



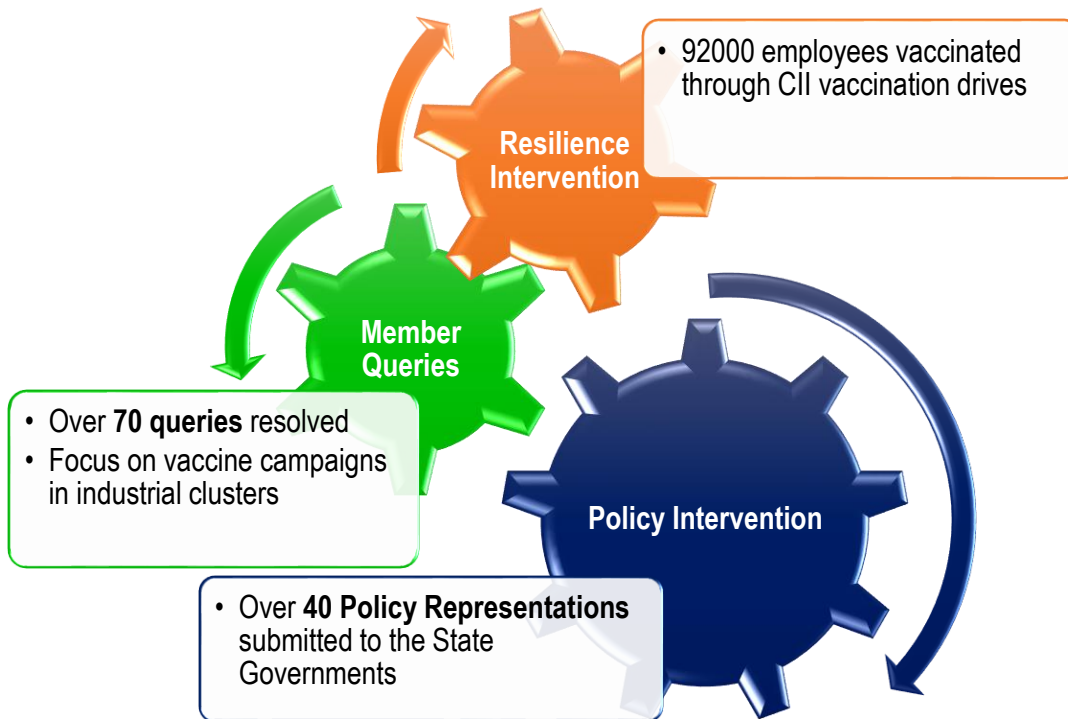
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COVID-19 2nd Wave DECCAN DESPATCH

CII SOUTHERN REGION NEWSLETTER

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POLICY ADVOCACY & INTERVENTIONS DURING SECOND WAVE OF COVID-19



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State	Queries Raised	Resolved	Representations Submitted	Accepted
Andhra Pradesh	11	8	6	2
Karnataka	12	4	6	1
Kerala	23	22	11	9
Puducherry	7	3	3	2
Tamil Nadu	16	11	10	6
Telangana	33	23	5	5
Total	102	71	41	25



Mr T V Narendran, President Designate, CII addressed and interacted with members of CII Southern Regional Council, 13 May 2021



Mr Narendran highlighted that vaccination is the most effective intervention Industry can provide to ensure protection of both lives and livelihoods during the pandemic. It is also the only way forward to engage in economic activity at the earliest. He said that CII is working on 'Project Vaccine Nation.' The project envisages mapping the vaccine

requirements of member companies and facilitating availability. CII is also working with large industries towards augmenting the production of medical oxygen across the country, he further said.

Mr C K Ranganathan, Chairman, CII Southern Region said that special focus was given on Covid-19 interventions at the state & the zonal level by focusing on key areas like Vaccination, augmenting medical requirements like supply of Oxygen, ICU Beds, Ventilators etc. CII is also working on creating awareness among the public and industries on the impact of Covid second wave besides focusing on the relief and rehabilitation measures in partnership with industry, he said.



INTERACTIONS AND REPRESENTATIONS



Meeting with Minister for Industries Mr M Goutham Reddy, Minister for Industries, Government of Andhra Pradesh on 13 May 2021

Key discussion points included Industry support for urgent procurement of items for medical interventions in the State:

1. Oxygen Concentrators - (estimated 15,000)
2. Ventilators (around 7,000 - 10,000)
3. Cryogenic Tankers of capacities of 5 KL/ 10 KL/ 20 KL (Manufacturer: VRV Asia based out of Sri City)

4. D4 Type Medical Grade Cylinders (5,000 - 10,000)
5. Setting up of makeshift COVID care centers at industry premises / close to oxygen generating plants.
6. Establishment of PSA oxygen plants at Hospitals catering to large number of covid patients.

Government also urged Industry to carry out Vaccination of their employees and family members.

CII assured possible support from CII membership to State Govt's effort in the present environment.

Meeting with Mr M K Stalin, Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu on Pandemic Interventions on 9 May 2021

Tamil Nadu Chief Minister Mr M K Stalin held a meeting with select industry representatives on 09th May 2021 and asked for their feedback on challenges the industrial units are facing during the lockdown.

Mr CK Ranganathan, Chairman, CII Southern Region and Dr S Chandrakumar, Chairman, CII Tamil Nadu joined the discussions

Key points suggested include:

- Workforce to be allowed to work during the night curfew / lockdown period;
- Employee movement may be permitted during night curfew / lockdown period;
- Separate guidelines for Manufacturing/Auto industries during the lockdown;
- To provide passes and permission for industrial employees, staff involved in continuous processes, export related work, fire, safety, security, spares department, etc.- for commuting to work on a daily basis by own transport / company vehicle, without any trouble from the police.

Virtual Meeting with Mr E Vallavan, IAS, Secretary, Department of Industries and Commerce, Labour and LAD, Government of Puducherry on 12 May 2021



CII Puducherry facilitated an Interaction with Mr E Vallavan, IAS, Secretary - Industries & Commerce, Labour, Government of Puducherry to discuss and seek feedback about the proposed lockdown and new guidelines. Around 150 participants attended the session. Representatives from Pharma Association, Plastic Association, Mettupalayam Industries Association, Sedarapet Industries Association, Karaikal Industries Forum, Thattanchavady Industries Association and Thirubuvanai Industrial Association were also present.

Following points were discussed during the meeting:

- Industries suggested that a nodal officer to be appointed to facilitate with the e pass and permissions to be issued online for industries to operate by following SOP's and guidelines issued by Government from time to time.
- Government should also communicate to the ground level staff working in field (Law & Order and Check Posts) for the smooth movement of employees and transport.
- Government should allow working hours from 8 to 12 for industries to manage the employees.
- Secretary Industries & Commerce & Labour has assured that the government will form a taskforce who will work on day to day operational issues

Meeting with Mr Vikranth Raja, IAS, Secretary to Government, Department of PWD and Tourism, Government of Puducherry on 10 May 2021

Mr Srikanth Sivaraman, Past Chairman, CII Puducherry & Director, Snam Alloys Pvt Ltd and Mr B Srinivas Satish, State Head, Puducherry joined the meeting with Mr Vikranth Raja, IAS, Secretary – Department of PWD and Tourism, Government of Puducherry.

The discussions focussed on creating infrastructure of 146 beds with oxygen facility at TB Hospital. Snam Alloys Pvt Ltd has come forward to support the project which has a value is Rs 17.99 Lakhs.

Meeting with Dr T Arun, IAS, Secretary to Government, Department of Health, Government of Puducherry, 11 May 2021

Mr Vijay Ganesh K, Chairman, CII Puducherry & Managing Director, Poclain Hydraulics Pvt Ltd, Dr S Surender, Vice Chairman, CII Puducherry & Director, The Flavors India (P) Ltd and Mr B Srinivas Satish, State Head, Puducherry met Dr T Arun, IAS, Secretary – Department of Health, Government of Puducherry on 11 May 2021 to apprise him about the progress of work of 567 beds with oxygen facility at IGMCRI, TB Hospital and Karaikal Govt. Hospital.

During the meeting the office bearers requested permission for industries to create makeshift infrastructure as isolation centre for employees and family members. Secretary has positively responded and directed his office to work on the proposal. A request was also submitted to appoint nodal officer for coordinating with industries on medical relief materials.

Interaction with Mr Jayesh Ranjan, Principal Secretary, Industries & Commerce, Government of Telangana on 12 May 2021



Mr Jayesh Ranjan, Principal Secretary, Industries & Commerce, Govt. of Telangana, held a meeting with select industry representatives including CII on 12th May 2021 and asked for their feedback on challenges the industrial units are facing during the lockdown.

Mr CK Ranganathan, Chairman, CII Southern Region, Mr Sameer Goel, Chairman, CII Telangana and Mr Vagish Dixit, Vice Chairman, CII Telangana joined the meeting.

Mr Ranjan requested the Industry to support mobilizing Covid medical and relief supplies and other medical infrastructure. Some of the key requirements highlighted include: Rapid Antigen Test kits, Medicines, Oxygen 450MT, ICU beds, and Flowmeter and oxymeter.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATIONS

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH		
G.O.RT.No. 236	16/05/2021	Sanction of an amount of Rs.15,000/- towards funeral charges for the death of every COVID patient for the year 2021-22.
Order No.121/COVID-19/HMFW/2020-21	12/05/2021	Launch of Oxygen Management System portal - "pranavayuvu" to track the production, Stocks, Consumption, Demand and Supply of Medical Oxygen in real time
Order No.120/COVID-19/HMFW/2020-21	12/05/2021	Establishment of temporary/semi -permanent hospitals with allied facilities in the premises of major Government Hospitals of the state
G.O.Ms.No. 52	11/05/2021	Revision of existing per day packages for Critical and Non-Critical care for treatment of COVID-19 cases under Aarogyasri
G.O.RT.No. 213	09/05/2021	Exemption for Transportation and handling of animal fodder and fish feed in the state curfew
Order No.119/COVID-19/HMFW/2020-21	08/05/2021	Constitution of State Oxygen War Room (SOWR) and District Oxygen War Rooms (DOWR) to ensure the unrestricted and uninterrupted supply of Oxygen in the state
GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA		
No. HFW 154 ACS2021	11/05/2021	Guidelines on Supply and Distribution of Remdesivir and Oxygen
No. HFW 148 ACS 2021	09/05/2021	Guidelines for Medical Oxygen Management in Karnataka
No. NVBDCP/COVID-19/EST7K/2020-21	09/05/2021	Further guidelines regarding admission, discharge and transfer of Covid-19 patients during the ongoing 2 nd wave of COVID-19 pandemic
GOVERNMENT OF KERALA		
G.O.(Rt)No.416/2021/DMD	14/05/2021	Containment activities- second phase lock down in the State from 16 th May-2021 to 23 rd May-2021-orders issued
G.O.(Rt)No.415/2021/DMD	13/05/2021	Guidelines for ensuring the availability of Medical oxygen within the state

GOVERNMENT OF PUDUCHERRY

No 104/PSEC/COVID19/ 2021 08/05/2021 Lockdown extended with effect from 10th May to 24th May 2021

GOVERNMENT OF TAMIL NADU

G.O. (Ms) No. 233 10/05/2021 Treatment protocol for patients with corona virus infection - Orders issued

GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA

G.O.Ms.No.102 11/05/2021 Imposition of Lockdown from 12/05/2021 to 22/05/2021.

G.O.Ms.No.8 11/05/2021 Guidelines for operating industries in the state following Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) during the lockdown between 12/05/2021 to 22/05/2021.

MAPPING FACILITIES AND DEVICES ACROSS SOUTHERN REGION**Medical Infrastructure in South India**

Title / State	Andhra Pradesh	Karnataka	Kerala	Puducherry	Tamil Nadu	Telangana
Availability/ Consumption						
Hospital beds	45734/ 37206	12636/ 9770	96152/ 51105	2140/ 1484	39500/ 29850	53672/ 28625
ICU beds / Without ventilators	6406/ 6107	602/ 567			9122/ 8630	
ICU Beds with Ventilators		518/ 511	7293/ 5209	224/ 205	1561/ 1257	11315/ 8392
O2 General Beds	23180/ 21656		21458/ 15495	1534/ 1495	39586/ 36889	20744/ 14485
General Beds	16148/ 9443	6524/ 4379			29912/ 20511	21613/ 5748s
COVID Care Centres		2476/ 755			267/ 267	50/ 50
CFLTC's			14480/ 7984			18682/ 3877
CSLTC'S			8312/ 5291			15196/ 7860

Mapping Medical Devices and Consumables in South India

Title / State	Andhra Pradesh	Karnataka	Kerala	Puducherry	Tamil Nadu	Telangana
Availability/ Consumption						
Ventilators	2660/2009	331/ 320	2082/ 1482	224/ 205		12481/ 9255
Oxygen		*500 MT	600 MT/ 102 MT	100 MT/ 82 MT		4000 MT/ 200 MT / day

Sites - Public & Private Health facilities - Conducting Vaccination Total

Title/ State	Andhra Pradesh	Kerala	Puducherry	Tamil Nadu	Telangana
Public Health Facilities	959	642	121	2532	61
Private Health Facilities	9	106		255	55
COVID Testing Facilities		383		267	
Public Health Facilities		27		69	
Private Health Facilities		356		198	

Covid Vaccine Doses Administered so far:

	AP		Karnataka		Kerala		Puducherry		Tamil Nadu		Telangana	
	76,34,560		1,11,49,833		82,26,105		2,28,235		70,72,199		54,47,541	
COVISHIELD/ COVAXIN	1 Dose	2 Doses	1 Dose	2 Doses	1 Dose	2 Doses	1 Dose	2 Doses	1 Dose	2 Doses	1 Dose	2 Doses
	54,81,759	21,52,801	86,72,653	24,77,180	62,57,413	19,68,692	1,79,527	48,708	51,61,608	19,10,591	43,85,309	10,62,232

CII-SR RELIEF AND REHABILITATION INITIATIVES

Exemplar contributions of CII members in tackling the COVID crises

- Federal Bank:** Provision of 100 ICU Beds at the Special Covid Block, First Line Treatment centres at various locations, provided health workers with protection gear, Covid Test kits and PCR Testing machine, 10,000 Vaccine Carriers and Three AC vans to Malappuram District for vaccination drives.
- KRAN Consulting Pvt Ltd:** developed AssamCARES - a registration and management portal, helpline facility was set up for stranded citizens, quarantine management portal, CoVault- an all-in-one platform for the public to access authentic and sourced information related to Covid-19 in India and My India Cares - a Reporting Platform for the public to highlight issues of people stranded during the CoVid-19 crisis or any other crisis.
- Elite Foods Group:** 2 HFNC Therapy device to Thrissur Medical College
- Western India Cashew Co Pvt Ltd:** Donated 4 Kidney Dialysis Machines & 2 ICU Ventilators apart from protective gear for frontline workers and public servants, & ration kits for the vulnerable.

- ✚ **Amphenol** has provided a comprehensive financial package of 50 lakhs to the local community
- ✚ **ESAF Small Finance Bank** organised Free COVID 19 Vaccination Camp, provided essential lab equipment for PHC and conducted awareness campaigns on Covid and related care
- ✚ **Terumo Penpol (TPPL)** is working with CII towards the installation of oxygen manifold system apart from providing protective gear for healthcare workers and ration for vulnerable sections of society
- ✚ **Peekay Steel Castings Pvt Ltd** invested INR 2500000/- and has donated a 13 KL Oxygen Tank to the Government Medical College Hospital, supplied 40 Cylinders containing Oxygen and 1400 KL of Liquid oxygen to the District Authorities



- ✚ Working Group on Oxygen Concentrators & ventilators coordinated by Mr Jaydeep Sagare, Director – Purchasing India, Volvo Group India
 - Placed order for oxygen concentrators 5Lpm
 - Gathered requirement for 10lpm, around 120 units of 10lpm is required

- ✚ Working Group on IT Support coordinated by Mr C N Raghupathi, India Business Head, Infosys Ltd
 - Call center facility with current seat capacity of 900 to be scaled up to add another 300 seats. The facility looks to handle 30000 queries per day
 - The working group is ensuring an update of the software of Covid hospital bed management systems (CHBMS)

- ✚ CII in association with Thyrocare setup Covid-19 Testing Facilities. 5 more such facilities are planned shortly.



✚ CII-Yi in partnership with Government of Tamil Nadu launched the Oxygen Bus initiative at the Government Hospital, Tirupur after a successful trial run.

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CII-SOUTHERN REGION IN PRINT AND SOCIAL MEDIA

Move Comes After Hospitals Raise Alarm On O₂ Shortage

Corporates eye vaccine for their workforce

Besides from an employee welfare perspective, such a move is towards... on various aspects pertaining to the vaccines. "We are assessing the demand... all over India, we have received requests for more than 7.15 lakh doses from 700 companies. In Telangana, 30 of the 300 companies to whom we have regis-

Govt comes to the help of MSMEs

Chennai : Chief minister M K Stalin on Tuesday announced a slew of reliefs to MSMEs in the wake of the second wave of the Covid-19 pandemic and the subsequent lockdown impacting their business. The announcement included extending deadlines to renew statutory licenses and payment of capital subsidies, besides prom-

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CII Kerala is setting up a 500 bedded Covid Hospital at Adlux Convention Centre. After setting up it will be handed over to the Government of Kerala #CIIKerala @CII4SR #COVID19India



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CII ACTION PLAN FOR MORE OXYGEN, BEDS



CII-TS hails decision on State-wide lockdown

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT
HYDERABAD
The Confederation of Indian Industry, Telangana has app-

CII joins hands with state govt to boost Covid care infra

BENGALURU, DHNS

As Covid cases surge in Karnataka, corporate India is rushing to help the government in setting up ICU beds and import oxygen concentrators to treat critical Covid patients.

Some of the industry members have already set up Covid care centres in Bengaluru and Mysuru. Companies such as Bosch, BIAL, Volvo, Meritor, BFW, and Boeing among others have already come forward to put together a total of around 600 plus beds in the city, many of which are already operational. Given the shortage of ICU

beds, the industry body said in a statement. Among other companies, 3M, Volvo, Hitachi, ABB, and the Embassy Group supported by technical experts from Columbia Asia Hospital, will be jointly working to set up ICU beds in two hospitals adding around 80 modular ICU beds in Bengaluru, CII said.

The CII has also identified some more hospitals for scaling up ICU beds through the support of industry members in Karnataka.

Many companies have also reached out by extending support in the supply of oxygen concentrators, cylinders, and other medical equipment required.

Oxygen Express & 'Oxygen Bus': A story of vehicles breathing life into Covid patients

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Chennai / Tiruppur

OXYGEN on wheels is the new reality. As the State would receive its first Oxygen Express (LMO) at Tiruvallur station from Rourkela on May 16, Sakthi Nursing Home, Sakthi School, and

Tiruppur Riders Club, to launch 'Oxygen Bus' for Covid-19 patients free of cost in Tiruppur. AS Tamil Nadu is grappling with the shortage of medical oxygen to treat its Covid-19 patients, the Southern Railways has commenced works to ferry the life-saving gas from Odisha and West Bengal to the State. To bring oxygen from Rourke-

la, an empty Oxygen Express had been despatched from Tiruvallur on Tuesday late evening. Meanwhile, explaining what prompted them to launch the 'Oxygen Bus' initiative, CII-Young Indians (Covid wing) coordinator H Iranthar Kumar said, "When we heard about scarcity of oxygen cylinders for Covid-19 patients, we decided to resolve the situation. P4

> CII TN sets up six special working groups

> Ropes in past chairmen and sector specific experts to be part of the groups

> Individual groups are to coordinate with state govt for oxygen, getting additional beds, creating awareness on Covid restrictions and getting all member companies to vaccinate 100% employees

Plea to allot major part of Sterlite's O₂ to south TN

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

Madurai: With oxygen availability in Madurai and the southern region getting worse, hospitals and healthcare experts have demanded that the government take steps to procure a major portion of the life-gas produced at the Sterlite plant to these districts.

Satish Devadoss, con- of the healthcare panel CII, says Madurai depends on two refillers in liquid oxygen from mpudur, Bellary in and Kaniyada in



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Yi Trichy Chapter of CII donated oxygen regulators and laboratory apparatus to Mahatma Gandhi Memorial Government Hospital, Tiruchirappalli. @CII4SR @YITweets



MEMBERS ARE REQUESTED TO DONATE GENEROUSLY TO CII COVID-19 FUNDS

To contribute to the CII COVID-18 Fund Organisation

Organisation Name **CII Foundation**

Project **COVID-19 Relief and Rehab Initiative**

Bank Name **HDFC Bank**

Branch Name **Kasturba Gandhi Marg
New Delhi – 110001**

Account No **50100232980680**

RTGS/ NEFT IFS Code **HDFC0000003**

For cash contributions, members are requested to drop an email to ceo-ciifoundation@cii.in with the subject line “INR_ contributed towards COVID19 Relief and Rehab Initiative” with the donor’s name, mailing address and payment details for purpose of issuing 80G.

To donate in kind, you may contact: Priya Shirali; priya.shirali@cii.in