Support for students enrolled skill training courses of DDUGKY during lock down period

Hope you all will recall the ‘Making an Impact’ Article - 04, ‘Making an Impact’ Article - 60, ‘Making an Impact’ Article - 61 etc where the details and various aspects about Deen Dayal Upadhyay Grameen Kaushalya Yojana (DDUGKY), the skill training programme which is being implemented in Kerala through Kudumbashree was well explained. When the crisis of corona virus spread started 7790 students were getting trained in various courses at 94 training centres. On the grounds of this pandemic, foreseeing the security of the students, the classes were closed on 11 March itself. We are happy that most of the students were able to return to their houses before lockdown.

We are implementing various activities during this lock down period to interact with students and keep them active during lock down period. The aim is also to assist increase their knowledge and create more job opportunities. The details of the three activities are given as follows:

1. Making available the study materials online
The syllabus, Teaching-Learning Ma-
Material (TLM), powerpoint presentations, videos and other study materials were made available to the students through the website of Kudumbashree. The course materials of 35 sectors and the study materials for english, soft skills and IT are given in the website. Students are informed about this and were encouraged to download and read the same from the website.

2. Online Classes

The training agencies were directed to start online classes for the students for engaging them during lockdown and to ensure that they don’t lose touch with subject. These online classes are not a substitute for their regular classes, but are aimed only at engaging them and to provide continuous inputs and revision. As per this, many of our Program Implementing Agencies (PIA’s) started activity which students can join through phone and laptop. The classes are given to the students through the communication channels like whatsapp, zoom, go to meeting etc and the study materials are also shared. 26 training agencies are giving such trainings. Weekly reviews of the students is also being done.

In addition, the training agencies were encouraged to give the CSR fund for preventive activities and many agencies have supported. In addition, agencies and students also got involved in cotton mask production and manufacturing of sanitiser. The students and DDUGKY training agencies also enrolled as volunteers and participated in various government projects.