Local Government

HUMANITARIAN TOUCH: EMPLOYEES OF ULBS TOOK THE TASK OF PERFORMING LAST RIGHTS OF ABANDONED DEAD BODIES

Urban Local Bodies in close coordination with the District Administration are involved in identification and quarantization of suspected cases of Corona Virus. Likewise employees of the Urban Local Bodies have also performed the daunting tasks of performance of last rites of the Victims of Corona Virus in such cases where even the families of the victims have abandoned their bodies. This human practice was done throughout the state by the officers/ employees of the state during these testing time of COVID-19 menace.
575 SHGs FINANCED BY LOCAL BODIES ARE MAKING MEDICALLY VIABLE MASKS & GLOVES

- 4 LAKH MASKS HAVE BEEN PREPARED BY SHGS
- SELF HELP GROUPS ARE ALSO RUNNING THEIR COMMUNITY KITCHENS TO PREPARED FOOD AND OTHER EATABLES FOR THE PUBLIC

"More than 575 Self Help Groups (SHGs) formed of urban poor women by the Local Bodies Department has been active in the state since the spread of Coronavirus which are playing an instrumental role in providing a healing touch to the public by operating their community kitchens, preparing food, making medically viable masks and gloves.

What could be more encouraging news in this depressing time than the fact that SHGs mainly formed of urban poor women have been working day and night to prepare the essential items like masks, gloves and cooked food, biscuits, achar etc. In this lockdown period Urban Local Bodies has been successful in motivating these SHGs to render their services for the social cause, which would also help them to substantiate their income. SHGs have been getting advance orders from the Government as well as from the private institutions for their masks at competitive rate of Rs. 20 to 25 per mask. These masks are medically viable because these have been prepared as per the guidelines and the consultation provided by the Health Department. Till date more than 4 lakh masks have been prepared by these SHGs.

These SHGs have been formed under Punjab Urban Livelihood Mission by Department of Local Government. After 3 month of formation the department gives them Rs. 10,000 per SHG as Revolving Fund for inter-lending purpose. These SHGs have been situated at various locations in Punjab. Concerned ULB at periodic end monitor the smooth functioning of these SHGs."
Living up to its desirous role in this kind of emergent situation emerged due to the spread of coronavirus, all the wings of the Local Bodies Department has been doing exceptional service at the ground zero in all the cities of the state in order to provided much needed relief to the public with a humanitarian touch.

One of the focus areas of the department during lockdown is to ensure that solid waste management work in the cities is done unabated so that there might not be any heaps of garbage in the cities which may become a reason for the outbreak of any other disease. Door to door collection of the solid waste and garbage lifting is being done regularly. The safai sewaks of the department have been doing work missionary zeal and devotion. What reward can be more befitting for the courage and dedication of the safai sewaks that in most the cities people gave them floral welcome and applauded their selfless service in this critical time?

Other important work at this crucial juncture is to ensure the intensive sanitation of the cities. Working in this direction the ground workers of the department have been doing spray in and across the cities to make them disinfectant.

Apart from the mandated duties the officers and official of all rank and files has been sparing extra hours to supply the essential items to the citizens which included dry ration, masks and supply of drugs to the elderly citizen. The officers of the Local Bodies Department have been working in close coordination with the district administration to ensure the distribution of dry ration and food to the needy.