



# NEWSLETTER

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## ABOUT US



Registration No: E6427 (Thane)

**Child Help Foundation (CHF)** is a pan - India non-profit organization, registered under the Bombay Public Trust Act 1950, which started in the year 2010. Committed to the fulfilment of Child Rights as promised by the Indian Constitution and United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC), CHF's principal purpose is to empower the disadvantaged holistically with some of our initiatives like Emergency Medical Support, Education, Clean Water, and Sanitation, Gender Equality, Zero Hunger and Humanitarian Relief.

CHF also works largely in bringing about a balance in society by taking care of stray animals under our Life on Land initiative and Beach Clean Up activities under our Life Below Water initiative.

Today, CHF is nationally recognized for its efforts to uplift the underprivileged in society. Our response is multi-sectoral based on reliable expertise and extensive groundwork. We have implemented multiple grassroots-level initiatives all over the country in 21 states.

Amongst many others, CHF has won various awards in 2019-20: The ET NOW - Rise with India Award for the Best NGO in Healthcare, Best NGO in Education for Girl Child, Best NGO for Cancer Prevention, Award for Dedication and Commitment from Tata Memorial Hospital, and the Dadasaheb Phalke International Film Festival Award for Benevolent Efforts in Social Welfare. In August 2021, CHF received three awards at the 7th Edition of National Awards. These awards were received for Best Covid -19 NGO for Community, Best Healthcare NGO of the Year, and Best NGO for Education for Girl Child.

We have offices in 12 cities including Mumbai, Thane, Pune, Delhi, Kolkata, Bhubaneswar, Hyderabad, Kochi, Bengaluru, Chennai, Gurugram, and Dimapur. We also have an international presence in the United States of America.

**MISSION:** Our Mission is to inspire and empower people into the culture of giving and bringing about a positive change in the lives of children and society.

**VISION:** Reaching out to marginalized children in need, empowering them, bringing smiles, and making them future-ready.

## EMERGENCY MEDICAL SUPPORT

Child help Foundation helps fund the treatments of children suffering from life-threatening, non-communicable diseases like Congenital Heart Diseases, Cancer, Organ Transplants, and Preterm Babies, amongst many others. We ensure that these children get the required treatment as soon as possible, and their families get the support they need throughout the treatment.

### Mr Jishan Ali

Mr Jishan Ali is a 13-year-old boy studying in 8th std. hailing from West Bengal. Jishan's father, Mr. Anowar used to work as a shop attendant and his mother is a housewife. Jishan's father has been unemployed for the last six months, due to regular hospital visits and stays. The family consists of four members.

A year ago, Jishan started getting sudden fevers and his body slowly started feeling numb, gradually making him immobile. He was admitted to a hospital where his treatment started and he showed signs of recovery. Seeing this, the doctors gave him a discharge from the hospital, however, Jishan's conditions worsened, making his body paralyzed.

Jishan was completely bedridden and started getting bedsores. His parents then consulted the doctors from St. John Hospital, Bangalore, where he is currently being treated. The hospital is equipped with advanced medical facilities to facilitate his treatment.

He needs plastic surgery and various other medical treatments for his recovery. The estimated cost of his treatment is Rs. 10,00,000. Unfortunately, his father is unable to raise these funds for their son's treatment and has turned to Child Help Foundation for help.





## EMERGENCY MEDICAL SUPPORT



### Sidra Fatima

Sidra Fatima, a 10-year-old girl from Bangalore, suffers from Congenital Syndromic Scoliosis, a sideways curvature of the spine that babies are born with. Her father Mr. Syed Husain works as a delivery agent at Dunzo and her mother, Mrs. Azeezunnisa is a housewife. Her family consists of 5 members.

Sidra is being treated at Bhagwan Mahaveer Jain Hospital, Bangalore, under the supervision of Dr. Raghavendra Rao. She has been suggested to undergo a growth rod insertion treatment for her spinal cord. The estimated cost of the treatment is Rs. 4,00,000.

With the responsibility to feed 5 members, Sidra's father is not able to afford her treatment cost and needs support for the same.



### Parth Sonawane

Parth Sonawane is an 11-year-old boy from Ashok Nagar, Nashik. His father, Mr. Mukund Sonawane used to work in a private company, but has been unemployed since February, and his mother, Mrs. Dipali Sonawane is a housewife.

In February 2021, Parth was running a fever every evening. His medical test showed that his platelets and white blood cells (WBCs) count were very low. After a set of few more tests, he was diagnosed with B-Cell Lymphoblastic Leukemia. He is being treated at the Ashoka Medicover Hospital, Nashik, and has been suggested to undergo an Allogeneic Stem Cell transplant. Mr. Mukund is Parth's donor. The estimated cost of his treatment is Rs.12,00,000.

Being unemployed for the last 6 months, Mr. Sonawane is unable to raise the cost needed for his son's treatment.



## EMERGENCY MEDICAL SUPPORT



### Aadesh SV

Baby Aadesh is a 6-month-old baby boy from Thanjavur, Tamil Nadu. His father, Mr. Vira works as a receptionist in a lodge and his mother, Mrs. Brindha is a housewife. He has an elder brother of 5-years, master Adith.

Aadesh was born on 28th November 2020. He was diagnosed with Congenital Heart Disease (Tetralogy of Fallot with severe pulmonary stenosis) on the 2nd day of his birth. 4 months later Aadesh's treatment began at The Madras Medical Mission, Chennai. He is currently in better health conditions but requires surgery for his heart defect, as his skin keeps turning bluish. Doctors have suggested he undergo open-heart surgery. The estimated cost of his surgery is Rs. 3,50,000. The surgery will be done in the 2nd week of August 2021.

Aadesh's father, being a receptionist with a very minimal income, is not able to raise the required amount for his surgery.



### G. Nandini

Nandini is an 11-year-old girl from Sangareddy, Telangana, studying in the 6th grade. Her father, Mr. Nagabhushanam works as a laborer on farms and her mother, Mrs. Krishnaveni is a housewife.

Nandini often used to complain about constant stomach aches on a regular basis. Her parents noticed a bulging in her stomach that increased their concerns, after which they consulted a doctor in Sangareddy regarding the same. After her medical tests were done, Nandini was diagnosed with a tumor in her stomach. The doctor advised her parents to take her to the Rainbow Children's Hospital, Hyderabad, for further treatment.

Here, she was suggested to undergo Neo-Adjuvant Chemotherapy followed by surgery to remove her tumor. The estimated cost of her treatment is Rs.11,00,000.

With a very low income, it is becoming difficult for her father to bear the treatment cost for Nandini.

## EMERGENCY MEDICAL SUPPORT



### Dwitipriya Bera

Dwitipriya is a 10-year-old girl from Brindabonpur, West Bengal. Her father, Mr. Utpal Bera is a farmer, and her mother, Mrs. Tumpa Bera is a housewife.

A year and a half back, Dwitipriya started running high temperatures frequently. She had also been complaining about stomach aches which went unnoticed only until it had turned severe and unbearable. Her parents noticed symptoms that were causing her extreme difficulty and pain. Consequently, her parents rushed her to a nearby hospital. After a number of medical tests, she was diagnosed with Acute Myeloid Leukemia. Later, on the doctor's advice, she was shifted to the Institute of Child Health, Kolkata, for further treatment.

Here, she was continuously being treated for 7 days. Unfortunately, Dwitipriya's body suffered from the side effects of the chemotherapy she was undergoing. She is currently admitted to the ICU. The estimated cost of her treatment is Rs. 7,00,00.

Dwitipriya's father being a farmer is not able to afford the cost of her treatment.



### Sanaya Shaikh

Baby Sanaya is a 1-year-old girl from Beed, Maharashtra. Her father, Mr. Sultan Shaikh is a shopkeeper and her mother, Fatima is a housewife. They have two daughters, Anshara who is 3-years-old, whereas Sanaya is the younger child. Sanaya's parents have a locomotor disability, making them unable to move from one place to another.

A few months ago, Sanaya's parents noticed a swelling in her belly which was brushed off thinking it might be due to overeating. But since the swelling kept occurring again, Sanaya was taken to a nearby hospital. After multiple medical tests, Sanaya was diagnosed with liver cancer. On the doctor's advice, she was shifted to Bharati Hospital, Pune, where she is currently being treated. Sanaya needs chemotherapy and surgery. The estimated cost of her treatment is Rs. 5,00,000, for which her parents have turned toward Child Help Foundation for monetary support.

## EMERGENCY MEDICAL SUPPORT



### Vivek Chavhan

Vivek is a 7-year-old boy from Kasarkhed, Akola, studying in the 1st grade. His father, Mr. Vijay Chavhan is a farmer, and his mother, Mrs. Mala Chavhan is a housewife. Vivek is the youngest among his sisters, Payal, Nisha, and Rani.

Vivek has been running recurring high fevers since the age of one, which reduced when given medicines. Concerned about their son's health, Vivek's parents took him to the doctor. After multiple medical tests, he was diagnosed with Thalassemia major. His parents then consulted the doctors in Kokilaben Dhirubhai Ambani Hospital, Mumbai. Vivek needs to undergo a Bone Marrow Transplant as a part of his treatment. The estimated cost of his treatment is Rs. 10,50,000. His father is the only earning member in their family of 6 and is unable to raise the money for his son's treatment.



### Saloni Chavan

Saloni is an 8-year-old girl from Shahada, Nandurbar. Her father, Mr. Prakash Chavan works as a laborer, and her mother, Mrs. Savita Chavan is a housewife. Saloni is the eldest of three siblings and has 2 younger sisters Prachi (7) and Ritika (2).

Seven months back, Saloni's hands and legs started swelling and aching. Concerned about her condition she was rushed to the doctor. After multiple medical tests, the doctors discovered cysts in her stomach which were sent for further examination. She was diagnosed with Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia (Blood Cancer).

Saloni was immediately shifted to HCG Manavta Hospital, Nashik. She has been suggested to undergo chemotherapy with supportive care. The estimated cost of her treatment is Rs.3,00,000. Being the only earning member of the family, Saloni's father is not able to raise funds for her treatment.



# EMERGENCY MEDICAL SUPPORT



## Nashra Shaikh

Nashra is a 10-year-old girl from Nandurbar, studying in 3rd grade. Her father, Mr. Nazim Shaikh works as a laborer, and her mother, Mrs. Anjum Aara is a housewife. Nashra is the eldest amongst her twin sisters, Zulera and Mariyam.

At the age of 3 months, Nashra suffered from high fever, cold, and cough. Her body started turning yellow. Concerned about her health, she was immediately rushed and admitted to the hospital by her parents. Doctors suggested a blood test, through which it was discovered that her Hemoglobin levels had dropped drastically. She was immediately taken for other medical tests. Her test reports showed that Nashra was suffering from Thalassemia Major. Since then, she needs a blood transfusion every month.

Currently, Nashra is being treated at Kokilaben Dhirubhai Ambani Hospital, Mumbai. She needs an urgent Bone Marrow Transplant. The estimated cost of her treatment is Rs. 10,50,000. Mariyan, Nashra's younger sister, is her bone marrow donor. Their father is unable to raise funds for her treatment and has turned to Child Help Foundation for help.

## SUCCESS STORIES



### Baby of Ancy

Baby of Ancy was a 17-days-old premature baby boy. His father, Mr. Joseph Anson works as a daily wage laborer and his mother is a housewife. The baby's father had been unemployed for some months due to the pandemic.

Post-birth, the baby suffered from neonatal seizures and sepsis and was admitted to the NICU at Lourdes Hospital, Kerala. He was also given ventilator support. The estimated cost of the treatment was Rs. 3,00,000.

CHF was successful in supporting the cost of the baby's treatment, and he was discharged from the hospital on 15th July.



### Baby of Asha

Baby of Asha was a 23-days-old premature baby boy from Karunagapally, Kollam, Kerala. The baby's father, Mr. Rejith is a fisherman and his mother, Mrs. Asha is a housewife.

Born in the 7th month of pregnancy, the baby suffered from respiratory distress and weighed less than normal. Post-birth, he was immediately shifted to the NICU at SBM Hospital, Karunagapally.

The doctors treating him, Dr. Bindhu P. and Dr. Vineeta had advised a 4-week of NICU stay. The estimated cost of the treatment was Rs. 4,00,000.

Mr. Renjith, the father, being a fisherman does not earn very well and had sought support from CHF. We were able to help him to get the baby to receive proper treatment.

## SUCCESS STORIES



### Manish Kumar

Manish is a 6 year old boy from Uttar Pradesh. His father, Mr. Tejpal works as a daily wage laborer, and his mother, Mrs. Rani is a housewife.

Manish had been suffering from Congenital Heart Defect which went unnoticed until he was 4. He started developing bluish patches on his skin after which his parents immediately consulted a doctor for his treatment. On discovering his heart defect, he was given immediate treatment and underwent surgery.

Few months after his surgery, Manish's health issues resurfaced. His parents consulted several hospitals and finally got him admitted to Indraprastha Apollo Hospital, Delhi. Manish was suggested to undergo an Open Heart Surgery, which would cost about Rs. 4,00,000. CHF was able to help Manish's family raise the funds required for his treatment.



## EDUCATION SUPPORT, Jamshedpur



### Special School Of Joy, Jamshedpur

On the occasion of the 117th birth anniversary of JRD Tata, a drawing competition was organized by the Special School of Joy on 29th July 2021. A total of 20 children from special and general categories participated in this program, held in the presence of Dr. Sumita Bhagat, a Clinical Psychologist, who was the Chief Guest.

The children warmly welcomed Dr. Bhagat by gifting her a sapling. All the participants were presented with a participation certificate, color boxes, and chocolates along with saplings as a token to understand the importance of saving the environment.

The school's trustees Shri Sanjay Prasad, Shri Vishal Sachdeva, Rajkumar Singh, Tandra Chatterjee, Geeta Markande, Pushpalata, P.U. China, Radhika, Subodh, and all the other staff members and children of the school were also present for this program.

## BABY FEEDING CENTERS



On 27th July 2021, Child Help Foundation, inaugurated two new Baby Feeding Centres (BFCs) at Kurla and Kalyan station, in collaboration with Alkem Laboratories and the Central Railways (Mumbai).

The main objective behind this initiative is to uphold the sacrosanct nature of a mother's dignity. Breastfeeding mothers, especially new mothers, often feel uncomfortable feeding their infants in public places while traveling. With this project, CHF wants to create a safe and comfortable environment for these mothers to feed their children while traveling either locally or for long distances.

CHF inaugurated a Baby Feeding Center at Kurla Station in the presence of Mr. Vinay Kumar from Alkem Laboratories, Mr. Kesav Tawade, Kurla Station Master, HR Meena, Deputy Station Master, Kurla, Mr. Ansari Javed, Chief Commercial Inspector, and Mr. Raj Karan, SSE.

The inauguration at the Kalyan station took place in the presence of Mr. Ritvik Das, Mr. Mahadeo, Mr. Pawan Sharma, and Mr. Vinay Kumar from Alkem Laboratories. Also present were, Mr. P.K.Das, Ex-Station Master of Kalyan, Mr. Anup Kumar Jain, Station Master, Kalyan, Mr. Kulkarni, Operations, Mr. Sharad Gaekwad, Engineering, Mr. Santosh, Contractor, and Mr. Sandesh, CWC.

At both the BFC venues, CHF was represented by Mr. Rajendra Pathak, Trustee, Mr. Jiji John, Executive Director, Ms. Chris Shenoy, Projects Head, Ms. Meena Lokhande, Resource Mobilization Head, Ms. Sendra, Projects Coordinator, and Ms. Neha, Projects Coordinator.



## HUMANITARIAN RELIEF



To help families suffering due to the pandemic, under our Emergency COVID-19 Relief Program, Child Help Foundation came ahead to help communities as well as single families in various locations of Maharashtra.

Unemployment has been on the rise and many families, with single breadwinners, are struggling to make ends meet. Our team has been working towards reaching out to as many families as possible. These families have expressed gratitude as CHF has been one of the first NGOs to support communities that are usually difficult to reach out to.

Our team has reached out to families living in Mumbai, Thane, Airoli Sector 19/20 (Maharashtra), Delhi, Odisha, Hyderabad (Andhra Pradesh), and Bengaluru (Karnataka).

Under this program, the total number of beneficiaries who were provided with a dry ration, in July, was 3,680 individuals. Apart from this, in collaboration with Roti Ghar, CHF provided nutritious, warm meals to 54,000 beneficiaries.



## Community Distribution



Indore, Madhya Pradesh - On 3rd July, CHF provided ration kits to 200 beneficiaries from the Dalit Community in Naya Basera, Indore, Madhya Pradesh. Many marginalized communities are finding it difficult to put food on the table for themselves and their families. Realizing the situation, this distribution was done.



Bhayandar, Maharashtra - With the aim to bring smiles and to spread joy among children, in these grim times, on 20th July, CHF's volunteers visited the Bola Nagar and Shivam Nagar communities of Bhayander. We distributed tetra packs of ITC's B-Natural juices among 700 children belonging to economically underprivileged families.

## Community Distribution



Bhubaneswar, Odisha - On 28th July, volunteers from CHF visited the transgender community living near Kalinga Studios, Bhubaneswar, Odisha. We distributed Ration Kits consisting of food grains, spices, essential condiments, cooking oils, and soaps. The community was going through many difficulties since the pandemic began and our Ration Kits will support 90 beneficiaries. The transgender community throughout India is marginalized to a large extent. They face various forms of gender based violence, harassment, and discrimination both at home and in public spaces. We believe that our help would support their sustenance.



# FLOOD RELIEF - Maharashtra Floods



Incessant rainfall for over 24 hours, in July 2021, has led to devastating floods in parts of Maharashtra. This is the heaviest spell of rain in the state in July in 40 years. Several districts in the Konkan region of the state are either flooded or are facing a flood-like situation. About 36 people have died in landslides in the Raigad district. The Indian Navy has been roped in for rescue and evacuation. PTI reported that more than 50% area of the coastal town of Chiplun in Ratnagiri, around 250 km from Mumbai and having a population of over 70,000, has got submerged in floodwaters.

Floods and landslides due to heavy rainfall can have detrimental effects on the life and property of a region. It affects people's physical and mental health along with destruction of public and private infrastructure. The overflowing water from the rivers, along with heavy rainfall, has submerged hundreds of lives, loss of livestock, and livelihoods are being destroyed.



# FLOOD RELIEF - Maharashtra Floods



Chiplun, Maharashtra - With support from Khushiyaan Foundation, CHF provided relief to the victims of the Maharashtra floods in Markhandi and Pawar Gali of the Chiplun region. The area was badly hit by the floods caused by heavy rainfalls and many families were victims of it. We distributed Ration Kits, medicines, and sanitary napkins. Our volunteers also surveyed the surrounding areas to study the damage caused by the floods, in order to provide the best help possible. We would like to thank Mr. Aditya Thackeray sir and Mr. Suraj Chavan sir for their eternal support.



Ratnagiri, Maharashtra - On 31st July, Child Help Foundation supported 450 beneficiaries, who were victims of the Maharashtra floods caused by incessant rains. They were given household utensils and clothes for children. Many households were disrupted by these floods and families suffered losses, both personal and material.

CHF aims to help these families get back on their feet by supporting them throughout these times.

## BEACH CLEANUP ACTIVITIES

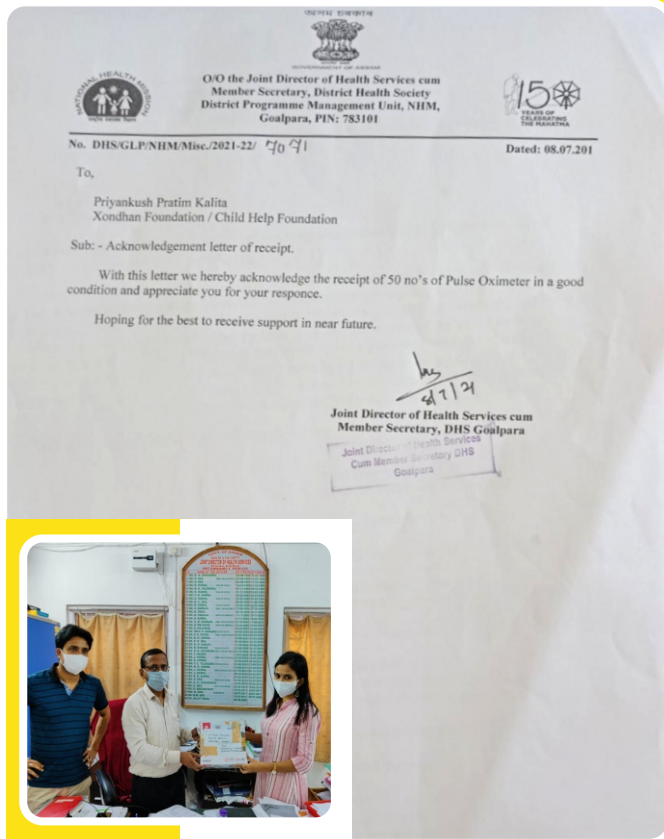


CHF organized its 50th successful beach cleanup at Uttan Beach, in partnership with For Future India. Our team of about 200 volunteers collected over 6 tonnes of plastic waste and other debris. People throw a huge amount of garbage into the sea. However, the sea throws back the garbage onto the shore again. This beach clean-up was primarily done to help the fishermen community of the Uttan area.



On 18th July, 15 of CHF's volunteers, along with For Future India, organized a beach clean-up at Uttan Beach, Mira Bhayandar. They collected 1200 kilograms of plastic waste. Plastic waste is being put to productive use in both local and global capacities. Simple solutions include recycling, reusing, and reducing plastic use.

## "BREATHE INDIA" CAMPAIGN - Oxygen Distribution



On 3rd July, in partnership with Xondham Foundation, CHF handed over 50 Oximeters to Dr. Abhijit Basu, Joint Director cum Member Secretary, District Health Society, Goalpara district, Assam. Most towns and villages in the remote areas of the country are unable to secure good-quality medical equipment. We aim to reach most of these areas to support people everywhere. Oximeters are a necessity in these COVID times to detect an individual's Oxygen levels. A normal level of oxygen is usually 95% or higher.



## CSR ACTIVITIES



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### Tech Mahindra Corporate

Tech Mahindra Limited (TML) is a leading provider of solutions and services in the Information, Communications & Technology (ICT) industry serving a large number of global customers, including Fortune 500 companies. A company with a reservoir of skilled professionals, its proven global delivery models, distinctive IT skills, and decades of domain expertise help clients realize their business aspirations. The CSR vision of Tech Mahindra Limited is "Empowerment through Education."

Tech Mahindra Foundation is relentlessly working in the areas of education, employability, and disability to empower all to Rise.

The team at CHF is grateful for their support in providing ration kits to the needy, especially during these distressing times of the pandemic when most of the underprivileged are struggling to survive

## CSR ACTIVITIES



1. In association with Tech Mahindra Corporate, CHF organized a distribution drive in the flood-affected areas of Chiplun, Maharashtra. CHF distributed Ration Kits to 880 beneficiaries.
2. Online training sessions on "COVID Swayam Suraksha" were conducted by the Tech Mahindra team, for a span of 2 days. Ms. Faiza Ansari and Ms. Shweta were the facilitators for the same. About 68 Anganwadi teachers and helpers attended the training. The topics for these sessions were COVID-19 and the safety measures to be taken to protect oneself from the virus.
3. On 21st July, Child Help Foundation (CHF) distributed Ration Kits to the underprivileged cobbler community from the Bhayander area. This donation was done along with the Tech Mahindra Foundation, as a part of their CSR Activity. A total of 200 individuals were benefited from these Ration Kits.







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