



FIGHT AGAINST COVID-19



Hand in Hand India is a global not-for-profit organization working towards fighting poverty and creating jobs since 2004. We work with an integrated **five pillar program** covering child labour elimination and education, women's empowerment and job creation, access to healthcare, environment and skill development.

Our Vision

Alleviation of poverty with a focus on access to education, affordable healthcare, skill development, entrepreneurship, financial inclusion and clean environment.

Our Mission

Working hand in hand with poor women, children and communities to provide them with dignity, hope and choice for sustainable development.

Our Goal

Creating 10 million jobs by 2025.

What makes us different

As an international NGO based in India, our scale, professionalism, quality and commitment is what sets us apart. These factors have enabled us to bring about change right from grassroots-level implementation to policy-level advocacy. We distinguish ourselves from NGOs working in various states of India, when it comes to project implementation, sustainability, global presence and good governance.

Our Scale & Impact

We use an integrated approach instead of working with only one sector because poverty is multidimensional



4.4 Million jobs created



445 villages uplifted



343,037 children enrolled in school



723,416 healthcare access to people



629,935 households segregate & recycle



153,282 women trained in various skills

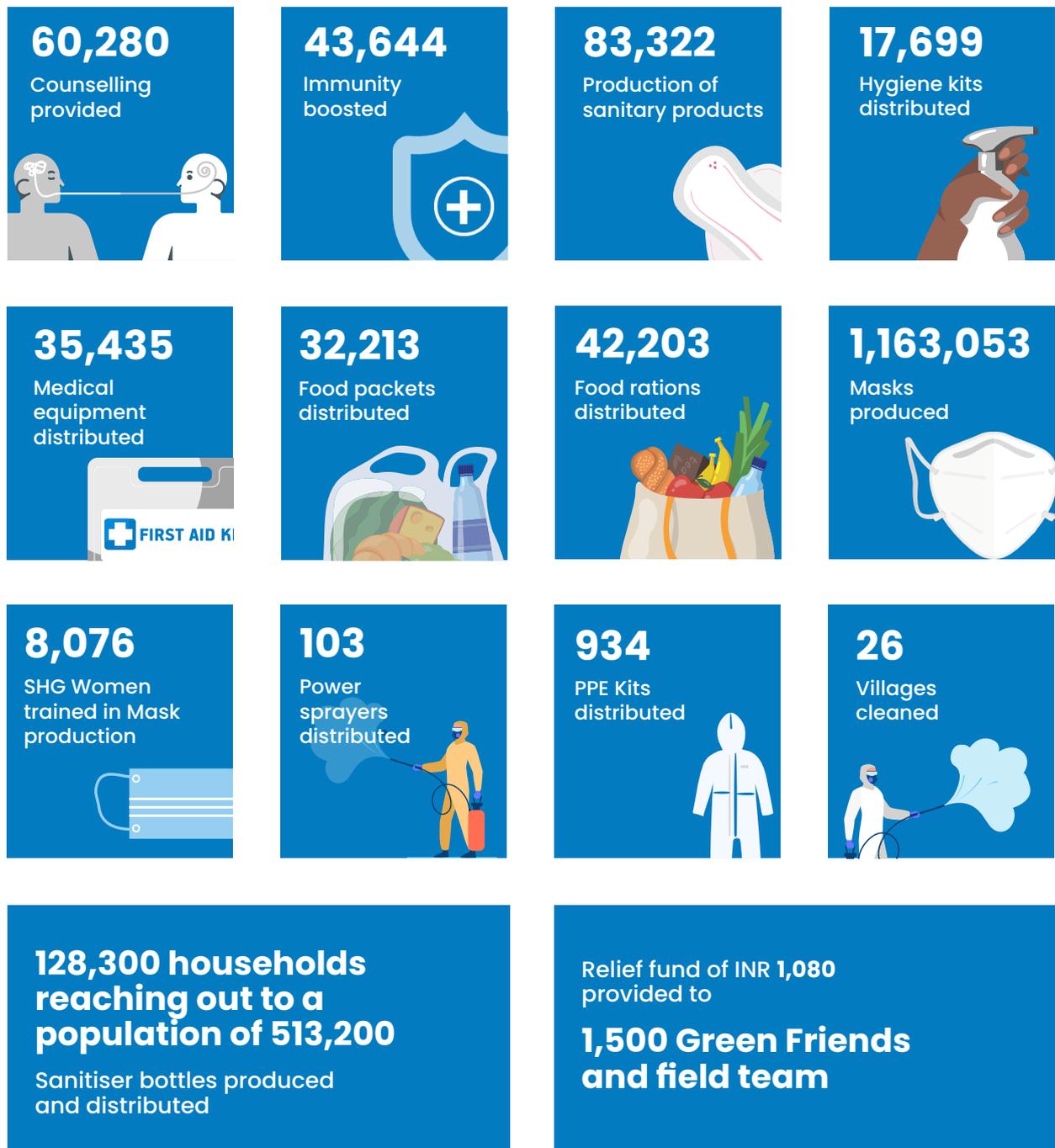


22,194 farmers trained in organic farming

Our fight against COVID-19

When the pandemic struck India in 2020 and the nation went into a strict lockdown, the Hand in Hand India team stepped up to support vulnerable communities. We not only diversified our own projects to maximise impact but also went beyond to provide emergency relief support.

In the period between March - December 2020, our outreach figures are:



Some of the stand out initiatives include:

1. Preparation of **food for migrant workers**
2. Empowering **self-help group women to produce hand sanitizers**
3. **Satellite Teaching Centres** to continue education for child labourers, dropouts, never enrolled and Government school children
4. **Syncing with Government schemes** such as the Street Vendor scheme to maximise reach
5. **Digital Connect** - Rural women were trained on digital technology : cross-learning and peer-to-peer learnings were promoted for knowledge sharing and to gain moral, social, and economic support from each other through the learning of best practices, how to address common challenges, gender issues, etc.
6. Establishing a **24/7 COVID-19 health helpdesk** manned by medical professionals for information on the pandemic and for psychosocial support
7. Continued untiring **efforts of Green Friends (sanitary workers)** braving the challenging situation on ground



In partnership with local and global partners, Hand in Hand India organized

'Combating COVID-19'

initiatives and awareness drives in the various locations of Tamil Nadu and Puducherry. The initiative reached out to a mass population of **500,000+** in terms of COVID education, free hand sanitizers, continuous waste management services and supporting the Green Friends by providing PPEs, health care and ration kits. Portable sanitizer power sprayers and sanitizer kits and hands free sanitizer dispensing stations were provided to local government bodies to help combat COVID-19. Innovative campaigns to reach out the mass population were planned and executed.



SHG members were trained in the **production of sanitizers and distributed to the frontline workers, government staff and officials.**

With the support of local corporates, **PPE kits and thousands of N95 masks** were distributed to 150 rural and urban primary health centres, Government general hospitals, medical college hospitals and district health departments. **Food ration kits** were provided to thousands of under privileged people who were hard hit by the pandemic.



The pandemic led to the loss of jobs of many daily workers who were from the marginalized communities. During this time, the Hand in Hand India team in the North India played an important role by creating awareness on government relief measures like [ration distribution](#), [cash benefits](#), [PM Garib Kalyan Yojna](#), the free LPG available under the Ujjwala scheme and in facilitating the [linkage of women with banks](#), [Panchayats](#) and other relief providing institutions for effective delivery of services. Due to these interventions, many women opened their bank accounts, availed benefits and many families received ration cards which has helped them in accessing benefits of Government relief measures.

HiH India skill training intervention trained SHG members in stitching masks, stitched 50,000+ masks in Tamil Nadu and supported the surging need during the pandemic. The team involved in generating COVID-19 awareness and distribution of food packets, groceries, and masks to the people.



Nearly 37,000 families benefited through these interventions. The team trained SHG women and stitched 2,800,000+ masks, 1000+ PPE kits, produced 75,000+ hand sanitizers and soaps and supported the pandemic relief.



HiH India through its remote **Satellite Teaching Centres (STC)** conducted classes for the children who are unable to attend the e-learning platforms. When the children could not access schools, we brought the schools closer to them. The initiative supported the 'Covid Dropouts' i.e. students who were unable to attend online classes as they have no access to schooling, internet, or electricity. The centres also supported all other dropouts in the community due to the covid situation, people who couldn't finish their studies due to numerous personal, social, and cultural reasons.



HiH India supported farmers to reach out to the market to sell their products during the lockdown period where farmers faced transportation restrictions. The village watershed committees and village planning committees provided soft loans with revolving funds to overcome the pandemic situation. **With the support of donors, food and nutritional security of the poor families including children and women were ensured, despite the lockdown situation in the tribal hamlets.**

The devastating **Second wave.**

The **Second wave of Coronavirus** was something that all experts predicted. All the warning about the devastation this could cause was not enough, as no one imagined it to be as worse as it is today. There has been substantial human loss and significant humanitarian concerns and a sense of utter helplessness has been instilled. The second wave has broken down the self-confidence of the Indian people. The images we see on national and international media are extremely dire and disturbing.

Hospitals are backlogged and health professionals are overloaded. There is a high demand with an extremely low supply. People desperately on the lookout for oxygen cylinders or hospital beds to save the life of a loved one, burning pyres in the crematorium that now carry a houseful sign on their doors, people waiting with oxygen masks outside hospitals in hope of finding at least one available bed. People are running out of options and solutions to tackle this crisis the country is in now.

We appeal for support in combating the second wave that is ravaging India:

FOOD RATION KITS FOR MIGRANT WORKERS, GREEN FRIENDS (SANITARY WORKERS) AND COVID-AFFECTED POOR FAMILIES	OPTION 1 INR 1500 per kit	OPTION 2 INR 1000 per kit
EDUCATIONAL KIT	OPTION 1 INR 500 per kit	OPTION 2 INR 1000 per kit
HEALTH AND EDUCATION KIT	OPTION 1 INR 500 per kit	OPTION 2 INR 1000 per kit
HELP EQUIP HOSPITALS AND FRONTLINE WORKERS WITH LIFESAVING MEDICAL SUPPLIES, EQUIPMENTS, OXYGEN AND BEDS		
Semi Fowler Bed with Mattress & Pillow with MS Bows	INR 21,500 PER UNIT	
Finger Pulse Oximeter	INR 1,850 PER UNIT	
Saline Stand SS	INR 2,300 PER UNIT	
Patient Foot Stool SS	INR 1,800 PER UNIT	
Patient bed side trolley/Instrument trolley SS	INR 6,200 PER UNIT	
Cylinders Trolley MS	INR 3,400 PER UNIT	
Gloves for Sanitary workers	INR 20,000 PER 500 UNITS	
Masks - Surgical	INR 7,000 PER 1000 UNITS	
Masks - Reusable cloth	INR 15,000 PER 1000 UNITS	
Masks - N95	INR 3,000 PER 100 UNITS	
Empty Oxygen Cylinder (46.7 L)	INR 20,000 PER UNIT	
Oxygen Concentrator	INR 90,000 PER UNIT	
Oxygen Generation Plant 300 LPM	INR 75,00,000 PER PLANT	

Note :

- Hand in Hand India is a Public Charitable Trust and all donations will be provided with an 80G receipt
- The mentioned rates are indicative and are based upon demand and supply, the costs of each item might fluctuate rapidly on a daily basis

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