

PONDICHERRY MULTIPURPOSE SOCIAL SERVICE SOCIETY

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(Briefly translated)

PMSSS as a Non Governmental Organization continues to work towards promoting love, fraternity, equality, and justice among people of its area of operation of UT regions of Pondicherry, Karaikal, Cuddalore and Villupuram District regions in Tamil Nadu since 1977. With three folded strategies of peoples' development through non formal education and training, Integrated Development through peoples' organization, self reliant and self sustainable development of the people in social, economic cultural, political fields through people's participation, responsibility, management, etc it was very helpful to achieve the objectives of PMSSS.

Relief activities for victims of fire, cyclone, flood, drought, tsunami affected thousands of families where rehabilitated through our immediate response.

PMSSS continued the Tsunami Relief and Rehabilitation work in 20 coastal areas to fishermen, Agricultural, and other communities especially to Women, youth, Children and elderly helped to achieve the set targets within the timeframe.

In order to safe guard the interest and rights of the people who are socially, culturally, politically, economically oppressed groups of different sections of people were formed for women, fishermen, farmers, Kolping family, neighbourhood communities, destitute, etc., so that they can safeguard their interest, claim for their rights, solve their issues.

With Continued support from International Funding organizations especially CARITAS and CRS helped PMSSS to continue the activities in self sustained manner to the beneficiaries.

In this above context the Governing body of PMSSS is happy to present its annual report for the period 2007-2008 of all activities as well as regular activities of Tsunami Relief and Rehabilitation on report.

Welfare and Community Development:

S.No	Project	Amount	Funding Agencies
1	Sri Lankan Refugees development program	8,60,871	CRS, Chennai
2	Integrated Community development programe	4,10,000	Caritas India, New Delhi
3	Community development through Integrated bio technology activities	1,98,000	MCRC – Chennai
4	Village Resource Centre	2,70,644	UNDP, Chennai
5	Vazhnhukattovam	75,000	Govt. of TamilNadu

School building expansion:

Kolping India, Coimbatore came forward and granted Rs. 54,43,839.00/- for building and expansion of Kolping School, Periyakalpet.

Relief for Fire and Flood Victims:

S.No	Project	Amount	Funding agencies
1	Fire relief assistance to 377 families	1,00,000.00	Caritas India, New Delhi
2	Relief assistance to 202 families affected by Communal riots	2,00,000.00	"
3	Relief assistance for fire and flood victims of 30 families	22,685.00	Archbishop relief fund

Awareness and Training Program

S.No	Project	Amount	Funding agencies
1	Mental health	47,540.00	ADD India, Trichy

Mental Health:

S.No	Project	Amount	Funding agencies
1	Fraternal life Service Home Maintenance	28,366.00	Enfants due Monde- Belgium

New Programmes:**Integrated community Mobilization through Community Based Disaster Preparedness programme and reforestation of coastal area protection**

In order to promote human values in the light of Good News and bring justice, equality, liberty among all in the area of the archdiocese, it is envisaged to capacitate the various vulnerable community leaders and members through leadership training and other managerial skills for their self reliant function and organize themselves into

viable working groups. To achieve the same the archdiocese initiated the process of forming Neighbourhood communities throughout the tsunami intervention villages.

During this year 900 NCs were formed. (300 women NCs, 200 Men NCs, 200 Youth NCs, and 200 Children Parliament)

Training:

1) Base line survey:

The program staff members were trained on collecting base line datas from the 7000 families of project areas.

2) Situational analysis and Village Development Plan :

Training on Situational analysis and Village Development plan was conducted to the NC members and leaders of 20 villages. 954 NC members participated and learnt the process of identifying the resources and issues in their respective villages. The findings were consolidated and submitted to elected members and panchayat.

3) Gender Training :

Gender training was organized by Caritas India in the process of mainstreaming gender in the working villages. In continuation to the training given, focus group discussion was conducted with the women in 6 villages of pondicherry, cuddalore and karaikal and the data was consolidated.

4) Awareness programme :

Awareness on Health and hygiene, Gender equity, legal rights, Environment was conducted to the NC members of 20 villages.

5) Livelihood assessment study :

A livelihood study was conducted with the help of professional in 20 villages. The study comprises of demographic details, livelihood activities, resources, income and expenditure of the village, production, marketing details etc.

6) EDP Training :

1500 SHG members were trained on entrepreneurship skills

7) Livelihood support centre

3 livelihood support centres were established in Puducherry, Karaikal and Cuddalore to support the community by providing information on livelihood oriented aspects. This centre aims at helping the fishermen, women and agriculturalist to know about various livelihood options and its opportunity.

8) Agriculture training :

341 farmers from Kanagachettikulam, Subbauppallavady and Devanampattinam were trained on organic farming techniques.

9) Judicious Fishing :

A two days workshop on “Judicious fishing” was conducted with the support of Aquaculture foundation of India, UNTRS – FAO, INCOIS. 504 fishermen participated and accepted the ill effects of using ring-sine nets; their present fishing practices, depletion of fishing resources and importance of value addition of fish products was felt among the participants.

10) Training for Tiny producers :

Tiny producers were identified from 20 villages and training was given on production, marketing, warehousing etc. The Tiny producers association comprising of 14 members were formed including the leader, secretary and treasurer.

11) Tailoring training :

Tailoring skill up gradation training was given to 409 women in all 20 villages. Special trainings like ariya work, embroidery, toys making, saree painting etc.

12) Computer Training :

400 youth were trained on XML conversion, pagination, proof reading, copy editing, hardware, web designing, front office management, digital banner printing, screen printing and business process out source. 50 of the trained youth were placed in different companies.

13) PRI Training :

Staff training was given on Panchayat Raj system, its duty and responsibilities.

14) Exposure visit :

In continuation to Judicious fishing workshop, 45 fishermen and women were taken to a two days exposure visit to Rameshwaram to learn about Sea weed cultivation, its potential market, sea shell craft etc.,

15) Community Based Disaster Preparedness

A comprehensive community based disaster preparedness programme was implemented in 20 villages. PRA mapping exercises was conducted to identify the vulnerable locations and persons in the villages.

Social, resource and vulnerability mapping exercises were conducted and the data were collected, consolidated and submitted by the task force members

and disaster management committee to the elected members of Gram Panchyat.

CBDP exposure visit

A team of 32 staff members from 8 Diocese visited and learnt the implementation procedure of CBDP program.

97 members from Tuticorin Multipurpose Social Service Society visited PMSSS to learn the pros and cons.

Impacts:

At the end of the first year of implementation of SOA II programme the following impacts achieved.

- ⇒ The NC members of Malumiyarpet submitted an online petition to the concerned officer of Department of Civil Supplies, Cuddalore.
- ⇒ The NC members of Pachayankuppam submitted a petition for want of free land patta to the District Collector.
- ⇒ The NC members of Salangakara gramam, cuddalore OT submitted a petition for want of toilet facilities.
- ⇒ On submitting a petition to the Collector, a sewage canal cleared by the department workers on the same day.
- ⇒ The Children parliament members of Subaupalavady village visited the visually impaired children and distributed food materials to 36 children.
- ⇒ The NC members of Suthukulam village submitted the development plan to the panchayat leaders.

Details of SHG's:

Sl. No	Groups	2006-2007	2007-2008
1	Total Groups	559	563
2	Total members	10227	10,307
3	Total savings	Rs. 86,84,355	Rs. 1,19,72,445

Loan Details of SHGs':

17 SHGs groups were given a loan assistance to the tune of Rs. 14,65,000.

Reforestation and Costal Area Protection (ReCAP):

A pilot project was implemented in 3 villages namely Chinnaveerampattinam, Subauppalavady and Devnampattinam to restore the coastal habitats and to enhance the livelihood of the local fisher folks. Care Earth, Chennai acts as a consultant in providing technical support for the project. Situation analysis, landscape assessment, training on herbarium collections were conducted to the staff and community members. A task force team comprising of 20 members was formed.

Women and Child Care Protection Programme (SURAKSHA)

Suraksha project is implemented in Puducherry (9 villages), Cuddalore (6 villages) and Karaikal (3 villages) to the total of 28 villages.

Project / programme beneficiaries' details:

S.No	Project / Programme	Total Beneficiaries
1	Workshop on Adolescent rights and issues	121
2	Computer Education for Children parliament members	346
3	Street play	800
4	Right to Information Act 2005	500
5	Rapport building exercises for Women, Children and Adolescent	1250
6	Awareness on Community based disaster programme	421
7	Exposure Visit to Nagarcoil for children Parliament and neighbourhood groups	80
8	Exposure visit to Nadukuppam Govt. Middle school	81
9	Workshop on Life skill education and stress management for adolescent girls	44
10	Mapping exercise on resources and vulnerabilities	320
11	Children's Day celebration	772
12	Awareness on Govt. welfare schemes for Women Neighbourhood group	82
13	Capacity building workshop for Children Parliament	85
14	Awareness on Municipality welfare schemes	56
15	Samathuva Pongal celebration	450
16	Awareness on Panchayat Raj Institution	150
17	Republic day Celebration	176
18	Participatory Rural Appraisal	148
19	Women's day celebration	973
20	Workshop for NGO's - 2	97

Benefits received through Children parliament:

S.No	Scheme	Beneficiaries	Total amount
1	Tsunami monthly education loan	34 x Rs, 200	6800/-
2	Enrollment of school drop outs	6	-

Benefits received through women Neighbourhood groups:

S.No	Scheme	Beneficiaries	Total Amount
1	Construction of individual toilets DRDA – Govt. Subsidy Rs. 1250/-	57 x Rs. 3300 Thaikalthonidurai Cuddalore OT	1,88,100
2	Tsunami House – Central Govt. tsunami rehabilitation scheme	12 x Rs. 21500 Thaikalthonidurai Cuddalore OT	25,80,000
3	Indira Awaz Yojana (IAY) for BPL – backward class, SC & ST	50 x Rs. 55000 Beemaroo Nagar, Suthukulam, Cuddalore OT	27,50,000
4	Family Health Insurance scheme – United India Insurance Company	10 x Rs. 30000 Malumiyarpet	3,00,000
5	Old age Pension (OAP) – Govt. of TN	54 x Rs. 400 (Monthly)	21,600
6	Widow pension – for widow and destitute – Govt. of TN	36 x Rs. 400	14,400
7	Monthly assistance to PH – Govt. of TN	10 x Rs. 200	2,000

Benefit received through Youth groups:

S.No	Scheme	Beneficiaries	Amount
1	Job oriented skill training – Free of cost provided by American Indian Foundation – Community and Progress (AFI – CAP)	55 x Rs. 3500	1,92,500
2	Job Placement	6	

Changes created at Community level:

- The people in Suraksha implemented villages celebrated community pongal with their own contribution.
- As community vigilance group in each village was formed and functions effectively. Women, children and adolescent girls are directed guided in the right direction to fulfill their needs continuously.
- The people of Enikaranthottam village donated 244 sq. ft of land to construct village resource centre for the development of village through suraksha intervention.
- Awareness was given to adolescent girls to understand the importance of education and this motivated them to continue their higher studies. In

vasantharayanpalayam, thanks to the efforts taken by the girl children, by which the parents gave up the illicit liquor business which they did it for years.

- Now adolescent girls gave up their natural shyness and go for higher education.
- Counseling helped many divided families to unite and live happily. Students those who failed in examination relieved from stress through counseling.
- Beemarao Nagar is a low lying area and during heavy rain the whole area is inundated. The women groups in association with fire department made efforts for proper drainage for quick recede of flood.

The future of Suraksha:

The main objective of this project is to form community vigilance group (CVG) through which protect women and children from various exploitation and also to form a resilient community. It motivates the community to utilize the government schemes for their well being and to avail all government welfare schemes.

Information and Communication Technology- Village information Centres:

ICT Village information centers proved to be a best investment for the development of the village and the community members. In this year, 4 village information centres were established in addition to the already established 20 VICs'. The main objective of the VICs is to disseminate government schemes and subsidies to the villages.

Consultation Meeting:

A consultation meeting on technology transfer was conducted in association with INCOIS, Hyderabad. 45 NGO representatives attended the meeting. Scientists and experts from INCOIS, Puducherry Fisheries Department, BSNL, Coastguard, and representatives from TNTRC were also present.

Installation of Weather Information Board:

A weather information Board was installed in Thengaithittu Harbour, Puducherry in association with INCOIS, Hyderabad to give details on sea wave heights, wind speed, wind direction, tsunami warning etc. The Fisheries Minister, Director of INCOIS and other government officials were present in the inaugural ceremony and released a CD on weather information to Hello FM, tutucorin.

BSNL, Puducherry signed an agreement with PMSSS to franchise the telephone bill collection in Puducherry.

Village information centres was established in Rasapettai, Sothikuppam, Thazanguda, Akkaraigori villages of Cuddalore District with the support of SVARAJ-Bangalore. The staff members of ICT Project were trained on web content with the support of UNDP.

NASSCOM foundation Delhi supplied educational materials to impart computer education through village information centres to children, youth and women.

With the support of ISRO, PMSSS established village resource centers to take the technology education related to medicine, livelihood, agriculture, protection of environment, distance education to the interior villages. VRC is also acting as a social

educational institution. Through telemedicine programme, the rural people are benefited by consulting the doctors for their treatment.

Information on land utilization, ground water resources are provided to the farmers and their livelihood oriented doubts were cleared. Through VRC, the farmers can be in touch with agriculture scientists.

Promotion of Rural Based Fraternal Life Communities (Credit Unions)

Since 1977 PMSSS maintained its thrust for Non formal Leadership Education and Training and in turn promote rural based credit unions in villages of its area of operation.

1	Total groups	323
2	Total members	14747
3	Total savings	Rs. 4,34,85,894

Two day training on financial auditing was conducted to the sabha members of 10 vicariates. 20 members participated.

Self Employment/ Income generation:

Sl. No	Programme	2007-2008	
		Total beneficiaries	Loan Amount (Rs.)
1	SEP	525	21,05,000
2	IGP	424	21,20,000
	Total	949	42,25,000

From 1997 till 31-3-2008 ending 7444 person with the loan amount of Rs. 2,33,40,300 from Self employment programs and 1756 persons with loan amount of Rs. 87,80,000 from Income generation programs so far benefited. During this financial year Rs. 10,00,000 has been donated as revolving assistance from Stitching Gills Foundation, Belgium. 1532 credit union members took LIC policy under Jana Shree Bima Yojana to benefit in time of accident and natural death, buy paying Rs.100/- premium amount. Insurance amount of Rs. 60,000 were distributed to the two families members. Rs. 1, 42, 800 was given as an Educational assistance to 119 students.

Land for landless & Home for Homeless.

Under land for landless and home for homeless programme, agricultural coolie people were given orientation on value of land, sustainable agriculture, social forestry, water and soil conservation, organic farming, low cost Housing technology, etc.,

Loan amount Rs. 80, 00,000 was distributed to 210 members out of it 125 members repaid the loan amount. Loans were also distributed to a tune of Rs. 1, 22,12, 550 since its inception.

Loans assistance to the tune of Rs. 4,08,000 was distributed under agricultural produce scheme.

Under Home for Homeless program loan amount of Rs. 55,99, 000 were distributed among the members. Revolving assistance of Rs. 20,40,000 were distributed to 124 persons.

Social Assistance Programme:

The objective of helping the neglected, destitute and sickly aged, handicapped persons with monthly cash assistance of Rs. 100/- per person per month become a well recognized programme.

The programme extends help to aged, destitute, chronically ill, physically challenged, widow and widowers. In total 355 persons were supported during this year with Rs. 4,32,000/- as pension. Arrangements were made for 12 persons to receive govt. pensions. 30 persons were included in the beneficiaries list.

New Thrust programme (Women Development)

Small groups were united and federated as a federation to gain power. 376 women and agricultural groups were formed with a membership of 5982. This New thrust programme was implemented in 17 unions of Pondicherry, Cuddalore and Karaikal. The total savings of these groups is Rs.1,54,52,582,-/.

Several trainings were conducted for their members as well for the staff during this year which leads to the way of empowering women in social and political aspects.

Under Jana Shree Beema Yojana LIC scheme, the total enrolled membership is 2888. Insurance amount of Rs. 1,20,000 were distributed to the family of the deceased. 17 SHG groups got loan from PMSSS to a tune of Rs. 8,98,000/-. 113 SHGs got bank loan to a tune of Rs. 1,26,53,000.

Vazhndhu Kaatuvom Thittam:

Government of Tamilnadu had implemented vazhndu kaatuvom for the development of disabled and people below poverty line. PMSSS was selected as a Block Disability Facilitating Agency. From February 2007, the project is being implemented in Nallur block of Cuddalore district. So far, 2782 physically challenged and 1975 families of BPL have been identified and identity cards were distributed to 350 persons, Aid and

appliances to 484 persons. Camps were also conducted to measure and assess the percentage of disability.

Kolping Programme:

Under Self Employment program 139 persons with the cash assistance of Rs. 6,65,000 benefited.

Under the Income Generation Programme loan assistance of Rs. 4,20,000/. 49 Children received scholarship amount to the tune of Rs. 58,800/- under Janashree Bhima Yojana Scheme of LIC.

The savings during the 2007 March ending 87 groups with 1744 members and a total savings of Rs. 69,36,980.

Kolping Matriculation School:

Kolping Matriculation School was started by PMSSS in 2004. Since, its inception many developments have been taken place. The school is at present offering education from Pre- KG to 12th standard handled by well qualified trained staff. Hostel facilities also provided to 25 students.

Agricultural Development Programme:

In order to improve the standard of living and to support the agriculturalists in all possible ways this programme was started. As an outcome of this programme agriculturalists avoided getting loans at a higher rate and sold their produce for a higher rate. Rs. 62,00,000/- as a loan for delayed sale of Agricultural produces. In addition Rs. 5,00,000 and Rs. 2,00,000 were also given to the members as loan.

Kalvaryan Tribals Development Programs:

PMSSS is serving the tribal community in Thoradipet and Pottiyam panchayats of villupuram district of Tamil Nadu. In Mayampadi village of Pottiyam panchayat, PMSSS has built school in which 43 tribal students are studying. Social work activities were taken up by the students of S.M. Shanmugam Arts and Science and Pondicherry University.

Rehabilitation and development programmes for the Srilankan Tamil Refugees:

With the support from CRS, PMSSS continues to provide its services to the Srilankan Refugees who were accommodated in camps and extended services like Children education, Medical rehabilitation, Water and Sanitation, Electricity facilities, etc. The houses in Kurinjipadi and Virudhachalam camps were renovated with the total cost of Rs. 4,59,819/-. 3 Community halls were constructed in Kullanchavady, Virudhachalam and Kattumanarkovil.

Fraternal Life Service Home:

Fraternal Life Service Home was started in 1983 in Ousteri to provide psychosocial support and care to the mentally affected people. During this financial

year, 30 people got medical support. Below is the list of persons benefited vicariates wise.

Sl. No	Vicariates	Treated patients (till 31.3.2008)
1	Kallakuruchi	33
2	Viriyur	36
3	Thirukovilur	27
4	Villupuram	65
5	Tindivanam	30
6	Gingee	4
7	Cuddalore	93
8	Neyveli	38
9	Karaikal	31
10	Puducherry	294
11	Other vicariates	240
12	Orphans	119
	Total	1010

Health Care Program:

The health project was started with the initiative of Fr. Mahe. The project aims at helping the poor and the sick in the archdiocese of Pondicherry and the benefit also extends to other diocese people who are in need.

Persons benefited:

No.	Vicariate	Benefited parishes	Total Beneficiary
1	Pondy	7	96
2	Cuddalore	13	97
3	Neyveli	6	78
4	Villupuram	11	110
5	Tindivanam	8	51
6	Gingee	6	63
7	Thirokovilur	4	35
8	Kallakuruchi	15	182
9	Viriyur	11	87
	Total	81	799

Beneficiaries from other diocese:

1. Dharmapuri	- 10
2. Oothangarai	- 16
3. Visuvasampati	- 08
4. Thiruvanamalai	- 04
5. Salem	- 02

Total	40

Impacts:

- 839 patients from 86 villages of 9 Vicariate were benefited and fully recovered.
- On an average 70 patients per month were benefited. 116 patients were admitted as in patients and 69 of them underwent operation and recovered.
- 65 staff members and SHG Leaders were given awareness on “Child care and lactation”

Case Study:

A 13yr old girl child from Villupuram, was affected by improper functioning of heart valve. With the support of Volontariat an NGO in Puducherry, she underwent an operation in a private hospital and her problem was rectified and now she recovered fully.

Disease wise beneficiary list:

1. General Medical care - 121
2. Surgery - 125
3. Heart Ailments - 30
4. Maternity - 120
5. Kidney diseases - 64
6. Urology - 23
7. Neurology - 28
8. Physiotherapy - 102
9. Child Care - 30
10. Pediatric surgery - 14
11. Plastic surgery - 17
12. Neuro surgery - 12
13. Cancer treatment - 76
14. Eye care - 21
15. ENT treatment - 17
16. Dental care - 13
17. TB treatment - 10
18. Skin treatment - 12
19. Psychiatric treatment - 04

Total 839

Free Health Camps:

Date	Place	Participants	Inpatients	Facilitators
5.4.07	Reddiarpalayam	385	72	PIMS Medical College
10.5.07	Villianur	379	18	Mahatma Gandhi Medical College
7.7.07	Maranodai	315	26	Venkateswara Medical College
20.7.07	Sathipattu	565	27	Mahatma Gandhi
18.8.07	Thumbur	259	21	Mahatma Gandhi
5.1.08	Theli	272	17	Venkateswara Medical

				College
8.2.08	Thumbur	278	15	“
1.3.08	Xavier Colony – Villupuram	286	18	“
Total		2739	214	

2. Eye camps:

Date	Place	Participants	Inpatients	Facilitators
16.5.07	Pattinacherry	176	21	PIMS Hospital
20.5.07	Alagapasamudiram	189	18	Aravind Eye Hospital
12.7.07	Kottucherry medu	215	15	PIMS Hospital
13.8.07	Uluthur	392	18	PIMS Hospital
27.8.07	Varikal	321	15	PIMS Hospital
5.9.07	Cuddalore Prison	713	215	Aravind Eye Hospital
Total		2006	302	

New Initiatives:

A free eye camp was conducted in Cuddalore Central Prison; Pondicherry Diocese Prison Ministry Coordinator Fr. Sagaya Selvaraj organized the camp with the support of Aravind Eye hospital. 700 prisoners participated in the eye camp and check up was done. With the sponsorship of Rotary Club, Pondicherry, spectacles were distributed to 215 members who attended the camp.

Health project by Tamil Nadu Voluntary Health Association (TNVHA)

PMSSS and Tamil Nadu Voluntary Health Association (TNVHA) jointly conducted many health care and development programs for more than 15 years. In the past years, many awareness programs were conducted on streamlining HIV-AIDS patients. 42 members of 27 voluntary organizations attended the awareness program. These trained members from various organizations further gave awareness to their Self Help Group members, men group leaders, youth group leaders, panchayat members and also to the organization staff. As an outcome 892 community leaders and village people were benefited.

New Initiative:

A meeting was conducted on November 2007 for the HIV infected persons. 75 HIV infected persons from Villupuram, Pondicherry and Cuddalore districts participated. In the meeting, members of Voluntary organizations, Government officials, Social Welfare Minister- Pondicherry, Health Secretary- Pondicherry Government, Director – AIDS Control Society Pondicherry, Director TNVHA and Director-PMSSS were present.

Rehabilitation and Development of the physically challenged persons:

This project is implemented with the financial support of Caritas India and coordinated by CBR forum Bangalore. This project helps the disabled to gain their rights with a comprehensive development in socio – economic status. The objective of the project is to identify physically and mentally challenged, who are deserted by the

society and to impart awareness education, skill through groups and federation to attain self sustainability and to gain rights at all levels.

Special Achievements:

Activity	Agency	Beneficiaries		Impact
		Cuddalore	Villupuram	
Free bus pass scheme (Government)	Transport corporation	4	18	Going to schools and work place
Financial assistance under tsunami scheme (Government scheme)	District Collector	17	30	Involved in income Generation Activities
Distribution of tricycle (Govt. Scheme)	District Rehabilitation office	2	2	Participation in public function
Distribution of Tailoring machines (Govt. Scheme)	“	2	-	Self Employment activities
Govt. Subsidy loan scheme	“	-	20	“
Govt. computer training	“	2	2	Motivated towards vocational training
Aids and appliances distribution	“	47	60	Used for the mobility towards schools and employment
Physiotherapy training	Kurunchipady Block Development Office	7	12	6 Mentally ill, 6 mentally retarded, 5 Deaf and dumb were trained
Govt. Education scholarship	District Rehabilitation Office	11	14	Continued education
Skill training	MCRC Schemes	10	-	Mushroom Cultivation is done
Employment schemes	Govt. & Private schemes	Persons with hearing impaired were employed in Worth Trust, Pondicherry	- 6 Paralysis affected persons are employed as Computer operators. - 3 employed in Textile showroom - 1 employed in School - 2 employed in Packaging company	Regular Income of the family


Govt. financial assistance	District Rehabilitation Office	Monthly pension for 4 members	2 blind persons were provided with marriage financial assistance of Rs. 30,000 each	
Govt. Welfare schemes	“	2 persons with cerebral palsy was given a financial assistance of Rs. 10,000 each	- Maternity benefit of Rs. 6000 each was given to 3 members - Marriage assistance was given to 3 members of Rs. 30,000 each	Awareness on welfare schemes
Education to all schemes	Special / Govt. schools	25	28	Members are continuing their education
Leadership training	PMSSS	22	28	Their leadership qualities improved
Financial assistance	PMSSS	8	-	Their livelihood standard improved.

In Cuddalore and Villupuram District, the federation of the physically challenged is actively functioning. Once in two months 6 meetings were conducted district wise in last year. In the meeting the issues affecting the livelihood, local resources would be discussed. The executive committee members of physically challenged discuss their problems in the diocese meeting and as an impact they avail many Government schemes and know to tackle their issues.

Accom Mariam Computer Training Centre:

It was started in the year 1993 to impart computer education to the students of poor economic background. The centre branches are established in Villianur, Ariyankuppam, Periyakalpet, Cuddalore OT, Kottucherry medu of Karaikal region. 1600 have successfully completed different courses out which 25% were employed.

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