

Rapid Assessment on Disaster and Response Report

Region: Vellore

State: Tamil Nadu

VELLORE REGION

DHAN Foundation's Vellore region (Rainfed Farming Development Programme) works in Gudiyatham Pernambut and Natrampalli, having 528 groups covering 7648 Families.

LIVELIHOOD IMPACT

Most of our members employed in Beedi rolling, Matches making, Handlooms, Incense sticks making and daily and construction wage laborers. Due to lockdown, all of them lost their livelihood and are in financial crisis.

IMPACT ON AGRICULTURE

Farmers in the region are facing problems due to unavailability of laborers and agricultural machineries, due to lack of fertilizers and pesticides and seeds. Due to no transportation, they are unable to sell their produce. Most of the farmers are selling their fruits and vegetables very low prices for the fear of getting nothing. Unable to get fodder for the livestock and treatment to the ill livestock. There has been fake news and rumors spread in the region that eating eggs and chicken will cause corona virus and hence people are not buying. Due to this, egg and chicken sellers affected financially.

REGION'S INITIATIVES

Awareness on Social distancing

Demonstration of using personal protective equipment

Portrayed awareness through wall paintings in DHAN working hamlets

Awareness through WASH programme