

Covid Relief: OMI India

Dear Brothers,

From the time of the Covid-19 pandemic, Oblates throughout the world have been providing help to the most vulnerable.

We, in our own little ways have helped some personally, but as a Delegation would like to extend our support to one of the most corona-affected countries India.

Having consulted the Delegation council and the Treasurer, we have decided to send 100 万 (one million yen) to help three missions in the Oblate Province of India.

Please find in attachment a letter from the Provincial of India Fr. Chinnappan.

Thank you.

Brad Rozairo OMI

May 27, 2021

Date: 19 May 2021

To
Rev.Fr.Bradly Rosairo OMI
Delegation Superior
Japan-Korea
Japan

Greetings of Peace of the Risen Christ!

Oblate Missions are found in remote places mostly among the poor, Dalits and tribal people as it goes well with our Charism **‘to preach the Good News to the poor’**. By working for and with them, the uncared, the Oblates do find joy, happiness fulfilment.

The situation in India has become very bad with covid second wave. People are infected in lakhs and die in thousands. Many priests and religious too are not free from this situation as many priest and religious have died. Many of the parents and relatives of our Oblates too are affected and some have died. The people are helpless in all the ways be it for food, maintenance, clothes, medicines, etc. They are left to themselves to take care of their lives. As we work closely with them we are more aware of the situation. It is also our concern and worry to meet their needs at least at minimum level. The people whom we serve are not only Christians but also people belonging to all religions. In fact in some missions the Hindus and Muslims are more than the Christians.

Few of our Oblates as many as 11 priests, 5 scholastics and 5 pre-novices have been affected. Fortunately, we hospitalised them amidst the lack of hospital beds, oxygen and medications, and they are being taken care of. Thank God some are cured and out of danger.

The provincial administration is making every effort to meet the situation with the help of the donors. We are also concerned and worried as to how far we will be able to meet the need with the limited resources. Presently the whole country is under lockdown for weeks and this leaves the people helpless. Oblates working in other parts of the country like in North and North East India are requesting for similar help as the situation is not very good over there.

Therefore, now we request you to help the 3 missions in North East. However, we leave it to your generosity and God's providence. The request is to help us with food materials, masks, sanitizers and medicines for the poor, the hungry, the sick and for the uncared. Our prayers are assured for you all and kindly stay safe.

Thank you.

Yours in Jesus Christ & the Immaculate Mother,

Fr.S.Chinnappan OMI
Provincial Superior

Fr.Varam Anthonyswamy, OMI
Provincial Treasurer

LIST OF OBLATE UNITS NEEDING ASSISTANCE IN NORTH EAST INDIA									
S.No.	Name of the Oblate unit	Place	No of Families	Food Materials/800	Masks/80	Medicine/180	Sanitizers/250	Maintenance/90	Total Exp for Mission/Parish
5	Church of St.Eugene	Lad-lakadang, Meghalaya	165	132,000	13,200	29,700	45,000	14,850	234,750
8	Our Lady of Lourdes	Khatorbori, Assam	115	92,000	9,200	20,700	122,015	10,350	254,265
9	Church of St.Eugene	Ramsapathar, Assam	67	53,600	5,360	12,060	16,750	6,030	93,800
Grand Total			347	277,600	27,760	62,460	183,765	31,230	582,815
Requested funds in US\$/73.16									7,966.30


 Fr.Varam Atnhonyswamy OMI

Dear Brothers,

Attached is a report on Covid-19 relief from the Provincial Treasurer of India Fr. Varam.

Thanks.

Brad

Aug 26, 2021

Fr. Bradly Rosairo OMI
Delegation Superior
Japan - Korea

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**SUB: REPORT ON OUR ACTIVITIES TOWARDS THE VICTIMS
OF COVID – 19 SECOND WAVE**

Dear Fr.Bradly
Greetings from India!

I wish to express my sincere thanks to you, your council member, treasurer and to the delegation members, very much for your help that we used to help the victims affected by covid-19 second wave.

Your assistance came very handy for us as we were left with dilemma how to manage the lot who were suffering in all our missions. And that was the reason why we wanted you to help us with your share.

Now though the lockdown extends still, we are trying to manage with minimum to meet the needs of the people and our Oblates as well with the available resources. Once again I take this opportunity to thank the delegation through your for the assistance. Here below kindly find the financial statement.

S. No	Total Fund Received	Fund Spent For	Amount Spent	Administrative Cost
1	\$ 10,000	-	-	-
2	7,30,000 (INR)	General help for food and logistics for people in North East Regions and Trans-genders	7,65,000(Help Given)	35,000
3	Total Sum of Money Spent			7,95,000

A. DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES PROVIDED TO VICTIMS

PARTICULARS	CATAGORIES	FROM THE STATE OF	AMOUNT SPENT
Poor families (in parishes and vicinities)	250 families	Meghalya	250*1,500 3,75,000
Poor Transgenders helped for livelihood	125 families	Assam & Meghalya	125*1500 1,87,500
Gypsies	75 gypsy families helped with livelihood	Assam	75*2000 1,50,000
Tribals	50 tribal families helped with food materials	Meghalaya/Assam	50*950 47,500
DEFICIT MANAGED BY THE PROVINCE			65,000
Sub Total			7,95,000

Personnel / Volunteers Involved:

Province administration, Oblate priests & parishioners, & volunteers.

B. CONTACT PERSON

Name of the person executed the Project & Prepared the Report: Fr. A. Varaprasathem OMI

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PHOTOS ATTACHED:
TRANSGENDERS, GYPSIES & TRIBALS AND POOR FAMILIES



Going to Villages by vehicle to distribute provisions/Vegetables



Giving people food



Food to the Children



Distribution of food grains to the parishioners



People stand in queue for their turn



People go back to their homes



Caring for Children



To Workers in the construction



People waiting in the halls to return home are cared for...



Advice given by volunteers during the covid times

Thank you.

Fr.Varam Anthonyswamy OMI
Provincial Treasurer