

Covid Support 2021& 2022 by Lush

In 2021, the lives, livelihoods and daily functioning of people has been profoundly affected by the global Corona virus pandemic and we were no exception. During first phase of Covid March- May 20, when lock down was declared , at aranya office Pastapoor and Bidakanne village 32 people participants from Mumbai, Nasik, Badhrachalam , Rajasthan , Hyderabad - India and from 12 countries.(Australia, Japan, UK, France, Hongkong, Nepal, USA, etc) were locked down at Aranya. During this period, Aranya has helped them by providing food and accommodation intially. As the time of stay increased with the situation getting worse, we requested LUSH to support for the lock down team and they have generously agreed to use funds to provide food cost for all of them. Volunteers have been of a great help during that period on farm helping us in the farm activities like harvesting of fruits, cooking, post processing, documenting , film making, sharing of experiences and providing emotional support to the co participants.





The second wave was the delta variant where people in the community were severely effected. Lack of hospital facilities, medical support, lack of oxygen, transport and food had made the situation even more worse. Lush has extended their supported again by giving relief fund to provide nutritious food to the people in the community for fast recovery, like Ragi, eggs, nuts, Jaggery, and fruits from aranya farm for the effected people in Bidakanne village and Aranya staff members.

Dr.Shiny and Dr. Anjani had provided online consultancy for the effected people. Local Asha workers were provided with PPE kits, oximeters , sanitizers to share with the people from Bidakanne village who were effected.

Vandemataram school in Mahbubnagar who has accommodating 100 orphan children got effected. We have received a request from Dr.sravathi to provide nutritious food to the children who are effected. As per the request, Aranya was able to share jiggery, Dried Amla candy, mango jam, and mango furits from aranya permaculture farm.

