

## **Actions to Support Covid-19 Relief in India**

Thank you for responding to our Call for Action.

We have curated a list of projects and organizations of high impact and priority who are on the frontline working to provide support during the second wave of Covid-19 pandemic in India. These organisations have been proposed by the AVPN India and the team at the #CovidActionCollab (CAC). The best contact for information on how to donate to these organisations is given below

**Oxygen Concentrators:** Oxygen concentrators are medical devices that concentrate oxygen from ambient air. The oxygen concentrator takes in this air, filters it through a sieve, releases the nitrogen back into the air, and works on the remaining oxygen.

- Transforming Rural India Foundation (TRIF) Can accept Indian and International funding
- Vishwanath Cancer Care Foundation Can accept Indian funding

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Mission Vayu: As the demand for oxygen & ventilators skyrocketed amid the surge in Covid-19 caseloads, Pune Platform for COVID-19 Response, anchored at Mahratta Chamber of Commerce Industries and Agriculture (MCCIA) has arranged for procurement and donation of 250 ventilators and 4000 oxygen concentrators for worst affected areas and hotspots of the country.

To support the healthcare establishments across major hotspots, these critical care items will be facilitated to Government and Private hospitals totally free of cost. Through this effort, they will be able to save at least 15,000 - 20,000 lives every week.

 Pune Platform for COVID-19 Response, anchored at Mahratta Chamber of Commerce Industries and Agriculture (MCCIA)

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**Proposal for on-site Medical Oxygen Generation Plant at Hospitals:** continuously generate oxygen and provide a piped supply to the hospital, solving problems associated with external supply such as delays, inadequacy, leakage etc and make hospitals self-sufficient and provide better patient care.

- There is an acute need from the Delhi Government. AVPN can support through donations direct to vendors
- UChicago (International Innovation Corps) Payment- AVPN can support through donations direct to vendors

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## **Mobile/Community Based Testing**

PCR Testing Van with two Compactor Machines: Deployed in remote places to gather samples and test at the same location to avoid delay in result or spoilage of the sample during transport. More than 1000 samples per day can be analyzed per van. No separate space for laboratory setup needed.

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Community-based screening: for areas where there is a high risk of a COVID-19 outbreak due to poor sanitation facilities and overcrowding. Those at risk of COVID-19 will receive either home-based or mobile clinic-based sample collection and point of care rapid antigen testing and PCR testing as needed.

PCMH Restore Health

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**Essential COVID Relief Kits and Ration Kits to vulnerable populations**: As people are being turned away from overflowing hospitals, there is no medical assistance and one can fathom the toughness that people from vulnerable communities must be facing. The aim is to support this marginalized population in the communities with provision of essential supplies, such as relief kits to those with mild symptoms (for home treatments) and ration kits which will take care of their requirements and relieve them of the need to venture out.

- Blind People's Association Can accept Indian and International funding
- Saath Charitable Trust Can accept Indian and International funding
- Childfund India Can accept Indian and International funding
- People to People Health Foundation Can accept Indian and International funding

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 Essential and hygiene kits delivered to the marginalized through the #CovidActionCollab partner network across the country.

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Cost for Essential Kit: INR 2803/- per month for a family of 4 to 5

Kit includes Rice, Wheat Flour, Oil, Sugar, Salt, Tur Dal, Milk Powder, Soap, Masks, Rubber Gloves

Hygiene Kit: INR 500/- per month for a family of 4 to 5

Kit includes Soaps, Toothpaste, Toothbrush, Shampoo Sachets, Comb & Sanitary Napkins



**COVID-19 Care Centers:** Create COVID-Care Centers or Makeshift Hospitals to provide Logistic support, including Oxygen and medical equipment; Fast-Track India's Vaccination drive and build community Awareness to prevent infection and self-care education

• Wadhwani Initiative for Sustainable Healthcare (WISH) - Can accept Indian and International funding

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Swasti with support of PCMH & LabourNet

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**Medical equipment:** There is an extensive list of equipment proposed for each hospital /isolation centers/ quarantine centers:

- 1. PPE kits, N95 Masks and 3 ply masks.
- 2. Oxygen Cylinders
- 3. Furniture: ICU and Isolation beds with Mattress, pillow and linen, bed side table, screens and chairs.
- 4. Equipment Digital Oximeters, stethoscope, sphygmomanometer and thermometer.
- 5. Alcohol based sanitizers
- 6. Ventilators
- 7. Others: Liquid Soaps, single use towels, detergents for environment cleaning and disinfection of surfaces and instruments
- 8. UVC chambers for disinfecting the health professionals' belongings, disinfection for ICU and OPD rooms.
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**Tele-care support in vernacular Indian languages:** Tele/video consultation can help doctors and other healthcare personnel tackle Covid-19 priority cases and importantly, they will provide support in Indian languages and will tie up with service providers like Airtel, Vodafone-Idea networks.

Tendance Foundation - Can accept Indian funding

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Swasti is working with groups that reach Vulnerable communities of Bangalore, Mohammadpur, Theni, Karur, and Rehti with women who work in factories, women in sex work, rural poor and urban poor and open to scale in high burden cities like Indore, Delhi, Mumbai, Bangalore, or anywhere else.

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Cost: US\$ 207,000 (150,000 for 6 months @ 0.23 US\$ per person). Website: swasti.org



**Supporting Equipment Needs for Home-based Care:** Various organizations are supporting home-based care for COVID-19 for vulnerable

communities. Some basic equipment for monitoring vitals such as blood pressure, blood sugar, blood oxygen saturation, and temperature are needed for effective home management. In addition, emergency oxygen care support using oxygen concentrators for individuals waiting for a hospital bed can reduce morbidity and mortality caused by irreversible hypoxia.

• PCMH Restore Health

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## **Annex**

## #CovidActionCollab

AVPN has been working with #CovidActionLab for the last 12 months on Covid-relief and recovery. The #COVIDActionCollab (CAC) is an all-India collaborative, united to provide relief, recovery and build resilience among the most vulnerable communities. Swasti (<a href="mailto:swasti.org">swasti.org</a>) is leading the Covid-19 relief projects and resource mobilisation efforts so please contact anita@catalysts.org for more information about the projects. Anita can share the organisation details for direct donations from within India, or Swasti can accept foreign donations and then direct the support to those organisations in need.

- Support Equipment Needs for Home-based Care
- Essential & Hygiene Kits
- Community-Based COVID-19 Testing
- Supporting Equipment Needs for Home-based Care
- COVID-19 Preparedness for Small hospitals (Public/Private)
- COVID-19 Care Centers

Again, we thank you for your efforts and contributions to the Covid-19 Relief Action. We believe our joint force would help those most in need in India.