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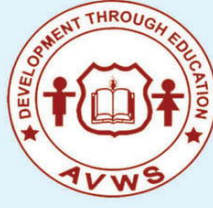


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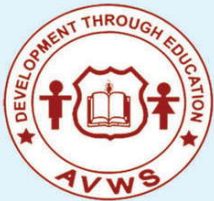
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BEST WISHES

I felt happy to participate in State Level Event “Advocacy on experience and expansion on Health & Hygiene promotion in Schools” organized by Avvai Village Welfare Society and Collective Good Foundation jointly under Dettol Banega Swachh India program on 1st March 2019 at Chennai.

As a filed level partner of the said project, Avvai Village Welfare Society trained BRTEs as Trainers of Trainee and in turn they trained nearly 1000 teachers of 10 Blocks. They also provided teacher curriculum manuals on Hygiene promotion to 515 Schools along with students work book to more than 70000 students. The Books and butterfly kits have been given and it helped the children to have awareness on Personal Hygiene by play way method to learn it in joyful mood. They covered the subjects like personal Hygiene, Hygiene in School, Hygiene in Home, Hygiene in Environment and Hygiene at the time of ill health.

The contribution of BRTEs and teachers are excellent and they brought a good behavioral changes among students of 515 Schools in to blocks of Thiruvallur District of Tamilnadu with a good support of these organizations.

I wish them all for their intention to bring a better change on student’s behavior changes in health promotion and also I wish Avvai for their future development ventures in Tamilnadu.

With best Wishes



(E. Nandakumar)



SECRETARY NOTE

Dear All,

I convey my solicitude to Avvai staff team for their hardships, dedication and commitment to work along with marginalized in the areas of child rights & child protection, hygiene education, health, women empowerment, resilience building, elder care, disaster preparedness, climate literacy & Marine Litter Management.

We are thankful to our beloved partners who have supported with technical and financial assistance on addressing various social issues in the districts of Nagapattinam, Thiruvarur, Thiruvallur, Ariyalur & Karaikal.

At this special year 2018-19, I convey my sincere thanks to Government of Tamil Nadu, Government of India, Save the Children, Childline India Foundation, Collective Good Foundation, giz, Centre for Environment Education (CEE) and other

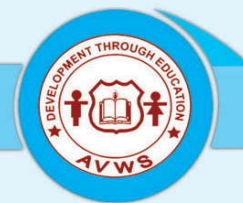
line departments for their rationale support and cooperation to achieve positive impact on social change.

With similar spirit and enthusiasm, we step into New Year to continue the task at hand and anticipate extreme support and excellent cooperation from all the partners and donors to achieve our vision.

With pleasure

M. Krishnakumar

Secretary



ORGANIZATION PROFILE

Introduction :

AVVAI VILLAGE WELFARE SOCIETY shortly known as “Avvai” was initiated on 6th February 1978. It works among children, women, elders and disaster affected in the sectors of education, child rights & child protection, pre primary education, health, women empowerment, de-addiction, elder care, disaster risk management and climate change adaptation. The organization was registered under Indian Societies Registration Act XXI of 1860 in the year 1978. It works in Nagapattinam, Thiruvapur, Ariyalur, Perambalur & Thiruvallur Districts of Tamil Nadu and Karaikal District of Puducherry UT.

Registered Office :

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Year Avvai founded : 1976

Registration No. & Date :Registration No.5/78 Dated 06.02.1978

Registration Act: Indian Societies Registration Act XXI of 1860

Vision :

Upliftment of the marginalized sections of society in India through supportive services

Mission :

Enhancing equitable and self-sustainable opportunities in the areas of education, health, livelihood, gender, challenged and environment through community based organizations to the marginalized sections including disaster affected.

Objectives :

- To ensure rights of children, women, socially and physically challenged and disaster affected
- To promote sustainable development through education, health, livelihood, disaster relief and rehabilitation, de-addiction and community organization activities
- To promote gender equity and promote socio-economic betterment of women through the development of community based organizations and federating them in collaboration with Govt and other organizations
- To network with community based organizations, civil society organizations, local, State and Central Govt and national and international NGOs to achieve the vision and mission of the society
- To carry out advocacy efforts on behalf of children, women and elders



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Geographical Area:

- ◆ Nagapattinam
- ◆ Ariyalur
- ◆ Thiruvarur
- ◆ Perambalur &
- ◆ Thiruvallur
- ◆ Karaikal Districts

Core Sectors :

- Child rights and child protection
- Resilience building
- Child Sensitive Social Protection
- Elder care
- Addiction Management
- Education
- Disaster Risk Reduction
- Women Empowerment
- Health & Sanitation
- Climate Literacy & Marine Litter Management

Partners :

Since its inception, Avvai has collaborated with various partners and executed ample of developmental and right based programmes for the marginalized and succeeded in its commendable work. The partners associated with Avvai are Care India, European Commission, Aide-et-Action (DFID), Save the Children, ChildFund India, Goal- Ireland, giz, CEE, IGSSS, UNDP, Unicef, TNVHA, Collective Good Foundation, NASSCOM, ONGC, HelpAge India, CAPART, NABARD, Childline India Foundation, Government of Tamil Nadu & Puducherry and Government of India.

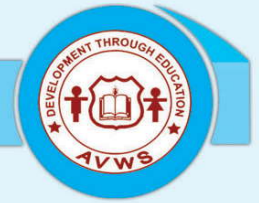
AVVAI has been nominated to the following prestigious Government Committees in recognition of the service rendered by the organization.

- ☞ State Level Organization for Rashtriya Sam Vikas Yojna
- ☞ District Level Steering Committee for the Banks, Nagapattinam
- ☞ Committee member for the Elimination of Child Trafficking and Women Prostitution
- ☞ Service provider for Domestic Violence Act 2000
- ☞ Block Level Committee formed to facilitate PMJVK scheme in Nagapattinam

Awards & Recognition :

In appreciation of excellent work towards implementing comprehensive and people centered sustainable programmes for the marginalized sections of society, AVVAI has been conferred with the following awards, which act as a catalyst for Avvai to strive for rendering better services to the marginalized.

- ☞ State Level Award to Avvai for Excellent performance under SHG-Bank Linkage Programme- from NABARD. (Avvai retains the State Level Award from the year 2000-01 to 2006-07)
- ☞ District Level Award for Best NGO in Skill Development for SHGs- Thiruvarur- 2003-04
- ☞ Social Responsibility Award to Avvai for implementing community based programmes for senior citizen from the Excellency Shri. Surjith Singh Barnala, Former Governor of Tamil Nadu.
- ☞ Award from HelpAge India & NDTV Viewers for best performance under Elders Rehabilitation Project -2007-08
- ☞ Award from Collective Good Foundation for Excellent Dedication and Support to Driving Change – A programme on Hygiene Education to Children of Primary school, Thiruvallur District of Tamil Nadu 2018-19.



Nagapattinam Childline 1098 :

- CHILDLINE 1098 service is a 24 hour free emergency phone outreach service for children in need of care and protection. This is a project supported by the Ministry of Women and Child Development, New Delhi.
- At this reporting period, Nagapattinam Childline has received total calls of 1255. Of which 931 were intervention calls.
- 18099 were covered through outreach activities of which 4825 Self Help Group members, 5242 shop keepers, 5005 public, 226 youths, 489 children group members, 358 auto drivers, 505 daily wage workers, 233 municipal workers, 578 fisherfolk, 199 flower knitting workers, 275 ICDS workers, 23 Village Health Nurses 84 IFAD workers and 57 teachers.

Reached 18099 children & Adult members through outreach activities.

Received 1255 calls and out of that 931 are intervention calls.

Reached out 37 schools and thereby 2677 were reached.



- 12 open house meetings were organized and thereby 772 members were participated. Addressed issues pertaining to child marriage, child labour, suicidal tendency, child abuse and addiction.
- 37 school awareness programmes were conducted and sensitized 2677 members (Boys: 1453 Girls: 2628 and Teachers: 49)
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- Revenue Divisional Officer (RDO) of Nagapattinam appreciated Nagapattinam Childline 1098 for supporting 04 children of Bonded Labour in School and 02 children in Anganwadi centre to continue their education as part of rehabilitation.
- Nagapattinam Childline 1098 took part in PNDT Act review meeting organized by the Health Department and sensitized on unregistered scan centres and unsafe abortion which endanger child rights.
- Organized Child Rights Week/CHILDREN DHOSTE week event. Totally 2337 participants were took part in various events such as rally, school level events and sensitization at CCI. The District Collector, Nagapattinam & DCPO participated in the signature campaign.



- Participated in the District level Child Protection Committee meeting organized by DCPU at Collectorate and presented Childline activities.
- Advocated District administration for telecasting Komal video in cinema theatre & schools in Nagapattinam and got succeeded.
- Childline India Foundation (CIF) visited the project and given guidance.



Creche Programme :

Reached 443 underprivileged children through 15 creche centres

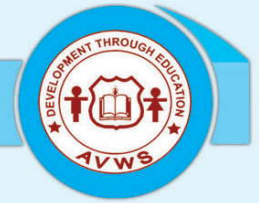
198 children were enrolled at nearby schools

443 children received vitamin A solutions

168 Parents meetings held focusing on childhood care and development

- 443 children have benefited from 15 creche centers (Boys: 195 and Girls:248). At this reporting period, 198 children (101 Girls and 97 Boys) who crossed age of 5 enrolled at nearby Primary School to continue their primary education.
- 168 parents meetings were held focusing on childhood care and development and crèche management.
- 443 children received Vitamin A solutions with the support of local Village Health Nurse.
- Children were educated by using colourful charts, pictures, play materials and numbers.
- Coordinated with Primary Health Centre and local Village Health Nurses on polio immunization, mothers meeting on reproductive health, vitamin solutions and early childhood care.
- Organized periodical meetings to 15 Local Committees on crèche management and sought their support for improving the services of crèche programme.
- Project Officer from ICDS Dept. inspected the Creche centres and given suggestions.





“Vidiyal” – Family Counselling Centre :

- Vidiyal – Family Counselling Centre Programme functions at Block Development Office, Nagapattinam from Dec 2018. At this reporting period, the project counselled 277 cases and out of that 261 cases were rehabilitated successfully.

Reached 2281 community members through outreach activities

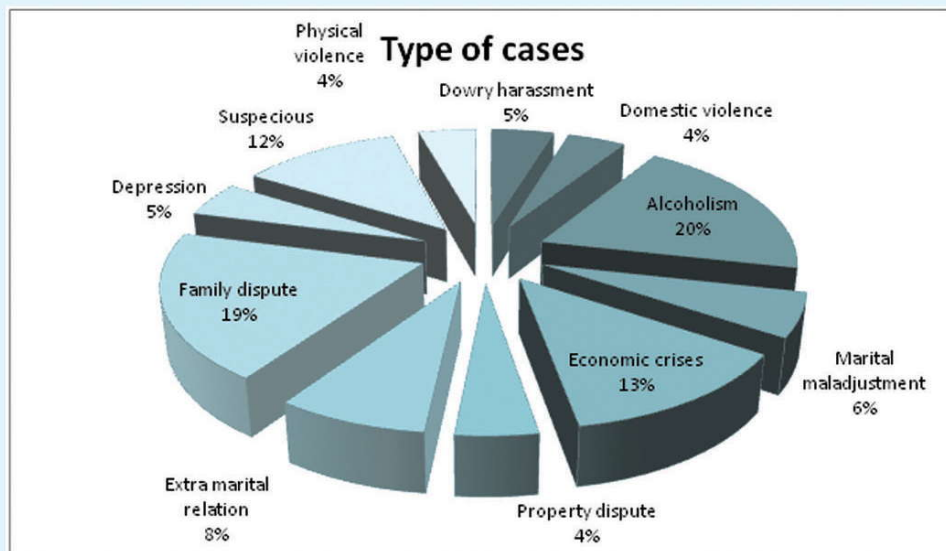
277 women supported with counselling assistance.

261 were rehabilitated



- Conducted 846 individual counselling and 657 family counselling. Conducted 97 follow up and 140 home visits.
- Organized 49 village level awareness programmes on women rights and thereby reached 2281 community members.
- Organized 04 subcommittee meeting under the chairmanship of District Social Welfare Officer and there by 8 clients were rehabilitated successfully.

- The counsellors worked in association with All Women Police Station, Protection Officer, Grievance cell, District Legal Service Authority on addressing issues of women rights.
- The Welfare Officer from Tamil Nadu State Social Welfare Board and District Social Welfare Officer were visited the project and given guidance.
- The counsellors attended training organised by TNSWB focusing on quality services and coordinated assistance for women affected with violence.





“Adaikalam” – Swadhar Greh Programme :

Reached 1871 community members through outreach activities

71 women 25 children were supported with counselling assistance, shelter, food, medical care and recreation.

44 women were rehabilitated successfully

- Adaikalam – Swadhar Greh Programme taken care of 71 inmates and 25 children who come out of difficult circumstances in the year 2018-19.
- 41 inmates were newly admitted and 44 inmates were discharged. At present, 27 inmates are taken care at Home.
- 48 village level awareness programmes were organized and totally 1871 members were participated. 59 Home visits and 128 Follow up were done and facilitated for leading a dignified life.
- Organized 04 Home committee meetings and sought departmental support for successful rehabilitation.
- The project has successfully rehabilitated 44 inmates with the support of allied departments.
- The inmates at Home are trained on vocational skills like basket knitting, tailoring and paper cover making.
- The District Social Welfare Officer, Nagapattinam, DLSA, Joint Director of Health Services (TB programme) and Taluk Civil Supply Officer visited the project and given guidance.
- Observed World Women’s Day event and sensitized clients on importance of the Day and women rights.
- Conducted 05 Swachhta Pakhwada programmes focusing on cleanliness, water and sanitation, environmental hygiene, personal hygiene and plantation and thereby 245 members were benefited.



“Anubhavam” Home for Senior Citizen :

- At this reporting period, 11 Senior Citizens were admitted newly (6 male and 5 female). 08 were reunited with their family members successfully. 03 were expired due to old age. At present there are 40 inmates at Home out of which 13 are male 27 are female.

Leveraged 02 hearing aid, 7 walking sticks and 8 spectacles for needy senior citizens from District Administration.

51 senior citizens were supported with counselling assistance, shelter, food, medical care and recreation.

08 senior citizens were rehabilitated successfully



- Conducted 08 medical camps and treated common ailments. The project thank Apollo and Govt. hospitals for timely support.
- Leveraged 02 hearing aid, 7 walking sticks and 8 spectacles for needy senior citizens from District Administration.
- At present, 30 Senior citizens receive Old Age Pension (OAP) and for 10 of them applied to avail OAP from District Administration.

- The Sub-Collector, Nagapattinam sensitized the inmates of the project on importance of voting rights and distributed pamphlets.
- Celebrated important days such as Deepavali, Pongal, Independence Day, Republic Day, Elders Day, Karthigai Deepam along with Govt and like minded institutions.
- Pneumonia vaccination awareness programme was conducted and 40 inmates were benefited.
- The students from Arignar Anna Govt. Arts and Science College, Karaikal and students from Central University, Thiruvavur did field work in the project.
- The District Collector, Judge, Joint Director for Health, Chief Education Officer, District Social Welfare Officer and Govt. hospital doctors were visited the Home and given suggestions.





“Ambujam” Home for Senior Citizen :

Reached 2050 community members through outreach activities.

29 senior citizens (10 Male & 19 Female) were supported with counselling assistance, shelter, food, medical care and recreation

23 Senior citizens received Old Age Pension (OAP) .

- At this year, the Ambujam Home for Senior Citizens taken care of 29 senior citizens (10 male and 19 female). Out of that 02 of them are reunited with family members and 02 of them expired due to old age. At present, the Home caters the need of 25 Senior citizens (06 male and 19 female).

- 11 medical camps were organized in coordination with local Primary Health Centre and given free treatment for common

ailments. The project thank Apollo, Help Age India, local Primary Health Centre and Kilvelur General Hospital for timely support.



- Pneumonia Vaccination done for 19 Senior Citizens
- Individual counselling, get-together meeting, yoga and recreation activities were created peace of mind and made the senior citizens to feel at home.

Sensitized on family based elder care in the communities and thereby 2050 were benefited.

- The students from Bharathidhasan University, Arignar Anna Govt. Arts and Science College, Karaikal and students from Central University, Thiruvavur did field work in the project.

- Elders at Home are engaged in gardening, basket making, hand fan making, watching television and newspaper reading.
- World Elders Day was celebrated by conducting several events for the elders at Manalmedu and motivated with prizes.
- Leveraged 04 hearing aid, 6 walking sticks, 4 spectacles and 01 wheel chair for needy senior citizens from District Administration.
- At present, 23 Senior citizens receive Old Age Pension (OAP) and for 02 of them applied to avail OAP from District Administration
- The District Collector, Nagapattinam visited the Home and interacted with senior citizens. The District Social Welfare Officer, AEO, Block Development Officer, PHC doctors, Kilvelur General Hospital Doctors, Taluk Supply Officer, MS, GS and Executive Officer were visited and given suggestions.



“Annapoorani” Home for Senior Citizen :

- Under the guidance of the Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment and of the direction of Commissionate of Social Welfare, the Multiservice Centre for Senior Citizens is converted as Home for Senior Citizens and taking care of 25 most deserving senior citizens in Ariyalur District.

Reached 367 community members through outreach activities

25 senior citizens were supported with counselling assistance, Day care facilities, food, medical care and recreation.

08 senior citizens were assisted to benefit under social protection.



- The project taken care of 25 vulnerable senior citizens (Male 5, Female 20). At this reporting period, no senior citizen were admitted newly. Whereas 05 were discharged. At present, the Home caters the need of 20 senior citizens.
- Conducted 04 medical camps in coordination with Primary Health Centre. 20 Senior citizens were participated and benefited.
- The project celebrated World Elders Day along with senior citizens at Ariyalur. Various cultural programme were conducted and distributed prizes.
- At this reporting period, 8 senior citizens received Old Age Pensions.
- Dewali, Pongal, Independence Day were celebrated by conducting different games and activities.
- Community awareness meetings on on elder care were organized and thereby 367 were participated.
- At this reporting period, the District Social Welfare Officer, GS/MS Extension Officer have visited the project and given guidance.





“Puthumalar” Integrated Rehabilitation Centre for Addicts (IRCA)

Reached 1517 community members through outreach activities, rally and sensitization events.

Medical and Psychological treatment given for 183 addicts

165 clients were rehabilitated successfully

- At this reporting period, 183 cases were admitted and undergone medical and psychological treatment. Out of that 165 cases are leading drug free life.
- The IRCA received 13 cases through awareness programme, 75 by recovered clients, 04 by All Women Police Station, 27 by own interest, 14 by social workers, 12 by friends and 32 by family members.
- Conducted 2172 Individual Counseling, 274 Group therapy, 52 Family therapy and 310 yoga therapy for drug addicts.
- 240 home visits and 267 follow up were made. Totally 507 cases were contacted and out of that 444 were sober.
- 45 number of awareness programmes were conducted educating on ill-effects of addiction and functions of IRCA and thereby 841 people were sensitized.
- International Day Against Drug Abuse & Illicit Trafficking was organized in coordination with Customs Dept on 26th June 2018 at Nagapattinam. The District Collector flag on rally and 500 college students actively participated.
- Organized 07 Alcoholic Anonymous (AA) Meeting for recovered persons and thereby 105 were participated.
- The Counsellors of the project attended training organized by TTK-Chennai and improved their skills to deliver quality services.
- District Child Protection Officer (DCPO) of Nagapattinam District visited the IRCA programme and given guidance.
- Organized 04 Swachhta Pakhwada programme for school children and community members and thereby 176 were benefited.



“Gandhiji” Integrated Rehabilitation Centre for Addicts :

Reached 2880 community members through outreach activities

Medical and Psychological treatment given for 202 addicts

193 clients were rehabilitated successfully

- At this reporting period, the Gandhiji – Integrated Rehabilitation Centre for addicts (IRCA) reached 2880 community members by conducting 48 awareness programme on ill-effects of addiction.
- In the year 2018-19, the project has admitted 202 cases and out of that 193 were leading a drug free life. Frequent follow up and home visit add strength and supports the client to remain sober.
- 2158 individual counseling, 345 group therapies, 50 family therapies, 18 role plays, 286 yoga & meditations for drug addicts were held to internalize the ill-effects of addiction and to lead a dignified life.
- 284 home visits and 850 regular follow up counseling sessions were conducted and re-ensured sobriety of 356 cases.
- Awareness programmes on ill-effects of addiction were held and thereby 2880 were reached. Pictorial charts, flash card, thematic games and moral stories were utilized as methodologies to educate the community.
- To motivate the clients on sobriety, 24 Alcoholic Anonymous (AA) meetings were conducted and totally 565 sober patients were participated and inspired the clients on joy of life without drugs.
- Observed International Day against Drug Abuse and illicit trafficking along with NSS & NCC volunteers at Karaikal. Totally 550 were participated. The Honourable Minister for Education presided and appreciated overall functions of IRCA programme in Karaikal District.
- TTK –Chennai, Welfare Inspector, AD social welfare-Karaikal visited the project and given guidance.





Building Resilience of Children and their Communities by integrating DRR, Social Protection and Technology :

Reviewed 56 SDMPs and 60 VDMPs in Nagapattinam & Thiruvallur Districts.

Trained and capacitated 756 TFC members on Psychological First Aid.

Advocated on Child Sensitive Social Protection at State level focusing on its impact.

05 RO plants are supporting people with drinking water.



- School Disaster Management Committee review meetings were held in 56 schools. The meeting focused on review of Action plan of SDMP and to bring up the issues in front of Gram Sabha for discussion and decision.
- In Thirupoondi East Panchayat of Nagapattinam District, 381 farmers who have applied for crop insurance were sensitized to pay their renewal amount of Rs.375 per acre. The PDMRC staff and the community mobilizers along with Panchayat secretary sensitized the farmers on importance of insurance and relief during disaster. The lists of 381 farmers were fed in the PDMRC system to ensure follow up.
- State level consultation meeting with key government departments in Tamil Nadu was organized to promote investment in Child Sensitive Social Protection (CSSP). Sri Rajendra Ratnoo , IAS., Commissioner, SDMA, Sri. R. Lalvena , IAS , Commissioner Department of Social Defence, Mr. Alfred David , Chief Probation Officer. Office of the Commissioner of Social Defence, Officials from Save the Children, NGOs, Children from project operational area, VDMC and TFC members from community and press people were participated.
- Considering World Day Against Child Labour, the project has organized a rally along with DCPU and Labour Department in Nagapattinam district. The children and nursing students from CSI schools and Karthikeyan college of nursing totally 300 children took part in the rally with placard.
- Training on Psychological First Aid (PFA) for children in emergencies was organized for staff team and TFC members. The training focused on Child Protection in emergencies and its related subject. Totally 756 were trained.
- RO water Treatment Plants were installed in 5 villages such as Maruthampallam and Perumalpettai of Nagapattinam District. Kottaikuppam, Jameelabath and Arangam kuppam in Thiruvallur District. The Plants were handed over to community and trained on operation and maintenance. The water treatment plants address the issue of salinity and provide safe drinking water to entire community.
- Training on Public Health and First Aid was held for staff team and TFC members. Mr. Praveen and Mr. Benjamin from RedRIndia funded by Save the Children were trained the participants and thereby 32 were trained.
- Organized World Breastfeeding Day along with Primary Health Centre of Akkur at Nagapattinam and 50 pregnant and lactating mothers were participated and got sensitized.

Climate Literacy and Marine Litter Management :

Climate Literacy and Marine Litter Management project envisions to empower the east coast Indian communities to better adapt to climate risk and reduce the marine litter burden on the ecosystem. Moreover, the project aims to develop and support infrastructure and build synergies/convergence and inter linkages with existing policies and action plan on climate change and marine waste management.

The overall objective of the project is to enhance the level of knowledge and awareness of the local community on Climate Literacy and Marine Litter Management through campaign strategies and hence the communities take positive actions towards clean, safe and resilient beaches and marine eco systems in 100 selected coastal villages in Tamil Nadu and Puducherry States of India.



- 18336 school children were sensitized on climate literacy and marine litter management in 81 schools. Rally, poster exhibition, awareness sessions and quiz competitions from school activity book were conducted in Tamil Nadu and Puducherry State. Students of 5th -11th grade were participated.
- 85 Focus Group Discussion with SHGs were held and 4941 were participated. The FGD focused on climate change, livelihood adaptation, disaster preparedness and waste management, especially marine litter and options to minimize or solve the problems. The SHG members and SHG federation leaders were participated.
- 46 meetings with youth were conducted and totally 2759 were participated. The meeting focused on climate change and marine litter. In the meeting, the staff had given space to think on extreme whether events, disaster preparedness and youth involvement, carrying DRR kits while fishing and management of marine litter.
- 32 meetings were held with farmers and totally 4166 were participated. The FGD focused on sustainable agriculture, extreme whether events, livelihood adaptation, disaster preparedness and marine litter management. The farmers brought out issues pertaining to sea water inundation, salinity of agricultural lands, salinity of ground water, water scarcity, lack of fresh water due to tail end of Cauvery, frequent cyclone and backwater entry.
- 46 meetings with Fishermen were held and totally 5125 were participated. The meeting focused on climate change, disaster preparedness and marine litter management. The fishermen shared about frequency of cyclone, impact of recent Kaja cyclone, usage of trawlers net, over fishing, plastics that float on sea and lack of old species of fish.



- 20 meetings for shop owners were held and thereby 1322 were participated. One to group meeting and one to one meetings were also held. The meeting focused on reducing plastic usage, banning use and through plastics, demand to bring cloth bag, impact of marine litter and linkage with climatic change.
- 108 Gram Sabha meetings were held and thereby 5850 were participated. The meeting focused on sharing the activities held with various community groups on climate change and marine litter management. The village traditional leaders, community stakeholders, ex ward member, ex panchayat president and women SHGs were presented in Gram sabha/village meetings.
- 21 cultural events were conducted and 33305 were participated. The cultural show depicted the impact of climate change and marine litter. Street theatre & awareness songs were the methodologies adopted.
- In 12 beach cleaning works, beaches were cleaned along a distance of 50 KMs. Around 1600 people had participated in the cleaning activities wherein they had collected 27800 Kgs of waste and disposed by having linkage with local Municipalities. The project coordinated with NSS college students, youths, school students, Self help groups, NGOs and sanitation workers.
- 10 Pilots were undertaken and successfully completed. The Community Pilot Monitoring Committees were promoted and sensitized on their roles and responsibilities on pilot execution in each pilot located villages. The committee decided the pilot, given tender, collected quotation, allotted the work and monitored pilot work. The committee also passed resolution on maintenance and sustainability of the project.
- 03 District level workshops were held and totally 181 were participated. The project beneficiaries, community stakeholders, district officials, sanitation workers and women SHGs were participated. The meeting focused on impact of the project activity and requested for replication
- State level workshop on Climate Literacy and Marine Litter Management was held at Maple Tree Hotel, Chennai on 28th Dec 2018 under the chairmanship of Shri. V. Mazhar, Deputy General Manager, NABARD. Shri. Shriji from Centre for Environmental Education, Shri. Janakarajan from SaciWater, Shri. Goji from Academy of Gandhian Studies and Shri. Krishnakumar from Avvai village welfare society were presided. In the State level workshop, shared the learning and experience of campaign activities on climate Literacy and its achievement for replication.



Program on Health Hygiene Promotion in Schools :

HYGIENE EDUCATION IN PRIMARY SCHOOLS (HEPS) is a significant step towards strengthening the efforts of Gol and State Government of Tamilnadu in promoting healthy life skills through WASH programs in Primary Schools itself. Collective Good Foundation (CGF) is implementing the program with its field partner NGO - Avvai Village Welfare Society in Tamilnadu state as part of Dettol Banega Swachh India Program with the support of Reckitt Benckiser India Ltd since last one year i.e. during the year 2018-19.



- The program commenced from April 2018 onwards with a view to drive the change among children, teachers, community as an initial phase of implementation process in Thiruvallur District. The program is being implemented in 515 schools spread over in 10 blocks with a coverage of nearly 73,500 students who were given orientation on BCC (Behaviour Change Communication) process systematically and intensively by the teachers of schools and with the cooperation of Department of Education and Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan. During the last few months' i.e. since June 2018 to till date Feb 25th 2019, the program was successfully implemented in 10 blocks.
- As part of program implementation Processes initially a Training of Trainers (ToT) Program was organised for Block Resource Teachers (BRTes) of 10 Blocks along with program field staff in Thiruvallur town during May 2018 on Program process and implementation who in turn trained two teachers from each schools of 515 schools along with team of CGF and Avvai during the months of June and July 2018 with the help of Teachers Curriculum Manuals (TCMs of XSEED Publications) and play way tool kit of Butterfly (TCMs is divided into three Levels i.e. Level 1 for class 1 & 2, Level 2 for Class 3 & 4 and Level 3 for class 5th and all TCMs have 15 Lessons each and student workbooks for each level and Butterflykit contains 4 Modules that have play way tool to know and adopt best hygiene practices).
- The teachers who underwent training program have educated and trained students of class 1 to 5th on principals of BCC by taking class room sessions with the help of above TCMs and students workbooks. Students used the Butterfly tools which has given a clear knowledge on personal Hygiene i.e. Handwashing in critical times and other Sanitation & Hygiene Practices such as Hygiene at School and at Home, during illness and hygiene at Neighbourhood. As part of program Dettol has provided Butterfly kits & workbooks that were distributed to all 515 Schools, workbooks to 72,000 students and 1600 TCMs to teachers as per level & class



- The above practice sessions garnered positive impact with overall increase in awareness about hand washing, students following sanitation practice, knowledge about prevention of diarrhoea, necessity to treat water before drinking and maintaining clean toilets in schools. Additionally, in schools, a children club is formed which ensured that young champions imbibe their right to hygiene under the program campaign, now the experiences of the above best practices and results from the field are ready to disseminate at state platform.
- As part of project achievement, one-day Advocacy event was organised on 01st March 2019 at Hotel Le Royal Meridian, Chennai to share the experiences of program by CGF and AVVAI and also by other stakeholders of program (School children, teachers, officials of SSA and Education dept. SMC , SSA at Block, District & State level). The Honourable Minister for Tamil Official Language and Tamil Culture Shri. K. Pandiarajan was presided and awarded the students and teachers with prizes.



ASER (Annual Status of Education Report) :

- ASER (Annual Status of Education Report) is an annual survey that aims to provide reliable annual estimates of children's schooling status and basic learning levels for each State and Rural District in India. The project was facilitated by Pratham and conducted every year.
Avvai village welfare society is one of the local partner to ASER on conducting the survey in Karaikal District of Puducherry Union.
- As per that at this reporting period, 30 villages were selected and surveyed with the help of NSS volunteers from Arignar Anna Govt. Arts and Science College, Karaikal. In each sampled village, 20 households were randomly chosen and in children in the age group of 5-16 years were assessed on basic reading and arithmetic skills with prescribed questionnaire.
- ASER given master training to 02 staffs of Avvai village welfare society. The trained staffs in turn trained the volunteers on survey assessment.
- Totally 30 volunteers were selected and trained on survey techniques and involved in the process of assessment.
- The volunteers were awarded with certificates and incentives by holding a function at NSS camp site, Karaikal.
- 500 children from 30 villages were covered under survey. The report was consolidated and submitted to ASER.





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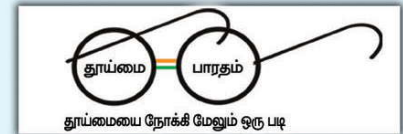


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Avvai Village Welfare Society, Kilvelur, Nagapattinam (Dt)
CONSOLIDATED RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH, 2019

RECEIPTS	AMOUNT	PAYMENTS	AMOUNT
To OPENING BALANCES:			
Cash in Hand:	-	BY SOCIAL/CHARITABLE:	
Cash at bank:	44,06,340.45	Scheme expenses - FCRA (sch-5)	1,66,12,566.02
Grant Received from FCRA (sch-7)	1,59,51,884.00	Scheme expenses - Non FCRA(sch-4)	1,57,26,808.80
Grant Received from Non FCRA (sch-8)	1,55,61,507.00	Scheme expenses - CSR(sch-6)	77,31,849.00
Grant Received from CSR (sch-9)	77,31,849.00	Bank Charges	11,328.36
Interest On SB	3,77,803.80	Other Advance	15,82,359
Other Income (sch 1)	63,80,916.88	Meeting exp	14,380.00
Other Advance	2,50,000.00	Society Registration Renewal charges	2,400.00
Car-Insurance Claim	5,905.00	Printing charges	3,320.00
		TDS Receivable	1,471.00
		Fixed Assets Purchased(Sch-10)	1,06,250.00
		Car Insurance Paid	60,315
		Two wheeler Insurance	1,120
		Car Loan Interest paid	42,933
		Car Loan Repaid	4,23,411
		Reimbursement -giz-Cee	55,469
		TDS Remittance	58,034
		By CLOSING BALANCE:	
		Cash in Hand:	347.00
		Cash at bank	82,31,844.95
TOTAL	5,06,66,206.13	TOTAL	5,06,66,206.13

Verified and Found Correct with Books and Vouchers produced before us.

Place: Tiruvarur
Date : 12.04.2019



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CONSOLIDATED INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH, 2019

EXPENDITURE	AMOUNT	INCOME	AMOUNT
To Scheme expenses		By Grant received from FCRA (sch-7)	1,59,51,884.00
Scheme expenses - FCRA (sch-5)	1,66,12,566.02	Grant received from Non FCRA (sch-8)	1,55,61,507.00
Scheme expenses - Non FCRA(sch-4)	1,57,26,808.80	Grant received from CSR (sch-9)	77,31,849.00
Scheme expenses - CSR(sch-6)	77,31,849.00	Other Income (Sch-1)	63,80,916.88
Bank Charges	11,328.36	Interest on SB	3,77,803.80
Meeting exp	14,380.00	Car-Insurance Claim	5,905.00
Society Registration Renewal charges	2,400.00		
Printing charges	3,320.00		
Car Insurance Paid	60,315.00		
Two wheeler Insurance	1,120.00		
Car Loan Interest paid	42,933.00		
Excess of Income Over Expenditure	58,02,845.50		
TOTAL	4,60,09,865.68	TOTAL	4,60,09,865.68

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Avvai Village Welfare Society, Kilvelur, Nagapattinam (Dt)
CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET AS ON 31st MARCH, 2019

LIABILITIES	AMOUNT	ASSETS	AMOUNT
GENERAL FUND:	1,37,20,734.09	FIXED ASSETS (Sch-10)	35,10,699.91
Add: CURRENT YEAR	58,02,845.50	CURRENT ASSETS	
Less: Depreciation written off	23,45,889.96	Rent Advance	4,35,000.00
Less: written off	23,642.90	Loans & Advances (Sch-3)	64,76,573.17
	1,72,01,332.53	Tax Deducted at Source	12,39,116.00
SECURED LOAN		TDS-Remittance	58,034.00
Car Loan-Axis Bank	1,85,900.00	Cash in Hand:	347.00
CURRENT LIABILITIES & PROVISIONS		Cash at bank	82,31,844.95
others (sch-2)	25,64,382.50		
TOTAL	1,99,51,615.03	TOTAL	1,99,51,615.03

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Avvai & its List of Projects

S.No	Project Name	Partner	Duration			Target population
			From	To	Target area	
1	Preschool Education	Tamil Nadu State Social Welfare Board	2002	On going	Kivelur Block	Children
2	Nagapattinam Childline-1098	CHILDLINE India Foundation	Jan-2005	On going	Nagapattinam district	Children
3	Child Resilience Project	Save the Children	Dec 2014	Aug 2018	Nagapattinam & Thiruvallur Districts	Children and the communities
4	Vidiyal Family Counselling Centre	Central Social Welfare Board	Apr-2002	On going	Nagapattinam district	Women
5	Adaikalam – Swadhar Greh	Central Social Welfare Board	Apr-1997	On going	Nagapattinam	Women and girls
6	Anubhavam – Home for Senior Citizen	Department of Social Welfare	Apr-2000	On going	Kivelur Block	Senior Citizen
7	Annapoorani Home for Senior Citizen	Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment	Apr-2002	On going	Ariyalur	Senior Citizen
8	Ambujam -Home for Senior Citizen	Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment	Oct-1998	On going	Nagapattinam	Senior Citizen
9	“Pudhumalar” Integrated Rehabilitation Centre for Addicts	Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment	Mar-2001	On going	Nagapattinam district	Men
10	“Gandhiji” Integrated Rehabilitation Centre for Addicts	Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment	Nov-2007	On going	Karaikal	Men
11	Climate Literacy and Marine Litter Management	Centre for Environment Education	Oct 2018	Dec 2018	Nagapattinam, Cuddalore, Thiruvallur and Karaikal	Community
12	Program on Health Hygiene Promotion in Schools	Collective Good Foundation	June 2018	Ongoing	Thiruvallur	School children, Teachers and SSA officials
13	Annual Status of Education Report (ASER)	Pratham	Sep 2018	Oct 2018	Karaikal	Students



Agrarian crisis takes toll on senior citizens

More than 250 people who were once thriving farmers now live in old age homes; Nagal has highest in State

M MANIKANDAN @ Nagapattinam

SENDING parents to old age homes is no longer an urban phenomenon. Many senior citizens, especially farmers, in rural areas are now being admitted to such homes across the district.

There are about 255 senior citizens residing in the 49 old age homes recognised by the Social Welfare department in the district. Of these residents, 66 per cent were once active in agriculture. As their children abandoned farming after graduation and shifted to urban areas, elderly parents have been sent to the homes. According to data, widows often seek out old age homes for help.

THE NUMBERS

9 Number of old age homes
255 People staying in old age homes
170 women inmates
65% inmates with farming background



Senior citizens taking part in an activity at an old age home in Manamadurai near Kizhner of Nagapattinam district on Wednesday | Express

years due to drought. My wife fell sick and died in 2016. Though I managed some cultivation, the shortage of Cauvery water and the monsoon failure in 2016-2017 forced me to sell my land as my son and daughter had their own families. I was in debt and initially gave my land on lease and then sold to a neighbour. I felt alone and chose to stay in the old age home in Manamadurai.

In Nagapattinam district, each of the nine homes averages around 20 new admissions a year. Pattanamangalam, Korihai, Pappakudi and Vadugai are the villages who have the most people admitted to old age homes. 70-year-old Swaminathan of Kizhner told Express, "While my wife was alive, both of us were involved in farming on our 1.5 acres of land. Our efforts had been unsuccessful in recent

some agricultural lands, the record drought left us indebted. Soon after the demise of my wife, I came to the old age home after selling my land." In Tamil Nadu, Nagapattinam district has the highest number of old age homes with one operating with support from the State and Central governments. Anitha, supervisor of an old age home in Samandhanpettai of Nagapattinam, told Express, "Even as farmers are being admitted here, it is mostly women

parent chooses to leave and come to old age homes."

M Manivannan, project coordinator, Village Welfare Society said, "Due to rapid urbanisation, a study we conducted revealed 70 per cent of families in many villages in Kizhner and Nagapattinam taluks are nuclear ones. When the aged lose their partner, they become helpless. While some caring children look after parents, many are unwilling to do so and send them to old age homes. The homes offer medical support, quality food, yoga and counselling allowing the elderly to live peacefully. In Nagapattinam district, said, "As many senior citizens became homeless after the tsunami, more homes were opened in Nagapattinam in the State. There are eight homes operating with Central government funds and one with finances from the State government. Around 250 senior citizens reside in the homes. We also carry out periodical inspections to ensure the safety of the residents."

Disaster mgmt committees in schools need more teeth

After HC order on monitoring safety measures, activists say skills lacking

M MANIKANDAN @ Nagapattinam

A DAY after Madras High Court directed all Chief Education Officers (CEOs) in the State to conduct a survey on school safety measures, activists in Nagapattinam urged the School Education department to devise a School-Level Disaster Management Plan (SLDMP) and set up School-Level Disaster Management Committees (SLDMCs).

Following a petition filed by Narayanan, an activist of Change India Movement in the High Court, on March 29 it was directed that inspections of safety in schools should be carried out. After this, a consultative meeting over the SLDMP was held at the District Institute of Education and Training (DIET) Karakkudi with the participation of over 100 teachers from various schools in the district on Wednesday.

Officials of the School Education department, District Child Protection Unit members and private agencies like Save Chil-

dren-Nokia and AVVAI Village Welfare Society took part in the meeting in which a detailed SLDMP devised by the Save Children organisation and applicable to all schools was released and handed over to the officials. According to K Mansoor Ali of the Save Children movement, already 18 government schools in coastal villages of the district have SLDMP and SLDMC on a pilot basis with the support of private agencies functioning for children's welfare. The government can regulate the steps by setting up disaster management committees and devising plans."

He added, "In coastal hamlets like Thirupponnallur, Kozhambalur, Kottiyakuram, Puthuvayalayan, Kumarakkudi, Chandrabali, Poomputur and 12 other villages, we have set up SLDMC with the permission of the School Education department. For SLDMC, we have given proper training for rescue operations. Each of the 18 schools has 20 students as SLDMC members."

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TDS level high in water at schools, says study

Students in Sirkazhi and Sembanarkoil drink water with abnormal levels of total dissolved salt, shows NGO study

M MANIKANDAN @ Nagapattinam

TESTS by a Nagapattinam-based private organisation for total dissolved salt (TDS) in drinking water at various government schools in Sirkazhi and Sembanarkoil revealed abnormally high levels.

According to the Save Children organisation, the tests were carried out after complaints of students as young as nine and 10 suffering from kidney-related issues arose.

Speaking to Express, K Mansoor Ali, coordinator, Save Children, said, "When we received information of children developing kidney stones in Sirkazhi and Sembanarkoil, we suspected drinking water to be the reason. So, we conducted a survey of 10 government primary and middle schools. We found in all 10 schools that TDS levels were the cause of kidney diseases in students. The problem is not just in the coastal areas, but has been found even 12 km inland."

Alli added, "We found a government school in Kumarakkudi village of Sembanarkoil block had 2,280 mg/litre as the TDS value in the drinking water. We can-



A class on drinking water at Government Middle School in Kumarakkudi | Express

not take this lightly as the ideal TDS value is 300 mg/litre. The Kumarakkudi school's drinking water has seven times the ideal TDS level. We also found a girl student recently suffered with kidney stones."

Kizhneppathur in Sirkazhi had a TDS level of 1,930 mg/litre as TDS, followed by Konayampattinam, Maruthampallam, Veppancherry and Perumalpettai villages. All registered high TDS levels in school drinking water.

WHAT THE TESTS REVEALED

School / Village	TDS level	Nature	Block
Kurmaarakkudi	2280 mg/litre	Not OK	Sembanarkoil
Kizhneppathur	1930 mg/litre	Not OK	Sirkazhi
Perumalpettai	1120 mg/litre	Poor	Sembanarkoil
Maruthampallam	1110 mg/litre	Poor	Sembanarkoil
Konayampattinam	813 mg/litre	Fair	Sirkazhi
Veppancherry	786 mg/litre	Fair	Sembanarkoil

have no option but to drink it when they are thirsty. The School Education department can take action by installing reverse osmosis plants and purifiers," Manivannan said.

S Naganathan, a resident of Sembanarkoil, said, "Apart from school students, many locals in our area have kidney issues due to poor quality of groundwater. The government should identify the affected villages and provide RO plants through the District Rural Development Agency and TWAD."

When Express contacted a senior School Education department official, he said, "We are aware of this issue. Some government

schools like Keechankuppam Panchayat Union Middle School in Nagapattinam have installed RO plants on their own. We are talking with some public and private sector companies to offer RO plants as part of their Corporate Social Responsibility to help these schools with the high TDS problem."

According to experts and doctors, 300 mg/litre of TDS level is the ideal level whereas 300-600 mg/litre of TDS level is considered good. If the TDS is between 600-900 mg/litre, it is fair. When the level is from 900 to 1,200 mg/litre, it is poor. Crossing beyond 1,200 mg/litre is considered unacceptable.

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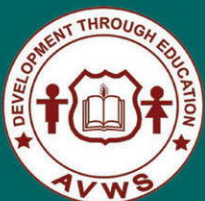
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- Adopt a deserted, neglected and vulnerable elder to have food, shelter, clothing, eye care, medical aid and to have better and quality life.
- Adopt a Project and we are eager to provide any information for further support and development of the community.



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