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## Barclays India announces Community Aid Package for non-profits towards Covid-19 relief measures

*Part of its global £100m COVID-19 Community Aid Package*

**Mumbai, May 27, 2020**– Barclays India has announced charity partners that the firm will be supporting in India towards Covid-19 relief measures. The support for the partners is part of the firm’s global £100m COVID-19 Community Aid Package.

The chosen partners are currently active in the areas of distributing food, providing shelter and emergency support to vulnerable communities and low income families most at risk of hardship including elderly people, disabled people, pregnant women, children, migrant workers and those with limited access to government support.

“We are supporting these charity partners in the countries that we operate in, as our response to fight against COVID-19. By partnering with these incredible charities, we hope to amplify their impactful work and provide relief to even more vulnerable individuals and families in need of support,” said Jaideep Khanna, Head of Barclays, Asia Pacific and Country Manager, India. “I am immensely proud to be part of an organization that is playing an active role in supporting its communities during these challenging times, working together with clients and colleagues to assist those impacted most by the crisis.”

Barclays has also launched a matched donations programme for its employees and pledges to match their personal donations to support local relief efforts. The £50m matched donation programme is part of the global £100m COVID-19 Community Aid Package.

Barclays India’s COVID-19 charity partners are:

**Akshaya Patra, India** provide mid-day meals to school children from low-income families to increase attendance at schools and ensure children have access to an education. Barclays’ support will provide vulnerable groups with access to food, organise ready meals at migrant camps and distribute dry groceries and cooked meals across the country.

**Goonj, India** provides disaster relief, humanitarian aid and community development projects across India. Barclays’ funding will support daily wagers, migrants, and other vulnerable groups that have inadequate access to social security services and basic amenities.

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**Magic Bus India Foundation, India** equips children and young people in India with the skills and knowledge that they need to move out of poverty. Barclays' support will help the organisation to engage with hard to reach communities, supporting them with access to food, awareness sessions on COVID-19 and helping them recognise symptoms so that they reach out for medical care in time.

**Oxfam India**, provides relief and aid to the most vulnerable, including migrant workers, slum dwellers and rag pickers who have no access to any social security schemes. Barclays' funding will be used to distribute food and essential hygiene kits to vulnerable families across the country. Oxfam will also run COVID-19 prevention education sessions.

**Plan International, India** works to advance children's rights and equality for girls. Barclays' funding will support the organisation to provide vulnerable groups in disadvantaged families, including children, pregnant women and adolescent girls, with food and hygiene products, and will support with awareness raising initiatives during the crisis.

**Prime Minister's Citizen Assistance and Relief in Emergency Situations Fund (PM CARES Fund), India** was set up by the Government of India to provide relief to vulnerable communities adversely impacted by COVID-19. Barclays' support will help the Fund to build community resilience through the provision of shelter, food and hygiene products.