



Humans are Capable of Great Things

“Whatever you do will be insignificant, but it is very important that you do it.”
Mahatma Gandhi

AKMG COVID-Support Project Interim Report (June 2021)

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We may be forced to stay apart, but as a community we have marshalled together again at this time of need. Humanitarian services are at the core of AKMG’s activities and existence. We will move mountains to help our fellow beings. The magnitude of the pandemic and the catastrophic images are shocking. It is only natural to feel small and disheartened. But AKMG has never sat back. As Gandhiji taught us, it is very important that we act for the right cause, no matter what the outcome maybe.

We started with the aim of raising \$200,000 and we did surpass that goal within a few weeks itself. But the ripple effect of our bold and committed actions go beyond that. This ‘AKMG COVID-Support’ project has grown to become the largest philanthropic undertaking in the history of AKMG. Our meticulous planning and the help of our longstanding friends in Kerala helped us develop an effective project that has already made a significant difference in controlling the spread and care of COVID patients. Over 17 community organizations have joined hands with AKMG and are actively promoting this project beyond our immediate reach. Our partnership with GlobalMedic in Toronto, opened many doors. We were granted free air transportation for our goods through DHL and Qatar Airways, stretching the generous donations. Kindred, a chain of healthcare service institutions in the USA, donated \$20,000. Finally, our project received a major boost in Canada with a large donation of masks from Pri-Med, a major manufacturer of medical supplies. Your support resulted in this effort growing into the largest project undertaken by AKMG.

Situation in April 2021: High level of community spread of COVID infections in India. Increasing test positivity rate in Kerala and low bed availability in major hospitals is hinting at a major crisis evolving.

Background: Many organizations are active in providing much needed help to India. Millions of dollars are flowing into India from large corporations and other countries to help support the government. Most organizations were concentrating on meeting the rising oxygen demand in large cities. Slow rate of vaccinations will not have an impact on the spread for the next 3-6 months. There is a potential for more

waves of COVID infection before herd immunity can be achieved. There is a high risk of resistant variants appearing if we do not prevent the spread now.

Initial Assessment: We should concentrate on AKMG's strengths. We need local support in India for our project to succeed in a timely manner. The maximum impact in saving lives would be achieved by being proactive than reactive. We need to act in areas that are impactful yet currently being neglected. GlobalMedic, a reputable international disaster relief agency, has partnered with us before in our flood relief efforts in Kerala. GlobalMedic has excellent logistics support throughout the world and would be an ideal partner for us.

AKMG COVID Support project: The AKMG COVID Support project has four major aims.

1. Protect healthcare workers
2. Reduce community transmission
3. Launch domiciliary care program
4. Support free COVID and non-COVID consultations through telemedicine

Progress:

1. Domiciliary care program launched with the help of Indian Medical Association. Covid patients with mild disease will be supported in their homes. The plan is to have one health care worker linked to each patient for support. For safe monitoring pulse oximeters will be provided.
2. Student helpline launched where patients call in for help. The nearest available pulse oximeter is identified by the student from the database. The patient's care givers are directed to the facility for picking up the oximeter for free of cost use. The oximeters are all documented, returned after use, and sanitized for reuse.
3. Partnering with IMA I-Safe program with a network of 1000 small and medium clinics throughout Kerala. Two weekly educational sessions and update meetings to support and empower healthcare workers in primary and secondary care as well as in rural areas.
4. Partnering with NORKA, KMSCL and IMA to distribute much needed KN95 masks and Health Canada approved, ASTM F2100 standard level 3 masks throughout Kerala.
5. Ensuring a network of private and public health sector to meet the high demand for health care. To ensure that non-COVID care is not ignored and to continue educating the public on the necessity of continuing to diligently following public health measures.
6. AKMG partnered with Innovation Incubator Holding to develop the DronaCare telemedicine App.
7. Over 15 community organizations have joined hands with AKMG in support.

Materials Supplied in the project (including those pending at the time of interim report)

Item	Total Number	Current Status
ASTM F2100 standard level 3 masks	20 million	Shipment in batches
KN95 Masks	146,000	Received by KMSCL/IMA Distribution in progress
Pulse Oximeters	2000	Received by IMA and launched domiciliary care program

Pictures speak a thousand words

Community Organizations Partner with AKMG COVID-Support project

MALAYALEE ORGANIZATIONS ARE JOINING HANDS WITH AKMG

KERALA COVID-19 CRISIS RELIEF

Association of Kerala Medical Graduates(AKMG) Humanitarian Services has done an extensive assessment of the situation in India and Kerala. The most impactful action required to save lives to prevent further spread of COVID-19.

In collaboration with the Indian Medical Association's I-SAFE program that has 1000 centres enrolled throughout Kerala, in the first phase we will supply

- > High quality face shields, masks and hand sanitizers.
- > Pulse Oximeters to monitor patients safely at home.

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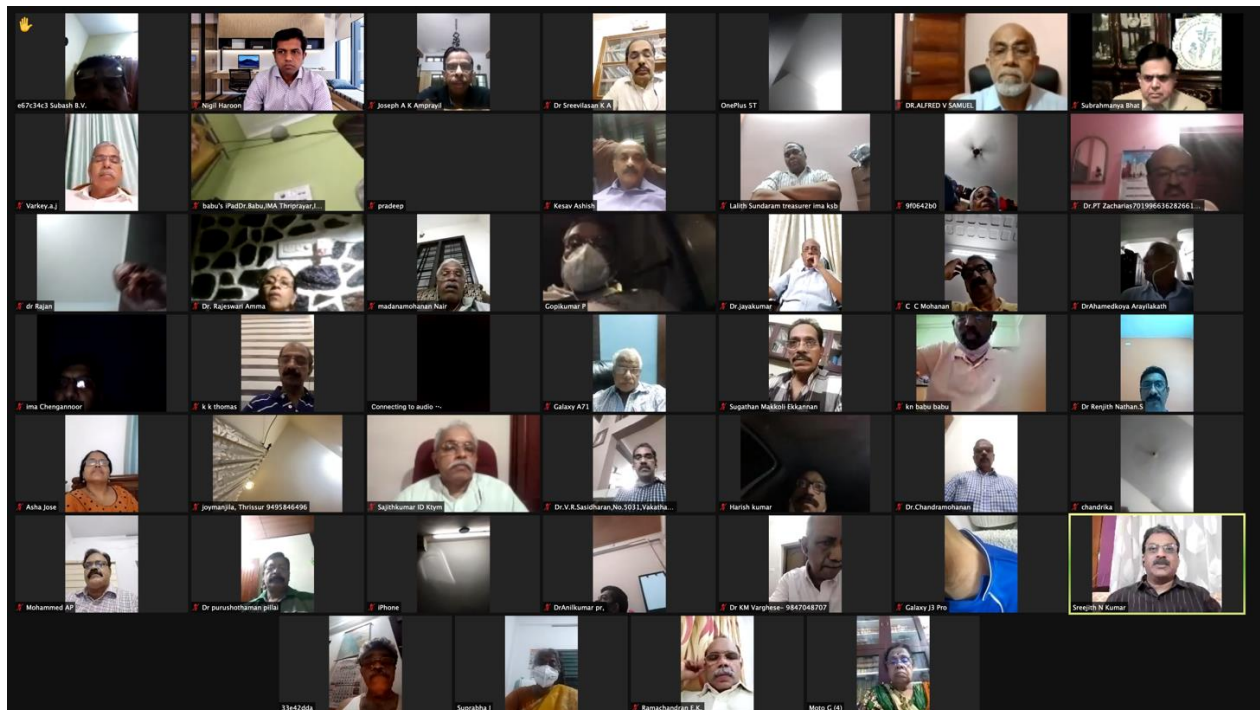
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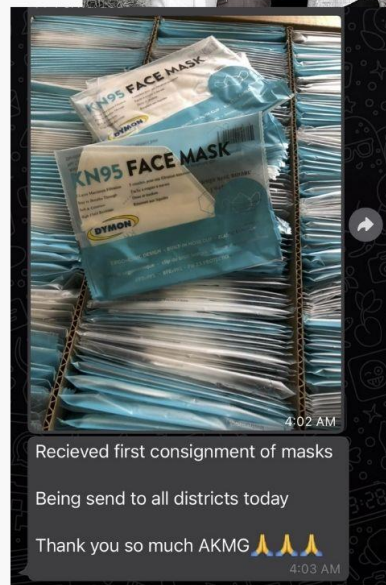
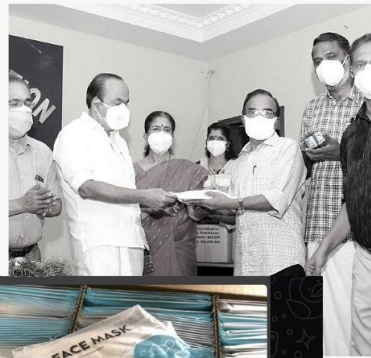


Interacting with members of the network of over 1000 clinics across Kerala

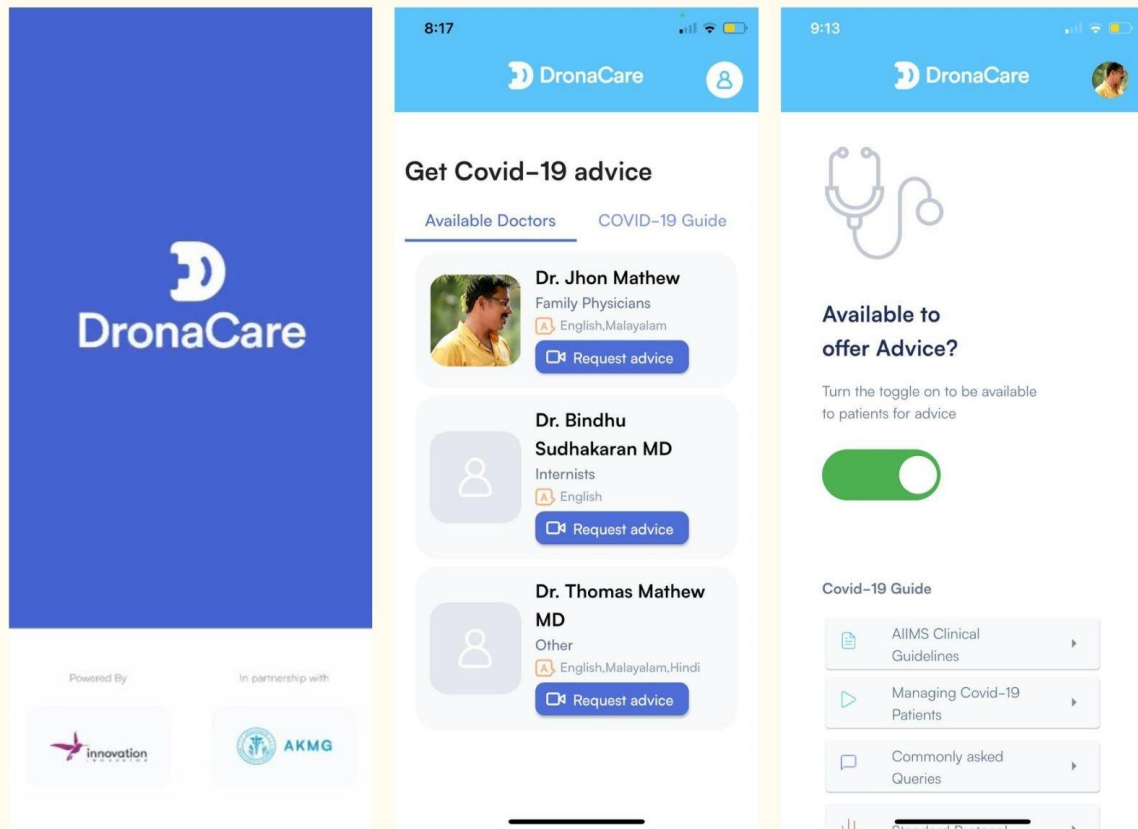




Masks and Pulse Oximeters shipped



DISTRIBUTION AKMG COVID SUPPORT PROJECT



PROVIDING CARE WHERE NEEDED

Telemedicine

DRONACARE APP DEVELOPED BY INNOVATION
INCUBATOR HOLDING IN PARTNERSHIP WITH AKMG