

## Utilization Report on COVID Response

### Ensuring Good Health of Poor Children

#### (Preventive and Medical Support to Children in Karunai illam, Karunai DHAN School & Satellite Learning Centre)

##### Introduction:

In India the COVID Second wave was very strong and it disturbed all the families in the villages also. During the second wave we could able to see lot of positive cases in the villages also. In our illam we are supporting 44 children and 155 children through satellite centres. There was a complete lockdown in Tamil Nadu from May 10<sup>th</sup> to June 14<sup>th</sup>. During the second wave to ensure the safety of our children we provided Permanent masks for the children, Hand wash liquid and also Immunity boosters for all the family members.

##### Distribution of Masks and Immunity Boosters:



With the support we got from PPI we purchased three layered masks for all our children. We purchased around 1000 masks to the children. We could able to distribute five masks per child and their family members. We have distributed the masks to 200 children and also we gave them awareness on the usage of the

masks. The masks which we provide to the children are reusable and washable. The children can use the masks regularly when they go outside of their home. We have distributed the masks to all our illam children, Karunai DHAN School Children and also to the satellite centre children. we are running the satellite centre in 5 villages all our satellite centre children are coming to the centre only by wearing masks. They are all regularly using the masks whenever they go outside of their home.



Our children and their family members can protect themselves by wearing a good quality mask. To protect our children and their family members we are giving awareness on SoMaHa (Social Distancing, Mask Wearing, and Hand Washing) practice whenever we visit the illam children home. We also provided Hand wash liquid to all the children containing of 200ml. We had already given awareness on the hand washing technique to all our children and their family members. After providing the Hand sanitizer to the children we gave a practical awareness to the children



and their family members about the six steps of Hand washing. The children started to use the Hand wash liquid in their homes regularly. By seeing the children all the family members now started to use the hand wash liquid whenever they come inside their home after going outside places. In our satellite centres also we have kept a hand wash liquid. While the children come to our centre in the evening we



are ensuring that all our children are washing their hands regularly. This hand washing practice ensures the hygiene among our children and their family members.

Apart from these we also provided Immunity booster kit all our children families. We purchased Kaba-Sura Kudineer powder and distributed to all our children families. This will reduce the infection in the throat and also it increases the immunity level of the family. In the immunity booster kit we also provided Arsenic Album

30 tablets. After getting the suggestions and support from SUHAM (a health care Initiative of DHAN Foundation) we provided three kinds of tablets to the children. The tablets are Multivitamin tablets, Vitamin C and D tablets, and Zinc sulphate tablets to all the family members. All these tablets are consumed by the parents of our children. The immunity levels will surely get increased to all the family members and also our children.



Beyond this we are also providing Health mix which comprises of millets and other essential flours which we prepared in our illam campus. We are also providing Gingelly ready mix to all our children family members to improve their nutrition levels. We have provided Ground nut sweet to all the children this also improves the immunity levels of the children. The children of our illam, Karunai DHAN School and satellite centre got benefitted out of the masks and the immunity boosters. The parents and the children thanked PPI for their whole hearted support during this COVID Pandemic situation.

### **Support to School:**

Since the government is planning to open the schools our Karunai DHAN School have started doing school admission for the year 2021-2022. Since more children and parents are coming we need to ensure the precautionary measures. So we purchased Thermal scanner to check the body temperature, Pulse oxymeter to check the pulse rate of the persons those who are coming to the school for admission. We are also regularly using Hand sanitizer, Masks which we provided with the support of PPI. We could also provide Masks, Kabasura kudineer, and Immunity boosters to some of the deserving children in our school. All the children and staffs thanked PPI for their generous support.



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