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CHAIR'S INTRODUCTION



Another year has passed since we started this fulfilling experience. We have been working hard this year and in difficult situations dealing with people affected by HIV/AIDS in order to help them and the community deal with the disease.

I will never be able to thank all the people that are making this possible and I greatly appreciate the work they are doing but as this second year passed. I can see that our organization is gaining momentum and strength especially in the organization side and this was an aim carried over from the past year. We thank few of our supporters like the Rotary Club of K.K. Nagar, Chennai for their generous support for few of our programmes.

Looking forward our plans and aims are to be more ambitious and I am sure we will try our best in order to reach the best results. A big thank to everyone for all their help.

S. M. ARASU

PROGRAMMES

During the above year we carried out, with our own funds and the contribution of local donors, 8 programs in the fields of education, health and development of poor children and women. The programs were implemented with the help of the local volunteers and with the active cooperation of the community. The programs carried out during the year are as follows:

1. STUDY CENTER FOR UNEDUCATED YOUTH AND CHILDREN

The centre is run at Bommiarpalayam, Vanur Taluk, Villupuram District and as many as 50 Children passed out from the centre and they were linked with better education and higher standards. The centre not only aims at the educational needs of the children but also aims at imparting the life oriented skills and equips them to cope up with real life situations.

IMPACT:

50 children got benefited out of the special coaching and it sets as a pilot project and is an example to other service oriented organisations.

2. COMPUTER TRAINING CAMP



The Computer training was intended to facilitate the disadvantaged children to gain Computer education as the parents are engaged in low income oriented jobs and out of the low income the parents are not able to facilitate the required skills to their parent. We are organising the 6 weeks special coaching for the school going children.

IMPACT:

50 children were able to learn the skills and the children who had passed out were able to get better jobs and their income considerably increased.

3. HEALTH CAMP:



The health camps were carried out in Attipakkam Village, Mugaiyur Taluk, Villupuram District and the people from the surrounding villages got benefited out of the same and Dr. Akbar Basha had cooperated along with his medical team assistants.

IMPACT:

242 persons were screened during the camp and 29 serious cases were referred to the Government Hospital, Villupuram.

4. AIDS AWARENESS CAMP

The AIDS awareness camp was conducted at Narambai village, Pondicherry and the main resource person was Mr. Manoharan, Consultant, PACS and he had oriented the participants in the ways and means of spread of the HIV infection.

IMPACT:

121 participants had learnt about the means of spread and the measures they should take to control it.

5. CHILDREN'S DAY CELEBRATIONS:

The Children's Day Celebration was observed at Thengathittu Village and the children were given opportunity to exhibit their talents and the outstanding students were offered with special gifts.

IMPACT:

The children were able to know the importance of the day and the need to pay attention in their studies.

6. WOMEN'S DAY CELEBRATIONS:

The Women's Day was observed at Periyakalpet. The women group members were called for a special gathering and Mrs. A.K. Mary was the main resource person and she had motivated the participants to take responsibility for their life.

IMPACT:

The women realized the need for building solidarity among themselves and to take up the local issues by themselves.

7. PERSONALITY DEVELOPMENT SKILLS FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN:

The children from the rural villages always look grim and do not show interest in the studies and thus the personality development for the school children was given importance and the same was conducted at the centre of the organisation.

IMPACT:

The children find sound mental health and improve their skills and the interest in the studies is found.

8. FORMATION OF NEW SELF-HELP GROUPS:

The Trust is in the process of forming new Self Help Groups in and around Pondicherry. The women groups were met every week by the Animators. They explained the need and the benefits in the formation of groups. New groups are being registered and opened account in the Andhra bank.

IMPACT:

New groups are formed and registered and bank account for them is being opened.