as a convergence platform to get registered and receive the benefits under selected Central government welfare schemes as per the eligibility of Street Vendors and their family members.

TRAINING ORGANISED FOR CLNOS

On April 8, 2021, a training was organised on SVANidhi se Samriddhi portal for City Level Nodal Officers (CLNOs) of 125 cities for ensuring linkages of eligible PM SVANidhi beneficiaries and their families to various Central Government Schemes. During the training, participants were sensitised on various operational details of the portal for linking the eligible beneficiaries to the scheme benefits. Technical experts of MoHUA & Quality Council of India (QCI) provided clarifications to various doubts raised by the CLNOs.



SUDA, NAGALAND ORGANISES TRAINING ON PFMS

On April 7, 2021, a training programme on Public Financial Management System (PFMS) for Urban Local Body functionaries and City Mission Managers was organised by State Urban Development Agency at Kohima, Nagaland. During the training, the resource persons provided hands-on training on Expenditure, Advance, and Transfer (EAT) modules. Detailed deliberations were held on aspects of creation of vendors, approvers, agency registration, mapping of scheme/ agency, etc. A total of 50 participants attended the training.



WORKSHOP ORGANISED FOR ELECTED REPRESENTATIVES OF ULBS

Municipal Administration and Urban Development Department of Govt. of Andhra Pradesh organized a two days' workshop for newly elected Mayors & Deputy Mayors, Chairpersons Vice-Chairpersons at Vijayawada on 31st March and 1st April 2021. The objective of

this workshop was to provide glimpses of various urban schemes, initiatives, and activities that are being implemented by the ULBs. As part of this, Mission Director MEPMA, Smt V. Vijaya Lakshmi briefed the participants about the activities and initiatives implemented under DAY-NULM and PM SVANidhi through MEPMA. Hon'ble Minister of MA & UD Shri Botsa Satyanarayana and Special Chief Secretary, MA&UD Smt. Y. Sri Lakshmi graced the occasion.

RESIDENTS OF SHELTER HOMES ADMINISTERED COVID VACCINATION

To ensure safety and security of residents of Shelter for Urban Homeless (SUH) amidst the increasing COVID 19 pandemic impact, various Urban Local Bodies in association with Shelter Management Agencies facilitated COVID vaccination of homeless residents in Shelters. Over 90 homeless residing in the DAY-NULM shelter of Kadapa, Pulivendula, and Badvel ULBs of Andhra Pradesh and Haldia ULB of West Bengal were administered 1st dose of COVID vaccine during the first fortnight of April, 2021.



SPECIAL INITIATIVES BY WOMEN SHGS TOWARDS SUSTAINABILITY

SHG women in Kota, Rajasthan are making good use of their skills and coming up with new services, which in addition to enhancing their income, meet the societal requirements on time. Women members of Laxmi and Tejaswi SHGs, trained in tailoring, received orders for stitching 4,000 caps and badges for Corona warriors of ULBs of the state through Kota Municipal Corporation. These SHG members, who were otherwise deprived of earning their income due to the COVID pandemic, are now getting ₹200/- per day.





SHG MEMBERS ROPED IN FOR SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT

The Port Blair Municipal Council (PBMC), Andaman & Nicobar Islands has engaged Self Help Groups of sanitation workers for collection & transportation of segregated waste from commercial sectors. PBMC signed a contract with Shree Venkateshwara and Friends SHG to collect the daily waste from all commercial & industrial establishments. This helps in segregation of waste at source to keep the city clean and simultaneously provide a livelihood opportunity to the SHG members

HEALTH SCREENING CAMP ORGANISED AT SUH

A health screening camp was organised at Shelter for Urban Homeless at Durgapur, West Bengal. Doctors from the Urban Primary Health Centre, Durgapur undertook general body check-up and hypertension & diabetes tests of residents, and distributed immunity-booster medicines. Residents were sensitised on COVID protocols covering maintenance of social distancing, use of masks, regular hand washing, maintenance of personal hygiene, etc. A total of 25 shelter residents underwent health check-up in the camp.



WORLD HEALTH WATER DAY OBSERVED

World Health Day was celebrated on April 7, 2021. As part of the celebrations, Self Help Groups under MEPMA participated in various awareness programmes on the theme. The SHG members took pledge on “building a safer and healthier community” by individually adopting a healthy routine lifestyle and intake of nutritious food, and also keeping the community premises clean, growing vegetables in home/terrace gardens, and recycling kitchen wastes into home compost.

TRANSFORMING LIVES: SUCCESS STORY OF PINKI DEVI

Pinki Devi of Medininagar Municipal Corporation, Jharkhand was running a small shop with limited daily usable products for the past four years to supplement her husband's income. This she had been doing in addition to taking care of her house and children. While this helped her family to a large extent, the COVID pandemic linked lockdown affected her husband's livelihood, and her shop was also shut down by force. The family lost all its savings and faced difficulties in managing household requirements.

When situation improved, she had no funds to restart the business by purchasing the items for sale. Meanwhile, she came to know about the PM SVANidhi scheme and its benefits from Nisha Didi, Resource Person of DAY-NULM. Soon, she applied for the permissible loan of ₹10,000 through online which she got in a short time span. Pinki Devi has been able to re-establish her business, and hopeful to tide over the situation.

