

## **Aakash Educational Services Limited (AESL) joins hands with ASSOCHAM to support the food requirements of hundreds of healthcare professionals at Safdarjung Hospital's new facility for Covid-19 patients**

- *The support will help a dedicated staff of 500 healthcare professionals working with COVID-19 patients at the hospital*

**New Delhi/ April 8, 2020:** As part of its CSR initiative to extend a helping hand in this time of crisis that the country is facing, Aakash Educational Services Limited (AESL), the national leader in test preparation services, has joined hands with apex industry body, ASSOCHAM, in supporting the food requirements of 500 healthcare professionals/workers at the new facility specially set up at Safdarjung Hospital in the city to care for Covid-19 patients.

In conjunction with ASSOCHAM Foundation For Corporate Social Responsibility, AESL will support lunch and dinner for 500 healthcare personnel (1,000 food packets) every day for the next one week. Safdarjung Hospital has set up a new 500 bed facility for the care of patients affected by Covid for which it will be using a dedicated staff of over 1500 healthcare professionals.

**Said Mr Aakash Chaudhry, Director and CEO, Aakash Educational Services Limited (AESL),** "We feel it is an honour for us if we can in anyway support our Covid Heroes in this time of crisis when they are doing a great service to mankind for being at the forefront of this war that we are fighting against an unknown virus. It is our responsibility to support our COVID-19 frontline workers – doctors, nurses and healthcare personnel – who are working around the clock to save precious lives. I urge people and organizations to contribute and help our country in whatever way possible. At this moment, the need to help the world is greater than at any other time."

Sharing his views on the joint effort by ASSOCHAM and AESL, the **Chamber's Secretary General, Mr Deepak Sood** said, "We are very pleased to collaborate with our esteemed member organizations to support India's fight against the COVID-19 pandemic thereby extending the spectrum of initiatives being undertaken as part of corporate social responsibility (CSR) in these testing times. In our endeavor to advance CSR initiatives aimed at supporting our communities we have joined hands with Aakash Educational Services Limited (AESL) to provide packed meals (twice a day) for 'corona-warriors' including the healthcare professionals, cleaning staff and others for the current week at Delhi's Safdarjung Hospital's new 500 bed facility for COVID-19 patients."

He further said that ASSOCHAM will continue supporting such initiatives as community service is firmly rooted in the chambers' core values.

Aakash Educational Services Limited has always risen to the needs of the nation in the past. Last week, AESL had made a humble contribution of Rs 1 crore out of which Rs 50 lakhs have been donated to the PM Cares Fund created by the Hon'ble Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi, to provide relief to people in any kind of emergency or distress arising out of the current situation. Apart from the PM Cares Fund, AESL has also donated another Rs 50 Lakhs to the Delhi Police Welfare Society acknowledging the services rendered by the Delhi Police and support them in these challenging times.

### **About Aakash Educational Services Limited (AESL)**

Aakash Educational Services Limited (AESL) provides comprehensive test preparatory services for students preparing for Medical and Engineering Entrance Examinations, School/Board Exams and Competitive Exams such as NTSE, KVPY, and Olympiads. AESL believes that the "Aakash" brand is associated with quality coaching and a proven student selection track record in various Medical and Engineering Entrance Examinations, Scholarship exams & Olympiads.

With over 32 years of operational experience in the test preparatory industry, the company has a large number of selections in Medical & Engineering Entrance Exams and several Foundation level Scholarship exams/Olympiads, a pan India network of 200+ Aakash Centres (including franchisee), and a student count of more than 250,000.

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