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## Edition 24: August 2020 - April 2021 Projects & Accomplishments

The second half of 2020 and the year 2021 so far have continued to suffer from the critical COVID crisis. TCF continues to focus on needs of the impoverished and help where we can. Due to the COVID crisis, the annual talent show will not be held this year and we therefore, ask you for your kind donations to be made to the address or URL located at the bottom of this letterhead.

Some highlights and accomplishments during the past eight months are featured below:

Naktala Medical Clinics: the clinics have resumed and TCF has funded a viewing box for x-rays, pulse oximeter and an infrared thermometer. After a long period of COVID lockdown, the clinics are now open with the proper protection for doctors, nurses, patients, etc. The Centre has also added a few protection devices so that distance between patients and doctors are maintained.

**Cyclone Repairs:** Cyclone Amphan had seriously impacted the Sunderbans area and homes have been destroyed, crops destroyed and salt water from the sea has backed up into the farmlands, rendering them useless. TCF has completed Phase 1 by repairing 10 severely damaged huts and Phase 2 has now been completed by repairing 15 more huts due to the generous donations received last year. The villagers are extremely grateful for these repairs.

**Ghutiari Sharif Pre-school:** Ghutiari Sarif pre-school is still going strong for ages 3-6 years. TCF provides uniforms, school supplies, school bags, clothing and free breakfast. Pre-school students are being interviewed for admission for the new school year. The school will resume once the government provides approval and clearance. We aim to have 60-65 students enrolled.

**New Education Centres:** TCF is opening up two new Toronto-Calcutta Education Centres. The Bolpur center was inaugurated on March 30<sup>th</sup> 2021. It will serve 80 indigenous students in Bolpur and will include education in arts, dance, sports and martial arts. In Boral there will be 25 students. We aim to have the same great success as we have had in our other education centres in impoverished areas of West Bengal. These successes include excellent grades and the pursuit of higher education by many of our students.



Naktala Clinic (above) Amphan Cyclone Repairs (below)





Preschool admissions (above) TCF Education Centre inauguration (below)

