

# **Covid Relief for Women and Children**

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#### About the Organisation

DVSKS is a Non-profit, Nongovernmental organization working towards the wellbeing and betterment of various sections of society specifically focusing on the women and youth of the country.

The organization works with underprivileged women and children to provide them with better living standards through empowering them and giving them vocational training.

DVS Kalyan Samiti has always promoted farmers to work in sustainable and agriculturally responsible ways, this vision is vital, now more than ever before. We have introduced, developed and promoted sustainable methods and technologies to vast numbers of farmers and communities. The growth over the last five years has been very decent.

The average annual growth in the expenditure has been over 30%. We have expanded our operation geographically by adding new locations and have also added sub- programme within the overall programme themes

## VISION AND MISSION OF THE ORGANISATION

The vision of the organization is to empower and educate as many women and children as possible and give them the opportunity for a better life. So that they can enhance their capabilities.

The mission of DVSKS aims to spread awareness about the importance of women and empower them. So that they can do whatever they want to do their bright future.

#### Work done under DVSKS

Women Empowerment Training

DVS Kalyan Samiti realized that 'the way of development of a nation, passes through villages. Keeping this in his mind, he ventured with his likeminded colleagues and supporters. Since its inception they had a dedication and commitment to serve a higher purpose of humanity.

Farmer Training Programme

Under the rural / horticulture development programme of the society the farmers of the village of district were informed about the methods of scientific agriculture. On this occasion improved seeds were distributed among the villagers. Apart from this they were demonstrated the methods Workshop

Considering the availability of raw materials in plenty the society organized a training camp on scope in the food processing industry. The camp was attended by many youths. Some of these youths have started their own food processing units and are earning their livelihood.

- Vocational training for women including makeup, craft, mehndi, basic English etc.
- Langar's, food drives, clothing drives.
- Wedding arrangements for underprivileged girls.
- Donations for Covid relief.

#### TASKS ASSIGNED

We were asked to –

Donation

I was asked to collect several items such as old clothes, bedsheets, utensils, blankets, slippers, shoes, and food items such as rice, dal, oil, biscuits etc. And give them to needy ones, like I donated these items to the maid, workers in my society, drivers, and to poor peoples. Also, I took volunteer from my friends and neighbors in which they had also donated a lot of things. By which I was the big achievement in the donation work.

#### Awareness

I was asked to spread awareness about the dangers of COVID 19 and protective measures that could be taken to be safe in our neighborhood. In which I had motivated and talked with many people in which I told them to wear mask and use hand sanitizers properly. So, for this, I also used



social media platform to spread the awareness about the situation.

#### Mask

I have also conducted Mask Workshop online in which I was told people to wear the mask and the importance of mask and how you can make homemade cloth mask and distribute it to others. Also, I was asked to do whatever I could from my home for locality.

#### Posters

I have also made handmade posters and eposters to aware the people of the society about the critical situation. So that they can take major precautions for the situation.

#### **My Learnings**

I did fieldwork near Mayur Vihar Phase 1 and donated a few items and took a survey there and educate them about different measures to take to avoid getting infected. I had also donated a few items in our local area to needy ones. Like I donated old cloth and unused utensil to the maid and society workers.

By doing fieldwork and donating different items like old bedsheets, utensils, old clothes etc. I think my communication skills improved a lot. Especially talking in Hindi language. Because before starting this work I thought that it will be very difficult for me to get engaged and interact with lot of people. But after interacting with lot of people and talking with them in local Hindi language. Now I think I can understand and relate what they wanted to say to me. Also, Hindi is our mother tongue language, and we should know it properly.

Secondly, after doing all this survey and interaction with people it really felt good to me and it also motivated me to do more things for them and to participate more in future. So that every person will get fulfilled their own needs.

Lastly, I would like to say that we really need to help everyone who is in their difficult situation. Like we can give donation, we can give them food items, we can give money to them and there are many methods in which we can help them. But I think we really need to help everyone. Because except their family members and as a human being we are the only one who can help them. And, if you help someone and when you share any knowledge with another person. I think it evolves you from the inside. By which after that you start thinking and looking world from a different angle. I would also like to add about teamwork management. While doing field work, I think now I can understand how to work in a team. Like I had already done many teamwork activities before in college. But I think this was the best teamwork activity which I ever got. So, now I think I can understand how to coordinate with each other without any disturbance. And how to maintain team spirit by sharing togetherness and unity with our members.

Thus, here I think I have learnt new techniques to manage people and how to deal with them whether in terms of the distribution of items or telling everyone to be in line and to wait for their turn. Also, what I had learnt in college I think that helped me a lot.