

# OUR ENDEAVOURS

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## **ORIGIN**

Tiruchirapalli Multipurpose Social Service Society (TMSSS) was established during the year 1975 for the promotion of justice, peace and development through integrated and integral human development initiatives and for establishing a just society. TMSSS has been registered as a Society under the Societies Registration Act of 1860 on 10.01.1975 under No.2/1975. Registered under the Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act (FCRA) 1976 on 21.08.1985 under No.076040030. Registered also under section 12A of the Income Tax Act 1961.

## **VISION**

Creation and establishment of a just society based on the Gospel values of love, peace, justice, equality, fraternity, transparency and credibility.

## **MISSION**

Empowerment of all the target people through awareness, motivation, education, participation etc. in every field to emancipate and enable them to live with self and human dignity by the process of action-reflection and follow-up action.

## **OBJECTIVES**

- To organize the people through education and motivation and bring out their hidden talents and potentialities for their holistic development using the local resources efficiently and judiciously.
- To generate awareness on different vital issues of the people through meetings, workshops and leadership trainings and bring about visible and attitudinal changes among the people to plan and achieve their own development in a participatory manner.
- To take up Integrated Rural Development Programme with special emphasis on sustainable farming practices.
- To rehabilitate the physically and socially handicapped people based on their real socio-economic conditions, aptitudes and skills.
- To take up women and children welfare and development programme.

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# ANNUAL REPORT

(April 2012 – March 2013)

## **Introduction:**

The Tiruchirapalli Multipurpose Social Service Society – Tiruchirapalli is hereby pleased and privileged to present the following report on the activities carried out during the period between 1<sup>st</sup> April 2012 and 31<sup>st</sup> March 2013. The achievements in all the endeavours made towards the integral human and integrated development of the target constituencies viz. rural and urban disadvantaged, marginalized, deprived, neglected and exploited sections of the human population without any discrimination on the basis of caste, creed, language, colour etc., living within the target areas that cover parts of Tiruchy, Karur and Pudukottai districts in the State of Tamilnadu, India have been made possible through the generous and unfailing financial contributions by way of grant-in-aids from different Ministries of the Government of India, Central and State Social Welfare Boards, Commissionerate of the Disabled, Overseas Funding Agencies and other contributors. We take this opportunity, therefore, to extend and make record of our sincere thanks and gratitude for all those who had partnered in some way or other, however small they may be, in all our endeavours through guidance, cooperation, financial assistance, encouragement etc. But for them we wouldn't have turned out so much through our endeavours.

The activities of our organizations implemented / executed during the year towards realizing our vision and Mission are categorized into the following three major heads: **a) Programmes under Grant-in-aids b) Programmes under Overseas Funding and c) Programmes self – supported by TMSSS.** The detailed presentation of the report under the above three categories are;

# **I. PROGRAMMES UNDER GRANT – IN – AIDS**

## **1.1. INTEGRATED REHABILITATION CENTRE FOR ADDICTS**

(Supported by the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, Govt. of India)

Consumption of alcohol and intake of other narcotic drugs or substances are on the increasing trend day by day and year by year. According to the World Health Organization (WHO) there are more than 140 million alcoholics in the world, and the majority of them are not treated. Alcohol consumption more severely affects women than men. A Canadian study found that alcohol is a factor in 1 in 25 deaths worldwide and the British Medical Association says that alcohol kills six people in Scotland every day. Stress, anxiety, peer group pressure, low self – esteem, depression, Media and advertising are some of the major reasons for becoming an alcoholic. The ill effects or problems of heavy drinking fatigue, memory loss, eye muscles becoming weaker, liver diseases, hypertension, diabetes type 2, nervous problems, thinning of bones, heart problems, gastro intestinal complications, mental illness and much more.

The Tiruchirapalli Multipurpose Social Service Society to contribute its share towards reducing the adverse and ill-effects runs an Integrated Rehabilitation Centre for Addicts at Keeranur for the past 19 years in succession with the grant-in-aid of the Government of India, Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, New Delhi. The well equipped 15 bedded centre provides the required diagnostic, counseling, treatment and rehabilitation services through the qualified and experienced staff team like Doctors, Health Workers, Lab Technician, Counsellors and supportive service providers,

### **The activities of the centre during the year 2012 – 2013 are:**

Total No.of alcohol addicts and drug abusers identified, counseled and treated	: 298
Among them No. of alcoholic addicts served	: 263
No. of addicts to multiple drugs and other substances	: 35
No. of awareness programmes conducted	: 44
No. of training the staff attended to upgrade and update their knowledge and skills	: 05

**The details of the clients cared for at the centre Month wise:**

<b>S. No.</b>	<b>Month &amp; Year</b>	<b>Alcohol Dependence</b>	<b>Multiple Drugs</b>	<b>Total No.</b>
1.	April – 2012	29	3	32
2.	May – 2012	22	3	25
3.	Jun – 2012	18	4	22
4.	July – 2012	29	3	32
5.	August – 2012	24	2	26
6.	September – 2012	27	3	30
7.	October – 2012	18	3	21
8.	November – 2012	16	4	20
9.	December – 2012	19	3	22
10.	January - 2013	26	2	28
11.	February - 2013	18	2	20
12.	March - 2013	17	3	20
		<b>263</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>298</b>

**The details of the trainings attended by the Staff:**

<b>S. No.</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Place</b>	<b>Content</b>	<b>Name of Staff</b>
1.	24.09.2012 to 19.10.2012	R.R.T.C. Chennai	Prevention and management of Addiction	R. Muruganantham
2.	18.01.2013 to 19.01.2013	R.R.T.C. Chennai	ART Therapy	R. Muruganantham
3.	20.02.2013 to 21.02.2013	R.R.T.C. Chennai	Crisis Intervention and case Management	R. Muruganantham
4.	04.03.2013 to 08.03.2013	R.R.T.C. Chennai	Physiology and Pharmology of addiction and continuous care	R. Muruganantham
5.	07.01.2013 to 11.01.2013	R.R.T.C. Chennai	Orientation Training Program on Addiction	U. Silambarasi

## **Review and Planning Meetings :**

Review and Planning Meetings were organized every month at the beginning where the Secretary and the Staff team sit together and assess the work done during the previous month, critically analyze the problems and difficulties faced with possible means of solutions and to plan the activities to be initiated during the current month in detail based on the leaning of the previous month.

## **Sub-Committee Meetings:**

The Ministry had stipulated that all the NGOs who are involved in this programme should constitute a sub-committee with members from different walks of life like local body, Police, Government, NGOs etc. and to review the activities initiated and to plan for the subsequent period once in six months. The IRCA at Keeranur had two sub-committee meetings during the year 2012 – 13 to comply with the directions of the Ministry.

## **Solidarity Groups:**

In addition to the Sub-Committee meetings the IRCA have organized meetings with the members of the solidarity group comprised of representatives from the community, ex-clients, NGO and Programme staff. The members besides reviewing the activities carried out provide their criticisms and suggestions for the betterment and effectiveness of the endeavours.

## **1.2. PHYSIOTHERAPY TREATMENT CENTRE**

*(Supported by the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment govt. of India)*

The Physiotherapy Treatment Centre started by TMSSS during the year 1989 with its own resources was able to get the grant-in-aid from the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, Government of India from the year 2000 since the services extended were recognized to be satisfactory by the Ministry after several inspections and enquiries.

The patients who approach the centre are not only given treatments through different therapies but also are followed up periodically for their whole some development. The patients who come from for distant places are given the required treatment admitting them as inpatients. In addition to the above the patients who are more vulnerable socially and economically and who



could not avail the services available at the centre are cared for through our out reach programme at their natives.

The different treatment modalities available and made use for the treatment of the patients are Exercise Therapy, Electro Therapy and Occupational Therapy. Besides providing the above therapies at the centre for the affected and needy, camps, seminars and counsellings are organized for the parents and care takers to make them aware and play their role very decisively especially in the preventive aspects.

**The Treatment modalities available at the centre in details are:**

**See Table attached. (Physio) I**

The number of patients treated category wise under Outpatient, Inpatient and outreach programmes are:

<b>S. No.</b>	<b>Classification of Conditions</b>	<b>Outpatient</b>	<b>Inpatient</b>	<b>Outreach</b>	<b>Total</b>
1.	Anterio Polio myelities	5	46	0	51
2.	Cerebral Palsy / other Neological disorders	4313	39	529	4881
3.	Ambuttee	20	138	-	158
4.	Orthopoedic and other conditions	977	09	0	986
	<b>Total</b>	<b>5315</b>	<b>232</b>	<b>529</b>	<b>6076</b>

**The classification of patients treated are:**

<b>S. No.</b>	<b>Classification</b>	<b>No. of patients</b>
1.	Outpatients	5315
2.	Inpatients	232
3.	Under Out Reach	529
	<b>Total</b>	<b>6076</b>

## **The different types of services rendered to the patients are:**

1. Identification and examination of patient with disabilities.
2. Provision of physiotherapy and occupational therapy treatments using various exercises, stretching techniques, NDT, PNF, Roods approach, sensory integration, group therapy and play therapy.
3. Training of the PWDs with special appliances.
4. Providing the required care and treatment to PWDs at their homes.
5. Conducting camps, seminars, special counsellings for parents and care takers of PWDs to generate the required awareness, inculcate preventive measures and guidelines as to how to go about them.
6. Facilitating maximum independence in performance skills and improve thereby functional efficiency in their day to day work.

### **1.3 ARTIFICIAL LIMBS FITMENT CENTRE**

*(Supported by the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, Government of India)*

India is the largest democracy with the population of over one billion people. The Persons with disabilities have been the largest minority group. It is estimated that India has over 100 million disable persons who face lot of problems from the beginning till the end of their life. One crucial problem they face is the restriction of their mobility but there have emerged a number of aids and appliances which can reduce the effects of disabilities and enhance the economic potential of disabled persons. It is unfortunate that a large number of disabled persons are deprived of these appliances because of their inability to find funds to purchase them.

Under this circumstance, the Government of India has been providing aids and appliances to the differently abled persons at minimum costs. This scheme is known as ADIP scheme. It aims at helping the differently abled persons by bringing suitable, durable, scientifically manufactured, modern, standard aids and appliances within their reach. The Artificial Limbs Fitment Centre at Sangliyandapuram was started in 1989 mainly for the implementation of this scheme. It has been manufacturing calipers, shoes and prosthesis for the people with physical disabilities. The physically challenged people are identified through camps, in collaboration with

the District Disabled Rehabilitation officers (DDROs) of 2 districts in Tamilnadu and the different units of TMSSS. Since 1994 the centre has been getting the financial support from the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment Government of India, New Delhi 'ADIP' Scheme.

### **Artificial Limbs Fitment Centre:**

The ALFC that was started during the year 1989 with TMSSS's own resources and with the grant-in-aid from the year 1994 is being continued to run by TMSSS even at the absence of the required grant-in-aid from the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment with the following major objects.

- Identification and assessment of the services required by the individuals.
- Production and supply of the appropriate aids and appliances to the disabled persons.
- Accessing the rural and urban poor to appropriate mobility aids and appliances.
- Enhancing the mobility of the disabled and thereby facilitate them to mainstream with the Society.
- Sensitizing the public on prevention and protection of the physical parts.

### **Staff Pattern:**

The centre has four qualified Ortho Technicians to fabricate and manufacture artificial limbs, calipers and other orthopedic appliances. The helpers assist them. The Rehabilitation Officer is working for conducting screening camps, identifying the persons who are in need and distributing the necessary aids and appliances. He also does the follow up of the patients and supervises whether disabled persons use their fitments properly and regularly. He guides them also to get the benefits available with the Government for the physically challenged.

**The details of aids and appliances provided and the number of disabled persons benefitted during the year 2012-13 are:**

<b>S. No.</b>	<b>Type of Appliance</b>	<b>No. of Beneficiaries</b>
1.	Limb – Below knee	68
2.	Limb – Above knee	43
3.	Caliper – Bil HKAFO	18
4.	Caliper – Uni. HKAFO	9
5.	Caliper – Bil. KAFO	12
6.	Caliper – Uni. KAFO	30
7.	Hearing aid	200
8.	Wheel chair	40
9.	Tricycle	70
	<b>Total no. Beneficiaries</b>	<b>490</b>

#### **1.4. DAY CARE CENTRES (CRECHES)**

*(Supported by Central Social Welfare Board, New Delhi)*

In the fast growing economic scenario, it warrants both the parents to work and earn to have a subsistence living. When the women with small children are necessitated to take a job their children are the most affected. They are forced either to drop their adult girl children from schooling and engage them to look after the young ones at the risks of their education and future well being or to resort to some institutional care and support for their children when they are out in the fields to win their day's bread.

The TMSSS realizing well the need and the plight of these poor working women have established and runs 16 Day Care Centres from the year 1980 with the grant-in-aid of the Central Social Welfare Board, New Delhi. Adequate and appropriate care for the physical, mental and psychological growth of the children of below the school age of working and ailing mothers of rural and urban slum areas in Tiruchy, Karur and Pudukottai districts are being provided. The services rendered to the children are Nutritious mid day meal, recreation with indoor games, non-formal education, skills development in singing, dancing, storytelling etc., and health care for common diseases and at emergencies.

**The details of the centres run by TMSSS are:**

S. No.	Location of the Centre	Nature	District	Average No. of Children
1.	Malayadi Patty	Rural	Tiruchirapalli	26
2.	N. Poolampatty	Rural	Tiruchirapalli	26
3.	Karungulam	Rural	Tiruchirapalli	27
4.	Chinna Anai Karaipatty	Rural	Tiruchirapalli	29
5.	Kailasapuram	Urban	Tiruchirapalli	25
6.	Kattur	Urban	Tiruchirapalli	26
7.	Sangiiyandapuram	Urban	Tiruchirapalli	26
8.	Ponmalai patty	Urban	Tiruchirapalli	25
9.	Nazareth	Rural	Pudukottai	26
10.	Illuppur	Rural	Pudukottai	25
11.	Nanjur	Rural	Pudukottai	25
12.	Alangapatty	Rural	Pudukottai	24
13.	Avoor	Rural	Pudukottai	30
14.	Kulithalai	Urban	Karur	25
15.	P. Udayapatty	Rural	Karur	25
16.	Kalladai	Rural	Karur	27
			<b>Total</b>	<b>417</b>

The functioning of the centres is being monitored by sub-committees formed for each centre constituted with the creche Teacher, Representative from the local Panchayat, village Health Nurse, Local School Teacher and two mothers of children. The local sub-committee meetings are conducted in all the centres once in three months.

**1.5. FAMILY COUNSELLING CENTRE:**

*(Supported by Central Social Welfare Board, New Delhi)*

The TMSSS had established a Family Counselling Centre at Keeranur, Pudukottai district during the year 1987 with the grant-in-aid of the Central Social Welfare Board understanding well the need for a family to function as a healthy unit without being confronted with



The Sub-Committee meetings also are organized once in three months to review the work done, problems encountered, possible solutions suggested and plans made for the following quarter.

**The details of Sub-Committee meetings held:**

S. No.	Date	Topic	No. of participants
1	30.06.12	Planning & Evaluation	18
2	27.09.12	Planning & Evaluation	18
3	20.12.12	Planning & Evaluation	17
4	23.03.13	Planning & Evaluation	18

Since awareness generation plays a pivotal role in making the families as healthy units through counselling and other services TMSSS gave due importance for awareness. The details of programmes conducted during the year 2012-13 are :

**Awareness Programme :**

S. No.	Date	Place	Topic	No. of participants
1	05.04.12	ICDS- Veerapur	Pre-marital counselling	40
2	26.04.12	TMSSS-Keeranur	Family damages due to alcohol	30
3	11.05.12	TMSSS-Trichy	Awareness on Domestic Violence Act-2005	50
4	29.05.12	TMSSS-Keeranur	The effects of Alcoholism	60
5	08.06.12	Kottara patti	Legal Literacy Camp	150
6	26.06.12	ICDS-Odukkam patti	Impact of alcoholism on the family	40
7	14.07.12	Venna muthu patti	Legal Literacy Camp	100
8	26.07.12	TMSSS-Keeranur	Impact of Alcoholism on family dispute	40

9	09.08.12	Govt.High School Keeranur	Adolescent problem for school children	120
10	28.08.12	Udaiyali patti	Alcoholism & Rehabilitation	70
11	14.09.12	ICDS- Keeranur	Nutrition problem for women	70
12	29.09.12	Kalamavoor	Legal suggestion for peaceful family life	150
13	19.10.12	Kulathur	Pre-marital Counselling	60
14	24.10.12	TMSSS-Trichy	Awareness on Domestic Violence	40
15	09.11.12	Pallathu patti	Awareness of HIV/AIDS	40
16	21.11.12	Thondaima nallur	Legal suggestion for family problem	50
17	04.12.12	ICDS- Udaiyali patti	Health & Nutrition	40
18	18.12.12	Kotra patty	Legal Awareness Campaign	60
19	22.01.13	ICDS-Sathiya Nathan puram	Problem faced by adolescents	50
20	30.01.13	DMC- Keeranur	Domestic Violence Act	40
21	09.02.13	Kalamavoor	Adjustmental problem in family life	60
22	21.02.13	Malam patti	Pre-marital Counselling	50
23	09.03.13	Illupur	Women's role in family life	30
24	28.03.13	DMC- Keeranur	Awareness of Family Counselling Centre	30



## **SUCCESS STORY**

### **Ms.Devi**

Ms. Devi (Name has been changed) came and met the counsellor with the problem of separation from her husband for the past 3 years. Now she wants to have legal separation.

### **Brief history of the client:**

Ms. Devi got married and led her family happily. After 2 years she went to her parents house and stayed there for 6 months after delivery. In the meantime her husband's business met with severe financial crisis. So he started to consume alcohol & slowly he became addicted to alcohol. Her in-laws met an astrologist and he said that the newborn child sign horoscope is the great problem and suggested that the child's father shouldn't meet the child for one year. So the client stayed at her parent's home for one year. Taking advantage of her absence in addition to alcohol addiction he has developed extra marital affairs. When Ms Devi heard this through her relatives, he enquired directly from her husband, but he didn't give her proper explanations. So she started to suspect.

After one year, her husband invited the client to his home. But her parents did not wish to send their daughter but started to scold their son-in-law, with filthy words and blasphemed. The client finally interfered and sent her husband away from the place. From that day there is no proper understanding between both the families. Hence she had planned to get divorce from her husband and to end the quarrels between both the families.

### **Diagnosis:**

The counsellor found out there to be a big misunderstanding problems between both the families and both families seemed to give so much protection only to their wards. Both the parents were not able to recognize that they got married, they are matured and they have the capacity to run their family successfully even if some physical, psychological, financial problem arises here and now.

## **Treatment process:**

The counsellor arranged individual counselling both to the client and co-client. From their point of view both wanted to live together and stated to have so much love and affection with their child. So the counsellor arranged group counselling for them to facilitate them to speak out their emotions, misunderstanding problems, their child's future etc. Then the counsellor explained about the situation that had created misunderstanding and how it could easily be rectified. They accepted to the suggestion.

Then the counsellor arranged group counselling for their parents and explained their son & daughter are grown up and they have the capacity to face their family challenges on their own. Finally all of them were reunited and now leading their life happily.

## **1.6. SHORT STAY HOME AND REHABILITATION OF STRANDED WOMEN.**

*(Supported by the Central Social Welfare Board, New Delhi)*

The Short Stay Home and Rehabilitation of Stranded women program is being implemented by TMSSS since the year 1993 with the grant-in-aid of the Central Social Welfare Board, New Delhi. The home is established at Mannarpuram and it is named as "SONTHAM".

The women and girls who are thrown to the streets due to some individual, family and community problems out of their familial environment both before and after marriage are given temporary shelter, food, basic recreational and health care facilities. Then they are counseled and as per the findings they are reconciled or rehabilitated after empowering them with suitable and appropriate skills. When the situation needs the home undertakes to resolve the problems through police and court too. The home admits such candidates on its own when approached directly or through referrals from different Government departments.

**The details of inmates of the home supported during 2012-13 are:**

No. of inmates at home in the beginning i.e. April 2012	21
No. of inmates admitted during the year 2012-13	40
Total No. of inmates handled	61
No. of cases discharged after amicable solution	36
No. of cases pending for any solution or settlement	25
<b>Total</b>	----- <b>61</b> -----

**Classification of the problems on which grounds the inmates were given admission during this year are:**

Inmates faced with marital maladjustments & family disintegration	26
Inmates confronted with love affair	9
Inmates affected with psychological disorders	4
Inmates faced with problems before marriage (un weds)	1
<b>Total</b>	----- <b>40</b> -----

**Different types of skills training organized to empower the inmates are:**

- Vocational Training in : Painting, Greetings card designing and producing. Tailoring, Garments production and embroidering.
- Entrepreneurial Training : Manufacturing Phenyl, Soap Oil, Bleaching Powder.
- Sensitization Training in : Gender equality, Communicable disease, Domestic violence.
- Training for mental growth : Through group plays, Individual counseling, Social awareness songs and discussion on development perspectives.

The SONTAM – Short Stay Home for the stranded women is also being regularly and periodically inspected, monitored and guided by the Assistant Project Officer of the Tamilnadu Social Welfare Board, the Representatives from Police and Welfare Departments and the authorities of the organization to make each and every endeavour more worth implementing and beneficial to the inmates.

In addition to the above monitoring quarterly Sub or Home committee meetings were also conducted to keep track of the activities implemented, to guide in times of problems and difficulties and to support and contribute in planning for the future course.

**The details of sub-committee meetings of the year are:**

S. No.	Date	Place	No. of Participants
1.	28.04.12	SONTHAM, Mannarpuram	14
2.	14.07.12	SONTHAM, Mannarpuram	14
3.	10.11.12	SONTHAM, Mannarpuram	11
4.	16.02.13	SONTHAM, Mannarpuram	11

To make the inmates feel at home and thereby recoup themselves from their physical, mental and psychological depressions some special activities were organized during the year they are:

S. No.	Date	Nature of the Programme	Participants
1.	15.09.12	Ist Birth Day celebration for the children of the Inmates	SONTHAM Family members
2.	25.10.12	Awareness Programme on health and hygiene by the college students on their Field placement	Representatives from college, Health Department, inmates & students on placements
3.	13.11.12	Deepavali Celebration	All inmates with a special invitee viz- Mrs. Nirmala Director of Eadan Trust.
4.	12.01.13	Get Together	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Old and New inmates</li> <li>• Inspector of All Woman Police Station.</li> <li>• Sub. Court Judge Mr. Navamorrthy.</li> <li>• Mr. Kaliya Moorthy, President, Resident Welfare Association, Mannarpuram</li> </ul>

## **1.7. WORKING WOMEN'S HOSTEL**

*(Supported by central Social Welfare Board – New Delhi for construction)*

The Working Women's Hostel to provide safe and secured boarding and lodging facilities for the out station working women, who do not find a home to stay despite their job placement in Tiruchy or within the sub-urbs has been constructed with the grant-in-aid of the Central Social Welfare Board – New Delhi during the year 1989. Since then the Hostel in run under charitable and non-profit basis by TMSSS.

The working women are being given preference in admission to the hostel and the remaining rooms are being filled by giving admission to the Post Graduate and Research Students of different Colleges and Universities who couldn't succeed in getting an accommodation in the respective hostels. The inmates are charged a very nominal rent and their food expenditures on managed under dividing system i.e. sharing equally the actual expenditures incurred. The Hostel have made all provisions also to take care of the children of the working women if they come with their dependent children.

During the year 2012-13 Working Women Numbering 65 and Postgraduate and Research Students numbering 115 have been provided the required and appropriate facilities to make their stay pleasing, comfortable, homely and their work and studies respectively undisturbed.

## **1.8. REHABILITATION OF THE DIFFERENTLY ABLED ADULTS**

*(Supported by Commissionrate for the Rehabilitation of the Differently Abled, Government of Tamilnadu – Chennai)*

The adults being affected with disabilities in some form or other and under different categories are on the increasing trend. Unlike in developed countries the adults with mental retardation and associated conditions in our country are being forced to confront with several shortcomings and difficulties. If they are of mild and moderate in their affection, with the appropriate and special education and skills they could be main-streamed into the society and enabled to stand on their own and with self dignity and human respect.

From the time i.e year 2008 the Government of Tamilnadu initiated this project of special vocational education with residential facilities for the adults who are mentally retarded and affected with associated conditions between the age group of 14 and 25. TMSSS had involved

itself actively in contributing its share towards alleviating the sufferings and mainstreaming such special children. This programme is being implemented since then with the able guidance and financial support of the Government of Tamilnadu, Commissionerate for the Rehabilitation of the Differently Abled, Chennai.

The main thrust of the programme is to identify and develop the hidden vocational skills and thereby to enable those disabled adults access to livelihood security. 40 differently abled adults (20 Male + 20 Female) are being accommodated by TMSSS at its Home named “NAMBIKKAIYAGAM” located at Sungiliyandapuram within Tiruchirapalli Corporation limits. With the generous financial contribution of City of Hope and Joy Foundation-Spain the TMSSS have constructed a new home and equipped it with the required minimum infrastructural facilities.

### **Aims and objectives:**

**The major aims and objectives envisaged to rehabilitate the MR adults are:**

- Provision of basic education and training to the mentally disabled adults.
- Provision of composite care and appropriate vocational skills and thereby enhance their employability.
- Emphasize and enhance the responsibilities of the parents and the extended families through proper counseling and motivation.
- Development of public awareness on mental disability.
- Improvement of the acceptance of the disability and socialization of the MR. Adults.

All the mentally disabled adults admitted into the House of Hope (Nambikkaiyagam) are given better nutrition, good health care, special education to acquire and adopt to their daily living skills, vocational skills in the production of bakery items, file-pads, envelops, woolen garlands, decorative jewels, computer sampirani, phenyl, tailored and embroidered goods etc.

**The notable events of the year 2012 – 13 are :**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Description</b>
01.05.12	Visit of the District Differently Abled Welfare Officer, Mrs. Shyamala to make an overview of the activities of the home.
07.07.12	Field placement and training for a fortnight on special education and vocational skills for the team of volunteers from Spain sponsored by City of Hope and Joy Foundation.
31.07.12	The Second Visit of the District Differently abled Welfare Officer to monitor the progress made in the activities implemented so far.
15.08.12	Independence Day celebration by the Inmates of the Home in the presence of the DDAWO-Tiruchy, the Secretary of TMSSS and District Social Welfare Officer (DSWO) of Tiruchy.
22.09.12	One of our School Teacher was given the Special Teacher Award for 2012 at a function held for the propose.
27.09.12	Inspection of the Home by the Representatives of the Tiruchirapalli Corporation, Ariyamangalam division and 33 <sup>rd</sup> ward to assess the facilities available and required.
30.09.12	Visit by Mrs. Maithily, I.A.S., Executive Director, Chief Election Commissioner's Office, Chennai.
01.11.12	Inspection by Mrs. Jayashri Muralidharan, I.A.S., the District collector and permitting the home to sell its bakery items in the District collector's office campus.
09.11.12	Diwali Celebration with the inmates.
03.12.12	Celebration of world Disbled Day at Tiruchy District collectorate and declaring open of TMSSS's Bakery Stall by the District collector.
05.12.12	Participation of Nambikkaiyagam inmates in the Low vision Medical checkup camp and sports events organized by Joseph Eye Hospital, Tiruchy.

11-26.01.13	Celebration of Pongal Festival and Republic Day respectively.
30.01.13	World Disabled Day celebrated at TMSSS's campus. Mr. Sridhar, Assistant Commissioner, Income Tax Department and the District Differently Abled Welfare Officer were the special Guests of honour.
01.03.13	Visit of the President of City of Hope and Joy Foundation – Spain Mme. Mario Moreno with her board members.
19.03.13	Participation of the Special Teachers at the one day training programme organized by the Commissionarate for the Differently Abled Welfare – Chennai at Tiruchy.

### **Other Routine Activities,**

- The academic and vocational skills gained by the MR Adults are evaluated twice a year by the special Teachers.
- The physical and mental health of the inmates are checked by the General Medical Practitioner once a month.
- The parents meetings are conducted once in two months.
- One day picnics are organized for the inmates twice a year.
- The students of Master of Social Work (MSW) and Rehabilitation Science from different colleges had their field placement training and practice on community organization at our home.

### **SPECIAL STORIES :**

#### **1. Mariyammal**

Mariyammal, a 19 years old girl student came from a village in Manapparai Taluk, When she came to Nambikkaiyagam she was without any socialization skills and she does not care even for the basic cleanliness. She was also very poor in money concept and other learning skills. But after her entry into Nambikkaiyagam by the effort and support of our teachers she has become very active in learning skills, money concept, vocational training and other co-curricular



activities. She has also acquired skills in vocational trades like cake making, file pad making, and phenyl and computer sambirani making.

## **2. R. Mohan Raj**

Mohan Raj is a 20 yrs. Old mildly retarded boy from Crawford, Trichy. He was studying in a normal school upto 7<sup>th</sup> Std. But he was weak in academic skill. After joining Nambikkaiyagam as a result of the hard work of our teacher and his co-operation he can now do his addition, subtraction and any calculations related to the Bakery product sale and money transaction. He has not only improved in studies but also in participating in all the vocational trainings that involves weighing the raw materials and packing of the finished bakery products.

By the special care and encouragement of our teacher the hidden talent of dancing also has been nurtured and exposed to the public.

## **3. Radha**

Radha is 23 yrs. Old and hails from Gandhi Market area in Trichy. She joined our Nambikkaiyagam 3 years back. She was a student of infantail heinsplegia with speech disorder. After joining our MR School we gave her the physiotherapy exercises and special education.

In spite of her disability, with much confidence, and by the rigorous training of our teacher, she had improved her vocational skills in ornament making with beads, cover making and packing the bakery products.

## **1.9. VAZHIKATTUM THITTAM**

*(Supported by the Commissionerate for the welfare of the Differently Abled – Chennai)*

The TMSSS started to implement “**Vazhikattum Thittam**” for the benefit of the differently abled persons from March 2011 with the grant-in-aid of the commissionerate for the welfare of the Differently Abled, Government of Tamilnadu, Chennai and the programme activities ended in March 31, 2013. The areas assigned to TMSSS for coverage are Manaparai Municipality, Manaparai Panchayat Union villages and Vaiyampatty Panchayat Union Villages.

### **The activities planned for the year 2012-13 are:**

- Taking of General Population Count in the project area.
- Identification of the disabled persons.
- Taking stock of the needs and requests of the disabled persons.
- Helping them to avail all the welfare measures of the Government.

To perform / initiate the above planned activities the organization was needed to arrange and conduct Medical camps, awareness camps and Parents Training programmes. As a result of the above activities 2500 Disabled persons with different types of disabilities were identified. From the stock of the needs taken from the disabled and requests made by them the staff of the programme endeavoured and obtained National Identify cards for 1432 disabled person and 520 of them were able to receive Maintenance Grants from the respective departments of the Government of Tamilnadu.

The whole project implementation were successfully done with the help of 3 welfare organizers and 45 welfare workers deputed exclusively for the programme.

## **2. PROGRAMMES UNDER OVERSEAS FUNDING**

### **2.1 EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE TO POOR STUDENTS**

*(Supported by the Sisters Community of Seraphic Love Solothurn – Switzerland)*

Migration, inadequate employment and income, high cost of living at the ever increasing price index of all essential commodities necessitates the parents from poor households to deprive the basic rights of their children to Education despite the provision of free and compulsory education under Article 21A of the Indian constitution. The children deprived or dropped are indulged in hazardous child labour activities at the risks of their education, health and future well being to argument to the family income to have a subsistence living. Children who do not accept the will and pleasure of their parents escape from their homes, wander / loiter in streets and public places and they become scapegoats under the clutches of antisocial elements.

Therefore TMSSS having concern over these children extends educational assistance from the year 2000 and thereby encourages them to continue their education without being dropped in the middle or from becoming child laborers and antisocial elements. These eligible children are selected by a special committee constituted by the Diocese from the list provided by all the 68 Parish Priests. During the year 2012-13 Rs. 3,14,838/- have been extended as educational assistance to 450 poor students. The money given are used to pay their school fees, meet the costs of note books, uniform clothes and other required stationeries.

### **2.2 COMMUNITY BASED REHABILITATION (CBR)**

*(Supported by Kinder Missions Werk – Germany)*

The conditions of living of the disabled persons both in their families and communities are becoming more and more pathetic and deplorable because they are not accepted like the other normal persons are accepted and hence they are being deprived of access to their entitlements for rehabilitation, discriminated by their societies and thereby forced to live always in object poverty.

The TMSSS believes and is convinced that these children also are the creation of the same God and therefore they have every right to live with self and human dignity like others. Therefore this programme was launched to focus on enhancing the quality of life of the disabled

and their families by enabling them to meet their basic needs by direct or indirect support and at the same time paving the way for their inter-dependant and dynamic relationship with their communities. CBR programme, therefore, is considered to be based on multisectoral approach having five components like Health, Basic Education, Livelihood security, Social acceptability and Empowerment with appropriate knowledge and skills. The CBR programme that was started during the year 2000 to cover the disabled persons in Manaparai Taluk area have been extended to cover such disabled living in Kulathur and Viralimalai block areas in Pudukottai district during the year 2001 as they have not been facilitated so far to benefit through such activities by any organizations and the activities envisaged are still being continued.

### **Major objectives of the programme:**

- To identify persons living with disabilities and living in the specified target area.
- To create awareness among the public to accept the disabled as they are since they too are the parts of their communities and not aliens.
- To plan for an early intervention for prevention and
- To provide adequate and appropriate rehabilitation facilities.

### **Activities of the year 2012-13**

- The under described activities have been initiated during the year towards realizing the above objectives:
- Provision of physiotherapy, speech therapy, special education and thereby attempting to modify the behavior pattern.
- Orienting the students, teachers, volunteers and the communities to understand the realities and to make them involved in making the life of the disabled happier and meaningful.
- Provision of counseling and guidance to the parents, care takers and expected mothers to play their role more diligently and very humanly.
- Empowerment of the disabled persons with appropriate vocational skills that are suited to their status.

- Extending educational aids to reinstate the dropouts and to promote the basic education among the eligible as proper education would look after them and their needs later.
- To offer / promote linkages and referral services to enable the disabled to avail the existing services from the Government, Quasi-Government and other private institutions for their betterment and future sustainability.

### **The disabled identified so far and served during the year are:**

- No. of disabled identified and planned to bring under coverage till date : 211,576
- No. of villages intervened in three target areas as on date : 186
- No. of disabled persons covered under prioritization of attention : 1,236
- Among the total covered no. of children with disabilities : 541
- No. of adults with disabilities : 695

The coverage with the required services are being limited according to the financial resources the organization could tap and mobilize from overseas funding sources. The required funding for the past three years here been generously contributed by Kinder Missions Werk – Germany.

The forth coming table gives the different training programmes organized to conscientise the public, staff and other stake holders to make the attempts more meaningful and beneficial to the target constituencies.

<b>S.No.</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Place</b>	<b>Theme</b>	<b>Fecilitators</b>	<b>Participants</b>
1.	20.04.12	TMSSS	Rearing Special Children	Mr. Senthilkumar Physiotherapist	Parents & Care givers
2.	11.05.12	TMSSS	Coordinating SHGs	Ms. Felicia, Coordinator, MMI.	Members of Self Help Groups
3.	26.06.12	Periyakulathupatty	Community Awareness	Ms. Sophia Victor, Coordinator, CBR. Mr. Justus, Supervisor, CBR.	Community
4.	28.06.12	Manjampatty	Coordinating VKT Activities	Ms. Sarala, Additional Secretary, for * Disabled Ms. Shymala DDAWO, Trichy	Staff of VKT

5.	14.07.12	Holy Cross Service Society	Deaf Blind	Ms. Leela Agnas Director *	Ms. Rajathi, ORW Ms. Pauline, ORW
6.	18.07.12	Killukottai	Health & Hygiene and Dengue Fever	Ms. Sophia Victor, Coordinator, CBR. Ms. Rajathi, ORW	Students of 6 <sup>th</sup> – 8 <sup>th</sup>
7.	19.07.12	Veralimalai	Family Cooperation & Parents' Contribution	Ms. Sophia Victor, Coordinator, CBR. Mr. Justus, Supervisor, CBR.	Parents & Care givers
8.	04.09.12	TMSSS	Daily Living Skills	Mr. Arunkumar Occupational Therapist, Karur	Staff
9.	13.09.12	Community Medical Services Trichy	Leprosy	Mr. Francis Holy Family Hansenorium	Ms. Rajathi, ORW Ms. Thenmozhi, ORW
10.	04.10.12	Manjampatty	Stress Management	Ms. Sophia Victor, Coordinator, CBR. Mr. Justus, Supervisor, CBR.	Staff of VKT
11.	16.11.12	TMSSS	Social Skills & Home Administration	Ms. Selvarani, ORW	Staff of CBR
12.	15.02.13	TMSSS	Assessment of MR Children	Ms. Rajathi, ORW	Staff of CBR
13.	23.02.13	PRAVAAG	Assessment and Management of Children with ADHD	Ms. Geetha, Director	Ms. Thenmozhi, ORW
14.	14.03.13	Manjampatty	Child Rearing Practice	Mr. Senthilkumar Physiotherapist	Parents & Care givers

The table showing the different services rendered during the year and the number of beneficiaries benefitted district wise:

**Government Benefits derived by the PWDs.**

S. No.	Benefits	No.of beneficiaries		Grand Total
		Pudukottai	Trichy	
1	National ID Cards renewed	75	75	150
2	Wheel Chairs	03	03	06
3	Crutches	03	02	05
4	Scholarships for students	21	15	36
5	Tricycles	-	-	-
6	Individual maintenance allowance	15	15	30
7	Free bus pass	10	04	14
8	Support for emergency medication	10	15	25
	<b>Total</b>	<b>137</b>	<b>129</b>	<b>266</b>

**Observation of the Disabled Day:**

The International Disabled Day was observed in a fitting manner by TMSSS on the 31<sup>st</sup> Day of January 2013. The motive behind the celebration of the Day was to generate an awareness and clear understanding among the public and other state holders and thereby elicit their concern, commitment and cooperation to punch into concerted actions collectively in restoring the rights, privileges, and other facilities due to these deprived sections as enshrined in the constitution of India and advocated by the United Nations Council.

Mr. Sridharan, IRS, the Assistant Commissioner of Income Tax Department, Tiruchy presided over the function organized and in his keynote address stressed among many points that the disabled should be accepted and treated as human beings with individual respect and dignity. He added that the pregnant and expectant mothers should take adequately nutritious food avoiding other untoward activities that are not permitted under normal human conditions to prevent the disabilities to their children and the public to accept them and to contribute their shares in rehabilitating and mainstreaming the disabled into normal social human living.

As a hallmark of the celebration he was given the privilege of distributing aids and appliances like Tricycles, Wheel chairs, Artificial Limbs and crutches to some of the beneficiaries. In addition he was enabled by TMSSS to hand over loans worth Rs. 2,60,000/- in total to 33 most deserving disabled to indulge themselves in self-employment and sustainable livelihood opportunities.

Mrs. Shyamala, the District Differently Abled Welfare Officer (DDAWO) Tiruchy District in her felicitation desired that all the less privileged people living in the district should be given Community Based Rehabilitation services as the TMSSS aspires and executes to enable all the disabled in the district to have a dignified human living.

The presence of Fr. A. Susai Alangaram, the Secretary cum Director and Fr. B. John Selvaraj, the Assistant Secretary of TMSSS graced the occasion more to be more honourable and fruitful.

The outcome of the endeavours made by TMSSS towards the materialization of its major objective envisaged in implementing this community Based Rehabilitation programme could well be grasped by the reader from the following success story imprinted here for sample though there are many.

## **SUCCESS STORY**

Kavya was born as the second child on 02.06.2003 to the couple Suresh and Parimala Devi. The first child was also a girl and named Srinidhi. The family is living in Sangiliyandapuram, Tiruchirapalli. The father is working as a Watchman in a local school and the mother is only a house wife.

Our client Kavya was born with cerebral palsy and hence she had mobility problem. Due to some internal family problems her parents failed to give proper care and attention. They even went to the extent of disregarding and abandoning her.

When the Outreach Worker of the TMSSS learned about the child through hearsay from others approached the family and discussed with her parents to find out some means of support. The interaction with the child enabled the Outreach Worker to notice the child to be suffering from another problem named tongue tie in addition to cerebral palsy. The child suffered from speaking in sentences and she was able to convey her mind only in words.



To begin with, the child was tested, diagnosed and treated with Tongue tie operation with the financial assistance of TMSSS. The parents were counseled to take the child to the nearby physiotherapy centre established by TMSSS regularly. Despite the repeated instigation of the Outreach Worker the parents were very lethargic and not interested in providing the requirements to their child though the facilities were available in the near vicinity and at free of cost.

After repeated struggles the parents have installed a parallel bar in their house. The child is able now to stand up on her own with the help of those bars. They seem to be contented / satisfied with this development and therefore they seem to be not interested in the well being of their child.

The only companion and consolation for Kavya is her elder sister who is attending the local school. She had completed her VI standard and will be entering into VII standard from the forthcoming school year in June 2013. She is supporting her younger sister in all her personal needs with love and affection.

### **2.3. DAY CARE CENTRE FOR MR CHILDREN**

*(Supported by Liliane Fonds – The Netherlands)*

Mental Retardation is one of the disabilities that affects the intelligence, developmental milestones, understanding and daily living skills. If proper and timely care and trainings are provided these children could learn, develop and mainstream in the family and community. Therefore these children need early intervention to improve cognitive and physical development and thereby to prevent further delay in reaching the normal developmental milestones. Not only the children but also their parents and care takers should be oriented and trained to provide the appropriate care to those special children.

This programme was started during the year 1997 and still continued with the financial support of Stitching Liliane Fonds – The Netherlands by TMSSS. The Catholic Hospital Association of India (CHAI) acts as the guiding, monitoring and evaluating partner from India. At present 15 MR children are being cared for at the home named “**Infant Jesus Day Care Centre for MR Children**” located at Sangiliyandapuram, Tiruchy.

**These special children are being provided the following services at the Day Care Centre:**

- Basic human needs like food, recreation and periodical medical attention.
- Basic living skills like brushing, bathing, washing, eating, combing, toileting etc.,
- Basic therapies in Physio, Occupational and speech.
- Yoga and meditation and
- Awareness and orientation to the parents and caretakers.

In addition to the above services the deserving children are extended financial help to study, to medically care and even to have minor surgeries from the program cost. The parents' meetings also are organized every month to keep apprised of their children's learning, progress, adaptability and socialization with other children. Placement of a well educated and experienced Coordinator who had completed her Masters Degree in Rehabilitation Science (MRSc) manages, monitors and evaluates the whole activities with the support of two special educators and other supportive staff.

## **SUCCESS STORY**

Hilden Joe was born with congenital disorder of club feet on 09.03.06 to Mr.Simion Albert Raj & Mrs.Maria Danaselvi, native of Vaiyampatty, Manaparai, Trichy Dt.

Though his parents noticed the problem, they did not take any steps either to let it out or to correct the problem due to their ignorance. They feared that if the condition of their son is known to others he would become a target of mockery by all.

Hence they tried to hide his legs by a cloth wrapper. Only at this juncture one of our field staff identified him on hearsay during a Vaccination day at the PHC, Manaparai.

His parents were given counseling first by the Mediator several times. Despite several counseling, they hesitated to make their son undergo the corrective surgery. After persuasion by clearly explaining about the rehabilitative measures for club feet available, they accepted finally for surgical correction.

At the age of 3 months only he was exposed to undergo the surgery and after 40 days with POP (Plaster of Paris) he was brought to normalcy. Thereafter he was encouraged to do

physiotherapy with the help of therapist as per the direction of the surgeon. His parents' co-operation were very good thereafter for his betterment by monitoring PT continuously.

Ms. Meena, the Regional Co-ordinator (South) of SLF during her evaluation of our activities appreciated very much on the quick progress made by the boy.

As a result of the follow-up measures taken, he is able to walk and run very fastly without any strain. Later though his parents were separated due to some personal misunderstandings he was able to feel comfortable under the care of his grandmother. Now he is going to enter into IIStd. He has also a younger sister who will be entering into I std from Pre KG as she is also taken care for by the grandmother as the father also abandoned them having built up relationship with another woman.

Both of them are living together for the present at their grandmothers home only. The father occasionally takes care of their financial needs by sending some money. The boy has become sportive too as he participates in all the sports events wherever organized both in the school and in his village. His life for the present is moving on very smoothly and pleasantly.

## **2.4. PREVENTION AND CURE OF TUBERCULOSIS :**

*(Supported by Lilly Laboratories – Spain Through City of Hope and Joy Foundation – Spain)*

This is a new programme that is being implemented by TMSSS with the able guidance and collaboration of Sr. Dr. Rita of Holy Family Hansonarium – Fathimanagar from August 2012.

### **Introduction**

Tuberculosis (T.B.) is an infectious disease, primarily in the lungs caused by the bacteria called Mycobacterium tuberculosis. The bacteria were first isolated in 1882 by a German physician named Robert Koch. TB most commonly affects the lungs but also can affect almost any Organ of the body. Therefore TMSSS took up the this prevention and cure programme with an objective to decrease mortality and morbidity due to Tuber Culosis and cut transmission until Tuberculosis ceases to be a major health problem.

## **Tuberculosis: Profile of a Killer Disease**

- There are 14 million cases of TB in India, about a quarter of whom are infectious.
- One sputum positive patient can infect 10-15 people in a year.
- TB kills 500,000 patients every year ie. one patient dies of TB every minute.
- TB is curable and almost all TB deaths are preventable.
- In 1993 the world Health Organization declared TB as a Global Epidemic.

## **Goals and objectives**

- **Goals:**  
To decrease mortality and morbidity due to Tuber Culosis and cut transmission of infection until TB Ceases to be a major health problem.
- **Objectives:**
  1. To achieve and maintain cure rate of at least 75% amongst new sputum positive cases.
  2. To detect at least 50% of new sputum positive (PTB) cases among the people in the operational area.

## **SYMPTOMS**

### **The most common symptoms and signs of TB:**

- Chronic cough with blood tinged sputum
- Fatigue
- Fever
- Weight loss
- Night Sweats

## **Activities Proposed**

- Awareness generation to make the people understand about TB, its symptoms, causes and treatment.

- Identification of the affected through camps organized in different places with medical teams.
- Referral and support services to perform the required tests to find out the status and seriousness of infection.
- Monitoring the treatment of the infectious disease with appropriate drugs and to see to it that the treatment continues at least for six months.
- Provision of appropriate support for the intake of Nutritious diets to control and pacify the infections.
- Support for re-testing facilities to ensure the disease to have been cured.

## **Activities Initiated and Performance Record of the Year:**

### **1. Sensitization Training**

<b>S.NO.</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>PLACE</b>	<b>RESOURCE PERSON</b>
1.	29.08.2012	Holy Family Hansonarium, Fathima Nagar.	Sr. Dr. Rita, Medical Officer, Holy Family Hansonarium
2	29.09.2012	Holy Family Hansonarium, Fathima Nagar.	Dr. Precila, Medical Officer, CBCI CARD, Vellore.
3.	18.10.2012	Manjampatty	Dr. Jayalakshmi, Medical Officer, Manapparai Mr. Jayaraman, Health Educator, RNTCP.

## 2. Identification Camps

S.NO.	DATE	PLACE	RESOURCE PERSON
1.	17.08.2012	Viralimalai	Sr. Dr. Rita, Holy Family Hansonarium, Fathima Nagar.
2.	10.10.2012	Keeranur	Dr. Ramamurthy, Medical Officer, Uppliyakudi.
3.	18.10.2012	Manjampatty	Dr. Jayalakshmi, Medical Officer, Manapparai.

## 3. Awareness Programmes

S.NO.	DATE	PLACE	RESOURCE PERSON
1.	14.07.2012	Muthapudayanpatty	Sr. Saroja, Non Medical Supervisor, Holy Family Hansonarium
2.	07.08.2012	Viralimalai	Mr. Shamsudheen, Senior Treatment Supervisor, RNTCP.
3.	12.09.2012	Keeranur	Mr. Francis, Non Medical Supervisor, Holy Family Hansonarium.
4.	23.11.2012	Kulathuranpatty	Dr. Sujatha Amalraj, Medical Officer, Chettiyapatty.
5.	23.01.2013	Edayapatty	Mr. Francis, Non Medical Supervisor, Holy Family Hansonarium.
6.	29.01.2013	Periyathambiudaiyanpatty	Dr. Ramamurthy, Medical Officer, Uppliyakudi.

#### 4. Motivational Campaigns

S.NO.	DATE	PLACE	RESOURCE PERSON
1.	08.11.2012	Viralimalai	Fr. A. Susai Alangaram Secretary, TMSSS.
2.	09.11.2012	Palakkarai	Mr. Jayaraman, Health Educator, RNTCP.
3.	20.11.2012	Manjampatty	A. Sophia Victor, Programme Co ordinator
4.	08.01.2013	Keeranur	Mr. Justus Health Worker TMSSS
5.	14.02.2013	Manjampatty	Dr. Sujatha Amalraj, Medical Officer, Chettiyapatty.
6.	18.02.2013	Keeranur	Fr. John Selvaraj Asst. Secretary, TMSSS.

#### 5. Distribution of Nutritional Support

S.NO.	DATE	PLACE	NO OF PATIENTS
1.	23.11.2012	Kulathuranpatty	20
2.	30.11.2012	TMSSS	30
3.	23.02.2013	Edayapatty	20
4.	14.02.2013	Manjampatty	18
5.	18.02.2013	Keeranur	17

#### 6. Provision of Treatment Cost

- Holy Family Hansensorium, a unit of the Sisters of Servites is working for Anti TB activity with DMC (Designated Microscopic Centre). Since TMSSS is working in close collaboration with them they requested our financial support for those who needed special medical care for more than a week.
- TMSSS as part of its program extended help to four of such deserving patients.

## TESTIMONIALS :

The following TB infected patients have publicly testified that since the TMSSS provided supplementary Nutritious foods like Oats, Dates, Horlicks / Boost, Ragi and sathu (assorted grain and cereals) powder they were able to look after their own personal work without any fatigue. They added that they are able to go for work and earn their livelihood without any dependence on the mercy of others. They stated that they are happy and respected by their community people.

1. Raja kumara, 35 yes,  
W/o. Mr. Sakthivel – 40yes  
Marachi Reddia Patty,  
Manaparai.
2. Arockiasamy – 66 yes,  
H/o. Chinnammal – 50 yes,  
Malaiadipatty,  
Manaparai.
3. Basheera Begam – 28 yes  
W/o. Sadhick Basha – 30 yes  
Somarasampettai,  
Trichy.
4. A. Antony – 62 yes  
H/o. Beenedel Mary – 74 yes  
Sandhiyagappan Palayam,  
Goodshed Road, Trichy.
5. C. Maria Antony – 46 yes  
H/o. Sheela – 43 yes  
Alundhur,  
Trichy – 1.
6. Arumugam – 37 yes  
H/o. Balammal – 31 yes  
Viralimalai,  
Pudukottai.

## Conclusion

We are happy to note that we are in the desired line in promoting the envisaged objectives and activities of the project. We take this opportunity to record our heartfelt thanks to all these collaborators and supporters. We are very grateful to the Lilly Laboratories who have made us to act as an instrument in the noble venture through the City of Hope and Joy Foundation by providing generous financial assistance. We believe all our endeavours in the project will bear successful, fruitful have and lasting results.



## **2.5. EMPOWERING DALIT WOMEN THROUGH AWARENESS**

*(Supported by Caritas India, New Delhi)*

The Empowerment of Dalit women through Awareness Education and Livelihood opportunities programme was implemented for the second year in succession in Marungapuri, Vaiyampatty and Manaparai area villages in Tiruchy District with the financial assistance of Caritas India, New Delhi.

### **Goal and Objectives of the Project :**

Goal : Empowerment of Dalit women of 30 villages in Marungapuri, Vaiyampatty and Manaparai Panchayat union, Tiruchy District.

### **Objectives:**

1. To equip and empower Dalit women groups to take a lead role in addressing the common issues of their own communities.
2. To facilitate Dalit women to increase their income by 50% by the end of the two year project period.
3. To enhance the health status of the Dalit women of the area
4. To motivate and encourage Dalit women to take an active part in legal governance of their respective panchayats.

### **Work done during the year are:**

- No. of villages covered : 30
- No. of women Groups organized : 52
- No. of women enrolled as members : 670
- Money saved so far by the women : Rs.611,790
- Amount of Loan availed by members so far Rs. 10,37,000/- under revolving system.

### Joint Actions taken and their status :

S. No.	Village	Issue addressed	Strategies employed	Results / Status
1.	Thuvarankurichy	Ration Shop	Application in writing, Follow-up in group	Ration shop opened
2.	Aathupatty Keelvalpatty Melvalpatty	Safe Drinking Water	Application, Group request	Drinking water supplied from cauveri.
3.	Kallakkampatty	Repair & maintenance of over head tank & Drainage	Joint action by 5 Groups, request in writing to the Panchayat.	Cleaned and repair work completed
4.	Ammapannai Keelvalpatty Melvalpatty	ID for 100 days work under MGRE GP	Personal request with the President. Follow up contacts.	ID cards issued to all non-possesers.
5.	K.K. Nagar	Free House Pattahs	Written request to the chairman, follow up action in groups	Free House Pattahs issued
6.	Malayadipatty	Tools for organic manure and herbal pesticides production	Request to TMSSS	Financially supported and Tools purchased.
7.	Theerampatty R.S. Vaiyampatty R.S.Maniyarampatty	Green House } Green House	Request application to Municipal Chairman	2 House, 13 Houses allotted
8.	R.S. Vaiyampatty R.S.Maniyarampatty	Old Age Pension	Written application	7 Members given old age pension.
9.	M.P.C. Colony	Free House Pattahs	Application to Ponchyat President	13 Pattahs issued
10.	Karungulam	Storage Tank	Written Application to the President	2 water storage (syntex) tank provided.
11.	Manjampatty	Old age pension	Written request and Follow up	Old Age Pension approved for 4.
12.	Melmanjampatty	Free House Plot	Written application	Action under process
13.	J.J. Nagar	Free House Plot	Written application	Action under process

The Two years project have come to an end by 31<sup>st</sup> January 2013. The Caritas India, New Delhi is being requested to consider the extension of funding for the same village under micro – credit (Revolving) programme to increase the members’ self – employment and income opportunities and thereby to make them self-dependant and sustain able in their living.

## **2.6. KOLPING (INDIA) MOVEMENT**

*(Supported by International Kolping Society – Germany Through Kolping India National Office – Chennai)*

The Kolping Movement was started in 1989 as a part of TMSSS programme for the spiritual and economical development of its members. This year we have succeeded in forming 3 more new groups and totally there are now 52 groups with 834 members in three vicariates of the Diocese. The members have been equipped and empowered with the required and appropriate knowledge and skills through several trainings and seminars to facilitate them to become self-dependant and sustainable for their individual and family needs.

### **Some of the notable trainings are:**

- Kolping Values and Themes Trainings
- EDP, marketing and skills upgradation Trainings
- CIGP Motivation Training
- Organic farming Practices in 2 phases
- Rights based awareness (RTI and Consumer Rights)
- Issue identification, situation analysis and problem solving Training
- Record maintenance, book keeping and accounting
- Enhancing individual and group leadership and management skills
- Networking and Advocacy with other concerns
- Awareness creation on Govt. schemes

**The monetary assistance** extended during the year towards enhancing the living conditions of the member families:

- 227 members from 19 groups have been assisted with Rs.22,75,000/- for IGP activities
- 10 members were given Rs. 1,00,000 at Rs. 10,000/- each for Milch Animal and Goat Rearing activities.
- Rs.32,50,000/- have been revolved under micro credit assistance from the total savings of Rs 48,82,000/-.
- 22 families from 22 groups were supported with Rs.7,40,000/- ranging between Rs.20,000/- and Rs.30,000/- individually for repair, renovation and additional construction work in their houses.
- Through Kolping India's Assistance, 05 families were given Rs.50,000/- each with a subsidy of Rs.10,000/- to build new houses of their own.
- Rs.1,00,000/- have been lent as educational loans to 10 students from 10 groups to pursue their higher studies in different courses.
- 12 deserving children selected from Kolping and other families were supported to equip themselves with skills in Computer operation and application through our Kolping Computer Centre.

### **Special Events of the year**

- Kolping Family Day Celebration on Feb 14, 2012
- Training on Reporting and Monitoring at DMSSS Dindigul on 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> April 2012
- Orientation on Revolving Fund and Entrepreneurship Development at DMI, Chennai on 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> August 2012.
- Partner Support for Financial Adherence by Kolping India National Office Team, Auditors, Accounts depts., Directors and Coordinators at TMSSS on 24.08.12
- Bl.Adolph Kolping's Beautification Day celebration on 26.10.12
- Annual General Body Meeting.

- State level Training on Results Based Management organized by TASOSS on 30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> Oct. 12.
- Annual Review and Project Planning meeting from 11<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> December 2012.

## **OUTCOMES / IMPACTS:**

- ❖ The Social awareness and concerns of the members have improved considerably
- ❖ The collective efforts to solve the common issues taken have increased and many ended with positive results.
- ❖ The Self employment opportunities and the individual income have been enhanced considerably through different IGP activities
- ❖ The standard of living of the downtrodden members proved to have improved through their IGP activities and VTProgrammes of their children.
- ❖ The expected self confidence and self respect have drastically increased among the women members

## **CONCLUSION:**

The Director with the Assistant, Coordinator, Board Members and the Monitoring Team Members took all necessary steps to strengthen and expand the activities of the movement by making visits to groups, by meeting the stakeholders and by empowering them with the required knowledge through Capacity Building Programmes and regular meetings. Thus, we can perceive the growth to be not only economical but also spiritual as well as social status of the members of the movement every year.

## **2.7. CARE AND SUPPORT POOR BOYS AND GIRLS**

*(Supported by Inde-German Help for children – Germany)*

In the Indian context, to be more specific, in the Tamilnadu regional context the children who become orphans or semi orphans, children of deserted women, drunkard husbands, migrant workers, bonded slaverers, HIV and AIDS infected parents, terminally ill and poverty stricken cum broken families are seen widely to be deprived of proper shelter, food, health care, education and above all love and affection. Taking into serious consideration of the deplorable

living conditions and plight of those specific group of children (boys & girls) TMSSS established two homes viz. Mother Theresa's Home for girls and St. Joseph's Home for Boys at Nazareth in Pudukottai district first with the support of the Diocese with the following objectives:

### **Objectives:**

- ❖ To ensure that the boys and girls admitted have greater access to good food, secured shelter, better health care and a conducive learning environment.
- ❖ To enhance the level of knowledge and skills of these children both in academic subjects and coping skills.
- ❖ To facilitate the children to cultivate and develop extra and co-curricular activities among themselves for a holistic development.
- ❖ To help and encourage the children to identify their hidden talents and skills and to provide a platform to exhibit them.
- ❖ To facilitate them to enjoy a good physical, mental and psychological health through introducing appropriate sports and games.

Since the Diocese could not support the program costs in full in due course due to its financial restrictions the TMSSS was necessitated to find some other external sources. The providence of the Almighty enabled Fr. S. Devaraj, the then Secretary cum Director of TMSSS to establish contact with one Mr. Doraswamy Sridharan, President of Indo-German Help for Children and succeeded in getting the required resources to support these less privileged children for three years.

The activities projected and that are being implemented for the holistic development of the boys and girls at St. Joseph's Home and Mother Theresa's Home respectively are:

- Supplementary coaching in Mathematics and Science subjects to bring them in par to compete with the children of other established schools in competitive examinations.
- Extra classes in English language to promote their communication and understanding skills of the subjects.
- Encouraging them to indulge themselves in sports and games to build up their mental and physical strength and thereby to exhibit their hidden talents.

- Provision of educational aids by way of books, note books, guides, school fes, uniform dresses and other stationeries and thereby reduce the financial burden of their parents, relatives, well wishers etc. who are in support of them.
- Promotion of educational tours to facilitate them to learn from seeing, interrogation, etc. the developments of the external regions other than theirs.
- Facilitating them to exhibit their latent and hidden talents through training and exposing them through different cultural performances both within their homes and out in the schools and public places.

The above activities will be continued for one more year that is up to the end of the year 2014 with the support of Indo-German Help for Children.

## **2.8. ENSURING FOOD SECURITY OF 3000 SMALL AND MARGINAL FARMERS**

*(Supported by THE ITALIAN BISHOPS CONFERENCE – ROME)*

The intervention of TMSSS through different welfare and developmental initiatives with the people of its area of operation, that included parts of Pudukottai, Karur and Tiruchirapalli districts (jurisdictional limit of the Diocese of Tiruchirapalli) facilitated to understand the small and marginal farmers and the landless laboures communities / families to suffer most due to the modernization in the agricultural operations with the machineries. The modern methods of farming practices heavily depends on machineries, tools and chemicalised fertilizers and pesticides to increase the yield. They in turn have proved to become very harmful to the fertility of the soil, environment, health of human beings and animals and have affected also the micro – organisms to a very great degree. Therefore TMSSS with an objective and mission to save those small and marginal farmers and the landless labourers families, who solely and entirely were dependent on agriculture for their subsistence living and the other rural communities for their very survival, started to initiate this project with the financial assistance of the Italian Bishops' Conference.

## **Objectives of the Project**

The following objectives were envisaged for the three year programme at the time of planning and drafting.

- To select 200 farmers (100 men + 100 women) from 20 villages, equip and empower them with organic farming practices through training, practical demonstration and exposures to other such developed farms.
- To generate awareness among other farming communities of the project area against the dangers of using chemical based fertilizers, pesticides and other inputs through street theaters, awareness songs, public meetings, exposure visits etc.
- To transfer the technologies in organic farming by practical demonstration of making compost, organic manure, vermin compost, mulching, organic / herbal pesticides etc.,
- To evolve organic farming groups, federate them, establish market outlets exclusively for organic products and thereby change the whole project area to become involved gradually in organic farming practices.
- To establish the said project area also as a place for learning, gaining knowledge and skills etc. in sustainable agricultural practices without further affecting the fertility of the soil, water, environment and the products.
- To make all the farmers and their families self – dependant and sustainable for their needs without further being exploited by the vested interests or exposed or driven to deplorable, stagnant and deteriorating socio-economic living conditions.

## **Methodologies planned and activities initiated:**

- a) Mass Awareness creation through cultural activities.
- b) Training of SHGs and Farmers Association members.
- c) Evolving organic Farming Villages



## **Detailed report on the activities initiated during the year – II**

### ***a) Mass Awareness creation through cultural activities:***

As planned mass awareness was generated on organic farming methods and technologies through cultural programmes with the help of cultural team formed, trained and empowered. The people were informed well ahead of the programme in each village through bit notices, flex boards and announcements through mikes to mobilize the participants and the beneficiaries. Each program was optimally used also to share some thoughts and experiences on organic farming with the people through the help of practicing organic farmers. During this reporting year 20 such cultural programmes were organized and successfully conducted with the help of the trained cultural team and in total 958 small and marginal farmers directly benefitted and indirectly some thousands of farmers.

The different forms used in the cultural programmes to generate the required awareness are : Street plays, monoacts, songs, villupattu, small skits / drama and small exhibitions. The subject contents or themes for the above cultural programmes are: organic farming Vs. chemical farming, fertilizers (chemicalised) & marure (organic), pesticides (chemicalised) Vs herbal and natural, mono crop Vs multi crop, soil conservation, water shed management, rain water harvesting etc.

### **b) Training of SHGs and Farmers Association members:**

The TMSSS's project staff acting as a facilitators role organized Twenty Training programmes each lasting for two days to empower the members of Self – Help Groups and the Farmers Associations organized already by the Organization under Mahalir Membattu Iyakkam (MMI) and Grama Valarchi Iyakkam (GVI) with the knowledge and skills on all aspects of organic farming methods and practices.

The farmers who have already been trained and empowered with the theory and practical methods and who were successfully implementing the methods and techniques in their fields were selected to act as resource persons to train the members of SHGs and Farmers Associations totaling 865 in our target area villages.

The different topics covered during the training programmes are: land preparation, contour bunding, rain water harvesting, water management, seeds and crops selection, nursery

raising, green manure, vermin compost, coir pith compost, mulching, Asola, herbal pesticides etc. production, mono and multiple cropping, intercropping, harvesting, marketing, cooperatives formation, live stocks development and management on scientific methods, global warming and climate change, environmental protection and promotion, small savings for emergencies and expansion, simple accounting and book keeping etc.,

### **c) Evolving organic Farming Villages:**

The already capacitated farmers with the required knowledge and skills on organic farming and who were in the practice of the methodologies acquired in their fields motivated their neighbours, who were also members in the Community Based Organizations (CBOs), organized already by TMSSS and encouraged them to indulge themselves in organic farming practices.

The Community Based Organizations of 20 villages identified and selected 10 interested and willing farmers from each village to start with the practice. Those farmers who came forward were financially supported by TMSSS to meet the initial costs involved in soil testing, enrichment of the soil, organic manure and pesticides production, seeds purchase and in cultivation. In addition to the above supports they were encouraged and motivated to go in for the water and soil conservation structures with their own funds individually or collectively with the common funds pooled together.

The 200 farmers assisted have started to cultivate vegetables, flowers, fruits, grains, cereals etc. under organic farming methods giving a practical application to their learning and skills. Since there is a growing demand for organic products as they are chemical free, the farmers engaged are very happy because they do not face any problem in selling their products and moreover since they sell directly to the people they are not confronted with any middlemen intervention or exploitation. As a result they are able to enjoy the full fruits of their hard labour.

### **Problems faced during implementation:**

Some farmers were not able to get good quality seeds at competitive prices in time from the local government agricultural department. Therefore they were necessitated to purchase them from the private seed sellers at high cost.

Water scarcity posed a very great problem for the farmers because the south west monsoon have not brought adequate or even normal rain during the year. Therefore the ground water potential have become depleted. Moreover the failure in electric power supply for pump sets by the Tamilnadu Government due to shortage in production caused more inconveniences for them to irrigate their crop at appropriate timings.

The reclaiming of the land and enriching the soil were delayed by many since they could not contribute their share in addition to the support given from the project funds as their income from their fields have become reduced due to less production.

Due to the above short falls the project was not able to convert all the 350 hectares into organic farming lands but we hope and believe the planned hectares could be converted in the forthcoming year because we are making the required steps to solve many of the above problems except seasonal monsoon.

## **Conclusion:**

We are happy and proud to state that we are being abled to empower the small and marginal farmers of our project area with the required knowledge and skills on organic farming methods and practices with the timely and generous financial support of the Italian Episcopal conference. The production of organic vegetables, flowers, fruits, pulses and grains have started to reduce the illnesses and side effects caused due to the intake with chemical content from the people. Above all this project is transforming the farmers gradually into self dependant and independent. Still there is a long way to go to reach the end targets. We are sure to reach them with the grace of the Omnipotence.

## **2.9. PROTECTED DRINKING WATER TO THE RURAL POOR**

*(Supported by water Humanity Fund – U.S.A. Water Scarcity both for drinking and for....)*

Water Scarcity both for drinking and for other general utilities is not only being experienced by the people in India but also by the people living in many countries of the world. It is being stated repeatedly in many reports that the world will be facing a great threat for water within 20 years from now. There are several factors that contributed for such a status.

## **The Major Factors are:**

- a) Inadequate or no rainfalls in seasons due to the decrease in the extent of rain forests, absence of tree plantation in other parts as felling down of trees for domestic and commercial purposes are on the increase year by year.
- b) Conversion of forest areas into industrial estates.
- c) Reduction of the extent of rain water storage tanks by unauthorized encroachments by the so called politicians and the rich officials.
- d) Conversion of farm lands into housing sites.
- e) Exploitation of ground water potential for heavy industries and raising short terms cash crops especially after the introduction of green revolution in the late 1960s.
- f) Evaporation of water and moisture due to global warming effected due to several reasons.
- g) Improper planning by the Government to store the rain waters without wastage and in sharing of the rain waters by interlinking the major rivers and still there are many other factors that contribute for the crisis.

Moreover, the wide use of chemical fertilizers and chemical pesticides to increase the yields of crops has polluted even the available ground water potential. The industries like textiles, tenneries and many other industries that use chemicals for processing also have played their major role in polluting and contaminating the water sources.

As a result, drinking water has become one of rare commodities because one liter of mineral water costs more than a litter of cow milk. Somehow the economically well to do are able to buy drinking water to their requirements but how about the poor who are already under financial crisis to meet their basic human and survival needs like food, shelter and clothing.

The women are the worst affected because in rural areas it is still the responsibility of the women to collect the required water for drinking, washing, domestic use and for their cattles. Realizing the awfull situations of the rural women TMSSS endeavoured to tap appropriate resources to drill deep bore wells and install hand pumps wherever there are acute scarcity to

quench the thirst and to relieve the women folk from their unending hardships. One such funding source successfully tapped by TMSSS was Water for Humanity Fund – U.S.A.

The Water for Humanity Fund generously came forward to support the cause initially for four villages in Manaparai area which is a declared dry and drought area. Among the four, three villages have so far been provided the safe and protected drinking water by drilling deep bore wells and installing them with Mark India II hand pumps. The funds are being awaited from the agency to meet the needs of the fourth village soon.

### **The outcome / Results of the Project are:**

- The poor and the deprived rural communities have safe and protected drinking water now to their needs.
- They are relieved of being affected by water born diseases.
- The time and energy spent by the women folk in collecting the required quantity of water for their homes in addition to their house hold works have been saved.
- Since the hand pumps do not require electric power to draw the water the people are facilitated to pump out the required water whenever they want without any dependence on the supply of electricity and thereby they are enabled to work for more time and earn considerably.
- Their dependency on the kindness of the nearby open well owners have been reduced and thereby they are free from under ill-treatment and exploitation.
- Religious and communal harmony are promoted and fostered as all women irrespective of their community and religion are free to benefit from the sources.

### **2.10. St. THOMAS SOCIAL SPORTS SCHOOL –NAZARETH**

*(Supported by Real Madrid Foundation and City of Hope and Joy Foundation – Spain)*

The TMSSS Tiruchirapalli was gifted second to Kolkotha in India to establish a Social Sports School with the financial support of Real Madrid Foundation and City of Hope and Joy Foundation – Spain.

## **The main and specific objectives of the project are:**

### **Main Objectives:**

To impulse Social integration with children in severe risk of exclusion and poverty through sports. Practicing and learning different abilities as a healthy alternative in their recreational timings. Through sports practice they will be led to a process of self maturity worth their participation, creativity, teamwork learning and sports.

### **Specific Objectives :**

- Developing a Basic Sports Educational Program for children in severe risk of social exclusion from rural areas
- Encouraging the importance of education to families and children from a young age, to avoid child labour
- Providing a meeting place for children and their families in a safe and fun environment, where they will be supported when having to face everyday challenges, making them become and feel fundamental in the development of this program
- Family's integration within school activities favouring appropriate social behavior.
- Parent support throughout the social and learning process of the children
- Developing an awareness environment and encouraging group activities that will eventually lead to a Cooperative environment among the families, staff and friends.

### **Activities initiated so far :**

- ❖ The Secretary of TMSSS discussed with Fr. Susairaj, Correspondent of R.C. Higher Secondary School-Trichy, Fr.Jayakumar, Head master and Correspondent of St. Thomas Higher Secondary School-Nazareth and Bro. Pasca, Correspondent of St. Patric Higher Secondary School-Alundur and finalised their participation and active involvement in establishing and running the Social Sports School at Nazareth.

- ❖ 15 Coaches were selected and they were trained by Mr. Nicola Giampiero Follo, a coach from Real Madrid Foundation –Spain at Tiruchy between 28<sup>th</sup> February and 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2013
- ❖ The St.Thomas Social Sports School was formally inaugurated by the Bishop of the Diocese in the presence of the President, Madam Maria Moreno and the member delegates of City of Hope and Joy Foundation, Mr. Nicola, coach of Real Madrid Foundation, coaches trained, students and staff of R.C. Hr. Sec. School and St. Thomas Hr. Sec. School, Secretary and Asst. Secretary of TMSSS and many others on 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2013 at Nazareth.
- ❖ The Construction of the St. Thomas Sports School was started as per the specifications and the School will be solemnly blessed and inaugurated on 31<sup>st</sup> July 2013 by the Bishop of Tiruchy.
- ❖ The Selection of students 50 from R.C. Hr. Sec. School, 100 from St. Thomas Hr. Sec. School and 50 from St. Patric Hr. Sec. School thus totaling 200 were completed. Among them 126 will be boys and 74 girls.
- ❖ The football practice was started from the last week of June and it has been planned to have the practice for 2 days in a week in all the three units.
- ❖ The Purchase of uniforms and sports materials are under progress and everything will be ready before the inauguration of the School.

St. Thomas Social Sports School with 4 units of 50 students in each will start as full-fledged from 1<sup>st</sup> August 2013 and the activities will be continued for three years initially and will be extended further depending upon the need and demand.

## **2.11. CARE AND SUPPORT FOR HIV /AIDS INFECTED AND AFFECTED PERSONS**

*(Supported by MANOS UNIDAS, Madrid – Spain)*

It's with the spread of the infection across the country and the sharp rise in the number of HIV infected persons in the society, Care and Support including home-based care has been made an integral component in the second phase care by the National AIDs Control Program. There is

a moral and humanitarian obligation to provide appropriate care and support to persons infected with HIV/AIDS. The patients affected with disease are young and are in the prime productive years of their life (mostly 15-49 years) and belong to different social and economic strata. People with HIV/AIDS experience a variety of health care problems psychological traumas, stigma , and rejection by family members, friends and even medical personnel. If some amount of relief and normality can be given to them by ensuring proper care and support in the hospitals and in the community, and also protection of their right or privacy and other human rights suffering is reduced and improvement is seen in their quality of life.

It's with this backdrop of information, TMSSS had commenced the project to provide care and support to the vulnerable client of the target community from the beginning of January 2013 in Trichy and Pudukottai districts of Tamilnadu. At the commencement stage of project TMSSS have recruited a team of 8 personnel to main stream the project activities in 5 blocks viz Kunnandarkoil, Manaparai, Vaiyampatti, Anthanallur, and Viralimalai of the said two districts .

Intensive induction was also given to the project team and thus the team had moved to make initial steps that are required at the field for the full swing of the project Viz;

Identification of PLHAS/CIA/CAA
Identification of Care givers
Identification of Peer Educators /Lay Counselors
Rapport establishment with ICTC,PPTCT,ICDS, NGOs and Govt. Depts.

Simultaneously the project team had also capacitated its skills through the staff orientation program that was organized at Fathima Nagar, Trichy on 21st and 22nd of Marh 2013. All these initiatives lead the project team to undertake counseling services to people living with HIV/AIDS at the panchyat level.

As known globally HIV / AIDS is a disease with a long incubation period. People suffering from this disease require long, continuous treatment. Hospital care in such situations is not feasible. So home based care and a continuum of care is absolutely necessary for care of such



patients. Home-based care has to be continuously monitored. The care providers will be the members of clients families and TMSSS volunteers will ensure the success on its completion of the project.

## **2.12. INTEGRATED PROGRAMME FOR STREET CHILDREN**

*(Sponsored by Ministry Women and Child Development, Department of Social Defense, New Delhi)*

In keeping with our vision of a just society and commitment to the empowerment of people towards human dignity, we had turned to the plight of street children and started this project of rehabilitation in 1994. Our mission to the education and integral development of the deprived children of the streets of Tiruchirapalli Corporation has made its course during this year, 2012 – 13. Here is a report of the measures implemented during the past one year, from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2012 till 31<sup>st</sup> March of 2013, in terms of the objectives of the project and our growing encounter with the phenomenon of street children.

The chief objective of the project is to rehabilitate street children in order to contribute to their normal human development and help them discover greater freedom and dignity of life. Identifying the target group was a prime concern of the planning which included coverage of the key areas in the city. It was in these contact areas that we could meaningfully initiate a contact with many street children – children with or without a home but who spend most of their active time in the streets, unlike normally growing children who would be at home or school during those hours.

Our street educators came across about 291 children on the streets of Tiruchirapalli during the course of this project period. Their initiatives to know them and guide them were successful with 198 boys who could be brought to the centre. A more meaningful contact was made possible with these boys who positively responded from the outset or after some period of interaction. Totally 169 of them have been rehabilitated during the course of the year and the remaining boys are under guidance and counseling.

**The same is replicated in the following table:**

<b>S.No</b>	<b>Details</b>		<b>Total</b>
<b>01</b>	<b>Boys Brought to the Centre</b>		<b>198</b>
<b>02</b>	<b>Rehabilitated</b>		<b>169</b>
	Home-placed	148	
	School-placed	14	
	Vocational Training	07	
<b>03</b>	<b>Under Guidance &amp; Counselling</b>		<b>29</b>
	From Work Places	09	
	From Local Slums	05	
	At Shelter Homes	15	
<b>04</b>	<b>Ran away from our care</b>		<b>03</b>

The different service provided for the Street Children identified or referred before their reinstatement or rehabilitation are: Provision of food, accommodation, personal needs, counseling, non-formal education, vocational skills and other needs as per the demands of the time.

### **3. PROGRAMMES UNDER TMSSS FUNDING**

#### **3.1. MEDICAL AND WELFARE ASSISTANCE TO THE NEEDY**

The marginalized and the disadvantaged poor when they are confronted with financial strain to meet their essential and basic medical needs to restore their health, the TMSSS comes to their rescue from the year 2000 by supporting them financially to buy the necessary drugs or to undergo emergency treatment and minor surgeries. Similarly whenever the poor are forced to become victims of disasters both natural and manmade they are supported with some immediate relief and welfare measures to recoup themselves and to mainstream into normal living course.

The money required to meet the above is being collected every year from all the parishes of the Diocese during the lintern season under Hunger and Disease programme. Part of the collection made is being sent to Caritas India, New Delhi and the second part to the S.C. & S.T. Commission of the Catholic Bishops Conference of India, New Delhi. Only the remaining is distributed among the needy by TMSSS and that amounted to Rs. 204,564/- during the year 2012-2013. Not less than 400 poor and victims of disasters are being benefitted every year under this charity.

#### **3.2. COMMUNITY BASED HEALTH CENTRES**

The Community Based Health Centres are being run by TMSSS from the year 1981 purely to alleviate the immediate sufferings of the rural poor and the disadvantaged, without any discrimination on any basis. Given to their poor social and economical conditions they should not be able to avail the required care and treatment on payment for travel and drugs from other established health centres, dispensaries, hospitals etc. of both the Government and Private entrepreneurs. In some cases only a very nominal charges are being collected for deliveries. All the others like consultation, prescription and treatments are on free of cost. Therefore the Society is doing this health services under charities from its own resources and no support whatsoever is being received or taped or mobilized from any source.

The Health services are being rendered through four centres and the details of sick people benefitted during the year 2012-13 month wise from each centre are detailed in the following table.

### **For the period from April 2012 to March 2013**

S. No.	Name of the Centre (village)	Apr	May	Jun	July	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Total
1.	Avaram patty	293	314	286	321	342	339	387	418	409	312	319	287	4027
2.	Manjam patty	546	562	585	497	574	618	678	642	519	496	482	391	6590
3.	Malai patty	103	113	121	118	132	129	186	204	109	112	98	107	1532
4.	Chinnaoly patty	444	397	509	496	488	522	489	563	543	482	398	344	5675
	Total	1386	1386	1501	1432	1536	1608	1740	1827	1580	1402	1297	1129	17,824

If the health centre becomes incapacitated to provide the required treatment for major illness within its limited facilities it refers the patients for further check-ups, tests, treatments and follow-ups to other established and full-fledged Hospitals with whom the centres have developed already contacts and built up good rapport for mutual cooperation. There the patients in most cases will be given some concessions.

### **3. 3. DELAYED MARKETING CENTRES**

This programme is being run purely to support the small and marginal farmers. The price of the crops will be very low during the harvesting season because of more supply. When the farmers sell immediately they will not get any income not even their investment. Therefore we provide them godown facilities to stock their products and to take and sell them when the prices are competitive. We charge only 20 paise per 100 Kilogram of grains stored per day. In addition we provide them credit up to Rs. 10,000/- to meet their family expenditures and we charge an interest at 8% per annum. The interest is very normal and what is collected by way of rent and interest are used to maintain the godown and to pay remuneration to the person in-charge of the centre. The farmers will stock their products from one month to eight months only. The

remaining four months in a year the centres will be free without any stock. Moreover for the first fifteen days no rent or interest is charged.

TMSSS is running three such centres in three different rural areas and the small and marginal farmers who avail the services are from different religions and castes because the centres will not discriminate any farmer under any basis. The prime objectives of the centres are:

### **Objectives:**

- To eliminate the exploitation by middlemen, traders and money lenders.
- To enable the poor farmers get fair and competitive price for their products
- To facilitate the farmers to play the due role in fixing up the prices for their products
- To help the farmers to keep their products in a safe and secured place until they are able to get reasonable prices.
- To orient and encourage them to create direct linkages with marketing firms/agencies to minimize middlemen intervention and exploitation.

The details of farmers availed the services during the year 2012-13 are:

<b>S. No.</b>	<b>Name of Centre</b>	<b>No. of Farmers availed</b>	<b>No. of Bags stored</b>	<b>Amount of loan availed and repaid</b>
1.	Keeranur DMC	72	2,214	Rs. 6,98,200
2.	Manaparai DMC	50	1,999	Rs. 5,00,000
3.	Nazareth DMC	47	965	Rs. 4,10,000
	<b>Total</b>	<b>169</b>	<b>5,178</b>	<b>Rs. 16,08,200</b>

### **3.4. MORNING STAR INDUSTRIAL TRAINING CENTRE**

The TMSSS with an aim to provide a better and brighter future for the poor and less privileged students (boys and girls) of rural areas and city slums with appropriate technical education and skills started the Morning Star Industrial Training Centre in the year 1986. Since the inception, the students hailing from very poor families, who discontinue their studies in the middle due to poverty and economic instability in their families are being given preference in

admission because they needed the priority attention to mainstream themselves in the fast developing communities.

The Centre offers two approved courses and one unapproved course for the benefit of the eligible candidates identified and selected from the above categories of the society. They are :

S. No.	Name of the Course	Approved by	Eligibility Criteria
1.	Computer Operator and Programming Assistant (COPA)	NCVT	+2 pass 14-40 age group
2.	Advanced Integrated Software Technology (AIST)	SCVT	10 <sup>th</sup> pass or Fail 14-40 age group
3.	Part time Computer Courses in MS-office, C, C++, Data entry	--	Any qualification, No age limit.

The duration of the first two courses are for one year. On completion of the course they are facilitated to appear for All India Trade Test and the successful candidates are issued course certificates by NCVT under Craftsman Training Scheme.

During the year 2012-13 due to shortage of students only 09 were admitted and trained under the course AIST that has SCVT approval. All the 9 candidates successfully completed their course and received the certificates.

Till date 1364 candidates have rolled out of this centre successfully with the appropriate certificates.

The above courses are being offered to the candidates by Two Full time and one Part time Instructors, who are adequately qualified and experienced in the teaching line.

### **3.5. AGRICULTURAL TRAINING CENTRE (ATC)**

The Agricultural Training Centre was established by TMSSS during the year 1983 in a 75 acres land at Nazareth, Pudukottai district to benefit the small and marginal farmers and women headed farming families living in and around the area through organizing and conducting orientations, trainings and exposure programmes to equip and empower them with the upto date knowledge and skills on their native and traditional fields of agriculture and livestock developments and thereby enhance their activities, income and self-dependant and sustainable living.

### **The Existing and facilities created at the ATC in course of time:**

- ❖ Total extent of land at ATC : 75 acres
- ❖ Open wells dug : 06 Nos
- ❖ Bore wells drilled : 07 Nos
- ❖ Percolation ponds : 02 Nos
- ❖ Extent of land under present cultivation : 03 acres

The failure of seasonal monsoon over the period of several years have made the entire region to become dry and drought affected. As a result the agricultural and livestock development activities have been decreased drastically and that to a very great extent. Majority of the family households who were totally dependent on their employment, income and subsistence living in the above sectors were necessitated to migrate to other places to find some employment and thereby to make a living even if it is normal or below the standard.

The TMSSS was not also spared from facing the above catastrophies. After being exposed to several short comings, the TMSSS have rejuvenated its attempts to restore from the above short comings. As a result of its efforts the centre had cultivated Paddy, Black gram and Green grass in the cultivable land of 3 acres during this year. In addition it had started to rear 57 goats, 17 milcheamimals including calves, 32 hensad chicks, 7 swans and other domestic but agricultural allied animals.

The centre has also been converted in line with the demand of the day to serve as a model training centre for organic and natural farming practices. The centre also facilitates to accommodate and care for around 70 boys at St. Joseph's Home established with in the ATC campus.

### **3.6. GRAMA VALARCHI IYAKKAM (GVI)**

TMSSS, strives to ensure the rights and entitlements of the small and marginal farmers, who have enrolled themselves as members under GVI, from Trichy and Pudukottai districts,

since the inception of the movement i.e. from the year 1987. By exposing and facilitating the members to different kinds of trainings, methods of cultivation, visits to model farms, interaction with the agri experts, micro credits etc. TMSSS tries to enhance their production, income and thereby their sustainability in their socio-economic living.

### **Core objectives of the movement :**

- To organize the rural small and marginal farmers and agricultural labourers for social empowerment and economic development
- To enable GVI groups to create linkages with likeminded groups and community based organizations for building alliance and for advocating their rights and entitlements through democratic and non-violent means.
- To make the small and marginal farmers aware of the various Government welfare and development schemes and to facilitate them to avail them appropriately.
- To inculcate the habit of small savings in them and thereby enhance their economic growth and development through accessing credit support from micro and macro credit enterprises and people's Bank.
- To orient the members of GVI on sustainable agricultural practices such as ecological organic farming/integrated farming etc., through training and exposures.
- To enhance the social responsibility of the members of GVI.

### **The current status of GVI :**

No.of Districts covered	:	02
No.of Panchayat Unions covered	:	06
No.of villages brought under cover	:	103
No.of farmers' groups formed	:	67 – Trichy 72 – Pudukottai
No.of members enrolled	:	938– Trichy



1082- Pudukottai

Total amount saved by members : Rs.4,16,000/-

Total amount disbursed as loan under revolving system : Rs.22,00,000/-

Apart from the agricultural activities, the GVI members groups have materialized the following through their collective efforts.

### **The activities initiated and achieved**

<b>S. No.</b>	<b>Achievements</b>	<b>No.of villages benefitted</b>
1	Street Lights	40
2	Community Hall	01
3	Drinking water supply	02
4	Public Transport	05
5	Old Age Pensions	12 Nos.

### **Special events of the year in GVI**

<b>S. No.</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Place</b>	<b>Nature of Event</b>	<b>No. benefitted</b>
1	15.0512	Karungualm	Free General Medical camp	302
2	02.06.12	Odugampatty	Free Eye Camp	316
3	06.07012	Theerampatty	Free General Medical camp	262
4.	07.10.12	T. Udayapatty	Free General Medical camp	270
5.	19.01.13	Viralimalai	Free General Medical camp	212
6.	06.02.13	Keeranur	Free Eye Camp	320

Dr. Govindarajan's Eye Hospital located at Puthur in Tiruchy and the Child Jesus Hospital of FMM sisters at cantonment, Tiruchy partnered and collaborated in the above ventures and thereby made all the attempts of TMSSS in the project more successful and beneficial.

### **3.7. SONTAM – NOTE BOOKS PRODUCTION AND BINDING UNIT**

The Note Books Production and Binding unit at V.N. Nagar (near Chathiram Bus Terminal) Trichy was first established by TMSSS on 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2004 with a major aim to equip the street children brought under the care with some production skills, to provide employment and income opportunities and thereby to enable them to become self dependant and masters of their own destinies.

#### **The list of machineries installed in the unit :**

- ❖ Full automatic computerized cutting machine
- ❖ Full automatic Perfect Binding machine
- ❖ Full automatic sewing cum stitching machine
- ❖ Full automatic Ruling machine
- ❖ Full automatic Semi auto cutting machine
- ❖ Full automatic Creasing machine
- ❖ Hard Press Punching machine

#### **The performance record of the year**

- No. of Street Children equipped with the skills : 18
- No. of Street Children employed in the unit : 12
- No. of personnel responsible for the unit : 11
  - Production Manager : 01
  - Marketing Manager : 01
  - Unit workers : 09
- No. of Institutions benefitted from the project : 30

The orders are taken at the appropriate timings i.e at the eve of scholastic year beginning from different schools, colleges, Institutions etc. established within and outside of Trichy for the supply of note books, writing pads, office files, folders and other wrappers. On completion of

the production the required items are delivered on or before the stipulated timings. The income turned out are used to provide the required care and support for the street children employed and under training, to meet the salaries of the professional staff and to meet the maintenance and improvement of the unit with machinaries. The unit is made thereby a self-dependent venture. Thanks to Andheri Hilfe Bonn, Germany for its generous support to make the unit viable with the installation of the required machinaries, equipments and other facilities.

### **3.8. EMPOWERMENT TRAINING CENTRE:**

Since the Empowerment Centre of TMSSS has been fully equipped, furnished and facilitated with modern communication instruments, it serves as a common platform for NGOs, Government Departments, University students, Private business and service firms and individual families to organize and conduct their, both residential and non-residential meetings, trainings, workshops, consultations, sharings, symposiums, cultural events and other ceremonies or celebrations. The income raised from letting out the facilities of the centre is being used to self support the programmes and to meet the maintenance costs involved.

#### **Existing facilities**

<b>S. No.</b>	<b>Name of the Facility</b>	<b>Seating Capacity</b>	<b>Additional Facilities</b>
1	St. Thomas Community Hall	400	Audio Visual Provisions with a well decorated stage
2	Roa Hall	100	Modern public address system
3	TLS Hall	40	Moderate training facilities
4	SK Hall A/C	30	Air Conditioning facility
5	Double occupancy rooms	34	Double beds, Bathroom and Toilet attached.
6	Double occupancy A/C Rooms	2	Double beds, Bathroom and Toilet attached.
7.	Morning Star ITC A/C Hall	25	Air conditioned for Society's Staff meetings, Annual General & Governing Body meetings

All the halls are well furnished individually with the required number of tables, chairs, boards and electrical equipments. The A/C rooms are to accommodate VIPs, Resource Persons and Guests of honour. Moreover the well furnished dining hall facilitates to accommodate 100 persons at a time for dining. Both vegetarian and non-vegetarian foods are served on request.

### **3.9. MAHALIR MEMBATTU IYAKKAM (SURABI)**

The emergence of women self-help Groups in Tamilnadu have brought several thousands of women both from urban and rural areas out of the bondage of their homes and facilitated them to gain identity, to raise their collective voice in demand of their rights and also economic independence to a great extent. They have become empowered to approach any authority or department and meet their own basic needs.

With an objective of creating adequate opportunities for the women of the rural and urban areas, who form half of the total population, and thereby to attain holistic development and empowerment, the TMSSS established this Mahalir Mambattu Iyakkam already during the year 1987. After the establishment the women are motivated, counseled and then organized into groups. Thereafter they are trained and empowered with the required and adequate awareness and knowledge on all the subjects that are related to their daily human living with dignity. They are also facilitated and encouraged to venture into collective actions on specific issues based and thereby projected them as catalysts and change agents before their communities.

#### **The status of the MMI during the year 2012-13:**

➤ No. of Districts covered	:	03
➤ No. of blocks concentrated in 3 districts	:	10
➤ No. of village brought under the cover	:	335
➤ No. of women groups retained during the year	:	525
➤ No. of women members active in groups	:	7,000
➤ Amount saved as per the books of accounts	:	Rs. 1,85,99,731
➤ Amount availed as loan for economic activities under Revolving system	:	Rs. 3,71,99,000

## Action plan envisaged for the year 2012 – 13:

- Finding appropriate solutions for the rights and issues based problems
- Improving the economic and livelihood opportunities in all possibilities.
- Voicing strongly against sexual abuse, harassment, abduction etc.
- Enthusing the women members to think, analyze and act independently
- Working as a strong movement for the good of the women communities

To visualize and to make the above plans reflected in reality the TMSSS organized the following trainings, workshops and exposures during the year of reporting through MMI:

S. No.	Date	Place	Subject content	Participants
1.	April- 2012 4 days	Avoor, Kulithalai, Manjampatty & TMSSS	Organic farming, New Thrust – Clarity, Live stock development	CBO members Program staff
2.	June – 2012 5 days	TMSSS	Environmental rights and protection	CBO members from 3 Unions
3.	July – 2012 5 days	Manapparai TMSSS	District & State Cooperative bank, Environmental protection, Governing Body and General Body meetings	CBO members of 10 groups, Prog. Staff, Members of MMI & Reps. From groups
4.	Augt-2012 4 days	A.T.C. of TMSSS	Environmental issues, Healthy living, Panchayatraj	CBI members from 2 unions
5.	Sep -2012 4 days	TASOSS A.T.C. of TMSSS	Healthy Living Natural farming	MMI – MMI-staff CBO members of 2 unions
6.	Oct – 2012 5 days	TASOSS TMSSS	Rights to healthy living, Environmental rights & protection	MMI & GVI staff, CBO members, Reps. Of Groups
7.	Nov – 2012 1 day	TMSSS	Govt. welfare & development schemes, Dengu fever - awareness	CBO members & Reps. Of Groups
8.	Dec – 2012 7 days	DMC – Keeranur DMC - Manapparai TMSSS	Natural organic farming Dengu fever – awareness	CBO members and Reps. of Women groups, MMI Members

9.	Feb – 2013 1 day	TMSSS	MMI – General Body Meeting	Reps. of women groups
10.	Mar – 2013 1 day	Pastoral centre	International Women's Day	Members of MMI

### **Accomplishment of MMI:**

The collective efforts of the women groups through application, follow-up, insistence and representation from MMI have facilitated the people to get the following basic infrastructural facilities and other benefits:

<b>S. No.</b>	<b>Facilities Created</b>	<b>No. of villages benefitted</b>
1.	Drinking water pipe lines laid	75
2.	Street Lights provided	68
3.	New link roads laid & existing repaired	85
4.	Old Age Pension obtained for	183 women
5.	Ration cards issued to	215 families
6.	Community centres constructed	5 villages
7.	General Medical camps 2 and Eye camps 8 conducted	10 CBO members

In addition to the above common benefits the following individual benefits also were procured by the efforts of MMI:

- Rs. 30,000/- were distributed among 20 diseased members' families at Rs. 1500/- each for their feuneral expenditures.
- Rs. 210,000/- were claimed as compensation from the LIC for Severn families after the death of the women members who had insured through the society.
- Rs. 123,000/- were given as educational support for 205 students of the members who were in classes from IX to XII to pursue their studies.
- 18,000/- Note Books were given free of cost to 6,000 children of the women group members at 3 notebooks each.

- Rs. 14,500/- were given as relief for 5 families of Dharmanathapuram when their houses got fire.
- Rs. 3,000/- was given as medical assistance for a member of Periyar Nagar group for her kidney treatment.

## **Achievement of the year 2012-13 at CBO Level:**

### **1. Ariyamangalam, Thiruverumbur & Manaparai:**

- As a result of the environmental awareness on protection and upgradation campaigns the people have started to separate the home wastes before the disposal, started to avoid using plastic bags, promoted tree plantation in their houses and in public places and decided to set an example for the other public.
- Rs. 50,000/- in cash and 04 grams gold were obtained for 8 people through the Marriage assistance programme of the Social Welfare Department.
- The CBO members of Ariyamangalm through their collective purchase and sale of grocery items are earning a considerable income and profit and thereby are able to improve their living standards.

### **2. Vaiyampatty, Viralimalai & Kunnandarkovil:**

- The training provided on Natural and organic farming have enabled the people to produce their own organic manure, vermin compost, herbal pesticides, flowers and fruits cultivation.
- 20 farming women members were supplied free agricultural tools and implements.

## **International Women's Day Celebration:**

The International Women's Day was celebrated in a meaningful and fitting manner on 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2013 at Pastoral Centre of the Diocese of Tiruchirapalli. The Vicar General of the Diocese Msgr. P. Thomas Paulsamy presided over the celebrations. Professor Thamilaruvi Mamonmaniam of Urumu Dhanalakshmi College and Retired Police Officer Mrs. Jerina gave special address during the celebration. Fr. A. Susai Alangarm, Secretary cum Director, Fr. B.

John Selvaraj, Assistant Secretary of TMSSS and Fr. T. Eugene, the Parish Priest of St. Mary's Cathedral Church felicitated. Around 1000 women members participated in the celebration very actively. All the special addresses and the felicitations were focused on the theme "Legal Rights and Protection of Women".



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