**ChildFund International**

**Humanitarian Situation Report Template**

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**COVID-19 – [Sri Lanka]**

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**[From 10th February 2021 to 10th March 2021]**

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**Part 1: The Overall Situation**

**COUNTRY: Sri Lanka: As of 10th February 2021**

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| **Total Number of COVID-19 Cases Reported** | **Number of Deaths** | **Number of Cases Recuperated** |
| 86039 | 507 (137 new death for last month) | 82753 |
| |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | Total number of confirmed cases | |  | | Imported cases (Returnees from other countries) | Foreigners | 187 | | Sri Lankans | 2174 | | Local Cases | Navy & their close contacts | 950 | | Kandakadu cluster & their close contacts | 651 | | Minuwangoda/Paliyagoda/ Prison cluster | 81764 | | Others | 313 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | Total Number Confirmed | 86039 | | Total Number Recovered | 82753 | | Total Number of Deaths | 507 | | Active cases - today 10am | 3286\*\* |   A remote island has been chosen by Sri Lanka's government for the burial of Covid-19 victims from the minority Muslim and Christian communities.The government previously forced minorities to cremate their dead in line with the practice of the majority Buddhists. It claimed burials would contaminate ground water. But the government backed down last week in the face of vehement criticism from rights groups. Iranathivu island in the Gulf of Mannar is the designated site for burials. It lies some 300km (186 miles) away from the capital, Colombo, and was chosen, the government says, because it is thinly populated.  During last month, Sri Lanka has reported the highly contagious new variant of the coronavirus found in the U.K. It was the third variant of coronavirus to be detected in the country, mentioning four different locations from where samples have been tested positive for the new U.K. variant.  Vaccination, Sri Lanka has administered at least 737,062 doses of COVID vaccines so far assuming every person needs 2 doses, that’s enough to have vaccinated about 1.7% of the country’s population. This vaccine rollout data is reported by the number of doses of coronavirus vaccine administered, not the number of people who have been vaccinated. Because most vaccines require two doses and many countries have different schedules to deliver the second dose, we don’t know with this data how many people have ultimately received both doses. During the last week reported, Sri Lanka averaged about 34,910 doses administered each day. At that rate, it will take a further 125 days to administer enough doses for another 10% of the population.  Schools outside Sri Lanka’s western province that were closed due to the pandemic will reopen next week, Monday, March 15th. The ministry of Health recommended that classes recommence for all grades at all schools outside the Colombo, Gampaha and Kaluthara districts. Schools in the western province will reopen for students in grades 5, 11 and 13 on the same day, while other grades will recommence after the April holidays on April 19, The reopening of western province schools have been uncertain owing to a high incidence of COVID-19 cases in the three districts. Students who have enrolled into grade 1 at western province schools will also begin their classes on April 19. | | |
| SOURCE:  <https://www.hpb.health.gov.lk/en>  https://www.epid.gov.lk/web/index.php?option=com\_content&view=article&id=225&lang=en | | |

**ChildFund-supported areas:**

**(Provide only if you have reliable data on this. You can report on a consolidated basis or by program state/region/province/etc. if you have this detail.)**

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| Local Partner | Geographical area (country or state/region/province | Total Number of COVID19 Cases Reported | Number of Deaths | Number of Cases Recuperated | Remarks |
| VOICE | Puttalam | 452 | One dead reported from Tricomali (CDF working area) | Except Nuwara Eliya (01 case) , no any recuperated cases in other districts. |  |
| Polonnaruwa | 65 |
| AUL | Batticaloa | 96 | Approximately 4000 individuals are on self-quarantine none of them are not enrolled. |
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| Abhimana | Monaragala | 5 | Approximately 2200 individuals are on self-quarantine none of them are not enrolled. |
| Matale | 2 |
| Anuradhapura | 21 |
| Hambantota | 15 |
| CDF | Trincomalee | 13 | 304 families on self quarantine in our working area. Two enrolled families |
| T Field | Nuwara Eliya | 215 | 112 enrolled families under home quarantined |
| SOURCE: MOH reports and PHI reports from respective districts. | | | | | |

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| **Any relevant background information about areas affected.**  **(Instructions: Host government posture: Have they declared a state of emergency and/or requested outside assistance? Which nationwide measures has the government taken, e.g., limitation on meetings, internal travel, school closures etc., What responses has the government put into place to address the health crisis and/or the economic impact? What travel restrictions has the government put in place for travelers entering the country?)** |
| **Declaration of State of Emergency:**   * Government has not declared a “State of Emergency”. |

**Part 2: The Situation in Areas Where ChildFund Works**

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| **Partner Organization (Use Salesforce identifying code/name.)** | **# of Enrolled and Sponsored Children** | | **COVID19 Cases Reported in ChildFund Communities (Y/N/Unknown) Provide number if available.** | **Number of Enrolled Children Reported with COVID19 (If available)** | **Number of enrolled children diseased as result of COVID19** | **Remarks** |
| Sponsored | Enrolled |
| VOICE | 2,445 | 2,998 | No | 04 | No |  |
| Abhimana | 2,961 | 3,604 | No | No | No |  |
| CDF | 2,153 | 2,552 | No | No | No |  |
| T Field | 2,481 | 2,758 | 24 | 2 | No |  |
| AUL/VDO | 1,511 | 2,619 | No | No | NO |  |
| PTK Direct Project | 934 | 1,858 | No | No | No |  |
| **Total** | **12,485** | **16,389** |  |  |  |  |

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| **Child Deaths:**  **(Instructions List any sponsored child (with Partner organization and child ID from salesforce) diseased as a result of COVID19. (Note: These need to be reported immediately following the regular sponsorship protocols.)** |
| No Deaths |

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| **Partner Organization (Use Salesforce identifying code/name.)** | **What is the status of the program/sponsorship processes (operational/suspended)?** | | | | | |
| Program Implementation | CVS | M&E  Level 2 | Enrollment /Disaffiliation | Sponsorship Communication | DFC |
| VOICE | * Staff have been instructed to be more cautious on safety measures during office operation as well as the field movements. Field level activities are conducted via digital platforms. * In T-Field office, one of the community development assistants associated with covid positive individual. Due to this incident, office has temporarily closed. | | | | | |
| Abhimana |
| CDF |
| AUL |
| T Field |

**Part 3: ChildFund’s Response**

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| **3.a. Overall Response**  (Instructions: Who is or will be leading/managing the response? How is ChildFund linked with humanitarian coordination structures, i.e., in which clusters or working groups do we participate? The most recent/next meeting and who is representing ChildFund? Donor meetings we have attended, or missions that we are aware of related to the response?) |
| * ChildFund Sri Lanka together with Local Partners have established e platforms connecting children, youth, adults, and stakeholders by reaching over about 5900 direct participants and 46,000 indirect participants. * ChildFund Sri Lanka together with Local partners have reached out to over 302,000 persons through COVID-19 Response actions. |

**3.b.1. Stop COVID-19 from infecting children and families**

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| **ChildFund’s Global Response Plan**  **To help children and families protect themselves from COVID-19, we are installing community, handwashing stands; educating communities about symptoms, hygiene measures and where to get tested or treatment; and distributing soap, hand sanitizer, gloves and masks to families and frontline, health workers. For children who are being treated for COVID-19 or are subject to quarantine measures, we are creating child-friendly spaces with age-appropriate toys and reading matter.** |
| Progress   * ChildFund Sri Lanka together with Ministry of Child Affairs and Health Promotion Bureau launched a video to the social media on health and safety practice in the reopening preschool and day care centers. * A video developed by Health Promotion Bureau, UNICEF and ChildFund Sri Lanka on health and safety concerns on COVID-19 was telecasted in few major TV channels reaching community island wide during the months of April and May. * Regarding risk awareness, ChildFund have reached out to total of 104,000 persons and children. |

**3.b.2. Ensure that children get food they need**

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| **ChildFund’s Global Response Plan**  **To ensure that the most vulnerable families can keep food on the table, pay rent and cover other basic needs, we are providing cash for those families most needing this support, such as those who have lost their income because of COVID-19, child or elder-headed households, and/or households affected by disability or chronic illness. Where possible, we are distributing food and basic household items directly, carefully abiding by COVID-19 protection measures** |
| Progress  6,273 families received cash and food assistance, this month AUL has supported 10 HHs.   * 3,876 needy families referred to government and other humanitarian actors on food security needs |

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| **3.b.2. 1. Cash Transfers and vouchers**  **(Instructions: Is your CO planning or implementing cash transfers or vouchers as part of COVID19 response? If so, brief description of progress to date.)** |
| * 159 Families have reached under conditional cash grant program. |

***Cash transfers or vouchers executed***

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| **Beneficiaries** | | | **Amount transferred (US$)** | **Transfer mechanism (i.e. mobile money, banking system other financial service provider etc,** |
| *Total* | *Gender (if available)* | |
|  | Female | Male |  |  |
| 159 | - | - | $ 2,200.00 | By cheques and direct cash |

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| **3.b.2.2. Other responses in relation to objective 3.b.2:** |
| N/A |

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| **3.b.3. Keep children safe from Violence : physically and emotionally**  **ChildFund’s Global Response Plan**  **We are supporting community-based child protection systems that identify, respond to and refer cases of abuse, neglect, violence or exploitation. We are also providing virtual, online psychological first aid and counseling, and supporting temporary shelters for children who live on the street, providing hygiene supplies, food and other basics. We are also arranging safe and appropriate care for children who are separated from their caregivers due to treatment or prevention measures.** |
| Progress   * ChildFund Sri Lanka has reached out to 138,000 children through Child Protection and Psychosocial support programs * ChildFund Sri Lanka is connected with UNICEF on consulting children through U-Report to obtain children concerns on the impact of COVID-19 Pandemic. * ChildFund Sri Lanka is leading an advocacy initiative through SAIEVAC to obtain children CP concerns on the impact of COVID-19 Pandemic and bring attention of higher government officials to take necessary actions. |

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| **3.b.4. Help children continue to do their job: Learning**  **ChildFund’s Global Response Plan**  **While schools remain closed, we are supporting children’s learning through activities and tutoring sessions online or by radio. For students without reliable internet access, we are distributing home learning kits with materials and guides for their use.** |
| Progress   * ChildFund Sri Lanka has reached out to 44,600 children through the Educational Support Program. * ChildFund Sri Lanka participated with Ministry of Education (Sri Lanka) (MoE), UNICEF, National institute of education Sri Lanka (NIE), Australia in Sri Lanka and Maldives, Room to Read Sri Lanka, Save The Children Srilanka to develop home-based learning material for over 665,000 lower primary school children. |

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| **3.b.5. Health Assistance** |
| * ChildFund Sri Lanka has reached out to over 38,000 persons on providing health assistance and about 9,900 persons are provided with personal protection equipment. * 8 District Secretariats, 18 Divisional Secretariats and 12 MoH Offices are provided with staff PPE Kits, Automatic Disinfection Sprayers, and cleaning supplies. |

**Below Sections for Internal Use Only**

**Part 4: Office and Staff Status**

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| Office Status (Open/Closed) | Number of Staff: | | | | |
| Diagnosed with COVID19 | Diseased from COVID19 | Working from Office | Working from Home | On Special Leave |
| Closed | No | No | Decided to have 3 compulsory office days from next week onwards. | Two days work from home | No |
| Notes:   * Any cases of staff diseased need to be reported immediately to RD and GHR. * Special leave as per [COVID19 Administrative Guidelines](https://childfundintl.sharepoint.com/:b:/g/News/COVID-19/ETFAT1mC_8BHjamXXOqMs3gBRsmi2thcbUO4qLhyddl4kA?e=zYbNiC).   Number of staff/partner organization staff completed WHO COVID online training <https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019/training/online-training>. | | | | | |

**Part 5 Human Resources**

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| **Questions** | **Answers** |
| Which visitors are there in the country?  (Please include names, functions, contact information and arrival/departure dates for both IO and RO staff (note: due to the travel ban, this will apply only once the ban has been lifted) | No Visitors |
| Any gaps in staffing/need for deployment from other COs or Global Teams? | No |
| Are there any other major HR issues? | No |

**Part 6 Safety & Security**

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| **Questions** | **Answers** |
| **Are police and other services functioning in the normal manner?** | All most all functioning as usual |
| **Are the courts still operating?** | All most all functioning as usual |
| **Are there reports of looting or increased criminality?** | No, but there were few cases reported due to economic burden. |
| **Have military personal being deployed to patrol towns or cities?** | Yes |
| **Confirm the safety of staff and their families in the affected area.** | No special concerns reported yet |
| **Have Safety and security risks/mitigation plans been updated to current environment?** | EPP Available |
| **Recommendations around any upcoming travel planned for staff or donors (note: Only once global travel ban has been lifted)** | Travelling to Project areas is restricted   * International travels are postponed till further notice and 14/21 days center-based quarantine period is still applicable for international travels. |

Part 7 Grants

List all active grants:

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| **Grant Job Code** | **Grant Name** | **Donor** | **Status of Implementation (Normal/Reduced/**  **Suspended)** | **Any specific guidance received from donor? (Yes/No)** |
| 12-0373D | Inclusion of children with disability in the North of Sri Lanka (CBR 2) | ChildFund Germany, BMZ | Restarted under new normal condition. |  |
| 12-0410D | Eco-system based, youth-led Disaster Risk Reduction Project | ChildFund Korea | Restarted under new normal condition. |  |
| 12-0422D | Child Protection and Education Project – Mullativu | ChildFund Korea | Restarted under new normal condition. |  |
| 12-0435D | Social Inclusion of Persons with Disabilities in Sri Lanka through Community Based Rehabilitation (CBR) | LIPOID foundation and ChildFund Germany | Restarted under new normal condition. |  |
| 12-0397D | Water and Sanitation in Schools and Communities – Batticaloa – Phase 2 | ChildFund New Zealand | Restarted under new normal condition. |  |

Provide any additional narrative on how the COVID19 crisis affects implementation of your major grants.

**Part 8 Funding**

Provide information about potential sources of funding, including grant donors, subsidy, Emergency Action Fund, Alliance members, GIK, etc., for these emergency response efforts using the chart below:

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| **Donor** | **Program** | **Amount (USD)** | **Confirmed? (Y/N)** | **Requested? (Y/N)** | **Funds Received (Y/N)** | **Status** |
| ChildFund IO  Revised Subsidy Funding | Overall Response Actions  (Revised Internal Resources) | 377,604.00 | Yes | Yes | Received | completed |
| ChildFund Sri Lanka PEF | Overall Response Actions  (Revised Internal Resources) | 26,737.00 | Yes | Yes | Received | completed |
| ChildFund Korea | Education and Child Protection | 76,920.00 | Yes | Yes | Received | completed |
| BMZ and ChildFund Germany | Targeting Children Disabilities  (Revision of CBR Project Exchange gain) | 20,000.00 | Yes | Yes | Received | completed |
| ChildFund IO EAF | Livelihoods Recovery through Cash based program | 25,000.00 | Yes | Yes | Yes | On going |

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| **Budget?**  **(**Outline how we will use this funding with a rough topline budget.) |
| * ChildFund Sri Lanka has developed an overall strategy for overall COVID-19 response program |

**Part 9 Media/Communications**

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| **Questions** | **Answers** |
| List of media who will be or have been contacted with press releases. | None |
| List of emergency CO spokespeople, including name, location, contact information, and languages spoken. | Nominated CD or Country Manager of Sri Lanka. |
| Plans for collecting photos/videos/stories, e.g., should an outside photographer be hired? | Being collected. |
| Key points for messaging and visibility, particularly any host-government sensibilities that must be considered. | None yet |

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| **Support needed or requested from IO, GSS or Global Teams – whether onsite or remote.** |
| * Support in possible resource mobilization efforts of Country Office |

**10. Next Steps:**

1. Next NERT meeting will be on 18th March 2021 at 3.00 pm.
2. Coordination meeting with Implementing Partners will be on 18th March 2021 at 2.00 pm.