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Children presented Math, Science and Literacy projects at the Foundation Learning- Summer Camp in the Ganjam district, Odisha

Dear Friends,

Namaste! I am very happy to share with you the highlights of some of our development and relief programs benefitting thousands of underprivileged in India, Nepal, and Sri Lanka. All this has been made possible by the hard work of my team, NGO partners, and above all the generous support of our donors.

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 Updates

Improving Foundation Learning in Grades 1 to 5 in Government Schools, Odisha

Youth for Social Development

There has been a significant learning loss due to COVID-19, especially among children from disadvantaged backgrounds. IDRF is supporting a one-year program to improve the foundation learning (literacy and numeracy) of government school students in remote rural areas and slums. Structured learning methods, activities, assessment tools, and innovative ways through community involvement have been adopted by working closely with the government schools and departments.

Over the first six months of the project, 1,400+ children in 20 schools have demonstrated better reading, writing and math.



Mission Shakti: Anemia Detection and Eradication Among Young Mothers <u>Vivekananda Kendra Arun Jyoti, Arunachal Pradesh and Assam</u>

Since January 2021, IDRF has supported the detection and eradication of anemia among pregnant and lactating mothers in remote hilly villages. 2,000+ women have been screened and 1,000+ have been provided counseling and Iron and Folic Acid supplements. 100% of the anemic women who took supplements have delivered healthy babies.



In June 2023, four Free Medical Camps were conducted by IDRF supported Mobile Medical Clinic in Arunachal Pradesh and provided free medicines to 400 patients and nutritional supplements to 45 severely anemic women.

Skill Development Center Keshava Seva Samiti, Telangana

The construction of a 6,600 sq. feet Skill Development Center supported by IDRF is in full swing in Mancherial and is expected to finish by September 2023. The center will provided training in appliances repair (in partnership with Godrej), nursing, computers and pre-employment preparation for youth who want to join armed forces or police. This will benefit the people affected by floods in the area last year and also the tribal and poor young men and women from the areas nearby.



Odisha Train Crash Relief Work-Updates -Youth for Social Development

IDRF has sent financial support to provide food for the victims and caregivers at the SCB Medical College and Hospital in Cuttack. Two nurses have been hired by our partner to care for the victims in the hospital. The volunteers also visited patients in the hospital and made arrangements for shifting them to nursing homes.



After the immediate relief phase, we intend to start a rehabilitation program. Your support will provide great help for families coping with their losses.



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Thank you very much for your continued support of IDRF and helping change the lives of the less fortunate.

Best Regards,
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