

Fortnightly Newsletter

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Covid-19 initiatives

Masks &
Sanitizers
distribution

Door-to-door
awareness and
surveillance

Free food
distribution

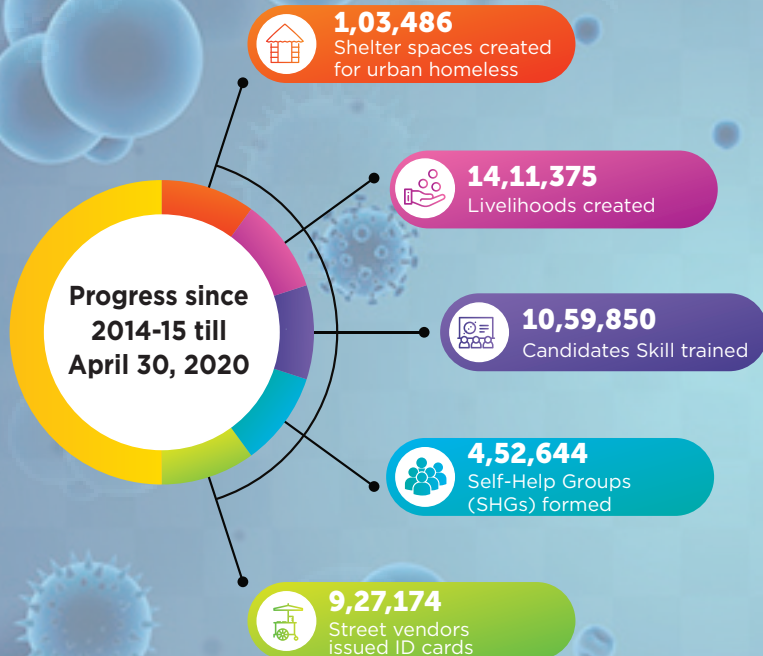
Home delivery
of essential
commodities by
Self Help groups

Sanitization
Drive

Shelters for
homeless
including the
migrants

Community
Kitchens run
by Self Help
Groups





Total Funds released:
₹137.50 cr

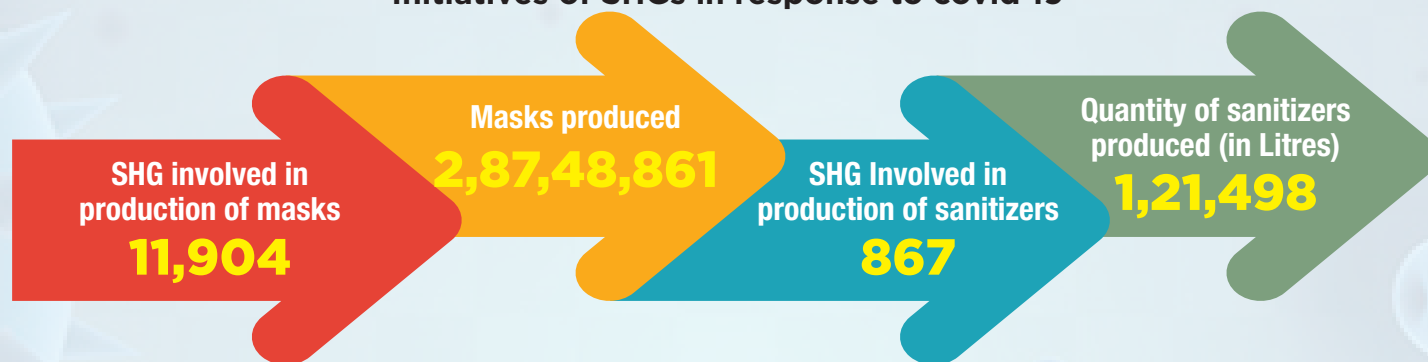
Andhra Pradesh : ₹35.20 cr

Tamil Nadu : ₹92.40 cr

Meghalaya : ₹3.78 cr

Mizoram : ₹6.12 cr

Initiatives of SHGs in response to covid 19



SHGS PRODUCED OVER 2 CR. MASKS

In response to Covid 19, women Self Help Groups in urban India are producing masks, sanitizers and protective equipment to meet the demand. So far, more than 2 Cr. masks and 1.18 lakh liters of sanitisers have been produced by more than 11,000 women Self Help Groups across the country.

SHGS PRODUCED PPE KITS FOR HEALTH WORKERS

SHG women emerged as community warriors to contain the outbreak of Covid-19 in the country. To meet the demand of Personal Protective Equipment kits for health workers, 10,000+ PPE kits from non-woven fabrics have been manufactured so far in various states including Andhra Pradesh, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu & Uttar Pradesh. Further, Sangamam ALF of Uthagai, Tamil Nadu manufacturing reusable cloth gowns for the health workers and Siwania SHG of Kota, Rajasthan also manufacturing face shields as a defence against the Covid-19 pandemic.



AIDING LIVELIHOODS OF SHG WOMEN THROUGH MASKS PRODUCTION: ANDHRA PRADESH

Under MEPMA, Andhra Pradesh, 13,000+ SHG members in 100 clusters are working with a target of producing 1 lakh face masks/day per District. The SHGs are stitching masks @ Rs.3.50/mask, on an average each member is earning Rs 500 in a day. Over 1 Cr. masks have been produced and handed over to the district officials to disburse freely among the citizens of the state to fight against Covid 19. This project in turn aids in the livelihood of SHGs amid lockdown.



FINANCIAL SUPPORT TO URBAN STREET VENDORS: UTTAR PRADESH

Uttar Pradesh has announced to provide Rs. 1,000 as financial assistance to street vendors and urban poor beneficiaries like rickshaw pullers, patridars etc in the state to address their vulnerability during the nationwide lockdown in view of the COVID 19 pandemic. More than 65,000 street vendors have received the assistance through direct transfer of the amount to their bank account.

WOMEN SHGs JOIN HANDS IN FIGHT AGAINST COVID19: TAMIL NADU

As the country comes together to fight Covid-19, Women Self Help Groups of Tamil Nadu have come forward as Corona warriors. From manufacturing masks, sanitisers, Personal Protective Equipment kit to running community kitchens, total 26,636 Women Self Help groups pledged support towards India's Fight against COVID19 extending helping hand in the government's effort by contributing an amount of Rs 1,38,180 to the Chief Minister's Relief Fund. The SHG women are playing a pivotal role in fighting the economic and social impact of the novel Coronavirus in the state.



USE OF TECHNOLOGY, HELPING STREET VENDORS: MADHYA PRADESH

Dhar ULB of Madhya Pradesh launched a mobile application to deliver essential items such as fruits and vegetables at the doorsteps during the nationwide lockdown enforced to contain the spread of the COVID19. This app allows users to place orders seamlessly. The ULB had assigned nearly 100 identified Street Vendors to provide essential items. Presently, it is servicing 30 wards using 14 vehicles.

SHELTERS FOR URBAN HOMELESS SANITIZED: ODISHA

Total 34 shelters for urban homeless in Odisha have been sanitized as a protection measure against the spread of novel coronavirus. Most of the shelters accommodate majority of vulnerable people including the elderly and migrants. Health checkups camps conducted in 30 shelters to keep a close track on the health of 630 residents. Sensitisation session on preventive measures like maintaining social distancing, hygiene, wearing masks and frequently hand wash with soaps etc organised in the shelters.



STITCHING MASKS HELP SHGs EARN LIVELIHOOD AMID LOCKDOWN: RAJASTHAN

As coronavirus started gripping the world and shortage of protective gear as Covid-19 cases continue to rise, 188 Self Help Groups in Kota have emerged as community warriors by engaging themselves in stitching masks while maintaining social distancing for Frontline workers and public in combating COVID 19 pandemic. Till now, SHGs earned Rs 6,22,000 by dispatching 62,200 masks. Considering the surge in demand, the women SHGs in Kota received an order for stitching 50,000 masks for labourer from a private company in Delhi.

MASKS PRODUCED WITH GAMOSA : ASSAM

Masks sale point opened at Barpeta Municipal Board, Assam on April 28-29, 2020. The Novel initiative was taken to sale of masks stitched by Self Help Groups. Over 500 masks made from the Assamese traditional cloth Gamosa sold among the local residents and frontline workers, who are working relentlessly to fight against the COVID-19.

