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- The governments, business establishments and the population have struggled to make ends meet.
- It is in this regard that we have noticed an element of distrust and a negative attitude that has emanated from the government and the various private sector hospitals.
- The government did not care about the vulnerable sections of the population and worked actively towards suppressing their legitimate rights.
- The sight of migrants walking back home did not move the government into action until public pressure forced them to act and bring about some changes.
- As far as the private hospitals are concerned, the less said the better. At a time, when it was important to stand with the people and the patients, we have seen refusal to treat patients, charge exorbitant rates and ill treat the doctors involved.
- Finally, the population too has seen its share of negative attitudes. Land lords in different cities kicked out their tenants who were doctors and those who could not afford to pay rents only due to sheer lack of empathy.
- The fact that people starved to death and children were kicked out of schools, reflects a society that is heartless and a society whose attitude is highly selfish.
- There were many positive stories emanating from across the country such as the ones in Kerala, Telangana and Rajasthan.
- However, we also witnessed positive attitude of NGO's, Civil Society Organisations help to the underprivileged by providing basic necessities, by supplying medical and protective gear and assisting with awareness campaigns on social distancing.