COVID-19
Emergency Relief Operation Daily Update

April 4, 2020
Thardeep Rural Development Programme-TRDP
Thardeep Rural Development Programme (TRDP)
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TRDP INITIATIVES

COORDINATION WITH STAKE HOLDERS:
TRDP is closely working with District Administration. In current emergency of COVID 19, TRDP got exemption certificate from Commissioner Hyderabad, Deputy Commissioner Tharparkar, DADU, Jamshoro and Umerkot. TRDP officials doing relief operation in above-mentioned working districts under this lockdown situation.

TRDP participated in district coordination committee meeting about current COVID-19 emergency for relief activities in operational area.

District Managers also conducted meetings with Assistant Commissioners, handed over Face Masks, and had meeting for further strategy of the government and role of Working Social development organizations in the district.

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COMMUNITY INSTITUTION INITIATIVE:
TRDP has formed and strengthened community institutions (CO/VO/LSO) at grassroots level and engaged them effectively in every initiative in the area. Community institutions providing a platform for planning and implementation at household, village and UC level to improve the livelihoods of the people. TRDP builds the technical and managerial capacities of these institutions to achieve the development plans of their own area.

Distribution of masks in community:

FACE MASKS MAKING & DISTRIBUTION IN RURAL AREAS
In the pandemic of COVID-19, to aware the community about basic hygiene measures that are the most important way to stop the spread of novel coronavirus (COVID-19). Facemask is the basic measure including, hand washing, and staying at home.
TRDP trained community members in tailoring through Technical and Vocational Skill Training under Sindh Union Council and Community Economic Strengthening Support Programme. During the current COVID-19 emergency, trained community members prepared some 2,000 masks' in rural areas of Dadu and Jamshoro districts, which are being provided to district authorities and community institutions for distribution.

**Distribution of Food Items**

Due to current emergency lockdown situation due to COVID 19, in Sindh, lockdown situation in programme area has physically proved distancing in community and distributed among vulnerable and marginalized community groups. In this connection TRDP started relief operation in programme districts from own resource, and with contribution of philanthropists and partners organizations. During the current emergency TRDP provided food items to some 22,192-food items among poor families in programme district.

CRP assist the community and filled the formats of some 5,242 poor for Rashan/Relief through web based application of district Jamshoro and Dadu.
COMMUNITY SENSITIZATION COVID-19

PROMOTING HAND HYGIENE

Hand hygiene is essential to containing the spread of COVID-19. Therefore, TRDP staff conducted the awareness session regarding this airborne, they inform the community about importance of Hand Hygiene that it is essential for every one of you to wash your hands regularly with water and soap or hand washing and sanitizer. In pursuit of COVID-19, community organizations also rolled out awareness session with community of good hygiene practices is key to reduce the spread of disease at community level.

DISTRIBUTION OF SOAPS & SANITIZERS

Thardeep Rural Development Program (TRDP) working in close coordination with Government of Sindh for raising awareness, provision of masks, soaps and sanitizers to communities. TRDP staff conducted meeting with district health department Dadu, Jamshoro, Tharparkar and Umerkot for provision of soaps to all health facilities in the areas. TRDP provided some 9,606 soaps 48 health facilities in Tharparkar, Umerkot, Dadu and Jamshoro districts.
**CASH SUPPORT**

Due to current emergency in Sindh, lockdown situation in programme area has physically proved distancing of community in which vulnerable groups are facing many difficulties. TRDP also working for marginalized community in rural area.

Deputy Commissioner Mr. Shah Zaman Khuhro and Member National Assembly (MNA) / Chairman Gorakh Development Authority Mr. Refeq Ahmed Jamali handed over grant cheques to 20 poor households of amount PKR 432,000 provided by TRDP. April 4.2020. TRDP is supporting 30 HHs in the district by providing livelihood grants in the district Dadu.
April 05, Regional Time The Heartland reports today, "Thardeep Rural Development Programme distributed rashan and launched poverty reduction programme with grant of Rs22.8m in Jamshoro and Dadu district and gave 500 women and heads of poor families Rs.20,000 each in Jamshoro district. Jamshoro deputy commissioner inaugurated the cheques distribution programme at Yousuf Khoso village. The NGO’s officials and members of local community were present at the ceremony."

Follow link for media coverage;

https://www.dailyparliamenttimes.com/2020/04/02/trdp-launches-poverty-reduction-program-in-district-jamshoro-and-dadu/#.XogsxoRXqA

https://www.dawn.com/.../hyderabad-registers-first-death-from...

Thardeep Facebook page
https://www.facebook.com/pg/thardeep.org/posts/?ref=page_internal
TRDP supported poor families in 25 villages with, Grocery and others items of PKR: 10,649,488. (10.6 million) at doorsteps in Tharparkar and Umerkot Districts.

THARDEEP transferring cash grant of PKR 15,800,000 (15.8 million) to 790 very poor households of Dadu district by Monday, April 06, 2020 to support them in securing livelihood in Dadu (Taluka Dadu: 200 HHs PKR 4 Million, Taluka Johi: 220 HHs PKR 4.4 Million, Taluka Mehar: 250 HHs PKR 5 Million Taluka KN Shah 120 HHs PKR 2.4 Million.

THARDEEP transferring cash grant of PKR 7,800,000 (7.8 million) to 387 very poor households of Jamshoro district by Monday, April 06, 2020 to support them in securing livelihood in Jamshoro, Taluka Kotri. 02 million, 100 HHs. Taluka Manjhand. 01 million, 50 HHs, Taluka Sehwan. 2.2 million, 110 HHs, Taluka TB Khan. 2.6 million, 130 HHs

**RECOGNITION**

TRDP working with close coordination with government of Sindh, TRDP has strong network at community level and active role and expertise of working with community. Community institutions’ (Co/VO/LSO) have strong recognition due to their activeness, dedicated work with community self-initiatives’. Therefore, in the light of current pandemic situation to combat at the household level against Corona virus. TRDP has submitted list of 103 Community resource person/community volunteers for support in relief activities at village level. TRDP also handed over Poverty Score Card of some 323,894 data to Deputy Commissioner Tharparkar and Dadu.

**COMMUNITY AWARENESS RESINING SESSION**

Preparedness planning is an essential in order for community organization to respond effectively to COVID outbreak and epidemic. The community organizations have strength to respond effectively through social mobilization and awareness session with the technical assistance of TRDP in terms of publishing IEC material, guideline and preventive measures in the area of health emergency preparedness which adds value to the efforts of community to strengthen the capacities and ensure coordination and effective support to community and Government Departments. In continuation of awareness, TRDP staff and CRP arranged some 328 different awareness sessions with 11,552 members of community organization, demo of different preventive measures i.e. hand washing, usage of mask and hand sanitizer usage and
social distancing during their routine life. TRDP also distributed 1,500 awareness Leaflets among the community in programme districts. The community organization were provided the IEC material in local languages, Community Resource Persons CRPs conducted awareness sessions on April 4, 2020 at HH level on importance of hand washing demo and on precautions of COVID 19.

**Highlights of the day, April 4, 2020**

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- THARDEEP at doorsteps .Grocery and other items of PKR 210,000 handed over to the poor households in village Okraro Panhwar Union council Faqeeb Abdullah district Umerkot and Khario Nara, Union Council Jo'ruo district Tharparkar. The poor identified through poverty scorecard survey. This grant is for help of poor households to secure their livelihood.

- Community Resource Persons CRPs conducted awareness sessions on April 4, 2020 at HH level on importance of hand washing demo and on precautions of COVID 19.

- TRDP Umerkot team provided some 324-hand washing soap bar at Government health facilities under emergency relief operation.

- TRDP Tharparkar and Umerkot team distributed some 330-food items among poor community in Tharparkar.

- TRDP team also facilitated community through CRPs to fill the formats of some 990 poor for online Rashan/Relief through web based application district Jamshoro and Dadu.

- TRDP team conducted some 16 awareness raising sessions with members of community organizations in Dadu and Jamshoro.


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