

Dear Friends and Sponsors of Prem Dan,

As we come to the close of this Academic Year, 2020- 2021, we want to express our deep gratitude to all of you who have been 'the wind beneath our wings.' With your help we are able to reach out to so many underprivileged children, giving them good education so that they are able to stand on their own feet and help their family to live a decent life.

This Year has been very difficult for all of us due to Corona – 19. The worst affected are the poor and the marginalized who have experienced possibly the worst in their lives during this Pandemic. Majority of our children fall into this category. Most of the parents of our children are domestic workers living in the slum areas. They have lost their livelihood, the worst thing is that, no one want their services in the families because of the fear of the virus. Almost every day there are people coming at the door of Prem Dan asking either a job or Ration, or any kind of help.



The situation was slowly improving. People were earning their living by selling fruits, vegetables, onions, potatoes, fish etc. They were taking up whatever job they could get that would give them some earning to support their families.



But again the **Second Wave of CORONA Virus** has struck India very **badly**. The Corona virus cases on the rise. Many people succumb to death due to lack of sufficient Oxygen supply, Ventilators, Covid bed facility for the patients in the hospitals. Many people die at home because there is no place for them in the hospital. At present we in a complete lockdown except with the essential services.





**Here in Prem Dan, before the lockdown**, our teachers travelled from far every day in order to help our students in their online studies. We had purchased some **Tabs** for those students who didn't have the facility at home to attend online lessons. Around 25 students came daily to the Garden School to study. After their class, we served them some snacks and some of them stayed (children staying on the pavement) back for dinner. Besides, we distributed rations to the families and also some medical help to our students and their families.



This year, we gave to all our sponsored children, a pair of footwear and snacks as a Christmas gift. It made them very happy.



Our Boarders at Kharghar had return to the boarding. The sisters were happy to see them back. In the boarding, besides their online lessons, they were engaged in different activities. In the month of January, we have arranged a Fresh Air Camp for them in Khandala where we have a cottage reserved for them for such activities. The girls – 21 one of the – enjoyed their 2 days of stay in Khandala.

## Holiday Home for Prem Dan Children - Khandala



## Fresh Air Camp – Khandala January 2021





In Prem Dan , Garden School, we conducted fundamental Beauticians and Teachers' Training course for the young girls so that they get admissions in good institute to do their proper training which will give them some jobs in future to help themselves and help them to settle down in life.

We had also arranged '**Learn and Earn**' skilled programs for the women of the weaker section of the society where they learn how to make the masks, Sanitizers, soap liquids, floor liquid, Room spray etc.



Children have finished their final exams online. So far they and their families are well.  
Do keep them in your prayer

Thank you once again for all your help, support, care and concern for our children at Prem Dan. God's blessings on each you and your family.

With much love and prayers,

Affectionately,

**Srs. Felicity, Helen, Asha, Staff and Students of Prem Dan.**