

# **ST. ALPHONSA NIVAS IRUSUMANDA.**

## **EASTGODAVARY, ANDHRAPREDESH**

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From

Sr. Julit F.C. C.

Superior.

St.Alphonsa Nivas

Irusumanda

To

CIUDAD REAL

Ref No- IND 66157 LIVB (1)

Sub: Extension of Alphonsa Health centre.

Dear Clara Padro

Coordinator of Asia Desk.

### **A short description of the congregation.**

We belong to the Franciscan Clarist Congregation founded in Kerala in 1888 in a religious community of sisters following the charism of St.Clare and St.Francis of Assisi and rendering their services in the parishes and missions through health care work, catechetical work, educational and developmental activities. Franciscan Clarist sisters are working in 23 provinces and 1 Region in India and some European Countries consist of over 7300 professed members and the first woman Saint in India St.Alphonsa belongs to this congregation. Apostolate among the poor in the Franciscan is our special character.

Beside this for the women and untrodden people we are rendering our special services to the most important and most needed and dangerous treatment of the Snakebite for the poor and oppressed patients in the Irusumanda and the around areas. Because of this treatment we were well known to this area people especially the poor and downtrodden communities. When they need this treatment immediately they rushed to our dispensary for the treatment. Many people know our dispensary as Snake bite treatment dispensary.

Some people call this dispensary as snake bite Hospital also. Our sisters have been working in these areas for the past 22 years and we started this snake bite treatment. If it is serious the patient has to stay in the dispensary, otherwise they can go back home. But usually many are come with serious injury with snake bite and they must stay at least 5 to 7 days. But we do not have place to accommodate them. This is our problem. This area almost all the people are daily laborers and they go for field work where the bushes and interior areas. Usually many people have this snake bite during the summer and harvesting season. We have made detailed study of this area peoples social, political, economic and cultural conditions. The sisters are expressed their empathy for these people and they want to extend our dispensary for these oppressed and depressed community those who are very often sick with this snakebite. Since we are in this health field we approached Manos Unidas for financial help to extend our dispensary for the poor victims of snake bite. Sr. Julit has completed her Nursing studies from the reputed institutions. Now she will be the in charge of the Dispensary and we assure you 100% she will give lives to the snake bite patients.

I am well aware of the fact that with your generosity and your risky work only I got Twenty six thousand four hundred and seventy EURO from Manos Unidas Spain for the extensión of Alphonsa health centre Irusumanda. We the whole Congregation of FCC are grateful for your kind help. We are praying for you and your group of Donors from the city of CIUDAD REAL. 1 THANK YOU SO MUCH FROM THE BOTTOM OF MY HEART AND ASSURING YOU MY SINCERE PRAYERS: After the completion of the building I will send you some photos of the building and some scenes of the snake bite treatment.

Yours sincerely in Jesús

Sr. Julit.