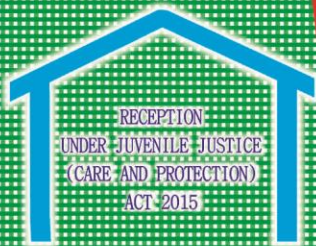
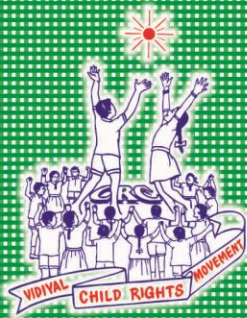
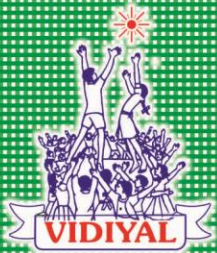




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Vision

Every Right for Every Child

Mission

**Empowering children through
Rights Based Approach**

Core Belief

**We Believe in Children
being the Present and Part of
Building a Peaceful and Just Society**

VIDIYAL

- *A Programme for Street and Working Children*
- *Inclusion of the Excluded Children*
- *Championing Child Rights*

FOUR FOLD INTERVENTION STRATEGY

Interventions on the Streets

(Focus: Protection of the Rights of Children on the Streets and Children Found in Vulnerable Situations)

Interventions in the Shelter Home

(Focus: Rehabilitation of Children Through Legal Measures)

Interventions in the Community

(Focus: Preventing Child Rights Violations and Addressing Social Exclusion)

Interventions in the Larger Society

(Focus: Promoting Culture of Child Rights among Various Stakeholders)



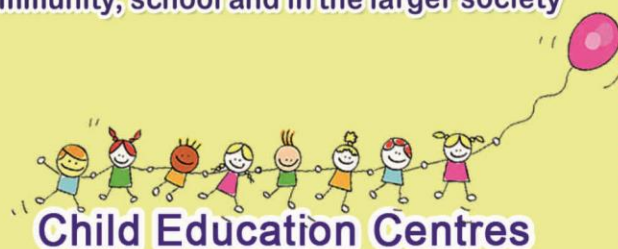
COMMUNITY INTERVENTION PROGRAMME



A Prevention Strategy

In the Street Children Programme we partner with eight slum communities in the South Zone of Madurai in addressing Child Rights Violations and Social Exclusion. We are successful in achieving our goal through creating a 'safety net' along with our children, parents and alumni. We could collectively address issues in the family, community, school and in the larger society through legal measures and safeguarding norms.

Centre	Boys	Girls	Total
Main Centre	45	25	70
Muthupatti	37	31	68
Melavasal 1	46	29	75
Melavasal 2	22	14	36
Melavasal 3	27	22	49
Melavasal 4	3	10	13
Subramaniapuram	31	28	59
Ambedkar Nagar	20	19	39
Avaniyapuram	32	27	59
Total	263	205	468



Child Education Centres

We have established eight Child Education Centres either inside the slum or in the closest proximity. A structured study time is scheduled in which children complete their homework and get prepared for the class tests if any. Our staff and volunteers offer tutorials and support children in a safe learning environment.

VIDIYAL CHILD RIGHTS MOVEMENT

AN ORGANIZATION OF CHILDREN LED BY CHILDREN FOR CHILDREN

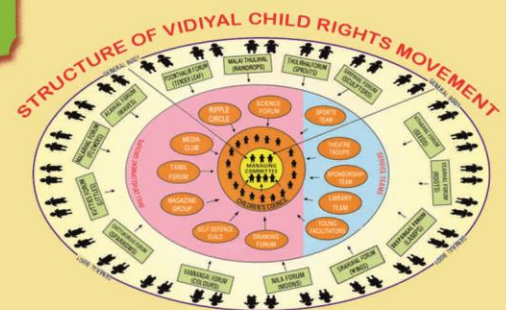
Vidiyal Child Rights Movement (VCRM) was founded in the 'Millennium Year' 2000 as a child led organization in Madurai. This was achieved through a process federating the children's forums established in our operational areas. A 'Reservation Policy' is in practice and boys and girls share leadership roles founded on democratic principles. Two representatives of VCRM participate in the meetings of the Managing Committee of Sakthi – Vidiyal as an explicit commitment to Child Participation

CHILDREN FORUMS

14 children forums were active during the year. Children pay a subscription and become active members. Each forum elects a Head and a Secretary as their leaders for a year. The Heads represent their children forums in the Children's Council. Thus child leadership is nurtured at a very early age.

CHILDREN'S COUNCIL

The Children's Council is the governing body of VCRM which meets once a quarter with representatives from all forums to review and plan the activities of the Movement.



LEADERSHIP

2022 2023

President - V.Santhiya
Secretary - G.Dhilip Kumar
Treasurer - G.Abi Sakthi

EC Members:
P.Marimuthu
M.Umadevi
G.Surya Moorthi



UNDERSTANDING VIDIYAL CHILD RIGHTS MOVEMENT

The elected leaders of VCRM had undergone an orientation which enabled them to understand the Children Movement well and set a goal for their leadership roles. A follow up session was organized in which the elected leaders critically looked into the by law of VCRM and made changes wherever needed.

CHILD RIGHTS EDUCATION

We believe that children who are aware of their rights are able to defend their rights in any given situation. The children of VCRM are provided with Child Rights Education from a very early age. Children below 10 years learn Child Right Education through 'Snakes and Ladders' one of our premier productions which is now available in seven languages.

Children belonging to higher age groups learn Child Rights Education through structured Modules in their respective children's forums. Our volunteers facilitate these sessions using participatory tools and make the learning process much enjoyable.



The 7 O' Clock programme is very popular among children. A schedule is followed from Monday to Friday which includes Songs, Storytelling, Listening to stories, Book reading, Current affairs, Child Rights Education, Learning through electronic tablets, General knowledge, Child Rights Education through Snakes and ladders, Games and Dance. Children enjoy participating in the fun filled learning activities along with their peers.

7 O' CLOCK PROGRAMME



The Vidiyal Child Rights Movement has the following Four Dimensional Activities

Celebrations

1. PROGRAMMES FOR FUN AND FELLOWSHIP

At Vidiyal children are encouraged to uphold the value of secularism embodied in the Constitution of India. The pluralistic culture of India is endorsed through celebrating festivals such as Deepavali, Ramzan and Christmas. Pongal (harvest festival of Tamils) was celebrated with its due festivities. Children design and organize these festivals which nurture their creativity and leadership potential. The New Year celebration was organized by our volunteers belonging to the Muhangal Forum.

INTERNATIONAL
DAY OF THE
GIRL
CHILD

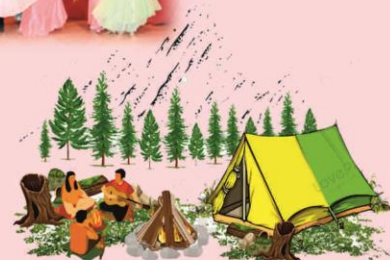
The International Day of the Girl Child was observed on the theme "Our time is now – our Rights, our Future". Children enthusiastically participated in the activities and enjoyed the day with their friends and joined with other girls around the world in voicing their concerns.



CHILD RIGHTS FESTIVAL

The 22nd Child Rights Festival of Vidiyal Child Rights Movement was organized on the 17th July 2022. Children brainstormed and chose a theme which reads 'Be a Firebrand of Rights'. The leaders of VCRM led the programme and revealed their leadership potential.

Mr.R.Sundar, District Child Protection Officer and Ms.Grace, Secretary, Mahalir Sakthi were the guests of honour. Children served in leadership positions were honoured and awarded with mementos and prizes. Children enjoyed the carnival organized in the morning hours.



CAMPING

The Jolly Camp provides ample opportunities for children to learn and enjoy in a free environment. This year 185 boys and 143 girls participated in the camp held in the month of June 2022. The annual residential camp was held at Thirumoorthy Hills in which 40 boys and 35 girls participated.

GAMES & SPORTS

The following activities were organized during the year.



Training in Chinese checkers
Volleyball coaching
Kabadi coaching
Pongal sports meet
Chess coaching

PICNICS AND OUTINGS



Every year our children get opportunities to visit Trade houses, Historical places and places of Nature's bounty suitable for their age. This widens their horizon and provides ample opportunities to learn beyond their academic pursuits. They enjoy their peer company which impacts their social development.

Age Group	1st Term	2nd Term	3rd Term
	Trade Houses	Historical Places	Places of Nature's Bounty
Beginner	Vegetable Market	Gandhi Museum	Kuruvithurai
Primary	Ice Cream Factory	Meenakshi Temple	Anaipatti
Junior	Cool Drink Factory	Alagar Kovil	Sothuparai
Intermediate	Post Office	Trichy Rock Fort	Uthamapalayam
Senior	-	Thoothukudi Harbour	Trekking at Kolli Hills



Children enjoyed a two day trip to Trivandrum in the month of January 2023.

2.PROGRAMMES FOR SELF-DEVELOPMENT

TRAININGS & WORKSHOPS FOR CHILDREN

Age Group	1st Term	2nd Term	3rd Term	4th Term
Beginner	Impression Painting	Water Play	Loving All living Beings	Know about Shapes
Primary	Storytelling	Art from Waste	Sharing and Helping Others	Protection from Child Sexual abuse
Junior	Granny and Herbal Medicine	Greeting Card Making	Fork Dance	Protection from Child Sexual abuse
Intermediate	Life Skill Education – Understanding Self	Life Skill Education - Empathy	Street Theater	Life Skill Education - Creative Thinking
Senior	Protection from Child Sexual abuse	Leadership Qualities	Problem Solving and Decision Making	'I am a Storyteller'

Our quarterly training workshops focus on the Cognitive, Affective and Psychomotor development in children and we adapt the 'Triangle of Success' – Knowledge, Skill and Attitude – while framing the objectives of all our training modules. Children appreciate the participatory learning process in learning concepts, skills and effect congruent attitude change.

FORUMS FOR SKILL DEVELOPMENT

Children took membership in the skill development forums and enjoyed participating in various activities provided. Their creative skills in drawing and painting, potential in public speaking, scientific outlook and critical thinking and Media appraisal skills are nurtured and developed.



- Tamil Culture
- Debate
- Keynote Speech
- Extempore Speech
- Stories in Speech
- Pronunciation

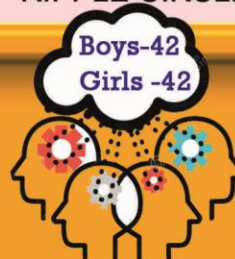


SCIENCE FORUM

- Electricity
- Blood Groups
- World of Snakes
- Pathology
- Acupuncture

Observance of Nature Day for Children
Theme: **Natural food Vs Junk food**

RIPPLE CIRCLE



- Basics of drawing
- Practice with Strokes
- Pencil drawing
- Drawing objects
- Mandala art
- Watercolour drawing
- 3D drawings
- Drawing cartoons
- Drawing shapes
- Drawing with numbers
- Poster colour drawing
- Face drawing
- Hand and leg movements
- Calligraphy

IMAGE MEDIA CLUB



Boys - 42
Girls - 42

- Short film festival
- Nenjukku Neethi – Tamil feature film
- Joker – Tamil feature film
- Gargi – Tamil feature film
- Documentary films
- The great dictator – World cinema
- Lens – Tamil feature film
- Run Lola run – World cinema
- Witness – Tamil feature film

- Why should the death penalty be abolished?
- Tamilnadu State Child Policy 2021
- Status of caste today
- Health care is a fundamental right of every child
- End child marriage
- Justice for women
- Let's prevent suicides
- Online safety

PROGRAMMES FOR SELF-DEVELOPMENT

Boys = 17
Girls = 13

KARATE

116 Boys and 91 Girls

Competition

7th Tamilnadu State
Inter District Karate
Open Championship



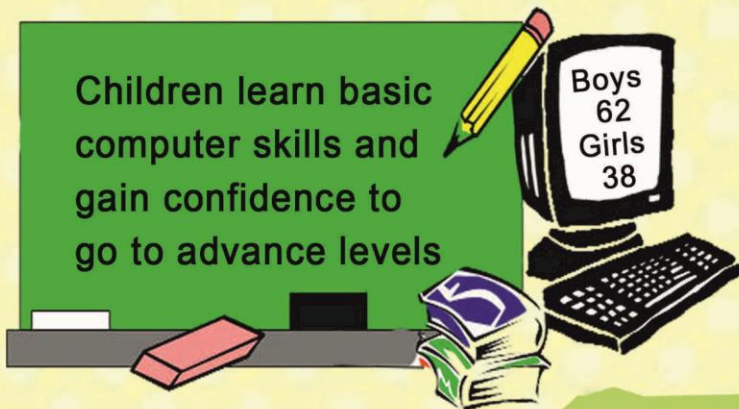
CARROM COACHING

Competitions

- Madurai District Interschool Carrom Tournament 3 Boys 2 Girls
Won 8th place
- 8th NMS Saminath Babu Memorial Madurai District Interschool Carrom Tournament 2 Boys 3 Girls
Won two 3rd places and one 4th place
- Sri T.V.R. Memorial District Level Carrom Tournament

COMPUTER EDUCATION

Children learn basic computer skills and gain confidence to go to advance levels



DIGITAL MEDIA EDUCATION



A syllabus is followed to impart digital media skills to our children. Children show keen interest in learning these skills and develop their potential



Boys 22
Girls 18

DISCOVERING MULTIPLE INTELLIGENCE

Children completed 50 classes of 'Discovering Multiple Intelligence' on Fridays with the support of a facilitator. At the end an assessment was done and children were shared with the results. Thanks to Yellowbag Foundation for sharing their resources for the benefit of our children.

St. Joseph's Matriculation Higher Secondary School offered to conduct 'Smart Classes' for our children. Children belonging to 3rd, 4th and 5th standards availed the opportunity to attend classes in English Mathematics and Science. 32 children enjoyed visiting the school and accessed technology enhanced classroom which was great fun.

SMART CLASS



Mr.S.Aswath, one of our well-wishers volunteered to mentor our children to realize their dreams. A pilot project was designed and implemented. Children who opted for this process were given coaching in spoken English and enabled to envision the path to reach their dreams.

3. PROGRAMMES TO SERVE THE COMMUNITY OR OTHER DISADVANTAGED GROUPS

Children are nurtured with the value of altruism through enabling them to undertake projects to serve others. The little ones are encouraged to clean up their surroundings whereas the older children take on projects to serve other disadvantaged groups. This year the following projects were carried out by our children.

Serving the wounded children by Sirpihal Forum



Serving elderly living in slums by Vithaihal Forum



Distributing clothes to street dwellers and children living in street communities, by verhal forum



Serving elderly living in Inba Illam, a home for the aged, by Deepangal forum



In the Jolly Camp a 'Day of Giving' was observed and children raised Rs.17694/- They donated this money to Inba Illam, a home for the aged and organized a spectacular cultural programme for the elders.



4. PROGRAMMES TO UPHOLD CHILD RIGHTS

OUR CHILDREN EMBARK ON PROGRAMMES TO SPREAD THE MESSAGE OF CHILD RIGHTS.

PUBLIC HEARING

Our children K.Janarthanan, M.Arun Muthu, S.Jothi, M.Pandiselvi and A.Hari Prasad represented Vidiyal Child Rights Movement at the Public Hearing on 'Child Rights Opportunities for Sharing Children's Experiences and Challenges' organized by Social Awareness Society for Youths (SASY) on 30th & 31st May 2022 at Chennai.



கருப்பொருள்: "குழந்தைகளின் மாண்பை உறுதி செய்யும் சமூகத்தை நோக்கி"

CHILDREN'S THEATRE TROUPE

Children who are talented in theatre skills join the children's theatre troupe and advocate for children's rights through plays. This year they produced two plays, 'Onai Manitharhal' (Human Wolves) which was themed on Protection of Children from Child Sexual Abuse and another play titled 'Kirumihal' (Germs) themed on Protection from Discrimination and the need for Annihilation of Caste.

STATE YOUTH CONSULTATION ON NATIONAL YOUTH POLICY

On behalf of the Young Voices Working Group, a national network, Sakthi - Vidiyal organized an online consultation with youth aged between 15 and 29 on Saturday, 2nd July 2022 at 03.00 pm on Google Meet platform. We have taken the responsibility of compiling views of young people on the section 'SOCIAL JUSTICE'. M.Arun Muthu and P.Anusuya represented VCRM and shared their inputs.



WE SPEAK: CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S FORUM ON ENDING CHILD LABOUR IN SOUTH ASIA

On the 9th August 2023 P.Kabilan represented VCRM in a South Asia level online consultation on Ending Child Labour



CONSULTATION ON STATE EDUCATION POLICY

On 8th October 2022 K.Janarthanan and M.Nivetha represented Vidiyal Child Rights Movement at the state level online consultation organized by Forum for Promotion of Child Participation (FPCP) and provided critical inputs for the Tamilnadu State Child Policy.

CHILD RIGHTS AWARENESS THROUGH FOLK DANCE

On 12th January 2023 our children made a performance at OPR School and built awareness on Child Rights. On 14th February our children made a spectacular cultural performance at the One Billion Rising programme organized by EKTA.

PROGRAMMES TO UPHOLD CHILD RIGHTS

CHILD NETWORKING AND CHILD PARTICIPATION IN VARIOUS PLATFORMS

FEDERATION OF CHILDREN MOVEMENTS FOR RIGHT TO PARTICIPATION (FCMRP)

Our children K.Janarthanan and M.Nivetha made valuable contributions in the process of re-establishing FCMRP on the 8th & 9th June 2022. M.Nivetha was elected as the secretary of the federation by the newly constituted General Body. She participated in the orientation programme for the Managing Committee members of FCMRP on 9th July 2023 which was hosted by Sakthi – Vidiyal. On 13th & 14th August 2022 both of them participated in the capacity building training workshop held at Trichy.



ADOLESCENT EMPOWERMENT AND ENDING CHILD MARRIAGE PROGRAMME (AEECM) BUILDING A CADRE OF AGENTS OF CHANGE (ADOLESCENT CHAMPIONS)



We take pride that P.Kabilan, a very active member of VCRM had been chosen by the Government of Tamilnadu to undergo the Adolescent Empowerment Programme. He participated in the above programme organized by the Tamilnadu State Resource Centre between 29.08.2022 and 02.09.2022 at Chennai. At the end he was given a certificate and recognised as an Adolescent Champion

SOUTH ASIA REGIONAL ONLINE CONFERENCE ON CHILDREN & DIGITAL ENVIRONMENT

On 21st August 2022 P.Kabilan represented VCRM at the South Asia Regional online Conference on Children and Digital Environment organized by South Asia Initiative to End Violence Against Children (SAIEVAC), apex body of SAARC. Earlier he participated in the preparatory meeting organized on the 19th August 2022 by NACG-EVAC, India.



NATIONAL CHILDREN CONSULTATION ON ENDING CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE AND EXPLOITATION IN INDIA, ORGANIZED BY NACG-EVAC, INDIA



Our children V.Santhiya and G.Dhilip Kumar represented VCRM at this national consultation held at Bhubaneswar, Odisha, between 24th and 26th November 2022 and contributed to the discussions and decisions. Santhiya was elected as the Tamilnadu State representative and made a presentation at the National Consultation and Stakeholder Convergence Meeting to End Child Sexual Abuse and Exploitation held on 26th November 2022.

Interface with Tamilnadu State Education Policy Drafting Committee

On 15th November 2022 Ms.M.Nivetha, Secretary, Federation of Children Movements for Right to Participation (FCMRP) participated in an interface and presented the views of children of FCMRP. Dr.C.Jim Jesudoss, served as the facilitator of this process.



SPECIAL PROGRAMMES

I AM A TECHNOCRAT



On the 17th September 2022 a novel programme titled 'I am a technocrat' was organized for interested children at Vidiyal. Mr.Kannan an expert in the field of computers demonstrated the hardware in a computer and its operations. Children learnt with lots of enthusiasm and engaged in practical sessions with lots of interest.



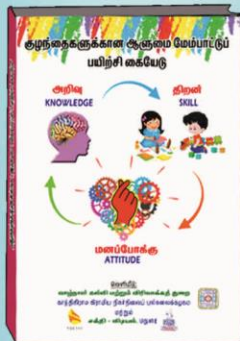
CHILD RIGHTS QUIZ!

On the 11th September 2022, a Child Rights Quiz was organized at Vidiyal in which children participated in teams of three. This motivated them to share their knowledge and the teams that won the quiz were given cash prize.



29TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

The 29th Anniversary of Sakthi – Vidiyal was organized at Mannar College on the 29th January 2023. It was a community celebration in which our children, parents, volunteers, community leaders and alumni participated.



The Training Manual for Children was released at this occasion

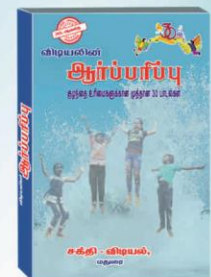


This year Ms.S.Sophia, our volunteer, received the Jennifer Memorial Award for her courage in fighting for gender justice.



"Aarparippau" 5th Music Album Containing 30 Songs on Child Rights

Marking the 30 year of Sakthi - Vidiyal, a music album titled 'Aarparippu' was released on 30th March 2023. Children and staff with skills in singing were provided opportunity to sing. Sophia, Janarthanan, Thilothama, Kabilan, Nisha, Viswa and Viswakavi from Vidiyal Child Rights Movement sang songs with lots of enthusiasm.



Our team members Preethi, Chandran, Selvakumar, James, Arockiam and Jim Jesudoss and our well-wisher Mr.Dan Prince contributed in the production. Mr.Mathichiyam Bala, a Playback singer in Tamil film industry was the guest of honour at this occasion. Thanks to Mr.J.Rajasekaran Mr.Saravanan, Mr.Derrick and Mr.Sanil Josheph for offering their professional skills in this production.

SPECIAL PROGRAMMES

CHAMPIONS FOR CHANGE - 'BOYS STANDING FOR GENDER EQUALITY'

'Gender Equality' is one of the core intervention areas of Sakthi – Vidiyal in its operations envisioning social change. Having run several workshops and campaigns on 'Gender Sensitisation' for boys and girls, we felt the need for imparting key messages on 'gender equality' to boys through engaging them in a continuous process throughout their childhood and adolescence. A step towards realizing this goal the 'Champions for Change' – 'Boys Standing for Gender Equality' was launched on the 18th June 2022. Boys belonging to Vidiyal Child Rights Movement participated in the launch with lots of enthusiasm and expressed their interest in becoming advocates of gender equality through active participation and explicit commitment.

The second episode of the Campaign on Boys Standing for Gender Equality was organized on 5th March 2023 at Vidiyal to enable adolescent boys to discover their potential to influence change. Boys are tied up with patriarchal values and customs which limit their potential to attempt change. Though they understand that boys and girls are equal, they seldom leave their comfort zone. Boys were cautioned to be careful about their behaviour and words that they speak. Dr. Sujatha Rita designed and anchored this programme.



AWARENESS PROGRAMME ON CHILD RIGHTS AT OUR PARTNERING COMMUNITIES

Marking the 30th anniversary celebration during the months of February and March a series of awareness programmes were organised in 20 of our partnering communities. Children conducted a rally inside the communities with holding placards and shouting slogans on Child Rights.

BUS LIBRARY

The bus library was inaugurated in the month of January 2023. Children were so fascinated to see the bus being converted into a children's library. Monthly sessions are in progress for children from each forum to come and spend a day at the bus library.

Earlier the children belonging to the library team visited the Madurai Book Exhibition on 29.09.2022



CHILD COUNSELLING



Children at our Child Education Centres and Shelter Home were provided with professional help in resolving their issues and enabled in realising their potential. Children who needed special attention were provided with individual counselling. Group counselling sessions were offered on specific topics such as protection from drug abuse, handling relationships, online safety and importance of education

COUNSELLING AT CHILD EDUCATION CENTERS

COUNSELLING	Urban		Rural	
	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls
Individual Counselling	43	17	3	-
Follow Up Counselling	21	17	-	-
Group Counselling	5	6	-	-
Common Group Counselling	8		3	

COUNSELLING AT SHELTER HOME

	Boys	Girls
Individual Counselling	108	271
Group Counselling	174	174

PIGGY BANK



Health Care

Children and parents are constantly educated about preventive health care. Families are encouraged to access government health care services for any ailments. Emergency medical care is provided with the support of Dr.Navaneethan, Gowri Nursing Home. This year 18 boys and 12 girls accessed our emergency health care services.

Mothers Forum

This year 173 mothers took part in the Mothers Forum meetings. Apart from providing inputs on various topics associated with effective parenting, this platform gives us opportunity to interact with the mothers and listen to their concerns. They were honoured for regular attendance with a gift at the anniversary celebration.

Fathers Forum

It's always hard to reach out to the fathers as they are preoccupied with several things and culturally it is perceived that child rearing is a woman's business. We could sustain this platform with 36 fathers who participated in the bimonthly meetings. They were imparted with knowledge on positive fathering.



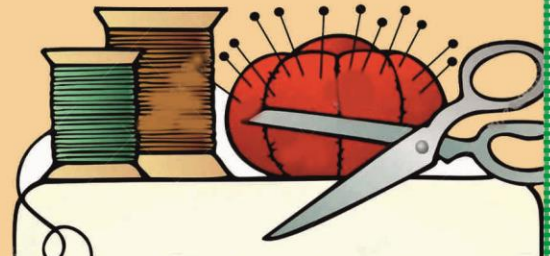
A workshop on Career Guidance was organized for adolescent Children on 26th May 2023. Dr.C.Jim Jesudoss and Mr.Selvakumar facilitated the workshop and enabled the children to set a goal for their academic pursuit.



DAY OUT FOR ELDERLY

Date	Grandfathers	Grandmothers
10.08.2022	12	62
27.01.2023	13	79

The elderly living in slums were given two day outs during the year. They were provided opportunities to sing, dance and share their thoughts before an audience. A sumptuous lunch was provided on both the occasions and a take home gift was much appreciated.



TAILORING UNIT

This year we re-established the tailoring unit in August 2022 inside Melavasal with a space provided by the community. Women and girls undergo a six month course and they are given a certificate and a matching grant to own a sewing machine. 12 women completed the course in March 2023.



Policy on Prevention of Sexual Harassment (PoSH) at Workplace

Every employee of Sakthi - Vidiyal has a right to harassment free, safe work environment. To ensure this a Policy on Prevention of Sexual Harassment (PoSH) was developed during the year. In accordance to the policy a Committee on Prevention of Sexual Harassment (PoSH) was established as per the norms prescribed in The Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition or Redressal) Act, 2013. Everyone who works for Sakthi - Vidiyal has a responsibility to sustain a respectful work environment by upholding the highest standards of conduct and applying necessary confidentiality measures.

NETWORKING AND LINKAGES

We are recognized as a 'Child Rights Organization' and at the district level we work towards 'Child Rights Protection' through influencing and sensitizing the allied government departments and other Child Protection Mechanisms. We share our resources with voluntary organizations working for children's rights. We are part of state level and national level networks and advocate for policy reforms and amendment of legislations. Dr.C.Jim Jesudoss serves in the Executive Committee of the Forum for Promotion of Child Participation (FPCP) and heads the Taskforce on Facilitating Children's Processes. Mr.D.Arockiam serves as the District Convenor of the Campaign Against Child Labour (CACL).

We actively engaged in in the various process initiated by the National Action and Coordination Group for Ending Violence Against Children (NACG-EVAC), India. Dr.C.Jim Jesudoss has been elected as the state convenor of the Tamilnadu Chapter of NACG-EVAC on 11th November 2022. He also serves as a facilitator in the thematic group on Child Participation.

We are a member in the Young Voices National Working Group (YVNWG) and actively participated in the meetings and consultations during the year. We anchored the Tamilnadu State Consultation on National Draft Youth Policy. We prepared the chapter on 'Social Justice and Youth' which was submitted as part of the national report by YVNWG.

We are active in the Children – Ambassadors of Change Network and engaged in conversations on the issue of Child Labour.

PROJECT ON CHILD PARTICIPATION FOR CHILD RIGHTS PROTECTION (CPCRP)

The project intends to develop children's base groups (Child Forums) in 12 vulnerable areas across Madurai district leading to formation of forums that promotes Child Rights education, self and skill development and federated to collectively voice Child Rights through flagging of issues and engage with the existing child protection mechanisms and contribute to strengthening them through evidence-based actions. Vidiyal works closely with a cross-section of stakeholders to create a critical mass to pivot change.

INAUGURATION OF THE PROJECT

We had a ceremonial inauguration of the project on the 10th December 2022 along with the observance of the Human Rights Day. Children from 12 areas participated along with the leaders of Vidiyal Child Rights Movement. Mr.R.Sundar, District Child Protection Officer was the chief guest.



CHILD EDUCATION CENTRES



PROGRAMMES AND ACTIVITIES

Centre Name	Folk Dance Oyilattam	Tamil Forum	Street Theatre	Ripple circle	Mothers Meeting	Fathers Meeting	Pongal Celebration
Thanakankulam Ambedkar Nagar	1	1	1	1	2	2	1
Mottamalai	1	1	1	1	2	2	1
Nilayur Harijan Colony	1	1	1	1	2	2	1
Keelakuyilkudi	1	1	1	1	2	2	1
Anupanadi Susai Michel Street	1	1	1	1	2	2	1
Samanatham	1	1	1	1	2	2	1
Peunkudi Ambedkar Nagar	1	1	1	1	2	2	1
Valayankulam Colony	1	1	1	1	2	2	1
Malaisampuram	1	1	1	1	2	2	1
Thethankulam	1	1	1	1	2	2	1
Dr Kabeer Nagar	1	1	1	1	2	2	1
Soundarpandiyan Nagar	1	1	1	1	2	2	1
Total	12	12	12	12	24	24	12

Centre	Boys	Girls	Total
Thanakankulam - Ambedkar Nagar	36	15	51
Mottamalai	20	32	52
Nilayur - Harijan Colony	40	26	66
Keelakuyilkudi	34	25	59
Anupanadi Susai Michel Street	37	23	60
Samanatham	38	34	72
Peunkudi - Ambedkar Nagar	32	30	62
Valayankulam Colony	32	25	57
Malaisampuram	39	47	86
Thethankulam	18	14	32
Dr Kabeer Nagar	43	15	58
Soundrapandiyan Nagar	36	36	72
Total	405	322	727



Village level Child Protection Committee (VLCPC)

Community level Child Protection Committees are established & strengthened in 4 communities, who begin to promote child rights by addressing child protection issues



CHILDLINE MADURAI

CHILDLINE 1098 is a National 24-hour, toll free emergency phone outreach service for children in need of care and protection. Childline India Foundation is the mother NGO and we are the collaborative organization of Childline Madurai, which is a project of Ministry of Women and Child Development, Government of India

S.No	Name of The Programme	No. of Programmes	No. of Participants
1	Open House	12	65
2	Awareness Programmes in Schools, Public places & Communities	273	5056
3	Friends of Childline Week World Children Sports Meet	7	10,000
4	Special Awareness Programme	3	35,000

Calls	1417
Intervention	1245
INTERVENTION	
Shelter	75
Medical	1
Rescue	97
Child marriage	396
Abuse	
Child Labour	
Corporal Punishment	
Sexual Abuse	
Verbal Abuse	200
Counselling	
Child Missing	83
Restoration	330
Parents Asking Help	63
Total	1245

Highlights

- Observance of Anti Child Labour Day with Department of Labour
- Awareness programme at EMG Yadhava College, Madurai
- Awareness programmes on Preventing Child Marriage with Department of Social Welfare
- Awareness programmes on Child Protection in 13 blocks in Madurai district in collaboration with District Child Protection Unit, Madurai

Admission Boys - 108 Girls - 271 Total - 379	Restoration Boys - 112 Girls - 289 Total - 401	Welcome Kit Boys - 107 Girls - 269 Total - 376
Medical Care Boys - 34 Girls - 23 Total - 57	Children's Forum Meetings Boys - 52 Girls - 52 Total - 104	Sexual Health Intervention Programme Boys - 48 Girls - 42 Total - 100
Awareness on De-addiction - 48 Child Rights Education - 53 Celebrations - 10 Trainings & Workshops - 24 Home Management Committee - 4		

RECEPTION HOME

We have been running the Reception Home under the Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, since 2004. We admit children for judicial custody by the Child Welfare Committee, Madurai District, Madurai District Court and High Court of Madras (Madurai Bench).

Independence Day and Republic Day were celebrated in a fitting manner.



CASE STUDY

Dinesh (Name changed to protect identity) a 13 years old boy was rescued from a steel cot manufacturing unit by the authorities from Department of Labour and Childline. It was found that his father abandoned the family and the boy dropped out of school to earn a living. He was produced before the Child Welfare Committee and then placed in the Reception Home for care and protection. He was provided counselling and guidance which enabled him to decide to go back to school. He was handed over to his mother and placement in school was followed through the District Child Protection Unit.

Conferences, Campaigns, Seminars, Webinars, Consultations and Meetings 2022 – 2023

Our team participated in the following and contributed to the processes



In Person

- ➔ State Consultation on Child Marriage Free India, Chennai, organized by Kailash Sathiyarthi Children's Foundation
- ➔ Addressing the Educational Challenges Faced by Children and Youth belonging to Socially and Economically Disadvantaged Communities, Organized by CEDAR, Madurai
- ➔ UPR IV Planning Meet organized by People's Watch, Madurai
- ➔ National Consultation and Stakeholder Convergence Meeting to End Child Sexual Abuse and Exploitation, organized by NACG-EVAC India at Bhubaneswar, Odisha.
- ➔ Interview panel at Reaching The Unreached, G.Kallupatti
- ➔ Jury at the 'TOTAM' programme at MTN College, Madurai
- ➔ Releasing of Study on Septic Tank Deaths in Tamilnadu, Chennai, organized by Social Awareness Society for Youths (SASY)

Virtual Platform

- ➔ Preparatory Meet for Global Conference on Child labour by ILO, organized by Dialogue Works
- ➔ Global Conference, organized by International Labour Organization (ILO) – Teachers and their Unions
- ➔ Global Conference, organized by ILO – Central Role of Social Protection
- ➔ Presentation about Sakthi-Vidyal's work, needs and suggestions at the discussion meet held by Azim Premji University
- ➔ Universal Periodic Review -IV, organized by United Nations Human Rights Council
- ➔ Webinar on Status of Child Marriages in India – Problems and Solutions, organized by NACG-EVAC India
- ➔ Webinar on Orientation on Children with Disabilities, organized by NACG-EVAC, India
- ➔ Global webinar on "Accelerating Global Practices – Directing Equity and Inclusion, organized by Children Believe

Trainings and Workshops 2022 - 2023

Our team members served as resource persons in the following training workshops

Online

- ➔ District Level Structures in Dealing with POCSO Cases, TN Police Academy
- ➔ Gender sensitization, TN Police Academy

Physical

- ➔ Functions, Rolls & Responsibilities of Child Welfare Committee (CWC), Police In-service Training Centre, Madurai
- ➔ Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, Police In-Service Training Centre, Madurai
- ➔ Preventing Human Trafficking and legal Interventions, Railway Police Force (RPF), Anti Human Trafficking Unit, Madurai
- ➔ Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Amendment Act, 2019 and Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Amendment Act, 2020, Police In-service Training Centre, Madurai
- ➔ "Children's Rights are Human Rights too" Interaction meet organized by Department of English, MTN College, Madurai
- ➔ "Child Related Laws and Child Protection Mechanisms ", Youth Advocates for Children Organized by Tholamai & Unicef, Madurai
- ➔ Training on Child Rights Protection through Child Participation, Snehalaya, Guwahati, Assam
- ➔ Roles and Responsibilities of District Child Protection Unit (DCPU) for school teachers, Organized by DCPU Madurai



Vidiyal Alumni – The Olirum Muhangal

Our alumni forum was of great support in mobilizing community resources and in organizing various programmes and activities for children. Their presence in the community strengthens our interventions and brings hope to the community that 'change is possible'. They organized a sports meet inside Melavasal during the morning hours of 15th August 2022 which was much appreciated by the children.



INTERNSHIP AND ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES

INTERNS

01.Mr.S.Daniel Suresh	- Tamilnadu Theological Seminary, Madurai
02.Mr.J.Manokaran	- Tamilnadu Theological Seminary, Madurai
03.Ms.Samyuktha Ramasamy	- Mahatma CBSE School, Madurai
04.Mr.N.Arjun Raj	- The American College, Madurai
05.Mr.Niranjana Samuel Bennet	- Lasalle College of the Arts, Singapore
06.Mr.S.Vijayakumar DSP	- Bharathiyar University, Coimbatore
07.Ms.U.Aathirai	- The American College, Madurai
08.Mr.P.Mohamad Asraf Alikan	- Madurai Institute of Social Sciences, Madurai
09.Ms.G.P.Kaviya Priya	- Madurai Institute of Social Sciences, Madurai
10.Ms.Nithiya Jeevanya	- Madurai Kamarajar University
11.Ms.T.Nisha Bharathi	- Madurai Kamarajar University
12.Mr.G.Balaji	- Madurai Kamarajar University
13.Mr.K.Prakash	- Madurai Kamarajar University
14.Ms.P.Santhiya	- Madurai Kamarajar University
15.Ms.M.Deetchana	- Madurai Kamarajar University
16.Ms.D.Shunmathi	- Madurai Kamarajar University
17.Ms.U.Nousath Afuja	- Madurai Kamarajar University
18.Ms.R.Nivedhitha	- Madurai Kamarajar University
19.Ms.V.Varsha	- Madurai Kamarajar University
20.Ms.M.Pandeeswari	- Madurai Kamarajar University
21.Mr.M.Manoj Pandiyan	- Arul Anandar College
22.Ms.M.Priyadharshini	- Arul Anandar College
23.Ms.G.Gokulnath	- Madurai Kamarajar University
24.Mr.V.Janarthanan	- Madurai Kamarajar University
25.Mr.J.Austin Jeba	- Madurai Kamarajar University
26.Mr.S.Praveen kumar	- Madurai Kamarajar University
27.Mr.C.Arun pandiyan	- Madurai Kamarajar University
28.Mr.M.A.Adharsh	- Madurai Kamarajar University
29.Mr.R.Bragadheeswaran	- Madurai Kamarajar University
30.Mr.S.Barathan	- Madurai Kamarajar University
31.Mr.C.George	- Christ University, Bangalore
32.Mr.Daniel	- The American College, Madurai

ACADEMIC SUCCESS

Our children break through the barriers like social exclusion and structured poverty and reach milestones in the academic pathway. Children who are lagging behind are enabled to complete schooling with additional support.

SUCCESS RECORD

Academic Success	B	G	Total
10th Standard	3	7	10
12th Standard	5	6	11
UG Course	2	4	6
Diploma in Nursing	-	2	2
Value added Course (B.Ed.)		1	

4th Graduation Ceremony

Exposure Visits

3rd Year B.Sc Nursing	- College of Nursing, Madurai Medical College
1st Year M.S.W	- Madurai Institute of Social Sciences
1st Year M.S.W	- Lady Doak College
1st Year M.Sc.,	
Rural Development Science-	Arul Anandar College
2nd Year B.A	
Sociology / Psychology	- Lady Doak College
Human Rights Education	- Lady Doak College
Human Rights Education	- Lady Doak College



There was overwhelming joy felt in the air at the 4th graduation ceremony jointly organized by Vidiyal and Olirum Muhangal (the alumni which is called The Radiant Faces) on the 15th August 2022, right inside the heart of Melavasal slum in which Vidiyal was founded some 29 years ago. The community witnessed the ceremony with awe and felt proud about the success made by their children. We are honoured that many of our children were able to break the obstacles and developed into fine human beings.

Congratulations!



DIGITAL MEDIA

Our digital media centre progressed well during this year and we could produce several videos themed on Child Rights and actively engaged in promoting Child rights in various social media platforms including YouTube, Facebook, Twitter and Google Business. Our children, volunteers, alumni and staff played an active role in the productions. 31 children accessed the Digital Media Training Centre and learnt various skills associated with digital media.

List of Videos

SONGS FOR CHILDREN

Child Rights Music Album – Uyirosai (Sound of Life)

- SONG 1: 'Oduthu Oduthu Oru Vandi'
- SONG 2: 'Chittan Chittan Kuruvi'
- SONG 3: ' Pattam Poochi Pola'
- SONG 4: 'Paaradha Muham Kandu '
- SONG 5: ' Kulanthaihale'
- SONG 6: 'Pattam Peru Pattam Peru'
- SONG 7: 'Marangkoththi Marangkoththi'
- SONG 8: 'Murungaya Odichu Vala'
- SONG 9: "Chinna Chinna Vannathupoochi"
- SONG 10: 'Vandimada Kattikittu'
- SONG 11: 'Saathikka Illai Vehuthooram'
- SONG 12: 'Unakkul Irukkum Sakthiyai'
- SONG 14: 'Anda Puluhanum Aahasa Puluhanum'
- SONG 15: 'Tholamai Payanam'
- SONG 16: 'Ethanai Nalaikkuthan'
- SONG 17: 'Meenukunjukku Neentha Theriyuthu'
- SONG 18: 'Kattin Varalatrai'
- SONG 19: 'Thangamma Thangaiah'
- SONG 20: 'Saathiyaththa Viratti Adikanumda'
- SONG 21: 'Kaiyal Malam Allum Avalam'
- SONG 22: 'Irumbu Ithayam Kondu'
- SONG 23: 'Kattumaram Pothum Kadal Thaanda'
- SONG 24: 'Kodayila Engalukku'
- SONG 25: 'Paatupala Paadaporom'

SONG: CACL Theme Song in Tamil
 SONG: Another World is Possible
 SONG: There is a New Dawn in my life

TRIPS & CELEBRATIONS

- Market Visit
- Christmas Celebration
- Pongal Celebration

DANCE

- Parayattam (Tamil's Traditional Folk Dance With Drum)
- Dance by Chittukuruvi (Sparrows) and Kutties (Littles) Children Forums
- Dance by Vithaihal (Seeds) and Verhal (Roots) Children Forums
- Dance by Alaihal (Waves) Children's Forum
- Dance by Nila (Moon) Sirahuhal (Wings) & Deepangal (Lamps) Children Forums
- Dance by Vannangal (Colours) Children Forum
- Dance by Malarhal (Flowers) Children Forum
- Dance by Poonthalir (Tender Leaf) Children's Forum
- Dance by Sirpihal (Sculptors) Children's Forum
- Dance by Sirahuhal (Wings) and Deepangal (Lamps) Children's Forums

SPECIAL PROGRAMS

- Release of six short films written and directed by the children of Vidiyal Child Rights Movement
- "Vidiyal Children are Change Makers" - Felicitation Speech by Mr. James Vasanthan
- Launch of "Champions for Change" Boys Standing for Gender Equality



List of Videos

SPECIAL PROGRAMS

- 22nd Child Rights Festival of Vidiyal Child Rights Movement
- Sakthi - Vidiyal's 4th Graduation Ceremony
- Trekking Expedition at Kolli Hills
- 4th Graduation Ceremony
- 26th Pongal Sports Meet
- Episode 2: "Champions for Change" Boys Standing for Gender Equality

CAMPS

- 23rd Jolly Camp 10 Shorts
- Documentary on 23rd Jolly Camp
- Sakthi - Vidiyal's Stream Camp 5 Shorts

VIDIYAL IN MY LIFE

M. Ranjithkumar, Vidiyal Alumnus

PSYCHOMOTOR ACTIVITY FOR CHILDREN

- Activity – 8: Do Yogic Squats
- Activity – 9: Four Legged Leap
- Activity – 10: Throw and Catch
- Activity – 11: Throw the Ball and
- Activity – 12: Creature Park
- Activity – 13: Balloon Walk
- Activity – 14: Watch and Act
- Activity – 15: Roll the Dice and Act
- Activity – 16: Changing weather

TRAININGS & WORKSHOPS

- Workshop on Impression Painting
- Workshop on Storytelling
- Workshop on Herbal Medicine and Home Remedies
- Life Skill Education - Workshop on Know Thyself
- Workshop on Protection from Child Abuse
- Workshop on Water Play
- Workshop on Art From Waste
- Workshop on Greeting Card Making
- Life Skill Education – Empathy
- Training on Leadership Qualities
- Workshop on Folk Dance 5 Videos
- Workshop on Street theatre 5 Videos
- Life Skill Education - Problem Solving and Decision Making
- Training on Helping and Sharing
- Workshop on Problem Solving and Decision Making 5 Shorts
- Training on Loving All Living Beings
- Training on Knowing about Shapes
- Life Skill Education: Creative Thinking
- Workshop on 'I am a Storyteller'

SHORT FILMS

- Echarikkai (WARNING)
- Tholaintha Kanavugal (THE LOST DREAMS)
- Enakkana Idam? (MY STATUS?)
- Vibareetha Vilayattu (DANGEROUS GAME)
- Uyare Miha Uyare (HIGH... VERY HIGH)
- Paranthu Thiriyum Paruvam (JOYFUL DAYS)

HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT



We provide an enriching work environment to all our staff and volunteers. The Staff Policy and Child Policy govern the staff and volunteers. Newly recruited staff, volunteers, interns, trainers and coaches sign an undertaking to adhere to the safeguarding norms to protect children's rights. Opportunities for self-development are provided to enhance potential. Their contributions are recognized and rewarded at the end of the year. A picnic at Vaigai dam was organized on 18th March 2023 which was much appreciated by the team.

Staff and Volunteers Training 2022 – 2023

Internal

- Training for Jolly Camp Leaders
- Finance Policy and Procedures
- My Life, My Body and My Work
- Emotional Intelligence
- Mindfulness - Practices for Child Care Professionals

External

- Para-legal trainings organized by Legal Action, Advocacy & Services (LAAS), Madurai
- Justice for Women, organized by Evidence, Madurai
- Workshop on Digital Media Storytelling facilitated by Jaihind Project, Dehradun, Uttarakhand
- Social Defence Issues for Social Work Educators, organized by Madurai Institute of Social Sciences, Madurai
- Protecting children from Substance Abuse, organized by Childline India Foundation Sirumalai

VOLUNTEERS FORUM - THE MUHANGAL

Volunteers 2022 – 2023

Ms.R.Sasikala - Head Volunteer
 Mr.A.Boopathi - Secretary
 Ms.S.Latha - Treasurer
 Mr.S.Vigneshwaran
 Ms.P.Nandheeswari
 Mr.V.Surya Narayanan
 Mr.M.Rohith Sakthi
 Mr.R.Tamilselfam
 Mr.S.Thamarai Kannan
 Mr.M.Ramakrishnan
 Ms.G.Rajeshwari
 Ms.A.Pandimeena
 Ms.G.Parvathy
 Ms.C.Sneha
 Ms.G.Muthulakshmi
 Ms.M.Dhanalakshmi
 Ms.S.Sophiya
 Ms.C.Priya
 Ms.A.Chitra Devi
 Ms.S.Pandiselvi
 Ms. P. Anusuya
 Mr. M. Nishanth
 Mr. P. Madhan kumar
 Mr. A. Hari Prasad
 Ms. P. Arthi

Our children who reach college commit themselves as volunteers with an intention to contribute back to the society and the organization. They give their time, labour, knowledge, skills and expertise in running our Child Education Centres and various other programmes and activities for children. They are encouraged to achieve their goals and mentored to become change makers in their communities.



Mentoring Programme for New Volunteers

New volunteers are provided with a day-long orientation to enable them to set realistic goals for volunteering at Vidiyal. They are placed in our Child Education Centres and mentored by senior volunteers and staff towards developing desirable qualities and skills. A series of training programmes, workshops and book reading sessions are organized in shaping their potential.

STAFF TEAM

Executive Director

Dr. C.Jim Jesudoss

Department of Child Development

Mr.D.Arockiam - Director - Child Development
 Mr.P.Chandran - Academic Trainer
 Mr.P.Selvakumar - Digital communication Trainer
 Mr. K. Gopal - Student Counselor
 Ms. P.Rohini - Street Educator
 Ms. S. Petchiammal - Street Educator
 Mr. R. Deepak Gokul Kingsly - Street Educator
 Ms. K. Rakku - Tailoring Instructor
 Ms. S. Sudha - Asst. accountant

Department of Child Protection

Dr.G.Sharmila Jim - Director - Child Protection
 Ms.M.Maria Vinoliya - Superintendent
 Ms. P. Preethi - Counselor
 Mr.P.Uthayakumar - Child Welfare Officer
 Ms.V.Anusuya - Store Keeper cum Accountant
 Ms.M. Dhivya Lakshmi -House Mother
 Mr.M. Surya - House Father
 Ms. N. Mahalakshmi - PT instructor cum Yoga Trainer
 Ms. P. Nandheeswari - Educator
 Mr. P. Selvakumar - Art & Craft cum Music Teacher
 Ms.T.Dhanalakshmi - Cook
 Ms.V.Palaniswari - Cook
 Ms.P. Janaki - House Keeper
 Mr. P. Muniyasamy - Night Watchman
 Ms. R. Pandi Sudha - Night Watchwoman
 M.P.Rajkumar - Driver cum Office Assistant

Department of Child Participation

Mr. S. Anil Godwin Kumar - Director - Child Participation
 Mr. M. Anbu - Project Coordinator
 Mr. J. James - Cluster Coordinator
 Mr. P. Baskar - Cluster Coordinator
 Ms. B. Mareeswari - Cluster Coordinator
 Ms. P. Jenifer - Accountant
 Mr. P. Rajkumar - Office Assistant

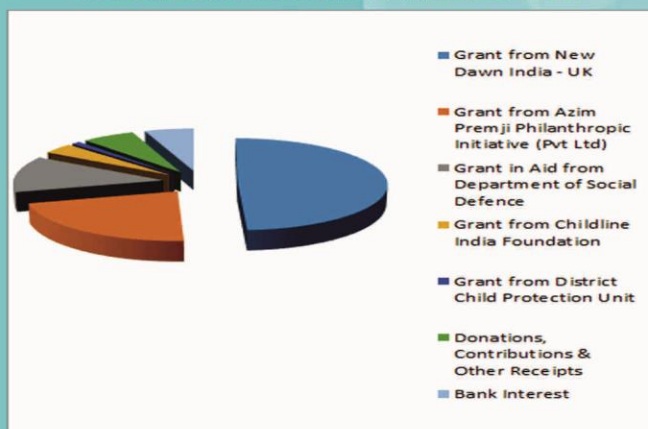
Childline

Mr.C.Ramachandran - Coordinator
 Ms. S.Kameswari - Part time Counselor
 Ms.M.Puliammal - Team Member
 Mr.Jeba Meshak - Team Member
 Mr.M. Priyanka - Team Member
 Ms.T. Muthupandi - Team Member
 Mr.A.Ragu - Team Member
 Ms.M.Selvi - Team Member
 Ms.S.Keerthana - Volunteer

MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL BODY

1.Dr.Sujatha Rita	M.S.W. Phd.,	President	Development Consultant
2.Dr.V.Christopher Ramesh	M.A., (Eng) M.Phil., Phd.,	Vice President	Asst. Professor
3.Dr.S.Aasha	M.A., (Psy., M.Phil., Phd.,	Secretary	Psychologist and Counsellor
4.Ms.G.Andal	M.A., (Soc), M.Sc.,	Treasurer	Social Worker
5.Mr.S.A.Arul	M.S.W.,	Member	Social Worker
6.Ms.T.Mary Anita	B.P.Ed.,	Member	Teacher
7.Ms.B.Kalaiarasi	M.Sc., B.Ed.,	Member	Educationist
8.Ms.Magdalene Virjini	M.Sc., P.G.Dip (Diet)	Member	Asst. Professor

INCOME DURING THE YEAR 2022-2023



INCOME 2022-2023	Rs
Grant from New Dawn India - UK	1,03,31,845.00
Grant from Azim Premji Philanthropic Initiative (Pvt Ltd)	45,44,000.00
Grant in Aid from Department of Social Defence	26,72,412.00
Grant from Childline India Foundation	7,59,383.00
Grant from District Child Protection Unit	2,05,431.00
Donations, Contributions & Other Receipts	12,80,109.00
Bank Interest	11,88,480.00
	2,09,81,660.00

EXPENDITURE DURING THE YEAR 2022-2023



EXPENDITURE 2022-2023	Rs.
Integrated Child Rights Implementation Programme	58,64,856.00
Community Empowerment Programme	4,00,217.00
Child Participation for Child Rights Protection (CPCRP) Project	12,58,284.00
Sakthi Vidiyal Shelter Home	28,13,326.00
Childline Project	11,66,103.00
Swachhta Hi Seva Programme	15,601.00
World Children Sports Meet	64,600.00
Expenses out of Local Donation	4,35,050.00
Awareness Programme for District Child Protection Unit	1,98,000.00
Administrative Expenses	14,59,267.00
Loss on Sale of Assets	8,91,685.00
	1,45,66,989.00

OUR BANKERS:



State Bank of India,
New Delhi Main Branch,
11, Parliament Street,
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Tamilnad Mercantile Bank,
S.S. Colony Branch and
Palanganatham Branch,
Madurai

AUDITOR



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MEDIA ADVOCACY

Hello FM and Suryan FM supported our cause during the year in highlighting the issue of Child Labour. Our sincere thanks to dailies including The Hindu, The New Indian Express, Times of India and Dinamalar for supporting media advocacy through covering news items upholding children's rights.

உரிமைத் திருவிழா

மதுரை, ஜூலை 18 - மதுரை செமின்ட் மேரீஸ் மேல்நிலைப்பள்ளியில் சக்தி விடியல் அமைப்பின் சார்பில் விடியல் உரிமைகள் இயக்க ஆண்டு விழா நடந்தது.

விழாவின் கருப் பொருளாக "உரிமைத்தீயாய் சுடர்விடு" என்ற தலைப்பில் தலைவர் ஹரிபிரசாத் பேசினார். மாவட்ட குழந்தைகள் பாதுகாப்பு அலுவலர் சுந்தரம் பேசினார். மகளிர் சக்தி அமைப்பை சேர்ந்த கிரேஸ்காந்திமதி பரிசு வழங்கினார். பாலியல் ரீதியான பிரச்சனையில் இருந்து குழந்தைகளை பாதுகாப்பதன் அவசியம் குறித்து "ஓநாய் மனிதர்கள்" நாடகம் நடத்தப்பட்டது.

After two years, children of Sakthi-Vidyal come together to have a gala time

CHILD RIGHTS
The children of Sakthi Vidyal, who have been struggling for the last two years, came together to celebrate their rights.



Children playing games at the Sakthi Vidyal event.

Children playing games at the Sakthi Vidyal event.

Madurai gets 12 more centres for personality development of children

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Madurai

DISTRICT Child Protection Officer R Sundar inaugurated 12 new child education centres on Saturday as part of the 'Child Participation for Child Right Protection' (CPCRP) project organised by Sakthi-Vidyal.

According to sources, eight of such centres are already functional and 12 more were inaugurated by Sundar, who was the chief guest of the event. On inaugurat-

rights partitioner Dr Jim Jesudoss said, "When you educate children about their rights, they will be able to defend themselves in whatever situations they land in. This project



These centres will not only support children in school education but also provide life skills education and child rights education

R Sundar, DCPO

ing the centres, Sundar said, "These centres will not only support children in school education but also provide life skills education, lessons on personality development and child rights education."

Executive director and child

is specially tailored for children from marginalised communities. We hope to collectively work towards sensitising parents, teachers and community leaders to become supporters of child rights," he said.

Sundar appreciated Sakthi-Vidyal's efforts and urged children to educate and share knowledge among themselves. Children from Nilayur, Dr Kabeer Nagar, Dr Ambedkar colony, Thanakkankulam and nine other colonies, president Dr Sujatha Rita, and secretary Dr S Asha joined the programme.

குழந்தை கல்வி மையம் திறப்பு

மதுரை, டிச. 11 - மதுரை காந்தி மியூசியத்தில் மனித உரிமைகள் தினத்தை முன்னிட்டு சக்தி விடியல் தொண்டு நிறுவனம் சார்பில் விளிம்பு நிலை குழந்தைகளுக்கான 12 புதிய கல்வி மையங்கள் திறக்கப்பட்டன.

மாவட்ட குழந்தைகள் பாதுகாப்பு அலுவலர் சுந்தர், தன்னார்வலர்கள், 10க்கும் மேற்பட்ட கிராமங்களில் இருந்து குழந்தைகள் பங்கேற்றனர். செயல் இயக்குநர் ஜிம் ஜேசுடாஸ் கூறுகையில், 'குழந்தைகளின் எதிர்காலம் சிறப்பாக அமைவதற்கு அவர்களின் நிகழ்காலத்தை பாதுகாக்க வேண்டும்' என்றார்.

'Ensure participation of kids in protecting their rights'

They share their problems more freely with their peers, even before coming to their parents or teachers in a majority of the cases, says R. Sundar, District Child Protection Officer

The Hindu Bureau

Children share their problems more freely with their peers, even before coming to their parents or teachers in a majority of the cases. Hence, it is crucial to ensure participation of children in protecting their rights, said R. Sundar, District Child Protection Officer.



R. Sundar, District Child Protection Officer, speaking at an event.

hour and child marriages along with stakeholders, as they are well informed," said R. Sundar.

C. Jim Jesudoss, executive director of Sakthi Vidyal, said that the event also marked the 10th year of Sakthi Vidyal's collaboration with the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child.

He added that Sakthi Vidyal has expanded its reach in 12 more vulnerable zones in and around Madurai through its Child Education Centres. Sakthi Vidyal, a city-based non-governmental organisation that champions rights of children, has expanded its reach in 12 more vulnerable zones in and around Madurai through its Child Education Centres. Sakthi Vidyal, a city-based non-governmental organisation that champions rights of children, has expanded its reach in 12 more vulnerable zones in and around Madurai through its Child Education Centres.

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Jim and his mission: Offering kids door to world

Sakthi Vidyal, an NGO, has been working on children's rights for the last 28 years by educating kids in eight slums in Madurai



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and cyber safety. Apart from creating awareness, the films have given these underprivileged children the exposure and chance to work in films. Prior to producing these short films, a workshop was organised by the NGO to kindle interest in short film making among children in October 2021. The objective was to impart skills in digital media, enable children to discover their latent talents, encourage children to express their thoughts, views and concerns through the digital media platforms including short films and also develop an attitude among children to use digital media for child rights advocacy," he said.

"27 children who participated in the workshop brainstormed as six teams and wrote scripts for their short films. We provided them with technical support which enabled them to hone their skills in acting and directing the films," he added.

P. Kabilan, a Class XII student, who acted in one of the short films, said that it gave him a chance to express his thoughts and views. "The six short films come under the theme karuppu kayaluthu (black signature) and earlier batches of students created eight short films under the theme Dreams of the dark and six short films under the theme Shadow angle," he said.

V. Nivetha, a Class X student, who directed a short film, said that before filming began, the children deliberated on the plot before finalizing the script and screenplay. "Shooting each film will increase our self-esteem, create opportunities for us to discover our potential and recognition among friends," he said.

M. Nivetha, Class X student, and D. Abi Sakthi, Class XII student, both who acted in short films, said that the efforts by the NGO is creating opportunities for children to express themselves using digital media.

The films which have a run time of less than five minutes can be watched on the YouTube channel Vidyal Madurai.



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INBRIEF



Songs on children's rights to equal opportunities released

Release of a collection of 30 songs sung by the children of Sakthi-Vidyal - 'Aarparippu' a music album was launched by cine playback singer Mathichiyam Bala here on Thursday. The Sakthi-Vidyal has been working for the cause of children's rights for the past three decades, said its executive director C. Jim Jesudoss at the launch function. The idea, he said, was to provide ample opportunities for the children to explore their talents and used songs as medium to promote child rights. The songs were composed in various camps held in the past.

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Thanks to Dr.G.Gilbert Rajkumar for setting this endowment fund of Rs.5,00,000/- The interest accruing from this endowment will be used to reward children who successfully complete 10th and 12th standards.

Dr.G.Gilbert Rajkumar Memorial Endowment Fund

Thanks to Dr.G.Sharmila Jim for setting this endowment fund of Rs.3,00,000/-. It was proposed to use the accruing interest from this endowment to give cash awards to the Children's Theatre Troupe at the Child Rights Festival every year.

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