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## **LittleBigHelp**

## A little help from you is a big help for others

Dear Team,

Covid 19 devastatingly hits West Bengal during May 2021, Lockdown imposed during the 1st week of May. The empty roads created paths for buzzing ambulances, some people were fortunate to get a hospital, others succumbed due to no medical facilities. The sharp surge in cases across the country overwhelmed the health infrastructure, with people left scrambling for hospital beds, critical drugs, and oxygen. Many of our team members suffered and recovered from Covid, A few of our team members lost their beloved family members. Along with this, a tropical cyclone named Yash strikes Kolkata and Howrah during May and dreadfully damaged the households of Ramakrishnapur and Ghushuri.

But still, we rise, as a team, we worked hard to support our community people. So, this month we focused on relief distribution and awareness generation to hackle the emerging Covid positive cases.

Best Wishes,

LBH India Team



**Relief Distribution** 



During this month a massive rainfall showed up an as after effect of Tropical Cyclone Yash. And Due to this Ghusury Slum Area of Howrah waterlogged which created a flood situation. 250 people from that area were rescued and took shelter in the nearest high school. LittleBigHelp contacted local club members of Ghusury and provided funds so that the club members could arrange for cooked food for those homeless people.



During the initial days of the second wave to minimize the spread of infection in the slum areas a public awareness campaign through miking was organized by LittleBigHelp in Kolkata and Howrah about COVID-19, myths surrounding it, its symptoms, treatment, transmission, and nearest service delivery points, etc.

During April and May LittleBigHelp supported 373 people by ensuring a meal per day for them. In the lockdown period, many families lost their earning opportunities from different sources. So in this critical phase we tried our best to be with them. We provided dry rations like Rice, Pulses, Potato, soyabean, Mustard oil, hand soap etc which were most essential for living nowadays.

"Stand up, be bold, and take the blame on your own shoulders. Do not go about throwing mud at other; for all the faults you suffer from, you are the sole and only cause."

Swami Vivekananda