# IMPACT ASSESSMENT REPORT

#### Funding Support for Response Against COVID-19

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## **Project Details**

Project Number: 10338

Project title: Funding Support for Response Against COVID-19

**Project duration:** Mar 21 - May 22 **Approved Budget:** Rs. 1128 lakh

Major Stakeholders: Local Communities

**Location:** Pune and Aurangabad District

Implementation Agency: Jankidevi Bajaj Gram Vikas Sanstha (JBGVS)

Assessment Agency: CSRBOX

The COVID-19 pandemic brought about unprecedented challenges, profoundly impacting the socio-economic fabric of the nation. It led to a disruption of the public healthcare system, creating barriers to accessing even basic healthcare facilities, thereby affecting the poor and needy populations nationwide.

Many parts of the country experienced a severe shortage of liquid medical oxygen, causing hospitals to face significant challenges in providing essential healthcare services. The shortage of beds and liquid medical oxygen led to long waiting hours for refilling oxygen cylinders. Moreover, the demand-supply gap resulted in a shortage of vaccines, posing a challenge to virus containment. The nationwide lockdowns and high unemployment during the pandemic stripped individuals of their purchasing power, leaving many unable to afford a full square meal. By diligently evaluating the pressing needs of the hour, Bajaj Finance Limited (BFL) extended funding support to address the challenges brought about by the pandemic. Relief support was provided in various ways, including supplying vaccines, providing ration kits, and extending medical equipment support to hospitals. The report documents BFL's contribution to the cumulative impact of multiple funders involved in creating the COVID-19 response fund. The program mainly focused on procuring and distributing COVID-19 relief material through Jankidevi Bajaj Gram Vikas Sanstha (JBGVS).







### **Key Activites**

Medical Infrastructure Support	<ul> <li>Installation of Oxygen Plant in 7 rural hospitals in regions in Maharashtra (Manchar, Shiroli, Chandoli, Vadgaon, Aurangabad, Waluj and Parbani)</li> <li>Installation of 1 Oxygen Supply Plant in Bazpur, Uttarakhand, supporting 14 beds*</li> <li>Installation of Oxygen Supply Plant in Sikar COVID Hospital, Rajasthan</li> <li>Contribution towards the purchase of an ECMO Machine for Eternal Hospital, Jaipur</li> <li>Purchase of Cardiac Ambulance containing oxygen cylinders and wheelchair facility for Gram Panchayat, Mahalunge, Maharashtra.</li> </ul>
Distribution of Dry Ration Kits	<ul> <li>Distribution of 40,000 dry ration kits to auto drivers in Mumbai, Pune, Hyderabad, and Kolkata</li> <li>Distribution of 20,000 dry ration kits in Udham Singh Nagar to support the weaker section and vulnerable families through SDM and Nigam Commissioner.</li> <li>Each kit included dal, rice, atta, oil, tea, sugar, salt, and masala</li> </ul>
COVID-19 Vaccination	• Extending vaccination support to 8175 beneficiaries in Gurgaon, Mumbai, and Bangalore through CVCs.

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### **Key Impact**

# **Medical Infrastructure Support**

Installation of Oxygen plants across locations led to the saving of millions of lives during the COVID-19
pandemic when the supply was scarce. Specifically, 11\*\* lives saved because of installation of \* ECMO Machine
for Eternal Hospital, Jaipur

## **Distribution of Dry Ration Kits**

• Meal support to marginalized communities to reduce their drudgery during vulnerable times

#### **COVID-19 Vaccination**

- Inclusive approach towards COVID Vaccination with focus on frontline workers, health workers, and citizens aged 18-44 years, 45-60 years having co-morbidity, and citizens above 60 years.
- Reduction in vaccine hesitancy through counselling and awareness sessions

\* Data provided by SPOC, Bazpur Hospital

<sup>\*\*</sup> Data provided by SPOC, Eternal Care Foundation