



Tribal Health Initiative

Helping Tribals Heal Themselves

Dear Friend,

We have a small THI staff team running in the TCS World 10k on 21 May this year for our HEALTH programme - both physical and mental HEALTH!

Our Tribal communities physical health; and your peace of mind! Last year we were very pleased to participate and raised Rs 15 lakh (US\$ 22,000). This year we are targeting Rs 20 lakh (US\$ 30,000) to build up our 'Emergency Health' fund. Please support us as much as you possibly can.

You probably are aware that we have had remarkable success over the years since we started in 1993... child mortality has reduced year on year - we estimate our health services have so far saved the lives of **25,000 children and 5,000 mothers**.



**WE ARE RUNNING
TO SAVE LIVES!**

Yes our work is long-term, but we are faced with so many day-to-day situations. On an average day we serve 200 outpatients - just yesterday we were able to drain an abscess on diabetic Laksmi's leg, which would have spread to gangrene and leg amputation within a week. Laksmi was able to pay Rs 250 (US\$4)... we estimate the cost of the treatment provided was Rs 1,500 (US\$ 22). Let me give you one more example... a week ago we were able to perform a surgery for Theerthagiri who had a perforated bowel. Theerthagiri is a dry land farmer who also does daily labour; on a good day he earns Rs 300 /- (US\$ 5). He and his family collected Rs 5,000 (US\$ 75) towards the surgery which cost Rs 20,000 (US\$300).

We are able to provide this life changing service on account of the 'Emergency Health' fund you have helped us build, but which we now seek to renew and expand.

If you would now donate or pledge an amount between Rs 2,000 (US\$ 30) and Rs 5 lakh (US\$ 7,500) towards this fund – Dr Ravi, Dr Sarin, Senthil and Annamalai will be running on your behalf with an extra spring in their stride knowing that together we really are... **helping tribals heal themselves**.



Thank you very sincerely for your support,

Regi, Lalitha & Team - THI

To support us:

Cheques/DD may be made in the name of 'Tribal Health Initiative', payable at State Bank of India, Kotapatty branch (Bank code: 6244) or ICICI Bank, Salem (A/c: 611901076914). All banks are in Tamil Nadu, India.

ONLINE donations can be sent to 'TRIBAL HEALTH INITIATIVE [donations from India only]

State Bank of India, Kotapatty – a/c nmbtr 11689302723 – IFScode -SBIN0006244

OR

ICICI Bank, Salem – a/c nmbtr – 611901076914 – IFScode – ICIC0006119

Please send us an email after you transfer , so that we can issue receipts.