

Some of the activities undertaken by us during 2020-21 are enumerated below:

## **COVID RELIEF OF BANSDRONI HRIDHI**

"The more we come out and do good to others, the more our hearts will be purified" - Swami Vivekanananda.

The COVID 19 pandemic –one of the most difficult phases both for our nation and worldwide. Our country being a developing one, has faced the backlash even more severely. It has once again reminded us that man is not invincible. It has made us stand with one another and help each other to face this crisis.

Bansdroni Hridhi, an organization that has believed in doing things from the heart, has tried to make a small difference in the lives of a few in this phase with the support of our friends and well-wishers. With the whole hearted effort of our members and volunteers from Kolakata, Malda, Cooch Behar, Purba Chandipur, the entire Bansdroni Hridhi fraternity and several well-wishers, we have been able to perform this relief work in a short notice. We distributed relief among jobless people including migrated labor, small businessmen, beggars, uncared elderly people, differently abled people, pavement dwellers etc. from 28th March 2020 in *5 (five) districts of West Bengal.* 

### Kolkata COVID lockdown relief distribution:

45. From **28th March 2020 to 8th June 2020** for a period of **73 days**, we have distributed a total of **1818** lunch packets among the homeless, differently abled, mentally and physically disabled people and uncared for elderly persons of Jadavpur Station, Baghajatin and Ramgarh area during the COVID lockdown.



- 46.We have supported Mr. Subrata Ghosh, a Uber driver by profession, residing in South 24 Parganas, throughout the COVID lockdown period from 26th April 2020. We gave rice, dal, aloo, oil, soyabean, salt, soap etc. to his family comprising of 6 (six) members and also provided baby food for their 11 month old daughter.
- 47. We have supported Mr. Mintu Haroa residing in South Kolkata. He was a worker in a hosiery company which has closed down due to the pandemic, therefore

rendering him jobless. We gave rice, dal, aloo, oil, soyabean, salt, soap etc. to him and his family of 11 (eleven) members, from 26th April 2020 throughout the COVID lockdown period.

- 48.We have rescued a Swamiji (holy man) and his disciple of Bharat Sevasram Sangha on 2nd May 2020 from Jadavpur Station, with the help of Govt., local Police Station, GRPF and a member of Mitali Mohila Samiti. We made necessary arrangements for them in a night shelter at Kasba during COVID lockdown period.
- 49.We extended support to Mr. Santu Das and his family residing in South Kolkata. He is Computer Mechanic but jobless at present. We provided relief from 15th May 2020, through the lockdown period. We gave rice, dal, aloo, onion, oil, soyabean, salt, soap etc. to the family.
- 50.We extended support to Ms. Roy Chowdhury residing at South Kolkata as his only son is jobless at present. We provided her medicines during lockdown period.
- 51.We have arranged Rs.15,000.00 for 18 years old Ms. Poulomi Manna who is suffering from Hodgkin's Lymphoma during the month of August 2020.

# North 24 Parganas COVID lockdown relief distribution:

52. We provided support to Miss. Subhasress Saha, a teenage orphan girl residing at Barasat, North 24 Parganas on 2nd May 2020, during the lockdown. We gave rice, dal, aloo, onion, oil, soyabean, salt, soap, sanitary napkin etc. to this orphan girl.

### Malda COVID lockdown relief distribution:

53.On 22<sup>nd</sup>April 2020 we distributed 50 bags of ration among the people of Old Hatkhola, Kaligram, Madhyapara, Barogachia, Amlapara, Paharpur, Nayatola, Umarpur, Khelenpur, Shihipur, DakshinSahor, Boirigachi, Haripara, DhaniaPotti, Malcha under Chanchal– I block. By profession these people are rickshaw pullers, small shopkeepers, factory workers, daily laborers and maid servants. All of whose earnings have been compromised due to the lockdown.



- 54.On 27<sup>th</sup>& 28<sup>th</sup> April 2020 we distributed 50 bags of ration at Kanua, Muchipara, Kalahandi, Joy Bangla, Khulial, Adhibashipara of Chanchal– I block. Most of the villagers are migrated laborers, maid servants, beggars and small shop owners. Few belong to the tribe.
- 55.50 ration bags had been distributed on 9<sup>th</sup>& 10<sup>th</sup> May 2020at Sihipur, Alsiyatola, Panpara, Adibashi Para under Chanchol I block amongthe local inhabitants who were cobblers, daily labor, hawkers, maid servants, shop keepers and fishermen.

# **Cooch Behar COVID lockdown relief distribution:**

56.**On 16<sup>th</sup>May 2020**Hridhi has distributed **30 bags of ration supplies** among the homeless elderly people, families of migrated laborers and a blind person of Shitalkuchi block.



# South 24 Parganas COVID lockdown relief distribution:

- 57.On **3<sup>rd</sup> May 2020** we distributed **25 ration bags** at Purba Chandipur, Halisahor, Sardarpara, Kacharipara, Shilpi Palli, Bhulo Para under Bapuji Gram Panchayat & Hardwood point Coastal Police Station of Kakdwip block among the jobless daily laborers, shop keepers, fishermen and their families.
- 58.On 6<sup>th</sup> May 2020, 25 bags of ration were distributed at Purba Chandipur, Halisahor, Sardarpara, Kacharipara, Shilpi Palli, Bhulo Para, Khamarupara under

Bapuji Gram Panchayat & Hardwood point Coastal Police Station of Kakdwip block among the jobless daily laborers, small shop keepers, fisherman, theatre actors, small time singers and their respective families.

59.On 10<sup>th</sup> May 2020 we distributed 32 ration bags at Ghatapara, Kacharipara, Chhoto Boidyapur, School Para under Bapuji Gram Panchayat & Hardwood point Coastal Police Station of Kakdwip block among the jobless daily laborers, small shop keepers, fisherman, tailors, maid servants and 10 volunteers and their families.









- 60.On 15<sup>th</sup> May 2020 we handed out 20 ration bags at Ganeshpur Tritio Gheri near Kakdwip station which is situated by the railway lines under Kakdwip block. People of this area are mainly dependent on fishing and daily labor for their livelihood.
- 61.On 17<sup>th</sup> May 2020 we distributed 26 bags of ration at Boidyapur Cristhan Para, Kamarchawak, Ramnagar, Madanmohonpur under Baburmall Gram Panchayat & Kulpi Police Station among the elderly parents of migrated laborers, physically challenged people and elderly widows.

As per the requirement of the people, we distributed rice, masoor daal, potatoes, salt, soyabean, soap, mustard oil on various days during the COVID lockdown. We estimated a minimum of 4 members per family and we distributed relief to each of these families for 4 days. Summary of the relief is mentioned below:

Sl. No.	<b>Relief materials</b>	Quantity in Kg / Ltr / Pcs
1.	RICE	1575 kg
2.	MASOOR DAAL	315 kg
3.	MUSTARD OIL	63ltr
4.	POTATOES	315 kg
5.	SOYABEAN	78.75 kg
6.	SALT	315 kg
7.	SOAP	355 pcs
8.	BABY FOOD	6 kg
9.	LUNCH PACKETS	1818
10.	SANITARY NAPKIN	5 pcs

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# BansdroniHridhi has provided food and other essential items to total 6837 people of Kolkata, North 24 Parganas, South 24 Parganas, Malda and Cooch Behar.

We are grateful to our members and volunteers of Purba Chandipur unit, all our wellwishers and "Koshish Covid 19" during COVID 19 lockdown.

#### **AMPHAN RELIEF OF BANSDRONI HRIDHI**

Swami Vivekananda had once said 'Awake, arise and don't stop until the goal is reached'. At present our goal is to help the people of South Bengal hit by the super cyclone Amphan. We, Bansdoni Hridhi along with the support of our friends and well-wishers started our relief work at Kakdwip and Kulpi Block of South 24 Parganas on 20<sup>th</sup> May 2020. With the whole hearted effort of our members and volunteers from Purba Chandipur and the entire Bansdroni Hridhi fraternity with our several well-wishers, were able to do this relief work in a very short notice.



- 62. To protect the under underprivileged villagers who are staying in the banks of the Kalnagini river at Purba Chandipur, we arranged 4(four) shelters at our volunteers' houses along with a community kitchen for 3 days i.e from 20<sup>th</sup> May 2020 to 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2020. We arranged food for 24 families (24 X 4 = 96 people) for 3 days i.e for 288 people (approx) of Purba Chandipur village under Bapuji Gram Panchayat & Hardwood Point Coastal Police Station in Kakdwip block of South 24 Parganas during the torment of Amphan.
- 63.On 21<sup>st</sup> May 2020 we distributed ration bags among 50 underprivileged families of Baro Halisahor, Niogipara, Kandarpara, Schoolpara along with few

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roadside dwellers under Bapuji Gram Panchayat & Hardwood Point Coastal Police Station in Kakdwip block of South 24 Parganas after the devastation caused by Amphan. These 50 families are staying by the Kalnaginiriver. Most of the young members are migrated laborers.



64.On 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2020 we distributed 44 Tarpaulin sheets among:

- a> 22 fishermen families in the slum areas of Ganeshpur Tritio Gheri under Kakdwip block of South 24 Parganas. Houses of these fishermen were made of mud, bamboo & plastic and due to Amphan their houses were completely destroyed; therefore were having to live beside the railway tracks near Kakdwip railway station.
- b>22 families in Halisahor, Bhulopara & Shilpipally under Bapuji Gram Panchayat & Hardwood Point Coastal Police Station in Kakdwip block of South 24 Parganas.
- 65.On **28<sup>th</sup> May 2020** we again distributed **22 Tarpauline sheets** among the elderly, uncared for people belonging to families of migrated laborers of Mirpara, Jelepara, Chhoto Halisahor under Bapuji Gram Panchayet & Hardwood Point Coastal Police Station in Kakdwip block of South 24 Parganas.

66.On **29<sup>th</sup>May 2020** we distributed a total of **50 bags of ration supplies** among:

a> 20 fishermen families in the slum areas of Ganeshpur Tritio Gheri under Kakdwip block of South 24 Parganas who were living in houses mainly made of

mud, bamboo & plastic. Amphan destroyed their houses completely; thus they are staying beside the railway track near Kakdwip railway station.

- **b**>30families of Khacharipara, Khamarupara including 10 Volunteers of Hridhi under Bapuji Gram Panchayat & Hardwood Point Coastal Police Station in Kakdwip block.
- 67.On **31<sup>st</sup> May 2020** we distributed **50 bags of ration supplies and 30 Tarpaulin sheets** in 16 No. Digambori Bazar, Taranagar, Samantapara, Fuleshwari Geri, Chhoyer Gheri under Purna Chandrapur Gram Panchayat & Dhola Police Station of Pathor Pratima block. Boat repairing, fishery, net stitching, poultry farming etc. were the main means of livelihood for the residents of this area. Amphan has ruined this area as it is very near to the coastal area of Eastern Sundanban.
- 68.On **3<sup>rd</sup> June 2020** relief was distributed at Ramkrishnar Chawak & Purba Guriyar Chawak under Bapuji Gram Panchayat & Hardwood point Coastal Police Station in Kakdwip block. 25 bags of ration supplies and 23 Tarpaulin Sheets were distributed among the elderly people of migrated labor families, homeless people, beggars, Amphan affected farmers & fishermen of Ramkrishnar Chawak & Purba Guriyar Chawak.
- 69.On 6<sup>th</sup> June 2020 we distributed 30 bags of ration suppliesand 14 tarpaulin sheets among the Amphan affected people of Mirpara under Bapuji Gram Panchayat & Hardwood point Coastal Police Station in Kakdwip block. Most of the residents of Mirpara are tailors by profession and work at Domjur, Howrah. Our volunteers have given unparalleled service during and post the period of super cyclone Amphan.
- 70.On 8<sup>th</sup> June 2020 we have distributed 10 bags of ration supplies among our volunteers of Purba Chandipur village under Bapuji Gram Panchayat & Hardwood point Coastal Police Station in Kakdwip block. Relief was distributed at Dighirpar under Keoratala Gram Panchayet & Kulpi Police Station in Kulpi block on 9<sup>th</sup> June 2020. 30 bags of ration suppliesand 12 Tarpaulin sheets were distributed among the cyclone affected poor villagers who are mainly dependent on fishery. During the cyclone, dirty salty water mixed with the sweet water of their Fish Bheri and destroyed their fisheries along with their houses.
- 71.From 10<sup>th</sup> June 2020 to 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2020 we distributed 40 bags of ration suppliesand 8 tarpaulin sheets among the under privileged people of nearby villages, beggars and differently abled people of different areas including volunteers of Bansdroni Hridhi of Kakdwip block.

During super cyclone relief in South 24 Parganas, "Webel" and "Pukar Charitable Trust" held our hands and supported us in the venture.

- 72. In association with "Webel", on 13<sup>th</sup> June 2020, 85 bags of ration supplies and 85 Tarpaulin sheets have been distributed among the poor and underprivileged villagers of Purba Chandipur and its adjacent 20 villages under Bapuji Gram Panchayat & Hardwood point Coastal Police Station in Kakdwip block.
- 73.In association with "Webel", on 23<sup>rd</sup>June 2020, 100 bags of ration supplies and 50 Tarpaulin sheets were distributed among the poor and underprivileged villagers of Hare Krishnapur village under Gram Gopalnagar Gram Panchayat in Pathor Pratima block.
- 74.In association with "Pukar Charitable Trust", on 4<sup>th</sup> July 2020, 60 bags of ration supplies along with sarees and Hawai slippers were distributed among the underprivileged and uncared for female residents of Purba Chandipur and its adjacent 20 villages under Bapuji & Baburmall Gram Panchayat & Hardwood point Coastal Police Station in Kakdwip block.



As per the requirement of the people of the affected areas we distributed rice,masoordaal, potatoes, salt, soyabean, soap, mustard oil on various days in the post Amphan period. We estimated a minimum of 4 members per family and we distributed relief to each of these families for 4 days. Summary of the relief is mentioned below:

Sl. No.	<b>Relief materials</b>	Quantity in Kg / Ltr / Pcs
1.	RICE	3430 kg
2.	MASOOR DAAL	435.5 kg
3.	MUSTARD OIL	192.7 ltr
4.	POTATOES	871 kg
5.	SOYABEAN	217.75 kg
6.	SALT	686 kg
7.	BABY FOOD	50 kg
8.	SPICES (HALDI, JEERA, DRIED RED MIRCHI)	1110 pkts of 50 gram
9.	CANDLÉ	370 pcs
10.	MATCH BOX (BIG)	370 pcs
11.	DETERGENT POWDER	92.5 kg
12.	SOAP	686 pcs
13.	SHAMPOO	370 sachet
14.	SAREE	60 pcs
15.	HAWAI SLIPPERS	60 pcs
16.	TARPAULIN SHEETS	288 pcs (1024.23 kg)



Bansdroni Hridhi has provided food and other essential items to 10976 people and distributed Tarpaulin streets among 288 families of South 24 Parganas.

We are grateful to our members, well-wishers including "Koshish", "Webel" & "Pukar Charitable Trust" and members & volunteers of Purba Chandipur unit for supporting us during the relief work.

75. 'Nutritional Support' scheme of Bansdroni Hridhi is a monthly project which has been started from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2019 with 3 children and gradually it has increased upto 7 (seven) orphan immunocompromised children from 6 (six) different districts of West Bengal.















### Distribution of masks and sanitizer

76. We have distributed masks and sanitizers among the street children and resident of slum of Kalighat and Rashbehari area in South Kolkata.



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77. Hridhi has distributed new dress and lunch (fried rice, chicken kosha and sweets) among the 49 street children and mosquito nets among 45 families at a slum of Korunamoyee in Salt Lake on 12<sup>th</sup> &16<sup>th</sup> October 2020. Also distributed free sanitizer and masks among these street children and resident of slum to protect them from Corona virus.



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78. Hridhi has distributed new dresses, masks and sanitizer among 49 Nos. of roadway youngsters of Howrah station area on 17<sup>th</sup> October 2020. Also arranged lunch (Rice, Dal, Aloo Vaji, Mutton, Chatni and Rassogolla) for these children.

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79. Hridhi has distributed ration kit (Rice, Dal, Haldi, Mustard Oil, Salt, Washing Powder, Bath Soap and Shampoo) among 50 Nos. of underprivileged families of Dighirpar (Majherpara) village under Kulpi block of South 24 Parganas district.



80. Hridhi has distributed new dress on 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2020 among 66 Nos. of tribal children at 'KATLAMARI' village under Chanchal – II block of Malda district. On that very day we have also arranged lunch (Rice, Dal, Aloo Vaji, Veg Curry, Chicken, Chatni, Doi and Misti) for these tribal children and their mothers.



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81. Hridhi has arranged lunch on 24<sup>th</sup> October 2020 for elderly persons who are staying at oldage home. We have arranged lunch (Rice, Dal, Beguni, Panner Kofta, Chatni, Doi and Misti) for 25 resident of an oldage home situated at Baguiati.



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82. Hridhi has arranged lunch on 24<sup>th</sup> October 2020 for elderly persons who are staying at oldage home. Lunch (Rice, Dal, Aloo Vaji, Mixed Vegitable, Chicken, Chatni and Misti) was arranged for 40 resident of an oldage home at Kashba, South Kolkata.



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83. To prevent and control **'Dengue'** and **'Malaria'** disease, Hridhi has distributed 60 Nos. of Mosquito Net and spread 50 Kg of Bleaching Powder at different places of Purba Chandipur village.



84. Hridhi has arranged lunch on 14<sup>th</sup> November 2020 for elderly persons who are staying at oldage home. Lunch (Rice, Dal, Aloo Vaji, Foolkopi, Chicken, Chatni, Doi, Misti and Cold Drinks) was arranged for 40 resident of an oldage home at Uchhepota, Sonarpur in South 24 Parganas.



85. On 20th November 2020 Hridhi has handed over a cheque amounting Rs.15,000.00 (Rupees Fifteen Thousand) only for heart operation of 7 (Seven) months old Arpan Dutta of South 24 parganas.



86. On 22nd November 2020 Hridhi has distributed woolen garments and excise books, pencils, eraser etc. among 53 tribal children and 5 tribal uncared elderly women of Katlamari village under Khempur Gram Panchayet of Chachal – II block in Malda district. On the same day Hridhi has also arranged lunch for 100 tribal children and elderly people of the said area.



87. On 13th January 2021 Bansdroni Hridhi has provided lunch to 130 Nos. of children and elderly persons of Joy Bangla under Alihonda Gram Panchayet of Malda district.



88. To fulfill the last wishes of Mrs. Anjali Devi (name changed) Bansdroni Hridhi has disbursed few medicines which are usually used for Cancer patients under the supervision of Dr. Suranjan Maitra on 15th January 2021.

89. On 14th February 2021 Bansdroni Hridhi has provided lunch to 185 Nos. of children and elderly persons of Pukuria village under Mothurapur Gram Panchayet of South 24 Parganas district. And 17 Nos. of Blankets was also distributed among the elderly people of the same village.



90. To celebrate the 5th birthday, again Bansdroni Hridhi has provided lunch to 103 Nos. of children and elderly persons on 21<sup>st</sup> March 2021 at Joy Bangla village under Alihonda Gram Panchayet of Malda district.

