

The GEOLOG Foundation continually contributes towards charitable causes, now more so than ever with the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.

India is currently experiencing an intense spike in COVID-19 cases which has led to a near-collapse of the public healthcare system, a rise to over 400,000 confirmed new daily cases and over 220,000 COVID-related deaths. With many GEOLOG staff native of India we have reached out to friends and charity workers operating in India and have selected the following charities and fund-raising organisations to which we have made monetary contributions (preferring as always, the smaller more local organisations than the larger, sometimes too bureaucratic, ones as we believe that in times of crisis the smaller ones are often nimbler and can achieve tangible results faster).

Our primary and immediate focus is on financing and procuring vital equipment, being Oxygen, Medical and HSE equipment, as well as helping those individuals that have been badly affected by the pandemic. Additional initiatives will also be announced in the coming days to help support our immediate staff and their families in India.

Selected Charities/Initiatives:

INDIA NEEDS O₂ NOW!

1. India needs O₂ Now! was founded by a group of entrepreneurs and professionals who reside in the USA and Canada, however, are deeply rooted to their homeland in India. Their belief is that love for family, friends, community and country must show up in the way we act today.

The GEOLOG Foundation share their sentiments and have contributed towards their cause to supply oxygen to Indian hospitals. GEOLOG's contribution is going towards acquiring O₂ Concentrators that produce O₂ from ambient air, which therefore doesn't require a consistent supply of oxygen from plants or cylinders. <https://indiao2.org/>

feeding india by zomato

2. Feeding India by Zomato is a not-for-profit organisation that aims to reduce hunger amongst underserved communities in India, their goal entails "better food for more people" and "zero hunger" to take the dream of ending hunger a step closer to reality. *The GEOLOG foundation was particularly interested in this organisation as we had the opportunity to contribute towards providing essential food support to those in need as well as providing hospitals and patients with oxygen and relates supplies. <https://www.feedingindia.org/>*



3. The Hemkunt Foundation started out running free schools in 3 districts in New Delhi, now, almost 11 years later they are running 12+ projects specifically directed towards COVID-19 relief.

The GEOLOG Foundation was exceedingly impressed with The Hemkunt Foundation's initiative and simply had to be a part of their strategy to provide drive-thru oxygen to people in need 24/7. <https://hemkuntfoundation.com/donate-now/>

4. Pune Platform for COVID-19 Response (PPCR) comprises of almost 500 government, private and non-profit sector hospitals, entities and members. PPCR has proactively contributed towards the Indian government's efforts to combat COVID-19 through anything from raising funds to training medical staff.

The GEOLOG Foundation was specifically interested in contributing towards "Mission Vaya", which focusses on the demand for oxygen and ventilators amid the surge in COVID-19 cases. "Mission Vaya" has arranged for the procurement and donation of 250 BiPaPs and 4000 oxygen concentrators for the worst affected areas and hotspots in India. GEOLOG is proud to be associated with this initiative.

<https://www.thehindubusinessline.com/news/pune-industries-launch-mission-vayu-to-meet-oxygen-demand/article34412715.ece>

Ketto

5. Ketto is India's most trusted online crowdfunding platform. Individuals, entrepreneurs and NGO's can raise funds to achieve personal goals, pay medical bills, supplement education supplies or contribute towards feeding the less fortunate.

The GEOLOG Foundation has targeted a group of volunteers who work to fight the COVID-19 pandemic and take care of individuals who are not fortunate enough to secure hospitalisation. More specifically GEOLOG has contributed towards providing oxygen cylinders to patients in need. <https://www.ketto.org/fundraiser/for-oxygen-cylinders-to-those-in-need>.

Our prayers and best wishes go out to all our affected staff and their families in India and across the world.