



# Mahavir International, Vadodara

## Mahavir Foundation Trust

### Recent Activity Report: Migrant Labour Initiative

#### *“Migrant labour initiative”*

**Migrant Labour Initiative** – with each passing day, the effort continues to gather steam. Here are indicative highlights for **Thursday, May 21st, 2020**







- One train left for Patna, Bihar. Though the quota for Sama was 200, only 143 persons made it because of some miscommunication. All of them were very poor brick kiln workers and their families
- Twenty one very poor persons were provided with full ticket and the remaining were given partial assistance. Additional cash assistance was given to those who had very little money left with them
- There were two trains for UP – Gorakhpur and Gonda. As the tickets are paid for by UP Government, cash assistance was given as needed, particularly because a large number were again brick kiln workers and their families
- Gorakhpur train had 260 passengers while Gonda train had 300 passengers. This included families with children, many pregnant women as well as many single women. While cash assistance was given to almost

all of them, much higher cash assistance was given to families with children, pregnant women and single women

- Additionally, lunch, bananas, biscuits etc were provided. Drinking water jugs as well as over 500 butter milk pouches from Baroda Dairy were also distributed. The lady police officer, Ms Tomar specially sent her vehicle with two police staff to bring butter milk from Makarpura
- Mamlatdar's office staff is extremely helpful in ensuring that all those needing help are identified and helped by MFT. The experience with Mamlatdar, his office staff as well as the police officers and staff has been a high point of this effort. Their sensitivity and compassion needs to be really appreciated by one and all
- Currently, there is no arrangement for workers from MP, Rajasthan and from within Gujarat. A large number of them were moved to their destinations with transport arranged and paid for by MFT

**Once again, Salute to the very compassionate and efficient, hardworking team! The blessings continue to come through a large number of calls and messages from migrant labour and their families, once they reach home safely. This is indeed gratifying and adds to the spirit and determination of the team. Of course, the callers continue to express their sincere appreciation for Mahavir Foundation Trust as well.**