



KMSSS

Our Awakenings

Annual Report 2008 - 09



SC/ST Commission National Seminar at Delhi, KMSSS Participation



The famous Qudup Minar, KMSSS Staff sight seeing



KMSSS crew at Lotus Temple New Delhi



Politically Elected Members Programme Starts with Prayer



Computer class for SHG women Remi Computer



KMSSS Wishes the Elected Representatives



Milch Animals Assistance Kolping India



The Child with Artificial limb CBR

Secretary Speaks!

With a great feel of allurements and privilege, I take this opportunity to share and submit the Annual Report of KMSSS for the period of April 2008 – March 2009, which deals the path of growth towards collective efforts to build a new life to the most deserving and oppressed people of below poverty line, marginalized and un-reached. We are happy of our achievements during the reference period and at the same time the area under Women Empowerment, Prevention of AIDS/HIV remains as a long way and need a continuous journey and integrated effort.

Though the economic changes have effected in the Diocese area, the most needed social and political front (domain) remains unaltered due to many extraneous factors of the present situation in the world at large. Our country passes through a complex period of transition.

Agriculture has to feed more than a Billion people of our large nation which poses a threat for the future due to unemployment, corruption, militancy, labour problem, increasing trend in crimes and violence and frequent disasters.

In a recent workshop held at the KMSSS to orient on the Diocesan Perspective Plan, it has been highlighted that there is a need to modify the mission of the Society, reason being that in the initial days of the organization, the focus was more on charity and economic development but we have crossed that period, presently more awakenings ascertained for livelihood, sustainability and empowerment and gender.

In Harmony with the given Vision and Mission of the organization to serve the specific target population of Dalit in Thiruvaiyaru "Accelerate Sustainable Livelihood Project for the oppressed" has been initiated during this year.

We are to state that this organization have a total of 947 groups, with total male members 2253 and women 12773 in the entire operational area. Human resource development including Gender policies and programme have a lot of uncovered complex issues which has to be dealt with. It has been experienced that staff motivation, commitment, teamwork relations and healthy working environment are important for achieving the organization goals and objectives. In the future, we propose to tackle the gender sensitive issues taping the local resources, paving the ways to find out the hidden treasures in our area.

*In all our programmes and efforts as guide, philosopher and friend the **Most Rev. F. Antonisamy, D.D., STL., and Msgr. C. Peter Francis**, Vicar General have rendered valuable suggestions and blissful support and encouragement. I also thank the Treasurer **Rev.Fr. G.Christhuraj** and **Rev.Fr.S.Alphones**, Asst. Secreatary for the support in carrying out day-today programmes and in execution. I owe my debt of gratitude to all of them.*

We express, our sincere thanks and appreciation to all the Benevolent funding partners, Foreign Donors, State Level and Central Government Departments Chalice - Canada, Manos Unidas, CARITAS INDIA, TASOSS, Bankers and Auditors, other NGOs and the Community Leaders, for their wholehearted cooperation and valuable partnership.

We thank all the members of the Governing Body, General Body and Project Selection Committee Members.

Also, express my deep appreciation and gratitude specially to the Annual Report Team Led by our Personnel Manager Mr.Tharanisingrajan and to all the staff who have contributed directly or indirectly for the growth of the organization and to hasten our march to achieve the set goals, Programmes and Project.

***Rev. Fr. A. Martin De Porres,**
Secretary.*



1. New Thrust

(4th Phase)

1. Goal:

Excluded communities in Action for Social Transformation.

2. Objectives:

- ❖ *To recapacitating the Directors of DSSSs, staff and leaders in the new stream.*
- ❖ *Formation of rights based and livelihood CBOs and resource support groups.*
- ❖ *Enabling the CBOs for action.*
- ❖ *Enabling the CBOs to acquire demonstration skills.*

3. Operational Area:

Thirteen unions of Thanjavur, Thiruvarur and Ariyalur Districts were covered under New Thrust Federation project.

4. Target people:

Oppressed, marginalized and voiceless people.

5. Process:

- ❖ *For the current year 3 unions – Andimadam, Thiruvaiyaru and Thiruppanandhal were selected for trial implementation as Community Based Organisation (CBO).*
- ❖ *Functionally both men and women groups were merged under the CBO strategy of operation. The rest of the unions are functioning as it was done previously.*



6. Major Activities:

- ❖ *At Punalvasal, Michaelpatti, Vada Sarukkai, Sankaranpettai and Kuvathoor villages 50 meters cement road was formed in each village.*
- ❖ *Drinking water facility and approach road bridge repair was carried out at Keela Michealpatti village.*
- ❖ *Through groups' approach public bus facility was sanctioned to Nayakanaipirial*
- ❖ *In Naduvalur village, Mrs. Dennis Mary got selected as Panchayat member in the by election .*
- ❖ *29 groups belong to seven unions area, obtained revolving fund and Bank assistance. Taken land on lease basis, redeemed their own land, houses reconstructed, 6 persons engaged in petty shop business.*
- ❖ *An Over Head Tank was constructed at Vadugarpalayam through the efforts and follow up of the groups.*

- ❖ Government Hospital building is under construction because of the Demand made by Budhaloor union groups.
- ❖ Under initiative of the groups, a Rally and Hunger strike was done against the terror on Sri Lankan Tamils.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu State level Women's Day programme was attended by 54 leaders' representatives at Dharmapuri.



Trainings:

For empowering the target population, trainings were organized both at village and union levels. Topics covered in the Trainings :-
 People's movement, Social analysis, Issue Analysis, Resources and its mobilization, Financial Management, Self dependence, Communication, Documentation, Human Rights, Health, hygiene and sanitation, Community Based Organization formation and development, importance of Information rights Act, leadership and atrocities against women were dealt in an appropriate way with aids and appliances.

External Evaluation of 3rd phase was done by Mrs. Loulina: Importance findings:-

Groups and Federation have a strong base and they are regular in savings. Basic needs which are within their capacity were attended by themselves. But the District level Federation have to be strengthened (women's participation is of high order comparing Men) People are depending on organizational guidance. Plan of implementation and actions have to be modified.



2. Sustainable livelihood of Dalit Communities at Thiruvaiyaru

Objectives:

- To check large scale migration of men
- To strive for alternative and sustainable, local specific livelihood
- To concientize landless labour, women community on their Rights and privileges, as per constitution.
- To sensitize the target people on alcoholism, HIV/AIDS, hygiene and family breakdown.

Target people and area of operation:

Dalit and landless labourers of men and women of 18 villages in Thiruvaiyaru Taluk

Data about area villages:

Villages : 18 Villages
 Families : 1443, (Hindu 195,
 Christian 1248)
 Population : 5748 – Male 1343,
 Female 1388, youth 968,
 young Girls 805,
 Boys 632, Girls 612.

Land holders : 186 persons
 Tenants : 90
 labourers : 1167 persons.
 No. of Migrations : 128
 Unemployed : 481
 Disabled : 106
 Widows : 179
 Houses with toilet facility : 140



Activities:

- Counseling centre is established.
- Trained and Qualified counselor has been appointed.
- Every 4th Saturday of the month, counseling is provided.
- 30 persons avail this facility.
- Financial Assistance of Rs.6,00,000/- is provided for Milch Animal rearing.

Awareness Programme Conducted on:

- Leadership ○ Counseling ○ Mental Health & Alcoholism, Drugs.
- Environment, disease causing Agents. ○ Migration factors and how to reduce.



3. Jana Shree Beema Yojana

This project aims to mitigate the risk factor faced by the people of below poverty line. The KMSSS takes pride to facilitate eligible persons to join in the scheme and provide coverage to risks of loss of life and also educational compensation to their children. The premium is a very meagre amount of Rs.100/- per annum.

Benefits:

Benefits and compensation during the period of reporting:-

Educational benefits for children Rs.1,41,000/-

Compensation for death claim Rs. 30,000/-

4. Chalice

Goal:

Aims at a developed society where people will be self sufficient and responsible by enabling themselves to get appropriate education, good health, social and moral living.

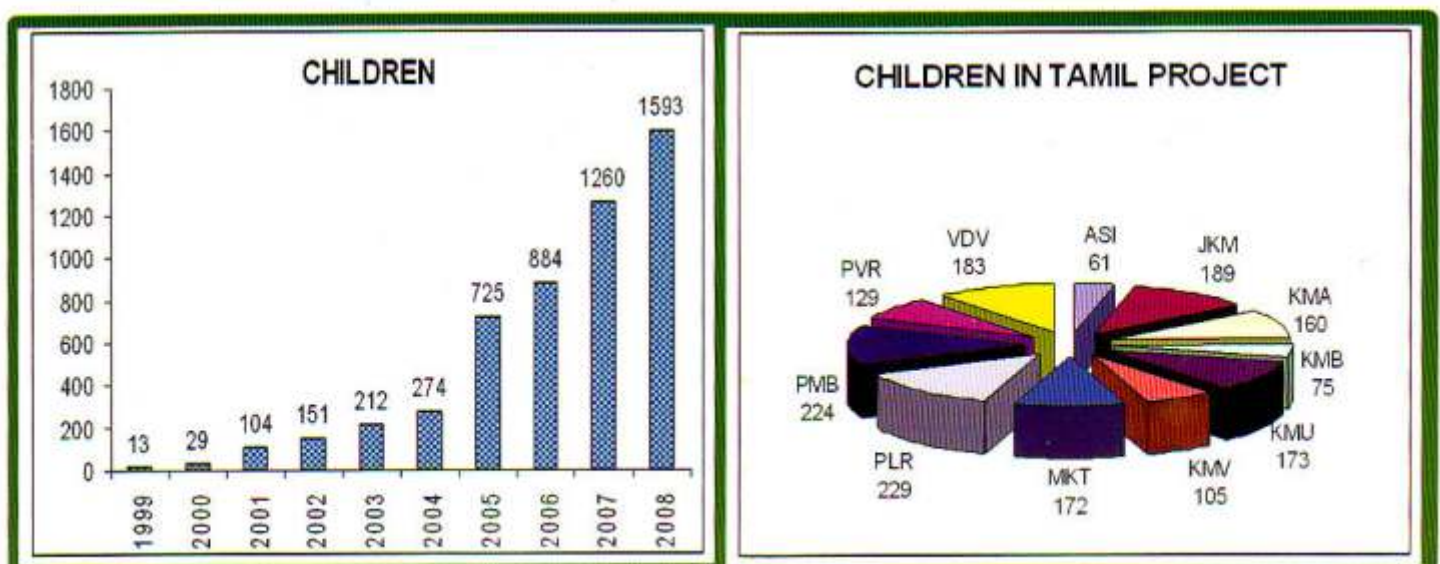
Promote equal opportunities to all children especially the most deserving and to eradicate child illiteracy and child labour.

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

Operational Area:

Geographically the whole Diocese area villages are covered under this project. Parts of revenue Districts of Thanjavur, Trichy, Thiruvaur, Perambalur and Ariyalur comes under the Diocese. So far the total educational sponsorship children beneficiaries includes 1593. Out of this, 512 students are staying and studying in various hostels specified below:

Kumbakonam, Michaelpatty, Pudukottai, Pullambady, Periyavarseeli, Konnaikudy, Kalpalayam and Annamangalam.



Programmes and Activities:

- ✦ *1200 children status package and growth report were collected and forwarded to chalice.*
- ✦ *Thanks giving letters, Christmas Greetings were sent to the sponsors by the beneficiary Children.*
- ✦ *Deacon Uguine perabo, visited and conducted seminar on logical model for planning and execution of the project to the representative of parents, advisory committee members, field workers and staff.*
- ✦ *Seminar to the parents on moral, spiritual, health and hygiene were conducted at six vicariates level.*
- ✦ *Summer camps were conducted to the students in four stages and they were taken on a tour to different places.*
- ✦ *Healthy competitions were conducted to children on general knowledge and Bible.*
- ✦ *English coaching and computer training were organized to the project staff.*
- ✦ *New applications from the families numbering about 600 were received through the Parish Priest.*



- ✦ *Medical camps at 6 places and sports at 5 places were held.*
- ✦ *Through the Gift Catalogue, together with Advisory Committee, Toilet facilities for 8 families, wheel chair for 5 members, sewing machine for 5 persons, hand plough to 8 persons and vegetable seeds bag to 50 members were distributed.*
- ✦ *With the assistance of Community Development, 2 most depriving families were given constructed houses.*
- ✦ *A magnificent students Hostel construction is under progress.*
- ✦ *Regional Director Fr.Jaimi make periodical visits to the project and extend guidance and encouragement.*
- ✦ *Celebration of Christmas and sponsors family Day in three places namely Kumbakonam, Jayankondam and Konalai created a mass appeal for the project. Gift items were presented to the children.*
- ✦ *The Chalice team mainly Deacon Eugene Perabo, the New International Manager for Asia Mr.Ambrose Pereira, Finance Manager Madam Myrna Breen, Two Regional Directors Fr. Jaimy and Fr. Micheal had come to visit emergency programme, gift catalogue and family assistance. They also visited some of the hostels and nomads community.*



5. Educational Scholarship

Educational scholarship project extend support to students of oppressed community families and BC students of College and Technical course to meet their educational expenses

Operational Area:

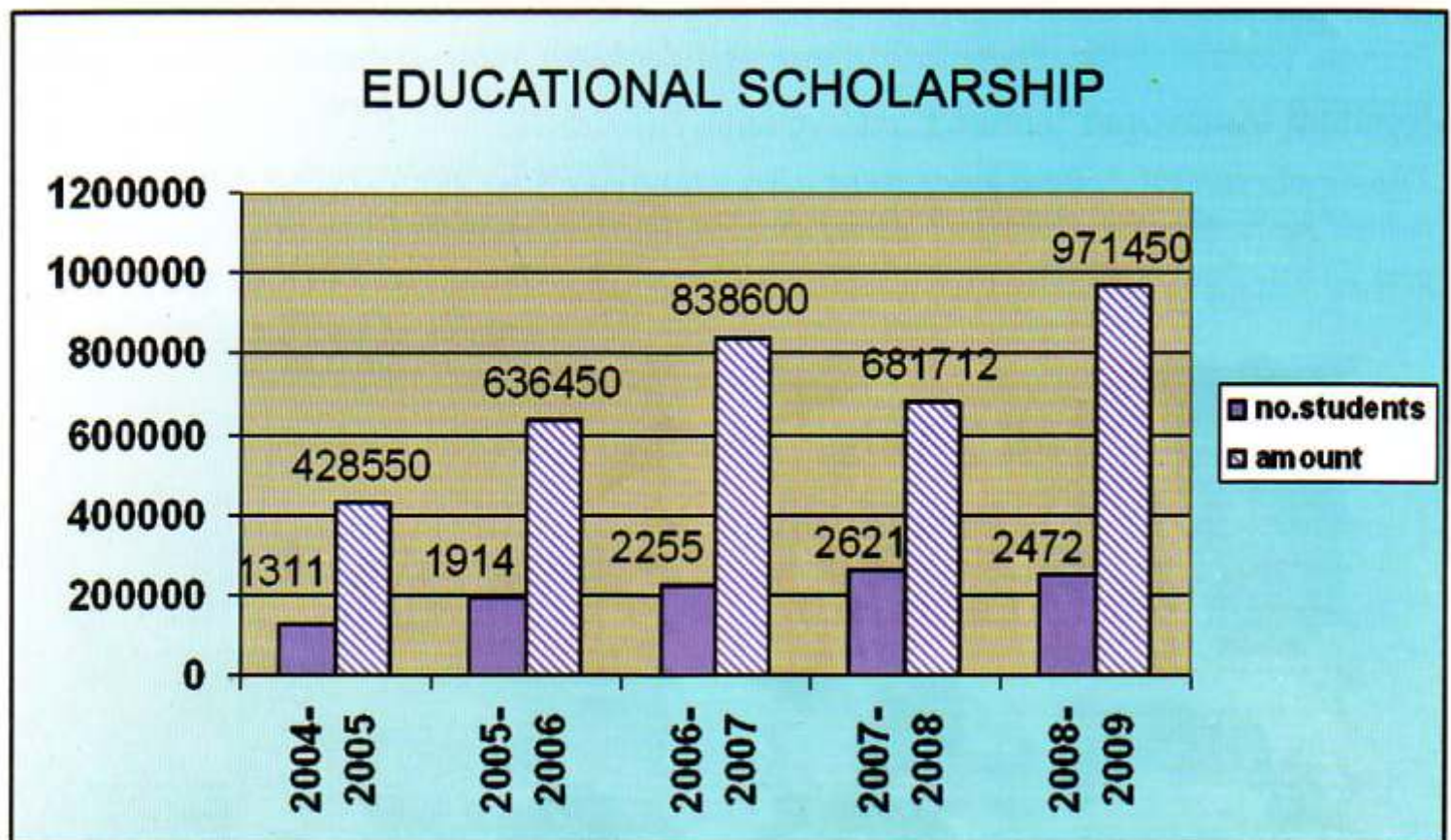
- Entire Diocese

Modalities of Assistance:

- +1, +2 students of Dalits only
- College and Technical course students of BC only
- College and Technical course students of SC/ST community

(Assistance received from Tamil Nadu SC/ST commission)

Table shows the Annual program of Assistance from 2001 -2009.



6. "Facilitating sustainable agriculture" Among dry land farmers

Goal & Objectives:

To enhance stable and adequate production levels through natural farming practices through sustainable means, monitoring and managerial skills, water irrigation, recycling farm nutrients and organic water.

- * To enable profit in dry land farming.
- * To organize trainings and follow up and Model form.
- * To facilitate other small farmers to adopt sustainable farm practices.

Operational area location:

30 village panchayats of Andimadam Union.

Progress of Activities:

The Dry land farmers of the operational Area were given awareness and skills training with outside experts and they were grouped for operational purposes. A total of 600 farmers and new additional farmers of 120 were given input sessions on organic farming practices. To facilitate their participation and make them engage in organic farming, they were given Rs.30,00,000/- and Rs.6,00,000/- during First and Second year period. The above mentioned Rs.6,00,000/- was given from the repayment of 600 farmers who benefited by first year assistance.

At Melaneduvai a model farm has been developed, covering 3 acres of dry land. Plants like Mango, Guava, Amla, Suppotta, Lemon and Jack are being grown with the water from project bore well, Vermi compost also prepared and used in the farm.

The newly added 120 farmers were also grouped under the existing 6 main groups named Nellu (paddy), Kurinji (Flower), Surian (Sun), Alamaram (Banian), Cauveri (River) and Theni (Bees).



Trainings:

Training on various topics such as soil fertility, organic manure, pesticide, nutrients, Milch Animal, water management, pancha kavya, Jeeva karaisal and alternative crop cultivation were conducted. Totally 825 persons have availed the Training programmes.

The loan amount was utilized by the farmers to take land on lease basis, purchase organic manure, bullocks, carts, oil engine, and seedlings. In addition to Training to the participants, demonstrations were conducted on natural fertilizers and pesticides preparation and usage.

Output:

- * Organic compost prepared and used by 245 farmers.*
- * Pesticides prepared and used by 142 farmers.*
- * Soil nutrients prepared and used by 53 farmers.*
- * Pancha kavya prepared and used by 20 farmers.*
- * Tree seedlings planted by 287 farmers.*
- * Kitchen garden maintained by 51 farmers.*

Impact:

- * The farming community realize the cost effect of organic farming methods of cultivation.*
- * The fertility of the soil got improved.*
- * Tree planting is more culturally acceptable due to the area is famous for Jack trees with primary purpose of wood sale in addition to fruits.*
- * Use of artificial fertilizers have been reduced among target people.*
- * People in general feel, animal rearing will enhance their organic farming practices.*



7. Cow Project

In earlier period, about 250 beneficiaries were provided with milch animals. Primarily to benefit the Dalit of below poverty line, widow, destitute and physically disabled persons. The project aims to improve the economic standard of target people, through assistance for Milch Animals rearing.



Details of Beneficiaries

Sl.No	Parish	Village	No Of Beneficiaries	Amount
01.	Achanur	Vadukakudi	5	60,000
		Sathanur	4	48,000
02.	Mela Thiruppanthuvathi	Nadukaveri	5	60,000
03.	Pavanamangalam	Pavanamangalam	5	60,000
04.	Poondi	Vadaku Poondi	5	60,000
		Mahimaiyuram	5	60,000
05.	Punalvasal	Punalvasal	5	60,000
06.	South Michealpatti	Kandamangalam	5	60,000
		Kazhumangalam	2	24,000
07.	Sukkambar	Koviladi	5	60,000
08.	Thiruvaiyaru	Veerasingampettai	4	48,000
Total		11	50	6,00,000

Note : Operationally the repayment amount from the beneficiaries are revolved among new group of village people

8. Empowering People for Social Action (2 nd Phase)

Aims and Objectives of the Project:

- To involve people in planning, implementation and evaluation of the project activities.
- To wean away the target population from the local usurers and to achieve economic freedom through strengthening "People's Bank".
- To facilitate selected members of the potential group (Sangam) towards gainful livelihood opportunities through vocational skills trainings.
- To sensitize on health, Nutrition, Personal Hygiene, Environmental Sanitation and HIV/AIDS.
- To promote organic farming practices among the target people towards sustainable agriculture.



Major activities:

- A total of 39 Agricultural (male) groups and 72 Women groups are functioning in the project area with a total of 1840 members (870 males, 970 females).
- School management defects were condemned and bandh was observed involving the school children. With interference of Government officials problem was amicably settled at Pilichikuzhy.
- At Maikavalputhur, under 100 days work of the Government scheme the farmers and labourers were paid low wage. This has been protested and solved.
- Health camp & Seminar was arranged at Chinnavalayam, involving NSSS students and the Groups and 4kms approach road was repaired.
- On Independence day the School children of Chinnavalayam village were distributed with plates and tumblers for midday meal programme.



- *Through group initiative, electricity facility was arranged at Eravangudy and Sathanapattu and Netlakurichy.*
- *1km metal road got sanctioned through the efforts of project group at Kuruvalapparkovil and 300 metre metal road laid at Koovathur.*
- *Under Government non-Mathi scheme, a sum of Rs.15,40,000/- was obtained as loan by 27 groups with provision of subsidy.*
- *An over head tank worth about Rs.3,00,000/- was sanctioned at Melakaruppur by the initiative of group.*
- *Deep bore well was constructed, worth about Rs.60,000/- at Melneduvai.*
- *A new bus route between Jayankondam to Varatharajanpet via Mettukuppam claimed by the group and got sanctioned.*
- *In Ariyalur union, Karuppur Rs.2,00,000/- worth of bore well got sanctioned.*
- *Local people awareness group was established at Kuruvalapparkovil involving 110 members.*
- *Protest Rally against "Sri Lankan Tamils killing" was organized at Jayankondam with participation of the all the 3 union groups.*
- *Under this project human resource development federation was formed, covering three unions representatives.*
- *Project area people who are in groups represented their basic problems to the officials during the Grama Saba Meetings held on January 26th 2009. People elected for Panchayats of Meikavalputhur, Kulothunganallur and Santhanamathakoil of Ariyalur Town Panchayat are performing their social and political responsibilities for development of target people's basic need services.*

Training:

Training covering the topic of Health awareness, Social Welfare, Natural farming, Social Analysis, Gender equity, Federation and Human Rights were conducted at villages to 484 participants.

Union level Trainings on HIV/AIDS, Health and Sanitation and Federation leadership were conducted for 342 persons.

Output:

The loan from Government and People's Bank were gainfully utilized by the target Population as detailed here under:-

44 Persons purchased milch animals, 54 persons engaged in organic farming, 18 persons commenced petty shops and 77 persons spent on higher education of their children.

9. Community Based Rehabilitation for Disabled

GOAL:

To establish equality, equal status and Rights like other for the disabled persons in the community.

Objectives

- ⊗ Awareness about disability
- ⊗ Create leadership skills.
- ⊗ Organise parents training on rehabilitation
- ⊗ Strengthen the groups of disabled persons
- ⊗ Create linkage, advocacy and lobby.

Area of operation:

Thiruvidadaimarudur Union – 30 pachayats



Groups information:

68 groups have been formed and functioning.

Total women members 291 and men members 395.

Programme Details:

- ⊗ Awareness programme include women 193, adolescent girls 116, pregnant ladies 123
- ⊗ Aids and appliances such as Tricycles 21, Hearing Aids 24, Calibre 4, Artificial limbs 2, Cretches 1, wheel chairs 5 and sewing machine 1, were supplied.
- ⊗ Free Medical care arranged for three persons.
- ⊗ Ninety two persons avail regular therapy.
- ⊗ Six disabled children are attending school through our efforts.



- Twelve awareness programme were conducted to disabled Federation leaders & staff.
- Bank loan Rs.50,000/- 4 groups, individual loan govt. Rs.1,20,000/-given.
- People's Bank of Disabled, functioning with a capital of Rs.75,000/- and KMSSS fund Rs.1,00,000/-
- Eight persons were trained in computer application.
- Blood Donation camp was conducted and 25 persons Donated their Blood.
- CBR Forum Agencies conducted Evaluation.

Training:

Involving the interested lawyers and Resource persons, training and awareness activities were carried out on Rights for Disabled, Information Right Act, Disability causes and consequences, Instructional Services and Networking.



10. Kolping India

Goal:

To strengthen and revive the spiritual fervour among the Christian community in the Diocese area and to improve and facilitate their economic self sufficiency.

Objectives:

- ✧ To adore the true spirit of Christian way of life.
- ✧ To foster their economic standard and favourable attitude of equality.
- ✧ To form 65 groups in the Diocese area.
- ✧ To empower the groups through skills training and income generation.
- ✧ To inculcate the values of citizenship and social change.

Operational Area:

The Kolping programme covers the entire Diocesan area villages. This report of KMSSS, refers to the programme implemented in three vicariates namely Kumbakobam, Michealpatti and Jayankondam.

Development activities:

- ✧ Kolping commenced in the year 2003
- ✧ Thirty Groups, with 510 members are functioning well.
- ✧ Two vicariate level Federations are formed at Jayankondam & Kumbakonam.
- ✧ Total savings of Groups: Rs.12,16,981/-
- ✧ Few groups have taken initiative and distributed dress materials and gifts on the eve of Holy Christmas.

Revolving loan amount distributed:

- ✧ Among twenty two groups, 159 members are involved in revolving fund programmes with a total of Rs.5,04,000/-
- ✧ Five groups obtained Bank Loans to the tune of Rs.5,60,000/- for milch animals, agriculture, sewing machine purchase and small business.

Training:

- ✧ For empowering Groups on various subject such as entrepreneurship, participatory wealth ranking, leadership, Federation building and social issues etc., ten training programmes were held for a total of 390 participants.



11. "Sangamam" (People's Bank)

"Sangamam" is the functional union level unit for the purpose of Micro finance to ensure credit and thrift in a decentralized way to the target people.

As a remarkable sign of development towards economic viability, the groups organized under the initiative of KMSSS, and empowered towards self sufficiency, Self Help to foster economic sustainability among themselves in eleven panchayat unions, out of 15 which are the operational area of the KMSSS.

S.No	Union Name	No.of Groups	Groups Deposit	Society Contribution
01.	Kumbakonam	56	7,00,000/-	1,65,000/-
02.	Thiruvudaimarudur	64	7,39,000/-	3,37,000/-
03.	Thiruppanandhal	25	1,80,000/-	1,50,000/-
04.	Papanasam	18	1,80,000/-	--
05.	Thiruvaiyaru	20	2,37,500/-	2,00,000/-
06.	Budhalur	8	1,10,000/-	--
07.	Ariyalur	28	2,30,000/-	50,000/-
08.	Thirumanur	18	1,85,000/-	1,50,000/-
09.	T Palur	20	2,27,965/-	2,00,000/-
10.	Andimadam	60	8,62,632/-	--
11.	CBR	15	75,000/-	1,00,000/-
	Total	332	37,27,097/-	13,52,000/-

12. Remi Computer Centre

Computer is no more an electronic device for the creamy layer of the society. It has engulfed in all walks of administration, development, commercial and political levels. Realizing the importance of Computer, KMSSS initiated and established a training centre exclusively for the youth, school and out of school children and those who have availed the services were awarded certificates and diplomas.

Training Data

S.No	Name of the Course	Duration	No of students	Outsiders	Total
01	DCA	3 months	175	63	238
02	Certificate	1 months	27	18	45
03	DDTP	3 months	76	22	88
	Total		278	103	381

13. Mahalir Thittam

Goals:

To find change in women's socio – economic, political and cultural status and empower them through self help process of development.



Objectives:

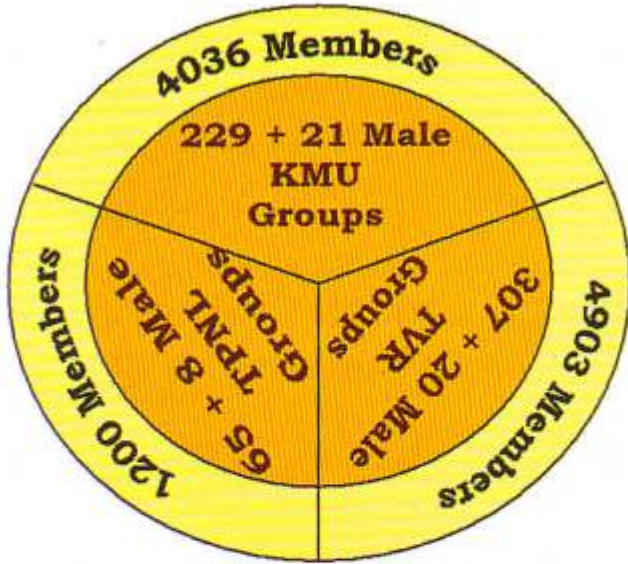
- ~ To inculcate savings, Micro credit, leadership, decision making.
- ~ To create self reliance, self help & self sustainability and tie up with financial organization.
- ~ To develop assets, skills in entrepreneurship.

Project Area:

Kumbakonam, Thiruvidaimarudur and Thiruppanandhal panchayat unions of Thanjavur District.

Activities:

- ~ People those who are beneficiaries of 100 days work scheme, were involved and 16 new SHG groups formed exclusively for them.
- ~ From urban Municipal area and Town panchayat villages 16 urban slums SHGs were formed.
- ~ A total of 184 SHGs benefited with the provision of Revolving fund amount of Rs.18.40 lakhs.
- ~ For 270 groups of three unions, direct linkage with Banks were established and they benefited with a sum of Rs.336.37 lakhs.
- ~ Total Groups are 650 with 9301 women members and 838 Male members.



Social Activities:

- ❧ TB awareness was organized to 357 persons on 14th and 21st April, 2008 at Kumbakonam and Thiruvaidaimarudur.
- ❧ Disaster mitigation training was conducted for 20 leaders on May 9th 2008, at DRDA Office, Thanjavur.
- ❧ Bankers and KMSSS Coordination meeting was conducted on 22nd January, 2009 at KMSSS.
- ❧ Hunger Strike was observed and Rally was organized, against Sri Lankan Tamils Massacre.
- ❧ Republic day was celebrated by 5 groups with the School children at Karuvilacheri.
- ❧ Land was taken on lease and being cultivated at Sri Rangarajapuram.
- ❧ Eye camp was organized in KMSSS and 680 persons turned up for screening.
- ❧ World Women's Day was conducted at KMSSS on March 10th 2009, Most Rev. Bishop of Kumbakonam and Prof. Mrs. Pushparani, Holy Cross, Trichy, addressed, insisting violence against women. More than 1350 women participated.



IGP:

- ❏ Coir making at Kalyanapuram.
- ❏ Arts and crafts work with bronze is being done and fur cloth toys are being produced.
- ❏ Taking land on lease, Red Rose group of Korkai engaged in flower culture.
- ❏ With the training acquired from District unit of M.T, one Beauty parlour is being run.
- ❏ Members engaged in Milch Animal rearing and Petty shops, Vessels, furniture and shamiyana required for special function are being supplied on rent basis.
- ❏ Tailoring works required for villagers are done by SHG members and earned.
- ❏ Blood donation camp was conducted at KMSSS and 17 persons donated.

Groups' Saving Status

S.No	Union	Women Groups in lakhs	Men Groups in lakhs
01.	Kumbakonam	160.98	4.40
02.	Thiruvudaimaruudhur.	163.43	9.07
03.	Thiruppanandhal	11.84	1.53
	Total	336.25	15.00



14. ***"Hello Makkal Shakthi"***

To serve the kmsss field area people of below poverty line and SHGs members and other projects' target population were supplied with quality products of daily consumable essential items of groceries. The **"HELLO"** project was commissioned in 2006 and functioning in an admirable way. Things produced:

Daily consumable Groceries, Incense sticks, Masala powders and detergent powders.

Marketing:

Retail sellers are our own Self Help Groups.

Comment:

With the capital of SHGs, Staff and sponsor students Rs.22,44,552/- hello makkal shakthi is running. It has gained an amount of Rs.4,49,626/- as a profit for this year. It is the result of joint venture.

15. ***"Micro Project On Empowering, Rights to information Act, Human Rights and Analytical Skills of SHGs"***

Objectives:

- To accelerate the pace of development process among SHGs.
- To orient the participants about Human Rights and the role of information seeking behaviour.
- To develop analytical skills relevant to effective group functioning.
- To sensitize the benefits of group functioning and its values.

Activities:

Organized the target community and awareness programmes on how to tackle social issues, financial management, record maintenance, human rights and their right to information and Social Analysis were covered to 90 participants during the period of 2 days.

16. Orientation Training for representatives of Panchayatraj Institutions and Panchayat Level Federations of SHGs

Objectives of the Project:

- *To strengthen the functioning of local body (Panchayat) members and representatives of Panchayat Level Federation (PLF) with specific information about the system of local self governance.*
- *To facilitate them to discharge their responsibilities effectively for development.*
- *To empower the women with gender equity consciousness and develop entrepreneurial skills.*

Panchayat Raj Institutions :

Kumbakonam, Thiruvidadaimaruthur, and Thirupanandal Unions

Contents of Training :

- *Panchayat Raj Institution's structural information*
- *The Chronological development of Panchayat Raj system from 1871*
- *Presidents and Ward members, their roles and responsibilities*
- *Democratic system of functioning of Panchayat Raj.*
- *Welfare activities and Government assistance.*
- *Leadership.*
- *Gender equality.*
- *Indian Political pattern of administration.*
- *Social evils like Dowry system, women illiteracy.*
- *Women's right and ancestor property right.*

Training Result :

- *Training created a positive and clear understanding about the structure and functions of Panchayat Raj.*
- *Trained persons make proper approach to get their basic need services
They are regular in attending Grama Sabha*

17. Participatory functions in the Area of KMSSS

 **Samathuva Pongal** functions were celebrated, without any difference of caste, religion and political affiliation with the active involvement, contribution of groups in all the programme villages and cultural activities were also held concerning the traditions of Tamilnadu.



 In four zonal operational areas of the KMSSS, **Rally and Hunger strike** were demonstrated against racial killing of Tamils in Sri Lanka. Diocesan dignitaries and public leaders addressed the gathering in the meeting.

 **World women's day** celebrations were conducted at three places – Thiruvaiyaru, Andimadam and Kumbakonam. The theme of the Day was "Atrocities on Women" and women as Sakthi. These programmes gave lot of inspiration to the women participants at large and they took interest in planning, arranging, conducting and follow up activities.



 **Disabled Day** was conducted at KMSSS in which the Thiruvidaimarudur panchayat union leader Mr.S.Ramalingam (Ex MLA) inaugurated the Rally and sports events. In the celebration, dignitaries of Most Rev. Bishop of Kumbakonam Diocese, District Level Officer for Disability and Bank Manger of IOB took interest and blessed the gathering and they stressed the importance of 3% reservation.

 The **Christmas and Sponsors family day** was conducted in three places – Kumbakonam, Jayankondam and Konalai in which the children and their parents attended. Christmas gifts and prizes were distributed to the children.



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Our vital nerve who inspire the organization with long experience and innovative ideas.

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