

## **DEVELOPMENT EDUCATION CENTRE**

### ***22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Report - 2017-18***

*Happy! Happy! Happy!*

*Happy to reach new Heights!*

*Happy to receive what we deserve!*

*Happy to enjoy nature!*

*Happy listening to melodious music!*

*Happy hearing babbles of innocent kids!*

*Compassion is a pleasure too!!*

Such happiness can be found in all hearts at all places. But the actual happiness lies in others' love, serving others and sharing alone. We take great pleasure in sharing with you the happiness we felt by our act of service.

### **Prologue**

The compassionate services rendered by the Development Education Centre and Anbalaya, which is adored by everybody, Differently Abled, under-privileged women and children living in the lowest rung of the society without any hope, for the past 22 years is well known to everyone. Our Centre is an organization that infuses self confidence and relevant training to people living in desperation dejected by their physical and mental setbacks enabling them live life on their own. We take pride in relentlessly taking forward such services.

It's our pleasure in sharing with you the achievements and disappointments we faced during our journey in this selfless path.

### **1. Anbalaya - The Temple of Love!**

To uplift the students with lower capabilities, intellectually and physically, training is provided to 60 such students in our Special School. With Special teachers, Trainers, Psychologists and physiotherapists various trainings are imparted in the field of Special Education, Physical Fitness, Speech Therapy, Yoga and talents in the field of Arts. Considerable improvement is visible in the mental and physical capabilities of the students. Further an opportunity to continue their education in regular schools and to take exams in 10<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> standards and Government Staff Selection, training and guidance is provided. Excellent sports coaching is also provided to ensure a holistic growth in them.

### **2. Residential Rural Special School:**

The special arm of our centre, Anbalaya Residential Rural Special School is functioning in Melnallathur, Thiruvallur District for the past 11 years providing excellent services in various aspects to students and society at large. Consisting of 30 students, 3 special teachers, 1 Physical education teacher, 2 office assistants, this Residential Rural Special School is functioning with overall growth of the students in focus.

### **3. Wheel Vocational Training Centre**

The boys and girls studying in our Special School over 18 years of age are provided with vocational training. More than 25 different handicraft produce of our students, through the vocational training, is supplied to Business establishments, Schools, Hospitals et al and sold through Exhibitions and the proceeds are paid to the students as stipend. According to their capabilities handicraft and employment training is provided. Well trained students are placed in various commercial establishments.

### **4. ABLE Training**

In November 2016, Ability Based Livelihood Empowerment (ABLE), a Talent Training program for students above 18 years with lower IQ, of 17 months duration was started by American Indian Foundation along with LC of Nagapattinam. In this program training was provided in Paper Cup Manufacturing, Screen Printing and

Catering sectors for employability. These trainees were selected through skill and psychological evaluation.

## **5. AMBA Training**

Considering the current need of Computer Skills, 20 students are trained in computer operations by AMBA Centre, Bangalore. By learning Data Entry Operation the students not only develop their intellectual capacity but also learn an employable skill. Trainees like Lenin, Bhavani and Charles are now capable of completing 50 Data Entry Forms in one day.

## **6. Activities**

### **6.1 Teacher Training 02.06.2017**

A Training program was conducted in our centre on 02.06.2017 for our special teachers to enhance their skills by deploying new methods in teaching. Mr. Ramesh, an educationalist from TISS – EXTENSION CENTRE, Muttukadu, Chennai conducted the training based on Communication, Responsibility and Child Care. He also spoke about Team Work. He motivated our teachers with visuals and practical examples.

### **6.2 Dental Camp: 26.07.2017**

On 26.07.2017 a Free Dental Camp was conducted by Baskar Dental Clinic at our centre. Dr. Thirumalai Raja B.D.S and Mr. D Suraj, Manager, Baskar Dental Clinic examined our staff and the children. Under the supervision of dentists, awareness was created on Dental Health and Cleanliness.

### **6.3 Eye Camp: 26.10.2017**

A Free Eye camp by Health Line Charitable Trust was conducted in our centre. Eye specialist from the trust examined the eye sight and eye disorders of all the participants. He offered lot of useful suggestions to protect the eyes from dust and pollution. He also advised on proper examination and maintenance of eyes to all present.

### **6.4 Free Medical Camp: 30.06.2017**

A free Medical Camp was organised by Mr. Thangaraj and friends on behalf of Ms. Caterpillar Ltd in our Anbalaya Rural Special School. All our students participated. The doctors examined everybody and gave away required medicines also.

### **6.5 Travel N Taste: Marina 17.06.2017**

All our students were taken to Free Masson Hall, Egmore by Mr. Arivu Nidhi, Advocate and his friends on 17.06.2017. Our students were honoured with delicious food along with T-Shirts and Books. Later all were taken to Marina Beach where they enjoyed playing in the beach.

### **6.6 Chennai Volunteers Group: Exhibition 18.08.2017**

Their members' meeting was organised in AVM Rajeswari Kalyana Mandapam at Mylapore. The participating NGOs shared about their resources and requirements, which was very useful.

### **6.7 Camp on Employability: 27.09.2017 to 29.09.2017**

Similar to the Living Style Camp conducted last year, this year too an Employability Camp was conducted from 27.09.2017 to 29.09.2017 in Chennai. In this camp the following were taught:

- a. Punctuality
- b. Working Efficiently
- c. Communication
- d. Adapting to the work environment
- e. Self Confidence

In this 3 days residential camp the participants were clarified on etiquettes and behaviour at work place. Everyday Yoga, Meditation, Field Work, Teamwork, Gardening, communication and reporting were taught and practised which enthralled the students.

### **6.8 Parents Meet:**

ANBALAYA: The meeting for the parents at Thiruvottriyur was held on 14.10.2017. Mrs. Ansari spoke on Food and Health. Secretary of our centre Mr. K. Prabhakar spoke about General Sports and Special Olympics. They were detailed about the late coming of students and co-operation of the parents.

ANBALAYA RURAL SPECIAL SCHOOL: The Parents' Meeting was conducted on 21.09.2017 in Thiruvallur. All the parents participated and the class teachers explained the first quarter assessment (2017) to them in detail. Special Education Teacher and in-charge Mr. Panjapakesan gave a lecture about the students to the parents. During his lecture he explained about the building under construction for students' accommodation and requested them to offer their help.

### **6.9 Inter School Yoga Competition 20.11.2017**

This was held in KRM Special School, Perambur in Chennai. Our school students, special teacher Ms. Priyanka and Mr. Murugan participated in Group Competition and won the 2<sup>nd</sup> prize. Our school student Vinupriya won 2<sup>nd</sup> prize in individual competition.

### **6.10 Industrial Visit:**

Our secretary Mr. Prabhakar, Mr. Jagadesan and Ms. Renuka staff members along with our trainees visited KCP Ltd, factory in Thiruvottriyur on 17.06.2017. There they enjoyed visiting their Foundry, New Shed, Fabrication, Extra Heavy Shed and Light Shed.

Vocational Training students from both our schools visited WE Care, an NGO based at Singaperumal Koil. There they learnt to use spoiled food as animal feed and recycling of waste materials. Students eagerly saw the functioning of the machineries and clarified their doubts. This was a very useful visit.

### **6.11 Interaction with students of other schools.**

On 21.11.2017 students from Sri Sathya Sai (CBSC) High School visited our school and interacted with our students happily.

On 08.01.2018 students from St. Mary's Higher Secondary School visited our school and were astonished on the skills of our students while interaction.

### **6.12 Our students' contribution in sports:**

Details of the various prizes won by the students of both our schools in District, State and National events:

| No | Date                     | Event Details                                 | Place                         | Participants                          | Results                           |
|----|--------------------------|---|-------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 1  | 27.04.2017 to 30.04.2017 | Track events                                  | Trichy                        | 1                                     | Gold                              |
| 2  | 25.05.2017               | National Bharat Special Olympic Basket Ball.  | Haryana                       | 5                                     | Silver & Bronze Medals            |
| 3  | 05.06.2017               | MYAS – National Shuttle Cock and Table Tennis | National Law College, Gujarat | Shuttle Cock - 4 and Table Tennis - 4 | Silver and Bronze in Table Tennis |
| 4  | 20.07.2017 – 27.07.2017  | Table Tennis                                  | Rajasthan                     | 4                                     | Silver                            |

## **7. Functions:**

### **7.1 Annual Sports Day: 12.08.2017**

On behalf of Development Education Centre, sports competitions were held in Our Lady High School with our students from both our schools. Students were divided into three teams namely Green, Yellow and Red and competitions were conducted. The team winning more no of competitions, based on points the cup will be awarded. In this competition our Anbalaya Rural Special School Team won the cup.

### **7.2 ABLE –Felicitation – 19.08.2017**

This function was held at Yummies Restraunt. With the Introductory speech by ABLE participants, Aluminus Mr. Dineshkumar and Mr. Anandkumar, industrialist shared their views. Ms. Vijayalakshmi, Head mistress of Adhiparasakthi trust delivered her special address on Placement of Differently Abled persons and Fair Trade Practices. Mr. Aldrin of LC, Nagapattinam answered the queries raised by parents and industrialists. Ms. Madhupriya, Executive HR, CUMI and Mr. Rajvinder, Manager, AIF distributed certificates and felicitated the trainees which were a emotionally happy moment for the participants. In sequel to this function efforts were put in to place our trainees and those who were placed through this are performing well.

### **7.3 Teachers Day 05.09.2017**

Anbalaya celebrated the Teachers' Day on 05.09.2017 in the school premises with the overwhelming support of the students and their parents .On behalf of the centre Teachers and Staff of the school went to "Thada Falls" on 22.09.2017 and they had a memorable time there.

On 05.09.2017 Anbalaya Rural Special School celebrated Teachers' Day with pride and joy. Mr. Rajesh, Volunteer was the special guest on the occasion. Teachers and Parents participated along with students and made the function very successful.

### **7.4 Deepavali 17.10.2017**

The festival was celebrated in a grand manner at our Anbalaya Rural Special School. Reverend Father Pradeep of Rosary Church participated and explained the significance of the festival to our students. Our students burst crackers and enjoyed the celebration.

On the same day the festival was celebrated with our Thiruvottriyur Special School. Our school Principal Mrs. Arokiya Mary explained the significance of Deepavali and cautioned the students on the safety measures to be adhered to while celebrating the festival. Special Students enjoyed bursting crackers.

### **7.5 Children's Day**

On 25.11.2017 Children's Day was celebrated with Mr. Arivunidhi, Advocate as the special guest along with his advocate friends, Mr. Iniyan and Mr. Shorly. Fancy Dress Competition and Debates were held for the special students and the guests gave away prizes and motivated them.

Anbalaya Rural Special School, Thiruvallur celebrated Children's Day on 04.11.2017. Mr. Kandasamy, Headmaster Government High School, Melnallathur along with Reverend Father Pradeep, Police Officer Ms. Sudha, teachers and Parents participated. Dancing, painting and debating competitions were held for the students and prizes were distributed for the winners.

### **7.6 World Differently Abled Day:**

Tamilnadu Spastic Society organised a function for the differently abled on 03.12.2017 at Annai Theresa Home, Royapuram on 03.12.2017. Fancy Dress competition was held in the theme "Cartoon Animation" and 3 participants from our special school won prizes.

Differently Abled Day was celebrated in our Development Education Centre. Students from various schools participated and exhibited their individuality. For instance they performed Group Dance, Puppet show, Mass Drill, Yoga and Group Singing. Competitions in Debate and Keyboard playing were also held. Our Special Students participated in Yoga, Debates and Individual Talents competitions and won prizes. This function was sponsored by Indian Oil Corporation.

### **7.7 Christmas Celebrations: 21.12.2017**

Christmas was celebrated on 21.12.2017 at our Development Education Centre. Reverend Father Anthonyraj from St. Paul Church honoured us by participating as a special guest. He delivered the Christmas message for this year to our students.

Christmas was celebrated in a grand manner in our Anbalaya Rural Special School, Thiruvallur. Reverend Father Pradeep participated as a special guest along with his team members and honoured us with their performance. Mr. Joseph along with the

Chennai Port Team participated and performed Puppet show, Dance, Drama et al for our students' enjoyment.

### **7.8 Pongal Festival:**

Pongal was celebrated in both our Anbalaya Schools enthusiastically. The function was compeered by Loyola College students and they held competitions for our students and teachers. Pot breaking and team competitions were conducted and it was a pleasant moment for all of us.

### **7.9 Republic Day Celebration:**

The 69<sup>th</sup> Republic Day was celebrated in our Anbalaya Rural Special School in a grand manner. The special invitee of this celebration Mr. Dhasarathan hoisted the National Flag, delivered the Republic Day speech and distributed sweets to all our students. His speech inculcated patriotism and national integration.

## **8. Women's Day Celebrations:**

To honour women for celebrating Women's Day, we organised a Medical Camp exclusively for women in our Development Education Centre on 03.03.2018 in co-ordination with HelpAge India and Rajan Eye Care. More than 160 women benefitted by the camp. Blood Sugar, Blood pressure, Eye disorders and general physical ailments were screened and remedies offered. Free Medicines were also distributed. A woman was diagnosed cataract in her eye and assured of free surgery. We thank the volunteers of HelpAge India and Mr. Murali, camp coordinator of Rajan Eye Care for their efforts to make the camp a success.

## **9. Special Aspects:**

🌈 Our approach to Oil and Natural Gas Corporation, projecting our students positively, with their support installing Paper Cup making machine and training our students on production was a commendable effort.

🌈 Due to our efforts in imparting relevant training in suitable way to our trainees, making them self confident and placing in appropriate employment, thus making them self reliant. 6 trainees have been placed in various places depending on their skill sets.



- ✚ Students Ramya and Tamil Arasi who have won gold medals in the National Track Events held by Special Olympics Bharat have been bestowed with the opportunity to participate in the International Special Olympics to be conducted in 2019.
- ✚ Apart from our students our Development Education Centre is also involved in giving a helping hand to other differently abled persons with necessary accessories, advice and medical assistance. Tamilnadu Government conducted a camp in collaboration with Chennai Petroleum Corporation to give away accessories to differently abled persons for 4 days. Our Centre co-ordinating with this camp mobilised more than 250 deserving persons. A programme was arranged in Thanga Maligai Hall on 09.03.2018 to distribute aids and accessories. Mr. Anupam Prakash, Managing Director of CPCL, Chennai, officials from ALIMCO, Bangalore, Mr. Paneerselvam, RDO and Mr. Jagadesan, DDRO Thiruvallur participated and distributed the aids and accessories to about 206 differently abled persons.
- ✚ Our students Meeran received Hearing aid and prosthetic arm and Gokul received Hearing aid.
- ✚ Apart from this advice and guidance are provided to women to solve their problems in family life. Alcoholics are de-addicted with proper treatment and medication thus paving way for a happy family life.

## 10. Our Challenges:

- ✚ The most challenging effort in our services is placing our eligible ABLE trainees in appropriate employment. Particularly explaining to the owners of the companies about our trainees and creating an opportunity for placement was very challenging. Yet placing many of our trainees in good establishment has dwarfed the mountainous task!
- ✚ The inflation and natural disasters have affected our parents, trainees, differently abled students and other differently abled persons depending on us, to a large extent.
- ✚ The efforts for constructing the dwelling unit in our Anbalaya Rural Special School are inordinately delayed due to non availability of sand and funds and lack of assistance along with natural disasters.
- ✚ To set right seepage of Rain water during monsoon in our Paper Cup making unit is another posing challenge due to non availability of proper sponsors.

## 11. Aspirations:

- ✚ In the current circumstances where our students are coached in sports events and making them eligible to participate in District, State, National and International events, the play ground in our school premises is not up to the standard to give them special coaching. We aspire to fill up the play ground with more sand and upgrade our play ground.
- ✚ We are in need of an Automobile (Car or a Minivan) to ease our following functions:
  1. To ferry our students and coaches to and fro from the sports centres
  2. To participate in Sports events
  3. To visit coaching centres
  4. To procure raw material for our vocational training centre
  5. To deliver the end products to our customers, participate in exhibitions, marketing
  6. To take our students to intellectual and awareness programmes
- ✚ We want to come out with a Monthly magazine which should serve as a window to the world to enable us to know the happenings around and for others to know about us.
- ✚ As the training methods are changing according to the international standards so is the intense competition. Hence to be aware of alternate sources we need to have an exclusive training centre with the relevant facilities.

## 12. Acknowledgements:

- Lodge Justitia 86, a consortium of Advocates donated us a loom to produce door mats easing the efforts of our students in producing door mats. Further they also provided rice for our daily consumption. Our heartfelt thanks to Mr. Arivunidhi, advocate who was a catalyst for their generosity.
- Our sincere thanks to the Managing Director and staff of Thamizhaga Cable Corporation Ltd., (TCCL) for helping us in various needs in addition to participating in all our school functions encouraging and motivating us.
- Our heartfelt thanks to the proprietors of Butler Leather Goods, Ever green super market, Golden super market, Shell petrol pump, and Sri Lakshmi agro foods for employing our trainees and lighting their lives.

- We profusely thank Dr. Shaji and Dr. Kumaresan for helping us whenever our students need medical attention.
- Our thanks to CUMI, Shankara vidyalaya, Mahaveer Jain Higher secondary school, Sai Sathya higher secondary school, Ramesh Hospitals, and Suman Hospitals for encouraging our trainees by consuming our Cleaning and other products produced by them.
- We acknowledge with gratitude the timely assistance rendered in various situations by CUMI, Caterpillar, L & T and Ennore Foundries.
- We thank our District Differently abled Welfare Officer (DDRWO) for his sincere co-operation.
- We thank volunteers for helping us at various occasions and assisting us during events at our centre.

***We sincerely thank***

***The kind hearts for helping us not only with materials***

***But with their physical efforts too!***

In our pursuing journey

Only growth and success has to pursue us.

Relentlessly striving towards

Such success we

Humbly bow before you to

Receive continued support and

Constructive suggestions

And

**Conclude!**

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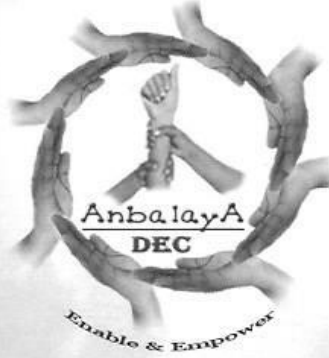
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**Founder/secretary**

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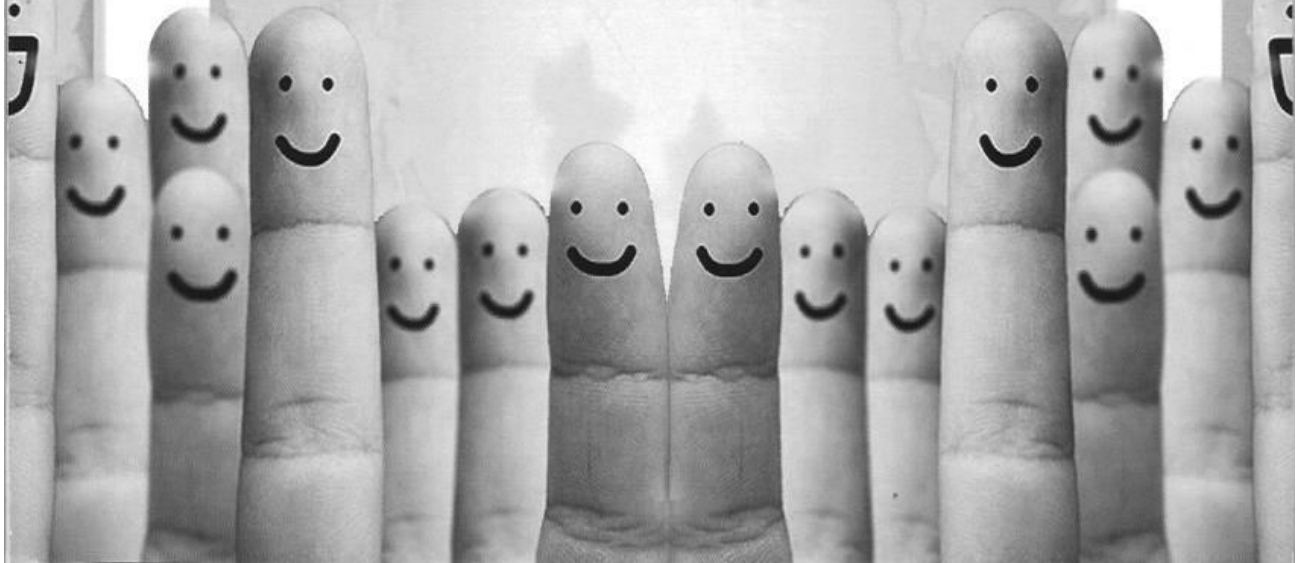
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AnbalayaA School for Special Needs

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# Activites Snaps 2017 - 2018

## AnbalayA Special School



## AnbalayA Rural Special School



## Wheel Vocational Unit



## ABLE Training



## AMBA



## Programmes





## Festivals



## Out Reach





## Achievers



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## Other Activities

