

SAHAYATA : OP NAMASTHE

1. **Intro.** Prime Minister Narendra Modi on 23 Mar 2020 announced a 21-day lockdown to contain the Coronavirus spread that has now killed 17 Indians and infected more than 900 Pers. For a certain section of Indians, the daily wagers, the stress of lockdown appeared to be overtaking the stress of the disease. Hence Dakshin Bharat Area has taken up the arduous duty of reaching out to underprivileged cl of society, the poor people who are the worst effected in these trying times, with a vision to provide them their basic daily needs of cooked food, drinking water & sanitary items.

2. **Task.** To reach out to underprivileged cl of our society specifically effected due to the lockdown period & provide them essential supplies of food, water & sanitary items as part of OP NAMASTHE.

3. **Task Analysis.** The task analysis to accomplish above task would incl under mentioned steps which will be discussed in succeeding paras:-

- (a) Iden of people
- (b) What is the Need?
- (c) How to provn?
- (d) Distr

4. **Iden of People.** While work from home has become a necessity for many in India amid the coronavirus outbreak and national lockdown, a huge portion of the population, the marginalized communities who work in the unorganized sector or as daily wage earners are worried about feeding their families. These people include the street vendors, workers at construction sites, shops, restaurants, delivery staff and local tpt sys who earn their living on a daily basis. The mapping of the above indls can be carried out with help of local adm, Municipal Corporation and police.

5. **What is the Need?.** The essential concern of the above mentioned daily wagers and other labourers is that they have no food to feed them and their families. Apart from that, they also are most vulnerable to the disease because of their inability to access hygiene products like soaps, sanitisers, disinfectants and even clean running water. Hence, the need is of provn and distr of cooked hygienic food (MRE), dry ration/snacks, potable water & sanitary items viz; soap, dettol, sanitary pads etc.

6. **Provn.** Once we have iden the people and their needs, the next task is of provn. Centres/Units in AOR of DB Area would be the nodal points for provn and distr which would entail the fwg:-

- (a) Hygienic preparation & packaging of food supplemented with dry ration for sustenance.
- (b) Packaging of safe drinking water.
- (c) Packaging of hygiene mtrls like soap, dettol, sanitary napkins etc.
- (d) Earmk of veh & teams for distr. One x Nodal offr from each Est/Unit/Centre to be nominated.

7. **Modalities of Distr.** The distr to be carried out by local units / Centers located in the AOR of places identified. Respective HQs to nominate Centers/Units to carry out distr. The cvy detailed for distr should ideally comprise of QRT veh, CMP, Police pers, Amb with Doctor/ Nur Asst and rep of Civ Adm. However, the Local Cdr on grnd should asses the sit and based on the requirement should incl Police, Rep of Local Adm, QRT, Amb etc, if deemed necessary and to ensure that the distr of relief mtrl is carried out in an orderly, organized and disciplined manner. The essence should be to reach out to needy and provide timely relief. **Fwg precautions to be taken while distr:-**

- (a) **Pers nominated for distr to wear all necessary protective clo to incl mask and gloves.**
- (b) **Pers detailed for distr to be SHAPE1.**
- © **Adequate sanitisers to be carried.**
- (d) **Sanitise the vehs being utilized for distr, before and after the distr.**
- (e) **Ensure adequate dist (min of 1 mtr between each pers) while carrying out distr.**
- (f) **After Distr ensure that gloves are taken off carefully, dispose them and wash hands with soap & water or sanitiser.**

(g) Stay aware of latest info on COVID-19 and ensure pers hygiene which is reqd to be adhered.

8. Prerequisites for carrying out tasks are as under:-

- (a) Distribution to be carried out in an orderly, organized and in a disciplined manner.
- (b) Police, Local Adm, QRTs, Amb etc to be considered for inclusion based on the sit on grnd. Priority is to reach out to needy without delay.
- (c) Proper hygiene and sanitation to be ensured while distr.
- (d) Ensuring all instr on COVID-19 precautions are followed in letter & spirit.

9. **Funds.** It is recommended that expdr be borne out of Unit/Centre/Fmn resources at this time of National crisis.

10. **Media Mgt.** The PRO to be apch for managing media by projecting the positive image of Army and secular values.

11. **Theme.** The theme for carrying out OP NAMASTHE will be **“INDIAN ARMY: COMBATING COVID WITH CARE AND COMPASSION”** .

11. This initiative carried out with subtlety & dignity of purpose will create a very positive long lasting impression and earn genuine goodwill thus further strengthening the ethos of Indian Army.