FUNCTIONAL COMMUNITY COVID CARE CENTER (C4) IN GRAM PANCHAYATS OF CHATTISGARH
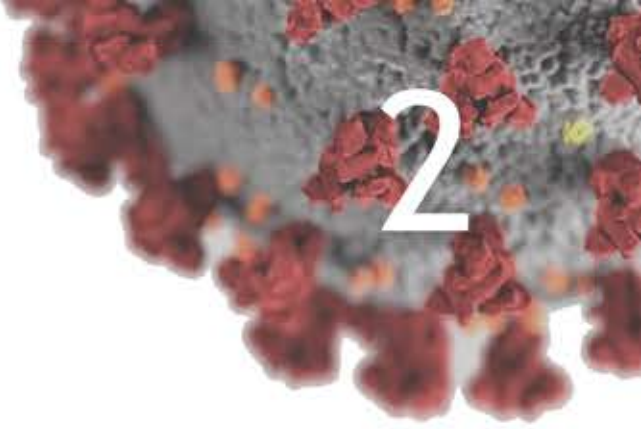

In Gujra village (population 2500), Raipur District, Chhattisgarh, 35 people were tested positive and another 35 had symptoms. With technical guidance of Samarthan team, Sarpanch of Gram Panchayat Gujra motivated 17 COVID affected people to stay in Covid Care Centre-C4. All those admitted, have recovered now. Motivated by this, Kutela Gram panchayat nearby has also followed suit. Six other similar centres are running in Jaspur district with Samarthan's support.

Spacious and ventilated school building was converted into a Community Covid Care Centre. Fans of Anganwari Centre were fixed. Medicines, food, utensils, soaps, drinking water and clean toilets were organised. Designated cook for the Mid May Meal was hired to cook food, taking raw materials from the subsidized ration shop. Basic amenities like mats, bedsheets, pillow and personal belongings were of patients.

SAMARTHAN'S VOLUNTEER AT PHC FOR COVID TESTING AND COUNSELLING

Omprakash is a trained community worker of Samarthan for a Government supported HIV/AIDS control program. Dandekala Primary Health Center (PHC), 20 km away from the state capital Raipur, serves about 20,000 population of nearby villages. Several workers of nearby factories were coming with COVID symptoms. Due to acute shortage of staff in PHC, Omprakash was reached out for support.

After training, Omprakash conducted more than 1000 Rapid Antigen and RT-PCR tests and advised home isolation protocols to the positive patients. Besides, Om Prakash also motivates people on benefits of vaccination.