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# PONDICHERRY MULTIPURPOSE SOCIAL SERVICE SOCIETY ANNUAL REPORT 2011 – 2012

## **INTRODUCTION:**

Pondicherry Cuddalore Archdiocesan Social Service Organization namely Pondicherry Multipurpose Social Service Society (PMSSS) undertake various projects with the participation of the target people for the welfare and integral development of all category of people.

PMSSS in the context of changing environment try to understand the rural people's living situation and identify the people in need and enable them to get benefits in order to move in a developmental path, the Governing Body is happy to present the 2011 - 2012 annual report to the General Body.

## PMSSS ORIGIN AND ITS LEGAL STATUS:

Social Service was started in the Archdiocese by Rev. Fr. Edmond Becker during the year 1967 and thereafter the Pondicherry Multipurpose Social Service Society (PMSSS) was established in the year 1977 and continued to implement projects for the socio economic development of the Poorest of the Poor.

PMSSS was registered under Societies Registration Act of 1860 having 6/77 as its Register Number and as well having registration under FCRA and 12A and 80G of the Income Tax Act and mobilize resources to carry out the people's developmental activities for the past 35 years.



PMSSS General Body Members During Annual General Body meeting 2011

## **PMSSS OPERATIONAL AREA:**

The area of operation of PMSSS covers,

- ♦ Pondicherry District
- ♦ Karaikkal District

In the Union Territory of Pondicherry

- ♦ Cuddalore District
- ♦ Villupuram District
  In the State of Tamil Nadu.

## **PMSSS TARGET PEOPLE:**

Farmers, women, Daily wage earners, Orphans, Destitute, Widows, Schedule Class, Backward Class, Most Backward Class people, Tribal, Fisher Folk, Youth, Refugees, Aged, Sick, Disabled, Socially & Economically Backward and all people who are in distress.

## PMSSS DEVELOPMENT GOAL:

To enable every human

- ♦ To do more
- ♦ To know more
- ♦ To have more
- In order to be more.

## **PMSSS MAJOR ACTIVITIES:**

- Relief and Risk Reduction in Disasters
- Welfare
- Education and Training
- Livelihood
- People's Organization

## **PMSSS SPECIFIC ACTIVITIES:**

- 1. Relief and Rehabilitation in times of fire, flood, cyclone, drought and tsunami
- 2. Community Based Disaster Risk Reduction
- 3. Health Services
- 4. Fraternal Life Service Home for the Mentally III
- 5. Community Based Rehabilitation for the Disabled
- 6. Care and support for AIDS/HIV affected
- 7. Fraternal Life Communities (Credit Unions)
- 8. Delayed Marketing of Agricultural produces
- 9. Kolping Family program
- 10. Social Assistance program for aged and sick
- 11. Rehabilitation and development program for Sri Lankan Refugees.
- 12. New Thrust Program
- 13. Integrated Children, youth and Women development program
- 14. Facilitating a Healthy and Hygienic coastal community
- 15. International Food And Agricultural Development Program (IFAD)
- 16. Vazhnthu Kattuvom
- 17. Vazhikatti
- 18. Child Help Line 1098
- 19. Integrated Development program for Dhobies, Cobblers, Ottars, Irulas and Agricultural Coolies.
- 20. Promotion of Farmers Club and Agricultural Development through NABARD
- 21. Livelihood Enhancement for Scheduled Caste People through Department of Science & Technology
- 22. Kolping Matriculation Higher Secondary School
- 23. Livelihood Training Centre

## **DESCRIPTION OF PMSSS PROJECT ACTIVITIES:**

## **RELIEF PROGRAM**

517 families of Pennadam, Cuddalore OT, Thurinjikollai, Neyveli, Vadalur, Eraiyur, Avalur, Keeramangalam, Kurinjipadi, Who were affected by Fire and Flood, given immediate relief assistance of Rs. 69700 from the Archbishop's Relief Fund.

412 families from 13 villages in Pondicherry and Cuddalore who were affected by Floods, given relief assistance received through Caritas India to the tune of Rs. 2,00,000.



His Grace the Archbishop Visit the Thane Cyclone Affected Locations

## THANE CYCLONE RELIEF PROGRAM

2011 year ended creating a heavy damage through Thane Cyclone. Unimaginable heavy damage caused affected the entire district regions of Pondicherry, Cuddalore and partially the Villupuram district.

## **DISSEMINATION OF CYCLONE EARLY WARNING**

PMSSS had the facility of Cyclone Early Warning System within the organization installed by INCOIS and hence it was able to disseminate warning information to the Coastal and inland regions since

Significant Wave height (m) and Direction (e)
Forecast for 17.30 IST 28 DEC 2011

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22<sup>nd</sup> December 2011 onwards and prepared the communities beforehand.

PMSSS and Indian National Center for Ocean Information Services (INCOIS) partnership through Information, Communication and Technology program was very much useful. It was a great opportunity to disseminate right information at the appropriate time.

Until the Cyclone crossed the sea shore, PMSSS was able to disseminate 99.9% accurate & Government authentic information to the people. INCOIS scientists were continuously in touch with PMSSS and passed on the weather information. Hence it was helpful to know the information on, the time when the cyclone would hit, Wind speed, Tidal height and exact coast line the cyclone would hit. Unique factor was that the deployment of Wave Rider Buoy in the Pondicherry Coast by INCOIS, NIO in collaboration with PMSSS. It

proved to be a valuable effort. PMSSS had greater visibility.

Unfortunately, the thane cyclone while crossing the shore drifted away the Wave Rider Buoy and in the process the Buoy got lost disconnecting the information network.

Now, once again PMSSS has taken efforts to deploy New Wave Rider Buoy along the Pondicherry Coast in partnership with INCOIS and NIO.

## **DETAILS OF CYCLONE DAMAGE**

It is not surprising to state that such damage had never been caused so far as that of Thane Cyclone. The situation was so bad that all community people felt and expressed that it was worse than Tsunami disaster occurred in 2004.

Government of Pondicherry and Tamil Nadu declared that Pondicherry and Cuddalore districts as Disaster hit.

As per the Government report following are the damage data in Pondicherry, Cuddalore and Villupuram district regions:

Affected villages 2153

Affected No. of Houses and Families: 14,02,112

**Damaged Houses** 4,59,082

People Died 53

Loss of Livestock 10,000

Damage to Agriculture in Cuddalore District:

58,000 Hectors Paddy

Cashews 23,000 Hectors

Jackfruit 5,572 Hectors

Coconut, Plantain and other fruits 8,947 Hectors.

In that context of so much of destruction, it was disappointing that the cyclone did not attract the media attention and information not shared at the National and International Level. The cyclone information did not reach the International Communities and Donors. There was a gap in Information Cooked food distributed to the Thane Cyclone Dissemination. It was sad that the cyclone disaster not declared as a National disaster. Hence, the International Donor Organizations could not respond and came forward to extend assistance.



**Crop Damage in Thane Cyclone** 



**House Damage in Thane Cyclone** 



Affected



**CARITAS India Zonal team discuss on the relief** operation



Visit to Thane Cyclone affected areas by **SCCF Project Officer Emmanuel** 



Thane Cyclone assessment by CRS Team

## **RELIEF ACTIVITIES AND ASSISTANCE**

In that critical situation PMSSS immediately contacted Caritas India and Catholic Relief Services and appealed for Immediate Relief Assistance.



Kolping India National Director Fr. A.
Antony Raj with Cyclone victims at
Azhagappasamuthiram



Distribution of Relief materials by Caritas India Zonal Manager Mr. Christy Ambrose



Distribution of Relief Materials at Srilankan Refugee Camp by Mr. Jayakumar, Deputy Commissioner, Refugee Rehabilitation, Chennai.

PMSSS started relief operations during pre-cyclone stage itself. Specifically, PMSSS started its relief service in Manalmedu Coastal hamlet of Pondicherry since December26th itself. Food was cooked at PMSSS office and supplied to the villages in Pondicherry and Cuddalore. Continued to that official team from CRS, Chennai office arrived in PMSSS and selected few most vulnerable village locations and organized extending relief assistance.



Ref. Fr. Albert Felix, Executive Director of SAMSSS distribute relief materials



Distribution of Relief Materials by SAMSSS in Villupuram District Areas



Distribution of Relief Materials to a Physically Challenged Person

PMSSS staff team made rapid assessment in the affected 3 districts and appealed to Caritas India seeking assistance at least for 20000 families. In turn Caritas India appealed to International Caritas.



Distribution of Relief Materials at Korukamedu village by Mr. Purushothaman, Regional Director, NASSCOM



Distribution of Relief Materials by Williams Le, IT Company, Chennai.



Thane Cyclone - Cleaning Work by World
Bank Executives

Then Caritas India Zonal Team along with Mr. Albert, Representative of Caritas Germany came to PMSSS to study and prepare proposal to ECHO.



Distribution of Relief Materials by CRS Chennai State Officer Mrs. Jomey Joseph & Mrs. Rekha Shetty



Distribution of Relief Materials to the Cyclone Victims



Mr. Stefan, AB Children, Italy giving Livelihood Assistance to Thane Cyclone affected

Caritas india as a immediate relief assistance released Rs. 24,00,000, in which Rs.16,50,000 was allotted to PMSSS and Rs. 7,50,000 to SAMSSS to extend immediate relief assistance totally to 2200 families. Based on the support received and with the cooperation of the Parish Priests, Village leaders, Community members, an assessment was made, procured relief materials and supplied to the worst affected families.

In the context of large number of houses and families affected and all people had to be supported PMSSS took efforts to contact various service organizations. In specific, PMSSS got the support of CRI, NASSCOM Foundation network, NGOs, IT Industries and other philanthropic organizations and supplied relief materials. Moreover, District Educational Center, Salem, Shrine Basilica, Velankanni, Auroville Foundation, AB Children Trust, Italy given their donation. In total PMSSS was able to extend immediate relief assistance to around 40000 families in 160 villages.

## **DETAILS OF RELIEF ASSISTANCE**

- 10200 families in 12 villages were supplied with cooked food.
- ≠ 530 families in 5 villages were given Towels and Blankets from Archbishop & PMSSS relief fund.
- ↓ 15898 families in 9 villages were supplied with Candles through the assistance got from Velankanni Shrine Trust, Nesam Trust, Chennai, SEE Trust, Cuddalore, Missionaries of Charity, Pondicherry.
- ♣ 1767 families in 9 villages were extended with Milk Power and Biscuits jointly by Missionaries of Charity Sisters, Pondicherry and PMSSS.
- ♣ 200 families in Enikaranthottam of Cuddalore OT were supplied with Bread through the assistance of AGM School, Cuddalore.
- ♣ 8501 families in 44 villages of Cuddalore district were given Dry ration, Bucket and Mat jointly organized through the support of SAI Trust, Neyveli, Missionaries of Charity, Pondicherry, Red

Cross, Pondicherry, Vincent De Paul, Pondicherry, Nesam Trust, Salem, CRI, Pondicherry & Cuddalore, NASSCOM Foundation, Caritas India and PMSSS.

## 2200 families were assisted with 3 type of kit assistance as per the detail given in the table below:

SL.No	Name of	Ta	rpolin	Dry R	lation &	Blanket, Mat,			
	theUnion			Blanket, Mat		biscuit packets,		Total	
						Washing soap			
	·	Total	Total	Total	Total	Total	Total	Total	Total
		villages	beneficiaries	villages	beneficiaries	villages	beneficiaries	villages	beneficiaries
1	Annagramam	2	32	5	189	15	626	22	847
2	Prangipettai	0	0	1	85	29	576	30	661
3	Panruti	2	30	0	0	13	662	15	692
	TOTAL	4	62	6	274	57	1864	67	2200

## 1391 families were assisted with 4 type of kit assistance as per the detail given in the table below:

SL.No	Materials	Total	Pondicherry	Cuddalore	Cuddalore	Villupuram
					Refugee Camp	
1	Tarpolin, Rope, Mosquito net,	Village	2	7	1	
	Mat, Torch Light & Battery	Families	84	838	163	
2	Tarpolin, Rope, Mosquito net,	Village				1
	Torch Light & Battery	Families				71
3	Tarpolin, Rope, Mat	Village		1		
		Families		106		
4	Mosquito net, Torch light	Village			1	
	& Battery	Families			129	
	Total	V illages	2	8	2	1
		Families	84	944	292	71

- ❖ 1391 families in 13 villages in Pondicherry, Cuddalore and Villupuram districts were given Tarpaulin, Mosquito net, Nylon rope, Mat, Torch light with batteries through the valuable support of Catholic Relief Services.
- ❖ 600 families belonging to Beema Rao Nagar and Suthukulam of Cuddalore OT were assisted with Dress and Utensils by Ramco Cement, Cuddalore.

- ❖ 42BPL families living in Manalmedu Coastal hamlet of Pondicherry whose houses and properties were completely damaged losing their livelihood and suffered the worst. Hence
- ❖ 25 people were given support to the tune of Rs. 63,516 to restart their livelihood activities.

## **COMMUNITY MANAGED DISASTER RISK REDUCTION (CMDRR) PROGRAM**

PMSSS in partnership with Caritas India continue to implement the CMDRR project in Cuddalore district covering Pachankuppam, Nanamedu, Suthukulam, Gundu Uppalavadi Panchayats inclusive of 16 interior hamlets towards their development. The project is undertaken also in 5 coastal villages in the jurisdiction of Pondicherry Municipal limit. Through the project intervention, capacity of 3352 belonging to 170 People's Organizations in the target villages got enhanced.



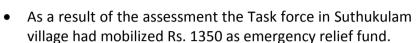
Village Disaster Reduction Map prepared with community participation at Thazhanguda Village

- 1277 people's organization members participated in 45 trainings conducted & got trained to obtain Government schemes.
- Initial steps have been taken to avail Permanent Housing Scheme for 135 beneficiaries under Kalaingnar Kapittu Thittam.
- Resolutions were passed to recognize 80 Task Forces in 4
  panchayats of Cuddalore district and facilitated them to
  function under the guidance of Grama Sabha.



**Children Parliament Training Program** 

- In Local Body Election held during the month of October 2011, 10 female members and 17 male members and in total 27 members from various people's organizations in the target villages contested and won the election.
- Right to Information Act was used by 4 villages and obtained needed information. Through this process people now know how to use the RTI act.
- Using people's participatory process an assessment was made on Disaster Risk Reduction. This assessment has created in every village a contingency fund and development plan.





**CMDRR Meeting with Panchayat Leaders** 

- Rs.1,44,47,100 had been availed as loan from Government and Banks for 1209 members.
- 136 Social Work Students from Pondicherry University and other Colleges got Placement Trainings in PMSSS.
- Mr. Nibuyugi Yagi from Tokyo University Visited the CMDRR project activities and the target villages in the month of March 2012. He was so much impressed to know about the condolence meeting organized for the people who died in Japan Tsunami occurred in 2010.

## FRATERNAL LIFE COMMUNITY PROGRAM

Fraternal Life Communities were started to impart training for the rural people in order to create leadership, undertake rural & community development activities and to work in a co-operative manner for self and mutual development of rural people. FLCs have been emerged has a People's Organization at the Diocesan level by forming leaders at the Village, Vicariate and Diocesan levels.

Fraternal Life communities facilitate the rural people to mobilize savings, lend money based on the savings in order to redeem the poor from borrowing money for high rate of interest, enhance their economic resources and undertake various Micro enterprises for their development.

The main objective of Fraternal Life Community is that to create a family atmosphere in the villages avoiding individual perspective and bring everyone together as one community irrespective of religion, caste and creed.



Revolving Fund Assistance to Fraternal Life Community Members



IGP Assistance to Fraternal Life Community
Members

## **TRAININGS**

1. Accounts Trainings were conducted for FLC development workers.

2. EDP Trainings were conducted for the FLC members.

Total No. of FLCs : 264

Total No. of FLC members : 11120

Total Saving mobilized : Rs. 4,12,60,485

- ★ Rs.2,30,000 was given IGP loan to 23 members in one FLC
- ★ 2019 FLC members were enrolled under LIC JBY scheme.
- \* Rs.3,30,000 was distributed to 11 members @ Rs.30,000 each as death benefit from LIC.
- ★ The revolving fund under Home for Homeless, Land for Landless and Delayed Marketing programs were collected back and given as SEP loan to FLCs.

## SOCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Social Assistance Program was started to rehabilitate the poor destitute aged who have been neglected by their own kith and kin and communities. Through the program aged, sick and widows are given cash assistance of Rs. 100 per month per person to sustain their living.

Sago Dharma Sabha is functioning well with the monitory support donated by well wishers, Educational institutions, Parish Priests.



**Assistance to Old Age** 

- ★ In one year Rs.2,86,200 had been given as social assistance through SDS to 265 aged and sick people as monthly assistance who live in Pondicherry, Karaikkal, Cuddalore, Neyveli, Villupuram, Tindivanam, Gingee, Thirukovilur, Kallakurichi, Viriyur vicariate villages.
- ★ SDS facilitated 40 beneficiaries to get Government assistance.
- ★ It is heartening to state that through the efforts of SDS people who were left alone settled back into their own families.

## **HEALTH SERVICES**

- √ 762 sick people from 82 villages within Pondicherry Archdiocese and 31 sick people from other areas were referred for health treatment.
- ✓ Food, Medicine, Travel allowance and accommodation were provided for the beneficiaries who came for treatment.
- ✓ Blood donation was organized for the sick people who were referred for treatment and surgery through Voluntary blood donors.
- ✓ Care and support services offered to HIV/AIDS affected persons.



New Born child given surgical treatment through health services

## **DISEASE WISE BENEFICIARY LIST:**

SL. No	DISEASE	No. of Beneficiaries
1	General Medicine	168
2	Surgery	153
3	Cardiac problem	35
4	Mother and child care	28
5	Kidney problem	87
6	Urology	22
7	Neurology	28
8	Orthopedic	107

9	Child welfare	21
10	Child surgery	8
11	Neuro surgery	5
12	Eye surgery	22
13	ENT Treatment	52
14	Dental Surgery	18
15	Tuberculosis	3
16	Skin disease	29
17	Mentally ill	7
	TOTAL	793

## **FREE MEDICAL CAMPS**



In order to take the health facilities to the rural areas, with the funding support of Vanakkam Foundation, Germany Free Eye Camps were conducted in the villages of Emam, Perperiyankuppam, Kallukuzhi, Sirupakkam, Krishnankuppam, Pennadam, Kudikadu, Melvazhi and other villages in coordination with Private Special Medical Institutions. 2732 people attended and benefitted from the camps. 284 patients took free treatment

as inpatients in the respective medical institutions.

## AWARENESS PROGRAM ON TB: (REACH AXSHYA PROJECT)

Since April 2011, PMSSS and REACH NGO jointly organized Awareness programs on TB in Cuddalore district region.

The main objective of the TB Awareness program is that to declare Cuddalore district as "District without TB". Around 344 people

from 16 villages participated in the awareness programs and benefitted. The World TB day was observed on March 24<sup>th</sup> and awareness was created in Suthukulam Panchayat and Beema Roa Nagar areas in Cuddalore district.

## TAMIL NADU CATHOLIC HEALTH ASSOCIATION - PONDICHERRY

Catholic Health Association of India conducted TB Awareness program for the members of Pondicherry Cuddalore Archdiocesan Health association members on 10<sup>th</sup> March 2012.



TB Awareness Program through AKSHAYA
Project



World Disability Day celebrated by CBR Federation in Villupuram District

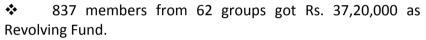
## AB CHILDREN PROJECT:

Poor and orphan children rehabilitation and Educational project is implemented with the grant in assistance of AB Children Trust, Italy. 25 female children and 15 male children are benefitted through rehabilitation program and getting education.

## TAMIL NADU WOMEN DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION PROJECT

PMSSS partnered with Tamil Nadu Women Development Corporation since June 2008 and organized self help groups, conduct animators, representatives training and members training in Cuddalore district. The SHG members took necessary steps to get Revolving fund, Direct and Economic loans from Government. Also the group members have been facilitated to develop themselves by availing Government schemes and Vocational Trainings.







Training on Right Based & Livelihood Based Resource Support for PLF Members

- ❖ 1975 members from 133 groups given SHG members training.
- 268 members from 133 groups were trained as SHG animator and representatives.

## **NEW THRUST PROGRAM**

In the 4<sup>th</sup> phase of the NT Program, the main activity was to train the CBOs in right based approach and identify the livelihood means by organizing them into right based and livelihood based expert



NTP Group member Nominee Receiving the LIC - JBY Death Claim

groups. The objective was to attain social, economical, cultural and political empowerment, to identify the gaps in attaining the goal & find solution and as well to enter into right based and livelihood based activities to ensure development.

Further, in the 5<sup>th</sup> phase the activities are proposed focusing on the 4 important topics of, Protection of human rights, Micro credit project, Community health and Environment Protection. These activities have to be mainstreamed in all areas through the groups and their federations.

## UNIONWISE CBOs SAVING DETAILS

- Rs.23,05,600 had been saved by 1096 members in 76 Agricultural Farmers groups.
- 49 groups in Pondicherry, Karaikkal and Cuddalore Unions availed Bank loan to the tune of Rs.1,36, 96,800.
- ❖ 1854 members invested Rs.3,36,81 in People's Bank.
- ❖ 5872 members joined in LIC JBY scheme.
- 12 members received Rs.4.5 lakh death benefit from LIC.

## **KOLPING INDIA PROJECT**

Kolping Principles developed Good Character, Good Values, Sense of togetherness, cooperative action, sharing, oneness of mind, respect for each other, better understanding, and acceptance attitude within Kolping Family Members. Kolping imbibe Fraternity and Brotherhood among all its members.

## **PROJECT TRAININGS & SUPPORT**

The Kolping group members were given the following trainings:

- > Entrepreneurship Development Training
- Capacity Building Training
- Capacity Building on facing the challenges
- Organic Farming training
- Accounts Training
- Management skill training
- Disaster Management Training
- > Training on Human Rights Act
- ➤ 1278 members in 74 groups mobilized a savings of Rs.83,51,530
- ➤ 132 members were given Rs.6,10,000 as revolving fund under IGP
- ➤ 47 members received Rs. 4 lakh and implement Collective IGP
- ➤ 4 members availed Rs. 2 lakh under Kolping Housing Program
- ➤ 15 members got Rs. 1.5 lakh as education loan under Vocational Education Program
- > 970 members joined LIC JBY scheme
- ➤ 63 members availed LIC Education Scholarship
- > 1 member received Rs.30,000 under LIC death benefit scheme



**EDP Training program for Kolping Group Leaders** 



Educational Loan Assistance to Kolping Family
Members

## **PUDHU VAZHU PROJECT**

4th phase Pudhu Vazhu Project was undertaken in partnership with Catholic Relief Services for the Rehabilitation of Sri Lankan Refugees living in Keezhputhupet, Chinnaselam (Villupuram district), Virudachalam, Kullanchavadi, Kurinjipadi and Kattumannarkoil(Cuddalore district) to ensure a safe, secured, dignified living condition and enhance their livelihood. In specific create awareness on Gender based violence among the Youth and other adult members living in the camp and reduce its impact among the camp inmates.



**EDP Training for PLF Members** 

## **PROJECT ACTIVITIES:**

- ❖ 75 temporary houses were newly constructed and handed over to the Kattumannar Koil Srilankan Refugee Camp inmates in the presence of Mr. Rajendira Ratnoo, the Cuddalore District Collector.
- Created awareness on Gender Based violence.
- Organized street theatre, street corner campaign on the topics relating to domestic violence, alcoholism, Gender based violence, abuse against children.
- Conducted essay writing, poem writing, painting and sports competitions to sensitize the camp inmates on gender based violence and distributed prizes.
- Organize separate trainings for young boys and girls to sensitize them on GBV.
- Conducted EDP trainings for women development.
- ❖ 85 temporary houses are under construction in Chinnasalem Camp.
- ❖ 147 training programs were conducted and 5080 members participated in sequence and got sensitized on various GBV issues.
- ❖ 17 families received Micro Entrepreneurship support.
- ❖ 105 members availed Government welfare schemes.



Street Corner Meeting on GBV at Refugee
Camp



Cuddalore District Collector Mr.Rajendira Ratnoo, IAS handing over the keys of the newly built houses to Srilankan Refugees in Kattumannar Koil Camp

## **IMPACTS OF TRAINING:**

- Teasing against women got reduced through the awareness program.
- School dropout considerably reduced.
- Camp inmates accepted the existence of GBV within the camp.
- Early marriage for girls reduced.
- Health and hygiene improved.
- Open defecation avoided and people started using the community toilets.
- Men folk search for de addiction centers to get rid from alcoholism.

## **DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY PROJECT**

Creating a healthy community and organizing Micro enterprises towards sustainable livelihood for the SC community families at Chinnanellikolai village in Cuddalore district with the support of Department of Science and Technology, Government of India. The project got started from April 2012 and implemented until May 2015 for three years to create a model village.



AICP Coordination Program at Chinnanellikolai

## **IMPORTANT ACTIVITIES:**

- Create awareness on the project components
- Prepare bio fertilizer and bio pesticides to undertake organic farming for crop protection and adopt soil conservation strategies
- Get milch cows for 15 members in the first year
- Produce feed for cows and organize insurance for cows
- ➤ Conduct vocational training for 10<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> std. students
- Create kitchen garden in the households
- Establish water purification plants
- > Establish bio pesticide center
- Get milk can to 15 members
- Construct low cost toilet for 30 families

## INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM

PMSSS in partnership with NASSCOM Foundation, New Delhi implemented Business Process Outsourcing (BPO) training program for the benefit of the underprivileged rural youth. In continuation of the training PMSSS entered into an MOU with NABARD Banks in Pondicherry and Cuddalore to get assistance for conducting BPO trainings.

In the 3 month duration training on BPO related subjects, Life skill, communication skill and Computer skills are given. The training Certification is given in the name of NASSCOM Foundation, New Delhi.

So far, 90 youth in Pondicherry and 50 youth in Cuddalore were trained. 80% of the trained boys and girls found job placement and working in different IT companies.

Indian Bank Self Employment Training Institute (INDSETI) has created opportunity for the poor youth through free vocational training courses. PMSSS entered into an MOU with INDSETI for conducting Computer Trainings in DTP and TALLY. 48 youth were trained and placed in various IT industries.

PMSSS, INCOIS,NIO jointly used the ICT program to disseminate the Early Warning messages through local TV channels in Pondicherry and Cuddalore, FM Radio, SMS networks since 25<sup>th</sup> December 2011 itself for alerting the people to avoid any life and material loss during Thane Cyclone. EWS was very helpful and saved the livelihood properties of the people at large.



Students during Computer Skills Education Training program sponsored by INDSETI Puducherry



BPO Training Program Youth sponsored by NABARD



Chief Secretary of Pondicherry
Mrs.Sathyavathy I.A.S., distribute
certificates to the INDSETI trained students
in the presence of Indian Bank Manager &
NABARD AGM

## OCEAN INFORMATION SERVICES AT VELANKANNI

PMSSS organized an exposure for the Directors of Social Service Societies at INCOIS, Hyderabad in order to take the Ocean Information Services to the respective communities. As a follow up Thanjavur Multipurpose Social Service Society disseminated the

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Installation of Ocean Information System by INCOIS, Hyderabad at Velankanni Shrine in the presence of Bishop of Tanjore Most. Rev. Devadoss Ambrose & Tanjore District Collector Mr. Munusamy I.A.S.,

ocean information to its area people.

Heavy life loss occurred at Velankanni during Tsunami disaster, hence PMSSS applied to



Inauguration of Early Warning Web
Portal at Velankanni Shrine

INCOIS to establish Ocean Information Services in Velankanni. In response to the same on 9<sup>th</sup> December 2011 New Ocean Information Services was declared open at Velankanni Shrine location in the Presence of Bishop of Thanjavur Most Rev. Devadoss Ambrose, Mr. Munisamy, Tanjavur district Collector, Dr. Balkrishnan Nair, Senior Scientist, INCOIS, Hyderabad, Fr. Albert Thambidurai, Executive Director, PMSSS and Fr. Adaikalaraj, Executive Director, TMSSS. Also a web page was released on the Ocean Information Services to give wind speed, direction, tidal wave height, PFZ and tsunami warnings.

## VILLAGE RESOURCE CENTRE

In the PMSSS run village resource centers around 1200 rural youth were given training in computer and tailoring skills. 40% of them either employed in Private and Government institutions or undertaken self employment activities towards their development.

## POST TSUNAMI SUSTAINABLE LIVELIHOOD INTERVENTION PROGRAM: (PTSLP)

PMSSS with the support of Tamil Nadu Government District Rural Development Agency undertaken Post Tsunami Livelihood Intervention program in 17 panchayats in Cuddalore district.

- Mobilizing local resources 75 people were trained in EDP
- ◆ Through technical support 35 people were trained in the production of Leather articles and jewel decorative articles.
- In madalapattu, pachankuppam and kavarapattu panchayats Tar Roads were laid with a budget of Rs.33.5 lakh.
- In times of flood and cyclone disaster people are getting loan at the rate of 6% to satisfy their immediate needs from the contingency mobilized at their level.
- Exposures were organized to the beneficiaries to visit Palloor Horticulture Research Center Dry Fish processing Yard and Veterinary centers.



Beneficiaries of Organic Farming training conducted by IFAD are involved in Brinjal Cultivation



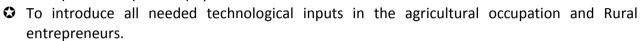
Exposure visit to Leather products making unit for IFAD PLF members

## **FARMERS CLUB THROUGH NABARD**

Farmers Club is creation of small forum for rural farmers to facilitate them to get banking schemes. The club will function as a bridge between Bank and the people.

## **OBJECTIVES OF FARMERS CLUB:**

- To avail bank credit for the rural people in an easy way, full measure, at the right time and utilize the loan in a profitable way.
- To utilize the credit availed in a proper manner in the Farmers Club Meeting NABARD Cuddalore entrepreneurship and repay the loan in time to the bank.



- To bring in development among the village people by changing the forum and member structure to suit the local needs.
- To make all efforts for rural development.
- To integrate everyone irrespective of caste, religion, creed and politics for the sake of village development.

20 members Farmers club has been organized through NABARD bank in the villages of Uchimedu, Nanamedu, Singirikudi, Rengareddipalayam, Villupalayam, Periakattupalayam, Karikan Nagar, Parvathipuram, Kokuppam, Santhavelipettai, Abathanapuram, Singirikoil. In total 200 farmers have become members in the Farmers Club.



**PROJECT** Tamil Nadu Government

Rehabilitation of Disabled

**DISTRICT** Villupuram

**BLOCK** Chinnaselam

TOTAL PANCHAYAT 77

PROJECT AGREEMENT PERIOD: Up to 2014

## **ACTIVITIES:**

- **Program of Vazhundukattuvom Project** 200 disabled self help groups were promoted. Savings mobilized to the tune of Rs. 2lakhs, obtained revolving fund, enterprise development loan, identity card, aids and appliances for the disabled.
- Awareness camps, Health development camp and Medical Camps were conducted to benefit the disabled.



**Disabled Basic Identification Training** 



## VAZHIKATTI PROJECT

DISTRICT Cuddalore

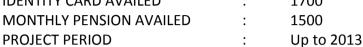
**BLOCK** Kattumannar koil

**TOTAL PANCHAYATS** 61

#### **ACTIVITIES**

Since 2010 Vazhikatti project is implemented in Kattumannar koil Block by PMSSS. Identity cards and Welfare Scheme Funds were obtained to the disabled. The project is helpful to get Tamil Nadu Government fee schemes.

TOTAL DISABLED IDENTIFIED 1766 **IDENTITY CARD AVAILED** 1700 MONTHLY PENSION AVAILED 1500



## MINORITY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROJECT

- OPMSSS with the support of Episcopal Conference, Italy implementing Integrated welfare Development project for Dhobis, Cobblers, Otters, Irulars and agricultural coolies.
- An orientation program was organized mobilizing 150 members from Dhobi community living in 21 villages in Thirukovilur vicariate.



Vazhikatti Project Staff During District **Level Disabled Workers Training Program** 



**Training program for Dhobi Community** Members at Thirukovilur under **EPISCOPAL CONFERENCE Project** 

## opportunities available in the field of education and livelihood. INTEGRATED COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM FOR CHILDREN, YOUTH &

A sensitization program was organized mobilizing 182 members from Cobbler community living in 13 villages in Tindivanam and Gingee vicariates towards enlightening them on the

Trainings on Activity Based Learning, Exposure to different Government Departments like Post office, Bank, Panchayat office, trainings on Karate, Yoga, Clay modeling, Fabric painting, Summer camp, Vocational skill training for youth on Electrician, AC & Refrigeration mechanism, Driving, BPO, Beautician course, trainings on Leadership, Career Guidance, Solid waste management, Health & Hygiene, Community participation and responsibility on health, Health hazards, Sanitation, self hygiene motivation was given to fishing hamlet people. Around 1488 people participated in the above stated trainings and benefitted to a greater extent.



**Children during Summer Camp** SCCF community development program



**Pondicherry Chief Minister honors Karate student of Pattinacherry for** participation in International competition



Karaikkal District Collector give send off to Karate student of Pattinacherry to participate in International competition =

**WOMEN** 

#### WATSAN PROGRAM IMPACT

- ♣ 40% of the people in the villages of Pattinacherry and Kezhakasakudimedu started using only purified water.
- By using purified water people are saved from waterborne diseases.
- ▶ Through the continuous motivation and education in housing premises and overall surrounding in the two target villages are kept neat and clean.
- ♣ Children are now aware of the healthy aspects and following self hygienic practices.
- № 80% of the people in the 2 villages use the toilet in their own permanent shelter.
- Solid waste in the village is properly managed and recycled for preparing manure.
- ♣ Continuous cleaning of the streets and drainages considerably reduced the mosquito menace in the target villages.
- Use of polythene bags reduced to a larger extent.
- ▼ The 2 target village panchayats extend their full cooperation and participate in different levels of community development and waste management activities.



Health Awareness for Children under SCCF project



Coastal Communities collecting Purified
Drinking Water from Water Purification Plant

■ Kitchen garden has been set up in the village Government school.

## ICE PLANT AND FISH PICKLE UNIT PROGRAM:

In order to give value addition to the sea products of the fisher folk PMSSS is establishing an Ice plant and Fish pickle unit at Pattinacherry, Karaikkal. The unit building has been constructed and machineries are erected already. Electrical connection and NOC from Government is in the process. Soon the production will start in the unit.

## **CHILD HELP LINE 1098**

- ♣ On 14<sup>th</sup> February 2011 PMSSS signed MOU with Child Line India Foundation. PMSSS was assigned as Partner Organization and IRDC Baby Sarah Home has assigned as Support Organization in Pondicherry.
- ← CHILDLINE Puducherry had been initiated in the city in March
  2011 with the support of
- ♣ CHILDLINE India Foundation (CIF) & Ministry of Women & Child Development under ICPS.



Children participation in International
Anti - Child labours day rally

♣ CHILDLINE Puducherry started functioning in the city from 17<sup>th</sup> March 2011 with PMSSS as Collaborative partner & Baby Sarah Home as Support partner. (The collab organizations are voluntary agencies and function as the call centres for CHILDLINE. It work 24 hours and respond to calls that are received on the 1098 CHILDLINE landline service.)

## **VISION OF THE CHILDLINE**

➤ A child friendly Nation that guarantees the rights and protection of all children.

## INTERVENTION CASES RECORDED FOR THE YEAR 2011 - 2012

PMSSS with the support of allied departments like Police, Social welfare, Labour Department etc successfully intervened the following cases and provided necessary and adequate support to the children in distress.

SL.NO	ISSUES/CASES/SUPPORT PROVIDED	NO OF CASES
1	Shelter	44
2	Missing cases	12
3	Emotional cases and Guidance	06
4	Medical	04
5	Rescue	03
6	Child marriage	03
7	Child Labor	06
8	Sexual abuse	02
9	Educational support	11
10	Corporal Punishment	02
	TOTAL INTERVENTION CASES	93



CIF Senior Coordinator Mr. Vijaya Bhaskar, Asst. Director, Social Welfare Dept., & CWC Chairperson during Child Line First year anniversary celebration



Child Line - BUS CAMPAIGN Inauguration

## **OUTCOME OF THE CHILDLINE PROGRAM**

- Awareness was given in 83 schools in Puducherry and around 19567 school students were made aware of CHILDLINE 1098.
- 2233 students from 12 Colleges were sensitized on the functions of Child line.
- Workshops were conducted for Anganwadi workers and School teachers on Child line program and planned how they can further create awareness in different locations.
- 4039 calls were received as on 31st March 2012 through Childline 1098 Puducherry.
- Child-se-Dosti Campaign has created mass awareness among public.
- 2393 people from 46 residential areas were given awareness on Childline.

- Resource Directory of children related Voluntary and Service organizations was collected in Puducherry region.
- Child Welfare Committee formed in Puducherry.
- Rapport established with Department of Social Welfare and Department of Women and Child Development.
- **②** Linkages established with NGOs working for the cause of Children.

## FRATERNAL LIFE SERVICE HOME (FLSH) FOR THE MENTALLY ILL



Site Seeing organized for mentally ill under FLSH rehabilitation program



Handwork for mentally ill persons under **FLSH rehabilitation program** 

Fraternal Life Service Home for the Mentally III was started in the year 1983 to rehabilitate the street roaming mentally ill brethren. So far, around 1500 mentally ill were rehabilitated in FLSH. During the year 135 mentally ill resided in the home and received medical & social rehabilitation. Now 35 mentally ill are getting residential rehabilitation.

## **KOLPING MATRICULATION HIGHER SECONDARY SCHOOL**

PMSSS established Kolping Matriculation higher Secondary School at Periakalapet in order to give quality and standard education to the rural youth. The Secretary of PMSSS Rev. Fr. V. Albert Thambidurai is the School Correspondant and Rev. Fr. V. Chinnappan is the Principal of the School. 1286 students are studying in the school. In order to upgrade the value system among

the students a spiritual center got established. Also to keep a Fr. V. Albert Thambidurai, Correspondent healthy environment a beautiful garden was set up around the school premises.



and Fr. V. Chinnapan, Principal, Kolping Mat. Hr. Sec. School during Sports Day function.

## LIVELIHOOD TRAINING CENTER

Tamilnadu State Non Governmental Organization and Volunteers Resource Centre(TNVRC) in collaboration with PMSSS conducted training programs on governance and finance for the Self Help Group leaders from Villupuram, Thiruvallur, Nagapattinam districts. 546 SHG leaders got trained. Also trainings under various PMSSS projects and federation level, State level coordination meetings of CMDRR, CBR of PWDs, Kolping, FLS was conducted in Livelihood training center.

## **BPO TRAINING PROGRAM FOR THE DISABLED**

PMSSS in partnership with Stitching Gilles Foundation - Belgium conducted BPO training program for the disabled. In the first batch of residential training course held at PMSSS Livelihood Training Center, Periyakalapet, 14 PWDs were trained in BPO skills, Computer skills, Life skills, Spoken English and Typewriting skills. Job placement was obtained to the trained PWDs in various IT Companies in and around Pondicherry.



Differently abled youth of BPO Training program supported by Stitching Gilles Foundation, Belgium



Life Skills Session of BPO Training Students

## MINORITY SCHOLARSHIP FOR CHILDREN EDUCATION

- PMSSS getting the cooperation of Tamilnadu Minorities Economic Development Corporation and Directorate of Minorities facilitated for getting Minority scholarship for School students.
- 1659 students received Rs.33,48,470 as Pre Matric Scholarship in Cuddalore district.
- By renewal 1164 students received Rs.17,97,840 as Scholarship.
- **3** 6378 students received Rs.78,30,790 as Pre Matric Scholarship in Villupuram district.
- By renewal 3774 students received Rs.48,15,520 as Scholarship.

## **FUTURE PROJECTS**

- o Implement Rehabilitation and Development oriented projects for the Thane Cyclone affected poor families.
- Get assistance of NABARD Banks in Puducherry, Cuddalore, Villupuram districts and undertake Agriculture based and allied livelihood promotional activities.
- o Organize Farmers Clubs in Cuddalore and Villupuram district villages.
- Construct Semi permanent houses for Sri Lankan Refugees in Ambalavananpet Camp with the support of Catholic Relief Services.
- Avail Government recognition for the Fraternal Life Service Home for the Mentally III.
- Conduct vulnerability mapping exercise to identify risk areas in Pondicherry City and get the cooperation of the State Government Departments by organizing an Advisory Board and as well establishing Child line Booth in Public Places for expanding the protection activities for children in distress.
- Mainstream the Persons with Disabilities at the Diocesan level to gain their rights and development.
- Organize vocational training and find job placement for the PWDs.

- o Partner with INCOIS and Pondicherry State Disaster Mitigation Committee to organize future disaster risk reduction activities and mobilize contingency fund for disaster mitigation.
- Convert the CMDRR program into a development oriented program with the support of Caritas India.
- Conduct EDP training for the poor youth of the disadvantaged community women and youth to enhance their livelihood options.
- o Avail all possible Government supported projects.
- Organize awareness programs to improve the health and hygienic condition of the inmates of the refugee camps and reduce Gender Based Violence.
- In partnership with Department of Science and Technology, Government of India undertakes Organic Farming, Health & Hygiene, Water Purification System and organizes village development committee for the development of SC community families.
- Impart tailoring, embroidery, Jamiki design work, Beautician, food processing courses for the development of youth in partnership with Indian Bank Self Employment Training Institute (INDSETI).

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## Case Study - 1

This is the family of Mrs. Anandhi W/o Mr. Veeraiyan affected by Thane Cyclone living in Sanniyasipet, Annagramam Block in Cuddalore District. Anandhi Husband veeraiyan goes for agricultural coolie work especially for sugarcane cutting work. Mostly he works in Thanjavur and kumbakonam areas and some times in his own living village and other neighboring villages. Anandhi also goes for collie work and at times accompany her husband with children when he works in outstation.



They live in 12x10ft patta land and put up a mud house with thatched roof. They belong to Hindu scheduled caste Harijan community and lives in the colony. During the Thane cyclone on 30<sup>th</sup> December 2011, their house got collapsed and totally damaged. House hold utensils also damaged. When the cyclone hit Anandhi and her husband Mr. Veeraiyan were away in Thanjavur in sugarcane cutting work. Only their aged parents were staying in the house remained helpless. When they came after two days to see their house in smashed condition. They are totally upset and very much saddened by that incident. They remained houseless since 30<sup>th</sup> December 2011 until now. They are helpless to rebuild their house. They say it may cost around Rs. 60000 to Rs. 75000 to reconstruct their house. Since they remain jobless after cyclone disaster they suffer for food maintain their family especially their small kids. They expressed that except Rs. 2500 from government no other support had been given. PMSSS with the Caritas India support given relief package. They were happy to get relief assistance from PMSSS. They feel relieved to an extent to get the relief package and the materials give was useful at the time of distress. They thank Caritas and PMSSS for the timely support.

## Case Study - 2

My name is Vadivel, I am 33 year old physically challenged person. I live with my aged parents in Narimedu village, Annagramam Block, Cuddalore District. My aged mother supports me by selling greens going street by street in the nearby town and earns some money. I was born hale and healthy and I was alright until 4 years of my age and going to school. When I was 5 years old, I was attacked by brain fever and got crippled. My two legs and left hand got



crippled. However, I got the Disability Certificate from District Rehabilitation Department, Cuddalore and getting monthly assistance of Rs. 1000 per month. With Government assistance and my mother's earning we live our daily life with suffering and starvation.

Being a disabled person many people do not give me job opportunity feeling that I cannot satisfy their requirement.

Now I am jobless and no income source. I live poor and poorer. During the Thane cyclone I was one of the worst victim, because while I was lying in the floor of my thatched small house with fear unexpectedly one big roof tile broken and thrown away from neighboring house came flying and fell on my crippled right leg. In the thane cyclone not only my crippled leg got damaged and our thatched house also damaged and we struggled to live in this distressed condition.

In our village there are also another 10 disabled persons and they also suffered a lot in the cyclone. It was of great help to get relief assistance from NGO like PMSSS with the support of Caritas. It was heartening to see that disabled people like me are getting relief package. On behalf of my disabled friends I express my sincere thanks to PMSSS director, staff and Caritas India for the valuable support.

## Case Study 3

My name is bala, 28yrs old, from Aaloor village. My father is a farmer and my mother is homemaker. I am a Physically challenged person with 80% disability. My family members supported me a lot to complete my BCA graduation. After completion I got a job in a private school with a salary of Rs. 2000. I worked there for 1 ½ years. Through this I am unable to meet out my own expenses.



Even though I have computer knowledge I couldn't shine on my field because

of my communication skills. Then I came to know about the free Business Process Outsourcing Residential Training program conducted by PMSSS in collaboration with Stitching Gilles Foundation - Belgium.

I joined the course and learnt communication, personality development and typewriting skills. After the completion of the course placement was organised through PMSSS Sparsh BPO Ltd., Puducherry. I was happy when they offered me a salary of Rs. 3500 per month during probation. After working in Sparsh for more than 2 months something deeply struck me. Then I contacted PMSSS BPO training center and expressed my intention to work as a BPO trainer so that I can train more number of disabled person and help them to live a dignified life. At present I am working as a BPO trainer with a salary of Rs. 4000. Training disabled persons like me helps in understanding their difficulties and can give positive hopes for better living. I am thankful to PMSSS and Stitching Gilles Foundation.

## Case Study 4

On 13.12.2011 at 09.30 a.m. Chidline team members during field visit identified four North Indian children who were roaming near the Puducherry railway station and brought them to the child line office with the help of the police and informed the social welfare department, Women and child department, PA to collector, Govt. of Pondicherry. It was identified that Teeankulshk aged 15 years, Jarman Sheik aged 13 years, Jasin aged 14 years, and Sona Bulsekh aged 14 years hailing from poor economic background have been brought from West Bengal to work in Pondicherry. The department officials came to PMSSS child line office and made



through enquiry on the background and the purpose of the children coming to Pondicherry.

The children were produced before Child Welfare Committee, Puducherry at 12.30 p.m. and later they were admitted in Juvenile Justice Home Ariyankuppam Pondicherry. The Executive Director of PMSSS met the District collector and detailed about the incident.

With the help of the translator, the parents were contacted and information was given to them. After proper investigation the children were handed over to their parents. At present the case is followed closely by the West Bengal Childline.