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Well-done comrades, we are proud of you

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Dedicated to Tarak Dada



2rd June, 1926 – 2nd May, 2003

This special Issue is dedicated to the hallowed memory of Com. Tarakeswar Chakraborti, former General Secretary of AIBEA. 2nd June, 2020 will mark the 95th Birthday of our revered leader and beloved Dada.

It was Com. Tarakeswar Chakraborti who repeatedly emphasized that true to the philosophy and ideology of AIBEA and in tune with the vision of our founding leaders, AIBEA and our rank and file should always remain an integral part of the general working class movement.

He repeatedly reiterated that we should not only be with them but we should also identify with them and their problems and be seen with them.

Social Identification programmes under the banner of AIBEA and our Unions became more pronounced due to his continuous efforts.

After the earthquake in Latur in Maharashtra in 1993, Tarakda gave the call for contributions and AIBEA helped in reconstruction of a village in Latur.

After the devastating cyclone in 1999 that ravaged Orissa, Tarakda gave the call and we could help the affected people in a big way, in fact adopting an entire village.

After the earthquake in Gujarat in Bhuj area in 2001, Tarakda gave the call and with the contributions of bank unions, destroyed houses were reconstructed and given to the people.

During the super cyclone in West Bengal, again Tarakda gave the call

and AIBEA could extend major relief and help to the affected people.

Like that, whenever, there was natural calamity and people were affected, Tarakda was always in the forefront to extend help from AIBEA.

He was particular that a trade union should identify itself with the people in distress.

When the Tsunami struck in 2004, AIBEA gave the call and we could collect Rs. One crore from our unions and members and with that we constructed a School in Cuddalore in Tamilnadu (which today has 1000 students of poor strata) as well as a Primary Health Centre was reconstructed there.

In Kerala, in Kollam, a Primary Health Centre was reconstructed.

In 2013, when there was a devastating flood in Uttarakhand, AIBEA gave the call and we could collect Rs. 45 lacs from our units and members and with that we helped to reconstruct One Block of the Degree College in Agasthyamuni in Rudraprayag District.

Similarly, Tarakda used to give the call on occasions like AIBEA Founding Day to undertake social identification programmes.

He set an example by personally contributing a portion of his retirement benefit to the treatment of Thalassaemia patients and build a Block in a hospital meant for poor people.

This importance of identifying with the people in need has become a part of our activities because of Tarak Dada.

Importantly, these activities throw up potential cadres for our organisation who are socially aware and conscious

Today we have completed 500 Relief Programmes during the current corona pandemic. And all these in just 60 days. Hats off our unions.

Our unions and members have helped so many affected people in so many places.

It is all due to Tarak Dada's teachings.

So we dedicate this Bulletin to him.

What is the special news in this Special Bulletin

Every relief activity is special because we know that every programme symbolises the philosophy of AIBEA. But certain programmes assume some extra significance due to the unique initiatives taken by our unions and comrades.

In this Bulletin we will proudly see the initiative taken by one of our lady comrades.

Please read and feel proud

**Red Salutes to
Dear Com. Asha Lovalekar
What a wonderful
comrade you are**



**Com.
Asha Lovalekar
Special Assistant, Bank
of Maharashtra,
Chiplun, Ratnagiri,
Maharashtra
Central Committee
Member,
Bank of Maharashtra
Employees Union,
Kolhapur**



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Com. Asha Suhas Lovalekar, is an activist of AIBEA, Central Committee Member of Bank of Maharashtra Employees Union, Kolhapur and she is working as a Special Assistant in Chiplun Branch of Bank of Maharashtra.

She has been doing social activities in Chiplun area since last more than 15 years. Under her initiative, 5 lady comrades of Bank of Maharashtra Chiplun area are extending every year all educational and other expenses of one child from some poor family.

She is taking part in different expeditions in Himalayas and Sahyadri for last 15 years and has participated in 8 treks in Himalayas and 12 in Sahyadri so far.

Coming to the issue:

Migrant labourers in Chiplun, Ratnagiri District of Maharashtra were struggling hard for their survival since lockdown.

She observed that these migrant workers and their families do not have any earning and hence they are facing serious problem.

Being socially conscious, she could not reconcile to their suffering.

So she contacted them and talked to them. There were 24 migrant families. Since they had no income, and since they could no longer continue in Chiplun, they were trying to go back to their native place but due to non-availability of any mode of travel, they were stuck up.

Com. Asha Lovalekar felt that these families cannot be left in a lurch and so decided to take care of them.

She was taking care of their food and essentials. Then she gave them some clothing. She virtually became their guardian.

One of the migrant workers, Sarojrani was advance stage of pregnancy and was due for delivery. That poor lady did not know what to do as she does not know anything in that local area.

Com. Asha Lovalekar came to her rescue. She managed to contact the various Government officials and authorities and ensured that Sarojini gets a free treatment for her delivery. Now the migrant lady is blessed with a daughter and both mother and the baby are safe.

This went on and Com Asha became their virtual mother and sister. But they were waiting to go back to their native places.

Recently some shramik trains started and Com Asha sent all of them by train to their places.

All of them have now safely reached their villages. All these migrants telephoned and expressed their indebtedness to Com. Asha for her help.

AIBEA is proud of you dear Com Asha.

What a wonderful comrade you are.

(Those who attended our AIBEA's National Women's Convention organised in Hyderabad in November, 2018 will recall her active participation)



All of them are in the train. Their eyes say : Asha Didi, Thank you, We can never forget you.





New born baby and the mother



**See the tents behind them,
where they lived**



DON'T WORRY, MEIN HOON NA



DON'T WORRY, I AM WITH YOU

**I HAVE BROUGHT ALL THESE
NEW DRESSES FOR YOU**





Take these biscuits, it is for you

माणुसकीने दिला परप्रांतीय गर्भवतीला मदतीचा हात

चिपळूणात अनेक हात मदतीला धावल्याने महिलेसह बाळ सुखरूप, कामथे रुग्णालयात दाखल, कुटुंबाने मानले सर्वांचे आभार

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सध्या कोरोनामुळे नातेवाईक नातेवाईकाला, शेजारी शेजाऱ्याला मदत करेनासा झाला असतानाच शहरातील गांधारेखर परिसरात झोपडपट्टीत राहणाऱ्या एका परप्रांतीय गर्भवती महिलेला येथील अनेकांनी मदतीचा हात दिला. त्यामुळे सोमवारी प्रसूती झालेली ही महिला व तिचे बाळ कामथे रुग्णालयात सुखरूप आहेत. याबद्दल या कुटुंबाने सर्वांचे आभार मानले. ते रविवारी आपल्या उत्तम प्रदेशमधील ललीतपूर या मूळगावी जाणार आहेत.

अर्जुन सेहरिया हा पत्नी सरोजराणी व तीन वर्षांच्या मुलगा व अन्य नातेवाईकांसह गेल्या अनेक वर्षांपासून चिपळूणात राहतो. हे कुटुंब मिळेल ते काम करून उदरनिर्वाह चालवते. काही दिवसांपूर्वी ते कुटुंब बालोपे परिसरात राहण्याला होते. सध्या एका टेकदाराकडे काम करायचे. मात्र कोरोनाच्या संकटामुळे त्यांचे काम थांबले. त्यामुळे त्यांना गावाकडे जाण्याची ओढ लागली होती. मात्र अशिक्षित असल्याने तिकिटे कशी काढायची, रत्ने स्टेशन बंद असल्याने काय करायचे, असा प्रश्न त्यांना पडला होता. त्याच सध्या



चिपळूण : गांधारेखर परिसरात राहणाऱ्या परप्रांतिच्या वस्तु देताना आशा लोवलेकर.

ते गांधारेखर परिसरात एका बाजूला रहात होते. त्यामुळे अन्य कोणाशी संपर्कही होत नव्हता.

त्याच सरोजराणी ही गरोदर होती. त्यामुळे अधिकच संकटत सापडलेल्या या कुटुंबाला काही दिवसांपूर्वी चिपळूण महाराष्ट्र बँकेत सेवेत असलेल्या बालोपे येथील आशा सुहास लोवलेकर भेटल्या आणि कोरोनासारख्या भयानवह परिस्थितीतही माणुसकी जिवंत आहे याची या गरीब

कुटुंबाला खात्री पटली. लोवलेकर यांनी या कुटुंबाची सर्व माहिती घेतली. त्यानंतर आपल्या किराणा मालाच्या दुकानातून जीवनस्यक साहित्य आणून दिले. त्यानंतर त्यांच्या मदतीचा ओघ सुरूच राहिला. कमी कपडे, तर कधी इतर वस्तू त्या या कुटुंबासह येथे राहणाऱ्या अन्य २४ जणांना पुरवत होत्या. हे करताना त्यांना या गरोदर महिलेची काळजी वाटत होती. त्यांनी एवढ्यावरच न थांबता जिल्हाधिकारी, तहसील कार्यालयाशी

संपर्क साधून या कुटुंबाला कमी मदत करता येईल यासाठी प्रयत्न सुरू केले.

त्यातून इतके दिवस प्रशासनाकडून सहकार्य मिळालेही. यातूनच या कुटुंबासह येथे राहणाऱ्या अन्य व्यक्तींना बहादूरशेखनाका येथील राठोड हे शिवमोजन धाळी पुरवत आहेत. जेवणाची व्यवस्था झाल्याने लोवलेकर यांनी टेकदाराशी संपर्क साधला. यातून गावी जाण्यासाठी २४ जूनचे तिकीटही निश्चित झाले. मात्र प्रसूती कधी होणार याची काळजी होतीच. त्यामुळे लोवलेकर यांनी आपला मोबाईल क्रमार्क या महिलेला दिला होता. त्यामुळे ती येणाऱ्या अडचणी त्यांना सांगत होती. सोमवारी सकाळी तिने माथ्या पोटात दुखत आहे असे लोवलेकर यांना सांगितले. त्यानुसार त्यांनी याची माहिती या सान्या घडामोडीत त्यांना मदत करणाऱ्या बालोपेचे तलाठी प्रकाश जाधव यांना सांगितली. त्यामुळे त्यांनी व लोवलेकर यांनी याची माहिती आरोग्य विभागाला दिली. त्यानुसार तालुका वैद्यकीय अधिकारी डॉ. ज्योती यादव, सुपरवायझर मदन जानवलकर यांनी तत्काळ १०८ रुग्णवाहिका गांधारेखर परिसरात पाठवली.

तोपर्यंत या महिलेने मुलाला जन्म दिला



चिपळूण : सरोजराणी हिला बाळसह रुग्णवाहिकेतून रुग्णालयात नेण्यात आले.

होता. यादरम्यान तलाठी जाधव यांनी एका प्रसूतीबाबत माहितगार महिलेला येथे आणून अन्य सोपस्कर पार पाडले होते. त्यानंतर बाळ, बाळतीणीला कामथे रुग्णालयात नेण्यात आले. ती सुखरूप असून त्यांना काही दिवस येथेच ठेवले जाणार आहे. मात्र आता २४ जूनला हे कुटुंब आपल्या मूळगावी जाणार आहे. कोणतेही नाते नसताना केवळ माणुसकीतून या सर्वांनी आपापल्यापरीने केलेल्या मदतीबाबत सेहरिया कुटुंबियांसह येथील परप्रांतीय रहिवाशांनी सर्वांचे आभार मानले.

Her services have been praised by the newspapers. No wonder, because she has done such a humanitarian service for these hapless migrant workers. When we spoke to her, said was shy to acknowledge our appreciation and said that “after all I have only done what is expected of me when someone is suffering before your eyes”.



Dear Com. Asha,

In the present corona pandemic lockdown, when the poor people and migrant workers are the most affected, when everyone is in fear and panic about their safety and health, you have shown that you are different. We are so proud that you are our comrade from AIBEA.

**You are a gem.
Salutes to you.**



**ALL INDIA BANK EMPLOYEES' ASSOCIATION
AIBEA'S WOMEN'S COUNCIL**