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## **SUMMARY**

Step Up Charitable Foundation, in association with Snehalaya, Hopscotch, Essajees Atelier and other partners, setup Covid facilities in Ahmednagar and mobilized other relief efforts across Maharashtra

| Initiatives                 | Description  | Services   |
|-----------------------------|--|--|
| Awareness program           | Informing the community regarding Covid safety protocols   | <ul> <li>Public radio announcements</li> <li>Posters, banners, door-to-door visits</li> <li>Digital education programming</li> </ul>                               |
| Testing facilities          | Providing testing facilities in rural areas that critically require them                           | <ul> <li>Dedicated testing ambulance with medical officer and nurse</li> <li>Antigen testing in rural areas</li> </ul>   |
| Covid Care Centre           | 130-bed quarantine facility for mild cases with 24-hour medical support and first aid provisions   | <ul> <li>Hygienic beds &amp; toilets for isolation</li> <li>Free nutritious meals (3x per day)</li> <li>Medical attention (O<sub>2</sub> when required)</li> </ul> |
| Covid Hospital <sup>1</sup> | Fully registered hospital as per GOI norms for more severe cases, with 50 beds (incl. 15 ICU beds) | <ul> <li>Ventilator support, oxygen provisions</li> <li>Administration of ICMR authorized treatment protocols</li> </ul>   |
| Equipment purchase          | Procuring and donating critical supplies to contain the spread                                     | <ul> <li>Masks, PPE suits, oxygenators, O2 cylinders</li> <li>Repaired wheelchairs &amp; stretchers at JJ Hosp.</li> <li>Purchased two ambulances</li> </ul>       |

## **IMPACT**

From testing and treating patients to providing crucial medical supplies to our facilities, we are grateful to our generous donors for supporting those in need

1,600

antigen tests conducted

**728** 

patients recovered at Covid Care Centre

325

patients treated at Covid Hospital

16

11,700

**500** 

oxygenators & O2 cylinders provided

masks donated to health staff & children

PPE suits provided to hospital staff

# **INITIATIVES LED BY ESSAJEES ATELIER**

With the amazing leadership of Sanjay Puri, Aamir Hameeda and Sarah Sham, Essajees Atelier partnered with us to significantly extend our relief efforts for underserved communities

**1** Ration distribution

With several daily wage earners losing their livelihood during the pandemic, it was critical to provide essential rations

**2,527** *families supported* 

Medical supplies

As hospitals were overburdened with Covid cases, Essajees Atelier procured and donated critical equipment, such as BIPAP machines, ECG machines, sanitizers etc.

**10.70 lakh** 

spent on critical medical supplies

### ADDITIONAL SUPPORT PROVIDED

Over and above our Covid relief efforts, we dedicated resources to tackle other issues that were impacting members of the local community



### **Child marriage prevention**

Young girls, who are victims of this problem, have been taken to Child Welfare Committees. Affidavit signed by the parents saying that they won't force the girls to be married again until she is 18 years or above. All steps taken to ensure safety of the victims against harassment.



110

child marriages prevented



#### **Education & recreation**

Step Up partnered with Apun Ka Club, Bal Jeevan Trust, Snehalaya and other NGOs to support children across Maharashtra. Tablets and earphones were purchased, and children were introduced to digital learning platforms to bolster their education. Toys were also collected and distributed for recreational purposes.



86

children supported through 20 teachers

# **GALLERY**

Showcasing our efforts in the community, thanks to the contributions from our donors



















### **ABOUT US**

A brief background on our organization, mission and partners

#### STEP UP CHARITABLE FOUNDATION

Step Up Charitable Foundation was established with the mission to uplift underserved communities. Our aim is to make giving as simple as possible. We recognise that no one size fits all and so we provide you with countless opportunities to make a change. We make sure your money goes into the right hands. We are constantly on the lookout for causes that do amazing work but struggle to raise funds due to lack of resources and outreach. Accountability is extremely important so we ensure that each rupee you give goes a long way.



#### **MISSION**

No one could have predicted India's devastating second wave of Covid-19, and Ahmednagar, in Maharashtra, was one of the worst hit districts. At the beginning of April the district was reported as one of the ten worst affected. There were no medicines, oxygen or beds for its largely rural population. In response to this critical situation Step Up Charitable Foundation sought to adopt a more direct approach – adapting, expanding and initiating new projects with an aim for A Promise for a Better Tomorrow.



### PARTNERS<sup>1</sup>

Apun Ka Club, Bal Jeevan Trust, Bazm E Niswaan, BYL Nair Charitable Hospital, Byramjee Jeejeebhoy Civil Hospital Matheran, Cashpor Trust, Children's Hospital (Dongri), Chip Mumbai, Essajees Atelier, Gokuldas Tejpal Hospital, Hopscotch, JJ Hospital Matheran, Kotagiri Medical Fellowship Hospital, Legend Aid, Mani Trust, Matheran Rickshawala's Association, Matrix Clothing Pvt. Ltd., Mel Jol, National Organisation for Social Empowerment, Physique 57 India, SEWA, SPARC, The Education Audiology and Research Society for Hearing Impaired Children



