

Annual Report 2025 to 2026



Every Child Deserves Education,
Every Person Deserves A Meal,
And Our Planet Deserves To Be Clean
We're On A Mission To Make It Happen



‘ஊருக்கு உழைத்தல் யோகம்’

பாரதியார்



SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS



17 Goals to Transform Our World

The Sustainable Development Goals are a call for action by all countries – poor, rich and middle income – to promote prosperity while protecting the planet. They recognize that ending poverty must go hand in hand with strategies that build economic growth and address a range of social needs including education, health, social protection, and job opportunities, while tackling climate change and environmental protection.

Yaan Foundation

At Yaan Foundation, we envision a world where education is accessible, hunger is eradicated, and our environment is free from the shackles of pollution. By focusing on these key pillars, we work tirelessly to pave the way for a sustainable, prosperous future for generations to come.

Our Mission

Our mission is to create a sustainable and equitable world by providing free education and environmental conservation. We are committed to empowering underserved communities by offering access to quality education and essential nutrition, fostering personal development and breaking the cycle of poverty.



Our Donation Process

Awareness & Engagement

To inform and engage potential donors and supporters about the charity's mission and the cause it supports. Utilize various channels such as social media.



Impact and Accountability

Allocate funds to specific projects and initiatives that align with the charity's mission, ensuring that resources are used efficiently and effectively.

Self Funded Commitment

The Yaan Foundation operates solely through the personal contributions of friends and family. It has not received any external financial assistance or donations, and no fundraising events have been held to date.



Our Partners



Message From Our Partners

Here's what some of our corporate partners have to say about Yaan:

Greetings, my name is Divakar, and I am working in association with the Yaan Foundation. The organization is committed to supporting children from Sri Lankan camp communities by identifying students based on their family and financial circumstances and taking full responsibility for their educational expenses to help them continue their studies.

Through this initiative, many students from Sri Lankan camps have benefited over the past few years. Although these students achieved good academic results, they were unable to pursue higher education due to their difficult family situations. With the support of this organization, they are now continuing their education successfully. Beyond educational assistance, the organization also provides additional skill development training programs, which greatly help students build confidence and prepare for a brighter future. The positive changes and growth in these students can already be clearly seen. We sincerely express our heartfelt gratitude and appreciation to the organization for its valuable support and meaningful contribution toward empowering the future of these students.

This noble and selfless endeavor has transformed the lives of many young individuals, paving the way for sustainable community development and fostering a highly motivated generation of future leaders.



Mr. Dhivakar

JRS field officer,
Dharmapuri.

We are proud to announce a deeply meaningful partnership between the Rights Education and Development Centre (READ) and the Yaan Foundation, establishing a robust framework to support higher education opportunities for tribal students from the protected Tiger Reserve forest areas of the Sathyamangalam Hills. Under this crucial joint initiative, the Yaan Foundation has stepped forward to take full financial responsibility for providing comprehensive higher education scholarships to these deserving tribal youth.

This strategic collaboration creates a truly life changing opportunity for tribal youth from remote, underserved forest villages to access quality university education and build a much brighter future. For many vulnerable families living deep within the reserve, higher education has long been out of reach due to severe geographical and financial barriers. We strongly believe this initiative will actively transform the daily lives of many first generation learners, breaking systemic barriers and creating an incredibly positive, historic impact on the landscape of tribal education across the region.



Mr. Karuppusamy

Director, Rights Education
and Development Centre
(READ)

We are deeply grateful to the Yaan Foundation for their profound commitment, empathy, and invaluable support toward the education and future of these bright students. Together, we stand firmly by a powerful shared truth:

“Opportunity can change history.”

It is a privilege to acknowledge the contributions of Yaan Foundation towards building a more compassionate and inclusive society. Through its efforts across Erode and surrounding regions, the Foundation has supported homeless individuals, senior citizens, persons affected by mental health challenges, and other vulnerable communities.

Yaan Foundation has been engaged in rescuing and rehabilitating people living on the streets, providing long term care, and working towards the vision of a "Beggar Free India." Its initiatives in waste management, recycling, community welfare, and social rehabilitation reflect its commitment to social development.

The leadership of Mr. Pradeep Kumar, with the support of Mr. Arangasamy, has played an important role in guiding Yaan Foundation. Their commitment to serving people in need with compassion and dedication has helped the Foundation carry forward its mission.

I appreciate the work of Yaan Foundation and wish the team continued success in its efforts. May the Foundation continue to support more people and contribute positively to society.

With sincere appreciation and best wishes.



**Mr. Naveen Kumar,
M.E.**

Founder & President,
Atchayam Trust

I consider myself truly fortunate to have had the opportunity to work closely with the Yaan Foundation and witness firsthand the incredible work they do for society. What has impressed me most is not only the tangible impact of their grassroots initiatives, but also the remarkable work culture, strong ethical standards, and value driven approach that guide every single aspect of their organization. The dedication, daily professionalism, and genuine commitment of the team toward serving the community are truly inspiring to witness.

My association with the Yaan Foundation has been a highly valuable learning experience. It has given me direct exposure to an environment rooted in compassion, integrity, accountability, and excellence in public service. The continuous support, mentorship, and encouragement I have received from the leadership have helped me grow immensely, both personally and professionally.

I extend my sincere gratitude to the Yaan Foundation for their unwavering support and for providing me with this outstanding opportunity to learn and collaborate. I deeply appreciate their trust, and I look forward to continuing this meaningful association to empower communities in the future.

With heartfelt thanks and appreciation,



Mr. Kavim,

IAS Academy Trainer

I have closely witnessed the profound impact that the Yaan Foundation has been creating at the grassroots level. Their unwavering commitment to uplifting underserved communities through quality education, environmental sustainability, and holistic support is truly commendable. What sets Yaan apart is their structured approach and transparent execution. It is a privilege for Erodu Siragukal to stand alongside an organization that shares our vision of empowering lives. I firmly believe Yaan Foundation will continue to fly higher and light up countless more futures."

"Real change happens when empathy meets dedicated action, and that is exactly what the Yaan Foundation represents. From transforming the educational landscape for deserving students to driving impactful environmental initiatives, their dedication is a constant source of inspiration. Having collaborated on community welfare, I can confidently say that Yaan operates with genuine passion and integrity. I wish the entire team immense success as they publish this booklet and continue to serve as a beacon of hope for society."

"Yaan Foundation is doing phenomenal work in rewriting the stories of underprivileged youth and nurturing our environment. Their selfless service and long term vision align perfectly with what we believe at Erode Siragukal. It is inspiring to see their growth and the tangible difference they make every single day. My heartiest congratulations to the team on all their achievements; may your wings of service expand even further."



Vimal Karuppannan

President, Erode Siragukal

வான்றோக்கி உயரட்டும் யான் அறக்கட்டளை

“ ஊருக்கு உழைத்திடல் யோகம்”

என்ற மகாகவி பாரதியாரின் வரிகளை தங்களின் குறிக்கோளாக கொண்டு இயங்கி வரும் யான் அறக்கட்டளை தன்னார்வ தொண்டு நிறுவனங்களுக்கு எல்லாம் ஒரு முன்னுதாரணமாக விளங்கி வருகிறது என்றால் அது மிகையாகாத ஒன்று. அவர்கள் செய்து வரும் சேவை அளவிட முடியாதது. கல்வி, மருத்துவம், சுகாதாரம், திக்கற்ற ஏழைகளுக்கு உண்ண உணவு உடுக்கை உடை அடிப்படையான வாழ்வியல்



மரு.அருள் நாகலிங்கம்

நிறுவனர், மாநிலத்தலைவர்
வடலூர் தலைமை சமரச சுத்த
சன்மார்க்க சத்திய சங்கம்

நிறுவனர்

அருள் சித்தா கிளிநிக்

அருள்பதிப்பகம்

சன்மார்க்க மன்றம்

அருள்சித்தா கிளிநிக்

முறை உடல் நலம் உயிர்நலம் உணர்வு நலம் காத்திட அனைத்தும் அனைவருக்கும் கிடைக்க வேண்டும் என்ற வகையில் பல்வேறு வகையான நல்ல திட்டங்களை உருவாக்கி அதனை தேவைப்படும் மக்களுக்கு கொண்டு சேர்க்கும் மிகப் பெரிய பணியினை செய்து வருகிறது.

இத்தகைய சிறப்பு வாய்ந்த யான் அறக்கட்டளை நமது அருள் சித்தா கிளிநிக் உடன் இணைந்தும் பல்வேறு உதவிகளையும் செய்து வருகிறது. அதில் மிக முக்கியமான ஒன்றாக நமது அருள் சித்தா கிளிநிக்கில் காலை, மதியம் மற்றும் இரவு நேரங்களில் வழங்கப்பட்டு வரும் இலவச அன்னதானத்திற்கு யான் அறக்கட்டளை மிகப்பெரிய பங்கினை வழங்கி வருகிறது. யான் அறக்கட்டளை உதவியுடன் நமது அருள் சித்தா கிளிநிக்கில் உள்ள சத்திய தரும சாலையில் நாள்தோறும் காலை 200 நபர்களுக்கு காலை உணவும் , மதியம் குறைந்தது 300 பேருக்கு அறுசுவை உணவும், இரவு 150 நபர்களுக்கு நடமாடும் அன்னதான ஊர்தி மூலமாக சாலையில் கேட்பாரற்று, கவனிப்பின்றி இருக்கும் ஏழை எளிய மக்களின் பசியினை போக்கும்

உன்னத பணியினை செய்து வருகிறோம். இந்தப் பணி இறைவனுக்கு பிடித்த பணி. குறிப்பாக நம் வடலூர் வள்ளலாருக்கு உகந்த பணி என்பதால் மிகுந்த விருப்பத்தோடு இதனை யான் அறக்கட்டளையோடு அருள் சித்தா கிளினிக் செய்து வருகிறது என்பதில் பெருமிதம் கொள்கிறோம். பசியில்லாத உலகமே வள்ளல் பெருமான் விரும்பிய உலகமாகும். அந்த பசி இல்லாத உலகத்தை நோக்கியே யான் அறக்கட்டளையின் நடை போடுகிறது . இந்த ஒற்றை கருத்தோடு, ஒப்பற்ற சிந்தனைகளோடு இயங்கி வரும் யான் அறக்கட்டளையோடு வரும் காலங்களில் இன்னும் அதிகமான பணிகளை பகிர்ந்திட அருள் சித்தா கிளினிக் விரும்புகிறது என்பதை இந்த தருணத்தில் மகிழ்ச்சியோடு தெரிவித்துக் கொள்கிறேன்.

தொடர்ந்து நல்ல பணிகளை செய்து வரும் யான் அறக்கட்டளை நிர்வாகிகள் & உறுப்பினர்கள் உலகமெல்லாம் பரவி போரில்லாத உலகத்தையும் பசி இல்லாத உலகத்தையும் காண விரும்பும் அனைவருக்கும் முன்னுதாரணமாக திகழ வேண்டும் என்ற வாழ்த்துக்களை தெரிவித்துக் கொள்கிறேன்

It gives me great pleasure to place on record my sincere appreciation and admiration for the remarkable work being carried out by Yaan Foundation.

As I reflect upon your Annual Report, I see more than a record of projects and achievements. I see a story of compassion translated into action, vision transformed into impact, and commitment sustained

through the quiet power of service. What makes Yaan Foundation truly distinctive is not merely what it does, but why it does it. Whether supporting deserving students through scholarships, promoting environmental conservation and tree plantation, advancing community well being, or uplifting underserved populations, every initiative reflects a deep sense of social responsibility and a genuine desire to improve lives.

As a Rotarian, I have long believed that lasting change occurs when people come together around a shared purpose. In Yaan Foundation, I see an organization that embodies this spirit. Its values of service, integrity, compassion, and community development resonate deeply with Rotary's own enduring ideals. I am particularly honoured to acknowledge that Yaan Foundation has joined hands with the Rotary Blood Bank Project, Erode, as a valued partner. Currently under implementation and scheduled to become operational this year, the facility will provide safe blood, blood components, and life saving support to thousands of patients and families across the region. Its true value will be measured



**PDG Dr. E. K.
Sagadhevan**

Chairman & Managing
Director
Lotus Hospitals & Research
Centre Ltd., Erode
Past District Governor, Rotary
International District 3202
(2009–10)
Past All India End Polio Now
Coordinator (2018–22)
Polio Ambassador
Rotary Club of Erode Central

not in buildings or equipment, but in lives saved and hope restored. I also wish to thank Yaan Foundation for providing an opportunity for the medical team of Lotus Hospitals to participate in its healthcare outreach programme in the tribal villages of Bargur Hills. We are honoured to have been associated with this meaningful initiative. I warmly congratulate the founders, volunteers, partners, donors, and well wishers who have contributed to this inspiring journey. The dedication and perseverance of the Yaan Foundation team demonstrate how committed individuals can create meaningful and lasting change in society. May Yaan Foundation continue to grow in strength, expand its reach, and touch many more lives in the years ahead. Together, we are not merely implementing projects we are building stronger communities, healthier lives, and a more hopeful future for generations to come. With warm regards and best wishes,

On behalf of Uravugal Trust, I extend our warmest greetings to the esteemed team of Yaan Foundation. I am Khaalid Ahamed, Founder of Uravugal Trust, and it is with profound gratitude and deep respect that I pen this note to formally acknowledge the invaluable support and confidence that Yaan Foundation has extended to our organization.

Uravugal Trust was established on 27th July 2017, founded upon a deeply personal and transformative experience. The passing of my father in Thanjavur, under circumstances where no family member could reach him in time, left an indelible impression on my conscience. The realisation that countless individuals across our society face a similar fate dying unattended and unacknowledged inspired the formation of this Trust. What began as a small team of 10 dedicated volunteers has since grown into a committed family of over 500 young men and women, operating tirelessly, seven days a week, across Tamil Nadu.

The core mandate of Uravugal Trust is to ensure that no individual, regardless of identity or circumstance, is denied a dignified farewell. Since our inception

in 2017, we have had the honour of conducting final rites for more than 10,000 unknown and unclaimed individuals. During the COVID-19 pandemic, our dedicated team undertook the solemn responsibility of facilitating the burial and cremation of over 1,859 affected individuals including infants and the elderly at a time when fear and uncertainty gripped the nation. Our operations run round the clock, supported by our own fleet of vehicles, and extend across Chennai, Kanchipuram, Villupuram, Chengalpattu, Thiruvallur, Thanjavur, and Trichy.

Beyond the conduct of final rites, Uravugal Trust actively rescues destitute and homeless individuals from roadsides, bus stands, and railway stations. We provide them with immediate necessities, including food,



Khaalid Ahamed. N,

Founder of Uravugal Trust.

clothing, medical attention, and shelter. It is our firm belief that every human being, irrespective of their social standing or personal history, is deserving of care, compassion, and dignity, both in life and in death.

In this meaningful journey, Yaan Foundation has emerged as a steadfast and valued partner. The support extended by Yaan Foundation towards the Black Lot Development Work has significantly strengthened our organizational capacity, enabling us to expand our reach, enhance our operations, and serve a greater number of individuals in need. This contribution has had a tangible and lasting impact on the communities we serve.

The generosity and trust demonstrated by Yaan Foundation represent far more than material support it reflects a shared commitment to human dignity and social responsibility. Each life we touch bears the collective effort of organizations such as yours, and our field volunteers draw immeasurable strength from knowing that compassionate partners stand alongside them in this mission.

We are deeply optimistic about the continued growth of this partnership. There remains considerable work to be accomplished, and Uravugal Trust is firmly committed to pursuing it with the same integrity, transparency, and dedication that have defined our work since inception. We remain honoured to have Yaan Foundation as part of this shared endeavour. We express our sincerest gratitude to each member of Yaan Foundation. Your association with this cause is a source of great strength and encouragement to us, and we remain deeply thankful for your trust and generosity.

யான் அறக்கட்டளையானது, இந்த சமூகத்தில் உள்ள ஏழை எளிய மக்களுக்கும் மற்றும் சமுதாயத்தில் மிகவும் பின்தங்கிய மக்களுக்கும், குழந்தைகளுக்கும் கல்வி மற்றும் சமூக பொறுப்புணர்வுகள் பற்றிய விழிப்புணர்வுகளை கடந்த சில வருடங்களாக எவ்வித லாப நோக்கமுமின்றி மிகச்சிறந்த முறையில் தொண்டாற்றி வருகிறது. தனது உன்னதமான சமூக சேவைகளின் வாயிலாக அனைத்து தரப்பு மக்களையும் சென்றடைவதையே தனது லட்சிய பாதையாகக் கொண்டு செயல்படுகிறது. “மகிழ்வித்து மகிழ்” என்ற தாரக மந்திரத்தை முன்நிறுத்தி, அனுதினமும் எண்ணிலடங்கா சேவைகளைச் செய்து மக்கள் மத்தியில் தனக்கென ஒரு உன்னத இடத்தை இந்த அறக்கட்டளை தக்கவைத்துள்ளது.



V.S. அன்புச்செழியன்
B.A. B.L

(Notary / Advocate)

Managing Trustee
SRI ANBU KARANGAL
SOCIAL WELFARE TRUST
GOMANGALAM, POLLACHI
(TK),
COIMBATORE DT.

இந்த மகத்தான பணிகளைத் தொய்வின்றித் தொடர்ந்து முன்னெடுத்து வரும் யான் அறக்கட்டளைக்கும், அதன் அர்ப்பணிப்புமிக்க அறங்காவலர் குழுவிற்கும் சமுதாயத்தின் சார்பாக மனமார்ந்த வாழ்த்துக்களும் நன்றிகளும் என்றும் உகந்தது.

அறக்கட்டளையின் மனிதாபிமானப் பணிகளின் மற்றொரு முக்கிய மைல்கல்லாக, கோவை மாவட்டம், பொள்ளாச்சி வட்டம், கோமங்கலம் கிராமத்தில் “மூத்தோர் அன்பகம்” (முதியோர் அன்பகம்) மிகச் சிறப்பாகச் செயல்பட்டு வருகிறது. கடந்த பல மாதங்களாக, இந்த சமூகத்தில் தங்களை அரவணைக்க உறவுகள் யாரும் இல்லாத நிலையில் கைவிடப்பட்ட முதியவர்களைப் பாதுகாப்பதே இந்த அன்பகத்தின் முதன்மை நோக்கமாகும்.

இங்கு தங்கியிருக்கும் முதியவர்கள் அனைவருக்கும் எவ்வித லாப நோக்கமும் இன்றி, தரமான உணவு, உடை, பாதுகாப்பான இருப்பிடம் மற்றும் முறையான மருத்துவ வசதி என அனைத்தையும் இலவசமாக வழங்கி மிகச்சிறந்த சேவையை வழங்கி வருகிறது. விளிம்புநிலையில்

உள்ள முதியவர்களின் வாழ்வாதாரத்தையும் கண்ணியத்தையும் உறுதி செய்யும் இந்த “மூத்தோர் அன்பகமானது”, யான் அறக்கட்டளையின் ஒரு அங்கமாக இணைந்து தடையின்றி இயங்கி வருவது ஒட்டுமொத்த சமுதாயத்திற்கும் பெரும் மகிழ்ச்சியையும் பெருமிதத்தையும் அளிக்கிறது.

எளியோரின் வாழ்வில் ஒளியேற்றி, ஆதரவற்றோருக்குப் புகலிடம் தரும் இவர்களது சமூகப் பணிகள் இன்னும் பல உயரங்களைத் தொடட்டும்.

வாழ்க உமது சேவை! வளர்க உமது சமூகப் பணி!!

Gratitude Messages From The Recipients

Here's what some of our donees have to say about Yaan Services:

"I completed my degree at Global College of Allied Health Sciences, Chennai. It was never an easy journey for me. There were times I wasn't sure I could complete my education. But at the right moment, Yaan came into my life and, I was able to finish my degree successfully.

Today, I'm proud that I'm working in a corporate hospital. I will always be grateful to Yaan Foundation. In the future, I want to help other students who are going through similar challenges, just like I once did."

Pushparani from Vridhachalam,
Recipient of College Student Scholarship

"On behalf of the entire school, we would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to Yaan Foundation for the tremendous support and care you have shown towards our community. Your generous contributions, including the installation of the Sanitary Napkin Disposal Machine, have made a significant difference in ensuring the health, hygiene, and dignity of our students. We truly appreciate the ongoing efforts you've made to create a better and safer environment for all of us. Thank you once again for everything you've done for us!"

Muruganathan. P

Head Master, MNM School, Jakkarpalayam Village

" I am sharing my experience with the Jakkarpalayam Village Wellness Program, conducted by Aliyar Arivu Thirukovil and sponsored by Yaan Foundation. The physical exercises including hand, leg, eye exercises, Kapalapathi, Kayakalpam, and Makarasana have boosted my energy and flexibility. Makarasana relieved my back pain, while Kayakalpam helped regulate my menstrual cycle and reduced abdominal discomfort. The mental training covering introspection, desire and anger control, and worry elimination has improved my clarity and decision making. Yoga has sharpened my mind and brought balance to my life. I am truly grateful to the Yaan Foundation for introducing these life changing practices. Our whole community is deeply thankful for their commitment to our growth."

Anusiya Devi. S
Jakkarpalayam Village

"I, from a humble family background, studying in an Engineering College. After the loss of my father, life became a series of challenges for my family. As a semi orphan, the dream of completing an engineering degree felt almost out of reach due to financial limitations. At this crucial juncture, the YAAN recognized my situation and extended a helping hand. Their timely support gave me the strength to stay focused on my academics and future. With gratitude and pride, I share that I have secured a placement at HCL Tech, Chennai, and successfully cleared the GATE examination with an All India Rank of 6690. This journey would not have been possible without the life changing support of the Yaan Foundation, to whom I will remain forever grateful."

Manikandan S from Panruti,
Recipient of College Student Scholarship

Volunteers Speak



Murugan Kiran
Manager,
Yaan Foundation

It is a profound privilege and honor to serve as the Manager of the Yaan Foundation. Steering this organization's mission has been a deeply rewarding journey, dedicated to advancing community welfare, unlocking accessible education, and driving sustainable youth empowerment across the regions we serve.

Every day, I take immense pride in carrying out my responsibilities with enthusiasm, focus, and peace of mind. Witnessing how our collective efforts contribute to tangible change in people's lives is incredibly inspiring. Working closely with our resilient scholars and grassroots communities reinforces the reality that behind every initiative is a family hoping for a brighter future.

Looking ahead, I remain firmly committed to strengthening our impact and expanding our outreach to the most marginalized corners. Ultimately, service is not just a professional responsibility it is a sacred opportunity to stand beside individuals and create lasting, generational change.

Serving as a Senior Associate at the Yaan Foundation within the Scholarship Program has been an emotional and truly life changing journey. Working closely with students, especially those from Sri Lankan Tamil refugee and tribal communities, has made me deeply realize how powerful education is in transforming vulnerable lives.

Many of our scholars come from families where even managing basic daily needs is a constant struggle. Yet, they hold onto their academic dreams with immense courage. Some travel long distances to attend college, others balance heavy family responsibilities, and many silently face harsh financial hardships without ever giving up on their education.

Every single interaction reminds me that behind every scholarship is an entire family hoping for a better future. Their resilience, gratitude, and determination inspire me daily. For these students, this program is far more than financial assistance it is a reminder that someone truly believes in them and stands firmly beside them.



Vysika Sri,
Senior Associate,
Yaan Foundation

Serving as an Associate at the Yaan Foundation, I actively drive environmental conservation through the Jakkarvanam Project. My work focuses on tree plantation drives, village cleanliness, and transforming rural areas into sustainable model communities.

Planting trees is central to my vision for improving air quality and combatting climate change. Partnering with local residents allows me to promote eco friendly living. As a young woman in grassroots action, I am proud to challenge stereotypes and prove that leadership is defined by commitment. Additionally, I manage alumni engagement, building a strong network to ensure a sustainable future for the next generation.



S Pavithra,
Associate,
Yaan Foundation



Manoj Kumar M,
Associate,
Yaan Foundation

Serving as an Associate at the Yaan Foundation, I help rural youth achieve their career dreams. Following our successful initial TNPSC Coaching Program batch at Jakkarpalayam, I am now leading Phase 2 of the project at Negamam.

This current phase will run for the next six months, providing intensive training and structured guidance to dedicated local aspirants. Once this concludes, we plan to expand this vital initiative further. Through this program, we aim to contribute to society by guiding, empowering, and actively shaping the next generation of dedicated government servants.

Serving as an Associate at the Yaan Foundation, I focus on fostering economic independence. Following the successful completion of my Summer Camp Project, I am now leading the initial phase of the Self Help Group (SHG) Project at Jakkarpalayam.

This initiative will continue for the next six months, providing essential training and resources. Once completed, we plan to expand and strengthen the project to reach a wider network. Through this program, we aim to empower individuals, promote rural self reliance, and contribute to society by fostering successful, independent local entrepreneurs.



Nandhini Manoj,
Associate,
Yaan Foundation

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waste segregation
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environmental awareness in
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Swachhata Hi
Seva 2025 award
presented on
September 24.



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cloth bags were
distributed by
450 students.



Driving Grassroots Solid Waste Management

Effective solid waste management begins with community awareness and responsible waste disposal practices at the household level. With this objective, Yaan Foundation, in collaboration with students from the PSG Institute of Management, conducted a Solid Waste Management and Waste Segregation Awareness Campaign in Jakkarpalayam Village, under the Sirukalandai Panchayat. The initiative aimed to improve public understanding of waste management practices and encourage community participation in maintaining a cleaner environment.

The awareness programme focused on educating school students and local residents about the importance of proper waste disposal and its impact on public health and the environment. Interactive sessions explained how improper waste management contributes to pollution, affects





natural resources, and creates sanitation challenges in villages. Participants were also introduced to practical methods of reducing waste generation and adopting environmentally responsible habits in their daily lives.

A major component of the campaign was educating households on waste segregation at source. Volunteers demonstrated the difference between biodegradable and non biodegradable waste and explained the importance of separating waste before disposal. The programme highlighted how proper segregation supports recycling, reduces the burden on waste collection systems, and helps prevent waste accumulation in public spaces.

The campaign also included awareness sessions for school students and door to door outreach, where volunteers interacted with residents to discuss local waste management practices and practical solutions for improving waste segregation and disposal.

Through this collaborative initiative, Yaan Foundation and the PSG Institute of Management promoted practical approaches to solid waste management while encouraging shared responsibility for environmental conservation. The programme forms part of the Foundation's broader environmental initiatives to strengthen community awareness, promote sustainable waste management practices, and support cleaner villages through continued public participation.





Two Year Journey Toward a Plastic: Free and Greener Perundalaiyur

Perundalaiyur: Maintaining a clean and environmentally sustainable village requires regular community participation and consistent field level efforts. With this objective, Yaan Foundation has been implementing a village wide environmental cleanliness and greening programme in Perundalaiyur for the past two years. The initiative combines daily waste management, plastic waste removal, and tree maintenance to improve the local environment and encourage responsible waste disposal practices within the community.

A dedicated four member environmental team carries out the programme on a daily basis. Every morning, the team cleans village streets, public spaces, and common areas, collecting and segregating waste before it is disposed of through appropriate channels. A major focus of the initiative is the removal of non biodegradable plastic waste, which can affect soil quality, block drainage systems, and pollute public spaces if left



unmanaged.

On average, the team removes approximately 5 kilograms of plastic waste every day. Over the course of a year, this amounts to around 1,825 kilograms (1.8 tonnes) of plastic waste removed from the village environment. Through regular collection and proper disposal, the programme helps reduce plastic accumulation and supports a cleaner and healthier living environment for residents.

In addition to waste management, the Foundation undertakes roadside greening activities to improve the village landscape. Native tree saplings have been planted along roadsides and public pathways, with the environmental team carrying out regular watering, weed removal, and routine maintenance to support healthy growth. These efforts contribute to increasing green cover, reducing dust, and improving the appearance of public spaces.

The initiative also encourages community participation in environmental conservation. Residents are encouraged to maintain clean surroundings, reduce the use of single use plastics, and support local greening activities. Through regular interaction with the community, the Foundation promotes awareness of responsible waste management and environmental stewardship.

Over the past two years, the programme has demonstrated the value of consistent environmental action at the village level. By combining daily plastic waste removal with tree plantation and maintenance, Yaan Foundation continues to work towards creating a cleaner, greener, and more sustainable Perundalaiyur while encouraging long term community participation in environmental conservation.





Plastic Waste Clean Up Initiative

Environmental conservation requires consistent efforts in waste management and public participation. With this objective, Yaan Foundation has been implementing a year round plastic waste collection and environmental clean up programme across Erode district. The initiative focuses on reducing plastic pollution, improving public spaces, and creating awareness about responsible waste management through regular community based activities.

During the past year, the Foundation's environmental team collected and removed 6,780 kilograms (approximately 6.8 tonnes) of plastic waste from roadsides, public spaces, water bodies, and other locations across the district. On average, the team collected 18 to 20 kilograms of plastic waste each day, preventing discarded materials from accumulating in public areas and contributing to environmental pollution.



The clean up programme is carried out by a 10 member environmental team that undertakes daily waste collection, segregation, and disposal activities. In addition to removing plastic waste, the team separates recyclable materials to support proper waste management practices and reduce the amount of waste entering landfills.

Alongside field operations, the Foundation conducts awareness activities with local residents, shopkeepers, students, and community members. During clean up drives, volunteers share information on waste segregation, responsible disposal practices, the reduction of single use plastics, and the importance of maintaining clean public spaces. These interactions encourage community participation and promote environmentally responsible behaviour at the local level.

The programme is implemented in coordination with local communities and supports broader efforts to improve environmental cleanliness in both urban and rural areas. Regular clean up activities also contribute to protecting water bodies, reducing plastic accumulation in public places, and improving the overall condition of community spaces.

Yaan Foundation continues to strengthen its environmental initiatives by expanding volunteer participation and improving waste collection efforts in rural communities. Through consistent field activities, public awareness programmes, and community collaboration, the Foundation aims to promote sustainable waste management practices and contribute to a cleaner and healthier environment across the region.









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Best Social Workers of the Century Award at Jeeva Events

A cultural and community recognition programme was organized by Jeeva Events at Sri Karthikeyan Mahal, Karattadipalayam, Gobichettipalayam, on Sunday, August 24, 2025. The event brought together community leaders, educators, healthcare professionals, business representatives, and members of the public. It included cultural programmes, a public debate, talent competitions, and an award ceremony recognizing contributions in various fields.

The programme was supported by several regional organizations and institutions, including Erode College of Law, Sri Sai Sindhu College of Nursing, Gobi, Saran Solar (P) Limited, Thamu Chettiyar Nagai Maaligai, Sri Narayana Heart Centre, Mr. Iron Man Shop, Gobichettipalayam, Jegan Metal Mart, Gobichettipalayam Lions Club, and Aadhirai Lions Club.



One of the major events of the programme was a Special Pattimandram (Public Debate) chaired by Mrs. Bharathi Baskar. The discussion featured speakers including Mrs. Kavitha Jawahar, Kovai Dhanabalan, Dr. Revathi Subbulakshmi, and Mr. Rajkumar, who addressed a range of social topics through a combination of discussion, humour, and public engagement.

During the award ceremony, Yaan Foundation received the "Best Social Workers of the Century Award" in recognition of its community service initiatives. The award acknowledged the Foundation's work in the areas of tribal education, support for government schools, environmental conservation, sanitation awareness, and other community development programmes implemented across rural Tamil Nadu.

The event also featured "Namma Ooru Kondattam," a talent programme that provided opportunities for participants between the ages of 6 and 60 to showcase their skills in various cultural and creative competitions.

The award was presented by Mrs. Bharathi Baskar, recognizing Yaan Foundation's continued contribution to community welfare. The recognition reflects the Foundation's ongoing efforts to implement programmes in education, environmental sustainability, rural development, and social welfare through community participation and volunteer support.

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SRI SAI SINDHU COLLEGE OF NURSING
SRI NARAYANA HEART CENTRE
SARAN SOLAR
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Organised By: **Jeeva Events** 81227 23456 , 98940 09847



Erode Corporation Swachhata Hi Seva 2025 Award

The Yaan Foundation was recognized by the Erode City Municipal Corporation with the Swachhata Hi Seva 2025 Award for its contribution to environmental sanitation and public space restoration. The award acknowledges the Foundation's participation in community based cleanliness initiatives and its support for improving public infrastructure through volunteer driven environmental activities.

The award was presented on Wednesday, September 24, 2025, during a recognition programme organized by the Erode City Municipal Corporation as part of the Swachhata Hi Seva 2025 campaign. The event brought together representatives from the Corporation, community organizations, volunteers, and civic participants involved in environmental improvement programmes across the city.



The recognition was presented for Yaan Foundation's work in cleaning and restoring the Mahajana Sports Ground. The Foundation organized volunteers to remove accumulated waste, clear debris, and improve the cleanliness of the public sports facility. These activities helped restore the ground for regular use by local residents, students, and sports enthusiasts.

The clean up programme formed part of the Foundation's broader environmental initiatives focused on waste management, plastic pollution awareness, and community participation in maintaining public spaces. Through volunteer led activities, Yaan Foundation has supported local efforts to improve sanitation and encourage responsible waste disposal in public areas.

The Swachhata Hi Seva 2025 Award reflects the value of collaboration between local government institutions, community organizations, and volunteers in implementing environmental improvement programmes. Such partnerships contribute to the maintenance of public infrastructure and encourage greater public participation in cleanliness and conservation initiatives.

Yaan Foundation continues to work with local bodies, educational institutions, volunteers, and community groups to promote environmental awareness and sustainable waste management practices. The recognition by the Erode City Municipal Corporation encourages the Foundation to continue implementing community based environmental programmes that support cleaner public spaces and responsible environmental stewardship across the region.





Diwali Gift Distribution for Zonal Workers

As part of its Diwali 2025 community welfare initiatives, Yaan Foundation organized a gift distribution programme for employees of Zone 2, Erode Municipal Corporation. The initiative was undertaken to recognize the contribution of municipal staff who provide essential public services and support the day to day functioning of the city.

Under the programme, the Foundation distributed Diwali firecracker gift boxes to more than 350 municipal employees working in Zone 2. The beneficiaries included sanitation workers, field staff, technical personnel, office employees, and other members of the municipal workforce. The distribution was carried out to acknowledge their service and provide them with festive gifts during the Diwali celebrations.

Municipal employees play an important role



in maintaining public sanitation, civic infrastructure, and essential services throughout the year. Through this initiative, Yaan Foundation sought to recognize their contribution and extend festive greetings as part of its community outreach activities.

The distribution programme was conducted in coordination with the Erode Municipal Corporation, ensuring that the gifts reached employees across the zone. Municipal officials, department representatives, and staff members participated in the programme and appreciated the Foundation's support and recognition of the municipal workforce.

The initiative also reflected the importance of collaboration between community organizations and local civic bodies in implementing welfare programmes that acknowledge the contribution of frontline public service personnel. By recognizing the efforts of employees engaged in essential civic services, the programme encouraged community appreciation for their role in maintaining public facilities and supporting urban development.

Through welfare initiatives such as this, Yaan Foundation continues to work with government departments, local bodies, and community organizations to support public service personnel and strengthen community engagement. The Foundation remains committed to implementing programmes that promote social responsibility, encourage partnerships with civic institutions, and contribute to the well being of communities across the region.





Over 450 School Students Participate in Reusable Cloth Bag Distribution Drive

As part of its environmental awareness initiatives, Yaan Foundation organized a reusable cloth bag distribution campaign in association with the Erode Corporation under the Swachhata Hi Seva 2025 programme. The initiative focused on creating awareness about the environmental impact of single use plastics while encouraging the public to adopt sustainable alternatives through community participation.

A key feature of the campaign was the active involvement of more than 450 school students, who participated in public awareness activities across Erode. The students visited markets, commercial areas, and public spaces, interacting with residents and shopkeepers to promote the use of reusable cloth bags. They also shared information on the environmental effects of plastic waste, including its impact on drainage systems, public spaces, and the local environment.

The campaign provided students with an



opportunity to participate in a community based environmental programme and understand the importance of responsible waste management. Through direct interaction with the public, students developed awareness of environmental issues while contributing to a civic initiative that encouraged sustainable practices.

As part of the programme, more than 500 reusable cloth bags were distributed free of cost to members of the public. The distribution was carried out primarily in busy market areas and commercial locations where plastic bag usage is common. By making reusable bags readily available, the campaign encouraged residents to adopt environmentally friendly alternatives for their daily shopping needs.

The initiative was implemented with the support of local educational institutions, volunteers, and civic authorities, reflecting the value of collaborative action in promoting environmental responsibility. The campaign also reinforced the importance of involving students in community service activities that combine environmental education with practical action.

Through programmes such as this, Yaan Foundation continues to work with local bodies, schools, and community organizations to promote sustainable living and responsible waste management. By encouraging the use of reusable materials and creating public awareness about plastic pollution, the Foundation aims to support cleaner public spaces and foster environmentally responsible practices within local communities.





Jakkarvanam Project: Community Based Ecological Restoration

Environmental conservation requires sustained local action and active community participation. With this objective, the Jakkarvanam Project was launched in October 2024 to promote afforestation and ecological restoration in and around Perundalaiyur. The initiative follows a long term approach that combines tree plantation, environmental awareness, and regular maintenance. Over the past two years, it has evolved into a structured community programme that contributes to increasing green cover, supporting biodiversity, and encouraging environmental responsibility among local residents.

The progress achieved during the 2025–2026 period reflects the foundation established during the first two phases of the initiative. From the outset, the emphasis has been on two priorities: community





participation and consistent maintenance. Rather than treating tree planting as a one time activity, the programme focuses on the long term care required for healthy tree growth. Local residents, school students, volunteers, and village representatives have actively participated in plantation drives and maintenance activities. Their involvement has strengthened community ownership and contributed to a healthy survival rate of the planted saplings.

The Third Phase of the Jakkarvanam Project was launched in June 2025 to expand plantation activities and extend environmental benefits to surrounding areas. During this phase, 4,000 native saplings were planted within the designated project site. Species suited to



the local climate and soil conditions were selected to improve biodiversity and support the long term sustainability of the plantation.

In addition to the main plantation area, the initiative expanded to nearby Panchayats through the planting of 2,500 roadside saplings. These plantations help increase green cover, provide shade, reduce dust, improve the rural landscape, strengthen ecological connectivity between villages, and contribute to reducing soil erosion along roadsides.

The plantation activities planned under the Third Phase have now been completed. The Foundation continues to place equal importance on maintenance, recognizing that the long term success of afforestation depends on the survival and healthy growth of the saplings. Dedicated maintenance teams carry out regular watering based on seasonal weather conditions, while routine cleaning removes plastic waste and other debris that may affect plant growth. Weed removal, soil loosening, and periodic inspections are also undertaken to improve growing conditions and support healthy development.

The initiative also promotes environmental awareness through active community involvement. Students, volunteers, and local residents participate in plantation



and maintenance activities, encouraging environmental stewardship and strengthening community participation in conserving natural resources.

Preparatory work for the Fourth Phase has already commenced. Land cleaning, site development, and the identification of suitable plantation areas have been completed, enabling the next phase of plantation to begin during the appropriate planting season.

The Jakkarvanam Project continues to contribute to increasing green cover, improving local environmental conditions, and promoting community participation in conservation. Through systematic planning, regular maintenance, and the continued involvement of volunteers and local residents, the initiative supports long term ecological restoration while encouraging sustainable environmental practices that will benefit both present and future generations.



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Expansion of Daily Annadhanam at Perundalaiyur Kannimar Temple

Erode: As part of its ongoing community welfare initiatives, Yaan Foundation has expanded its daily Annadhanam (community meal programme) at Sri Kannimar Temple, Perundalaiyur, to support a larger number of beneficiaries.

The daily lunch service has been conducted consistently over the past year, initially serving approximately 80 to 100 people each day. In response to the increasing number of beneficiaries, the Foundation strengthened its kitchen facilities, food preparation capacity, and programme coordination to extend the service to more members of the community.

At present, the programme serves around 150 people every day, providing freshly prepared afternoon meals to senior citizens, daily wage workers, individuals in need, and other members of the local community. The expansion has enabled





the programme to reach around 50 additional beneficiaries each day while maintaining the regular schedule of meal preparation and distribution.

The Annadhanam programme is carried out with the support of volunteers who assist in food preparation, serving, and coordination. The initiative is implemented in a structured manner to ensure that meals are prepared hygienically and distributed efficiently to all beneficiaries.

By expanding the programme, Yaan Foundation continues to address an essential community need while supporting food security at the local level. The initiative also encourages community participation through volunteer involvement and reflects the Foundation's continued commitment to providing regular welfare support for people requiring assistance. Through sustained implementation, the programme contributes to the well being of the local community and promotes the values of service, compassion, and shared responsibility.



Hunger Relief Partnership

Erode: Yaan Foundation, in partnership with Arul Siddha Clinic, Erode, has been implementing a daily community meal programme to support homeless and destitute individuals in the city. The initiative aims to improve access to nutritious food through a coordinated and sustained feeding programme.

Meals are prepared in a community kitchen following appropriate hygiene and food safety practices before being distributed to beneficiaries at designated locations. Through this partnership, more than 500 individuals receive freshly prepared meals every day. Volunteers from both organizations assist in food preparation, packing, transportation, and distribution to ensure the programme operates efficiently. This collaborative initiative reflects the shared commitment of Yaan Foundation and Arul Siddha Clinic to supporting vulnerable communities through regular food assistance, community service.





Expansion of Daily Annadham

Udumalaipettaipettai: As part of its community welfare initiatives, Yaan Foundation has expanded its daily Annadham (community meal programme) at Udumalaipettai Tirupati Temple to support a larger number of beneficiaries. The programme initially provided freshly prepared meals to around 100 people each day. In response to increasing demand, the Foundation strengthened its kitchen operations and distribution system to expand the programme. At present, approximately 150 beneficiaries receive daily meals, including senior citizens, daily wage workers, and individuals in need.

Meals are prepared and distributed with the support of volunteers, ensuring regular service and hygienic food preparation. Through this expanded programme, Yaan Foundation continues to provide consistent food assistance and strengthen community welfare initiatives in and around Udumalaipettaipettai.



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Compassionate Healthcare Outreach

Thamaraikarai, May 06, 2026: As part of its efforts to improve access to healthcare in rural communities, Yaan Foundation organized a comprehensive medical camp at the Government Higher Secondary School, Thamaraikarai, on May 06, 2026. The programme provided preventive health screening, medical consultation, and referral services for residents of surrounding villages. More than 300 people participated in the camp and received medical attention across multiple healthcare disciplines.

The camp included consultations in several specialties, with the ophthalmology department recording the highest number of patients. A total of 103 individuals underwent detailed eye examinations conducted by qualified specialists. Following assessment, 15 patients were diagnosed with cataracts and referred to Arasan Eye Hospital,



Erode, for fully sponsored cataract surgeries. In addition, 28 individuals with refractive vision problems were prescribed corrective spectacles based on their examination results.

Patients requiring treatment beyond the services available at the camp were referred to multispecialty hospitals for further evaluation and continued medical care, ensuring access to appropriate follow up treatment.

A significant feature of the programme was the participation of 22 student volunteers from the Perundalaiyur IAS Academy. The volunteers assisted with patient registration, guided beneficiaries to consultation areas, supported elderly patients, and coordinated logistics, contributing to the smooth conduct of the camp.

The medical camp was organized with the support of healthcare professionals, volunteers, school authorities, and the local community. Through initiatives such as this, Yaan Foundation continues to improve access to essential healthcare services in rural areas through preventive screening, specialist consultation, referral support, and community participation.





Health Awareness Programme

Bargur: As part of its rural healthcare initiatives, Yaan Foundation, in collaboration with the Rotary Club of Erode Central and Lotus Hospital, Erode, organized a health awareness programme for tribal communities living in the Bargur forest region. The programme aimed to improve awareness of preventive healthcare practices and encourage timely access to medical services among residents of remote tribal settlements.

The awareness session was attended by Mr. Sivaprakasam, President of the Rotary Club of Erode Central, and Dr. Sahadevan, Chairman of Lotus Hospital, Erode. Officials from the Forest Department also participated in the programme and extended logistical support to facilitate the event in the hill region.

Around 200 tribal residents participated in the

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programme. The sessions covered topics including personal hygiene, nutrition, prevention of seasonal diseases, early identification of common health conditions, and the importance of seeking medical care at the appropriate time. Participants also received information about available healthcare services, government health schemes, vaccination awareness, maternal and child health, and the benefits of regular medical check ups.

The interactive programme also provided participants with an opportunity to clarify health related questions directly with medical professionals, helping improve awareness and confidence in accessing healthcare services.

Through this collaborative initiative, Yaan Foundation and its partners continue to improve healthcare awareness among tribal communities by promoting preventive health practices and encouraging greater access to essential medical services in remote areas.



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Maha Kumbhabhishekam of Perundalaiyur Temples

Erode: The Punaritharana Ashtabandhana Maha Kumbhabhishekam of Sri Prahananayaki Ambikai Sametha Sri Mahizheeswarar Swamy Temple and Sridevi Sree Bhoomidevi Sametha Sri Varadharaja Perumal Temple was held on Wednesday, March 25, 2026 (Panguni 11) at Perundalaiyur. The event marked the completion of renovation and restoration works carried out at both temples and brought together devotees, local residents, temple committees, and volunteers in a community wide celebration.

The temple restoration and consecration programme was coordinated by Yaan Foundation under the leadership of Mr. K. Pradeepkumar, Treasurer of the Perundalaiyur Nandhavanam Sri Kannimar Trust. The Foundation worked in coordination with the temple administration, Vedic scholars, artisans, volunteers, and members of the local community to facilitate the renovation works and the conduct of the religious ceremonies. The

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celebrations witnessed the participation of more than 5,000 devotees and visitors, including people from different communities.

The ceremonies for Sri Mahizheeswarar Swamy Temple, located on the banks of the Bhavani (Vani) River, followed the Kamika Agama traditions. The religious programmes commenced on March 21, 2026, with Vastu Santhi, Ganapathi

Homam, and a ceremonial procession carrying sacred water from the Bhavani River. From March 23, four sessions of Yagasaalai Pujas, Vedic chanting, and Thirumurai Parayanam were conducted. On the morning of March 25, following Maha Poornahuthi, the sacred kalasams were taken in procession from the Yagasaalai, and the Maha Kumbhabhishekam for Lord Mahizheeswarar, Goddess Prahananayaki, and the Rajagopuram was performed between 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. The day's programmes concluded with the Vasantha Thirukalyana Utsavam for the presiding deities.

At Sri Varadharaja Perumal Temple, restoration works included improvements





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to the sanctum, subsidiary shrines, Garudazhwar, Lord Hanuman, and the Narayana Theertha well. Religious ceremonies following the Pancharatra Agama tradition commenced on March 23 with Sri Suprabhatha Seva, Lakshmi Narasimha Homam, and Sudarsana Homam. Four sessions of Yagasaalai Pujas and recitations from the Nalayira Divya Prabandham were conducted.

On March 25, the sacred procession began at 4:00 a.m., followed by the Maha Samprokshanam between 5:00 a.m. and 7:00 a.m. for the main deities, Rajagopuram, Lord Garudazhwar, and Lord Hanuman.

A major feature of the celebrations was the Seergoodai and Mulaipaligai procession held on March 24, which began from Sri Ponnachiyamman Temple and saw the participation of a large number of devotees and local residents. Traditional cultural activities and religious observances formed an important part of the festival.





To support the large gathering, Yaan Foundation coordinated several public service arrangements, including vehicle parking, drinking water facilities, restrooms, medical assistance, emergency fire services, volunteer support, and crowd management. Annadanam (community meal service) was organized throughout the day, providing meals to thousands of devotees who attended the celebrations.

At the conclusion of the event, appreciation certificates were presented to volunteers who contributed to the planning and successful conduct of the festival. Following the Maha Kumbhabhishekam, a 12 day Mandala Puja commenced on March 26, culminating in Sankhabhishekam in accordance with temple traditions, completing the consecration ceremonies for both temples.



Yaan Change Makers 2025 Awards Celebrate Grassroots Service

Pudukkottai: As part of its annual recognition programme, Yaan Foundation presented the Yaan Change Makers 2025 Awards on January 10, 2026, at the Sudharsan College Auditorium, Pudukkottai. The awards ceremony was held alongside the Foundation's literary event and was attended by Solventhar Suki Sivam, who addressed the gathering on the importance of community service, social responsibility, and the role of individuals in contributing to society.

The awards were instituted to recognize individuals whose sustained efforts have contributed to community development in different fields. Each award recipient was presented with a commemorative shield and a cash award of ₹50,000 in recognition of their work and to support the continuation of their social initiatives.

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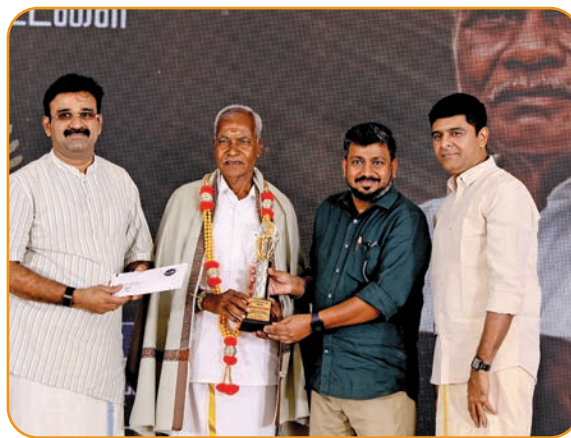


1. Vallalar Award (Alleviating Hunger) – Mrs. M. Kamalathal (Idli Patti)

Mrs. M. Kamalathal was presented with the Vallalar Award for her long standing contribution to addressing hunger in her community. For more than three decades, she has been preparing and serving idlis at an affordable price of ₹1, making nutritious food accessible to daily wage workers, elderly residents, and economically disadvantaged individuals. Her consistent service has made her a respected figure in the region.

2. Thiruvalluvar Award (Tamil Literary Service) – Mr. A. Rajesh Balasubramanian

The Thiruvalluvar Award was presented to Mr. A. Rajesh Balasubramanian for his



contribution to promoting Thirukkural through digital platforms. Since 2009, he has managed the Daily Project Thirukkural blog, where he shares explanations and interpretations of the verses to help readers, particularly young people, understand their meaning and relevance in contemporary life.

3. Vivekananda Award (Youth Welfare & Education) – Mr. K. Marimuthu

Former Tahsildar Mr. K. Marimuthu received the Vivekananda Award for his contribution to education and youth development. Through his educational initiatives, he has provided free coaching for more than 3,000 rural students preparing for competitive government examinations. His efforts have enabled many students to secure employment in the public sector and pursue long term career opportunities.

4. Kamarajar Award (Participatory Democracy) – Mr. R. Shanmugam

The Kamarajar Award was presented to Mr. R. Shanmugam, former Panchayat President, in recognition of his work in local governance and rural development. During his tenure, Odanthurai Panchayat implemented renewable energy initiatives, including wind and solar power projects, and adopted sustainable development practices that contributed to improved local infrastructure and community services.

5. Vinoba Bhave Award (Social Service) – Mr. Khaalid Ahamed

Mr. Khaalid Ahamed, founder of the Uravugal Trust, received the Vinoba Bhave Award for his contribution to humanitarian service. Since 2017, the Trust has been working with a network of volunteers to conduct the final rites of abandoned and unidentified individuals with dignity while also extending support to homeless persons and people in distress. Over the years, the organization has conducted the final rites for more than 10,000 unidentified individuals and continues to provide assistance through its community outreach programmes.

Recognizing Volunteers and Partner Organizations

The event also acknowledged the contribution of volunteers and partner

organizations involved in community service. Volunteers from Atchayam Trust were presented with appreciation certificates and gold coins in recognition of their continued field level service and support for humanitarian initiatives.

Yaan Foundation also honoured 25 of its own volunteers who contributed to the planning and coordination of the Foundation's programmes and events. They were presented with appreciation certificates and gold coins in recognition of their commitment and voluntary service.

The Yaan Change Makers 2025 Awards highlighted contributions made by individuals, organizations, and volunteers working in the fields of hunger relief, education, literature, local governance, and humanitarian service. Through this annual recognition programme, Yaan Foundation continues to acknowledge community leadership and encourage initiatives that contribute to social development and public welfare.



Suki Sivam's Heartfelt Message

During the grand ceremony, special guest Solventhar Suki Sivam Ayya took the stage to deliver a highly inspiring address. He individually recognized and praised each of the five awardees, highlighting their distinct contributions and calling them the true pillars of a compassionate society.

Turning his attention directly to the large gathering of students in the auditorium, he offered a vital piece of life advice: "Look after your mothers and fathers with deep love, affection, and care. True human service and moral responsibility begin at home by honoring and protecting the parents who gave you everything."





International Women's Day Celebration

Erode: As part of International Women's Day, Yaan Foundation organized a community celebration in Perundalaiyur village to recognize the contributions of women and encourage community participation. The programme brought together more than 80 participants, including women employees of the Foundation, students from Yaan Academy, and women from the local community.

The event began with a cultural programme presented by students of Yaan Academy. The performances provided an opportunity for students to showcase their talents while participating in the celebration. Group dance performances, musical presentations, and other cultural activities highlighted themes of education, confidence, and the contributions of women in society. The programme also created an opportunity for

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students and village women to interact and participate in a shared community event.

In addition to the cultural performances, the programme encouraged discussions on the importance of education, equal opportunities, and the role of women in family and community development. Participants engaged in informal interactions that strengthened community relationships and promoted mutual support among women from different age groups.

The celebration concluded with a Women's Day cake cutting ceremony, in which Foundation staff, students, and community members participated together. As part of the programme, Yaan Foundation acknowledged the contributions of its women employees and appreciated the participation of the students who presented the cultural events. Sweets were distributed to all participants, marking the conclusion of the celebration.

The event provided an opportunity for women, students, and community members to come together in a positive and inclusive environment. Through programmes such as this, Yaan Foundation continues to support initiatives that encourage community participation, recognize the contributions of women, and create opportunities for cultural expression and social engagement. The Foundation remains committed to promoting educational, social, and community development through activities that bring people together and strengthen local participation.





Distributes New Clothes to 25 Tribal Families for Diwali

As part of its community welfare initiatives, Yaan Foundation organized a Diwali distribution programme for tribal families residing in JJ Nagar near Palani. The initiative was conducted to support families during the festival by providing new clothes and essential festive items. A total of 25 tribal families benefited from the programme, which focused on ensuring that children and their families could participate in the celebrations with dignity.

Diwali is an important festival celebrated across India, but for many families in remote tribal communities, the cost of new clothing and festive necessities can be a financial challenge. Recognizing this need, Yaan Foundation volunteers visited the JJ Nagar settlement to distribute clothing and festive supplies directly to the beneficiaries.

The programme primarily supported students studying at JJ Nagar Primary School and their family members. During the distribution, children



received new sets of clothes, while families were provided with festive gift packs containing sweets, snacks, and essential household items. The distribution was carried out in coordination with the local community to ensure that assistance reached the intended beneficiaries.

The event was attended by students, parents, teachers, and local residents. School authorities and community members appreciated the Foundation's support in organizing the programme and acknowledged its contribution to the well being of tribal families during the festive season.

Through initiatives such as this, Yaan Foundation continues to support tribal communities by addressing practical needs and promoting social inclusion. The Foundation's community welfare programmes aim to assist underserved families through education, health, and livelihood related initiatives while also supporting them during important cultural and social occasions. By working closely with local communities, Yaan Foundation seeks to ensure that its programmes respond to local needs and contribute to improving the quality of life of the families it serves.





Collaborative Initiative Towards a Beggar Free Society

Yaan Foundation has partnered with Akshayam Foundation, Erode, to support the rehabilitation of homeless individuals, persons engaged in begging, and people affected by mental health challenges. The initiative aims to provide long term support through rescue, rehabilitation, family reunification, and institutional care, while promoting dignity and social inclusion for vulnerable individuals.

As part of the programme, outreach teams identify people living on the streets and assess their immediate needs. Wherever possible, efforts are made to trace their families and facilitate safe reunification after appropriate verification and counselling. Reuniting individuals with their families helps restore social connections and provides an opportunity for them to reintegrate into their communities.

For individuals who cannot be reunited with their families or who require long term care, suitable



rehabilitation facilities are arranged. At present, more than 200 rescued individuals, including persons with mental health conditions, are receiving residential care in five care homes operated by Pachai Maram Foundation in and around Erode district. These homes provide a safe and supportive environment where residents receive accommodation, nutritious meals, personal care, and assistance with their daily needs.

The rehabilitation programme also includes access to healthcare services. Residents receive regular medical examinations, psychiatric consultation where required, prescribed treatment, counselling, and continuous monitoring by trained caregivers. These services are intended to improve physical health, support mental well being, and enhance overall quality of life.

The collaboration between Yaan Foundation, Akshayam Foundation, and Pachai Maram Foundation brings together community organizations with a shared commitment to addressing homelessness and social exclusion through coordinated action. By combining outreach, rehabilitation, healthcare, and family reintegration, the initiative provides practical support for individuals in vulnerable circumstances while encouraging their return to safe and stable living conditions.

Through this collaborative effort, the partner organizations continue to work towards reducing homelessness, supporting rehabilitation, and promoting a society where every individual is treated with dignity, care, and respect.





Weekly Village Yoga Initiative Supports Community Well being

Jakkarpalayam: As part of its ongoing community wellness programmes, Yaan Foundation, in collaboration with Aliyar Arivu Thirukovil, continues to conduct a weekly Village Yoga Programme for the residents of Jakkarpalayam. Now in its second year, the initiative aims to promote physical fitness, mental well being, and healthy lifestyle practices by making yoga accessible to people living in rural communities.

The programme is conducted every week during the morning hours and is open to participants of different age groups. On average, around 50 residents regularly attend the sessions. By organizing the classes within the village, the programme provides local residents with an opportunity to participate in structured yoga training without the need to travel to nearby towns or cities.

The sessions are led by trained instructors who guide





participants through a range of yoga practices, including Hatha Yoga, Vinyasa Yoga, and Pranayama (breathing exercises). The training focuses on improving flexibility, balance, posture, breathing techniques, and overall physical fitness. Participants are also introduced to simple relaxation and mindfulness practices that can be incorporated into their daily routines.

The programme is designed to encourage regular participation and create awareness about the benefits of preventive health practices. Residents from different backgrounds attend the sessions together, creating opportunities for social interaction and community participation while promoting healthy living.

Through its partnership with Aliyar Arivu Thirukovil, Yaan Foundation has been able to sustain the programme and ensure that qualified instructors continue to provide regular guidance to participants. The initiative reflects the Foundation's commitment to supporting community health through practical and accessible wellness programmes.

By continuing the Village Yoga Programme, Yaan Foundation seeks to encourage healthy habits, improve awareness of physical and mental well being, and make wellness activities available to rural communities. The programme demonstrates how regular community based initiatives can contribute to healthier lifestyles while strengthening participation and engagement among village residents.

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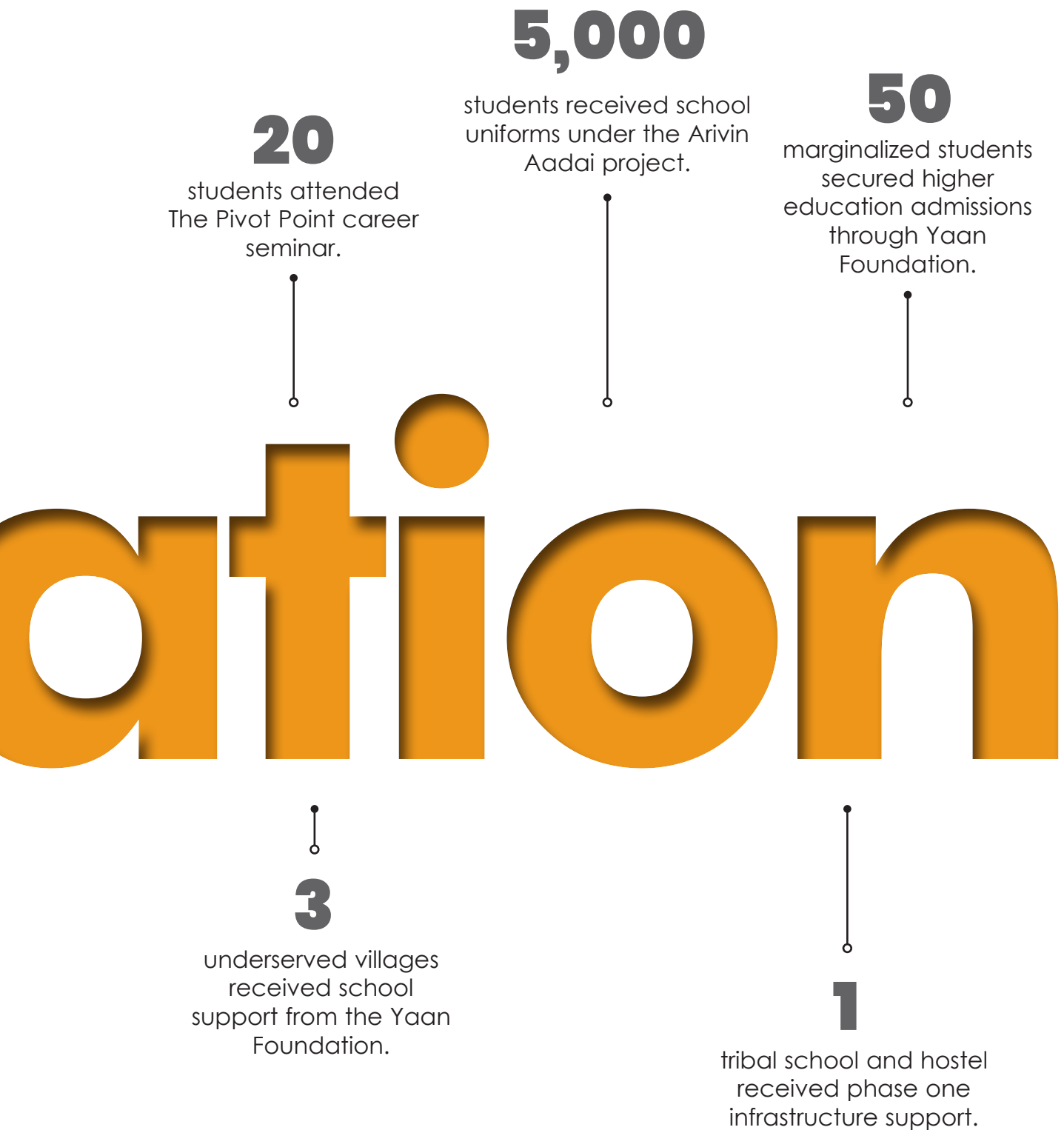
500 marginalized students received higher education guidance from Yaan Foundation.

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scholarship cohort received foundational books from the Yaan Foundation.

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folk artists received uniform outfits from the Yaan Foundation.





‘Project Punch 144’ Strengthens English Communication Skills

To improve English language and communication skills among students, Project Punch 144 was launched on May 6, 2026, as a collaborative educational initiative. The free English training programme was organized by Idhayam, the Rotary Club of Erode Central, and the Rotary Club of Virudhunagar, in association with Yaan Foundation and Kavin IAS Academy.

The programme was designed to help college students and competitive examination aspirants strengthen their English language skills, which are important for higher education, competitive examinations, and employment opportunities. The first training batch received a positive response, with more than 30 students from Yaan Academy, Kavin IAS Academy, and other educational institutions participating in the workshop. The training sessions covered key aspects of English communication,



including grammar, vocabulary development, spoken English, public speaking, and effective communication techniques. Participants also received practical guidance through interactive classroom activities, discussions, and exercises that encouraged confidence in using English in academic and professional settings.

At the conclusion of the programme, a certificate distribution ceremony was held to recognize the participation and performance of the students. Participation certificates were presented to all students who successfully completed the training programme. In addition, merit certificates and mementos were awarded to students who demonstrated consistent participation, strong communication skills, and good overall performance during the workshop.

The organizers stated that this programme represents the first phase of a broader skill development initiative. Plans are underway to conduct advanced training sessions covering areas such as professional communication, presentation skills, group discussions, and interview preparation. These programmes aim to equip students with practical communication skills that support academic achievement, competitive examination preparation, and career development.

Through collaborative initiatives such as Project Punch 144, the partner organizations continue to expand learning opportunities for students by providing accessible training programmes that strengthen language proficiency, communication skills, and overall employability.





Free Government Exam Academy Opens

Perundalaiyur, Erode: To improve access to competitive examination coaching for rural students, Yaan Foundation inaugurated its Free Competitive Examination Coaching Center at Perundalaiyur in Erode district. The coaching center was inaugurated on August 31, 2025, by former District Collector Mr. Kandasamy, IAS. The initiative was established to support students from economically disadvantaged backgrounds who are unable to afford coaching provided by private institutes in urban areas.

The inauguration ceremony was attended by community representatives, educators, and students. During his address, Mr. Kandasamy highlighted the role of competitive examinations such as UPSC, TNPSC, Banking, and the Staff Selection Commission (SSC) in creating employment opportunities and expanding career





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சென்னை, 14.11.2020: யான் அறக்கட்டளை சார்பில் ரோது மாவட்டம் பெருந்தலை யூர் தந்தவனத்தில் யுபி என்.சி.டி.என்.பி.என்.சி.உள் னிட்ட அரசு போட்டித் தேர்வுகளுக்கான இலவச பயிற்சி மையம் திறப்பு விழா நேற்று நடைபெற்றது. அரசுப் பணிப்பாளர் சாமி, பயிற்சி மையத்தை திறந்து வைத்து மாணவர்கள், மற்றும் அவர்களின் பெற்றோர்களுக்கு இலவச பயிற்சி கையெடுகளை வழங்கி பேசினார்.

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prospects for rural youth. He encouraged students to remain focused and consistent in their preparation.

Since its inauguration, the coaching center has been providing free training for students preparing for various government competitive examinations. At present, around 90 students are enrolled in the programme. The center offers study materials, regular tests, career guidance, doubt clearing sessions, and mentoring from experienced faculty members, helping students prepare without the cost of commercial coaching.

In addition to classroom coaching, students receive guidance on examination strategies, time management, interview preparation, and career planning. Regular assessments help monitor their progress and identify areas that require additional support, enabling students to prepare in a structured manner.

By providing these services free of cost, Yaan Foundation seeks to improve access to competitive examination coaching for rural students. The initiative aims to reduce financial barriers and provide equal opportunities for students aspiring to government careers. Families from Perundalaiyur and nearby villages have welcomed the programme, which continues to support students in pursuing higher education and employment opportunities through competitive examinations.



Distribution of Uniform T Shirts and Pants to Tribal Students

As part of its continued efforts to support education in tribal communities, Yaan Foundation distributed uniform T shirts and pants to 40 students studying at JJ Nagar Primary School near Palani. The school provides education for children from Classes I to V and serves students from nearby tribal communities. The initiative was undertaken to support students and encourage a positive school environment.

The clothing was provided as an additional set of school attire that students can wear during special school programmes, sports activities, educational events, and other school functions. For many families in remote tribal areas, meeting the cost of additional clothing can be challenging. Through this initiative, the Foundation aimed to reduce a part of this financial burden while ensuring that students have comfortable and suitable clothing for school activities.





The distribution programme was attended by students, teachers, and members of the school community. All 40 students received their uniforms, and the programme was completed with the support of Yaan Foundation volunteers and school staff. The initiative was welcomed by parents and teachers, who appreciated the Foundation's continued support for the educational needs of tribal children.

School authorities observed that such assistance contributes to improving students' confidence and encourages regular participation in school activities. Providing essential educational support, including uniforms and learning materials, helps create an inclusive learning environment where students can participate comfortably alongside their peers.

Through initiatives such as this, Yaan Foundation continues to work with schools in rural and tribal areas to address practical educational needs. The Foundation remains committed to supporting students through programmes that improve access to education, encourage school attendance, and contribute to the overall well being and development of children in underserved communities.





Guiding Class 12 Students Towards the Right Path

Perundalaiyur, April 26, 2026: Kavin IAS Academy, in collaboration with Yaan Academy and Yaan Foundation, organized a career guidance programme titled "The Pivot Point" for students who had recently completed their Class 12 examinations. The programme aimed to help students and their parents make informed decisions regarding higher education and career planning. Around 20 students, accompanied by their parents, participated in the workshop.

The programme was designed to support students during the transition from school to higher education by providing guidance on academic choices, career opportunities, and skill development. The sessions were organized around three key themes.

The first session focused on self awareness and



career planning. Through interactive activities and discussions, students were encouraged to identify their interests, strengths, and career aspirations. The objective was to help participants understand how personal interests and abilities can influence academic and career decisions.

The second session introduced students to a range of higher education options and emerging career fields. Participants received information about various degree programmes, professional courses, and evolving employment sectors. The facilitators also discussed the knowledge and skills required to pursue careers in different industries.

The final session addressed employability and workplace expectations. Students were introduced to the importance of communication skills, digital literacy, problem solving, and continuous learning. The programme also highlighted the value of internships, certifications, and skill based training in enhancing career opportunities alongside formal education.

The workshop concluded with an interactive question and answer session, where students and parents discussed course selection, higher education options, and future career opportunities with the resource persons.

Through programmes such as “The Pivot Point,” Yaan Foundation, Yaan Academy, and Kavin IAS Academy continue to support students by providing career guidance, educational awareness, and practical information that enables them to make informed decisions about higher education and future careers.





Dressing 5,000 Dreams

Education is the most powerful tool for social upliftment, yet countless vulnerable children face immense hurdles in accessing it with dignity. Recognizing this profound need, the Yaan Foundation, in a deeply impactful collaboration with Erode Rotary Central, successfully organized and executed a remarkable philanthropic project named "Arivin Aada," which translates to the 'Garment of Knowledge.' This compassionate initiative was specifically envisioned to support, encourage, and uplift underprivileged children studying in government schools who are navigating life without the vital support of their parents.

For orphaned and vulnerable children, the lack of basic school necessities can often lead to a profound sense of alienation, acting as a severe psychological and financial barrier to their academic journey. Addressing this critical gap, the



“Arivin Aadai” project generously provided these deserving students with essential school attire. Every identified child was gifted two complete pairs of brand new school uniforms. The provision of a uniform extends far beyond mere clothing; it acts as a great equalizer within the classroom environment. By wearing the same attire as their peers, these young learners are protected from the visible markers of economic hardship, ensuring they can step into their classrooms every single day with immense pride, renewed confidence, and a strong sense of belonging.

The sheer scale and execution of this heartwarming endeavor are truly commendable, demonstrating a massive logistical effort and a deep commitment to social welfare. Reaching far and wide across the region, the project successfully identified the most vulnerable demographics. Consequently, approximately 5,000 boys and girls hailing from various government educational institutions situated in and around the Erode district became the proud beneficiaries of this thoughtful program.

Through the synergistic efforts of the Yaan Foundation and Erode Rotary Central, this initiative has profoundly touched thousands of young lives. By completely removing a significant material and emotional barrier to their ongoing education, the “Arivin Aadai” project has not only equipped them with proper clothing but has also deeply inspired these young minds to fearlessly pursue their academic dreams and build a brighter, more equitable future.





Unlocking Inclusive Higher Education

Improving access to higher education for underprivileged and marginalized students remains a key focus of Yaan Foundation. During the 2025–2026 academic year, the Foundation supported 40 Sri Lankan refugee students and 10 tribal students in securing admissions to higher education institutions based on their chosen courses and academic interests.

Beyond financial assistance, Yaan Foundation provides continued support to address the academic, personal, and logistical needs of scholarship students. This includes arranging hostel accommodation, facilitating transportation, providing study materials, and assisting with other essential requirements that help students continue their education.

The Foundation also collaborates with skill development partners to provide training in





communication, interpersonal development, confidence building, and employability skills that complement formal education and prepare students for future careers.

Through this integrated approach, 50 students receive the guidance, resources, and support needed to pursue higher education and prepare for employment opportunities. By combining educational access with practical skill development, Yaan Foundation helps students build the knowledge, skills, and confidence required for long term academic and professional growth while contributing positively to their families and communities.



A Scholar's Inspiring Triumph

Pushparani, a student from Vridhachalam, overcame financial difficulties to complete her education and build a career in the healthcare sector. While pursuing her degree at Global College of Allied Health Sciences, Chennai, she faced financial challenges that affected the continuation of her studies. During this period, Yaan Foundation provided financial assistance to support her education. With this support, she was able to complete her degree successfully and pursue her career goals.

Today, Pushparani is employed at a corporate hospital and has established a stable professional life. She remains grateful for the support she received during her education and hopes to extend similar assistance to students facing financial difficulties. Her journey reflects how timely educational support can help deserving students complete their studies and create better opportunities for themselves and their families.



Secures Higher Education Access for 60 Marginalized Students

CHENNAI, JUNE 2026: Empowering underprivileged and marginalized youth through accessible higher education remains the core foundational mission of the Yaan Foundation. Moving dynamic steps closer to this vision, the foundation has successfully concluded its extensive community outreach and enrollment drive for the 2026-27 academic session, securing institutional pathways for 60 deserving scholars.

Empowering Through Ground Level Outreach

The journey for the current academic year began with a massive field level campaign spearheaded by the Yaan Foundation team throughout January, February, and March. Navigating remote tribal terrains and refugee camps, the team actively identified 200 Tribal students and 300 Sri Lankan Tamil refugee students who were in critical need of



higher education guidance.

Rather than leaving these 500 students to navigate vast academic landscapes alone, the foundation provided hands on assistance. The team facilitated direct student visits, maintained constant communication with aspiring candidates and their families, provided personalized counseling, and systematically streamlined the step by step admission process.

The Triumph of the 'T27x27' Initiative

While previous outreach successfully met targets for Sri Lankan refugee scholars, Tribal admissions faced intense structural barriers last year, limiting enrollment to just 10 students despite rigorous efforts across Anthiyur, Kadambur, Hasanur, and the Jawadhu Hills.

To bridge this specific gap, the foundation launched the strategic T27x27 Initiative a dedicated campaign targeting 27 Tribal student admissions by 2026-27 academic session. By directly patronizing a local Tribal school and running focused academic interventions in the Jawadhu Hills region, the foundation successfully achieved its goal, locking in exactly 27 Tribal student admissions this season.

Final Institutional Admission Status (May 2026)

Following rigorous shortlisting and academic counseling, a fresh cohort of 60 scholars officially reported to their respective campus destinations and finalized their admission formalities during the final week of May 2026.





The institutional breakdown of the newly admitted students is detailed below:

Category wise Admission Status

Category	SKP - E	SKP - A	Sudharshan	Srivanchi	Sub Total
SL Refugees	10	6	6	9	31
Tribal	7	14	4	2	27
Others	0	1	0	1	2
Sub Total	17	21	10	12	60

Overall Program Statistics & Future Outlook

The influx of these 60 new students further strengthens Yaan's expansive educational footprint, bringing the overall historical network to over 220 scholars and alumni across prominent academic streams:

Courses	Yaan Alumni	Passing Out in AY 25-26	Studying Currently	Admitted for AY27
Arts & Science	24	12	38	33
Engineering	3	4	26	27
Medical, Paramedical	12	19	22	-
Sub Total	39	35	86	60
Grand Total	220			

To celebrate this continuous chain of community empowerment and foster networking, the Yaan Foundation is also planning a grand Alumni Meet in

September 2026, bringing together past graduates and fresh inductees on a single platform.

By coupling financial relief with essential 360 degree daily logistics such as safe hostel accommodations, reliable transport, and continuous soft skills training the Yaan Foundation isn't just opening up classrooms; it is systematically breaking generational cycles of economic displacement and building independent, global leaders.

Empowering Young Achievers

The Yaan Foundation continues to champion higher education for rural youth by supporting nearly 120 scholarship students and driving academic excellence through targeted recognition initiatives.

For the Academic Year 2025, the foundation proudly awarded Recognition Certificates and Cash Prizes to three exceptional scholars for their outstanding academic performance and consistent course improvement. The celebrated awardees include:

- Devadharsini M – BE CSE, Anna University
- Durga R – BSc Nursing, St. Xavier College of Nursing
- Manikandan S – BE ECE, Sai Ram Engineering College

This meaningful initiative beautifully reflects the Yaan Foundation's core commitment to motivating young minds and celebrating their hard earned milestone achievements. By breaking financial barriers and honoring academic dedication, the foundation plays a pivotal role in unlocking a brighter, more impactful future for talented rural students, empowering them to pursue competitive careers and lift their entire communities.





Nurturing Well Rounded Minds

Yaan Foundation believes that student development extends beyond financial assistance. While scholarships help students continue their education, the Foundation also encourages initiatives that support intellectual, personal, and social growth. As part of this approach, scholarship recipients participate in activities that strengthen learning skills, broaden their perspectives, and prepare them for future academic and professional opportunities.

One of the Foundation's key initiatives is encouraging students to develop a regular reading habit. Scholarship recipients are introduced to a wide range of literary works, including novels, short stories, essays, biographies, and poetry in both Tamil and English. The objective is to help students cultivate an interest in reading while improving their understanding of language, literature, and

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different social and cultural perspectives.

Regular reading contributes to the development of critical thinking, comprehension, communication, and analytical skills. It also helps students improve their vocabulary, writing ability, and confidence in expressing ideas. Through exposure to diverse themes and viewpoints, students gain a broader understanding of society and develop the ability to think independently and reflect on different experiences.

To support this initiative, Yaan Foundation periodically identifies and distributes carefully selected books to scholarship students. The bilingual selection enables students to strengthen their proficiency in both Tamil and English while maintaining a connection with their cultural heritage and expanding their language skills.

The programme also encourages active participation rather than passive reading. Students are asked to write essays, reading reflections, or journals based on the books they complete. These activities help improve comprehension, writing skills, and the ability to organize and communicate ideas effectively. Faculty members and mentors review these submissions and encourage students to discuss their observations and learning experiences.

For the scholarship students admitted during the AY26 academic year, the Foundation distributed an initial collection of recommended books as part of the orientation programme. This marked the beginning of a structured reading initiative that will continue throughout their scholarship period.

Through this programme, Yaan Foundation seeks to create opportunities for students to develop lifelong learning habits alongside their formal education. By combining financial support with initiatives that encourage reading, reflection, and communication, the Foundation aims to help students become confident learners, informed individuals, and responsible members of society.





Preserving Our Cultural Roots

Beyond its extensive contributions to education and community welfare, the Yaan Foundation remains deeply committed to safeguarding and promoting traditional folk arts. In a proud new initiative aimed at honoring grassroots cultural heritage, the foundation has extended its vital support to the Jakkarpalayam Kadalpura Sikkattam Kalai Kuzhu, a passionate group of folk artists from the Jakkarpalayam AD Colony within the Sirukalandai Panchayat. This dedicated troupe works tirelessly to preserve and perform Sikkattam Kalai, a rare and mesmerizing rural art form.

Sikkattam Kalai is a vibrant, rhythmic, and high energy rural dance that beautifully reflects the collective spirit, color, and unity of the village community. Carrying deep cultural values, the performance showcases the raw creative spirit and athletic agility of local artists. For generations,





such folk arts have served as the heartbeat of community celebrations, passing down rich local histories across time.

Driven by its vision of promoting indigenous folk arts and empowering rural talents, the Yaan Foundation stepped in to support the troupe. To elevate their public performances and instill a sense of professional pride, 15 members of the group were provided with premium, custom designed performance shirts and pants. Tailored specifically to accommodate their energetic, fast paced movements, this uniform attire will be proudly utilized across multiple future programs and cultural events.

Empowering Scholars Beyond the Classroom

At the Yaan Foundation, education is viewed far beyond traditional scholarships, with a strategic focus on students' overall growth and holistic development.

Supporting nearly 50 students annually, Yaan

launched a transformative new initiative in July 2025 for its incoming scholarship batch, organized in close collaboration with APEX.

As a core part of this initiative, a weekly communication skills program titled "Kickstart" is conducted every Saturday. The program is specifically designed to build students' confidence, speaking ability, and public self expression through highly interactive, practical activities. The program has already shown a remarkably positive impact, helping students steadily improve their interpersonal communication skills and effectively preparing them to claim competitive future academic and career opportunities.





Strengthening Education in Tribal and Rural Schools

Access to quality education is essential for the development of rural and tribal communities. With this objective, Yaan Foundation supports government schools in underserved areas across Tamil Nadu by addressing key educational and operational requirements. The Foundation has been working with schools in Nellivasal, Chinnaverampatti, and Kilwani, implementing initiatives that strengthen the learning environment and improve students' overall educational experience.

Many rural and tribal schools face challenges such as limited support staff and constrained resources. To address these needs, Yaan Foundation has appointed additional personnel to assist with academic support, school administration, campus maintenance, sanitation, and student welfare. This support enables schools to function more efficiently



while allowing teachers to focus on classroom instruction and student learning.

The Foundation also works to strengthen essential school support systems that contribute to a safe, organized, and conducive learning environment. Improved day to day operations help encourage regular attendance, reduce interruptions to academic activities, and provide students with better access to educational opportunities. These initiatives are particularly valuable for children from tribal and economically disadvantaged backgrounds.

Yaan Foundation collaborates closely with school authorities, parents, and local communities to identify priority needs and implement practical solutions.

Through sustained support and community partnership, the Foundation aims to enhance educational access, encourage student participation, and contribute to the long term development of government schools in rural and tribal regions.





Launching Phase 1 Support at Nellivasal Tribal School

Access to quality education depends not only on classroom teaching but also on the availability of essential infrastructure and student support services. With this understanding, Yaan Foundation launched the first phase of its school support programme at the Nellivasal Tribal School and Hostel in the Jawadhu Hills. The initiative was designed to address basic infrastructure needs and improve the overall learning and living environment for tribal students.

One of the primary areas of support was access to safe drinking water. To meet this need, the Trust installed RO water purifiers in both the school and hostel. This initiative ensures that students have access to clean drinking water throughout the day, contributing to their health and well being while reducing dependence on unsafe water sources.



The programme also focused on strengthening the hostel's basic infrastructure. An inverter system was installed to provide backup power during electricity interruptions, allowing essential hostel operations to continue without disruption. In addition, kitchen equipment was provided to improve the preparation and serving of meals for students staying in the residential hostel. These improvements contribute to better day to day functioning and create a more supportive living environment.

To enhance classroom facilities, Yaan Foundation supplied chairs for students, helping create a comfortable and organized learning space. Providing suitable classroom furniture supports regular academic activities and enables students to participate in lessons in a more conducive environment.

Recognizing the aspirations of students pursuing higher education, the Trust also extended support to tribal students preparing for the National Eligibility cum Entrance Test (NEET). The assistance included accommodation support, essential personal care items, and study materials required for exam preparation. By reducing some of the financial pressures associated with competitive examinations, the initiative enables students to focus more effectively on their studies.

The implementation of this programme was carried out in coordination with school authorities to ensure that the support addressed the institution's most immediate requirements. The Trust's approach focused on practical interventions that could improve both educational facilities and student welfare.

The first phase of support at Nellivasal Tribal School reflects Yaan Foundation's commitment to strengthening educational opportunities in tribal communities. By improving essential infrastructure, supporting students preparing for higher education, and working closely with local institutions, the initiative contributes to creating a learning environment where students can continue their education with greater confidence and access to necessary resources.



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Women's Day reel
competition empowered
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50 local youth utilize the
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sports ground.



Global Tamil Pride & Literary Excellence

Pudukkottai, January 10, 2026: Yaan Foundation organized the award presentation ceremony for the international digital speech competition, "Kuralin Kural" (The Voice of Kural), on Saturday, January 10, 2026, at the Sudharsan College Auditorium, Pudukkottai. The event brought together participants, educators, literary enthusiasts, and members of the public to celebrate the enduring relevance of Thirukkural. The chief guest, renowned speaker and scholar Solventhar Suki Sivam, addressed the gathering and spoke about the importance of promoting Tamil literature through digital platforms and encouraging younger generations to engage with classical works.

The primary objective of "Kuralin Kural" was to introduce the timeless teachings of the Thirukkural to Tamil speaking audiences around the world

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through a digital platform. Participants were invited to select a Thirukkural from Yaan Foundation's YouTube channel and present its meaning, practical relevance, and contemporary significance in the form of a recorded speech. The competition received an encouraging response, with more than 2,000 participants from different regions taking part across three categories: Junior, Senior, and General.

To recognize the efforts and communication skills of the participants, Yaan Foundation awarded a total cash prize of ₹3,00,000 across the three competition categories, along with 10 special appreciation awards. The competition was evaluated by a panel of judges based on participants' understanding of the selected Kural, clarity of presentation, interpretation, language proficiency, and overall communication.

In the General Category, Dr. M.S.H. Ayesha Mubashira secured the first prize of ₹1,00,000, while S. Madhushree, a software engineer, received the second prize of ₹50,000. P. Keerthika, M.A. Tamil, was awarded the third prize of ₹25,000 for her presentation. In the Senior Category, S.V. Hariharan, a Class XII student, won the first prize of ₹50,000. R. Kamali secured the second prize of ₹25,000, and K. Dhanushree received the third prize of ₹10,000. In the Junior Category, M. Yogeswari, a Class VIII student, received the first prize of ₹25,000. P. Varsha won the second prize of ₹10,000, while T. Deekshith secured the third prize of ₹5,000.

The event demonstrated how digital platforms can be effectively used to promote Tamil literature and encourage meaningful engagement with classical texts. By connecting participants from different backgrounds and regions through a shared appreciation for the Thirukkural, the competition created an opportunity to strengthen literary interest, communication skills, and cultural awareness among learners of all ages. Through initiatives such as "Kuralin Kural," Yaan Foundation continues to support the preservation and wider appreciation of Tamil literary heritage in a contemporary and accessible format.







Kayaking Success Creates Community Impact



The Tamil Nadu State Sprint Canoe Championship 2025, jointly organized by Yaan Foundation, the Tamil Nadu Association for Canoeing and Kayaking, the Erode District Boat Club and Water Sports Association, and Decathlon, has contributed to the development of water sports while creating positive outcomes for athletes, the local environment, and the surrounding community.

One of the significant outcomes of the initiative has been the career advancement of athletes. Six canoeing and kayaking athletes secured government employment, reflecting how sustained training and competitive opportunities can support long term career development. The programme also contributed to the restoration of Kavalipalayam Lake, where environmental



improvement efforts helped enhance the condition of the water body. The cleaner surroundings have improved the suitability of the lake for water sports, training activities, and community use.

As visitor activity around the lake increased, nearby pathways and public spaces also experienced greater use, creating opportunities for small scale local vendors and businesses to serve participants and visitors during sporting events and related activities.

The championship also increased awareness of canoeing and kayaking in Tamil Nadu, encouraging wider participation in water sports and strengthening collaboration among sporting organizations, local institutions, and government agencies. The initiative has also supported the development of training facilities and coaching opportunities for athletes preparing for district and state level competitions.

Through this collaborative effort, Yaan Foundation continues to promote sports development, environmental conservation, and community participation. The initiative demonstrates how sports can contribute to individual achievement while supporting environmental improvement, local livelihoods, and the growth of water sports in the region.





Free Mallakhamba Training

To promote traditional sports and encourage physical fitness among children, Yaan Foundation has launched a free Mallakhamba training programme in Perundalaiyur. The initiative aims to preserve a traditional Indian sport while providing rural children with opportunities to develop physical skills, discipline, and confidence through regular training.

The training sessions are conducted at the Kannimar Temple premises in Perundalaiyur, making the programme easily accessible to children from the local community. The classes are led by Mrs. Geetha, an experienced Mallakhamba instructor, who provides structured training in accordance with established techniques and safety practices.

Participants receive instruction in balance, flexibility, strength, coordination, and the fundamental techniques of Mallakhamba. The



programme is designed to help children improve physical fitness while introducing them to a traditional sporting discipline that combines athletic ability with concentration and body control.

At present, more than 15 children from Perundalaiyur attend the training sessions regularly. By offering the programme free of cost, Yaan Foundation enables children to participate regardless of their financial background and encourages greater involvement in traditional sports.

The Foundation also aims to provide opportunities for participants to demonstrate their skills through district and state level sporting events and exhibitions. Through this initiative, Yaan Foundation continues to support the preservation of traditional sports while encouraging youth participation, physical well being, and cultural awareness within the community.





Republic Day Celebrations

As part of the Republic Day celebrations, Yaan Foundation organized an Essay Writing and Drawing Competition for students of Classes VI to IX at MNM High School, Jakkarpalayam. The programme was designed to encourage creativity, critical thinking, and civic awareness among students while providing them with an opportunity to express their ideas on issues related to society, community development, and environmental responsibility.

The competitions focused on themes that encouraged students to reflect on their surroundings and their role as responsible citizens. For the Essay Writing Competition, students wrote on the topic “Changes Needed for Our Village,” sharing their perspectives on local development, public facilities, education, sanitation, and community welfare. The Drawing Competition



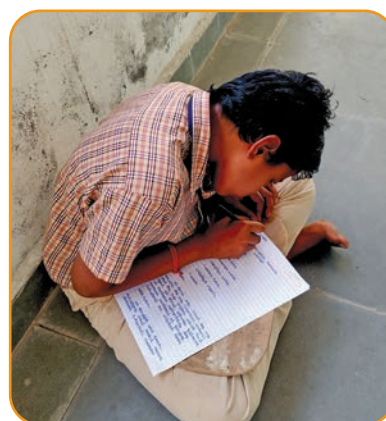
was conducted on the theme “Clean and Green India,” allowing students to creatively present their ideas on environmental conservation, cleanliness, waste management, tree plantation, and sustainable living.

The event received an encouraging response, with around 55 students participating in the competitions. Through their essays and drawings, students demonstrated thoughtful ideas, creativity, and an understanding of the importance of community development and environmental protection. The programme also provided an opportunity for students to develop their communication, observation, and creative skills while encouraging active participation in school activities.



Entries were evaluated by a panel of judges based on creativity, originality, presentation, and relevance to the given themes. Winners from both competitions were recognized with cash prizes totaling ₹3,000 and merit certificates in appreciation of their performance. In addition, participation certificates were presented to all students who took part in the event, acknowledging their enthusiasm and involvement.

The Republic Day programme reflected Yaan Foundation's commitment to supporting educational initiatives that promote creativity, social awareness, and responsible citizenship. By encouraging students to think about local development and environmental sustainability, the Foundation aims to inspire young learners to contribute positively to their communities and participate actively in building a cleaner, healthier, and more inclusive society.





“This Is Me” Women’s Day Solo Reel Competition 2026

International Women’s Day stands as a powerful global reminder to honor the resilience, achievements, and unique voices of women everywhere. To celebrate this significant occasion in 2026, the Yaan Foundation organized a dynamic and empowering initiative for its scholarship students: the Women’s Day Solo Reel Competition, appropriately titled “This Is Me.” This creative digital event was designed to provide a modern platform for young women to confidently articulate their personal narratives, step into the spotlight, and celebrate their growth.



The core objective of the "This Is Me" competition was to encourage young female scholars to break away from traditional boundaries and boldly express their individuality, confidence, and diverse talents. By utilizing the popular and highly accessible format of short form video reels, the foundation provided an innovative outlet for self expression. Participants were encouraged to reflect on their own lives, capturing their personal journeys, the obstacles they have overcome, and the dreams they are actively chasing.

The response to the competition was overwhelming, with scholarship students participating with immense enthusiasm and energy. The submissions showcased an incredible array of inspiring stories, artistic creativity, and raw self expression. Through carefully edited videos, spoken word, art, and personal reflections, these young women shared glimpses of their daily realities, their academic ambitions, and their unbreakable spirit. Each reel served as a testament to the fact that empowerment begins when an individual is given the space to say, "This is who I am, and this is my worth."

Ultimately, the event served as a beautiful and meaningful celebration of women's empowerment at the grassroots level. Beyond being a simple contest, it successfully built foundational confidence among the students, reminding them of the power held within their unique identities and achievements. By recognizing and rewarding their creative efforts, the Yaan Foundation reaffirmed its deep commitment to nurturing not just the academic minds, but the voices, leadership, and independence of the young women who will shape tomorrow's society.



Sports Ground Boosts Youth Fitness

Perundalaiyur: Recognizing the importance of sports and physical activity in the overall development of young people, Yaan Foundation established a 3,000 square foot sports ground in Perundalaiyur village. The facility was developed to provide rural youth with a safe and accessible space for regular sports, physical exercise, and recreational activities. Open to the local community free of cost, the sports ground encourages healthy lifestyles while creating opportunities for young people to participate in organized physical activities.

Before the establishment of the sports ground, many young people in the village had limited access to a dedicated area for sports and fitness. The new facility has addressed this need by offering a common space where students and youth can gather every day for practice, exercise, and

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team games. The ground is used regularly during the mornings and evenings, becoming an important community resource that supports physical activity and social interaction.

The sports ground accommodates a variety of outdoor activities, with volleyball and Mallakhamb (Mallar Kambam) being among the most popular. Volleyball encourages teamwork, coordination, and physical fitness, while Mallakhamb, a traditional Indian sport performed on a wooden pole, helps develop strength, flexibility, balance, and concentration. By promoting Mallakhamb, the Foundation also supports the preservation of a traditional sporting practice and introduces younger generations to an important part of India's sporting heritage.

At present, more than 50 local youth use the sports ground on a regular basis for training, exercise, and recreational activities. The facility provides a structured environment where young people can remain physically active, develop sporting skills, and build discipline through regular participation. It also encourages positive use of leisure time and strengthens community engagement through sports.

Through this initiative, Yaan Foundation continues to promote physical well being, youth development, and community participation by creating accessible sports infrastructure in rural areas. The project reflects the Foundation's commitment to supporting healthy lifestyles and expanding opportunities for young people through sustainable community based initiatives.



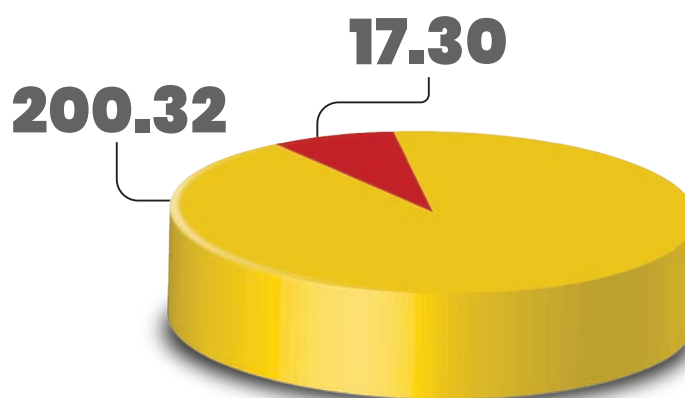
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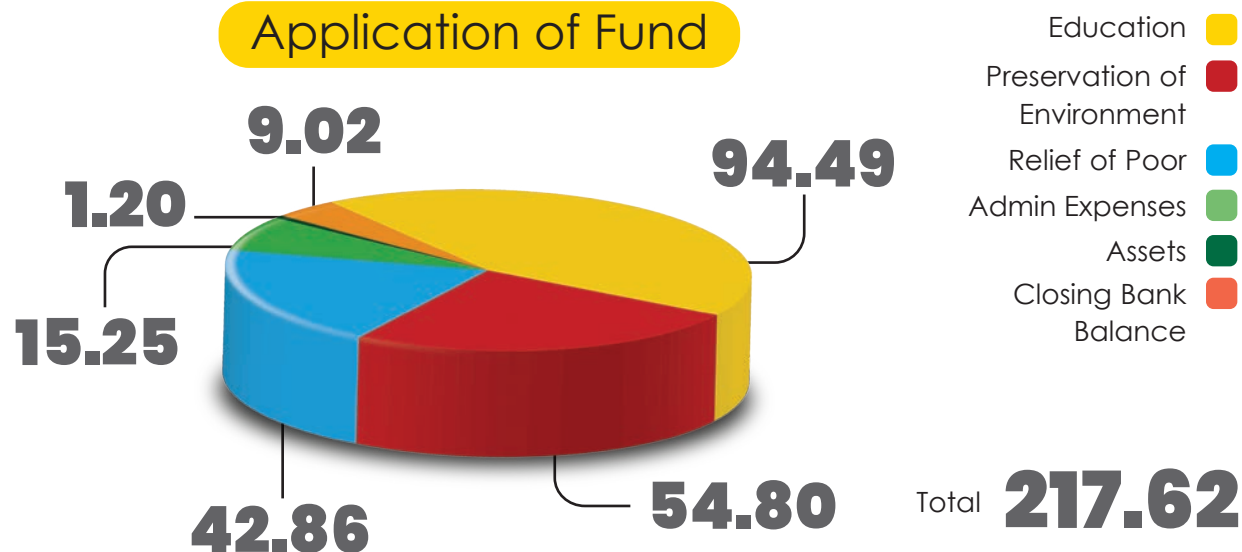
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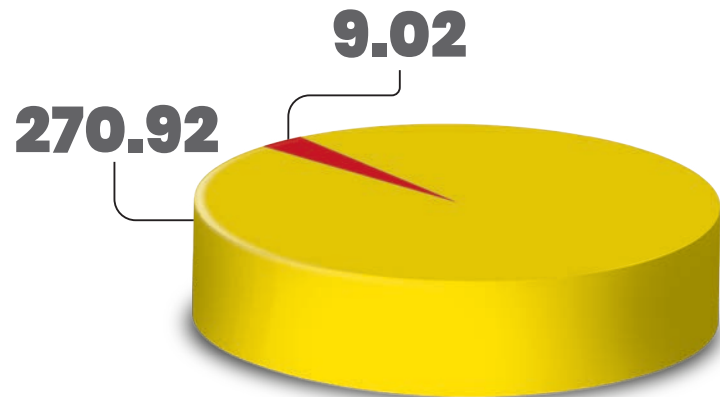
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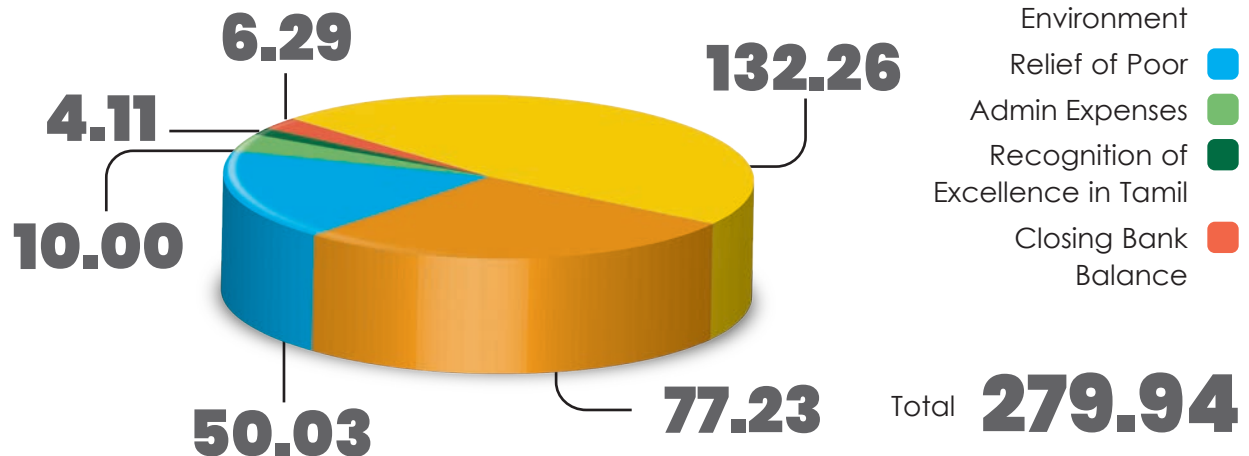
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