

TEMPERATURE CHECK

#CycloneAmphanResponse

Cyclone Amphan roared into West Bengal, on 20 May 2020, unleashing heavy rain, high-velocity winds and leaving a trail of destruction. The cyclone cut a swathe through the coastal areas of the state, ravaging fragile dwellings, uprooting trees and affecting 13 million lives.

SEEDS on the ground

A few glimpses of the ongoing work:

Hygiene kit: A total of **375** hygiene kits, containing basic hygiene supplies have been distributed. SEEDS by way of this distribution has reached out to the most severely impacted families

Nutritional support kit: The dual disaster of Amphan and Covid has rendered many people homeless and Jobless therefore leaving them unable to meet their basic family needs. Among these, SEEDS identified **300** families with pregnant/ lactating women and children below 5 years and distributed nutritional food items

Safe drinking water supply: With power lines down in many areas and pumps out of operation, drinking water became an urgent and critical need. SEEDS made its contribution to ensure safe drinking water supply including treatment of available water, decontamination of local water sources, and water filtration systems where needed. In this exercise **11** villages have been provided with safe drinking water

Village hygiene: Destructive cyclonic storm Amphan and heavy rain fall destroyed ecological balance in the impacted areas. Most of pond water got contaminated. Partner organisation's volunteers in field therefore disinfected villages by spreading lime & bleach at different places such as road side, common & individual pond, market place, drinking water sources spots. A total of **15** villages have been disinfected

Shelter support: Many people have been rendered homeless, hence requiring facilitation for interim accommodation. SEEDS has taken up and is engaged in restoration of **10** shelters

Mobile health camp: Medical bus with equipment, medicines and specialised doctors moved from village to village to monitor the status of people's health, diagnose them and provide them with appropriate medicines. A total of **1601** people have been reached out to through this initiative across West Bengal

RELIEF	Hygiene kit	Nutritional support kit	Safe drinking water supply	Village hygiene	Shelter support	Mobile health camp
NUMBER OF PEOPLE REACHED OUT	1875	600	10150	20000	50	1601
Outreach=34276						



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Damage across West Bengal



16 districts affected



13.6 million people affected



53,932 houses fully damaged



72,587 houses partially damaged



15,000 ha. crop destroyed



52,602 people in relief camps

Source: Partner organisation and volunteers in field



Immediate needs

SEEDS aims to reach out to 1 lakh affected people



Safe drinking water supply



Ration, hygiene and family utility



Shelter support



Medical health camps



Village hygiene and cleaning kit

Stories from the ground



Seen in the picture above are pregnant and lactating mothers, Uniyara Bibi and Samya Bibi from Birampur village, West Bengal. A regular source of food for families living here is fish fetched from deep sea, Bay of Bengal. The fishermen in the village had been impacted due to the ongoing Covid-19 and the recent Amphan has only made this impact more severe, as sailing in deep sea to catch fish is extremely dangerous and prohibited during such cyclones. Losing jobs and being unable to go fishing as repercussions of both Covid-19 and Amphan respectively, has posed serious challenge to all in this village. The pregnant and the lactating women however needed an urgent attention in view of the basic diet required for an expecting mother as well as one with a new born.

To mitigate nutritional deficiency and any other possible health risk due to insufficient diet, to such mothers in the village, SEEDS therefore prepared to come to the forefront and lent all possible support by distributing nutritional food kits and ensuring no paucity of nutritional supplements.

“For a mother her child’s life is more important than her own. This kit provided by you will save my child’s life. Help from SEEDS has come to me when perhaps me and my family are going through the toughest time of our life, more so because of poverty and no source of income”, said, Uniyara Bibi.

“As I am feeding my infant, I am aware how important is healthy and nutritional diet for me as at this point of time. As I have not been able to have sufficient basic food let alone nutritional food in the last few days, I was extremely scared about my child’s health who at this point is solely dependent on my feed. I sincerely thank SEEDS for this nutritional food kit that will ensure my child grows healthy”, says Samya Bibi.

**We have about 150
key volunteers
working in the field
and contributing
towards the mission**

#Covid-19 Response



Undershirts and masks distributed at DCP Office Complex, East Delhi



Undershirts and masks distributed at Lal Bahadur Shastri Hospital, East Delhi

In order to help and support the front line warriors such as policemen, nurses and doctors who have been striving hard to fight against Coronavirus, SEEDS distributed comfortable undershirts and face masks to the policemen, medical staff (working in Covid-19 hospitals and otherwise) as well as the Civil Defence volunteers who are on the ground from day one. A total of 1730 undershirts, 1775 non-woven masks have been distributed in Delhi-NCR so far



PPE Kits distribution at GIMS, Noida, Uttar Pradesh



The spread of Coronavirus world-wide has drawn huge demand and urgent requirement of personal protective equipment in large numbers for all those working in high risk environments such as the doctors & nurses, police personnel and others working in the field. SEEDS therefore made a sincere endeavour and collaborated towards a substantial contribution in this regard by supplying 1200 personal protective equipment kits including 1200 N-95 masks for the frontline health workers at the Government Institute of Medical Sciences, Noida

SEEDS needs your kind support for reaching out to 1 million persons in underprivileged communities across India

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SEEDS stands strongly with those in need in these difficult times!

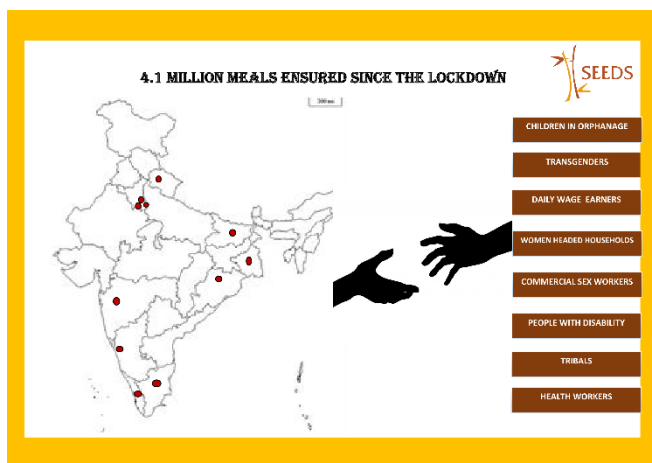


"Distribution of undershirts by SEEDS is much appreciated especially at this hour in the given circumstances. These undershirts that will prevent sweating and excessive heat to the body, felt due to the PPE kits, will make our work and that of all the other health workers as well, easy and comfortable. An initiative like this is not only need of the hour but is also true to its objective of providing actual relief to the frontline workers working in these challenging times"

Dr. Yogesh Kushwaha is an Internal Medicine doctor (Primary Care Physician). He has been affiliated as HOD Medicine and Nodal Officer with Lal Bahadur Shastri Hospital, East Delhi, for long. Dr Yogesh administers the outpatient clinic at East Delhi's hospital.

Dr. Kushwaha has been on duty since the Covid-19 pandemic arrived in the country's heart. In a brief discussion with Dr Yogesh Kushwaha, he spoke to the team about the challenge faced by the medical practitioners and staff members while treating the Covid patients without air conditioners in this scorching heat. The guidelines to not switch on air conditioners are to prevent the contagious virus from spreading. Hence working in a temperature as high as 46 degree added with humidity is extremely difficult especially with the PPE kits on. True to the spirit of the profession, however Dr. Yogesh Kushwaha says that despite all challenges it is their duty to attend to all patients who come for the test as well as those who test Corona positive. Despite many of the doctors known to him who have unfortunately been infected and currently quarantined, Dr. Kushwaha continues to serve his duty undeterred. SEEDS paid a visit to the hospital and distributed comfortable undershirts and non-woven face masks to the hospital staff.

REACHING OUT AND MAKING A DIFFERENCE!



More than 2 lakh lives touched across 11 states of India

1. 4.1 million meals distributed in ration
2. Over 22,200 families received essential hygiene kits
3. 5930 PPE kits for frontline health workers to keep them safe



1,37,745
people reached



1,11,000
people reached



5930
kits distributed

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9:00 AM - 7:00 PM
ALL 7 DAYS