

The All-India Anglo-Indian Association

Lucknow Branch



DIRECT MAIL LETTER

Dear Members,

A personal message was posted requesting members in our Branch WhatsApp group on **02 June 2021** to come forward and renew their subscriptions for the current year to facilitate assistance to members of the Community in dire need. I am happy to inform you that **84** members have come forward so far and paid their subscription for the period commencing April 2021. **This is of tremendous help to the Branch Committee in these days of desperate need – Thank you.** Head Office share of the subscription amounting to Rs 28522/- has been deposited in H.O. bank account today.

During the month of June our Head Office has floated the following **Hand-in-Hand** projects to assist the members of various Branches during the pandemic. Broadly speaking the assistance offered is in the form of a partnership, wherein the Branch first assist their members in need for the first instalment of 6 weeks followed by the second instalment from Head Office for the following six weeks. The assistance is in the slabs of Rs 700/-, Rs 1100/- and Rs 1500/- after a process of due diligence. The Projects are:

Project -1 **Mike Leahy We Are With You Project (medicines and dry rations)**
Project -2 **The Eddie Jones 'Way Forward' Scheme (Self- employment)**
and a **Joint Education Outreach Programme with the Diana Jones Foundation.**

The quantum of assistance being currently provided by the Branch Committee since **August 2020** to members exceeds what H.O. has proposed in **Project -1** which is why we are unable to adhere to the specifications proposed by H.O for the time being. Dry rations, medicines, medical investigation / hospitalisation / procedures and recent funeral expenses of the Lucknow Branch are borne largely by external benefactors and friends of the community as of now.

With regards to **Project -2** if any member has been seriously affected by the pandemic – financially or have lost their jobs or source of income due to the death of the bread earner of the family and desires to start a self-employment or a mini start-up scheme. Kindly contact the Branch Secretary for further details, we shall be happy to take this forward. Shortly we shall share details of the Joint Education Outreach Programme with the Diana Jones Foundation once we have a clearer picture of the scheme.

Members of the Lucknow Branch whose **names appear on the Branch roll as of 31 March 2021 WHO DO NOT HAVE ANY SOURCE OF INCOME CURRENTLY** may kindly contact the Secretary Mr Warren Hopkins on 8953556655 for assistance with regards to dry rations and medicines. We shall be happy to discreetly assist you ASAP and keep your identity confidential. **Before calling the Secretary kindly ensure your membership status to avoid any embarrassment.** The Branch is presently short of funds and cannot help non-members at this stage.

Members who wish to renew their subscription for the current year via online transaction may contact the Secretary or Treasurer for bank details this is necessary for us to keep a tab on transactions and issue receipts. Kindly **DO NOT** share our account details amongst members. The Committee shall not take responsibility for such transactions. Those who wish to make cash payments are welcome to do so against a printed receipt. The Branch Roll for the current financial year has been posted on our website and in the WhatsApp group.

With all good wishes.

(Adrian Michael)
President

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