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Dear Team Oorla and Friends of Aravind,

We write this to you on behalf of Small differences with a deep sense of gratitude.

We thank all your families for choosing to partner with the noble cause of bringing back the joy of celebration for children from Covid affected families. For Deepavali this year, the team Small Differences worked with other partner organisations, and identified 34 families who had lost their primary breadwinner to the pandemic. A total of 44 children were part of these families and Team Oorla generously donated sweets for each family. This apart, the team also sponsored close to 1000 packets of sweets and savouries for sanitation workers, children in slum areas and other disadvantaged populations. Every time, Aravind personally oversaw the activities and ensured that every part of the contribution went to the most vulnerable populations. Our gratitude to you and Team Oorla knows no bounds. On behalf of the entire family of Small differences and all the beneficiaries we have touched, we send you our deepest gratitude and pray to the Almighty for happiness, prosperity and health for you and your loved ones.

The second wave of the pandemic hit the already marginalised sections of society very deeply. Our transgender friends, the elderly, abandoned community that we have always worked with, and people afflicted with AIDS, and families who lost their breadwinners to Covid.

Your generosity has helped us bridge the gap to many of these disadvantaged groups. Here are our impact figures over the last 3 months:

#### **Relief during Second Wave**

- 3 oxygen concentrators bought and supplied to Covid relief centres
- 2 oxygen concentrators bought and supplied to Coimbatore GH
- 1 oxygen concentrator bought and supplied to Madukkarai GH
- A total of Rs. 5 lakh partnership with Rotary Coimbatore Spectrum to instal a 20-bed oxygen generator plant for GH, Coimbatore
- Masks, gloves and PPE support for CMCH
- Oxygen flowmeters for both ESI and GH

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- Medicine supply to ESI and GH
- Dexamethazone supply to ESI and GH
- Infrastructure and equipment support of GCT covid centre, covering PPEs, masks, gloves, mattresses and beds
- Syringes, gloves, and PPEs for CMCH and ESI towards the end of the second wave
- Relief for transgender and other vulnerable populations: a total of 150 families touched over a 4 month-period
- Grocery support to Gondi colony (with members totalling to more than 150)

### **Relief and rehabilitation post Second Wave**

- Covid vaccination for 140 transwomen over a forty-day period
- School fees for two children who lost fathers to Covid
- Notebooks, stationery for children
- Shoes for children going to school
- Deepavali vouchers for children who lost fathers to Covid
- Skill development for 3 COVID widows: basic to boutique tailoring programme

### **Project Sukriti in 2021**

- Identified 3 women who lost their husbands to Covid
- Put them through the tailoring programme run by Amrutha Institutions
- Regular meeting and mentoring of the three women
- They have emerged a strong group of people who are in turn inspiring others like them
- Sukriti continues to work with Anjali and Malini, transwomen

### **Annual Plan for 2022**

- To work with Project Sukriti with respect to transwomen and Covid widows
- To look at possibilities of engaging with marginalised and vulnerable populations through art, music, theatre and other activities
- To strengthen partnerships with like-minded organisations and become a centre that helps heal and emerge from trauma for people who seek change.

Your contribution has made all this possible. And we have no words to thank you for it. We are looking at a long-term vision of empowering this community through vocational skills and non-formal education.

We move forward in the hope that we will continue to be able to provide succour to the truly affected. Thank you for being those angels who make miracles come true.

We are attaching some photographs that will tell you just how big a difference you have all made. May this goodness come back to you many times over.

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In deep gratitude,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Shobhana', enclosed in a thin black rectangular border.

Shobhana Kumar  
Team Small differences