

## DONATE NOW



The recent surge in COVID-19 cases in India has created both catastrophic health and <u>economic crises</u>. We are compelled to do our part, and our Disaster Relief Committee has put a plan of action in place that provides vaccination assistance, healthcare kits, and food assistance.

As part of our disaster relief and recovery efforts, we are working to mobilize vaccinations and eliminate common obstacles that have kept individuals from getting vaccinated. Major issues that we're addressing include: stigmas and myths associated with the vaccine, fear of getting vaccinated, inability of individuals to travel to a vaccination drive, inability of programs to follow up with individuals who have received a vaccine, and record-keeping required to receive a vaccine.

The Mijwan Welfare Society's COVID Rahat program, supported by Share & Care, is one such program addressing these issues and facilitating vaccinations by:

- 1. **Mobilizing communities through vaccination drives.** To accelerate the government's COVID vaccination drives in villages, the MWS team approached local health authorities, offering to provide vaccinations at the doorstep of the local Rozgar Dhaba center.
- 2. **Providing space for vaccination drives at Rozgar Dhaba centers.** The centers are hygienically maintained, well-ventilated, and follow all COVID precautions, making them excellent spaces for vaccine drives. Additionally, because the centers

are located in the village, it eliminates the need to travel for a vaccine — thus eliminating that barrier for some.

- 3. **Assisting people with the maintenance of vaccination health records.** By providing documentation assistance, it eliminates yet another barrier keeping some individuals from being able to receive a vaccination.
- 4. **Providing community follow-up for those who have received vaccinations.** Following up with individuals who have received the vaccine helps to build trust in the community and ensures that individuals do not have any adverse reactions.
- 5. **Raising awareness about vaccination drives.** Finally, when people are able to see the medical teams working locally at the centers, it also helps to build trust and dispel myths about the COVID vaccine.

The first local vaccination took place on May 31 at the center in Azamgarh, under the supervision of the Sub-Divisional Magistrate. Using this vaccination model at a Rozgar Dhaba center, the medical team vaccinated 45 people (age 45 and above) from one village in a single day.



ESI Lokmitras assist village communities in Gujarat.

## You're invited! Show your support by joining us for our Pandemic Relief & Recovery Fundraiser.

We're hosting an exclusive virtual premier event on **July 17 at 8 p.m. EST** to raise additional relief and recovery funds to combat COVID-19 and the related health and economic crises in India. These funds are key in supporting life-saving initiatives like MWS' COVID Rahat program above. Our Pandemic Relief & Recovery Fundraiser will feature inspiring entertainment by Parthiv Gohil and other top performers, including soulful Gujarati songs and music set against the great white Rann of Kutchh.

For full event details, artist information, and a photo library, please visit **shareandcare.org/reflections**.

## **How To Participate**

**Attend the event:** Those who donate \$200 or more to any Share & Care project will receive exclusive access to this special virtual show. Simply mention "fundraiser" in the donation's comment section to gain access.

Invitations, with information on how to access the event on July 17, will be distributed after July 2.

DONATE TO SECURE YOUR "SEAT"

**Become a sponsor:** Various levels of sponsorship are available and benefits may include acknowledgement during the event, recognition by one of the performing artists, and more! Download the sponsor form to the right for details about how to become a sponsor. Please note: The deadline to sponsor this event is **Thursday, July 1**.



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