

# VIVEKANANDA KENDRA RDP NEWS LETTER

APRIL & MAY ~ 2021

Dear / Respected,

Kendra well wishers, workers and volunteers,

Vanakkam.

Greetings from VKRDP.

Much delighted to submit the report of our kendra service activities during the months of April and may. Besides the severe pandemic situation our workers and volunteers rendered an appreciable service.

Let the celebrations of Bilava tamil new year day, Ramanavami and Akshaya thirithyai yields good health, more enthusiasam in the minds of people and make them happy and contented.

> With regards, Yours Sincerely,

S. Angappan.

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## Service activities

Nutrition supply

Pothaiyadi Tirunelveli district

6 tailoring units are functioning well in Nellai & Tenkasi districts with the total attendance of 153.

Andarkulam - Kanyakumari district



Through 75 Balwadies, 1974 rural Children are admitted. Balwadies are not finatined, provisions with rice supplied to the parent of the child in all the 75 Balwadies.

In our Medicare Programme, 1863 patients were examined and treated for various common ailments by Allopathy medicines in 14 Rural Medical Centers in Kanyakumari, Nellai and Thoothukudi districts. In Ilanji- near Tenkasi weekly once Siddha camp conducted and Siddha medicine only given to the patients and its good effect 925 patients benifited in these two months.

Medical center -Kombankulam



Eye camps conducted at 2 places, in Kanyakumari and Nellai districts in which 265 persons were treated for their eye ailments and 90 persons underwent cataract operation.7 persons were given eye medicines were given.

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Kanyakumari eye camp cataract patients identified and taken to Nellai-Aravind & Eye Hospital



New building inagural prog. at Sankarankudieruppu

On 21.06.2021 in the village Sankarankudieruppu the medical centre of Vivekananda Kendra was opened. It has been built donated by the wellwisher Thiru. Murali. The building includes a room for Doctor, a small pharmachy and rest room. The flooring is morbonized and well finished. Grama Ooratchi President Thiru. Balamenan and the people of the village honoured the function by their presence. Dr. Sujitha BSMS., MD., examined the patients and prescribed medicines. The voluntary service worker and well wisher of kendra Thriu. Eswaramoorthy,



social worker Thiru. Shanmuga Bharathi and compounder Sri.Ponnusamy together looked upon the arrangements. Dr. Dinesh Babu from Thattarmadam was the Chief guest of the day. The villagers thanked whole heartedly Thiru. Murali the donor of the building.

Under 'Adopt a Granny scheme', 32 destitutes and old people were provided with monthly solatiums, in the form of rice, dhal, oil,etc., for their livelihood and 129 persons were provided rice in five Southern districts of Tamilnadu.

Parents meeting was conducted in 16 Balwadis in Thoothukudi & Ramnad districts and nearly 345 parents participated.



Parents meeting - V.V.R.Nagar

## **Cultural activities**

Under Amrita Surabhi Scheme, our Kendra workers collected 1394 Kgs of rice from Southern five districts.

138 Vivekavani Subscriptions and 15 Patrons collected.

Through various branch centers, including Thoothukudi A.O. and book stalls, literature books were sold for Rs.21,741/-

Kendra Varga conducted in Kovilpatti and Aruppukottai and 18 persons participated .

Yoga Varga has been conducted at 2 places in Aruppukottai and Kovilpatti where 15 persons attended.

In Thoothukudi district Ramanavami was celebrated in 9 places blessed with 157 participants. In Thoothukudi, VKRDP office campus, 150 members took part in the Ramanavami celebration. The Nagarsanchalak Tmt. Subathra Vetrivel lighted the Kuthuvilakku. Thiru. Balamurugan welcomed the gathering. Educationst Thiru. Somu delivered the presidential address. Before starting the programme the members of Sachidhananda sabha and sisters of Kendra chanted Ramanama Sangeerthanam and sang devotional songs. The students of Sivanjali Nattiyalaya enriched the programme with Anandha Narthanam, Kavadichindu and Ramarsong.Dr.Vanmathi, the principal of Kamaraj women's college delivered a speech on the various good aspects of Rama. The Nattiyalaya students and the special guests are honoured by mementos by Tmt. Subathra Vetrivel and Thiru. Somu. After the secretary's vote of thanks Ramanavami vizha came to an end by kendra prarthana.

Ramanavami vizha - Thoothukudi office







All the help that has come was from within your selves.

- Swami Vivekanandar

In 149 Sanskara Vargas, 3039 students participated. The students were taught about the values of Indian Culture through games, lectures & lessons. The feelings of oneness were strengthened among the participants, through patriotic songs and games.

Monthly Deepa poojas were organized in 143 village temples in five districts of Southern Tamilnadu, in which 4811 ladies participated and offered prayers for the welfare of the self, family and the society.

On 14.04.2021, 17.04.2021 and 24.04.2021 Anna Pooja held at Thoothukudi, Andarkulam and Peyankuzhi respectively. Nearly 205 persons participated and 7,410 kg. rice collected in those three Annapoojas.

### Anna Pooja - Thoothukudi







Anna Pooja - Andarkulam







Anna Pooja - Peyankuzhi







What we see is God percolating through nature.
- Swami Vivekanandar.

## **Inspiring Incidents**

#### M.Shenbagam - K.Thangammalpuram - Thoothukudi district

K.Aruna, studying in our Creche used to bring flowers daily for Swamiji's portrait. As she had joined 1st std this year I was worried about the flowers. On seeing my face she assured me that shewould bring flowers daily before going to School. I was thrilled by her dedication and love towards Swamiji and our Creche.

#### P. Ramya - Keelamunthal - Ramnad district

I have joined Vivekananda Creche as balasevikas this year only. On the first day I distributed chocolates to the kids. At that time the boy named Manosh asked all the kids to throw away the wrappers in the dustbin and not on the ground. Really I was surprised to see him directing others for a good habit in that early age.

#### M.Vilvakani- Perunazhi - Kanyakumari district

While canvassing for new admission in our village I approached all the houses and explained them about the care and study materials. Moral education and service activities of our Kendra Creches. At that time a boy ran out of a house and embraced me shouting teacher. I couldn't recall who he was. Then I remembered he was a student when I worked for six months in that Creche. I was really stunned by his love and affection.

#### M.Muthamilselvi - Perunazhi - Kanyakumari district

In our Creche, Karthik and his sister are studying. Karthik is slightly abnormal. Oneday his sister started crying for some unknown reason and we couldn't console her. Karthick also started crying and made her lay in his lap and patted her. Slowly she stopped crying and felt comfortable. Really I couldn't believe the deep love and concern between them. That boy being retarded smoothened her sister with real concern. This seene had touched my heart.

#### P.Manju - Sevalpatti - Thoothukudi district

J.Vigneshwaran left our Creche for admitting in a bigger School. On the date of admission the Headmaster of that School asked him about the School he had studied. He told him about our Creche and asked him whether he would admit his Manju teacher also in that School. The Headmaster replied him, "Oh! Your Manju teacher will come here after 15 days. "He thought that with in two weeks the boy would mingle with the new atmosphere and would be ok. But to his great surprise the kid came to him and asked him whether he would ask Manju teacher to come there. When his mother told me about this I was really felt proud and happy about my impact on the young minds.

#### M.Prabha - Kavalkinarupudur - Tirunelveli district

Sruthika is a kid of our Creche. On 17th April her family members were getting ready for a marriage. She had told has mother that she would not come as payasam would be given in the Creche. As she was stubborn her mother fetcher her to the Creche and informed me everything. I told her that she called 'Ragi kanji' as payasam and felt much delighted to see her attachment with the Creche.

#### M.Vijayalakshmi - Pudhugrammam-Tirunelveli district

Once I was talking with the kids I had asked two of the kids having younger sisters at home to inform their mothers to admit them in our Creche when they grew up. Watching this child named Sivakarthiga ran to me and told me that she would also ask her mother to send her papa to our School. The kid was one month old baby. I was surprised to see her dedication.

#### V.Janakipushbam - Vallioor - Tirunelveli district

On 21st April free eye camp was held in V.K.Puram P.L.W.A. Hr. Sec. School. While canvassing five volunteers from the School came with us in the Jeep. They issued the notices to the houses, shops and the public with deep concern. On the day of the camp also they came and involved in the service the whole day. In the evening the boy named Vishnu came near me and asked me when he could join the Kendra as service. I had informed him to complete the college education and come for Kendra service. Moreover he could serve as self service worker in the activities of Kendra then. Being a VII Std student he had touched my heart.

#### N.Chandra - V.K.Puram - Tirunelveli district

On 21st April free eye camp was held in V.K.Puram P.L.W.A.Hr.Sec. School. The camp was conducted by Vivekananda Kendra in collobration with Chennai Diabetic Specialist Dr.S.Nallaperumal. During the valedictory function Doctor's father congratulated the dedicated service of Kendra service workers and the N.S.S.Volunteers of the School involving in all the voluntary service. He had honored us with a seeds ball containing seeds of long living eco-friendly trees. Wherever we throw the ball the most beneficial trees will grow to save the earth. I was much delighted and proud of their most essential and timely needed gift.

Experience is the only source of knowledge.