

# Operation C3: Cognizant Combats COVID-19



As the deadly second wave of the pandemic grips India, the health and well-being of our associates is our absolute top priority. Cognizant owes much of our success to our large presence in India, and we are committed to helping the country and its people overcome this humanitarian crisis.

On April 27, we launched Operation C3—Cognizant Combats COVID-19—to pull together all the resources available to us to support our associates in India, their dependents and their communities. These efforts will be focused on three primary areas: supporting COVID care facilities, supplementing oxygen supplies to address the acute shortage and providing access to vaccinations.

As time is critical, Cognizant is immediately providing \$1.5 million (approximately INR 10 Crores) through the Cognizant Foundation to operationalize response efforts with our partners across India. We're also providing an additional \$2 million (approximately INR 15 Crores) in emergency funding to UNICEF in India to help address acute shortages in life-saving oxygen and to deploy medical and testing supplies.

As part of this initiative, we are helping establish and support COVID Care Facilities across India, including offering our own facilities to be operated as care facilities. We're supporting the set-up of oxygen generation plants in hospitals to help them overcome oxygen shortages. And we're working to facilitate special centers to make vaccination easier for people with disabilities.

In addition to the above, we have put in place multiple ways to help our India associates and dependents access care. We are providing access to vaccines for all of our associates and their dependents, medical support for COVID-19 positive associates and their immediate family members, paid leave for COVID care or recovery, and emergency financial support for junior staff in dire cases to help cover medical expenses.

Learn more about Cognizant's response to COVID-19 [here](#).

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**Cognizant Combats COVID-19**  
**OPERATION C3**

To address the current COVID-19 crisis in India, we have initiated Operation C3 to pull together all the resources available to support our associates, their dependents and our communities.

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| <b>\$2 MILLION</b><br>(approximately INR 15 crores)<br>Donation from Cognizant to UNICEF in support of efforts providing immediate relief | <b>\$1.5 MILLION</b><br>(approximately INR 10 crores)<br>Donation distributed by Cognizant Foundation India |
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**Fighting COVID-19 on 3 Fronts**

- EQUIPPING HOSPITALS**
  - Covering operating expenses at multiple hospitals throughout India caring for COVID-19 patients
  - Providing critical medical equipment and supplies for patients
  - Delivering protective gear for healthcare workers
  - Offering to turn Cognizant facilities into COVID-care facilities
- IMPROVING OXYGEN LEVELS**
  - Establishing oxygen generation plants in hospitals
  - Procuring oxygen concentrators exclusively for associates
- PROVIDING VACCINATIONS**
  - Offering free vaccinations for associates, their dependents and contract workers (~600K people)
  - Setting up vaccination centers in coordination with hospitals and at Cognizant India facilities
  - Facilitating vaccinations for the disabled

The health and safety of our associates matters above all else. You can be certain of the resolve of Cognizant leadership to step up and help remedy the severe challenges COVID-19 has created for India.

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