As the Government extends the lockdown period, CNI SBSS along with DBSS have begun focusing on reviving the rural economy, along with providing relief materials to communities still in need. Farming and kitchen gardening have resumed, along with few alternative livelihood initiatives in collaboration with other NGOs, and linking with Govt. schemes to initiate income generation for the communities.

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Feed the hungry, and help those in trouble. Then your light will shine out from the darkness, and the darkness around you will be as bright as noon.

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DBSS Marathwada: Dry ration distributed at Bidkin (Kalyan nagar, Sadat nagar), Dhorkin, Ozar, Pandharohal villages with support of The Rt. Revd. M. U. Kasab, Bishop of Marathwada Diocese and Chairperson, CNI SBSS, along with diocese office bearers and representatives from local administration.
DBSS Nasik: Dry ration and hygiene kits were distributed to 30 beneficiaries of Jamgaon, Bhandgaon & Dhotre villages supported by CNI SBSS. Diocesan leaders, Diocesan Women's Fellowship members and youth group helped in purchase and distribution of the materials.

Dry ration and soaps distributed to 20 beneficiaries at Karegaon, Bherdpur & Khiridi villages of Nasik DBSS.
Vegetable farming resumed at Nasik field area by SHG women farmers of DBSS Nasik

DBSS Kolhapur: Face masks distributed at Malgaon and Vijayanagar field areas of DBSS Kolhapur
DBSS Calcutta: A Livelihood Centre- NARI DANA (giving wings to women) has been established at Kulberia village in collaboration with CRS (Cathedral Relief Services), a Kolkata based Christian NGO. 34 community women participated in the launch event. Initially 15 women would be selected to undergo training in stitching and tailoring at this unit.

Masks locally produced by SHGs were distributed to children at Hatgachia village of DBSS Calcutta. A separate awareness session, only catering to children was conducted on COVID-19 safety measures.
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DBSS Chotanagpur: Ration and hygiene kits with sanitary pads distributed at Bano and Kamdara field area by DBSS along with support of local church leaders. A small awareness session was also conducted for women and girls by DBSS team on Menstrual Hygiene Day (28th May 2020)

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