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March 22, 2022

Dear Vinod,

Spring is in the air! New beginnings, new opportunities and new lives. Hope you embrace everything the warm and sunny days of spring have to offer! As always, I would like to express my sincere gratitude to you for your support of IDRF and thousands of marginalized people in India, Nepal and Sri Lanka and share with you the outcomes of some of the programs.

In this newsletter:

- Oxygen gas plant at Kapil Dev Government Hospital
- Accessible healthcare for tribal population
- Supporting organic farming and the role of “Beej Maatas”

Donors at the project site: Dr. Suresh and Adesh Gupta at the Oxygen Plant funded by them
COVID-19 Relief/Rehabilitation Efforts

$1.5 million to 17 states in India, Nepal and Sri Lanka
(March 2020 to March 2022)

In 2022, IDRF is continuing its various rehabilitation programs for those who have been affected by the pandemic. We are providing financial and livelihood support, vaccination drives, education recovery, etc. in several states.

**Oxygen Gas Plant at the Kapil Dev Government Hospital**

PHD Family Welfare Foundation, Rajasthan

IDRF’s Board Member and a long-time donor, Dr. Suresh C. Gupta and wife Adarsh have made a generous donation through IDRF to set up an Oxygen Gas Plant at Neem Ka Thana in Sikar, Rajasthan. This hospital mainly serves the rural population from nearby areas and the plant is able to meet the demand for oxygen during the pandemic.

**Mobile Dispensaries for Underserved Tribal Areas**

International Society for Krishna Consciousness (ISKCON), West Bengal and Vanvasi Kalyan Karnataka

After the success of our mobile medical clinics in other parts of India, we have expanded our program to the tribal areas of West Bengal and Karnataka. IDRF, in partnership with ISKCON’s Tribal Care Initiative, is providing healthcare services during the pandemic to people living in abject poverty in tribal areas of Purulia district, West Bengal.

In Karnataka, the mobile dispensary provides OPD services, oral hygiene, malnutrition awareness, COVID prevention measures, masks, oximeters, medicines and transportation of critical patients to the nearest hospital. The medical van covers 54 villages in Uttarakannada district and benefits 15,000 people.
Enterprises to Support Organic Farmers in Maharashtra
Magan Sangharalaya Samiti- Nagpur, Chadrapur and Wardha districts

IDRF is supporting a 3-year project under which construction of a seed bank and organic farming input production center, a vegetable nursery and bio-diversity park, and a transportation and marketing support system using E-Rickshaws has started. Training is given to farmers to prepare eco-friendly farm inputs like manure, fertilizers and insecticides and set up honeybee colonies to produce better seeds and healthy crops. New and efficient farming tools have been introduced to the farmers.
IMPACT: The distribution of ready-to-use organic farm inputs has led to an improvement in the soil quality and resulted in very good crops. **Over the first year of the project (January 2021-January 2022), 1,000 farmers in 60 villages have benefitted and their earnings have increased by 10-20%.**

**An important role played by “Beej Maatas” (Mothers of Seeds)**
A team of 25 rural women has been formed for the cultivation, preservation and distribution of seeds to the beneficiaries.

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**Platinum Seal for Transparency for IDRF**

We did it again! We are excited to share with you that IDRF has earned the Platinum Seal of Transparency from Candid (Guidestar) for the sixth year in a row! You can see our strategy, metrics and achievements on Guidestar by Candid and continue your support of IDRF with confidence.
Please continue your support for the underserved people in India, Nepal and Sri Lanka because it's only with your support that they can lead a life of dignity.

Thank you once again and best wishes from the entire IDRF team!

Sincerely,
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Founder and President (pro bono), IDRF

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