Dear Vinod Prakash,

Namaste! I hope you are enjoying some nicer weather and looking forward to some fun and energizing summer plans! Speaking of looking forward, I am excited to share with you some of the updates on our various ongoing projects that our partners share with us periodically.

In this Newsletter:

- Primary health services and community development programs for slum-dwellers
- Micro-credit program opens the door to wellbeing for poor women
- Increased transparency and community participation in public health
- Cyclone Fani-Relief and Rehabilitation efforts

Mobile Medical Services for Slum-dwellers in Aurangabad, Maharashtra

IDRF is supporting mobile clinic program for 3-years (April 2018-March 2021) in urban slums. This project is using medical services as a tool for social development of people living in six densely populated slums in abject poverty and unhygienic conditions. IDRF helps provide quality primary health services, free health camps, training and appointment of health volunteers along with community development programs for healthier lifestyles and increased economic productivity of these slum-dwellers.

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From January to March 2019
Total beneficiaries= 8,500
Preventive Health Programs: health exhibitions, video shows, jeevan-drops distribution and anemia clinics | 1,048

Free Health Camps: ENT and Ophthalmic (5 camps) | 451

Training and Appointment of Health Volunteers (Arogya Mitra) | 20

For the second year of this project (April 2019-March 2020), we are required to raise $18,000. With help of committed and generous donors like you, we will be able to continue providing primary health services to 24,000 slum-dwellers, perform at least 10 cataract and 5 micro-ear surgeries, activate and train 10 more Arogya Mitra and conduct several more free health camps and exhibitions. Click for more details.

Revolving Micro-Loans for Women Supported Small Businesses

"I have taken my first step towards success!" says a jubilant Parboti Sinha (33) from Thinagar village, Malda, West Bengal.

With IDRF supported micro-credit program, she purchased a second-hand taxi for her husband. Within a few months, the family income increased more than three times. Now Parboti is able to pay for essentials like education and medicines, etc., maintain her family's health and lift them out of poverty.

IDRF's revolving micro-loans and training for sustainable economic self-reliance practices have made it possible for thousands of poor rural women in Haryana, Jharkhand, Maharashtra, Rajasthan, Telangana and West Bengal to rise above the poverty line. Click for more details.

Increased Transparency and Quality of Public Health Services, Kerala

IDRF's tripartied partnership project for 3-years (April 2018-March 2021), aims to engage with local governments in Thrissur in order to provide best treatment and health amenities to the community and progressively reduce mismanagement and corrupt practices. One Taluk hospital, one Community Health Center and one Primary Health Center have been selected for intervention and serve more than 200,000 people.

By the end of the second quarter of the project: key stakeholders, opinion makers, media personnel have been identified and appraised about the model. Group discussions have been held with medical superintendent and Health standing
Committee officials to formulate a workable plan to replicate an earlier successful model implemented by our partner-NGO and accreditation standards set by the government of Kerala. A seminar was held to build alliances, encourage participation, resource mobilization and organization. Around 200 participants including members from various municipalities, panchayats, health inspectors and activists attended this seminar in order to deepen the impact of the project beyond the project area.

Relief and Rehabilitation for Cyclone Fani Victims, Odisha

Cyclone Fani left behind a trail of destruction earlier in May this year. Nearly 508,000 houses, livestock, crops, water and power supply and other infrastructure were destroyed in 14 districts of the state. In order to provide immediate relief to the victims who had lost everything in the calamity- IDRF helped provide cooked food at the leprosy colony in Puri.

IDRF has also started the program to repair and rebuild the Velji Keshar Ben Popat School, which has been badly destroyed by the storm and heavy rains. This school is attended by children from extremely poor families and as soon as it is rebuilt and infrastructure restored, the children can resume their studies.

On behalf of the IDRF team, I would like to thank you for helping us all along the way in "putting power, not charity in the hands of those in need!" None of this would have been possible without your commitment and compassion to help the
underserved.

Best wishes,

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