

## **STIFTELSEN BRÖDET/SB** Foundation

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Newsletter to Friends and Supporters





## Dear Friends and Supporters,

India is at the risk of having shortage of food: "It might be painful" says a headline in the Swedish newspaper SvD about the spread of the corona virus, and the article starts All India in quarantine – now there is a risk that the country will have a shortage of food, an unexpected consequence of limiting the spread of infection. "It seems likely this could become very painful", says the India expert Sten Widmalm. So far the SvD.

The SB Foundation's collaborating partner at the School for Blind Children in Cooch Behar, India, has received the authorities' permission to distribute food but without any economic support from them. Raj Chhetri comments that, as the School for Blind Children, like all schools and working places in India, have had to close their activities, they immediately realized that the many day-laborers and

poor people would have difficulties in getting food. The school wanted to do its best to help, and managed to deliver food to about 50 families, around 100 people in hospitals and on the streets, and – when the SB Foundation reaches him – they are preparing food for 200 people. Many of the pupils have asked the School for help, because at this time of crises their families have more people to feed, i.e. even the children who normally live at the boarding school and get their food there. We will distribute food to them as well, says Raj. If only we had the money, we could help more people. The virus spreads fast, and as the hospitals cannot test the patients, the hospital staff does not know who do have the corona virus. Doctors and nurses work without proper protective clothing, only wearing a raincoat and a mask of cloth and using ordinary medicine as a treatment.

Help the SB Foundation support the food project in Cooch Behar, so as many as possible might take advantage of it! Thanks!



Greetings from The SB Foundation and the entire Board *Arne, Elisabeth, Ivar, Lena, Roger* 





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