The various congregations of The Church of North India and its Dioscesan Board of Social Services are continuing to spread hope and attending to the needs of the poor and marginalised people both in rural and urban areas. As part of the *Church Mission Engagement (CME) Program of CNI SBSS, the church members from both rural and urban congregations are volunteering to help in relief initiatives- packing and distributing relief materials, running community kitchens, packed food distribution, creating awareness and assisting in conducting medical check-ups.

DBSS Calcutta: The Mahila Adhikar Manch (MAM), which is a community based Women's local body in our field areas at DBSS Kolkata are helping in creating awareness and distribution of sanitation materials, masks etc. Around 3500 masks have been distributed in the communities till now.

*CME aims to prepare the Church/ Local congregation to take forward this mission by effectively integrating itself with the plight of the powerless, and restore their human dignity. It further envisages that congregations will develop and implement programs of their own to address human development and empowerment needs of Dalit, Tribal, women and children etc.
Awareness among children from Child Club and Youth Club by MAM, community leaders and youth leaders at Hatgachia and Kulbaria village.

DBSS Calcutta in partnership with St. Thomas Church distributed masks and relief materials to 70 pavement dwellers.
COVID-19 RELIEF CNI SBSS

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SEDP Amritsar: Mask distribution to brick kiln workers at village Chawinda Kalan and Grain market at village Sarangra in Attari area. SEDP has distributed relief materials in form of ration kits to 272 families and masks to 1177 people till now.

DBSS Nasik: Health check-ups are being conducted for 39 migrants who have taken shelter at Ahmednagar. DBSS Nasik is ensuring their food and other essentials procured with local funds.
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[Images of people in a relief camp, wearing masks and maintaining social distance, eating food]

[Descriptions of relief efforts and support provided to the community during the COVID-19 pandemic]
Relief Initiatives under Church Mission Engagement (CME)

Diocese of Calcutta: The Rt. Revd. Paritosh Canning, Bishop of Calcutta Diocese, distributing essential medicines and relief material along with volunteers from different churches.
Diocese of Barrackpore: Relief material distribution carried out by different Church Pastorates

Diocese of Chhatisgarh: Relief initiatives by CNI Church Tilda led by Rev. Mrs. Sushma Kumar, Presbyter in Charge, Vice Chairperson, CNI SBSS
Diocese of Cuttack: Distribution of hygiene kits (consisting 4 soaps and 5 masks in each pack) to 700 families at Kathojori Vihar slum, CDA-7
Diocese of Bombay: The Good Shepherd’s Church, Dharavi, under the leadership of Rev. William James Anna and volunteers from St. Mary the Virgin Church, English Congregation at Parel, distributing food to the needy in the city.

To Support the COVID-19 Relief efforts of CNI SBSS and the different Diocesan Board of Social Services of The Church of North India Contact Us at- amy@cnisbss.org or call us at +91 8130591956 (Amy Mookerji), +91 8130591955 (Rohan Diarsa).