

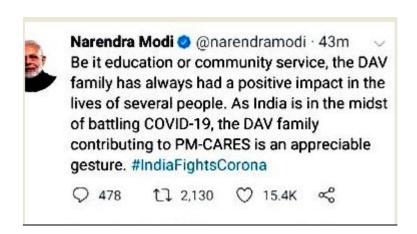


My Brothers and Sisters,

I feel humbled by the massive response given by all of you to my appeal dated 29.03.20. To help the Nation fight the dreaded Covid-19, you have donated liberally and straight from the heart. I am sure that every paisa donated from your hard earned money and given from the heart, will go a long way in fighting this pandemic

न वज़न अहम्, न रक़बा, न आधा, न सवाया; दिया जब दिल से तो सारा जहान दिया गया ।

Even our Prime Minister, Shri Narender Modi ji has appreciated the gesture and the spirit of DAV and the Arya Samaj. A screenshot of his tweet is reproduced.



I also appreciate the efforts of many schools who, along with holding on line classes, are also serving the needy. Many schools and Colleges have made arrangements to provide food etc to the needy. Many teachers have stitched masks at home and given them to the Local Administration for onward distribution. To all those, I can say that you have inculcated in you the true DAV & Arya Samaj Spirit. Today, on seeing the organisation that bears his name, Maharishi Dayanand ji would feel happy and proud that his teachings have borne fruit. He would be happy that every teacher of this dynamic Organisation is not only helping the Nation in its battle against Corona Virus, but is also busy teaching "Manavta" by becoming role models themselves. I thank and salute you all.

I am sure that this extension of the Lockdown - 2 till 3rd of May, will not hamper your spirit. You will carry on the Online classes and motivate your students & their parents to stay gainfully busy while they stay fit and healthy in their homes. Counselling sessions should be started to ensure Physical & Mental health of the youth. I understand that it is tough. But when going gets tough, the tough get going. I am confident that the broad and strong shoulders of the DAV staff can bear any load. Once again, please follow all the safety precautions as given by the Government. I will pray for you.

घर पर रहें, सुरक्षित रहें, स्वस्थ रहें, और व्यस्त रहें।

Yours, in prayer, Punam Suri **President**

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