

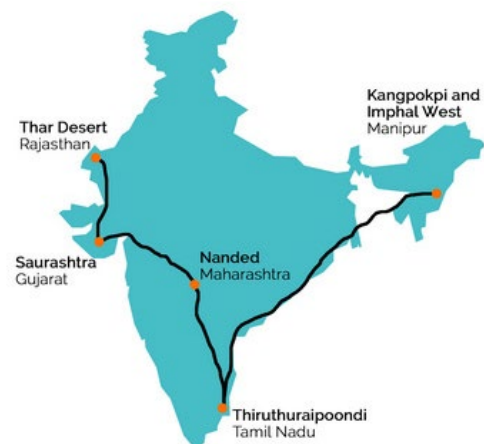


## HEALTHCARE TO UNREACHED: SAVING MOTHERS AND CHILDREN

**Through our H2U program, we're providing critical hospital care for mothers and their babies.**

Share & Care's [Healthcare to Unreached Signature Program](#) (H2U) continues to fight toward reversing the healthcare challenges facing today's marginalized poor. With help from our NGO partners in India, we are working to fulfill the mission of providing mothers and children with necessary nutrition supplements, education about (and resources to reverse) non-communicable diseases, and so much more.

Healthcare is a basic human right — however, many people in India are living with little to no access to it. Your donations help save lives by addressing their many needs. Read on for real-world success stories, or visit our blog for more information about recent H2U news.



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## Meet Usha and Haresh

Usha and Haresh live near Jhagadia in a small, plastic-covered thatched-roof home, which is moved during rainy seasons.



When Usha was pregnant, she was admitted to a healthcare facility due to pain. She gave birth prematurely to a son with a low birth weight of just over two pounds. The baby was put into the newborn intensive care unit, and the pediatric team began immediate treatment. After 26 days, Usha took her son home during the monsoon season because she was worried their home would get washed away.

Three days later, a community health worker found that the baby was refusing to breastfeed and had become so weak he was unable to move. The worker advised Usha to admit her son to the hospital, but Usha declined because they had no money. Because of the child's critical condition, he was admitted to a facility managed by our partner NGO.

The baby was discharged after 15 days, but was then admitted two more times due to severe diarrhea and dehydration. Under the guidance and care of doctors, Usha and her son stayed at the facility through monsoon season. When they left in August, the baby had reached an improved weight of 6.4 pounds.

In all, Usha's son was admitted four times and spent 121 days in our care. The total hospital bill came to 85,000 rupees (approx. US \$1,142.00), which is around one-tenth of the cost at a private hospital — and which, thanks to our H2U program, they didn't have to pay. Despite their financial struggles, the family received the critical care they needed and were given resources to keep their newborn in good health.





## Meet Deepika

Deepika Thesiyamani, 22, lives in the Rokkaguthagai slum in Thiruthuraipoodi Taluk, India. She and her husband have one daughter, who has developmental disabilities, and Deepika is pregnant with her second child.

Poor nutrition was responsible for the issues faced by Deepika's first child, so she is naturally worried about her unborn child meeting the same fate. Deepika weighs under 100 pounds, indicating that she has not been eating well. She is also suffering from depression.

Her husband, Mr. Thesiyamani, works as a mason and earns a daily wage. Being from a socially oppressed tribal community, they face discrimination daily, and thus live on very little income.

Deepika has been enrolled in our H2U program and is now receiving nutritious food to promote good health for herself and her child — including dates, eggs, pomegranate, lemon, carrot, beetroot, curry leaf, gooseberry, drumstick, cabbage, and beans. These items supply Deepika with iron, protein, and a vitamin-rich diet. Now, she feels that her bad days are over.

***"I thank Share & Care Foundation for providing me with nutritious food on a regular basis, and their kindness is much appreciated."* — Mrs. Deepika Thesiyamani**

Visit our blog for more stories and photos displaying how H2U has helped families similar to Usha and Deepika!

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