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Message

The year 2021–22 stands as a chapter of profound significance in India's journey. With its blend of challenges and triumphs, this year has left an indelible mark on our collective consciousness.

Health Triumphs and Transformations: As the nation grappled with the ongoing pandemic, 2021–22 witnessed remarkable strides in healthcare. Vaccination campaigns reached new heights, fostering hope and immunity. The spirit of scientific innovation and healthcare diligence stood as pillars against the adversity posed by the virus.

Amidst economic recalibrations, the year marked steps towards revival. Industries adapted, small businesses demonstrated resilience, and policies aimed to bolster growth and inclusivity. The economy's resurgence was a testament to collective effort and strategic vision.

2021–22 deepened the urgency of environmental stewardship. Conversations around sustainability and climate action gained prominence, emphasizing the need for responsible practices to ensure a healthier planet for future generations. Compassion remained a cornerstone, as communities supported one another in times of need. Acts of kindness, relief efforts, and volunteering demonstrated the enduring strength of our social fabric. The year reinforced the value of learning and adaptability. Education evolved, emphasizing skills relevant to a changing landscape. Individuals embraced growth mindsets, demonstrating resilience in the face of uncertainties.

In the year 2021–22 Actionaid Karnataka Projects was able to continue its support for vulnerable communities in Delhi. Emerging from the COVID–19 pandemic our support also enabled households to re–build livelihood options.

The year 2021–22 was a canvas of diverse hues—a testament to our collective fortitude, innovative spirit, and capacity for transformation. As we move forward, the lessons learned will illuminate the path ahead, reminding us that challenges are opportunities for growth and that unity paves the way for a brighter future.

If you are interested in learning more about ActionAid Karnataka Projects, please do connect with me at the address given below. We welcome any comments and suggestions you may have.

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About Us

Actionaid Karnataka Projects (AKP) is a society registered on 19 November 1988 under the Karnataka Societies Registration Act, 1960, with its headquarters in Bengaluru, Karnataka. AKP has been established with the charitable objective of promoting integrated development. AKP seeks to help children, families and communities to eradicate poverty and secure lasting improvement in the quality of their lives.

AKP seeks to promote, undertake and participate in programmes pertaining to health, education, employment and other activities related to development. This includes spreading awareness on issues related to socio-economic development, and in particular to promote schemes on child welfare, adult education and schemes to improve living conditions of the poor. AKP will stimulate people's involvement and community action in social, economic and cultural development. To this end AKP will undertake study and research on all matters pertaining to development, and promote and provide information on development issues and for that purpose support the printing and publication of papers, pamphlets, books and journals on education, development and related subjects.



Relief and Assistance to Vulnerable Communities in Delhi

The year 2021–22 marked a pivotal phase in Delhi's battle against the COVID-19 pandemic. As the city grappled with the relentless challenges posed by the virus, various aspects of life underwent transformation, showcasing resilience, adaptation, and collective efforts.

The healthcare system in Delhi faced significant stress due to the surge in COVID-19 cases during this period. Hospitals were stretched to their limits, grappling with shortages of essential medical supplies, ICU beds, and oxygen. However, the adversity fuelled an extraordinary display of resilience. Medical professionals, frontline workers, and volunteers worked tirelessly, risking their own well-being to save lives. Makeshift hospitals and oxygen support centres were swiftly set up to accommodate the growing number of patients.

The vaccination campaign played a crucial role in mitigating the impact of the pandemic. Delhiites, like many across the world, queued up to receive their vaccines, contributing to achieving higher levels of immunity within the community. The mass vaccination efforts were met with challenges, including supply chain issues and vaccine hesitancy, but overall, they represented a beacon of hope in the fight against the virus.

The education sector experienced significant disruptions. Schools and colleges faced closures and shifts to online learning modes. Students, educators, and parents had to navigate the challenges of remote education, adapting to virtual classrooms and e-learning tools. This period highlighted the digital divide and the need for inclusive and accessible education.

The pandemic's economic ramifications were deeply felt across various sectors. Businesses, especially those reliant on physical presence, faced closures and financial strain. The informal sector and daily wage earners were particularly vulnerable. Government support schemes and relief packages aimed to provide financial assistance to affected individuals and businesses, easing the economic burden.

The pandemic underscored the importance of community solidarity. Neighbors helped each other with essentials, volunteers distributed food to the needy, and NGOs provided support to vulnerable populations. The crisis fostered a sense of collective responsibility and empathy.

The resurgence of cases and new variants posed challenges even as vaccination efforts progressed. The need for adaptable public health strategies, continued vigilance, and a robust healthcare infrastructure became evident. The pandemic highlighted the importance of investing in healthcare, disaster preparedness, and equitable access to resources.

As the year 2021–22 unfolded in Delhi, the journey through the pandemic was one of ups and downs, marked by challenges and triumphs alike. The city’s response showcased the spirit of unity, innovation, and determination in the face of adversity. The lessons learned during this time will undoubtedly shape the city’s approach to future health crises and reinforce the importance of global cooperation in safeguarding public health. In light of this context and the above stated needs, assistance was provided to needy families. These households were identified through a ranking based on their income, social and housing vulnerabilities.

In 2021–22, Actionaid Karnataka Projects provided 450 vulnerable households with cash-based support. Our strategy of cash-based assistance encapsulates the values of equity, inclusiveness, and comprehensive well-being, as it addresses the diverse needs of various segments of the population, fostering a more just and empowered society.