"WE ARE IN THIS TOGETHER AND WE WILL GET THROUGH THIS, TOGETHER."

COVID WORK REPORT
Don't Panic

Beat The Pandemic
There was **not a single COVID death in any Ekal villages during the first wave.**

Protected more than **3,00,000 villages** from the pandemic.

Created **more 1.5 million volunteers.**

Over **1 million migrants from cities were tested** before allowing them to enter their villages, after suitable quarantine process.

**Awareness about Covid protection and immunity building** was created in all the villages by way of posters and homemade Kadha.

Our tailoring training centres were engaged in **Mask manufacturing.**

More than **3.1 million masks** were made and distributed to Corona warriors - police, doctors, other health workers, Ekal volunteers & villagers.

Ekal Arogya played a pivotal role by **treatment of large number of villagers** through its Arogya Resource Centres and Telemedicine centres.

Extend **telemedicine lifelines to 100,000 villages.**

**Awareness programme** in villages through its Arogya Sevikas.

A large number of **virtual events** were organized both for connecting large number of new members and the donors and succeeded in a reasonable support for Ekal activities.

When schools remained closed most of the **teaching force was gainfully deployed for spreading awareness about Covid preventive measures.**

Physical exercises like **Yoga, Pranayam and Surya Namaskar was practiced in schools.**
Ekal's Response And Initiatives
To Prevent Spread of COVID-19

Our organization together with the whole nation was put to test with the arrival of this invisible enemy corona virus. The paramount concern at this point was the health and safety of our Ekal school children and the Ekal villagers. The challenge thrown by the crisis was totally different both in nature and in proportion. Normal village activities were promptly replaced by Corona fighting operations.
Ekal Abhiyan, comprising of Nagar and Gram Sangathans, swiftly galvanised its work force both at village and cities level, by leveraging electronic platforms in arranging meetings, discourses, and conferences. This resulted in substantial increase in Ekal workforce/ volunteers in number, under the initiative of Vichar Kranti Yojana.

Ekal created 4,17,164 Gram Sainiks (Village warriors) in the villages and 69,108 Sanch Mitra (Cluster friends) in the towns in the social media. With the support of this network, firm adherence of all the rules made by the Government of India to protect from the corona was implemented in every Ekal and its contact villages. With the whole-hearted support of urban families, latest updates and information were regularly provided to the villagers. With the same network, we got unprecedented help in protecting the villagers from this epidemic.
Village Guarding

The Ekal volunteers put barriers at entry points of the villages and started round the clock vigil, all in consultation with local authorities. All entrants to villages were counseled and guided to the authorities for testing and if needed for quarantine. This guarding activity was unique in that at the grassroots level no other organisation was equipped to lend this massive support to the Government.

- No. of villages guarded 3,47,505
- No. of village volunteers 15,67,407
- No. of entrants in these villages 10,60,860
- No. of entrants tested 10,44,854
- No. of entrants quarantined 10,38,629

Quarantine facility created by Ekal volunteers in villages
Considering the emphasis on use of face masks for all persons moving out of homes, owing to its urgency, all Ekal tailoring training centres of Ekal Gramothan Yojana were geared up for making face masks with a target of 10,000 masks per day, all to distribute free of cost. Distribution of masks to Corona warriors (Police, PHC, Tehsil, Panchayat, Schools, foresters etc), villagers and Ekal volunteers, was arranged in a systematic manner. This initiative enabled Ekal Karyakartas to forge positive relationship with local administration.
Production And Distribution Of Sanitisers

Apart from mask making, these centres were also involved in preparing and distributing Sanitizers to Ekal Volunteers, district health authorities and law enforcement personnel. Ekal has been producing 1,000 liters of Hand-sanitizers or disinfecting solutions per day and distributing free of cost.

Sanitization In Villages

Sanitization on regular interval was considered integral, Ekal took the initiative of sanitizing all Ekal Villages.
Awareness Drive Through Posters By Ekal Children

Many Ekal children also took part in this awareness drive by drawing meaningful and informative posters with covid precaution messages.

Awareness Drive Through Wall Writings

Ekal Arogya Sevak and Sevikas (health workers) started working tirelessly in all the villages to share information on covid safety with writings on the walls of the huts in the villages.
To boost the immunity and to keep corona infection at bay Arogya Yojana Karyakartas have played pivotal role in urging people to use Ayurvedic Kadha prescribed by the Ayush Ministry. Training was given to the villages on these booster drinks. In the villages where farmers had planted nutritional gardens, farmers started working in a cooperative manner to share the produce also.
Social distancing was encouraged during the onset of this pandemic to prevent the spread of the virus. Our Ekal health workers urged the villagers to stay at home. Stress was given on the importance of maintaining physical space when in public areas.
Ministry of Ayush recommended Yoga and Pranayama exercises for prevention, rehabilitation and to increase immunity. Yoga was regularly practiced in all Ekal schools by the acharyas and students maintaining social distancing.
Ekal Sewa Kendra/Ekal Isolation Centres

Ekal GRCs and Skill Centres at 25 locations were converted into Ekal Sewa Kendra, the Corona Isolation Centres. 25 such centres were set up and run in the states of Assam, Bengal, Odisha, Jharkhand, UP, MP, Maharashtra and Gujarat, with a total capacity of 210 Beds. These centres were located in remote rural places and duly equipped with basic diagnostic tools, Oxygen Concentrators and Para medical staff. Medicines and food were also supplied to the patients. At certain centres, the doctors' consultation was available through video conferencing wherever network supported otherwise this was available through telemedicine in all the centres.

In various cities also Ekal collaborated with various hospitals and health organizations to set up Ekal Isolation Centres. These were also fully equipped with all necessary medical tools under medical supervision several patients were successfully treated.
Food And Ration Packets Distribution

India has the highest number of food-insecure people in the world. The loss of income and acute food shortage during lockdown heightened the food crisis. The critical need for food among the poor was left overlooked when it needed an overhaul. Ekal took the initiative of groceries and ration distribution to many families in the villages.

In various cities also our Ekal team initiated free meal delivery service for the quarantined families who could not cook for themselves.
Vaccines have the power to prevent the devastating effects of corona virus. However, vaccine hesitancy was high amongst the rural population, and the availability of vaccines was limited. We worked to counter misinformation on vaccine safety through wall posters and handbills distribution urging people to take the doses.
Ekal collaborated with local Governments to Run Vaccination Centres in villages. Even in metro cities numerous vaccination drive was conducted in association with renowned health organizations.
Telemedicine

Ekal Arogya Helpline was set up to help the remotely situated village people who were not able to contact any doctor or health facility, government or private. The helpline was based on a Toll-Free number widely publicised over Ekal network. A team of 400 doctor volunteers were enlisted for the purpose and more than 3500 people obtained doctors' consultation through this facility. The facility was available in 11 Indian languages and is still operational in 23 states for telemedicine help in regional languages.

Plasma Donation Drive

With Massive surge in Covid-19 cases, the need for blood plasma had also seen a huge demand. At a time when both Centre and State governments were urging donors to come forward, Ekal also conducted plasma donation drive in several cities.
Diagnostic Support

Ekal's community health workers also distributed diagnostic equipment like oximeters and digital thermometers as well as PPE kits. The Ekal volunteers were also given training as to how to use oximeter. These volunteers go to every house and test the oxygen level of the people in their village.
**Medicine Distribution**

Medicine distribution drive was also conducted on a large scale in all Ekal Villages. Under this drive basic medicines were made available to the villagers free of cost.

**Oxygen On Wheels**

A team of 4 organizations including FTS of Ekal Abhiyan, had organized a Free Oxygen on wheels buses in partnership with KSRTC. The bus was stationed in Chickballapur, Jigani side. Oxygen Concentrators and Oxygen Cylinders were installed in the bus. About 7 to 8 patients could utilize the service at a time for about 2 to 4 hours, monitoring was done by staff and medical personnel. The organizers thanked sponsors - advocate Shri Srinivasa Rao, Pride Group, Prince System, Sharp Ply, Inner wheel club of Bangalore and North junction for jointly sponsoring these two buses. This service was free and benefitted patients waiting for beds outside hospitals and also patients who were advised to stay at home.
**Endowment Support**

Sadly some of our Karyakartas lost their life in line of duty to covid. Ekal started Endowment support to the families of these Karyakartas.

**Cow Feeding**

Several Gaushalas were supported by Ekal volunteers with continued supply of fodder for cows when lockdown disrupted the logistics.

**Collaborating With Other Non Profit Organisations**

Ekal worked jointly with other Non-profit organisations like Seva Bharti, Mission Oxygen, Intelehealth, Heart-to Heart Foundation, USA, Buddhist Compassion Relief Tzu Chi Foundation, Taiwan, Sarvmangal Family Trust, USA etc. to provide support to the rural population.
A public service video on covid developed by Lung Care Foundation for Arogya Foundation of India under the aegis of Ekal Abhiyan.

Dr. Harsh Vardhan, Minister of Health and Family Welfare, India praised Ekal Vidyalaya Foundation's role in fighting Corona in rural and tribal villages of India through video message.

Words Of Appreciation

Shri Dayashankar Tiwari, Mayor of Nagpur applauding great initiative by Ekal Yuva, Nagpur.
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Preparing For Third Wave

The experts have announced: “Threat of Third Wave is real”. In preparation for the third wave, Ekal has been taking the following steps: Awareness of Epidemic, Educating the Villagers about the importance of getting vaccine, Vaccine Supply, Readiness to open COVID Isolation Centers at 107 places in collaboration with WHEELS and FIPA, Ekal teachers are being trained to handle the local Covid situation, Preparing to cover about 20,000 villages with Telemedicine with trained health workers and the Ekal teachers with minimum training as intermediary, kits with medicine and food ration.