

# 2002 - 2003

**Annai Theresa Samuga sevai Sangam (ATSSS)**  
**Villupuram District**  
**ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR 2002 - 2003.**

## **Introduction**

Our ATSSS is doing number of welfare activities for the welfare of rural women. This programmes mostly supported by the women Development Department of Villupuram district as well as with the help of Tamil Nadu social welfare board, Chennai and THADCO, Villupuram. In addition to this we also implemented some programmes in our project villages with the help of like minded people and with our own resources. We herewith listout the same with descriptions for your kind reference and with a request to approve the same for our future correspondences to be made in the year 2003 - 2004.

## **1. Self Help Group Formation and Training Programme:-**

In the reporting year, the Tamil Nadu women Development Corporation has provided assistance to form self help groups among women is 15 Panchayat of Rishivandiyam block of Villupuram District. In relates to this as on March ending our ATSSS formal 65 no of self help Groups in this block and we provided intensive trainings to the member of these SHG's. As on average of 1300 no of rural women were getting benefiting through this training programmes. This training is provided by the programme co-coordinator, Block co-coordinator, Block Development officer of Rishivandiyam block, Panchayat president, councilors, Nutritious meals is the participation.

## **2. Cultural Programme: -**

With the intention to provide awareness on Health, STD/HIV/AIDS, water resources management, about Panchayat Raj act, Rain water harvesting. Female child killing, education to all, control of population, environmental development, formation of self help Groups and need of it among the rural villages. We organise this type of programmes in different villages of both Rishivandiyam and Tirukkoilur Blocks during the reporting year. The main reason for organising this type of cultural programmes are, this is the right way to feedback the knowledge on above them among the rural people.

This cultural programmes was organised by the Kattupaiyur cultural team, and Perianur Team in the project villages. An awareness messages on how to maintain the integrated women sanitary facilities constructed in the rural villages. Our project officer, District rural development agency, Villupuram appreciates our programmes at this moment.



### 3. Leadership Training to self Help Groups:-

This type of leadership training programmes was organised with the kind support of Tamil Nadu women Development Department, Villupuram. As an average of 75 SHG's in Tirukkoilur Block and 60- no of SHG's in Rishivandiyam block and participating in this training programme. This programme was organised to animators and representatives of SHG's, in both blocks. The Strategies on SHG functioning, office approachments and banking approaches are explained to the participants of this training. This training programmes were conducted by A&R trainers of Tmt. R.Selvi and Tmt. Loordu meri. The expenditure incurred for this training programmes was extended by the women development department. The officials of this department, block officials were participated as resource person to this programme.

### 4.Tailoring Training programme: -



We are getting regular income through this tailoring training with as an average of 600 no of rural women especially Adolescent girls were benefited through this programme with a low training cost In this Tailoring institute the works on embroidery, basket making, artificial toys manufacturing are taught by the well trained and qualified teacher. A diploma holder in Tailoring is a caretaker to this training programme. More number of rural women in surrounding villages of Tirukoilur were getting loan facilities to purchase tailoring machine loan through the banks and started there tailoring profession in their own villages and earn more through this.

#### **5.AIDS Awareness programmes: -**

To promote awareness about STD/AIDS among the rural target, we organise this type of AIDS awareness programmes in G.Ariyur and Chettithangal villages by our president MR. K.selvaraj and selvi A.amutha who is the trained staff of Oragya Agam. Resource person are invited from primary Health centre of G.Ariyur village. This programmes was specially organised to self help group members. The needed sticker, and posters on STD/HIV/AIDS and its precaution strategies are obtained from Tamil Nadu state AIDS control society, Chennai and distributed to the participants of the programme. Also an AIDS awareness video cassettes were screened to the participants.

#### **6.Non-formal Education Programme: -**

In the reporting year, we conducted non formal education centres to rural dropout children with the help of Animator of Om Sakthi Magalir Sangam in Santhapettai and Melathazhanur villages respectively. Our ATSSS distribute slates, Note books to the children of this non formal education schools.

#### **7.National Integration Programme: -**

With special reference to celebrate the independence Day of 2002, we organise this type of national integration programme in Kanangadu village. All the self Help Group members of Kanangadu village Panchayat participated in this programme. The parish priest, and local VIPs were participated in this programme. This programme was organised in christian school of Kanangadu. A rally by the participants are also organised and exposing the themes and slogans about national integrity, unity in this procession, A pledge on to build up integrity among the people of Kashmir to Kanyakumari was also undertaken by the participants.

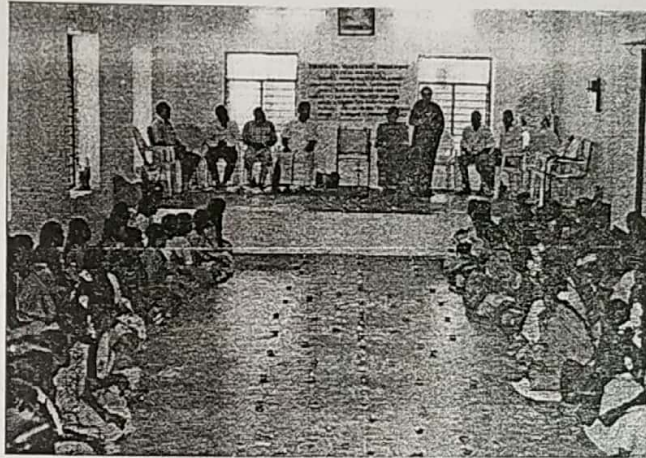
#### **8.Consumer Awareness Programme: -**

To promote the awareness on consumer, functioning methodology of consumer courts, personal consumer rights, how to approach the consumer courts, weighing methods to be adopted and followed, etc among the rural illiterate people, we organise this type of consumer awareness programmes in all most all villages of Tirukoilur block in the reporting year of 2002-2003. This programme was organised to SHG members of Vellaipillayar koil. As an average of 80 SHG members participated in this training programme.



### **9. Awareness Generation programme to rural Women: -**

This awareness generation programmes was organised by our ATSSS in the reporting year with the duration of 10 days in 3 phases, 1<sup>st</sup> programme at community centre at Ariyur, II programme at Block development office, Rishivandiyam as exposure visit to participating women. 25 no of rural women participated in this awareness programme.



Before organising this AGP to women, our staff had undergone training at Gandhigram Rural Institute, Dindugal. At the time of completion of this 10 days awareness generation programme the special officer Mrs Lakshmi, Dist. Central co-op Bank, Villupuram, Block development officers of concerned blocks, Block Chairman's, Secretary's of PACB, Ariyur and Seerpanandal villages were participated as resource persons. to this AGP, and giving talks about women rights , women employment opportunities, need of their self awareness on all concept this training programme to the participants, An amount of Rs.10000 was released by TNSWB, Chennai 35 to organise this programme for 10 days.

### **10 Programme on Family Planning and population control:-**

To feed back the knowledge on women education, regulations of surrounding environments benefits of population control, increasing employment opportunities etc, among rural women of Memalur of Tirukoilur Block. We organise this type of programme in co-ordination with the District Health Department. Resource person are invited from primary Health centre of Ariyur. As an average of 150 no. of local public had participated in this training programme.

### **11. Motor Rewinding Training Programme: -**

With the kind assistance of 'THADCO' Villupuram, we organise this type of employment oriented training programme to 10 no. of unemployed rural youth of Rishivandiyam block with the duration of 6 months. An amount of Rs400/- p.m will be provided to the trainers as stipend. This programme started on December 23 of 2002 and it will be completed by June 22 of forthcoming year 2003-2004. on completion of this motor Rewinding Training, we tie-up trainers with the adjoining banks and make necessary arrangement to distribute self employment loan to the participants.



## 12. Training Programme to SHG members: -

This training programme was provided to 60 SHGs of Tirukoilur Block during the reporting year 2002-2003 upto 31 of March 2003. This training programme conducted by Mrs.Selvi, and Mrs. Loordu meri. 40 no. Of SHG members per day had participated in this training programme and benefited through this training programme. The Block officials, and officials from women Development Department had participated as Resource person to this SHG training programme.

## 13. Womens Day Celebration: -



In this year 2003, with special reference to celebrate world womens Day 2003, we organise this mass programme on 6-8-2002 at Rajeswari mahal, Tirukoilur. Our Hon'ble District collector shri Abdul Aslam, I.A.S. presided over this function. Rishivandiyam constituency MLA, Shri Sivaraj, shri Krishnamoorthy, Chairman, Tirukoilur Panchayat union, shrimathi Rojavathy Annadurai, Chairman, Rishivandiam Panchayat union, Smt. Lakshmi, Special Officer, Dist.co.op.central Bank, Villupuram District,, Mr P.Velusamy, project officer of Tamil Nadu Women Development Department, Mr. Parthasarathy, Manager. District Industries Centre Villupuram, District. Nutrious meals officer, Smt.Prabavathy, Mr.A.V.Vinayagamurthy, Tirukoilur Town Panchayat president had participated in this as special invitees. As an average of 3000 no. of SHG members from 1150 SHG's participated in this training programme. Our Hon'ble District collector distributed loans to the SHG members to the loan of Rs19 lakhs in this programme.

## 14. Loan Assistance to Self Help Groups:-

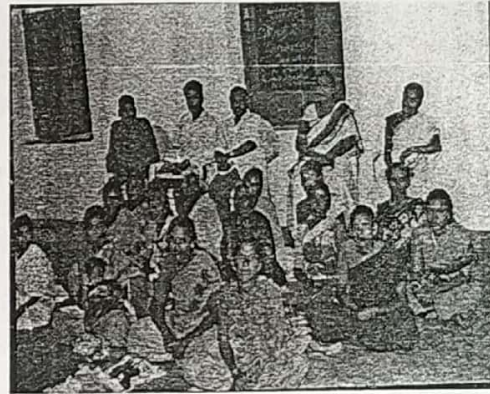


We arrange revolving loan of Rs.25000/- to all the SHGs with the subsidy of Rs 10,000/- to each group. We provide employment loan facilities through NABARD with world bank assistance we arrange economic



activity loan of Rs 4,00,000/- (subsidy of Rs 125000/-) to 4 SHG's, Rs 5,00,000/- as loan with subsidy of Rs 25000/- to 6 SHG'S with the assistance of 'THADCO'. Also from Chettithangal to Vengur Kottumedu, our SHG's forming road facilities with its own fund. White washing to Kottamedu primary school was also carryout by our SHG on behalf of Arumbakkam Bharathi Magalir Sangam, Notebook, and school donation were issued is the school students. As on date ATSS having 150 SHG with 3000 no.of members.

#### 15.EDP Training Programme:-



We provided Entrepreneur Trainings to 105 Self Help Group members from 7 no.of SHG's of Tirukoilur and Rishivandiyam blocks. we select interested person of 15 nos from each group. The financial assistance to organise this programme was extended by both DRDA, Villupuram and 'THATCO' Villupuram. Block Development officer of Rishivandiam block and local VIP's are participated in this training programme. On completion of the programme we arrange self employment loan facilities, and to provide vocational trainings in various trades. On completion of training programme we distribute certificates signed by Project Officer , Tamil Nadu

women Development Department and concern officers to the participants. This training programme was organised with the duration of 7 days.

#### 16.Human Rights and Social Justice Programme:-

We organise this programme to the leaders of SHG's of Tirukoilur and Rishivandiyam Block focusing the small girls prostitution, child labours to the participating SHG women.

#### **17.Sustainable Agricultural Training:-**

A programme on popularisation of science in Agriculture was organised by ATSSS at Senganangkollai village. The local farmers are the participants of this programme and the resource persons are Agriculture Development officers and the Assistant Agricultural officer. We are giving importance to soil test in this programme for promotion of sustainable Agriculture.

#### **18.Future Plan:-**

We proposed to start one self-employment training to girls in prostitution with the help of Department of social justice, New Delhi in the forthcoming year.

Also to organise Environmental development programmes, to start orphanages to elders, to start women's hostel and to provide RMK loan facilities to more number of SHG members to start their income generation activities to lead their life.

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