COVID-19 Relief Distribution to Marginalised Sections in 5 villages of Puri District, Odisha

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Covid-19 pandemic has affected the life and livelihood of every individual. The effect on the vulnerable category is more severe. Due to the lockdown, shut down and fear, the Dalit families are badly affected. The support by government is inadequate. Since the Fani cyclone in 2019, National Dalit Watch of NCDHR/Swadhikar has been partnering with Ambedkar Lohia Vichar Manch (ALVM)to facilitate access to entitlements and social protection schemes by the marginalised communities. The communities living with inter-generational pre-existing socio-economic vulnerabilities were prioritise. These included the unorganised sector workers, self-employed; sanitation workers, landless labourers, migrants, daily-wager, slum dwelling communities, with the women, children and elderly, people with disability, in the community/household. Most of these groups belong to the Scheduled Caste, Scheduled Tribe and De-notified tribe, backward classes and minority communities.

A total of 360 families were provided dry ration kits including WaSH items, in Alarpur, Katakpada, Bentapur, Jagannathpur and Kamalnayanpur villages of Brahmagiri Block in Puri district. Each relief packet containing items as under were prepared.

1)	Rice	5Kg
2)	Dal	2Kg.
3)	Wheat Atta	5Kg.
4)	Cooking Oil	1 Ltr
5)	Sugar	1Kg
6)	Salt	1Kg
7)	Flattened Rice	2Kg
8)	Bathing Soap	3 Pkt.
9)	Detergent -500g	1 Pkt.
10)	Sanitary Napkin	1 Pkt.

The relief items after procurement were stacked and segregated into family size packets. On 14.08.2020 relief distribution took place at Katakpada village of Bentapur Gram Panchayat. 93 Dalit families received relief packets here. In the afternoon relief was distributed to 34 families of Alarpur village and 111 families of Bentapur village. On 15.08.2020 at about 8 AM relief distribution was started at Jagannathpur village of Rebana Nuagaon Gram Panchayat; 48 families received the relief packets here. In the afternoon 75 families of Kamalnayanpur received the relief packets. Adequate measures for physical distancing and sanitisation were taken during the relief distribution.

Some of the photographs of the relief item packing and distribution along with Registration of Recipients are attached.

Relief Packing & Transportation Photos



Some Relief Distribution Photos village wise

Katakpada :-



Alarpur : -





Bentapur :-







Jagannathpur :-













Kamalnayanpur:-











