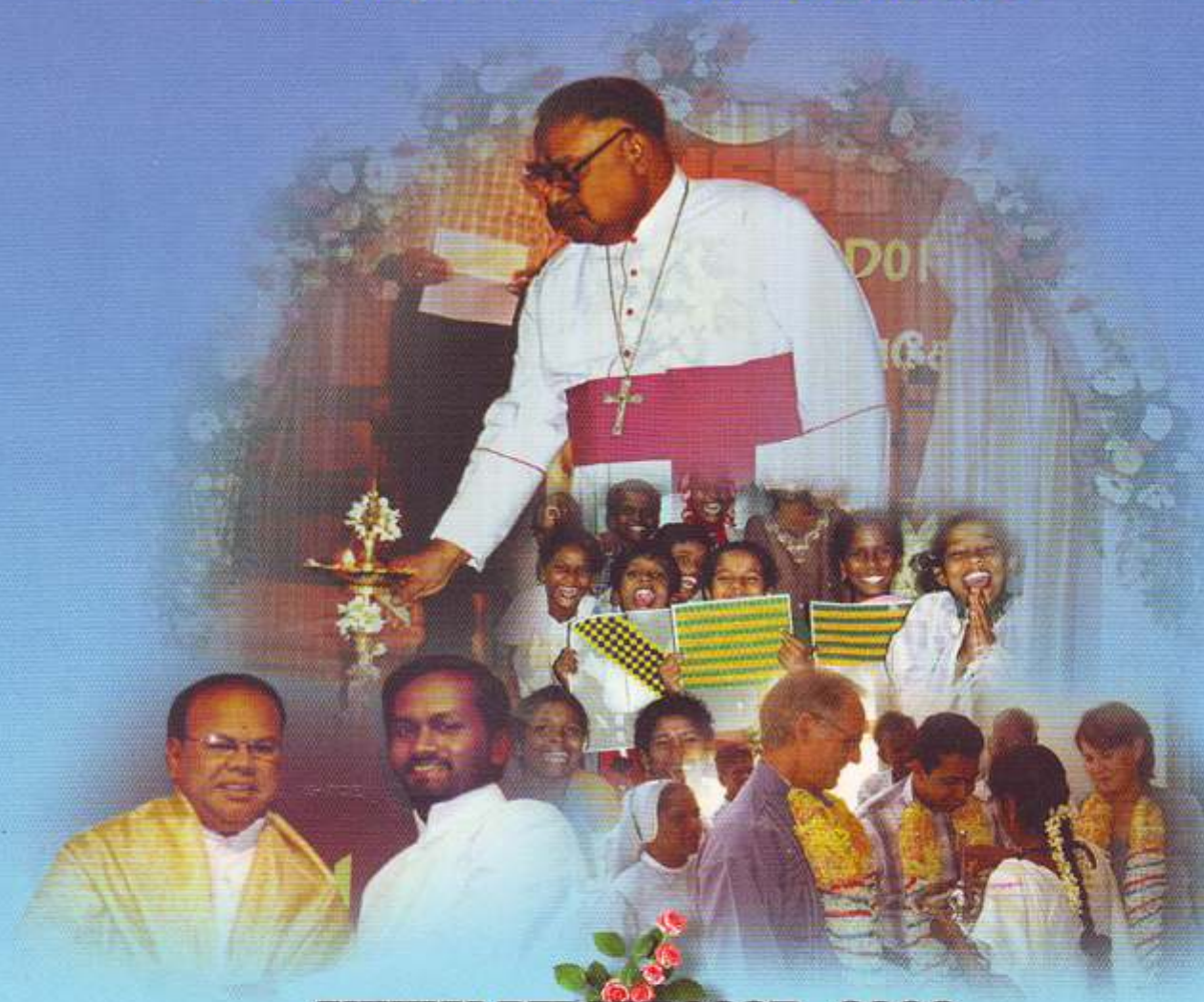


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KUMBAKONAM



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BEST S.H.DISABLED GROUP AWARD



I.G.P TRAINING KOLPING



WOMENS DAY CULTURAL PROGRAMME



ENTREPRENEURSHIP PREPLANNING



"COW" BENEFICIARY-SELVARAJ. S/O SAVARIMUTHU



FLOOD RELIEF IN ACTION



DISABILITY MEDICAL CAMP AT KMSSS



PANCHAYAT PRESIDENTS TRAINING - CBR PROJECT



STREET THEATRE TRAINING TO STAFF



KUMILANKUZH SANGAM " MICRO CREDIT DISCUSSION "



**FLOOD RELIEF - HOUSE CONSTRUCTION
NEARING COMPLETION AT NEDUNTHERU**



**FR. ALPHONSE ASST. SECRETARY,
SHARE HIS THOUGHTS AT PARENTS SEMINAR**



**SPONSORSHIP CHILDREN SPORTS EVENT
INAUGURATED BY FR. M. ANTHONISAMY**



**STREET THEATRE PROGRAMME BY STAFF
AT KUMILANKUZZHI**



**REV. FR. S. ARULSAMY DISTRIBUTES
FLOOD RELIEF AT GUDALUR**



STREET THEATRE PROGRAMME BY SHG



MACHINE PACKING OF OIL - HELLO PRODUCTS



MACHINE PACKING OF MASALA HELLO PRODUCTS



**REMI COMPUTER EDUCATION INAUGURATED
BY HON'BLE. MINISTER KO.SI. MANI**



REMI COMPUTER EDUCATION CENTRE

Secretary's Note

One more eventful year has passed by. Though challenging, this year saw quite a few innovative initiatives in the annals of K.M.S.S.S., such as the “**Collective Micro Enterprises**” for **value addition** to local agricultural produce, that is going on in the T.Palur Block of Perambalur District, followed by the facilitation of the “**Hello Products**” a totally independent community driven enterprising venture, involving highly potential local need based, production-cum-marketing effort.

A unique network of clientele, consisting of families of Self Help Groups, that form part of Federations of Self Help Groups functioning in our working villages has been formed, to function as the sustainable **marketing network**, for the above mentioned brand of products to be dealt by this community based enterprises. True to the nomenclature this collective move, will prove to be one of the landmark developments in the history of Self Help Movement in our region.

Similarly, an integrated **Residential Facility**, has been coming up at Palavathankattalai area in Kumbakonam to accommodate children coming under Sponsorship Program hailing from interior villages. This home away from home is designed to be well equipped to offer the required inputs to fulfill the long pending need for ensuring academic standards, which are badly lacking among the poor school children from most of the remote villages and often proves to be a deterrent for them to face the highly competitive environment both in pursuing higher studies and career opportunities.

In line with our deep commitment to equip children from lower income sections of our society, in appropriate academic skills as one of the most vital tools to compete with the children and youth from more privileged sections, the “**REMI Computer Centre**” has been established at the premises of the renowned Little Flower Higher Secondary School, Kumbakonam. The centre has latest training facilities, both in terms of training faculty and the equipments, so that it does not lag behind.

In our continuing intervention of facilitating the members of the most oppressed communities like Dalits and widows were offered with financial assistance for the purpose

of income generation activities, especially rearing of milch cows in the vicariates of Jeyankondam and Lalgudi. I need to mention the special care being taken by our President Most Rev. P. Remigius, D.D., on this cow project, which has certainly proving to be a powerful element towards empowering the oppressed sections.

Amid these hectic productive and vibrant developmental initiatives, KMSSS had to direct its energies to engage itself in the immediate relief and rehabilitation activities, in the aftermath of the heavy losses to the property and sources of livelihood especially the standing crop and dwelling places of the victims in our functional areas, caused by the heavy rains and floods, unprecedented in the recent past.

More importantly I wish to place on record, the inspirational guidance and support of our President Most Rev.P. Remigius, D.D., who has always been the major contributing factor in all our endeavours. Similarly I would like to extend profound thanks to Msgr.C. Peter Francis, our Vicar General, and our Treasurer Rev.Fr.S. Gaspar, our Assistant Secretary Rev.Fr. S. Alphonse and other Governing Body and General Body Members.

With the grace and will of Our Lord, we could fulfill most of our interventions intended towards mitigating the hardships and deprived status of different sections of underprivileged and the oppressed communities in our functional areas, which were planned for the year and the rest, are already in the process of getting implemented very soon.

I must thank all who have been supportive in our endeavors, especially the benevolent Funding Partners, the various Government Agencies, the Bankers and who have all contributed in no small measure. Let me also thank the dedicated staff of our organization and the target population of KMSSS for their effective participation and cooperation.

We are confident that the coming year shall also witness a number of few similar fruitful and productive interventions that would be benefiting the deserving communities.

Fr. A. Martin De Porres

Secretary

KUMBAKONAM MULTIPURPOSE SOCIAL SERVICE SOCIETY
(Regd. S.No. 54 of 1973)

Vision :

To strive for blossoming of human values of life through establishing Love, Justice, Peace, Equality and Fraternity irrespective of any discrimination.

Mission :

Awareness on social issues and problems, building peoples organization, inculcation of positive values of social order, promoting economical standard of people, develop sustainable livelihood programs and federating people, conserve Environment & Rehabilitation of the Community of disabled..

Objectives :

- To perform works of charity for those in need irrespective of race, caste, community or creed
- To engage in social service activities aimed at improving the living conditions and general welfare of the poor particularly farmers and other working people, indigent persons of whatever occupation irrespective of race, caste, community or creed.
- To work for integral development of the people, especially the weaker and disadvantaged.



New THRUST – Federation Project

Introduction:

In India, the mobilization of local collective action is beginning to replace dependence on the Governments and promoting agencies as a means to prevent and redress human rights violations, collective action by marginalized communities are fuelled by mounting frustration over Government with regard to addressing their basic needs and protecting their fundamental rights.

Through such collective efforts, the marginalized gain confidence and get empowered. The groups organized by the NGO's were not effective in tackling the issues at wider level because they were isolated. Also they were not able to influence policies and decisions of the local governing systems due to many factors of reality.

The micro level people's organization may not have a macro perspective of the socio, economic, political and cultural issues and problems of the society at large. Hence their operation and involvement are limited only to the village level. But the people's organizations should be the determinative players in ensuring human rights, improving their standard of living and participating in decision making and local governance.

New Thrust Programme :

In this context, DSSS and TASOSS reflected on bringing the isolated grass root Groups under one umbrella and making it function as a macro force to challenge the unjust social orders. As a result TASOSS & DSSS proposed to evolve a common program for the region.

In continuation, New Thrust Programme was conceptualized and started in the year 1999 with the aim of promoting self-reliant and self sustained people's federations to bring about social transformations.

I Phase, (1999 April to 2002 March) reorganizing the existing grass root groups and promoting Union, Taluk and District Level federations.

II Phase, (2002 April to 2005 September) the concentration was on enabling the federations to expand their base, increase the number of social and economical activities and contribute their share to their own development, enhancing the capacities of the leaders and staff integrating all the DSSS programmes with the New Thrust process.

III Phase, Project Period 2005 October to 2008 September.

Reporting Period: 2005 April to 2006 March.

Goal :

To enable people to form self-reliant and self-sustaining federation at state level thereby leading to a people's movement in the region.

Objective:

To enable the federations to improve their capacities in through the process of:

- Deciding, planning and managing programs and functions.
- Acquiring legal aid social identity in order that they gain recognition among the society.
- Establishing linkages with other people's organizations, government departments and resource centers.
- Mobilizing and administering resources for the development of the community.
- Developing and implementing functional communication, monitoring and documenting systems.
- Identifying macro issues, adopting proper strategies and implementing the same to tackle the issue.



Reorganization of Union Level Federation under civic structures:

In order to avoid disintegrated and isolated activities being carried out by the sangams within a same union of Thanjavur, Ammapet, Budalur and Valangaiman by KMSSS and TMSSS and the sangams functioning under the facilitation of KMSSS and PSSS in the union of Thirumanur, all those federations have been merged into one federation in each of the functional union.

Reorganization of District Level Federation:

Similarly the federations coming under the working areas of KMSSS and TMSSS have been merged into one federation in Thanjavur and Thiruvarur Districts. The federations functioning under the facilitation of KMSSS and PSSS have been merged into one single district level federation for Perambalur District.

Activities of Federations:

- At Vadagarai village of Thiruvudaimarudhur Union 3 Acres of wet land was obtained on lease basis by the groups and they are cultivating paddy crops in the land.
- 52 acres of cashew nut grove was taken on lease by Andimadam union women and Agri. Male group and it is managed by an executive team of 10 members selected among themselves.
- In Arulanandapuram village women group have taken 1 Acre Cashew nut grove on lease by paying a sum of Rs.5,000/-.
- At Thiruvaiyaru and Budalur Union 75 persons undergone training on small scale industry.
- Vilangudi village sangam along with support of village leaders got title deed for 20 persons.
- In Veeramamunivar and Vinnoli sangams of Keelavarappankurichy village, 31 persons received Rs.10,000/- each for construction of housing work.

- Sri Puduvinayagar womens group of Valangaiman village received Rs.25,000/- under small scale loan. The same amount is being circulated among 5 members. Similar assistance of Rs.10,000/- was availed by Thozhuvur "*Bharadamadha*" group.
- Office bearers of Andimadam Union Federation have been selected as the mobile advisory committee members by the Police department and this group have settled illicit love and pregnancy case.
- In T.Palur union Savariyarpatty village young widow's remarriage was conducted with active involvement of Ariyalur federation.
- Naduvalur sangam of T.Palur union celebrated World Women's Day in which more than 300 women participated.
- Sanga anniversary was celebrated at Sengamedu and Kandiyankuppam village of Andimadam Union. In the same union Sports day was conducted at Senapallam and Manakkollai villages.
- Combined inauguration function of Name board of 19 villages sangam was celebrated in a common function at Varadarajanpet.
- In "*Roja*" Madhar Sangam of Ramanujapuram village first year Anniversary of sangam was celebrated.
- "*Thendral*" women sangam of Thiruppalathurai, organized Mupperum Vizha.
- Similar Vizha function was celebrated at Thiruppalathurai and Melavazhuthur village sangams.
- 5 members of Melavazhuthur sangam were selected by the panchayat to be member under "*Namakku Namey Scheme*".
- 47 persons benefited in the Siddha Medical Camp conducted at Ariyalur union under the auspicious of Ariyalur women federation.
- Siddha camp was conducted at Thirumanur union in which 200 persons have been benefited.

- A seminar was conducted on human rights and women's role by Thiruvaiyaru and Budalur union federations.
- Legal awareness camp was conducted at Thirumanur union in which Madras High court advocate Mr. Subramaniyan and Thiruvaiyaru criminal court advocate Mr. Thirumeignanam took active role to explain the legal provisions on human rights and specially, women rights and equality, about 110 persons participated.
- At Melakaruppur village of Ariyalur Union 3 acres of encroached land area was recovered for common use (public school) through federations effort and petition to the Collector.
- Requesting Public transports for bus stop at Melakaruppur a bundh was conducted, finally the company yielded to the public's appeal.
- Opposing new Veeranam extension scheme of the government, Ariyalur Union Federation members numbering about 110 women resorted to demonstration and hunger strike.
- 20 colony houses were obtained through strenuous efforts of Thamarai and Indhra sangams at Ariyalur Union.
- Approach roads formation got sanctioned as a result of federation activity.



S.No.	Village	Nature of road	Distance	Estimated Cost Rs.
1.	Varadarajanpet	Metal	2 ½ K.M.	1,00,000/-
2.	Pudukkuppam	"	1 ½ K.M.	1,00,000/-
3.	Samadanapuram	"	2 K.M.	36,000/-
4.	Gangavadanganallur	"	1 K.M.	2,00,000/-
5.	Kulothunganallur	"	3 K.M.	54,000/-

▪ Thiruvaidaimarudhur Panchayat Union and Kumbakonam Panchayat Union jointly organized AIDS Awareness Program and Rally at Kumbakonam in which more than 5000 women participated.

▪ In few villages sangam jointly organized road Bandh demanding proper distribution of flood relief assistance to victims.

▪ In Papanasam Union "women rights" seminar was conducted by the federation in collaboration with Mahalir Kaval Nilayam.

▪ 5 women and Agri group of Pattanamkurichy village jointly gave a petition to the Collector and got desilted and deepened the common lake of the village at an estimated cost of Rs.1,00,000/-

▪ In Michaelpatty village, for public use common bathing ghat steps were constructed by the B.D.O. through sangams effort.

▪ Street light and electricity supply to households were obtained in Ageneshpuram village by sangams representation.



PROGRESS OF WOMEN GROUPS

S.No.	Zone	Till March 2005		During 2005-2006		Total	
		Groups	Members	Groups	Members	Groups	Members
1.	Kumbakonam	553	9818	90	1212	643	11030
2.	Thiruvaiyaru	89	1453	3	40	92	1493
3.	Ariyalur	72	1174	2	24	74	1198
4.	Jayankondam	115	1793	5	90	120	1883
	Total	829	14238	100	1366	929	15604

PROGRESS OF AGRI. LABOURER GROUPS

S.No.	Zone	Till March 2005		During 2005-2006		Total	
		Groups	Members	Groups	Members	Groups	Members
1.	Kumbakonam	101	1830	2	35	103	1865
2.	Thiruvaiyaru	50	822	3	32	53	854
3.	Ariyalur	82	1369	1	18	83	1387
4.	Jayankondam	137	2322	2	34	139	2356
	Total	370	6343	8	119	378	6462

UNION-WISE FEDERATION / GROUPS

S.No.	Union	Panchayat	Groups		Members	
			Women	Agri	Women	Agri
1.	Kumbakonam	47	261	31	5153	391
2.	Thiruvaidaimarudhur	48	312	55	4716	660
3.	Thiruppanandhal	44	30	11	449	190
4.	Valangaiman	50	40	6	712	82
5.	Papanasam	34	16	13	275	207

6.	Ammapet	46	9	4	148	58
7.	Thanjavur	61	3	4	45	60
8.	Thiruvaiyaru	40	34	14	334	233
9.	Budalur	42	30	18	308	296
10.	Thirumanur	36	30	33	388	259
11.	Ariyalur	38	44	50	708	879
12.	Jayankondam	35	40	57	576	1220
13.	Andimadam	30	66	59	884	824
14.	T.Palur	33	14	23	196	219
	Total	584	929	378	14892	5578

PROMOTION OF SAVINGS

S.No.	Union	Till 2005		During this year 2005-2006	
		Women	Agri.Labour	Women	Agri.Labour
1.	Kumbakonam	6225250	75000	1478960	0
2.	Thiruvidaimarudhur	5692385	140450	1958735	0
3.	Thiruppanandhal	223300	37600	297125	0
4.	Valangaiman	0	5000	256190	0
5.	Papanasam	131025	73850	24600	33700
6.	Ammapet	39399	1700	0	0
7.	Thanjavur	0	0	0	0
8.	Thiruvaiyaru	163410	40350	120000	29500
9.	Budalur	105640	27250	74150	24250
10.	Thirumanur	385000	253300	1500	2000
11.	Ariyalur	785800	441200	22300	4700
12.	Jayankondam	384627	367830	149270	107900
13.	Andimadam	1989101	1393338	414527	224397
14.	T.Palur	120000	62000	21350	154800
	Total	16244937	2918868	4818707	581247

PROMOTION OF PEOPLE'S BANK (SANGAMAM)

S.No.	People's Bank formed till 2005	During 2005-2006	People's Fund	KMSSS Fund	No. of Sangams involved
1.	Ariyalur		160000	160000	16
2.	Andimadam		320000	320000	32
3.	Thirumanur		110000	110000	11
4.	Thiruppanandhal		85000	85000	10
5.	Thiruvudaimarudhur		337000	337000	40
6.	Kumbakonam		215000	215000	22
		1. Papanasam	100000	100000	10
		2. Thiruvaiyaru	110000	100000	13
		3. Budalur	108000	110000	12
	Total		1545000	1537000	166

DETAILS OF FEDERATION LEADERS TRAINING MEETINGS

S.No.	Union	No. of Training	No. of Participants	Topics
1.	Andimadam	24	478	Social Analysis People's Bank Formation Leadership Skills Gender Resource Mapping
2.	Jayankondam	16	327	"
3.	T.Palur	9	135	"
4.	Papanasam	15	533	"
5.	Thiruvaiyaru	10	340	Formation of People's Bank
6.	Thirumanur	6	490	Political Awareness Legal Awareness
7.	Budalur	20	75	Income Generation Activities
8.	Kumbakonam	12	600	Formation of People's Bank Resource apping Leadership SkillsResource Mobilization
9.	Thiruvudaimarudhur	12	900	"
10.	Thiruppanandhal	10	260	E.D.P.Leadership Skills Social Analysis
11.	Valangaiman	6	120	Resource MappingLeadership SkillsResource Mobilization
12.	Ariyalur	4	110	Resource MappingLeadership SkillsResource Mobilization
	Total	144	4368	

Economic Assistance towards Self reliant and Self Sustainability

S.No.	Centre	No. of Beneficiaries	Purpose	Amount
1.	Varadarajanpet	50	Milch Animal	500000
2.	Andimadam	45	Milch Animal	450000
3.	Ariyalur	1	Milch Animal	10000
4.	Kumbakonam	17	Milch Animal	170000
		1	Cycle	2000
		1	Petty Shop	3000
		1	Agriculture	5000
		1	House Repair	5000
5.	Papanasam	3 Group	Credit Union	45000
			Inter lending	
	Total	120		1190000



MAHALIR THITTAM

Goal : Empowerment of Women.

Objectives:

Project Area: Kumbakonam, Thiruvudaimarudhur Blocks.

	Kumbakonam Block	Thiruvudaimarudhur Block
Total Panchayat	47	48
Total No. of Villages	161	151
Municipality	1	0
Special Panchayats	3	5

Types of Trainings:

(Sponsoring Agencies: DRDA, TAHDCO, Mahalir Thittam)

Various types of Capacity Building means both interns of up gradation of current skills and imparting new occupational skills have been organized during the year.

1. Member Orientation Training.
2. Animator and Representative Training.
3. EDP Training.
4. Vocational Skill Training.
5. Federation Training.

Loans secured by SHGs for Income Generation Activities:

1. The members of Bharathi SHG based at Chettimandapam, have been managing a Grocery Shop, by making use of the loan amounts secured from IOB along with their own savings of Rs.5,000/-.
2. The Group named "*Vaanavil*" from Melachathiram, as an innovative Income Generation Initiative, with the loan Rs.30,000/- secured from IOB, Swamimalai Branch, have been involved in retail selling of bed linen, such as pillow covers, bed sheets and Garments like Berumuda trousers, stitched out of cut piece cloth bought from the Textile Export Units of Tiruppur and Erode.
3. "*Poongavanam*" & "*Valarpirai*" SHGs of Marudhanallur took on lease an agricultural land of 1.33 acres with the loan amount of Rs.50,000/- Rs.25,000/- savings + Bank Rs.25,000/-) from PACB. They could earn a surplus income of Rs.12,000/-
4. Having been impressed by the splendid performance on Savings, record keeping and Micro Financing etc, "*Valarpirai*", 19 member group from Murukkankudi was graded immediately by the Women Development Corporation Officials (Mahalir Thittam), and with the tireless lobbying of KMSSS, the group could avail the loan amount of Rs. 2,28,000/- with the subsidy of 50% (Rs.1,14,000/-) from TAHDCO.

The group members procured 19 Milch cows for Income Generation Activities, from this amount. One day training was organized for the beneficiaries, on the effective rearing of Milch animals. Qualified Veterinarians imparted the training.

5. The Self Help Groups "*Udayam*" of Thirumanampettai engaged in economic activity with the loan of Rs.40,000/- from IOB, Thirubhuvanam "*Kurinjimalar*" of Vadagarai, "*Annai Theresa*" of Paangal, "*Valarpirai*" of Murukkankudi and "*Sikappu Roja*" of Thandanthottam Kumaramangalam, have been involved in collective cultivation with their own savings and are looking forward to avail loan with subsidy from DRDA and KMSSS has been taking effective facilitation efforts towards this end.

6. “Udhayam” SHG of Veppankulam, in an unique initiative, procured Grocery items and sold among Self Help Group Members of the region and they could make considerable income from the same. Encouraged by this they are planning to procure directly the local agricultural produce during the seasons for reselling.

7. The Self Help Group “Parasakthi” of Thiruvaidaimarudhur have earned a profit of Rs.3,000/- through cultivating different types of vegetable crop on the piece of land, they have taken on lease.

8. Another SHG functioning with the name “Annai Kasturiba”, also has been profitably engaged in retail selling of Washing Soap and make a decent income out of it, during the year.

An Innovative Model Initiative:

As a refreshing break from traditional activities, all the women Self Help Groups, belonging to the Panchayat of Thepperumanallur, took a collective resolve to take up the work of desilting and cleaning of the common temple tank. With the collective participation and financial contribution of all the Groups, the desilting, raising and strengthening of contour bund was executed at a total expense of Rs.14,000/-.

Appreciating their constructive initiative, Deputy Project Officer of Mahalir Thittam and the KMSSS team took personal interest to get the annual lease of the public tank, belonging to the Local Civic Body to be allotted for the collective lease of SHGs, overcoming the stiff resistance from local interests that traditionally take up the lease in the village.

The Panchayat Level Federation (PLF), consisting of the SHGs “Sakthi”, “Malar”, “Muthamizh” and “Maha Mariamman”, have taken up the lease, on a nominal amount of Rs.12,000/-. This innovative initiative shall prove to be model for other Groups in the region.

It has been resolved by the members of SHGs here, to collectively involve in activities aimed at promoting education among the children of poor and the oppressed communities, through helping them with aid for procuring text books, note books etc and conducting competitions on *Thirukkural* "the great Tamil Literary masterpiece for school children for fostering social and moral values among the young.

This apart, some of the members of SHGs, and non members, who were injured in accidents and those who suffer from terminal illness such as cancer have been extended financial aid and helped in availing appropriate treatment.

Awareness Campaign on HIV / AIDS:

KMSSS, took the lead in organizing various programmes, with the objective of sensitizing the masses on HIV/AIDS, within the zone of Kumbakonam. Value based preventive methods were emphasized during the Rally and the Seminar organized on 10.01.2006. A 4000 strong massive procession, which started from the BDO Office, wound its way at the KMSSS campus. Nearly 2500 members belonging to the SHGs functioning with the facilitation of KMSSS, and the rest representing various other fora, took part in these events.

Similarly another major rally cum Seminar with the participation of school teachers, students, apart from the women representing SHGs and NGOs turning out in large numbers, was conducted on 18.01.2006 at Thiruvidadaimarudhur. A well over 3000 persons took part in these events.

Vocational Skill Training: Foot ware Technology:

As part of improving the skills of foot ware making, to suit the fast and frequently changing trends in the fashion of foot ware and in order to equip themselves to cater to the needs of people belonging to various economic and other social sections, this vocational skill training was imparted to the members of SHGs of Auto Nagar, a suburb, who were mainly drawn from the community of Cobblers.

This one month Foot Craft training program was organized with the technical support of the District Coordinator of the Dept. of Science and Technology and the financial assistance including the stipends for Trainees from DRDA, Thanjavur. The District Collector Thiru. Veerashanmugha Moni, IAS, District Coordinator of Science and Technology Dr. Nambi, Director of Tamil Nadu Foot Craft Training Centre Chennai, Mr. Prem Paul, the Indian Bank General Manager Mr. Srinivasan along with KMSSS Secretary and Asst. Secretary graced the occasion of the inaugural ceremony. A total of 30 trainees underwent the training.

The training involved innovative techniques of modern foot ware making. This training has greatly helped to improvise and polish their traditional skills in foot ware making.

Brass Metal Craft:

A three months course on Brass Metal Craft was conducted with the financial assistance from DRDA. Twenty four persons completed the 1st training and the 2nd batch of training which commenced on 07.02.2006, is underway with 60 participants.

This local specific training is imparted as a capacity building measure to enable the SHG members, belonging to the community of traditional artisans of Thiruvudaimarudhur block.

Special Activities:

A Rally to generate awareness on Blood Donation and Blood Group identification, followed by a camp for the same were organized jointly by Aduthurai Rotary Club, Red Cross Sub Zone of Thiruvudaimarudhur and Kali Blood Bank of Kumbakonam, along with KMSSS on 04.09.2005 at Thirubhuvanam. About 850 persons, the Secretary and the Asst. Secretary of KMSSS participated in the rally, which was flagged off by the local MLA Mr. Thavamani. During the occasion Rtn. Suresh Chavel delivered the Special Address highlighting the concept of Blood Donation.

Towards a prosperous living

Sponsorship Program

"IF YOU WANT TO PLAN FOR A DECADE, PLANT TREES.

IF YOU WANT TO PLAN FOR FIVE YEARS CULTIVATE PADDY.

IF YOU WANT TO PLAN FOR THE FUTURE EDUCATE THE CHILDREN"

Kumbakonam Multipurpose Social Service Society gratefully remembers the Donor Agency, the Christian Child Care International, Canada for the continued assistance and encouragement. The society is able to assist 890 children (5 – 20 age groups) both male and female to attain their basic education.

Mission:

With the support of the Community initiatives in developing educational and personal growth of the children through the sponsorship program.

Values:

- To affirm the sacredness of life and dignity of all the people, especially the children and parents.
- To make our children fully capable of identifying and addressing social conditions.
- To manifest or to shower the Christ loving care for the poor and the suffering that is an essential element of Jesus' teachings.

Goals:

"To alleviate the effects of Poverty by offering an effective and trustworthy Sponsorship Program that reflects God's Love and Mercy".

Objective:

- To provide Basic education, nutrition, clothing and health.
- To build up solidarity among the children.
- To foster personality developments.
- To promote social awareness, health and hygiene to the parents.

Number of Beneficiary Children under Sponsored Program

S.No.	Project Name	Project Code	No. of Children as on March	No. of Children selected during this 2005	Total numbers existing as on Feb 2005 period	No. of Children Proposed this year
1.	Kalpalayam & Valangaiman	KMA	100	49	149	1
2.	Pasupathikoil	KMB	47	8	55	17
3.	Assisi - Padalur	ASI	11	0	11	27
4.	Vadagarai & Villiavarambil	KMV	27	8	35	17
5.	Periyavarseeli	PVR	47	42	89	2
6.	Vadaveekam	VDV	71	74	145	0
7.	Perambalur	PLR	1	76	77	27
8.	Michaelpatti	MKT	3	78	81	22
9.	Kumbakonam	KMU	0	63	63	31
10.	Jeyamkondam	JKM	0	91	91	2
11.	Pullambadi	PMB	0	94	94	1
Total			307	583	890	147

Program achievements during this year:

The status report for 95% of children of this year with their annual photo was submitted. In the same way 98% of sponsored children have sent Christmas Greetings to their sponsors in Canada. Because of our intervention and encouragement the children, who were about to drop out from the school, joined the school for continuation of studies.

Conducted medical check up camps for the children who are residing at the Hostel in the sub-projects area. Namely Periyavarseeli, Pasupathikoil, Kalpalayam, Vadaveekam and Valangaiman Hostels and understood that the children need more nutritious food.

The sponsor Project Staff team made formal visits to the sub-projects to monitor the educational growth of the children. The children who are not putting up hard work were encouraged and fostered to score more marks. The team explained the purpose of sponsorship program. At present the children show more interest in studies and they want to have an aim of life.

Half of the children's houses were visited to have better understanding of their life situation, most of their parents are willing to continue our collaboration and they showed their readiness to cooperate with the program purpose.

We have successfully inaugurated St. John Britto Residence at Pullambadi, to accommodate the sponsored children for their better education and health. It was started during the month of October. At present there are 19 children under our care.

In addition to the deserving children, the Economical support program was extended for 16 most deserving families, each family received Rs.10,000/- towards purchasing Milch animal.

Brought all the parents together for having better awareness regarding the growth of children's education. Conducted seminars on "Child - Parent Relationship" for the parents at Kumbakonam, and resolved to cooperate with the organization to encourage the children to make use of the educational opportunities.

For operational efficiency parent's advisory committees were established in 6 Vicariates in the Diocese of Kumbakonam which will play a major role in the education attainment of the sponsored children.

Exchange of letters and gifts from their respective sponsors were ensured. The gifts received as special gift, birthday gift or Christmas gift were distributed.

New Application:

This year 2005-2006, 147 new children applications were sent to CCCI, Canada.

Meetings and Celebrations:

The Sub-Projects in charge meeting was held on 5th November 2005. During this meeting, discussed and preplanned the sponsor's day celebration and the Christmas day Celebration and was decided to have the celebration on 27th December 2005.

On 8th – 10th December 2005, Rev.Fr.A. Martin de Porres, Program Director and Rev.Sr. Scholastica took part in the Asian Regional Workshop at Bangalore, organized by CCCI, Canada.

Celebrated the Sponsor's Day on the occasion of Christmas Celebration on 27th December, to remember gratefully the sponsors, to encourage the children for their better performance in education and in over all growth. The celebration was presided over by our loving Bishop Most. Rev. Peter Remigius, D.D. New dress were distributed to all the children as Christmas gift.

On March 13th – 17th 2006, Mr. Francis Xavier attended Regional Seminar organized by NIPCCD (National Institute of Public Co-operation and Child Development, Southern Regional Center, Bangalore), on "Participation and collaboration of G.Os and NGOs in the ICDs Programme".

Educational Assistance – Scholarship

Supporting the children of underprivileged communities to continue their studies without any hurdle has been the focus of the KMSSS from its inception. The Dalit (SC/ST) and other backward communities children need facilitation of economic assistance which will contribute to a greater extent to reduce the illiteracy problem and also empower students to build their future according to their interest.

Realizing the importance of education for the deserving strata students (BPL), educational assistance was provided during this year to +1, +2, College and Technical course students to pursue their studies and attain life perfection. This program was extended to the target population of the whole diocese area parish villages.

Nature of Course, Community, Amount and beneficiary students

S.No.	Nature of Course	Community	Number of Children	Scholarship Amount Rs.
1.	+1, +2	SC/ST	885	1,77,000.00
2.	College	SC/ST	403	1,52,970.00
3.	Technical Course	SC/ST	34	44,000.00
4.	Professional Course	SC/ST	124	55,700.00
5.	Technical / College / Professional	BC	468	2,06,780.00
	Beneficiaries Total		1914	6,36,450.00

Vicariate-Wise Scholarship Distribution Details:

S.No.	Name of Vicariate	No. of Groups	+1,+2 Students, S.C.	Amount	College & Technical Course B.C./SC	Amount	Technical & Professional course TNBC - S.C.	Amount	Technical & Professional course Bishop's House SC/ST	Amount
1.	Kumbakonam	12	242	48400/-	166	65700/-	4	5500/-	26	11600/-
2.	Jeyankondam	15	108	21600/-	164	70250/-	3	3500/-	23	10200/-
3.	Pullambadi	13	120	24000/-	182	75350/-	8	9000/-	13	6500/-
4.	Lalgudi	13	213	42600/-	200	83150/-	4	6000/-	27	12150/-
5.	Perambalur	11	29	5800/-	30	12800/-	5	6500/-	8	3700/-
6.	S.Michaelpatti	10	173	34600/-	129	52500/-	10	13500/-	27	11550/-
	Total	74*	885	177000/-	871	359750/-	34	44000/-	124	55700/-

* Applications has not been received from other parishes.

KOLPING INDIA

Project area: The entire Diocese of Kumbakonam.

Date of Start: 20.10.2003.

Goal:

Strive to bring about spiritual revival among the Christians of the Diocese and facilitation towards their economic self sufficiency.

Objectives:

1. To facilitate to form 50 Kolping Groups within the diocese.
2. To make the members of the Kolping Groups as good parents, through imparting necessary training towards that end.
3. To help Group members to become as ideal Christians.
4. To strive to help the Group members to generate higher income, through imparting Vocational Skill Training.
5. To work towards making the members as responsible citizens.

Accomplishments:**Details of KOLPING Groups functioning successfully.**

S.No.	Parish	Name of the Group	No. of Members
1.	Keela Michaelpatti	Vidivelli	20
2.	Mela Thiruppanthuruthy	Arputha Annai	15
3.	Mathur	Annai Theresal	20
4.	Pervala Nallur	Punitha Saveriyar	16
5.	Reddimangudi	Punitha Santhiyagappan	12
6.	Sangendhi	Punitha Ubagara matha	12
7.	Krishnapuram	Arockia Annai	16
8.	Poondi	Santhiagappar	13
	Total		124

Group Savings:**Vicariate-wise Group Savings during 2005-2006**

S.No.	Name of Vicariate	No. of Groups	Total Members	Savings Upto March 2005	Savings Details	
					Savings from April 2005 to March 2006	Total
1.	Kumbakonam	8	146	91,812/-	73,200/-	1,65,012/-
2.	South Michaelpatti	4	069	32,270/-	36,150/-	68,420/-
3.	Pullambadi	7	100	26,460/-	46,843/-	73,303/-
4.	Jeyankondam	9	178	1,04,046/-	88,760/-	1,92,806/-
5.	Lalgudi	8	115	55,951/-	62,981/-	1,18,932/-
6.	Perambalur	7	109	38,001/-	62,304/-	1,00,305/-
	Total	43	717	3,48,540/-	3,70,238/-	7,18,778/-

Group Savings – Geographic Area-wise

S.No.	Area	Total Groups	Total Members	Savings Up to March 2005	Savings during April 2005 to March 2006	Total Savings
1.	KMSSS	22	406	232488/-	205950/-	438398/-
2.	PSSS	21	311	116052/-	164328/-	280380/-
	Total	43	717	348540/-	370238/-	718778/-

Micro Credit Programme

Micro Credit Program is one of the most powerful tools to eradicate poverty among the rural poor. The success of the programme depends on the active participation of the people. The poor people from the federation of the women and agricultural labourers are motivated, given orientation and training to practice small savings and enter into Micro Credit Activities. This project is implemented, in collaboration with Caritas Sweden through TASOSS, Trichy.

- Project period** : Oct 2005 to Sept 2007
- Reporting Period** : Oct 2005 to March 2006
- Target area** : T. Palur Union
- Target People**
- Landless Labourers
 - Small and Marginal Farmers
 - Women Sangam members

Aim:

Aim of the project is strengthening self help capacities of marginalized groups, aiming at a sustainable improvement of their living conditions. Sangams / SHGs functioning at the grass root levels are to be strengthened by awareness, ways and means, mechanism and chances to enhance their economic status.

Goal:

Economic self-reliance of the marginalized section of people.

Objective:

- To strengthen the capacities of the Sangam / SHG members through Organizing training programs.
- To facilitate members towards collective initiative for sustainable income generation and improve the standard of living.
- To help the members to mobilize locally available resources.
- To extend necessary guidance and support to ensure stable income to the members.
- To encourage savings habit among members to improve their economic condition and life style.

Training and Meetings to the Sangam Members

S.No.	Date	Place	Content	No. of Participated	Number of Persons villages
1.	20.10.2005	T.Palur	Explanation about MCP Project.	20	200
2.	30.10.2005	Kumilanguzhi	„	7	105
3.	14.11.2005	Kumbakonam	People's Ban concept	22	66
4.	17.12.2005	Jayankondam	Sustainable Agri. & Village Survey	20	60
5.	30.01.2006	Kumbakonam	EDP	22	66
6.	08.04.2006	Kumbakonam	Activities analysis	20	60
7.	21.04.2006	Kumbakonam	Evaluation of the activities	15	30

Economic Assistance / Revolving Fund

S.No.	Name of Sangam	Village	AmountRs.
1.	Pudumaipengal Madar Sangam	Suthamalli	25,000.00
2.	Rose Madar Sangam	Naduvalur	25,000.00
3.	Marikolundu Madar Sangam	Nayaganaipriyal	25,000.00
4.	Rose Madar Sangam	T.Palur	25,000.00
5.	Annai Theresa Mela	Michaelpatti	25,000.00
6.	Roja Madar Sangam	Arulmozhi	25,000.00
7.	Xavier Kolping Sangam	Kumilanguzhi	25,000.00
8.	Thalampoo	Chinthamani	25,000.00
9.	Arockia Annai	Koovathur	25,000.00
10.	Ubagara Annai	Vadaveekam	25,000.00
11.	Royal Madar Sangam	Thennavanallur	25,000.00
12.	Senkadir Agri. Sangam	Naduvalur	25,000.00
13.	Vidivelli Agri. Sangam	Koolattukuppam	25,000.00
14.	Vidiyal Agri. Sangam	Koolattukuppam	25,000.00
15.	Annai Agri. Sangam	Mela Michaelpatty	25,000.00
16.	Vasantham Agri. Sangam	Anaikudam	25,000.00
17.	Thendral Agri. Sangam	Kurichi	25,000.00
18.	Annai Theresa Sangam	Keelakudiyiruppu	25,000.00
19.	St. Xavier Sangam	Kumilanguzhi	25,000.00
20.	Udayam Agri. Sangam	Ervangudi	25,000.00
21.	Udayam Agri. Sangam	Keela Michaelpatty	25,000.00
	Total		525,000.00

Community Based Rehabilitation (CBR)

Introduction:

The Community Based Rehabilitation Project was started in 2002 at Thiruvaidaimarudhur Union with partnership of CBR Forum Bangalore. More thrust was focused on community involvement.

Objective:

Empowering the discriminated oppressed members of the Community of Disabled, to attain Equal Rights and Social Equity on par with other sections of the society through self governance, entrepreneur skills, education and advocacy and community based rehabilitation.

CBOs (Community Based Organizations):

Currently 40 Community Based Organizations (CBOs) comprising of persons with various forms of Disabilities have been formed and functioning in our project villages with the facilitation of KMSSS. A total of 421 members form part of these 40 CBOs. An amount of Rs.67,713/- stands as the total saving of these CBOs at the end of the current project year.

Formation of New CBOs:

During the year 5 New CBOs have been formed in the following 5 villages.

1. 1. Thandalam, 2. Pandhi, 3. Thirumangalakudi,
2. 4. Kollampillaiyarkoil, 5. Anthamangalam.

Awareness Generation Campaign:

People belonging to different sections and different walks of life, have been conscientized through Awareness Generation with a variety of activities, like cultural programmes meetings etc. The causes for Disability, identifying disability, preventive methods and the problems being faced by the Persons With Disabilities (PWDs) were dealt with extensively in the Awareness Generation Campaigns.

Awareness Generation:**Segment-wise Break up**

S.No.	Beneficiary Segments	No. of Groups	No. of Persons
1	Pregnant women	-	187
2	Young women	-	139
3	Schools	6	1350
4	Women	31	550
5	Parents	-	90
6	Continuing Education Staff	-	70
7	Panchayat Presidents	40 Panchayat	40

Cultural Programmes were organized in 14 villages, as part of sensitization campaign.

Medical Camp

Two, three days medical camp were organized to identify the persons with Disability in the months of October and November 2005, for the target people of Thiruvaidaimarudhur and Kumbakonam. These camps were held in the KMSSS Campus.

A total of 1200 persons with various forms of Orthopedic Disability, Mental Retardation and Spastics in nature were detected and issued Identity Cards to that effect. A panel of 4 Government Doctors (physicians tested the nature, the extent of the deformities and physical handicaps and mental disabilities.

Facilitation for loan for IGP

- 16 persons with Disabilities were distributed loans to a tune of Rs.61,000/- as part of direct financial assistance for different types of Income Generation Initiatives such as Petty Shops, Coconut sale retail units, rearing of Milch animals and ruminants etc.

- Similarly 16 Persons With Disability secured grant for different Income Generation Initiatives Rs.1,45,000/- with the facilitation of KMSSS during the year, from TAHDCO, this grant has been availed with total subsidy has been made use of for various income Generation Activities.

Disability Identification on children below 3 years:

- Visits to Hospitals to identify new born babies and children under 3 years with deformities.
- Out of the total member of 178 children in the age group of less than 3 years, 5 children were found mentally retarded. And survey carried to find out the new born babies covered a total of 47 babies in various Maternity Clinics in Thiruvudaimarudhur block.

Capacity Building Training to Staff & Group Members:

A variety of training in personality development skills, vocational skills were imparted to the Group leaders and women members of groups with Disabilities as part of Capacity Building measures.

S.No.	Venue	Date	Training particulars	No. of Participants
1.	Trichy ADD India	25 th to 30 th June 2005.	Group Formation	3
2.	KMSSS	August 12 th	Mental Illness	10
3.	KMSSS	27, 28 and 29 November 2005.	Cultural Troupe training	9
4.	Egmore, Chennai	9 th , 10 th and 11 th Feb. '06	Problems faced by PWDs.	1

S.No.	Venue	Duration	Month	Name of Training	No. of participants
1.	KMSSS	5 days	May to Sep.	Leadership	80
2.	KMSSS	2 days	May	Animator Representative Orientation	40
3.	In villages	2 days	40 Meetings April, May.	SHG	200
4.	KMSSS	10 days	April	EDP	30
5.	KMSSS	24 days	October	Vocational Skills	64
				Total	414

Other Activities of Rehabilitation:

S.No.	Type of Aids and Appliances supplied	No. of Recipient
1.	Hearing Aids	26
2.	Tricycle	3
3.	Wheel Chair	2
4.	Crutches	2
	Total	33

Physiotherapy:

Physiotherapy is being administered and monitored periodically by our trained staff members. Once in a week, every child, who requires physiotherapy is being attended to while, the parents or the caretakers of the children have been trained by our staff members in physiotherapy.

Particulars of interventions:**Disabled Children Receiving physiotherapy**

S.No.	Nature of Disability	No. of Children
1	Orthopedic	31
2.	Cerebral Palsy	37
3.	Mental Retardation	45

Facilitation and Financial aid for Surgery:

A total of 8 children with orthopedic complaints of Deformities underwent corrective surgeries with the facilitation and financial aid from KMSSS. Similarly 4 children with orthopedic disabilities were admitted to Special School with the facilitation of KMSSS.

Awareness Generation to Panchayat Presidents:

Awareness Generation Programme on Disability was organized for Presidents of village Panchayat at Thiruvudaimarudhur on 16.03.2006, in which 40 village Panchayat Presidents participated.

Individual Assistance:

S.No.	Type of Assistance	Type of Disability	No. of Recipients
1.	Pension under OAP	Various	34
2.	Bus Pass	Orthopedic	13
3.	Educational Aid	Orthopedic	11
4.	Expense on Admission into Mental Asylum	Mental Retardation	02
5.	Medical Aid	Epilepsy	18

The tireless efforts of KMSSS CBR team the above were made available to the deserving persons with 60% Degree of Disability, the various concessions and Government Schemes, like the monthly pension and free bus pass, entitled to them in our working villages.

Panchayat Level Support Group:

As part of ensuring coordination among various sections of the rural communities of the villages and fulfillment of the needs of PWDs, "Panchayat Level Support Groups" have been formed with the representatives from local bodies, Young groups, Self Help Groups, Village Health Workers, Crèches etc. In 10 panchayats these groups have been formed.

"Differently abled" Day Celebrations :

The "Disabled Day" was conducted on 05.12.2005 in the KMSSS Campus, more than 350 PWDs participated in a variety of Sports Events. These Competitions once again proved, that the members of disabled community are equally good in the competitive spirits and in fact many of them are gifted athletes as they demonstrated their mettle, and proved that they are not only differently abled, but given the chance, they might outsmart the people without any disability. Our President Most Rev.P. Remigius, D.D. The District Disability Rehabilitation Officer and the Msgr.C.Peter Francis, V.G. among others graced the occasion with inspiring speeches.

Sports and Events :

S.No.	Type of Disability	Type of Events
1.	Orthopedic	Tricycle, Spirit-War, Shot-put, Balloon bursting.
2.	Auditory / Speech	Tug-of-war, Shot-put etc.
3.	Visual Impairment	Shot-put, Fast walking race.
4.	Mental Development Putting off Candle.	Filling bottle with water, Biscuit Eating,

Federation of CBOs:

The elections to elect the office bearers of the Federation of the CBOs of PWDs were held, and 40 Groups took part. The Governing Body with 15 members and General Council with a total of 80 members were elected. It was resolved in the meetings of these

Councils that the Governing Body and General Council shall meet once in a month and once in 3 months respectively.

Day Care Centre:

A Day Care Centre has been established at Gangadaranallur village of Thiruvidadimarudhur block. Currently 5 children with Cerebral Palsy and Orthopedic disabilities are administered physiotherapy in this centre daily.

National Programme for Rehabilitation of Persons with Disability (NPR-PD):

The Government Programme of NPR-PD was inaugurated during the period of 13.03.2006 to 08.04.2006 in our functional area villages. A sixty four member team comprising of a Multipurpose Social Worker and the 64 newly recruited staff have been imparted one month training in Community Based Rehabilitation by the KMSSS.

Various aspects of Disabilities, its forms and methods of prevention, Government Schemes, the laws governing the people with Disability were covered in the training.

Orientation Training for New Staff of NPRPD was conducted on Polio, Mental retardation cerebral palsy, Mental Illness, CP, MR, Ortho auditory or speech problem, Rights, CBI & IBR and essential causes of afflictions.



**Empowering For Human Development
(APHD)**

Project Period : April 2004 to March 2007.

Project Location : Jeyankondam, Ariyalur and Andimadam Blocks.

Objectives of the Project:

To study and organize people as sangams / groups and inculcate saving habit through involvement of people in planning, implementing and evaluation to achieve self sufficiency and socio-economic empowerment.

Key interventions:

- Participatory rural appraisal.
- Sangam Formation.
- Orientation Training on various Development Themes.
- Participatory Planning, implementation and Evaluation.
- Inculcation of Savings habit.
- Peoples' Bank formation.
- Health, Hygiene and Nutrition Education and environment.
- Gender equity and literacy.

Introduction:

The project area is located in Perambalur district which is categorized as one of the most backward (district) area in Tamilnadu. This region was under the control of Jamindars, before independence. People, by nature are hard working and their major occupation is agriculture though comparatively with hot climatic condition, the majority of the farmers are depending only on erratic type of monsoon for cultivation. Privately owned bore wells are less in number, the landlords who own the Pump set charges heavily for watering the field of marginal farmers and cultivators.

People of below poverty line are mostly unorganized, which result in less opportunity to make any demands to resolve the target people grievances and needs.

Implementation:**People's Participation:**

The target people were briefed about the project details by the project staff, and periodically discussed the programme achievement and progress etc. with the people. Routine periodical follow up were given by the field staff to the villages. Groups/sangams of women, farmers and labourers were formed as groups during the first year itself. After study of the existing socio-economic, political and cultural situation of the people, new villages were taken up in the second year of execution of the programme. As introductory part of the programme the need and importance of living together to gain more strength and support, to demand their basic needs and to build their competencies various types of trainings, meetings, discussions and family contacts were made by the project staff.

Development of competencies:

Emphasis was laid more on creating awareness about their present living condition, taking into consideration the present scenario of their social setting and living. Conscientization and a feeling of motivation towards forming and functioning as a group was stressed in the meetings Trainings and discussions. Concepts on small savings, leadership, improved farming practices and relevant income generation activities were highlighted to them during the training sessions.

Process of functioning:

Irrespective of women group or men group or combined group of men and women they meet regularly once in a month, in a common meeting place of their village and conduct discussion, decide matters of importance and also review the progress of previous month and plan for next month. Collect membership fee and savings amount from each member. The discussions and decisions of the groups/sangams are recorded in the registers maintained by the group and obtain signature of all members. According to the nature of issue or problem, if necessary depending upon the urgency, they meet the government officials for favour of their need and also submit collective application to get development for their village. Thus the participatory planning process paves the way for success and to get rid of many of their problems.

a) Sangams and Savings (Men groups - Farmers and Labourers):

S.No.	Union Name	Number of Groups			Members			Savings Total Rs.
		Last year	This year	Total Groups	Last year	This year	Total members	
1.	Andimadam	09	08	17	145	125	270	1,72,173/-
2.	Jeyankondam	06	04	10	96	75	171	1,04,300/-
3.	Ariyalur	13	03	16	209	46	255	84,150/-
	Total	28	15	43	450	246	696	3,60,623/-

b) Sangams and Savings (Women groups):

S.No.	Union Name	Number of Groups			Members			Savings Total Rs.
		Last year	This year	Total Groups	Last year	This year	Total members	
1.	Andimadam	09	06	15	146	091	237	2,05,200/-
2.	Jeyankondam	04	06	10	65	100	165	1,05,450/-
3.	Ariyalur	03	01	04	58	014	072	58,100/-
	Total	16	13	29	269	205	474	3,68,750/-

c) Credit Union:

As a measure of development and growth of target people, 11 Sangams of Andimadam Union and 4 sangams of Ariyalur Union have joined in union level credit society by paying a deposit of Rs.10,000/- each group. This amount is in circulation among themselves at a low interest rate of 12% per annum. Required administrative assistance has been provided by the organization for the growth of the Sangams.

Training Programmes:

Training is a prelude before starting of programme execution, to build capabilities among the participants and to make proper approach towards desired goal. In addition to the initial training to the staff members they were exposed to various subjects of knowledge and

skill to improve their performances during monthly review sessions. Community level training was organized to sangams/groups, based on the needs of the people with project relevance. People's participation was boosted through trainings on various topics. Experts from outside, the Coordinator of the project and Chief Coordinator of the organization were involved as resource persons to conduct training on specific topics.

S. No	Training Topic	No. of Trainings
1.	Micro Credit Programme	4
2.	Traditional and Organic Farming	2
3.	People's Bank	11
4.	Social Analysis	12
5.	Leadership	3
6.	Women Rights and equality	3
7.	Health, Farming welfare & Herbal use	4
	Total	39

In each of the training the number participants' ranged from 15 to 50 according to the size of the village population. Thus a total of 713 persons were trained during the period of reporting.

Special Days, Camps, Demonstration, Bandh:

1. Anniversary Day of People's Bank was celebrated in Ariyalur Union.
2. Andimadam Union groups in close collaboration with Ariyalur Joseph Eye Hospital, conducted an "Eye camp" in which 450 persons had benefited - free checking and 72 persons have got their eyes operated.
3. On 14.05.2005, Siddha Medical Camp was organized at Poyyur and 60 persons benefited.
4. At Senapallam Village Farmers group arranged the Annual Day of their village sangam with colourful events and sports and prizes were distributed.
5. Demanding 33% reservation for women in employment sector, a Dharna was conducted in front of the RDO's Office at Ariyalur by women groups.

People Actions:

- In addition to the above task, immunization assistance was given PHC staff to organize and immunize 650 children.
- In Arulanandapuram village, farm labourers' daily wage was raised from Rs.30/- to Rs.35/- by the initiation and protest made by the groups.
- With the intervention of the local group members, the local school Management Committee was re-arranged in Melakaruppur Village.
- 363 members belong to 25 groups of Andimadam and Jeyankondam unions enrolled themselves in LIC Scheme and insured in favour of their life benefit including their school children educational assistance.

Results and Impacts:

- Our target population at large realizing the importance of thrift system changed positively towards small savings.
- People are able to identify the methods and techniques of income generation, and get income through small entrepreneurship activities.
- They are courageous and bold enough to enter into the Government offices and departments to get their demands/grievances and get solution through dialogue.
- Able to plan for their own development and growth as a group and individual.
- Improved Basic knowledge on better health and sanitation practices of the family and village.
- The group (Sangam) members are equipped with talents to tackle their own problem.
- Few village Farmers started own traditional farming practices and use natural manures.
- They are well versed regarding the schemes and subsidies being extended to Dalits SC/ST/ and BC committees by the Government and they are able to make proper approach for such benefit.

Traditional Herbal Cure is the Way for ruralites

Title : "Developing an alternative Health Care system and providing of low-cost and effective Health Care Services".

Duration of the project: Three years (15.03.2003 to 14.03.2006).

Project Area: Jayankondam Block, Perambalur District.

Project Objectives:

- To orient and train the community organizers and build their capacity in Herbal medicines.
- To train village leaders to be aware of the cost-effective indigenous medicines and use them.
- To conduct medical camps and demonstration in the target villages to acquaint the poor about low-cost medicines for their common ailments.
- To organize and establish one referral centre and maintain herbal garden.
- To organize street theatre programmes in the target villages in order to educate the target people on the importance and value of the herbal medicines.
- To organize health committees in all villages of the block.
- To facilitate each Panchayat to grow and maintain herbal garden.

I. Introduction:

India is facing many issues and challenges related to health and illness. Women and Child related problem especially the adolescent girls, killer disease HIV/AIDs, aging and environment degradation with reference to our target population is of paramount importance and concern today to people specially those who are engaged in social service programmes.

Due to high cost, time and distance factors people are “born with disease, live with disease and die by disease”. This project was launched primarily to find easy solution for many commonly prevalent health problems through use of simple cost effective herbals and drugs prepared with herbals.

As an essential feature, community involvement and participation was ensured all through the process of planning, implementation and follow up of this project. Orientation and counseling activities were carried out during the period of operation.

II. Programmes and services:

Villages coverage during this year

S.No.	Sector	No. of	
		Panchayats	Villages
1.	Cross Road	4	14
2.	Meen Surutti	6	12
3.	Udayarpalayam	5	11
4.	Jayankondam	4	16
5.	Kallathur	5	10
	Total	24	63

Health Committee details

S.No.	Sector	Health Committees	
		No. of committees	Members
1.	Cross Road	23	128
2.	Meen Suruti	17	102
3.	Udayarpalayam	20	10
4.	Jayankondam	12	64
5.	Kallathur	14	71
	Total	86	475

Training Programmes conducted:

With an intention of imparting awareness and basic knowledge to health Committee Members on Herbals and their medicinal value in curing the common diseases that are prevalent at their villages, training programmes were conducted. The details of training - theme, total number of training in each sector and the number of participants of the training is given under:-

S.No.	Sector	Theme	No. of Training	No. of Participants
1.	Udayarpalayam	Herbal Medicine Health Committee preparation, Responsibilities of Health committee	9	159
2.	Jayankondam	"	6	91
3.	Kurukku Road	Herbal Medicine and need of Health Committee	9	139
4.	Meen Surutti	Herbal Medicine and need of Health committee	9	136
5.	Kallathur	Herbals use Health Committee and Healthy life.	5	59

Herbal Gardens established:

S.No.	Sector	HerbalGardens	Panchayat level Garden
1.	Cross Road	13	3
2.	Meen surutti	15	1
3.	Udayarpalayam	13	3
4.	Jayankondam	10	1
5.	Kallathur	7	1
	Total	58	9

The above listed Gardens are being maintained by the village Health Committee Members. Herbals like Thulasi, Kartazhai, Vallarai, Periyangai, Thiruneetripachalai, Nithyakalyani, Omavalli, Pirandai, Turmeric, Neem, Mudakathan, Veliparuthi, Thudhuvelai, Keezhanelli, Ammanpachaiarisi, Nochi, Karisalai, Adathodai, Nerunchi, Thuthi, Ponnankanni, Maruthani, Sembaruthi, Siru Senni etc.

These herbals are effectively used to cure the condition or sickness such as cough and cold, fever, headache, white discharge, scabies, poisonous insect bites, memory loss, diabetics, gas, allergies, pain, Rheumatic problem, piles and indigestion.

Exhibition on Herbals:

S.No.	Sector	Villages	Viewers	Beneficiaries
1.	Cross Road	2	120	46
2.	Meen Surutte	2	110	65
3.	Udayarpalayam	1	115	55
4.	Jayankondam	1	89	20
5.	Kallathur	1	95	25

Cultural Programmes:

S.No.	Sector	No. of Audience	Topic/Themes
1.	Cross Road	235	Solidarity, Government Schemes Fatalistic attitudes, Herbals Cure Health & Hygiene Sanitation
2.	Meen Surutte	225	
3.	Udayarpalayam	227	
4.	Jayankondam	240	
5.	Kallathur	120	

Villagers visited the exhibitions understood the role of medicine in curing common health problems and they had benefited free medical check up and herbal medicines. The viewers of cultural Programme were able to gain basic knowledge about herbal cure, gained self confidence, realized the need of human solidarity and growing of herbals in their field/garden.

Different category of audience who attended the cultural programmes were of the village youth, Panchayat Ward Members, Presidents, SHG members and Health Committee Members and the public of both sexes.

Herbal Medicine Preparation:

As part of the project activity herbals were grown and with the help of local people rare varieties of herbals were collected and medicines were prepared.

S.No.	Type of remedial drug prepared	Pathological Symptoms/ Condition	Ingredient Herbals
I.a)	Suranams	Jaundice	Keezhanelli, Karisalai
b)	"	Poisonous insect bites	Periya Nangai, Sri urinja, Avuri, Arughu.
c)	"	Diabetics	Sirukurinja, Naval Seed Avarambu (Flower)
II.	Lakiyam	White discharge, Heat, Piles, Uterus problem, Monthly period problem.	Kartrazhai, Palmgur, Garlic, Cow's Ghee.

III.a)	Thailam	Pain, Head ache, Tooth ache, Cold.	Omam, Salt, Camphor, Adathodai.
b)	“	Scabies, Ulcers, Swelling, Body pain.	Neem oil, Nochi, Azhinji, Thumbai, Kuppaimeni.
c)	Thailam, Oil	Itching, Padai, Themal, Skin disease.	Pey Ahathi, Thumbai, Silandhi Nayagam, Vettukapachali, Naga Nangai, Neem Oil.
d)	Thailam Mudi Thailam	Grey Heir, Podugu, Loss of Hair	Karishilankanni, Maruthani, Ponnankanni, Keezhanelli, Poduthalai, Sembaruthi, Coconut oil, Old person hair.

Kurinchi Herbal Clinic:

With the able guidance of the Secretary KMSSS, this clinic was inaugurated on 07.09.2004 by the Perambalur District Collector Thirumigu T. Vivekanantan, I.A.S., A trained and government registered Sidha and Ayurvedhic Doctor extended medical consultancy and free herbal drugs to out patients those who came from neighbouring area villages with various kinds of illness and got benefit.

Impacts of the project activities:

- Understanding the efficiency of herbal medicine, people of project area villages have got benefited very much.
- More than 25 persons who belong to six villages have developed their skill to a stage of Herbal medicine preparation and use.
- Vegetarian food is prepared by a considerable portion of people to avoid problem at later age.

- Herbal garden is being grown and benefited by 58 families during the period of reporting.
- Instead of taking grams in other forms of preparation, people prefer to consume sprouted, powdered (malted) grams pulses to ensure the nutritive value.
- Realizing the cost factor and consequences of non-vegetarian food about 20% of people have changed to vegetarian food in many project villages.
- Village Health Committee plays a vital role as model change agent for acceptance and use of Herbal cure method in their villages.



Emergency Assistance

During this year (October and November 2005) in comparison with the last six years, Tamil Nadu had experienced a ravaging flood and torrential and Continuous rain for a period of more than 5 weeks. Spate in Cauvery and Coleroon and its tributaries, damaged Cauvery Delta region severely. People in 130 Villages, especially, small and marginal farmers and the poor and landless labourers, who form the majority of population, were doubly hit by the rain and flood. Government and civic services were paralyzed. Education Institutions remained closed. Villages gave a marooned look. People were in a state of panic and peril.

As a measure of immediate relief, affected people were put in temporary camps such as common Chavadi, School, Panchayat Union Halls and Marriage Halls and in Taluk Headquarter places.

Flash flood washed away the huts, roads breached and resulted in large scale soil erosion. Crops and Low lying area including residential places were submerged in water.

KMSSS roused to the occasion and extended assistance immediately to the victims. The Secretary and Program Organizers studied the intensity of loss through spot visit and prepared proposal and submitted to the funding partners in favour of assistance to the victims. With the assistance provided by Kolping India, Caritas Sweden – TASOSS, CRS Chennai and Caritas Chennai relief measures were carried out.

**Relief Assistance
and Compensation to the Flood Victims**

S.No	Name of the Parish	Number of Beneficiaries	Total Beneficiaries	Donor Agency
I. 1	Ayyampettai	149	304	KOLPING INDIA
2	Naduvalur	38		
3	Thennur	117		
II. 1	Achanur	38	312	CARITAS SWEDEN - TASOSS
2	Kumilanguzhi	11		
3	Kumbakonam	23		
4	Sukkambar	92		
5	Koovathur	94		
6	Andimadam	20		
7	Kovanur	2		
8	Keelavarappankurichi	32		
III. 1	Lalgudi	115	1259	CRS - CHENNAI
2	Viragalur	122		
3	Pudukottai	95		
4	Kalathivandranpettai	67		
5	Purathakudi	68		
6	Kumbakonam	320		
7	Poondi	15		
8	Vadagarai	186		
9	S.Puthur	51		
10	Ammanpettai	11		
11	Punalvasal	24		
12	Pavanamangalam	46		
13	Sikkalnayakanpetta	9		
14	Villiavarambal	8		
15	Jayakondam	5		
16	Valangaiman	24		
17	Michaelpatti	93		

IV. 1	Vandalai	22	955	CARITAS INDIA NEW DELHI
2	Periyavarseeli	45		
3	Perumathur	23		
4	Thirukkayalur	24		
5	Padalur	7		
6	Thuraiyur	4		
7	Kottaipalayam	54		
8	Noothapur	18		
9	Annamangalam	27		
10	Kokkudi	18		
11	Pullambadi	19		
12	Manakkal	41		
13	Kumbakonam	68		
14	keela Naduvai	7		
15	Keela Michaelpatti	25		
16	Fatimapuram	26		
17	Manathidal	5		
18	Kabistharam	15		
19	Elakurichi	40		
20	Papanasam	70		
21	Thiruvalandurai	51		
22	Varadharajanpettai	84		
23	Kulamanickam	134		
24	Alambakam	17		
25	Mathur	6		
26	Thiruppanthurithi	56		
27	Thirumanur	14		
28	Thiruvaiyaru	35		

Promotion of Vermi Compost Preparation and Use

Title: Promotion of Vermi Compost Production

Introduction:

The KMSSS realized the need and importance and it has been discussed at length among staff for furthering the process of production. Accordingly it has been planned to popularize the Vermi Compost preparation and use in 5 selected villages to create mass awareness among the farming community.

Objective:

1. To select 50 farmers and train them in preparation and production of Vermi Compost.
2. To create awareness among the village farmers in 5 villages about Vermi Compost and its benefits.

A Staff Supervisor who has experienced in Vermi Compost Program was appointed and the project objectives and methodology was briefed to him. Afterwards, basic preparatory activity was done and the prospective and interested farmers were selected and they were exposed to training and Demonstration sessions at villages. As a prelude to project execution, cultural programme were organized at project villages with the help of KMSSS staff cultural team. Identified and selected farmers and others witnessed the cultural program.

Local Parish Priests and the leaders were involved in meetings and awareness programmes organized and got clarified their doubts. Demonstration program contributed to create a sense of readiness among them.

Trainings organized at villages:

S.No.	Place of Training	Topic	No. of Trainees	Date
1.	Poondi	Vermi compost and its benefits, Pancha Kavya, Insects repeller	20	10 th -12 th Sep. 2005
2.	Kuruvadi	Natural farming Vermi Compost Preparation	30	15.09.2005
3.	Pazhamaneri	Natural farming Vermi Compost Preparation	25	20.09.2005
4.	Pavanamangalam	Natural farming Vermi Compost Preparation	20	06.10.2005
5.	Kangavadanganallur	Natural farming Vermi Compost Preparation	20	12.10.2005
6.	Anaikudam	Pancha kavya	15	15.10.2005
7.	Pattnamkurichy	Natural farming Vermi Compost Preparation	20	20.10.2005

Beneficiaries:

One hundred and fifty small and marginal farmers have engaged in preparation of vermin compost. They use the compost in their own farm land. Information about the expenses and the results accrued out of the project has been reached the other neighbouring villages also and they are interested to practice preparation and the use vermi compost in their farm to gain good yield.

Special days, Functions and Events

On 8th March 2006, celebration of “International Women’s Day” was organized at Vellore by Tamil Nadu State Federation in which women sangam and federation representatives from KMSSS numbering about 60 members and staff took active part. Dr. Periyar Dasan gave an inspiring speech on “Do women enjoy the Air of Freedom”?

- ◆ KMSSS Family Day and Sponsorship Day as a joint “Gala” was arranged on 27.12.2005 at the premises of KMSSS, which gave chance to the beneficiary children to remember their sponsors in Canada and pray for their families and relatives good health and long happy life. This function resulted to gather all the children at one place and be in joyous mood and show their talents through demonstration of their individual abilities. Sponsorship children’s parents and the KMSSS staff also appreciated the children talents and interest. This get together was part of Holy Christmas function i.e. Christmas Day – Sponsors Day – and Family Day.
- ◆ The Kumbakonam Diocese level Women’s Day Celebration was held at KMSSS on 11.03.2006, wherein women from neighbouring Blocks participated beyond the expectation of the organizers. It went on like a “Marathan” programme. The seminar Hall was over flowed with full of ladies. Our Most Rev. Bishop P. Remigius presided over the function and blessed all the participants. Advocate Mr. Keethalayan and Professor Vijalakshmi of Women’s College delivered inspiring and thought provoking speeches.
- ◆ On 31.03.2006 women’s Rally and Public Meeting was arranged as part of “World Women’s Day” at Ariyalur by the Zonal team. Thirumathi. Tamilarasi, District Secretary of Jananayaga Mathar Sangam delivered a speech about “Women and their problem in Tamil Nadu. Thiru K. Thimmavalavan spoke on “Women and Legal Rights”. More than 250 women attended this programme.

- ♦ The Annual get-together of the Diocese area Social Service Societies Staff was organized at Perambalur during the Christmas week on 23.12.2005. Our Most Rev. Bishop P. Remigius chaired the function as special guest and blessed all the participants of the function and Rovers College Correspondent Mr. Varadarajan, Chief guest appreciated the spirit and commitment of both the Social Service Societies (KMSSS and PSSS). The staff gave a nice cultural programme which was more inspiring and reflective of the field problems. Our Bishop and President of the meeting quoted examples from Bible and appealed for honesty, truth and liberty in our ways of life.

JANA SHREE BIMA YOJANA L.I.C. (Group Insurance Programem)

KMSSS in close cooperation and agreement with the LIC of India, has commenced the "Jana Shree Bima Yojana" Scheme in our area of operation on 31.03.2004. This programme aims to provide benefit to the target population who are below poverty line, who enrolled themselves as the unit under this Scheme.

The Insured individuals are between 18-60 years of age as per the instruction given by the L.I.C. They have paid a one time (single) premium of Rs.100/- per annum and the Government of India remit to the L.I.C. an equal amount on this policy Scheme. The policy period is valid for one year only. The member has to pay this premium every year as long as he/she wants to be a member to get insurance coverage and benefits.

General conditions about the Scheme:

A member shall be admitted to the benefits of this policy with effect from the date of his admission as member of the society as per the rules and the Grantee shall advise the corporation to this effect and furnish relevant particulars of the Insured member.

Evidence of age of the Member satisfactory to the corporation will be required before any benefits in respect of him are paid under this policy.

If the Grantee do not renew this policy on any Annual Renewal day, may resume payment of the premium only with the consent of the corporation and subject to such conditions as may be prescribed by the corporation.

To whom Payable:

To the Nominee / Beneficiary / Legal Heir. Payment will be credited to the State Bank A/C.

Surrender and paid up values:

The Assurance effected under this policy will not acquire any surrender or paid up values.

Payment for claims:

- (a) Claim form duly completed along with copy of death certificate attested by Class I Officer of Nationalized Bank.
- (b) In the event of Death due to accident the following additional documents will have to be submitted.
 - I. Copy of F.I.R.
 - II. Post Mortem report.
 - III. Police Inquest report.
 - IV. Police conclusion report.
- (c) In the event of disability due to accident.
 - I. Documentary evidence of the accident.
 - II. Medical certificate.

Details of Benefits obtained by this scheme:

Year	Number Insured	Children Benefited		Compensation					
		No.	Amount	Accident		Accident		Natural	
				Benefit	Amount	Number	Benefit	Death	Amount
2004-2005	2786	634	5,70,600	-	-	-	-	4	80,000
2005-2006	3225	735 (Claimed)	-	1	50,000	-	-	4	80,000

Additional Benefit eligibility:

Educational Scholarship of Rs. 1,200 per year for the deserving children of the insured, studying in 9th, 10th, 11th and 12th std.

So far during the last two years 6011 persons have been enrolled under this scheme.



Local Specific Alternative Income Generation

Title of the Project:

Entrepreneurship Training-cum-Coir making by Sembodai SHG Members – Kumbakonam Diocese.

Location of the People: Sembodai Village.

The Target People:

People in Semi-urban settlement, landless labourers who are socially oppressed and exploited in the past and they are organized by the efforts of KMSSS field staff as Self Help Groups.

Objectives:

1. To organize Coir Making training to the selected SHGs members and develop skills.
2. To enable the trained persons with initial grant of assistance to facilitate production of Coir Making.
3. To enhance the economic status of the target population, with appropriate local specific income generation initiatives and encourage group solidarity.

As part of our initiatives on motivating and equipping the women Self Help Group members, in vocational skills in alternative Income Generation Activities, by making use of the locally available materials, the Coir Making has been identified as one of the potential sources. The abundant availability of the raw material of Coconut fiber in and around Kumbakonam and the promising marketing potential was instrumental in selecting this vocational Skill for appropriate Income Generation Activity.

Subsequently, upon the sanctioning of the project by Caritas India, Skill Training Programs are being organized. The 1st of batch 26 trainees, have completed the one month training which commenced on 08.03.2006 at Sembodai village. Work shed for the production unit has been erected by all the 26 trainees who have completed the training and they have been distributed the financial assistance of Rs.2,000/- each for production of Coir. The 2nd and final batch of training comprising 25 participants, has been going on.

Prior to the project formulation a feasibility analysis was done. The income generation activity was found capable of fetching not less than Rs.50/- for a day's work. The notable feature was that the total of 8 working hours per day is distributed according to the convenience of the group members so that other income generation options need not be distributed. Hence this vocational Skill Training in Coir Making cum assistance for production was received with overwhelming response.



Career Specific Vocational Skill Training REMI COMPUTER TRAINING CENTRE

With Kolping India extending a generous contribution towards procuring necessary equipment for training in Computer Applications a well equipped state of the Art Computer Training Centre has being established within The Little Flower Higher Secondary School campus with the Goal to offer the qualitative training in Computer Software Development and Hardware as part of helping the young boys and girls from poor and low middle income families, drop outs, also to avail the sophisticated training in Computer Applications.

Women Development Training Centre - Pullambadi

The Women Development Training Centre, at Pullambadi this year has yet again lived up to its potential by proving to be the home for shaping young women who are drawn from various parts of our working areas (Diocese) for a productive future. This centre which came into existence way back in the beginning of 1988 has completed 18 years of fruitful service.

Objective:

Moulding and equipping the illiterate, school dropout and unmarried women, to become as confident, productive and assertive individuals towards achieving empowerment.

The ability to attain economic self independence, could be achieved, only through equipping oneself with appropriate Vocational skills. And in line with this conviction, the skills of tailoring and making handicraft items considered as traditional preserves of women due to their high employment viability form part of the Integrated 6 months course in the centre.

Every year, 2 batches of Training are conducted. So far, 896 women have undergone training in the Integrated Life cum Vocational skills being imparted in the centre. So far, 36 batches of young women have undergone this Rural Women Empowerment Training.

The high skill orientation offered in the course, has helped in creating quite a number of assertive housewives, who contribute enormously towards the household management and upbringing of the children in their families. This was largely evident in their interactions at the annual get together meeting. Similarly, there have been exemplary individual accomplishments by some of the women hitherto underwent the training here.

Case History:

Jacintha, a Primary School drop out, belonging to the Vth batch of trainees, that took place in the year 1990, has been able to elevate herself to literally towering heights in comparison to the abysmal depths of ignorance, poverty and the oppressive environment in which she was living, prior to her stepping into the **Women Development Centre**.

With the economic empowerment, trainings she underwent in the centre, and the confidence gained along with the same compassion and social responsibility, she went ahead to marry a disabled person with both of his legs paralyzed.

She had gradually transformed this man, who used to remain obscure cursing his destiny, into an assertive and dynamic person who could not only achieve economic independence, through Jacintha's meticulous initiatives of counseling and supportive role, but has gone on to become one of the frontline leader of a progressive political outfit in the region, that is widely perceived to be always taking up the cause of the underprivileged, while Jacintha herself is a senior office bearer of another forum, that struggles for the rights of the women.

Training undergone by KMSSS Staff

Training being a continuous process, one has to update his knowledge so as to work more committed to the organization goals and objectives, according to the thrust given in multi dimensional aspects of this organization. KMSSS has a cordial networking relationship with number of NGOs, Government Departments and quassi government organizations. We used to get information about the training Calendar of many NGOs and based on the functional need of the staff they are deputed to undergo training outside. The details are.

S. No	Person Deputed	Nature of Training	No of Days	Training organization & Venue	Trainer	
1.	K.Senthamizh Selvi	TOT Training	5	Guindy, Chennai, Mahalir Thittam	Mr.Michael Sivagangai	
2.	K.Senthamizh Selvi	AIDS Awareness	12	Egmore Chennai	Mrs. Reginapapa	-Tamil Nadu Voluntary Resource Centre,- Tamil Nadu State Aids Control.- TNWDC
3.	S. Maria Sagaya Mary	AIDS Awareness	12	Egmore, TNVHA.	Mrs. Rukkumani	
4.	G.Siva Kumar	Job and Time Management Training for development System	2	KKID Coimbatore	KKID Staff	

5.	M.Francis Xavier	Co & NGOs participation with ICDS Program	5	NIPCCD Bangalore	NIPCCD Resources Team
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Capacity Building - Assistance extended to NGOs

KMSSS has been recognized by many NGOs & Government departments to extend it's render trained man power services (resources) for development of programmes. Leaders were given training by KMSSS staff on request of other NGOs.

S.No	Name of resource Person	Topic of Training	No. of Persons Trained	Place of Training
1.	Miss. K.Senthamizh Selvi	HIV/ AIDS – 3 days	49	KMSSS, Kumbakonam
2.	Miss. K.Senthamizh Selvi	HIV/ AIDS – 2 batches 5 days each	53	POWER, Vallam.
3.	Miss. K.Senthamizh Selvi	HIV/ AIDS – 2 batches 5 days each	50	IFPHA, Perambalur
4.	Miss. S.Maria Sagaya Mary	HIV/ AIDS – 2 batches 5 days each	45	Catering College, Thirumanur.
5.	Miss. S.Maria Sagaya Mary	HIV/ AIDS – 2 batches 5 days each	53	Arputham Plaza, Namakkal.

“Viable sustainable Means to Poor”**Cow Project****Introduction:**

In accordance with the objectives of the organization, many development activities are being carried out to build the capacity of people and empower them. To make people engage in known agro based income generation activity and to raise the status of Dalit Christian families who are resident of the Kumbakonam Diocese area, “Cow Project” (Milch Animals) loan was provided with the Assistance from Missioners Seculars De Jesus, Spain.

Method of operation:

In the preparatory stage of the project, the eligible (target) people were identified with the help of Local SC/ST Commission member's service. They were briefed about the objectives and method of operation. In selecting the beneficiaries from the list, preference was given to widows, destitute and economically poor strata people. The SC/ST Commission Members with active facilitation of the Parish Priests of the area selected the final list of beneficiaries. During last year (2004-2005), 106 individuals were provided a sum of Rs. 10,00,400/- and they are getting an additional income for the family through sale of milk. Their family members, specially the children are also habituated to take milk daily.

Details of beneficiaries in 2005-2006

S.No.	Vicariate Name	Assistance	No. of Beneficiaries	Amount
1.	Jayankondam	10,000/- each	14	1,40,000.00
2.	Lalgudi	10,000/- each	24	2,40,000.00
	Total		38	3,80,000.00

Filed work Placement

The MSW Course first year students of the Bon Secours College for Women, Thanjavur Miss.K.Suganya and Miss. Soumya Sebastian were placed to undergo field training at KMSSS as part of their curriculum requirement, during the months January to March, with a provision of weakly 3 days field work.

After discussion with the HOD of Social work, an itinerary was chalked out for the students to get orientation about the community and change process. As initial part of their orientation, monthly RPT meeting held at KMSSS was attended by them and they gained basic knowledge about various projects and programs which are being carried out. They selected Thiruppanthuruthi area for their field study. Necessary guidance and academic input was ensured to them by the KMSSS Manager and Field team.

Theoretical knowledge related to field work of community organization, leadership, program planning, Case Study and documentation subjects were shared with them.

At the field situation they aquatinted themselves with the area, people, SHG, workers and Federation people. Collected Data for their MSW field work requirement. Contents on preparation of proposal and report writing were covered by the Manager KMSSS.

Independently with the help of local staff of KMSSS they have organized seminar to the SHG Members at Punavasal in which the Secretary, Chief Coordinator and field staff participated and appreciated their field activities.

After completion of their successful field placement work the MSW students presented a report to the Secretary and got his approval.

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