## **Change through Cooperation and Collective action**



COVID19 has shown the need to build strong, relational networks. Our Aromatic Essential oils cluster in Churachandpur, Manipur runs an orphanage with over 150 children. With the imposition of nationwide lockdown, the orphanage soon started facing the issue of unavailability of ration to provide for the children. Through our networks we contacted the Assam Rifles and soon more than 1200 KGs of ration was made available by the military unit to the orphanage. Troops and Battalions of Assam Rifles have been working continuously to provide assistance to locals by supplying essential food items, ration, masks, hand sanitizers and is informing the general public against the COVID-19 pandemic. Collaborative efforts and joint action of the Churachandpur cluster and Assam Rifles has transformed the scenario at the orphanage in these testing times, making us believe again in power of bringing about change through cooperation and collective action.