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Introduction



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In the month of April, India witnessed the second wave of the deadly COVID-19. Just when things were settling down after the first lockdown, the second wave hit the country and caused havoc in many lives. The number of cases being reported all over India increased. On the 5th of April, India's COVID-19 cases crossed 1 lakh for the first time ever. It was the highest reported daily spike then.

Amidst this chaos, many children in the country, especially the ones from economically backward families could not afford treatment for diseases other than COVID. It was difficult for them to acquire beds in hospitals and many parents also had lost a means to their livelihood making it difficult for them to afford medical treatment for their children. Child Help Foundation recognized this issue and came forward to help these families.

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Emergency Medical Support

Master Mohd Husain

One such case was of Master Mohd Husain, a 8-month-old baby boy, who needed heart surgery. Husain's Father, Mr. Afzal is a farmer and his mother, Mrs. Shenaaz is a housewife. Husain is their younger child. At the time of birth, Husain had difficulty in breathing. After a few days, his parents noticed that the baby's was getting a bluish discoloration. He was taken to the doctor and after all medical tests, he was diagnosed with a Congenital Heart Disease.

He was admitted to Indraprastha Apollo Hospital, New Delhi. The treatment cost was Rs. 3,00,000.



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Ritvik Panchal

Ritvik Panchal is a 3-year-old boy from Ghaziabad, who needed heart surgery. When Ritvik was about 1.5 years old, his mother noticed he had difficulty in breathing. She also noticed bluish discoloration in Ritvik's body. The baby had poor weight gain at that period and his health also deteriorated. They consulted a doctor at that time and found cardiac issues.

The doctors at Indraprastha Apollo Hospital, New Delhi, estimated the surgery cost to about Rs. 4,00,000.



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Dasarapu Adwith

Dasarapu Adwith, a 4-year-old boy from Telangana, whose father works as a daily wage laborer on farms, and his mother is a housewife. Adwith started losing weight and got fevers frequently. Concerned about his health, his parents consulted several doctors for a diagnosis but to their dismay, Adwith did not respond to any treatments. Hence, the parents were advised to admit him to Rainbow Children's hospital, Hyderabad.

The doctors there diagnosed him with Mediastinal Undifferentiated Sarcoma.

He was suggested to undergo Neoadjuvant Chemotherapy, surgery, and radiation as a part of his treatment which cost Rs. 15,00,000.



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P Jecintha

P. Jecintha is a 7 - year-old girl from Thirunelveli, Tamil Nadu, who was diagnosed with heart disease at the age of 4. She is the only child of Mr. Ponraj Nadar and Mrs. Jaya Mary. Her father works in a store and her mother is a housewife.

In the year 2018, Jecintha underwent 2 surgeries in Mumbai. Her father used to work in Mumbai before the pandemic. But he lost his job and the family had to travel back to their hometown. Jecintha required one more surgery as a part of her treatments.

She needed heart surgery, the estimated cost of which was upto Rs. 3,50,000 to Rs. 4,00,000.



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Medical Success Stories

B/O Ushakumari

B/O Ushakumari is a 1 month old premature baby boy from Alappuzha, Kerala. Baby's father works as a daily wage labourer and his mother is a housewife. At birth, the baby had low weight and suffered from difficulty in breathing. He was admitted to SBM hospital, Kerala, where the doctors said that he will need CPAP and other supportive care for his breathing difficulty.

The estimated cost of his treatment is Rs. 4,00,000. The family could not raise these funds due to low incomes.

On behalf of the family, CHF was successful in raising the money for the baby's treatment. After the treatment, the baby was in a healthier state and was taken home by the parents.



Before



After

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Medical Success Stories

Rudranandini



Before



After

Rudranandini is a 6 year old girl from Thrissur, Kerala. Her father, Mr. Satheesh is a fisherman, and her mother is a housewife. Rudranandini was diagnosed with neuronal ceroid lipofuscinosis type 7 (a progressive disorder that affects the brain). Since then she has been suffering with gradual loss of cognition, loss of vision and is confined to the bed. She was admitted to Aster Medicity Hospital, Kerala, where the doctors suggested Precutaneous Endoscopic Gastrostomy Surgery.

The estimated cost of her treatment was Rs. 2,00,000. Mr. Satheesh could not afford her treatment and turned to CHF for help. Our team managed to raise the required funds for Rudranandini's treatment. The surgery was successful and she was discharged from the hospital and is recovering well.

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Education Support to CCI's



Child Help Foundation has been supporting Child Care Institutions across various states. There are 812 children benefitting through this programme. The children living in these CCIs receive proper primary education. Stationery supplies including books, pens, pencils, and colours are provided by CHF. Annually, festivals and other celebrations like Republic Day, and Children's Day, among many others are celebrated in the CCIs.

In April, The Special School of Joy in Jharkhand, Jamshedpur celebrated their anniversary with sports and crafts activities.



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Baby Feeding Centre at Kurla Station, Mumbai



To provide a safer environment for breastfeeding mothers while travelling long distances in trains, CHF has constructed another Baby Feeding Centres (BFCs) on multiple platforms throughout the country. In April, another BFC was constructed on Kurla Station, Mumbai. Many women feel shy and uncomfortable breastfeeding their babies in public. This initiative was taken up to render a sense of privacy for the demanding infants of the travelling mothers even on Railway stations. This project was successful through the Corporate funding by Alkem Laboratories Ltd. We are also grateful to Western Railways for their support and cooperation in making this initiative a success.



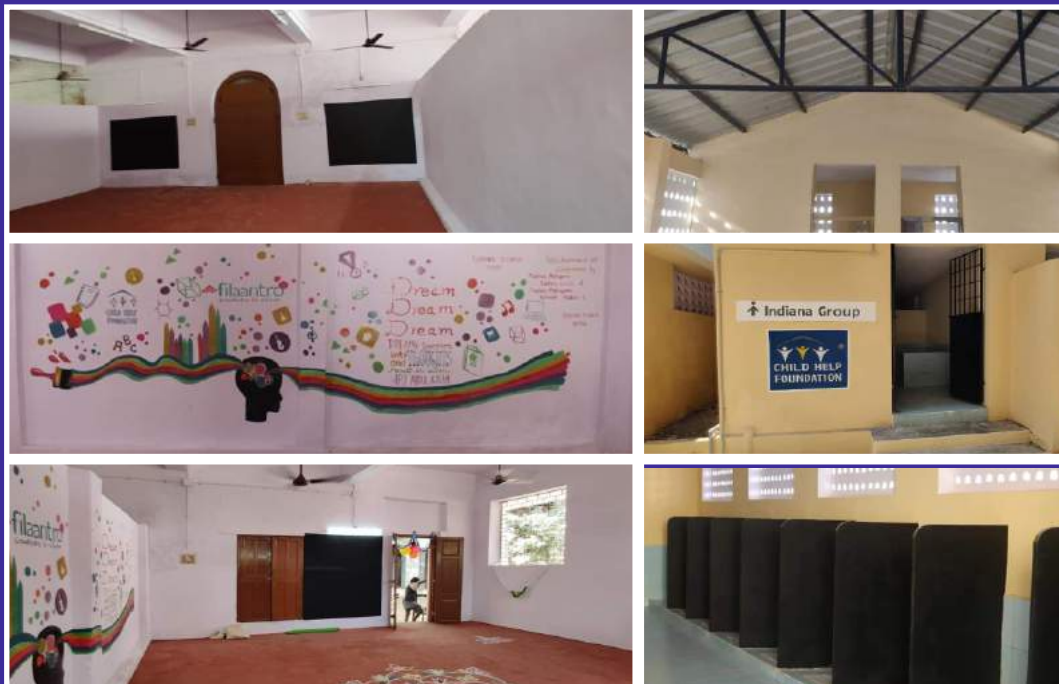
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Water and Sanitation in Chennai

Located in Triplicane, Chennai, Lady Willingdon Girls' Higher Secondary Government School is a 100-year-old school, built during the British Era. The ancient architecture needed timely renovations which were not possible due to a lack of funds. This caused multiple damages like falling off of the compound walls, making the school inhabitable. Students even started dropping out due to a lack of safety and sanitation.

The School management, along with the Madras Mylapore Ladies Circle, reached out to Child Help Foundation looking for some help and support. CHF partnered with Filaantro to raise funds to carry out the required developments. Out of a total of 500 students, 444 are girls. The refurbishments of toilets made things easier for these students. Even the classroom renovation benefitted 50 children of class 9.



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Humanitarian Relief



Since the lockdown has been implemented, many people have lost their means of livelihood, in turn, becoming poorer and pushing them towards poverty and hunger. This vicious cycle leads to another serious problem, i.e., malnutrition. People are not only losing lives to the virus, but also to hunger. The already low immune system becomes weaker due to a lack of access to nutritious food.

It was during this phase that CHF successfully partnered with Khushiyaan Foundation and reached out to affected migrants who lost their jobs and were in crisis situations. We provided them with warm nutritious food packets. The areas covered during this food distribution were Delhi, Bangaluru, Hyderabad, Odisha and in Maharashtra especially in Thane West and Airoli Sector 19/20. This project could reach 29,520 beneficiaries.





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