COVID19 - CHILDLINE 1098 Emergency Response: Pondicherry

CHILDLINE teams in Pondicherry have identified vulnerable children along their families and provided them with nutritional support. They distributed masks, sanitizers and put up posters to create awareness about the Coronavirus.

- As a part of community outreach, CHILDLINE Pondicherry spread awareness about the Coronavirus to 865 families and 450 children with the help of IEC (Information, Education and Communication) materials.
- In the interiors of Pondicherry, CHILDLINE distributed 260 masks during an outreach programme.
- In Karaikal, Kottucherry, Serumavilangai, Thirunallar, T.R.Pattinam, Nedungadu, Keezhakasakudy and Neravy areas CHILDLINE provided dry ration to 15 children.
- Nearly 340 bars of soap were provided to children during an outreach initiative in the local areas.
- In collaboration with the local MLA, CHILDLINE provided around 65 masks to people in Nedungadu area.

CHILDLINE rehabilitates a 7-year old girl living on streets

In April 2020, CHILDLINE Pondicherry, received information from the Director of WCD (Women and Child Development) about 7-year old girl, Asha (name changed to protect identity) living on the streets with her grandmother. Asha lost both her parents and is currently in the custody of her grandmother. Upon receiving information, CHILDLINE along with CWC (Child Welfare Committee) and DCPU (District Child Protection Unit) went to the location and identified the child. After talking with the grandmother, Asha was placed in the shelter home. In addition, CHILDLINE identified five families with children living on streets. They were temporarily placed in the government school campus by the DC (Deputy Commissioner). Despite persuasion from CHILDLINE and the police, the families refused to let the children be admitted in shelter home. Then, CHILDLINE provided dry ration kits containing rice 5kg, cooking oil, toor daal, onion, mustered, cumin, soap, milk powder, salt, and chilli powder to the family of those children. They also conducted a COVID-19 awareness session and demonstrated the right methods of washing hands.

Resources and information on COVID-19.
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