



## **BREMBO'S COMMITMENT** SUPPORT FOR THE MAHER NGO TO CARE FOR THE DESTITUTE (INDIA)

Maher is an interfaith, casteless NGO that provides shelter and assistance to destitute women and children and undertakes community development programs in various Western Indian villages. Maher currently provides shelter for about 1,000 children, around one hundred men and more than 350 women, hosted in 58 homes in Pune and the surrounding area, as well as elsewhere in the states of Maharashtra, Jharkhand and Kerala. It was founded in 1997 by Sister Lucy Kurien, a charismatic woman who has received prestigious recognition for her devotion to the needy. The worsening of the pandemic situation, from a health perspective, but also from an economic point of view, has made Brembo's support for hospitality operations in the Maher houses even more necessary.

#### TARGET

- Hospitality and shelter, primarily for destitute and abandoned women and children.
- Community wellness in remote villages and in the slums around Pune.

#### **ACTIONS**

- Distribution of meals to hundreds of migrant workers and their families who return to their native villages after losing work.
- Collection and distribution of food rations to slum-dwellers.
- Care for children of parents affected by Covid-19, abandoned on the streets without food and unsupervised.

### RESULTS

- Support in over 85 rural communities around Pune.
- Care and food for 40 children of all ages until the complete recovery of parents affected by Covid-19.

# For more information, see www.maherashram.org