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COVID-19



Initiatives of Jesuit Chennai Province (CEN)

PROVINCIAL'S MESSAGE

While a lot is still unknown about the virus that causes COVID-19, the outbreak of coronavirus disease has been very seriously affecting all walks of life especially the marginalized groups. The pandemic spreads like a wild fire and has now reached many countries. It has created a serious global health crisis of our times.



More than a health crisis, the COVID-19 is creating disheartening social, economic and political crises that will leave deep scars down the history. Every day people are losing their jobs and income, with no way of knowing when normality will return. In our context, the poor Dalits, migrants, tribals, widows, gypsies and daily coolies are the most affected victims of the impacts of this pandemic. Discerning over the current signs of times, the **Province Disaster Management Committee (DMC)** was created to plan and respond to this situation in a meaningful way.

This report on '*Rapid Response of Jesuit Chennai Province (CEN) to COVID-19*' exhibits the ways in which all the members of the Province have responded to this crisis, in collaboration with our collaborators.

With a deep sense of gratitude, I would like to express my sincere thanks to all the members of Jesuit Chennai Province, all our collaborators for your rapid responses to proactively address the crisis of COVID-19 and in reaching out the affected people with generous heart, in spite of its risks and dangers for one's existence.

In the first phase of our reaching out the people (Poor Dalits, Migrants, Tribals, Widows, Gypsies Transgenders, Sri Lankan Refugees, Daily coolies and Domestic Employees, etc.), our Jesuit communities have reached out to more than 6000 families in most of the northern districts of Tamil Nadu in providing them ration of food essentials and protective medical equipments.

On behalf of all of you, I would like to express my sincere thanks and appreciations to the Province Disaster Management Committee (DMC) [Frs Francis Xavier, Andrew, Igni, Joe Arun, Thomas Amirtham and Vasanth]. They have spent their quality time in organizing meetings, contacting the Government officials, communicating to Jesuit communities, doing the need analysis, being in touch with the collaborators, benefactors and well-wishers, executing the plans, getting the reports and consolidating them and codifying the activities, etc. A special thanks to Frs Francis Xavier (the Convener of DMC), Igni and Vasanth for giving a constant push to the activities of DMC.



Jesuit Chennai Province (CEN) has been established as a new Jesuit Province on 28 Dec, 2019 from Jesuit Madurai Province (MDU).

I would like to appreciate and thank the Alumni, Staff, Students, Parents and Collaborators of our Institutions, specially the Loyola Institutions (Helping Hands of Loyola) Chennai for their special contributions and active involvement in the entire process of our rapid responses to Covid-19. Needless to mention a few like Frs William, Henry (JAM) (Jesuit Migrants Service) and their team who have been tirelessly working all through the operation; the Professors, the Officials of Loyola Alumni, the Campus Treasurer's office, especially Mr Dominic Savio (the CFO) and Mr Thomas (the PRO) for coordinating and networking with the vendors, Govt and Corporation Officials, Alumni, volunteers, and for taking up the task of thanking the donors for their magnanimous generosity.

Once again, I appreciate all Jesuits and our collaborators for their high character and unassuming earnestness in involvement to this serious global crisis of pandemic COVID-19. Let our responses go beyond 'share and care' for the victims, to give them the Compassionate Love and Hope of the Risen Lord.

Fr Jebamalai Irudayaraj SJ
Provincial

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MESSAGE

Dear Friends,

The Coronavirus pandemic has brought in fear, confusion, and uncertainty. Further, it has affected many people, especially the migrants, daily wagers, and others who live one day at a time. More than ever we have come to realize that our inter-dependence is not only with our fellow human beings but also with our fellow created beings. An invisible virus has driven us, in spite of social distancing, closer to one another and to the invisible God.

Many have been very kind and have extended their helping hands to the needy and we have witnessed that human kindness is still alive, especially those who are on the frontline to keep the people safe and healthy.

The Disaster Management Committee (DMC) of the Jesuit Chennai Province (CEN) and the Helping Hands of Loyola (Chennai) have been serving, with generous support from the alumni and well-wishers, to the most needy especially the Migrants, the Gypsies, the Domestic Employees, the Transgenders, the Tribals and so many others who are in greater need, with food materials. A host of faculty members and student volunteers are counselling people in quarantine.

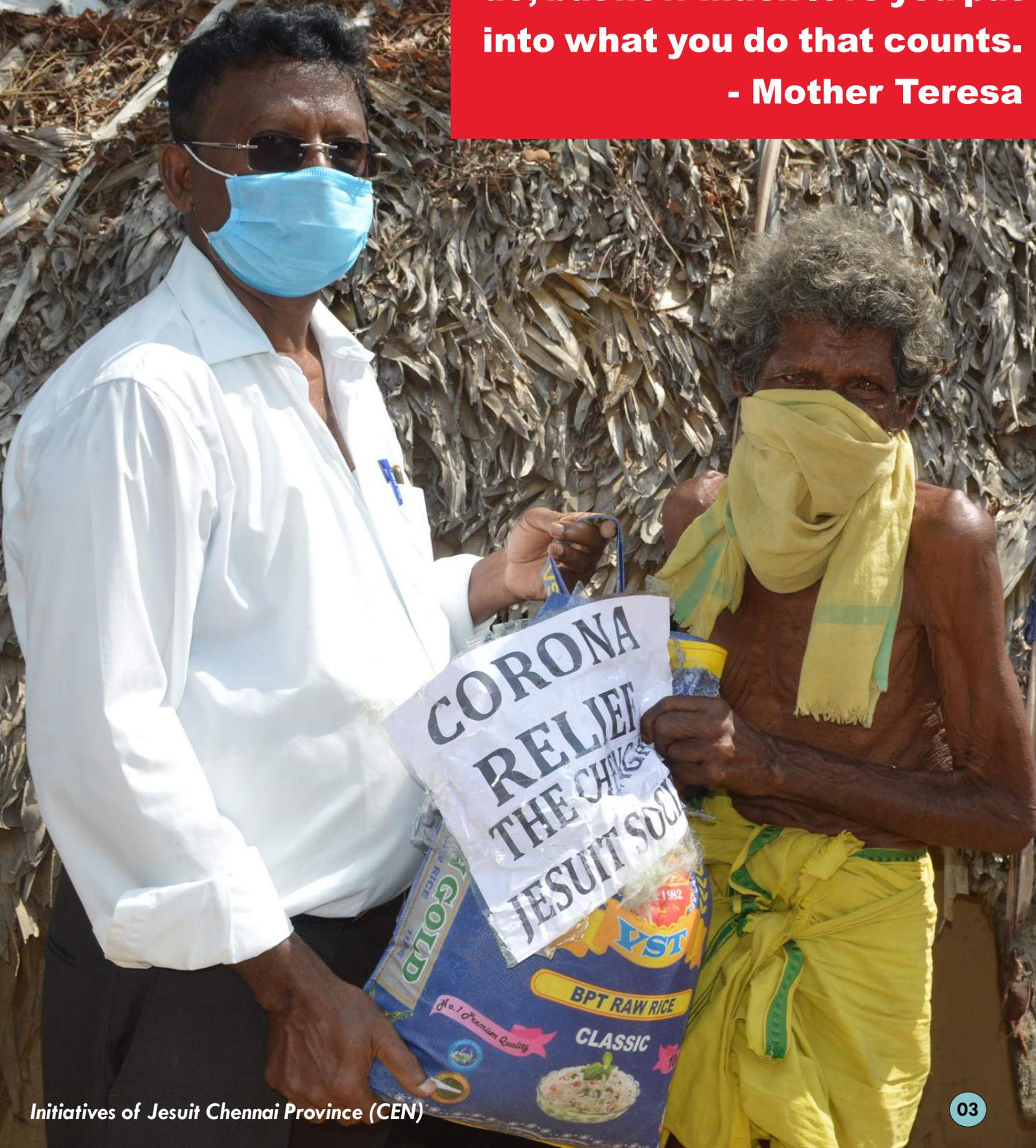
Our sincere thanks are due to all, especially the alumni, volunteers, and organizations for their insurmountable help rendered to the needy. Let us, in hope and faith, see a better tomorrow.

Fr Francis P Xavier SJ
Convener of DMC and
Rector of Loyola Institutions (Chennai)



It's not about how much you do, but how much love you put into what you do that counts.

- Mother Teresa



CHENNAI : Loyola College and Jesuit Migrants Service (JMS)

Loyola College, Chennai entered into the sphere during the lockdown tagged as, Helping Hands of Loyola (HHL). On 22 Mar 2020 with the Rector, Fr Francis P Xavier circulated a letter of caution to all the unit directors (LCAS, LIBA, LICET and LCE) in the campus. Then, on 30 Mar 2020, Fr Rector in the presence of the unit directors enunciated that Loyola shall concentrate in supporting the Stranded Migrant Workers from the North and South of India, as requested by the Jesuit Migrants Service (JMS) Team of Loyola Campus. In addition, he proposed that reasonable help could also be given to the Gypsies and the Domestic Workers with whom the Department of Service learning is conducting the field work.

The unit directors acted swiftly upon the words of Fr Rector to raise funds through the help of our alumni, staff, students and collaborators. They in turn, responded very positively.

From 11 Apr 2020, Helping Hands of Loyola (HHL) and JMS distributed dry food provisions to 1470 Migrant Families, 350 Domestic Servants and 160 Gypsies families and by 23 Apr, the provisions were given to 2000 families with Fr Provincial handing over the packets to 20 displaced poor families at Chembarambakkam.

The Social Work Department of Loyola College, Chennai, with a team of 80 volunteers took to online services on counselling at the behest of Chennai Corporation Mayor for over 80 thousand callers. They have counselled to around 3500 people every day. The Counselling Department of Loyola lead by Ms Yazhini provided online counselling to the children and women. Loyola College has started its online counselling to all the students and staff of Loyola from 26 Apr 2020.

Commerce Building of Loyola College is given to Chennai City Corporation for quarantine purposes. Around 200 Covid-19 patients are identified by health care department and 60 people have already been



accommodated so far.

Prof Vincent the former Dean of Research, discovered online testing methods for Coronavirus which results within 24 hrs. This is submitted to the State Govt authorities for their perusal. Loyola Entomology Research Institute (ERI) has also prepared sanitizer and it waits for the final approval from the government for the distribution.

In the same way, the Alumni of Loyola have been doing a number of activities in their own localities. To cite a few, the support of Kerala Chapter of Loyola Alumni Association with 500 PPE kits to the Police Department of Kerala, the support of Dry Food Provisions by the Tanjore Chapter, etc.

Fr William SJ

CHENNAI : Dhyana Ashram

Dhyana Ashram community has housed five families of migrant labourers and has given them accommodation and food from 21 Mar 2020. On behalf of Dhyana Ashram community through ICRDC, 50 families were given food essentials at Viyasarpadi. 40 marginalised and Dalit student families of Community College whose parents are working in brick kiln are helped financially.

Fr Darwin Michael SJ

HARUR: Arulagam

The Arulagam Jesuit community is situated amidst the thickly populated Dalit families in and around Harur, Dharmapuri district. We had a preliminary meeting to identify the most affected people from

COVID -19. Along with the community, the Parish council members (26), St Mary's school teachers (5) and Loyola Skill Development Centre staff (3) were brought into the distributing committee. All these people took the list from 26 villages in and around Harur town respectively. In the first phase, the core committee took the decision of serving the most deserving and vulnerable 150 people namely the widows, disabled, and chronically sick people. In the second phase, 400 people were chosen by the committee. The relief ration of food essentials was provided to each family respectively. Jesuit Chennai Province, The Dharmapuri Diocese Society, Sacred Heart Parish and some parishners were the main



donors to carry out the relief work. We thank all of them from the depth of our heart. We thank all the government officials who have extended their fullest support to our relief work.

Fr John Paul SJ

KASTHAMBADI: JPLI & JMME_x

JPLI community has four Jesuits and ten pre-novices. It has two units, one is pre-novitiate and the other is Jesuit Migrants Ministry External (JMME_x), rendering its services to overseas migrants from rural villages. It is situated in Thiruvannamalai district, Vellore diocese.

In the outbreak of the pandemic COVID-19, the community has plunged into action in serving the needy around the area especially Sri Lankan Tamil Refugees, Overseas Migrants in four districts (Tiruvannamalai, Vilupuram, Cuddalore, Kallakurichi), Widows, Irulars, Dalits, Gypsies and the differently abled. We have so far reached out to 267 families. We distributed groceries (Rice, Oil, Dhal, Chilli, coriander, Turmeric powder, Mustard, Garlic, Sugar, Salt, etc) to each family.

We acknowledge the good-willed benefactors from various places who have contributed for the relief works. They were very generous to respond to the crisis and in helping the most disadvantaged. The benefactors were mostly from the families and friends of Frs. Viji Bose and Velankanni. One of the Vellore Diocesan priests namely Fr Bosco, presently the Parish Priest of St. Antony's Church, Kariyenthal, on our request was very generous in helping the people of Srilankan refugees at Kondam camp. The Pre-novices with Jesuits in JPLI also contributed from their pocket money to help the poor in need.

Our collaboration was with Salesian Sisters, Sisters of St. Anne-Trichy, Vellore Diocesan clergy, and National Domestic Workers movement. Our Jesuit pre-novices, St. Lawrence Parish, Kasthambadi youth (five members) and JMME_x staff (five) voluntarily worked along with us. Ms Tamil Selvi, VAO and Mr Murugan, Kasthambadi collaborated with us in every way possible. Thasildhars of Polur, Arni, Tiruvannamalai acknowledged our selfless service to the people.

Fr Prabhu Francis SJ



KILPENNATHUR: AHAL

Action for Human Rights and Liberation Centre (AHAL) is a social action centre working for the empowerment of Arunthathiyars (A Dalit group) in and around the districts of Thiruvannamalai and Villupuram.

COVID-19's lockdown had brought in the Jesuits at AHAL Centre, the Parish Priest, Parish Council and AHAL Staff to meticulously plan and distribute relief materials to Arunthathiyar families in the Parish,

Arunthathiyars in our field work, Gypsies in Villupuram & Thiruvannamalai districts and prioritized them in the following categories:

1. Those who do not own ration cards.
2. Those who are widows and abandoned.
3. Those who are differently-abled.

The beneficiaries are of two-fold: one from AHAL Centre and the other from the Parish.

461 and 188 families were identified from the AHAL Centre in Thiruvannamalai & Villupuram districts and Sahayamadha Parish, Kilpennathur.



In order to distribute relief materials,

we got permission from Mr Kandasamy, District Collector, Thiruvannamalai and from Tahsildars of Villupuram District. In collaboration with the Parish Council members, Parish youth, AHAL Staff (10), Volunteers (2), Collaborators (2) and Government officials (23), relief work was carried out from 04.04.2020 to 24.04.2020.

At this juncture, we whole heartedly express sentiments of gratitude to Jesuit Chennai Province and AHAL community for the contribution and support to the people in need.

Fr Ray SJ

KUPPAYANALLUR: Loyola Institutes

Loyola Hr. Sec. School and Don Bosco Church at Kuppayanallur exclusively caters to the marginalised Dalit communities who are economically poor. Most of the people are daily wage workers and a good portion of them work in companies in and around Chengalpattu and Chennai. The lockdown due to COVID-19 has affected them heavily.

The Jesuit community has decided to help the most deserving people among the affected people. We carried out our relief work in two phases. In the first phase, we have chosen 320 families from our Co-workers, struggling poor among the parishioners, migrants, Alcoholic Anonymous recovered patients and poor widows. We have provided them with the ration of food essentials. We gratefully remember all who have helped us financially: The Jesuit community at Kuppayanallur, Jesuit Chennai Province, Chengalpattu Diocese, Arul Kadal Community and the well-wishers from the Parish. The distribution of



the ration of food essentials was carried out with the help of Parish Youth, Parish Council, School Staff and JMAADD Staff. In the second phase, we are planning to help the deserving Hindu dalits, school orphans or semi-orphans students' families and Senthalar students' families. Once again, we thank all our benefactors for their generous contribution.



Fr Antony Samy SJ

MAKKAMPALAYAM: PARAN

Makkampalayam is situated in Kadambur hills, Sathyamangalam, Erode district of Tamil Nadu. Makkampalayam Mission has two units. 1. PARAN social action unit caters to the need of 60 urali-solahar tribal villages. 2. St. Antony the Hermit Parish at Makkampalayam, takes care of the spiritual enrichment of the Christian tribals.



The Lockdown affected the Tribals very badly. We, Jesuits, together with PARAN staff members and a few local volunteers distributed the food essentials and masks to the 40 deserving tribal families.



Kadambur approached us to help 20 Arigiya villages. Seeing the plight of the 20-elderly people, we distributed the ration of food essentials to them with the help of the local village leaders, the PARAN Evening Study Center's animators and youth volunteers.

Fr Packiarasu SJ

METTALA: Loyola College

Loyola College, Mettala, aims at providing quality education to the marginalized students. At this time of lockdown, the Jesuit community has decided to reach the families of non-teaching staff of our college and the most affected people.

Firstly, we financially helped 29 non-teaching staff families of our college. Secondly, we distributed food essentials





to the 110 Sri Lankan refugee families staying at the camps in Sentharaiipatti and in Thamampatti. We also provided financial aid to 57 deserving families at Mullukurichi, which is one of our outreach villages.

We truly appreciate the efforts and commitments of our volunteers and the donors to meet the needs of the deserving people.

Fr Dominic Jeyakumar SJ

METTUPALAYAM: Arrupe Illam

St Joseph's Retreat Centre caters to the spiritual need of people. But during this outbreak we extended our help to the affected people. In collaboration with Fr S. Tony, we helped 32 families (Udalai tribals) living in and around Puliamara Street in Odanthurai village. Also, with the help of the parish priest of Mettupalayam we reached out in providing the food essentials to 300 families from Sri Lanka Repatriate colony, Vedar & Puliankulam.



Fr Devadhas Muthiah SJ

RANIPET: Loyola Industrial School



Loyola Industrial School, Ranipet, serves the marginalized sections of youth, to learn the technical skills and makes them employable.

Jesuits of Ranipet in collaboration with the Parish Priest and Charles Borromeo Sisters decided to provide basic necessary ration of food essentials to the people in refugee camps and the poor families in the sub-stations of parish. With the help of Parish youth, and the in-charges in the camps we extended our help to 380 Sri Lankan refugee families and 120 poor families in the sub-stations of Parish.



We are indeed happy to have done this collaborative initiative with the other women religious, local Parish Priest and the lay collaborators. We thank all who have contributed financially and morally to reach out to people.

Fr Richard SJ

UDHAGAMANDALAM: St. Joseph's Industrial School

St. Joseph's industrial School serves the marginalized sections of youth to learn the technical skills and to makes them employable. We, in collaboration with the FMM sisters of Nazaeth School, Ooty, helped 35 tribal families with the food essentials in Naduvattam block, Ooty.

Fr Frederick SJ

TINDIVANAM: JESIM

Jesuit Irular Mission (JESIM) has been working for the empowerment of the tribal Irulars who are thickly populated in the northern districts of Tamil Nadu namely Villupuram, Thiruvannamalai and Kanchipuram. Most of these people are daily coolies in brick kilns, rice mills, sugarcane fields and wood working. Due to this lockdown livelihood of this people has been affected very much.

JESIM works in 60 Irular villages, out of which we have selected 43 villages and have distributed the relief materials in three phases.

First Phase: We identified 9 villages as the most affected where Irulars have no access to ration cards, no proper housing, etc.

Second phase: We identified 14 villages where some people migrated from their villages to the cities for their survival and returned back to their villages due to this lockdown.

Third phase: We identified 20 villages where people are finding it difficult to manage their life due to this lockdown.

The source of our fund is exclusively from the Chennai Jesuit Province only.

The JESIM team is happy to report the plight of 40 Irulars. These 40 Irulars together with their children were working in the brick kiln at the outskirts of Chennai. In spite of the lockdown they were forced to work tirelessly. As the owner could not feed them, they were asked to leave for their villages without any transport. Hearing their gruesome journey back to their villages, JESIM plunged into action with the support of the Tahsildar of Vandavasi and helped them reach their homes safely.

Fr Maria Felix Kennedy SJ



VADAMELPAKKAM: Loyola Academy

Loyola Academy provides quality education to the poor and the marginalized sections of students who cannot afford to get it due to their poor economical situation. Jesuit Community at Vadamelakkam, responded rapidly to provide ration of food essentials to 135 blind, destitute and migrant families in the neighbouring villages. We have extended our help through financial aid to the families of our old hostel students and the families of our deserving present hostel students of Rs. 2000/- and 1000 respectively. We profusely thank Boniface Anbagam Society, Germany, who supports us morally and financially to carry out our relief works.



Fr Deva Arockia Stephen SJ

VALLAM: Paathai

“PAATHAI” is a social centre which is situated in Chengalpattu, in Chennai Province.

After the outburst of COVID-19, Paathai and Dalit Human Rights Centre (DHRC) together undertook a study with the help of movement cadres and leaders regarding the consequences of COVID-19 on the marginalised people especially in rural areas in the districts of Chengalpattu, Villupuram, Thiruvannamalai, Thiruvallur and Kancheepuram. We identified nearly 2500 families who need to be supported because they are daily wage earners. In each district 500 families were selected.

First, we got permission from the sub-collector of Chengalpattu to travel to these districts for relief work and distribution. In each district with the help of movement cadres such as International Ambedkar Centenary Movement (IACM), Dalit Christian Rights Movement (DCRM), IACM Cultural troop, Jyothiba workers union and the DHRC Staff we carried on with the relief work.

Arunthathiars, Washermen communities, Irulars, Sanitary workers, lepers, Most Backward Communities and Dalits were the beneficiaries. Nearly 1315 families benefitted. Collaboration with the movements is very helpful to carry on the work. The community members of Paathai are fully involved in the relief work.

Fr Yesumarian SJ

VETTAVALAM: Loyola College

Loyola College, Vettavalam, mainly caters to the educational empowerment of the Dalit students in and around the districts of Villupuram and Thiruvannamalai. On receiving the clear direction from the Disaster Management Committee (DMC) of the Province to fight COVID-19, we started the relief work to the people who have been forced to be jobless and deprived of their day-to-day survival sources.

To reach out to the most deserving people and also who are closely associated with us, we drafted the following criteria:

1. Economically poor and the destitute students from LCV
2. Economically and socially most backward from our outreach areas (orphans / semi-orphans, widows, uncared elderly people, physically/ mentally challenged, etc.)
3. Our outreach animators whose families are very poor and affected by other disadvantages
4. Refugee camp near Tiruvannamalai
5. Gypsies whose livelihood is totally paralyzed
6. Severely affected Irulars (ST), Arunthathiars (SC) and Dalit Christians
7. Households of victims of violence

Thus, we identified people of different categories who have been heavily affected by this pandemic. The following are the different categories of people whom we reached out for our relief work.

	CATEGORY	HOUSEHOLDS
1	Economically poor and the destitute students from LCV	50
2	Economically and socially most backward from our outreach areas	125
3	Outreach animators' families	41
4	Refugee camp (Athiyandhal)	71
5	Dalit Catholic families (Pothuvai village)	44
6	Irular hamlet (Pappankottai)	23
5	Gypsies from Thirukovilur & Villupuram	100
6	Households of victims of violence	25
7	Dalit Catholic and Arunthathiar villages	50
	TOTAL HOUSEHOLDS	529

I thank the Provincial, the DMC and the entire Province for generously and judiciously taking up this great mission at the most unfortunate time. The donors deserve our appreciation in our relief work. Though



most of them are not in a position to donate, they did so looking at the dire need of the people. It only shows that giving doesn't have to have big money, but large heart.

Fr Selvaraj Arulnathan SJ

THIRUMANUR: John de Britto Parish

The Parish serves the Dalits (95%), dhobis (1%) and settlers of different communities. The Parish has 360 catholic families. Most of them are very poor and daily wagers.

The Parish Priest with the help of village leaders has done a survey on the most deserving families and decided to provide food essentials for 400 families (Dalits, Widows, Dhobis & Differently abled). BDOs of Thirumanur and Thiruvaiyaru, Councillor, Panchayat President, VAO, Clerk, the village leaders, animators and youth volunteers extended their help for packing and distribution. The Province Disaster Management Committee is the only source from which we received the financial assistance to carry out our relief activities.



Fr James Antonysamy SJ

PORULUR: St. Joseph's Parish

The Parish Priest together with the Parish council identified 10 deserving families, and helped them with Rs. 2000/- financially.

Fr Gunasekaran SJ

CHENNAI: Arul Kadal

The Arul Kadal community together with Mrs Kavitha (Coordinator of the Banyan Association for Mentally ill and retarded persons) and Mrs Geetamma (Founder for the Association for Unorganized Labourers and Construction Workers) decided to reach out to the needy and the affected people.

We then identified 52 families of the mentally retarded children and mentally ill patients. The packets of dry rations were distributed by six Scholastics and two Staff on two days (21 & 22 Apr) in



Dumilkuppam, Nochikuppam, and Srinivasapuram in Santhome area.



The Scholastics also identified around 50 very poor families in the rural parishes to which they go regularly for week-end pastoral ministries. We also got the approval of the Parish Priests of Melrosapuram, Thiruporur, Kuppayanallor, Maambakam, Mamallapuram, Karumbakkam and Koothavakam and Rs 1000/- or Rs 2000/- were directly sent to their bank accounts.

Sch William was put in contact with the Sisters of the Destitute in Thirumulaivayal, who run a home for the elderly and psychiatric patients. The Superior informed that they were running short of medicines and therefore the

patients started becoming violent. So, we organized to buy medicines for 50 patients and they were brought to normalcy.

In collaboration with Mrs Geetamma, we identified 100 starving and stranded construction workers' families in Chenndivakkam, Maduranthakam TK. As govt denied the dry rations due to the unavailability of the ration card, we supplied them with dry rations. Also, a financial help of Rs 10,000 was given to Mrs Geetamma to prepare the needed masks, gloves and cloth bags for sanitary workers and construction labourers.



Fr Raj Irudaya SJ



JESIM - TINDIVANAM



INITIATIVES & RESPONSE TO COVID-19

COMMUNITIES AND INSTITUTIONS OF JESUIT CHENNAI PROVINCE

Institutions / Centre	Services Provided	Volunteers Involved	Type of Beneficiaries	Number of Beneficiaries	Location
Loyola Institutions (Loyola Arts & Sciences, LIBA, LCE, LICET) Loyola College Campus, Chennai.	<i>Dry Ration provisions</i>	Loyola Staff, Local volunteers, Loyola College Alumni, LIBA Alumni and LICET Staff in fund raising, Department of Service Learning	Widows, Elderly people and Domestic Workers	350 Families	Around Loyola College, Chennai
		Loyola FM Radio	Transgender	200 Persons	Around Loyola College, Chennai
	<i>Commerce Building of Loyola College has been given to Chennai City Corporation for Quarantine purposes</i>	Secretary of Loyola Arts & Science College	Covid-19 patients identified by health care department	200 expected (so far over 60 accommodated)	Loyola College, Chennai
	<i>Tele- Counselling in collaboration with Chennai Corporation</i>	The counsellors headed by Dept of Social Work from Loyola College and LICET (80 volunteers)	Self-Quarantined People from all over Tamil Nadu	80,000 plus (3500 calls/day)	Loyola College, Chennai
	<i>Heads of the institutions keeping in touch with parents and students (Online letters)</i>	Heads of the institutions	Students and their parents of Loyola College, Chennai	All College Students	Loyola College, Chennai
	<i>Medical Aid Face Masks, Sanitizer and Dry Ration provisions</i>	Loyola College Alumni Association (Kerala, Thanjavur, Pondicherry, Erode, Tuticorin and Chennai LAA Chapters)	Poor and the needy	500 - 1000 people/city	Kerala, Thanjavur, Pondicherry, Erode, Tuticorin and Chennai
	<i>Media Awareness</i> A video talk on child care during the pandemic situation	Ms Yazhini	Viewers and Users of Social Media		Loyola College, Chennai
	<i>IEC Material developed</i> Prof Vincent, Former Dean of Research discovered online testing method for Coronavirus (Results within 24 hrs)	Prof Vincent, Former Dean of Research	Submitted to the State Govt authorities		Loyola College, Chennai

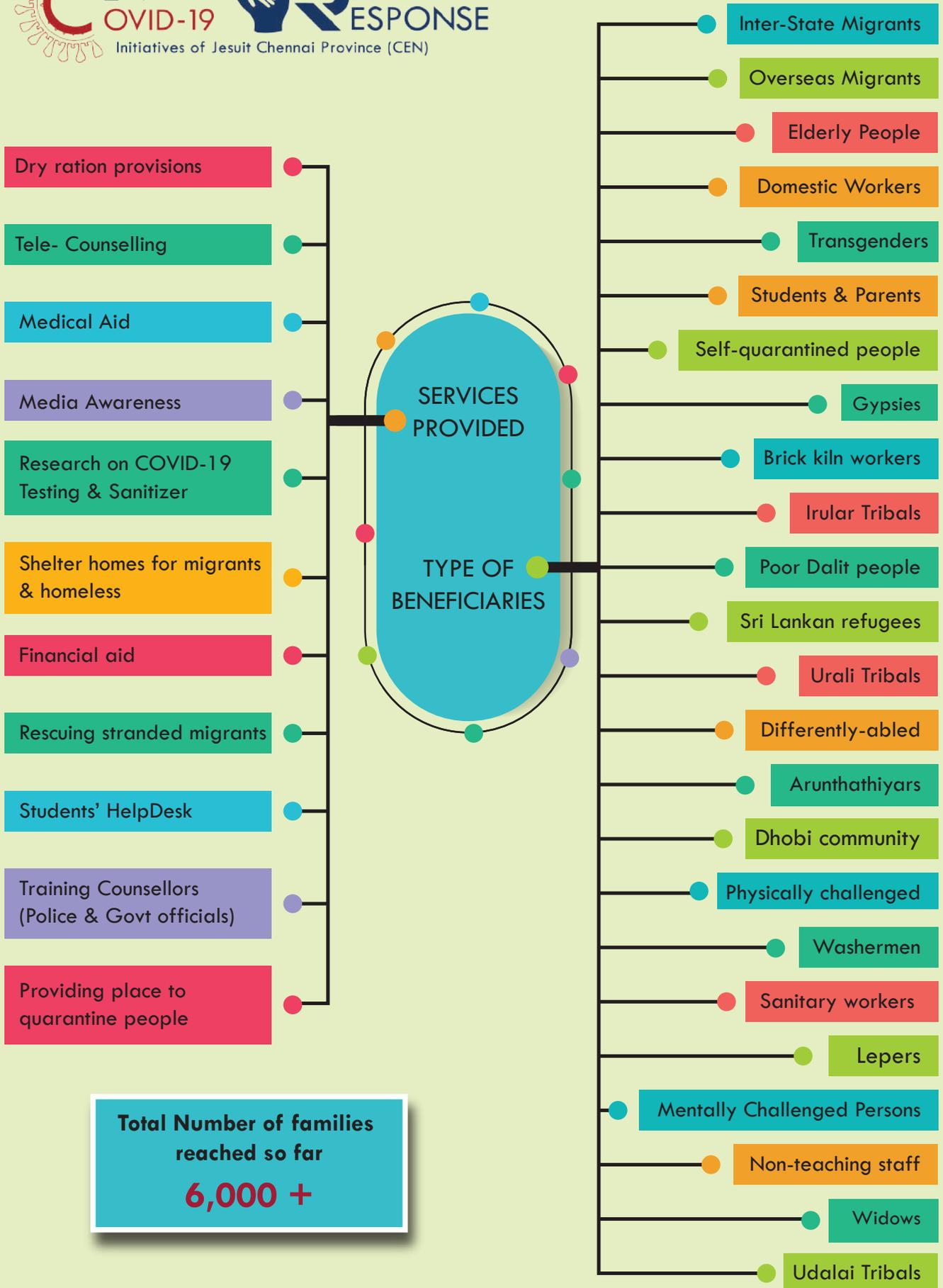
	<i>Training counsellors</i>	College Counsellors	Media and Police Persons	13 Persons	Loyola College, Chennai
	<i>Help Desk for Staff and Students</i>	Berchmans Illam Jesuits (10)	Staff and Students	30 persons/Day	Loyola College, Chennai
Jesuit Migrants Service - Internal (JMS) (In collaboration with Loyola Institutions Chennai)	<i>Dry Ration provision</i>	Loyola staff, LIBA Alumni, Loyola College Alumni, LICET Staff & Students, JMS team and Trash Troopers Ltd. (35)	Migrants from North East, Assam, Bihar, Odisha, Jharkand, West Bengal and U.P.	1440 Families	Chennai, Thiruvallur, Kanchipuram and Chengalpattu Districts
			Gypsy families	159 Families	
			Irular (Brick kiln Workers) families	560 Families	
	<i>Shelter homes for migrants & homeless</i>	JMS staff and Volunteers (12)	Migrants- Intra state Tamil migrants	130 Persons	Koyambedu and Chepauk, Chennai
Dhyana Ashram, Chennai	<i>Dry Ration provisions</i>	Jesuit Community	Poor students and migrant families	100 Families	Chennai District
Arulagam & Sacred Heart Parish, Harur	<i>Dry Ration provisions</i>	Parish council members, St. Mary's school teachers and Staff from Loyola Skill Development Centre (34)	Widows, Disabled, Chronically sick, Poor people Widows, Disabled, Chronically sick and Poor people	414 Families	Dharmapuri District
J.P. Leonard Illam (Pre-novitiate) & Jesuit Migrants Ministry – External (JMMEx) Kasthambadi	<i>Dry Ration provisions</i>	JMMEx Staff, Sisters of St. Anne, Vilupuram Parish Youth and Pre-novices.	Sri Lankan refugees, Overseas Migrants, Gypsies, Widows, Dalits, Differently-abled people, Sanitary workers	297 Families	Thiruvannamalai District
	<i>Financial Aid</i> (Rs. 1000/- Each)	JMMEx staff	Overseas Migrants and JMMEx staff	27 Families	Tiruvannamalai, Vilupuram, Cuddalore and Kallakurichi Districts

Sahayamatha Church & AHAL Centre Kilpennathur	<i>Dry Ration provisions</i>	Parish Council and Parish Youth	1. Families of Arunthathiyar community	188 Families	Kilpennathur Parish
		AHAL staff, Collaborators, Animators, Community Leaders, Volunteers and Govt., officials (99)	2. Arunthathiyar and Gypsy families	461 Families	Villupuram and Thiruvannamalai Districts
Loyola Institutes & Don Bosco Church Kuppayanallur	<i>Dry Ration provisions</i>	Parish Youth, Parish Council, School Staff and JMAADD Staff	Co-workers, Struggling Poor among the parishioners, migrants, AA recovered patients' families and poor widows	320 Families	Kuppayanallur and Kanchipuram District
PARAN & St. Antony the Hermit Church Makkampalayam	<i>Dry Ration provisions</i>	PARAN Staff members and Parish Youth	St Antony's Parish, Makkapalayam	40 Urali tribal Families	Makkapalayam
Loyola College, Mettala	<i>Dry Ration provisions</i>	Non-teaching staff	Sri Lankan refugee families	110 Families	Mettala, Namakkal District
	<i>Financial Aid</i> (Rs. 2000/- Each)	Jesuit Community	Domestic employees of the College	29 Families	
	<i>Financial Aid</i> (Rs. 1000/- Each)	Jesuit Community	Poor families in the neighbourhood	57 Families	
St. Joseph's Retreat Centre Mettupalayam	<i>Dry Ration provisions</i>	Parish Youth	Sri Lanka Repatriate Colony	300 Families	Vedar Puliyankulam
			Udalai Tribals	32 Families	Odandurai, Mettupalayam, Coimbatore District
St. Joseph's Church, Porulur	<i>Financial aid</i> (Rs. 2000/- Each in cash)	Parish Council	Poor Families	10 Families	Porulur, Dindigul District

Loyola Industrial School, Ranipet	<i>Dry Ration provisions</i>	Jesuits of Ranipet in collaboration with the Parish and Charles Borromeo Sisters	Sri Lankan refugee families and Poor families in the substations of parish	380 Families	Annaikattu, Panavaram, Avarakarai and Kondakuppam. Ranipet District
				120 Families	
St. Joseph's Industrial School, Ooty	<i>Dry Ration provisions</i>	FMM Sisters and Nazareth staff	Poor families (Daily Labourers/Tribals)	35 Families	Naduvattam Block, Ooty
Jesuit Irular Mission (JESIM) Tindivanam	<i>Dry Ration provisions</i>	JESIM Staff	Irular tribal families	700 Families	Villupuram and Thiruvannamalai Districts
	<i>Rescuing People</i> 40 tribal Irulars were helped to reach home safely from their work place (during total lockdown)	JESIM Staff	Irular tribal families	40 People	Villupuram District
Loyola Academy, Vadamel-pakkam	<i>Dry Ration provisions</i>	Jesuit Community	Blind Destitute and Migrant families	135 Families	Chennai and Chengalpattu Districts
	<i>Financial aid</i> (Rs. 2000/- Each in cash)	Jesuit Community	Families of our Old Hostel Students	23 Families	Chennai, Viluppuram and Chengalpattu Districts
	<i>Financial aid</i> (Rs. 1000/- Each in cash)	Jesuit Community	Families of our present deserving Hostel Students	10 Families	Chennai, Viluppuram and Chengalpattu Districts
PAATHAI Centre & Dalit Human Rights Centre (DHRC) Vallam	<i>Dry Ration provisions</i>	IACM Cadres, DCRM Cadres, Cultural troupe and DHRC staff	Arunthathiyars, Washermen community, Irulars, Sanitary workers, Lepers, MBCs and Dalits	1315 Families	Chengalpattu, Thirukalukundram, Thaiyur and Vanthavasi
	<i>Tea, coffee, snacks and meals were provided locally With the permission of Sub-collector</i>	In every place 10 Volunteers were involved	Policemen & volunteers	20 Persons/day	Chengalpattu and Thiruvannamalai Districts
Loyola College, Vettavalam	<i>Financial aid</i> (Rs. 2000/- Each in cash)	Jesuit Community	Deserving Families of Hostel students	50 Families	Thiruvannamalai District

	<i>Dry Ration provisions</i>	Jesuits Community & Non-teaching staff	Students, Dalits, Gypsies, Sri Lankan refugees and Arunthathiyars	475 Families	Thiruvannamalai & Vilppuram Districts
St. John De Britto's Church, Thirumanur	<i>Dry Ration provisions</i>	Village Leaders, Animators & Youth Volunteers	Dalits, Widows, Differently abled, Dhobis & Scavengers	400 Families	Thirumanur Parish (Ariyalur & Tanjore Districts)
Arul Kadal Jesuit Regional Theology Centre Chennai	<i>Dry Ration provisions</i>	Arul Kadal Jesuits and Association for Mentally challenged Persons	Families of Mentally challenged Persons	52 Families	Dumilkuppam, Nochikuppam, Srinivasapuram in Santhome Area
	<i>Financial Aid for buying Dry Rations</i>	Arul Kadal Scholastics and Parish Priests	Deserving Poor Families	40 Families	Parishes in Chengalpattu Diocese
	<i>Financial help for making masks, gloves and cloth bags</i>	Arul Kadal Jesuits with Mrs. Geetamma	Stranded Construction workers	100 Families	Chendivakkam, Madurantakam TK Chengalpattu Dt.
			Health and Construction workers	300 Persons	Silver Star Papers, St.Thomas Mount, Chennai
<i>Financial Aid for buying Medicines</i>	Friends for the Needy run by the Sisters of the Destitute	Elderly and Psychiatric Patients	50 Persons	Thirumulai-vayal Chennai	





Total Number of families reached so far
6,000 +

Work as if everything depends on you,
and then,
Pray as if everything depends on God.

- St. Ignatius of Loyola



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