



AGCO's Greater Asia team donates RM3,000 and daily essentials to two charitable organizations in Penang, St Nicholas Home and The Lighthouse.

AGCO and its AGCO Agriculture Foundation donate more than US\$90,000 COVID-19 Aid to Non-Profit Organizations in Asia, Pacific and Africa (APA) region

Organizations include Self Help Africa, India Goonj and China Wujin Charity Federation
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CHANGZHOU, CHINA October 1, 2020 – AGCO Agriculture Foundation (AAF), a private foundation based in Liechtenstein, and committed to ending hunger through sustainable agricultural development, has contributed more than US\$90,000 in APA as part of its Covid-19 Aid Program launched in April, to provide funding support to non-profit organizations in communities where AGCO operates across the globe.

The donation is part of the second phase of the AAF COVID-19 Aid Program, which supports emergency responses globally in communities where AGCO's customers, dealers, suppliers and employees live and work, including in the APA region. During the first phase of the aid program, the AAF supported the emergency response by the United Nations World Food Program (WFP), with a funding amount of US\$100,000 concentrated on the most vulnerable populations in countries in Latin America and Africa.

Please visit the [World Food Program USA's donation page](#) to support the AAF's funding campaign or visit the [SharetheMeal app](#) and donate through the [#AGCOAgricultureFoundation Team](#). The AGCO Agriculture Foundation matches any contribution made to this campaign up to \$100,000 to double its impact by raising additional funding to feed 342 children for a year and support WFP's lifesaving work in 83 countries, which includes initiatives to support small-scale farmers and more.

"As the effects of COVID-19 persist to disrupt world economies, developing nations are particularly affected, and our most vulnerable communities in APA need our ongoing support," said Lucinda Smith, Board Chair, AGCO Agriculture Foundation. "We are proud to provide not only global but also local funding through our AGCO Agriculture Foundation to support resources and COVID-19 initiatives that help locals in our APA region who are heavily impacted by the pandemic and economic uncertainty."

Each non-profit organization will utilize the donation to provide emergency responses and drive impacts to their communities. Recipients include:

[Self Help Africa](#) will direct the donation to support 1,000 smallholder farming households in the Kafue, Chirundu, Siavonga and Chongwe districts of Zambia. The farmers will be provided emergency seed packs for vegetables such as cabbage, rape, okra and tomatoes and early-maturing varieties of beans to help them revamp food production and build resilience against future agriculture shocks. The institution will facilitate awareness and sensitization sessions on COVID-19 guidelines with 50 lead farmers from the vulnerable groups, training on hand washing and general hygiene in addition to the provision of soap, hand sanitizers, buckets, 4,180 reusable face masks and COVID-19 poster guides. In addition, the organization will use the funds to secure a partnership with local community radio stations to deliver hygiene messages on agricultural production, post-harvest handling and marketing of produce.

For [India Goonj](#), the donation will be used to address crucial gaps in rural infrastructure, livelihood, education, water, environment, health, disaster relief and rehabilitation in vulnerable communities in India, which has been further exposed by the COVID-19 pandemic. The donation will contribute to the organization's ongoing Rahat COVID-19 initiative in many vulnerable districts, which has provided over 3.3 million kilograms of food parcels and other essentials; over 170,000 kilograms of fresh vegetables and fruits and more than 860,000 face masks and cloth sanitary pads.

AGCO donates to the non-profit Wujin Charity Federation in China, provides care packages in Bangladesh and COVID-19 test kits in Malaysia

[China Wujin Charity Federation](#) will use the donation of US\$12,000 to support poor families to aid education programs, especially for children. The institution will organize events targeted at alleviating poverty among the marginalized populations. In addition, the charity federation will provide medical masks, protective suits, COVID-19 prevention brochures, cleaning and disinfection equipment and disinfectants to poor families, students, medical workers and community workers.

"We at AGCO are jointly working together with all entities to lend a helping hand to our most vulnerable communities to provide access to food and health supplies during challenging times like this," said Gary Collar, Senior Vice President of AGCO APA. "We firmly believe that the agriculture industry is essential, and our top priority is maintaining access to food throughout the COVID-19 pandemic."

AGCO's Bangladeshi team worked with volunteers to distribute US\$5,000 worth of goods to needy families affected by the country's self-imposed lockdown. The outreach program benefitted 1,000 families from 3 neighborhoods, and each recipient family received a care package containing eggs, rice, grains and daily essentials.

In Malaysia, the team at AGCO Greater Asia donated 100 sets of COVID-19 test kits to Pusat Perubatan Universiti Malaya through [MY AMCHAM CARES](#) as an emergency support to those working on the frontline in all the efforts to stem the spread of COVID-19.

AGCO and its Foundation are committed to keep the global food supply intact and will continue to focus its efforts on providing global and local support to its communities where needed.

About AGCO Agriculture Foundation (AAF)

The AGCO Agriculture Foundation (AAF), initiated by AGCO Corporation (NYSE: AGCO) in 2018, is a private foundation with the vision to prevent and relieve hunger. The foundation initiates impactful programs that support food security, foster sustainable agricultural development and build needed agricultural infrastructure in marginalized farming communities. AAF is domiciled in Vaduz, Liechtenstein and operations are managed from Duluth, Georgia, USA. For more information, please visit <https://www.agcofoundation.org/>

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