

Missionaries of Charity (Brothers), Kolkata

11th March 2019

Dear Hugh and friends at St. Brigid's Third World Group,

With apologies for the delay this is to give a brief report of the utilization of your donation of £5,000 gratefully received in February of 2018 and converted to Indian Rupees 464,100.00

The donation was assigned for the purchase of cotton yarn used for the handlooms operated by leprosy patients at Gandhiji Prem Niwas Leprosy Centre, Titagarh (near Kolkata). On these handlooms they make:

- **The blue-bordered saris worn by MC Sisters all over the world**
- **Bed sheets used in our homes throughout India.**
- **Gauze for bandages used in our indoor leprosy centers including Titagarh.**
- **Lungis (wrap-arounds) and saris worn by our male and female indoor patients.**
- **Shirting material used for patients.**

In the month of April yarn was purchased for a total cost of Rs.447,674.00 and the balance of Rs.16,426 was assigned for medicine expenses as part of that month's total medicine expenses of Rs.23,26.00.

Gandhiji Prem Niwas Leprosy Centre has both outdoor and indoor treatment facilities for leprosy patients from far and wide. There are about 160 beds for both male and female patients. About 100 patients are given paid employment operating the handlooms and about 180 other patients are given many and various forms of paid employment in various occupations in the centre including kitchen, garden, wound dressing, cleaning works etc.

Some photos are also attached.

We sincerely thank the member of St. Brigid's Third World Group for your generous support.

Br. Geoff mc

For Missionaries of Charity Brothers, Kolkata