

SAHAYATA TRUST MUZAFFARNAGAR RIOTS 2013



OVERVIEW

In the aftermath of the communal riots that took place in early September 2013, thousands of innocent individuals, who were uprooted from their villages, were given refuge in different make-shift camps. According to the National Human Rights Commission (NHRC), a total of fifteen deaths were recorded in the relief camp after the riots; eight of these were babies. Out of the 30 deliveries that took place, three babies had died. Al Jazeera English reported that an additional 30 children died due to the harsh cold.

SAHAYATA TRUST'S RESPONSE

Volunteers of Sahayata Trust thoroughly studied both Muzaffarnagar & Shyamli Districts and coordinated the relief activities there. To begin with, Sahayata Trust distributed basic amenities such as blankets, soaps and medications. In the second stage, volunteers distributed clothes, medicines and food grains. Sahayata Trust donated relief material worth over Rs. 23 lakhs in both phases combined.

Along with the riots relief, Sahayata Trust chalked out a plan to provide winter relief to the victims by distributing 1000 tents, 6000 blankets, and 6000 mattresses. The total cost of Phase - 3 is Rs. 66 lakhs. Relief activities were carried out in the following camps:

- Bibipur Camp, Shyamli District
- Mansoora Camp (1st)Shyamli District
- Mansoora Camp (2nd) Shyamli District
- Mansoora, Islam nagar (3rd) Shyamli
- District
- Dhabadi Khurd Camp Shyamli District
- Malakpur Shyamli District
- Mandi -Shyamli District
- Panchli Muzaffarnagar District
- Jasar Sultan Nagar Muzaffarnagar District
- Harra Muzaffarnagar District
- Khiwayi Muzaffarnagar District
- Nangla Muzaffarnagar District



Sahayata Trust brought together volunteers from multi-national companies such as Microsoft, HCL and Reliance who came up with an optimized plan for the distribution of relief material. The trust also took the help of local volunteers for co-ordination.



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