

ADVENTIST DEVELOPMENT AND RELIEF AGENCY INDIA

CAPACITY STATEMENT 2022

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Adventist Development & Relief Agency (ADRA) India is a development and humanitarian organization. ADRA has been reaching out to the country's most vulnerable and marginalized communities for over thirty years. ADRA India is part of ADRA International's global network, which implements relief and development programming in over 107 countries. ADRA works with people in distress to create positive change and justness through empowering partnerships and responsible action.

ADRA India, registered in 1992 as a Society, focuses on key developmental aspects like healthcare, education, livelihoods, humanitarian and emergency response, and protection of vulnerable groups. By partnering with local communities, organizations, and governments, ADRA India delivers culturally relevant programs and builds local capacity for sustainable change.



Thematic Priorities:



Humanitarian Response & Protection

ADRA India conducts rapid response in emergency situations, providing basic supplies, medical equipment, non-food items, water and sanitation, temporary shelter, protection, psychosocial support and cash-based interventions for meeting the immediate needs of the most vulnerable communities. Support for COVID-19-impacted communities is an integral part of all our programmes.

Empowered communities

ADRA India trains all members of communities on disaster preparedness and risk reduction, climate change adaptation, vocational education, and sustainable livelihoods in rural & urban settings.

Health & Nutrition

ADRA India focuses on community mobilization, medical aid, health education, risk communications, and local advocacy to improve access to services for polio eradication, COVID-19 Vaccination, routine immunizations, WASH initiatives, and maternal and child health.

Key Sectors



Health



Livelihood



Protection



Education



COVID-19



Emergency & DRR

Our Beneficiaries



Children



Women & Men



Adolescents



Teachers





Elderly



Health Workers



Refugees

SDGs













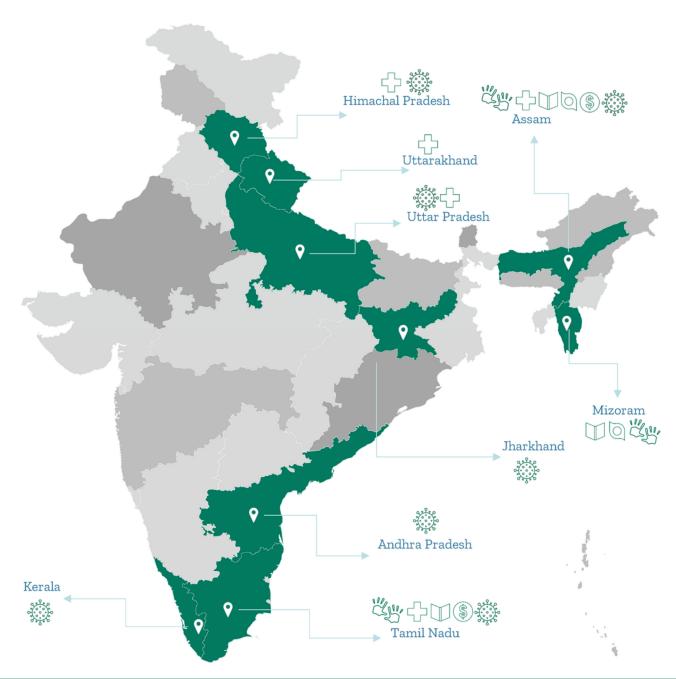








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HEALTH

ADRA India's health portfolio includes various thematic areas of health such as Maternal, Newborn and Child Health, Polio immunization, sexual health, mental health, nutrition, WASH, and communicable diseases. The health projects focus on community and health-systems strengthening approaches, advocacy, capacity building and empowering effective partnerships with relevant stakeholders.



ADRA India:

- Supports the Government-led Immunization and Polio programme in high-risk areas of Uttar Pradesh, Uttarakhand and Assam.
- Undertakes community mobilization to strengthen routine immunization in rural areas using innovative Social Behavioral Change Communication (SBCC) methods.
- Is engaged in soft skill training to improve WASH behaviors in schools and communities. ADRA India also supports remote communities with the provision of safe drinking water by building borewells and water tanks.
- Is engaged in developing behavioral and skill-based competencies among adolescent girls.
- Through its Sanitary Napkin Unit, ADRAIndia
 is helping break the stigma around
 menstruation. The organization provides
 access to low-cost sanitary pads to women
 from lower-income backgrounds in the tea
 gardens of Assam.
- Is strengthening healthcare systems by providing medical equipment andsupporting the upgradation of hospitals.



COMMUNICABLE DISEASES



MATERNAL & NEWBORN HEALTH



WATER
SANITATION &
HYGIENE (WASH)



NUTRITION



POLIO ERADICATION



MENTAL HEALTH



COVID-19



SEXUAL &
REPRODUCTIVE
HEALTH



51,133

Under-5 children mobilized for vaccination

2,010

Number of SHG members, PRIs, influencers and frontline workers oriented and trained on immunization

2,024

RI sessions supported and monitored

6

Hospitals supported

3,15,000+

Beneficiaries reached



The COVID pandemic hit India in February 2020 and by March the virus had spread rapidly across the country. ADRA India responded quickly to the crisis and has been responding to the diverse situations that have risen because of the pandemic.

COVID -19

ADRA India conducted several successful COVID-19 relief and response activities. During the first wave, ADRA India reached out to the most vulnerable communities with immediate relief items. The second wave put pressure on India's healthcare system and the country's economic situation. ADRA provided medical equipment to hospitals including life-saving Oxygen Generation Plants, and cash-based interventions, generated awareness through Risk Communication/Community Engagement, and supported the government in COVID-19 Vaccination Coverage. The organization also offered education support to children and psychosocial support to vulnerable communities.





Cash-based
Interventions



Food, Hygiene & Shelter Kits



Risk Communication & Community Engagement (RCCE)



Psychosocial Support



Institutional support



Vaccination Support



Livelihood support



Education Support



6,72,427

COVID-19 Vaccines administered in ADRA India Catchment areas (1st, 2nd and precautionary doses)

4,290

Healthcare workers, frontline workers /community volunteers trained on COVID-19 vaccine-related topics

43

Sessions conducted on psychosocial support/awareness



EDUCATION





ADRA advocates for equitable, resilient, and inclusive learning environments. ADRA India strives to provide holistic education through school development. This includes empowering students, parents, communities, and teachers. Through its programmes, ADRA India:

- Focuses on vulnerable out-of-school and atrisk children and helps them in continuing their education.
- Equips teachers through its well—rounded teachers' training programmes.
- Sensitizes parents and communities on the importance of education.

Through its programmes, ADRA India:

- Installed Smart classrooms in three government schools in Tamil Nadu to assist children with improved learning opportunities, and supported teachers in finding creative ways to impart knowledge.
 A Smart classroom consists of a touchscreen smart board, desktop computer, projector and audio speaker set- up.
- Provided education through mobile learning vans for children living in hard-toreach areas.
- Provided learning kits to children from economically weaker sections in Tamil Nadu to bridge the gap in their education. The aim of the programme was to prepare the children to efficiently return to school once the COVID-19-induced lockdown was lifted.
- Identified, counselled, and mainstreamed drop-out children into government schools through the Mobile Learning Centre Programme.
- Focused on training teachers, providing hygiene education to students and equipping adolescents with adequate life skills to transition smoothly to adulthood.





1,737

Children reached through **Education Initiative RISE**

5,344

School children and community members oriented on handwashing

2,954

Adolescent girls reached through awareness activities

106

Adolescent girls' clubs formed

Disaster Risk Reduction & Preparedness





Disaster Risk Reduction & Preparedness (DRR) is another pillar of ADRA's work. ADRA India has been working to reduce the impact of disasters since its inception. India is a regional disaster hotspot frequented by cyclones, flooding, mudslides, earthquakes, and fires. ADRA India has developed a strong capacity to implement disaster preparedness and response operations.

Disaster Preparedness:

ADRA aims to ensure that communities living in geographies frequented by disasters are prepared to deal with the situation. ADRA India organizes disaster risk reduction trainings to educate families about risks and vulnerabilities and how to become more prepared to mitigate the effects of future disasters in coordination with the local administration. ADRA prioritizes coordination with IAG, Sphere and other INGOs for joint needs assessments and responds quickly using the National Emergency Management Plan preapproved mechanisms. ADRA India is currently working with the government, hospitals, and communities to mitigate COVID-19-related challenges.

Emergency response:

When disaster hits, ADRA India is among the leading organizations to provide immediate relief to impacted communities. ADRA India provides rapid response in emergencies. This response includes delivering key supplies, medical equipment, food and non-food items, water and sanitation, temporary shelter, protection, psycho-social support, and cashbased interventions.

In 2022 ADRA India provided urgent support to communities affected by the floods in Assam. ADRA focused on the sectors of food security and WASH. The organization reached out to the people with financial support besides mitigating the risks of post-flood public health hazards. The organization worked on public health promotion, menstrual hygiene management, rehabilitation of WASH facilities and provision of hygiene kits.











10,942

Number of flood-affected people provided with safe water for drinking & domestic purposes

6,491

People provided with soap, water storage containers & other essential hygiene items

29

Handpumps & Toilet blocks repaired

500

Adolescents reached through Commodity Voucher Assistance

2,003

Households provided Multi-Purpose Bank Transfers

29,441

People reached through Public Health Promotion Activities

Livelihood

Through the partnership with Assam Rural Livelihood Mission (ASRLM), ADRA has facilitated setting up a low-cost Sanitary Napkin production unit, which is managed and operated by the Self-Help Groups of the tea gardens of Assam. The sanitary napkin unit produces low-cost pads, which are marketed by girls from the tea gardens.

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ADRA India works to train and enhance the livelihood skills of vulnerable communities, refugees, women, and youth, helping them to attain better opportunities.

The organization strives to:

- Create awareness on alternative livelihood opportunities
- Identify the skill gaps and demand in the industry
- Establish appropriate tie-ups and provide suitable skill training and placement support
- Advocate and raise awareness on discriminatory as well as social and cultural barriers to labor market participation.

In 2022, ADRA India reached out to the vulnerable communities it works with to explore livelihood opportunities These contacts include adolescent girls, women, and Sri Lankan refugees. The advocacy also includes soft-skill training and linkages to the job market.











9,647

Total no. of sanitary napkin packets produced

8,782

Total no. of sanitary napkin packets sold

120

beneficiaries provided with skill training, job and entrepreneurship assistance

Protection



10,942

People affected by floods provided with safe water for drinking & domestic purposes

Vulnerable groups, such as refugees, often lack the skills and confidence to contribute positively and engage in community building. Providing them with much-needed support can build their self-reliance and give them the confidence to choose their preferred durable solution.

Protecting the people prone to external risks and threats is a top priority for ADRA India. These risks include safeguarding the rights of refugees or keeping vulnerable women and children from the way of harm.

ADRA has chosen to work on Protection, Livelihood and Education components and to help vulnerable groups live their lives with dignity. The goal is to provide increased protection for refugee women, men and children. This is accomplished through awareness generation, psychosocial support on gender-based violence and environmental protection.

Gender & Inclusion: ADRA incorporates gender analysis tools into its assessment and planning processes to ensure a good understanding of productive, reproductive and community roles of women and gender disparity in those settings. In addition, sex and age disaggregated data (SADD) is collected for all responses. Data is then analysed and utilized to adapt activities that ensure practical needs are met and negative side effects are avoided. ADRA also includes components of sensitization on gender equality amongst communities, especially men and boys and focuses on eliminating Gender-based Violence.

ADRA also ensures the capacity building of all its staff and volunteers to identify and address protection risks to specific groups.



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