

Report

Free Cloth Distribution to People of Slum Areas

A programme of free distribution of reusable cloths, warm cloths and blankets was organized jointly by Community Development Society (CDS) together with Rotary club, Anand and Anand institute of Social Work. The main purpose of involving the other institutes was to be able to involve more number of people in donating reusable cloths and at the same time to develop social concern in them.

Mr Manoj Macwan held a joint meeting with the members and volunteers of all the three organization before 25 days and discussed a plan to offer free cloths to people residing in slum areas. As it is extreme cold in India, it is a very difficult situation in the slums for the poor people. So considering this season as a right time for the programme, a detailed plan was prepared wherein for more than 20 days, the members and volunteers collected reusable cloths and blankets by going door to door. "Collection of cloths on demand" was also executed by receiving calls from Donors. A huge number of cloths were collected and then, the volunteers categorized the cloths as per the age of the beneficiaries. On 28th of December, 2018, these cloths were distributed in Mahavir Slum Area which is situated in Anand and where CDS is working for last 25 years. More than 500 people were distributed cloths and warm items.

There was a heavy rush of poor and needy people to get the reusable cloths. On receiving the cloths, the people had smile on their face and feeling of gratitude in their hearts for CDS. Tears were noticed in the eyes of many volunteers seeing the pathetic condition of the poor. This event was found successful as some of the donors of cloths were present during the event in the slum and they saw the pitiable condition of people living there. We feel that through CDS, we could make more and more people realize the condition of poor people. A real grass root level work was, thus, undertaken in the last days of the year 2018. A feeling of real festivity was felt by all the members and volunteers who were involved in this programme.