

# CHILDLINE NEWSLETTER



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## COVID19 - CHILDLINE 1098 Emergency Response: Telangana



In Telangana, CHILDLINE conducted several unique public awareness campaigns to reach out to people in rural areas. CHILDLINE Khammam organized a mobile campaign to make announcements and spread awareness about COVID-19 using a loudspeaker. A total of 5 villages were covered and 600 masks and sanitizers were distributed. CHILDLINE Peddapalli conducted awareness campaigns at the MGNREGA (Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act) work site among daily wage earners in four panchayats.

- CHILDLINE Badradri Kothagudem conducted COVID-19 awareness sessions in 31 tribal villages in the district. They also distributed Nutrition and dry ration kits to 11 HIV+ children in Child Care institutions (CCIs).
- In Hyderabad, Karimnagar, Badradri Kottagudem, Warangal Urban, Medchal and Nalgoda districts of Telangana, CHILDLINE visited 16 Child Care Institutions and oriented them with the COVID-19 preventive measures such as social distancing, the correct way of washing hands and wearing masks to stay safe and healthy in association with DCPU (District Child Protection Unit) and CWC (Child Welfare Committee) of the respective districts.
- In four districts, CHILDLINE identified nearly 69 migrant families in need of support and linked them to the food support programme of the Government.
- Railway CHILDLINE Secunderabad distributed dry ration to 20 migrant families in Tarnaka and provided sanitary and nutrition kits to 40 lactating mothers travelling in the Shramik trains at Bollaram railway station.
- CHILDLINE Adilabad registered 16 children of 9 migrant poor families with ICDS (Integrated Child Development Scheme) for nutrition support.



## CHILDLINE rescues a COVID-19 positive child

In May 2020, CHILDLINE Hyderabad, Telangana received a call from police personnel seeking care and protection for a 2-year old boy rescued from the clutches of the kidnapper who had kidnapped the boy while he was sleeping with his mother on pavement at night. With the support of CWC, CHILDLINE arranged for the boy's medical test and facilitated his placement in the CCI. The boy tested COVID-19 positive during the medical test before his admission to the CCI. The boy was admitted to the Gandhi Hospital for treatment. Since the boy tested positive in the initial stages, he is recovering well. The CHILDLINE member who accompanied the child, has been home quarantined. This incident is the classic example of exceptional services extended by the CHILDLINE functionaries at the frontline, who put children first, even at the risk of their lives.



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