

## *In the aftermath of Amphan, the Cyclonic Storm*

When a storm rips people apart, they get to choose how to muster strength and limp back to normalcy together.

With this thought in mind, *Avijit*, a resident of Purba Medinipur, approached the CMO grievance cell for help. He lived in a house made of mud, brick, and straw which he had built a few years back with his meagre savings. Never in his wildest dreams had he imagined that his house and crops would be ravaged by the storm.

On the night when the Amphan struck, they were evacuated and spent the following nights at a local school building, along with other fellow villagers. Next morning, when he returned home, he saw that the roof of house had flown away.

*Avijit* worked as a daily labour and was the sole earning member of the family. It was very difficult for him to repair of the house. Helpless, *Avijit* applied for Amphan Relief Fund.

Later, he called the CMO Grievance cell for further assistance. The Grievance cell, coordinated with local administration for speedy redressal of grievance. The local administration reported that house building grant amounting to Rs. 5,000/- was sanctioned and disbursed to *Avijit* within 12 hours.

*"I was hopeless when I saw my house in that condition. But I am glad.... I received the aid to fix my home again".*