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Annual Report



2022-2023

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RURAL WORKERS DEVELOPMENT SOCIETY (RWDS)

RAMANATHAPURAM - 623503

Introduction:

Rural Workers Development Society was founded in the year 2007 by a group of public minded leaders those who are effectively concerning in community development activities for more than three decades. It was registered under Tamilnadu Societies Registration Act vide Registration number 93/2007. Its head quarters are located in Ramanathapuram. RWDS is working among children, women, youth, farmers, rural unorganized workers especially Palmyrah Workers in Ramnad District.

Target Area:

State : Tamilnadu

District : Ramanathapuram.

Blocks : Mandapam, Ramanathapuram, Kadalady, Tirupullani, Thiruvadana, R.S.Mangalam, Muthukulathur, Kamuthi, Paramakudi and Nainarkovil.

Vision : The socio economic development of the marginalized with emphasis on Palmyrah Workers, Women and Children

Mission :

- To mobilize and federate the Palmyrah workers irrespective of caste, creed or religion to organize for their livelihood issues.
- To make them understand their condition and motivate them to participate in their development through awareness generation.
- To improve their bargaining power and to link with Govt and formal institutions for self reliance and substances.
- To enable for adequate health and education to Children for better tomorrow.

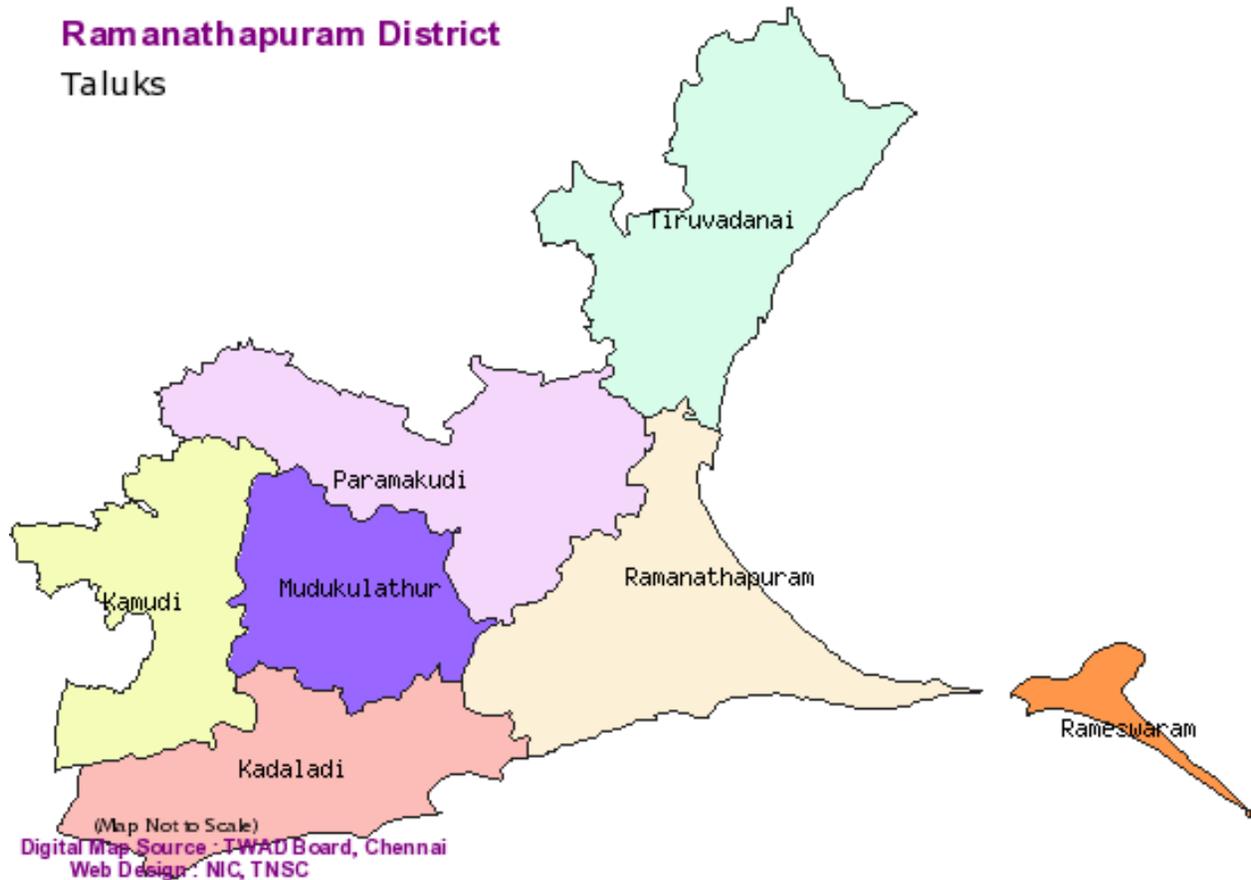
Working Areas:

Ramanathapuram is situated along the Eastern coastal District of the Southern Tamilnad. The Bay of Bengal in the east, The Calf of manner in the whole sea shore, Sivagangai, Pudukottai, Virudhunagar, and Tuticorin constitute it boundaries. Spreading over an area of 4232sq²km. This District is divided in to 11 development Blocks and it has the highest population of urban population among the major districts. The incidence of poverty and drought is highest among the 32 districts. Ramnad has also a population of scheduled castes 28% children compose 27.2% of the population.

Project operational area is the located in Ramanathapuram District in Southern part of Tamil Nadu (650 Km away from Chennai). Drinking water is acute problem. Women have to walk miles together to fetch water, and it is very difficult to get pure, soft and potable water irrespective of Government efforts. In brief Ramanathapuram is a most backward and underdeveloped district in terms of Socio-Economic and industrial development

AREA DETAILS: District – 1, Taluk – 5, Blocks – 11, Village - 110

District Map of Ramanathapuram



President Message

I am delighted to present to you our 16th annual report for the financial year 2022-2023. I use this opportunity to convey my sincere thanks to the members of the governing board for their valuable support and suggestions, and my best wishes and appreciation to all staff members of RWDS for their diligence and hard work to attain the mission and goals of RWDS. You are carrying out the work through the RWDS of integrating the socio-economically backward palmyrah workers for their professional development and to create a sustainable livelihood. And also, I owe thanks to the Cry organization for creating a healthy and safe environment and laying the children's foundation for their excellent growth.

Thanks & Regards
(D.R.Chandran)
President

Financial Support

Child Rights and you (CRY) have been working towards creating a happy and healthy childhood for over 4 decades. They have been providing financial support to our organization since its inception in 2007. Through their funding in Ramanathapuram District, so far, more than 10,000 children have been ensured the right to education, health, protection, and participation and have been well guided to achieve their goals. Join with the School Education Department and District Child Protection Unit to remove and rescue the above 300 child laborers, make education flourish again in their lives, stop more than 100 child marriages, and also lay the foundation for their best future. And recovered the livelihood of palmyrah workers, may their career prosper, CRY created better awareness for them

he last 16 years, provided financial support, suggestions, and training, created the organization's development and structure, and they guided it to execute the correct and strong financial and administrative capacity. On behalf of our managing board and employees, We express our gratitude to the CRY organization.

Secretary- RWDS

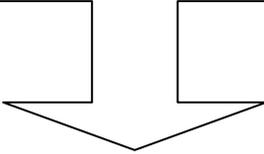
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	Tamilnad Mercantile Bank - Ramanathapuram
	Karur Vysya Bank – Bharathinagar Branch
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BOARD MEMBERS DETAILS

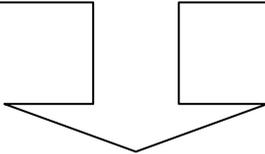
S.NO	NAME	Responsible
1	Mr.D.R.Chandran	President
2	Mrs. V.Soundramalathi	Secretary
3	Mrs.G.Pasupathi	Treasurer
4	Mr.P.Subramanian	Vice President
5	Mr.P.Kannan	Executive Member
6	Mrs.N.Rajamani	Executive Member
7	Mrs.P.Antonyammal	Executive Member
8	Mr.S.Kalimuthu	General Body Member
9	Mr.M.Perumal	General Body Member

Organization Structure

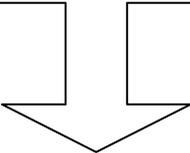
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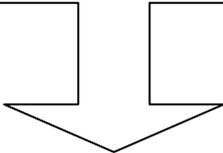
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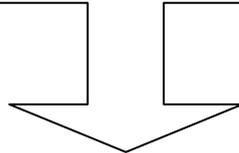
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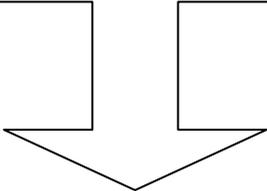
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Community Organizers



Activity Report

1. Activities for Palmyrah workers

1. Village and Cluster level Sangams

Organized the palmyrah workers as village and cluster level sangams and monthly meetings conducted among them in Mandapam, Thiruppullani and Kadaladi Blocks in Ramanathapuram District. Through this meetings add the new members in Sangams and also ID cards are received from welfare boards.

And also receiving the welfare funds like Educational scholarship for children, Marriage and Maternal assistance to women, Old age pension through sangams.

Village Sangam in-charges and members also undertake the special monitoring in educational and health activities of children in villages.

- 100% Enrollment of school children
- Child labor rescued and mainstreaming in school
- Child marriage Prevention
- Govt school retention.

During the financial year 2022-2023, Sangam meetings were conducted in 110 villages and members recieved the welfare amount of Rs.1092000/- from the Govt Welfare Board.

22 Child labors shoud be removed from work and reenrolled in school.

Received the Amount of Rs.11956500/- as Govt welfare fund to Palmyrah workers from the year of 2008 to 2023

2. Activities for Children

1. Children Collective Meetings

Children's collective meeting was held to ensure the right of children to participate and to teach them social education. The children's collective meeting is made up of children between the ages of 8 and 18. Children share their school experiences and discuss their needs and problems

twice a month. A group is engaged in reading children's books and discussing their ideas. Playing traditional village games together and discussing the needs and problems. In 52 villages, 52 children's collective meetings take place.

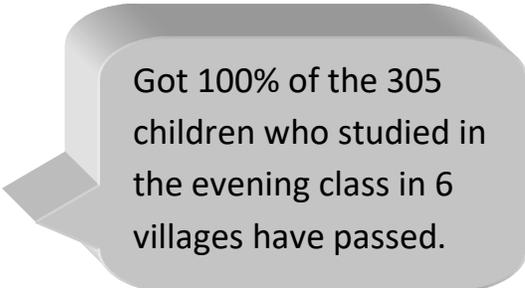
This year's child center modules will provide special training for children during the collective meeting to discuss agendas. Life education is designed to promote responsibility, self-identity, self-esteem, child involvement, creative thought, analytical abilities, discussions, developmental status of children, and thinking skills related to gender-based issues. This year, there were $343 + 801 = 1144$ children who participated.

2. Adolescent children's group Meetings

In the Palmyra worker villages, there are special events being held for the boys and girls who are between the ages of 11 and 18 years. Provided psychological and physiological education and counseling for adolescents and children. At a young age, children are prone to dropping out of school and becoming child laborers. Counseling is provided to assist them in continuing their education and addressing the challenges and dangers of children going to work. Advice on how to cleanse your body and live a healthy life is given. In 22 collectives this year, 850 children participated in similar activities. There were 198 meetings that took place.

3. Evening Class for Vulnerable Children

Evening Education was organized for childrens from 9th to 12th class who are from vulnerable families in the villages of 6 (Kannigapuri, Boopandiyapuram, Alaikathavalasai, Maruthanthoppu Nathakulam ,vellapatty) in our working places in order to solve the doubts related to the subject during the Corona period for the children and to understood and learn the maths and English lessons easily. $132 + 173 = 305$ children have benefited from this year.



Got 100% of the 305 children who studied in the evening class in 6 villages have passed.

4. Life Skill Education

Special training in Children Collectives conducted on Life skills about Self Identity, Self Responsible, Developing Decision making skills, Children participation, Creativity &

Analysis, Scientific discussion, Developmental stages of children, Awareness on gender issues, Scientific concepts, factors affecting children and psychological training were imparted.

5. Special training / Classes for Children

Bridge school was conducted at 4 centre included 7 villages, $191+166=307$ children are participated. From this 6th to 8th STD $91+99=190$ and 9th to 12th STD $50+67=117$, Children are clarified their doubts any subjects. Bridge staff's are conducted this session in schools also. Motivate them to go concentrate in studies as well as sports and skills also, move through their ambition. Bridge Summer vocational celebration conducted in Koravalli, Lakshmipuram and Periyamayakipuram villages. Children exposed their individual skills and efforts.

6. Children Adolescent Resource Centre (CARC)

CARC functioning in Poopandiyapuram village, Kadaladi Block. Clearing the study related doubts, and also helps to guide children in Maths, English and other subjects easily. It also prepares and guides children for competitive exams for higher education and government jobs.

Providing materials and trainings to children in indoors games like Chess, Carrom, Outdoors games of Volleyball and Basket balls also. Silambam practiced to children as self defence and they also take participate in competitions.

A.Thirumaniselvam, C.Pravin, Chandru and Harish from poopandiyapuram and 1 girl child from Periyamayakipuram village have won District, State and National level silambam competitions

7. Educational and Health Activities :

Education and health are the important factors in need of children's development. Based on this trainings and guidelines are given to School management committee members in 52 villages to ensure the availability of classrooms, Toilets, Protected Drinking water and Subjectwise teachers in schools.

With the financial support of Cry and Sun Network, sanitary blocks were renovated and put to use for male and female children in 11 government schools in Kadaladi Block.

With the financial support of Cry and Sun Network, health care products included Sanitizer, Napkin incinerators are provided to 22 Govt school in Mandapam, Thirupullani and kadaladi Blocks.

8. Special Events

- **Children's Day**

There were 450 children who participated and shared their opinions and thoughts in children's celebrations organized at Koravalli, Kuthukalvalasai and Melakidaram villages in Mandapam, Thiruppullani and Kadaladi Blocks. The children also expressed their views on their future goals through essays and drawings. More than 500 people and Representatives Like panchayat President and members, Leaders from Palmyrah workers village sangams, Union officials of BDO, CDBO and DCPO and parents participated in the ceremony.

- **National Girl children Day festival**

To ensure the girl children's participation and they achieved their aims by persistence with participating in Sports and Education. Appreciating them in order to bring out their talents on National Girl child Day at Kadaladi and Thirupullani Panchayath Union office an event was held to appreciate the women achiever in our working villages. In this Program Panchayath Union Commissioners, officers, CDPO, Parents and RWDS staff took participate and Praised the Women Achievers.

- **Participation in Grama Sabha Meetings**

RWDS staff and sangam members took participation in Village panchayath Grama sabha meeting held on January 26, April 24, May 1, July 22, August 15, October 2, made resolution on village Basic facilities and ensure the children's Development and Protection rights.

Through this, 15 villages have been converted into 100% child labor free villages in the last year. 51 villages have been converted into child marriage free villages.

Road developed from Vannangundu main road to Ayyanarkovil Road for about 1.5 km.

- **World Day against the trafficking in Person**

In honour to World Day against the Human Trafficking Awareness and Rally organized in 5 Village Panchayaths and 12 High & Higher Secondary schools in Kadaladi, Thirupullani and Mandapam Blocks . In these meetings, Panchayat presidents, members, teachers, school children, village responsibilities, and people participated and were made aware.

- **Tri Parties Meeting**

Tri Parties Meeting organized on 27-10-2022 in Campus at Panchayath Union Middle School – Poopandiyapuram, in Preside over the Block Educational officer and RWDS President Mr.D.Ramachandran and with the participation of School Teachers and Parents who coming from Migrant places,

- **Breast feeding week Celebration**

Breast feeding week celebrated in village Anganwadi centres. In this awareness campaigns 5 ANC, 3 PNC and 3+8 Parents were took participation. Awareness created on Importance and benefits of Breast feeding, that is increased Mother's beauty and bonding. Doctors advised that breast cancer, cervical cancer, high blood pressure, diabetes etc. will be prevented.

- **Anti Child labour Day**

Anti Child Labour Day Rally and Seminar were conducted on 14-06-2022 at Boys Govt High School in Sayalkudi, Kadaladi Block. In this Meeting District Child Protection officer Mr. Sathyanarayanan, Labor welfare Assistant Inspector Mrs.Vasantha, CWC member Mr.Ramamoorthy, Child Line Coordinator Mr.Mohammed Nasoorab, Sayalkudi TownPanchayath Leader Mr.Anifa Anna were took participate and explained the child labour practice is illegal with the examples. In this meeting 500 Above children, parents, and teachers took part.