

April- June 2021

## Quarterly Newsletter



***Kolkata Mary Ward Social Centre***

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## Our preventive approach towards the second wave of Covid- 19 In Collaboration with Loreto Day School, Elliot Road

### Vaccination with Covishield 1<sup>st</sup> dose

**Date:** 5<sup>th</sup> of June 2021

**Venue:** Loreto Day School, Elliot Road

Loreto Elliot Road school had organised a vaccination camp for the faculty members and for KMWSC staffs and other family members, tying up with Techno India Group, Saltlake. Around 20 KMWSC staff with Director Sr. Monica Suchiang along with family members of the staffs, other employees of Loreto Elliot School and their family members were given the first dose of Covishield at the camp held within the campus of Loreto Elliot Road.



### Participation in Aarogyam C Body Check Up Date: 29<sup>th</sup> of May 2021

**Venue:** KMWSC Campus

KMWSC staffs participated in the health routine checkup done by Thyrocare.



### Distribution of Oxymeters&Thermometers at all project field level.

In order to keep track of good health in the project areas the oxymeters and thermometers were given to all the project areas as per the requirements and population size.



### Distribution of Immunity build up medicines:

All staffs and field staffs were given

- multi- vitamins tablets
- zinc tablets
- paracetamol tablets



KMWSCares initiative gets appreciation from the local club members and mothers of Sonagachi for its incessant work in spite of rain and storm reaching out to covid patient's families.



### KMWSC SKD: Certification of students: 12<sup>th</sup> of April 2021

KMWSC conveyed its best wishes to students of the two batches for a promising career ahead. 29 students successfully completed the Beautician course and 14 students completing the Computer Training Course.



### KMWSC initiative to encourage youths for a better livelihood: Orientation of students in Beautician course in affiliation with Glammour Spa & Saloon

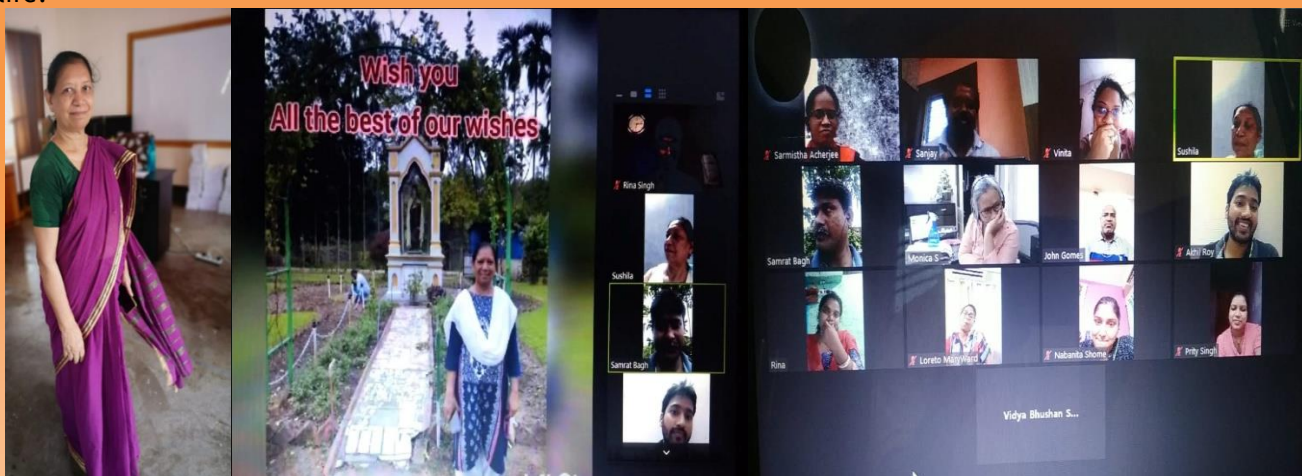
On 14<sup>th</sup> of April 2021, SKD project team held an orientation session for candidates enrolled for the new batch of Beautician course. Altogether 30 new students attended the session.



## Enhancing Staff Recognition

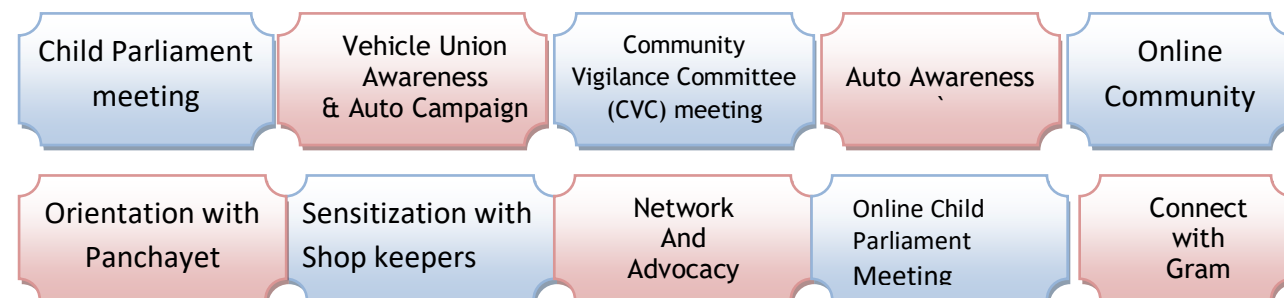
### Sharing the joy of celebrating the journey of Ms. Sushila Marandi, Barefoot Teacher's Training Project Implementer: Adieu

KMWSC family bids farewell on virtual platform to Sushila on 31st May 2021. Sr. Monica Suchiang, Director of KMWSC thanked her dedication, hard work and contribution to Loreto congregation and KMWSC from 2005. The pioneer of the project Barefoot Teacher's training, during her journey in KMWSC she has reached out to different areas of South 24 parganas, and North 24 Parganas, Howrah and Hooghly districts. She has even travelled to the Northern part of West Bengal to impart Barefoot Training. The training not only centered itself in West Bengal but stretched to other states like U.P, M.P, Bihar, Jharkhand and other North Eastern States like Assam and in Nepal. As she retires from the organisation, KMWSC will surely miss a motherly figure in the family. Wishing her all the best for the journey ahead. This is not the end but a beginning to a new life!





### Activities at a glance (Dimond & Basirhat)



# Brickfield Project



## Activities at a glance

Relief Food Distribution

Capacity building of teachers

Conduct BFS Staff Meeting

Distribution of TLMs

Conduct Awareness Programme

Special Day Celebration

Conduct Health camp

Distribution of medicines

Field survey & Monitoring visit

Door to Door classes

Support to the migrants at Pujali, Akra and Kalyani through distribution of Relief kits and Health Kits



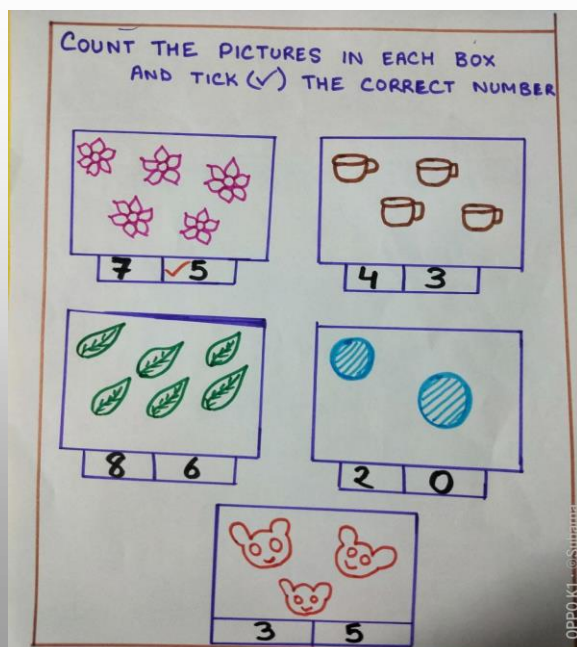


Barefoot Project

### Total Level-1 Training & Online Trainings conducted at a glance

S.N	Training Dates	Training days	No. of Participants	Male	Female	Level	Language
1.	13rd 14th & 15th of April 2021	3	15	0	15	I	Hindi
2.	26th, 27th & 28th of April 2021	3	15	0	15	I	Bengali
3.	20th, 21st and 22nd of May 2021	3	14	0	14	I	Hindi
Total Number of Training Days-9			44	Total=	Total= 44	Total = 3	

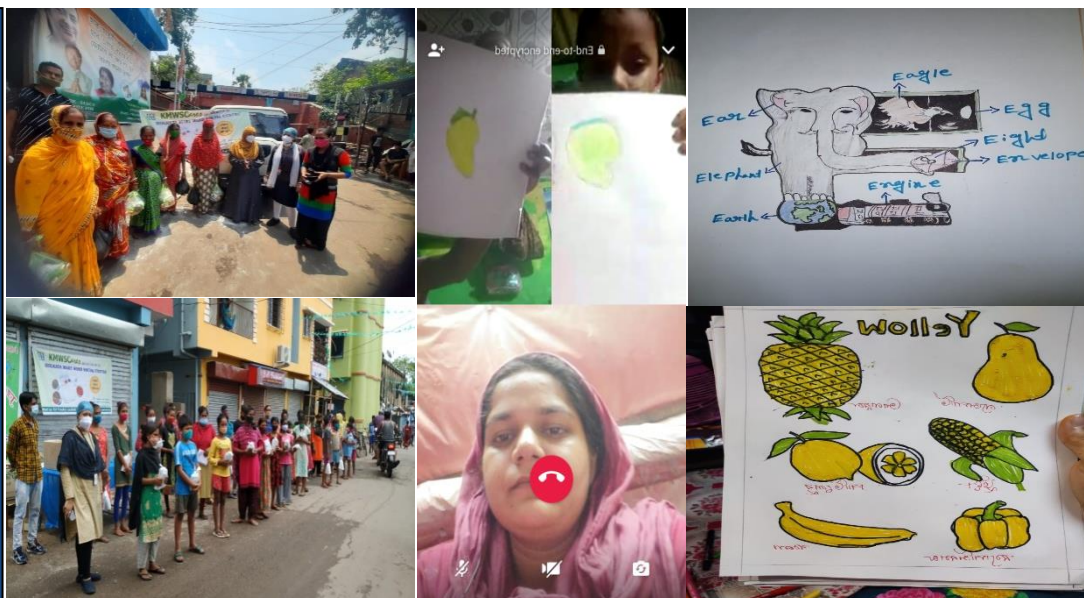
### Participants with Teaching Learning Materials



### Online Teaching for the very 1<sup>st</sup> time



# Hidden Domestic Child Labour Project



## Activities briefly

Community Awareness Programme

Club Members Meeting

Auto Campaign Awareness

Worksheets distribution

Peer group Meeting

Online Children Group Meeting

TLMs Preparation

Online Classes

Online Teacher's Training

Home Survey

Covid- 19 relief kits distribution

Online Parents Teachers Meeting

### Worksheets distributed to MAC students:



### Home Visit:



### Online Parent's Meeting: at 4 MACs with teachers



### Online Teacher's Training:



### Relief ration kits distributed:135 slum families

Rice-5kg, Masur Dal-2kgs, Hair oil-100 ml, Shampoo-100 ml, Soap-4 pieces, Surf-1kg packet, Milk powder-500gms packet and Cooking Oil-1 litre packet.



# Red-Light Area Project



## Activities at a glance

Tailoring  
Classes

Online  
Tailoring  
Class

Online Child  
Parliament  
Meeting

KMWSC cares  
(Cooked food  
Distribution)

Online  
Adolescent  
meeting

Online  
Drawing  
Class

Dance  
Classes

Drawing  
session

Dry Ration  
Distribution

Online Dance  
Class





## Skills Development Project



### Activities at a glance

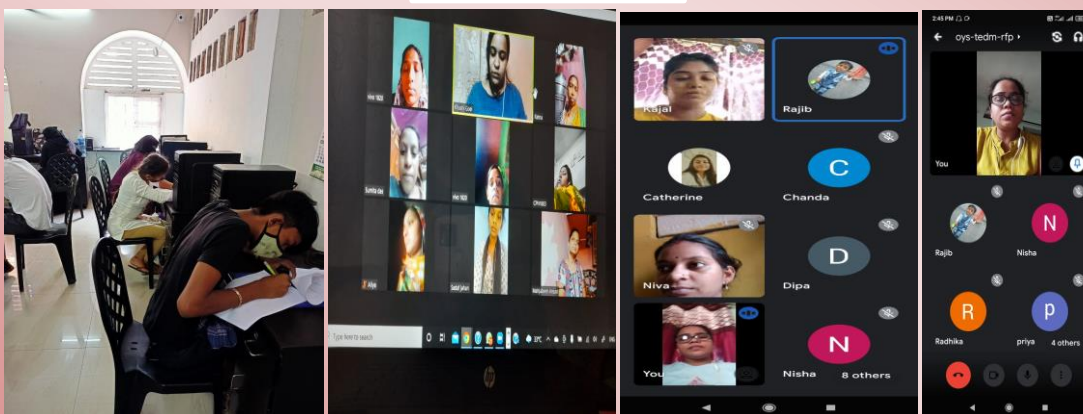
Examination for 17 students

Auto Campaign

Online classes

Staff meeting

Online Awareness Campaign



# Child Rights Project



## Activities at a glance

Awareness  
campaign

Child Club  
Meeting

Monthly CBO  
meetings

Networking  
meetings

Rally with  
school students  
& teachers

Sensitization  
dialogue with  
Boat Union

6Anganwadi  
meetings

Periodic  
Leadership  
Training



# Solar project



## Activities at a glance





## Lotus Child project



### Activities at a glance

Home Visits

Online  
classes for  
the  
children

Awareness  
campaign

Peer  
Group  
Meeting

Medicine

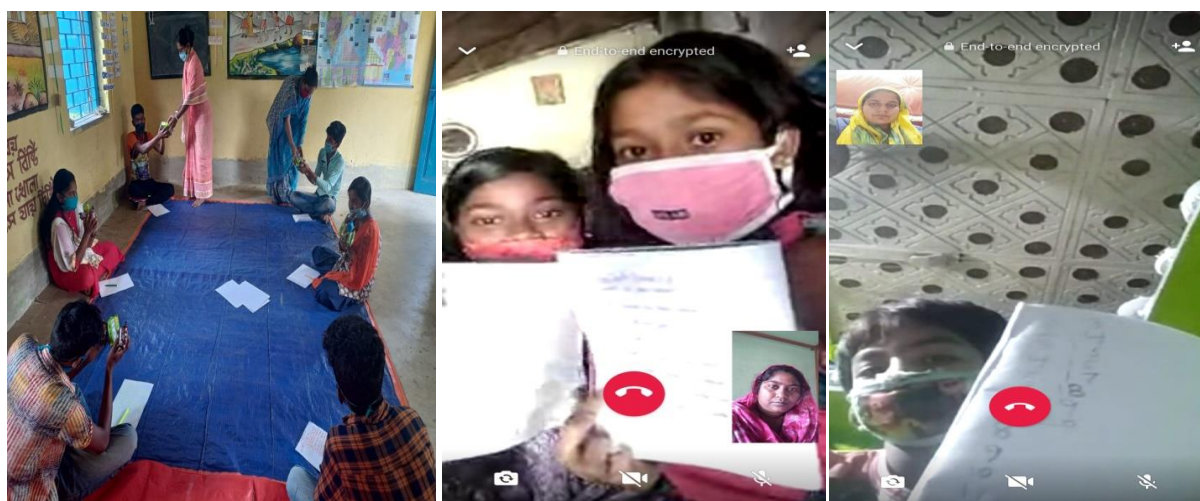
Regular  
Sanitization  
of the  
Center

Online  
classes for  
the children

Remedial  
Classes

Mothers  
meeting

Food Ration  
Distribution



# Lodha project



## Activities at a glance

Home Visit

Health check up Camps

Awareness programme on Health & Hygiene

Awareness Programme on Government Scheme

Disaster Shelter Camp on cyclone Yaas:

Legal Entitlements for Lodha people



## More Events & Celebrations

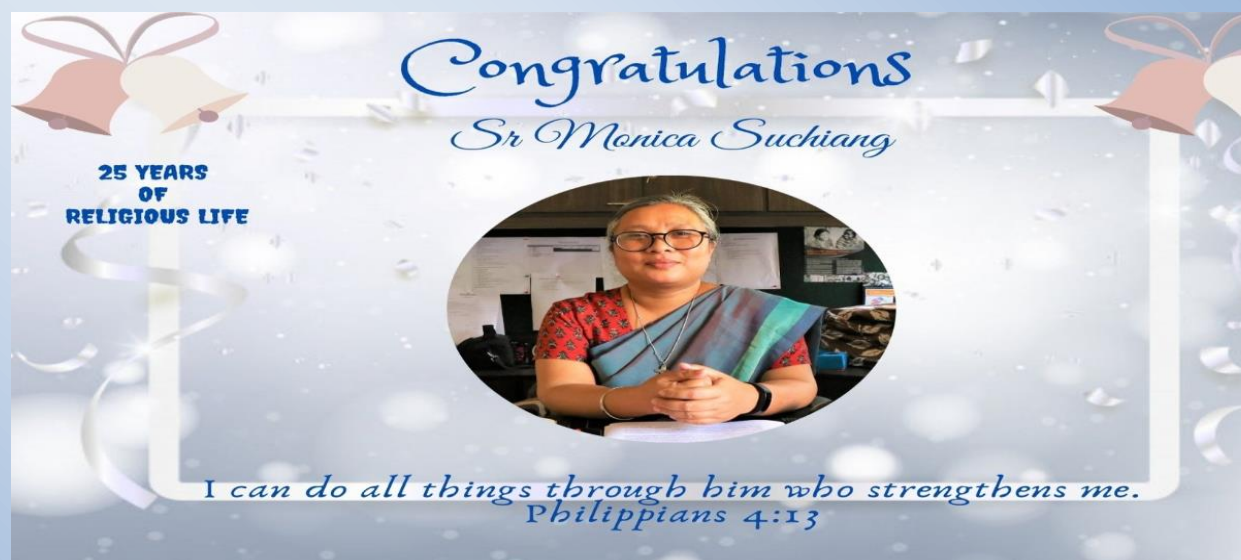
World Environment day celebration in the fields.



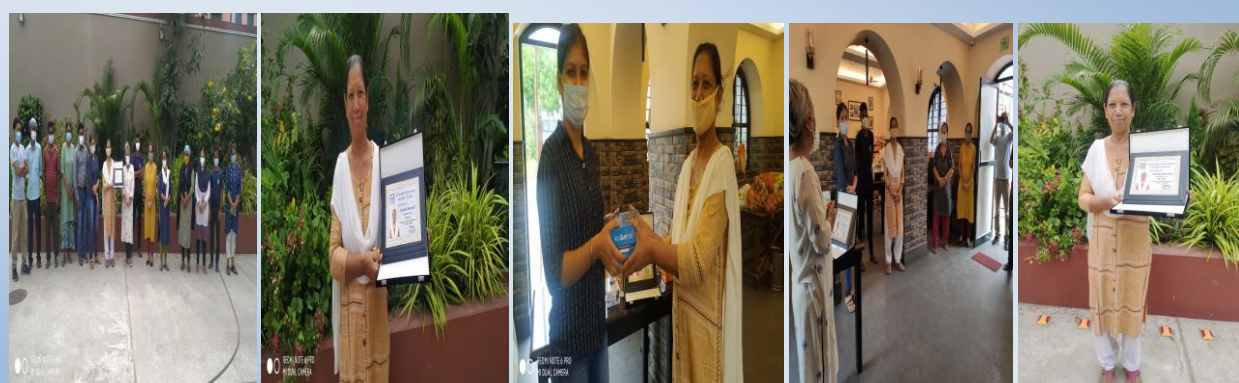
World Day against child labour celebration



Congratulation to Sr. Monica for completing 25 years of religious life on 11<sup>th</sup> June 2021



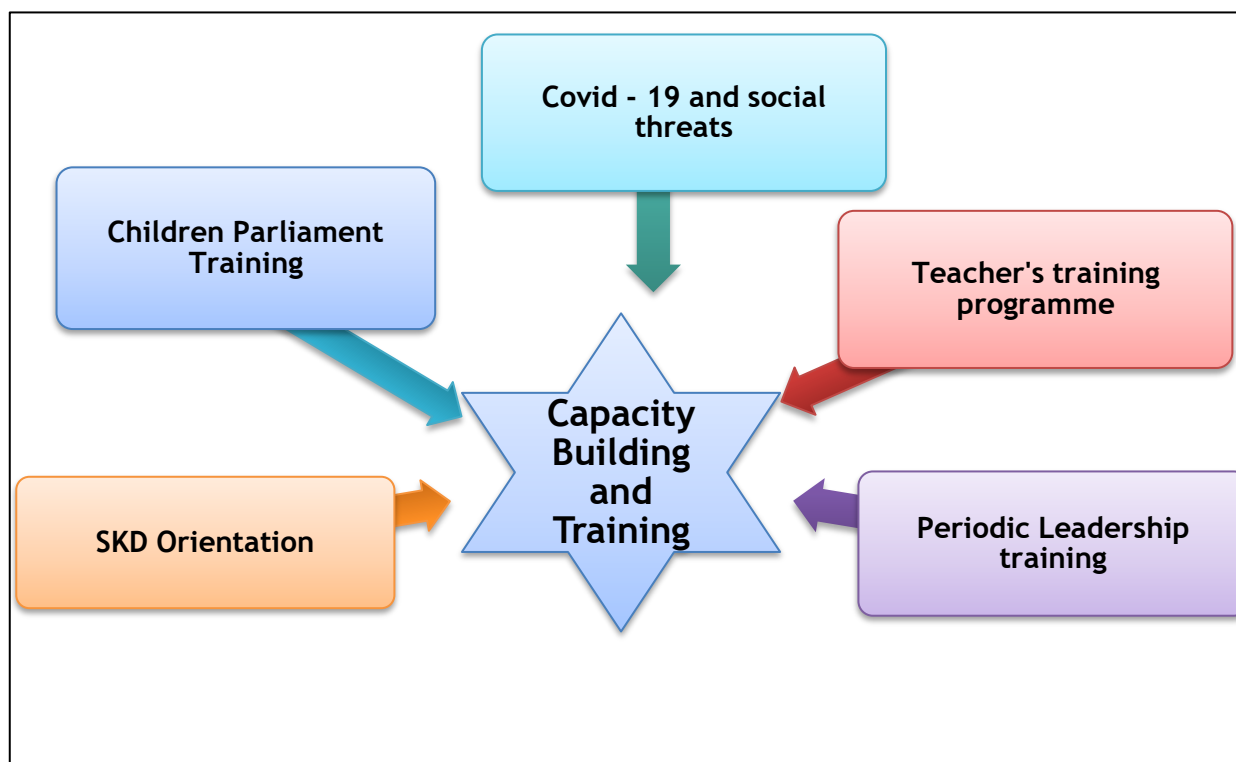
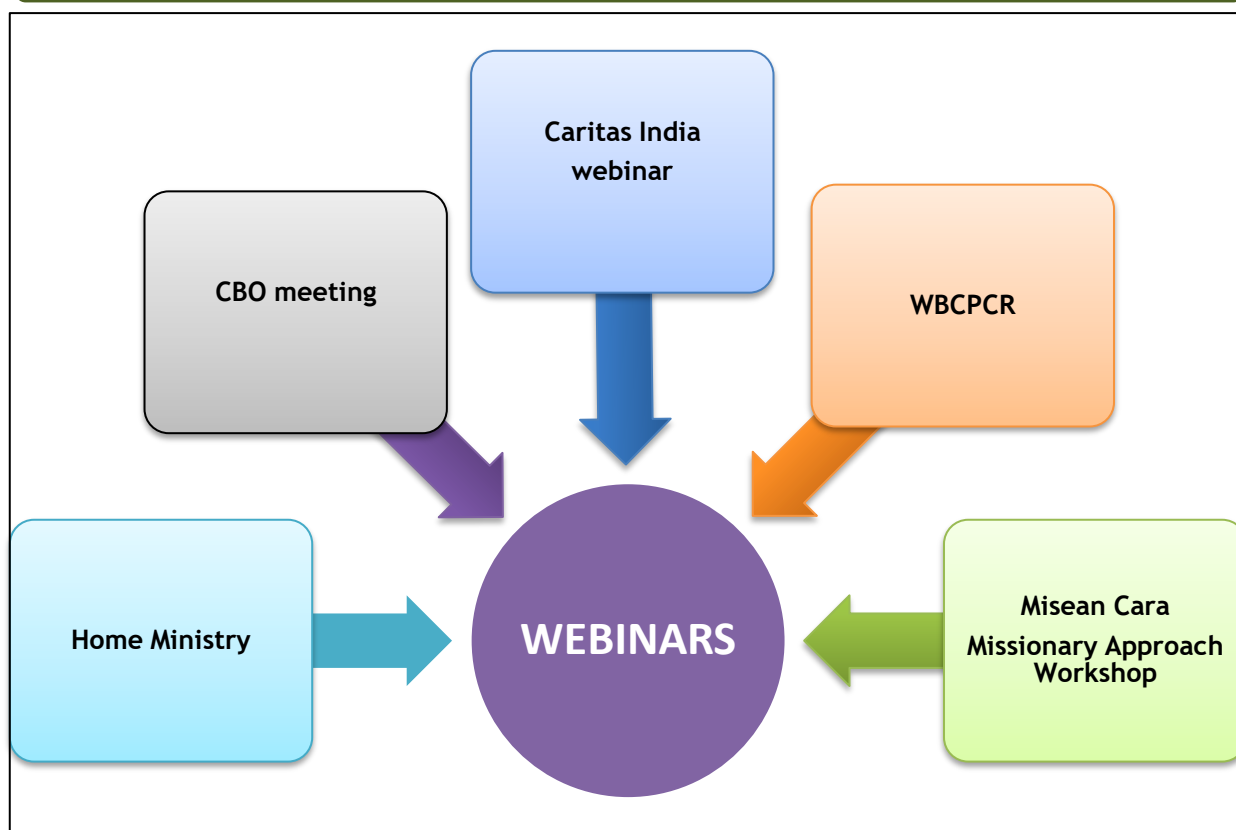
Sushila's physical farewell in the office with lunch together



**Food distribution in response to 2 wave covid 19 and Yaas response 2021 at different locations**



## Advocacy and Networking



## MEDIA CLIPPING

**Support pours in for the Covid-hit**

**JHINUK MAZUMDAR**

Calcutta: A supplier of stationery to schools whose business has been under lock and key for more than a year came to an NGO Dataly and donated 50kg of potato and 50kg of rice.

A group of parents of children who were admitted to various schools recently, donated rice, pulses, flour and edible oil to the NGO.

People from all walks of life have come forward to donate raw materials to Kolkata Mary Ward Social Centre (KMWSC), a wing of the Loreto Congregation in South Asia, after the NGO put up a post on social media.

In the past KMWSC had sought help from citizens to be able to provide cooked lunch to 800 underprivileged people in a Covid safe house. The initiative started this week and KMWSC have committed to provide lunch seven days a week for May and June.

"People are struggling in their own ways and not all of them have money to give but I am overwhelmed to see their thoughtfulness and help with raw materials that they could afford," said Sister Monica Suchiang, director of KMWSC.

Sister Suchiang said that everyday people — mostly unknown — are coming with bags and cartons of food that has helped them store materials for a month.

While some come with big bags, others come with small portions that they feel they can contribute.

One of such donors is 35-year-old Suman Sanikhamithi, who is a supplier of stationery, trophies and certificates to school. He came with 25kg rice and 50kg potato.

"The last year was really bad for my business. The second Covid wave has served another blow. The schools are showing no sign of opening. Despite the odds my family and I managed to survive. I felt I can spare a few thousands at this hour of crisis when many are fighting hunger," he said.

There are some who have funded fish for a couple of days and promised to do more.

Those people who are affected with Covid-19 proper wholesome diet, there are so many people have no food to eat. They isolated from home and we cannot help them. So we decided to help lunch," said Sister Monica Suchiang.

Cooking for 800 kids requires hours of hard work. The work begins every morning so that the food is delivered on time.

An appeal on a social media page received a response from the second person. Thus, this taken by KMWSC to the needy Covid-19 their families who from the hunger or threat to their support to make a difference in the lives of the Covid families by donating towards

**Food being cooked at Kolkata Mary Ward Social Centre**

**Samaritans join hands to provide food**

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Realising its societal responsibility, Loreto Elliot Road organised a Vaccination Camp at its campus on the 5th of June 2021 in collaboration with Techno India Dama Hospital. Registrations were opened for the Loreto community in Kolkata and the immediate neighbourhood, which met with an overwhelming response.

The camp vaccinated 417 people in total. Complimentary vaccination were given to the school's Support Staff as also to the Rainbow Homes Staff and Care Givers. The various service providers at school were also provided free vaccinations.

Arrangements were made to escort the medical team to the Loreto Residence to vaccinate the senior nuns living there. The Loreto ethos measure accomplishments in the barometer of how far our effort have served to inspire others. We have been contacted by various other schools, some even beyond the Loreto umbrella, to guide them to take up a similar endeavour. We have thus been instrumental in creating ripples in the ocean of humanitarian aid.

There are no clear answers to when will the pandemic end. Vaccination only helps boost our immunity and so it should not lull one into complacency. We should continue following all protocols even after taking the vaccine.

After all, we need to take care of our body as it is the only place we have, to live in.

**KMWSC is thankful for what all the benevolent funders and supporters have relentlessly done at the crucial time for the beneficiaries**

# THANK YOU