





# **Mid-Term Report**

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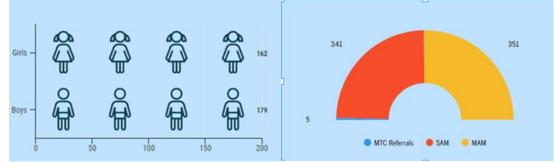
### 1. India Potash Limited's (IPL) support to Fight Hunger Foundation

We immensely thank India Potash for believing in Fight Hunger Foundation's credibility to tackle acute malnutrition in our country. We appreciate your strategic partnership with us and are convinced that together we can bring a change in the lives of community we serve

We signed an MOU with India Potash Limited in August 2017 to treat and save lives of 300 SAM (Severe Acute Malnutrition) children under POSHAN Baran programme until February 2018. The programme focussed on screening 5887 children under 5 years of age in the 98 villages of Kishanganj and Shahabad blocks of the district. The focus of the project was to promote continuum of care to malnourished children to avoid relapses, ensuring access to comprehensive access to appropriate quality care. The programme involves timely detection of severe acute malnutrition in the community and provision of treatment for those with medical complications at facility (MTC) and those witout medical complications with RUTF (Ready to Use Therapeutic Food) at community. The programme promotes the process of behavior change that accentuates impact and is mainstreamed within all interventions to enhance the program's effectiveness by focusing on individual and social values, emotions, meanings and perspectives. It is also a participatory effort, focused on empowering people and communities to sustain and actively maintain change by means of workshops on social behaviour change with mothers of malnourished children, grandmothers and involving men of the community.

With the generous support of India Potash Limted, we have enrolled the following number of children in our program, treating them for acute malnutrition from Aug to Oct 2017.

- 5887 children from 6-59 months have been screened in the last three months
- 341 SAM children are enrolled for the treatment with therapeutic food RUTF
- 351 MAM<sup>1</sup> children have been detected and referred to Anganwadi Centers
- 98 Villages were reached for the screening of under 5 children
- 341 SAM caregivers received WASH basket to practice good hygiene practices
- 10,688 people sensitised on causes and issues related to malnutrition
- 5128 beneficaries in the community educated on healthy eating practices via group discussions and movie screening



Picture showing from Right, Children suffering from Acute Malnutrition out of 5887 under 5 children Screened & Gender disaggregated detail of children enrolled in the programme (162 Girls and 179 Boys)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> MAM: Moderate Acute Malnutrition

### 2. Way forward Nov- January 2018

The children enrolled in our program are being monitored every week by our health workers, their development data is being captured and we are closely following up with the governmet health workers (Anganwadi workers) for detecting any signs of malnutrition in the children in these 98 villages.

We will continue our screening for the next 4 months under the India Potash Program and children in SAM/MAM category will be provided RUTF. We will continue our community mobilisation acitivities with the care givers of SAM/MAM and community in the coming months by means of cooking demonstration, information education sessions with emphasis on care practices as this is the time in the year when most of the children fall back into the under nourshed category due to high seasonal variations (Acute Respiratory Distress/ Pnemonia etc). By end of the programme we will reach to:

- 900 SAM/ MAM caregivers educated on healthy nutrition and hygiene practices
- 341 SAM children will be provided treatment support with RUTF
- 600 MAM children will be reached and linked to Anganwadis
- 32,000 people in the community will be sensitised and educated on the impacts and outcomes of undernutrition
- 341 SAM care givers will receive WASH basket for healthy hygiene and sanitation practices

We are very thankful to India Potash Limted for their support in treatment of children who were at high risk of death due to malnutrition. Thanks to you, we have been able to establish ourselves in the community as a trusted NGO, working for their betterment. It is our ardent appeal to you to kindly continue to be our strategic partners and support this program in the coming months.

#### 3. Branding and Visibility provided to India Potash Limited

As per the guidelines provided by you, the IPL logo is being used at various touchpoints in the treatment and community activities in Baran.

- a) Branding on RUTF
- b) Branding in banners during national day celebrations
- c) A dedicated Standee with the IPL logo during POSHAN day

Should you have any specific requirements of branding, please do let us know.

#### 4. Some pictures of your beneficiaries



Baby Sheela was only 6.490 kgs when we screened her in August 2017, as part of IPL's program coverage. We put her on a RUTF treatment for 4 weeks and now she has gained weight and now weights 7.020 kgs and is declared out of danger.





AAH-FHF community workers screened 5889 children. Poshan day is celebrated every week where the health worker monitors child's progresse and provide with their weekly quota of RUTF.



From Left, RUTF safely stored at SHC and on right, community worker on field demonstrating use of Filter cloth provided in WASH basket during Poshan Day's



Branding Visibility of IPL during our Stakeholder workshop in Mumbai Oct 2017

## 5. In Conclusion

We invite you to kindly visit Baran anytime convenient and see for yourself the impact you have helped us create in the community in these 98 villages.