

**JMJ SOCIAL SERVICE SOCIETY
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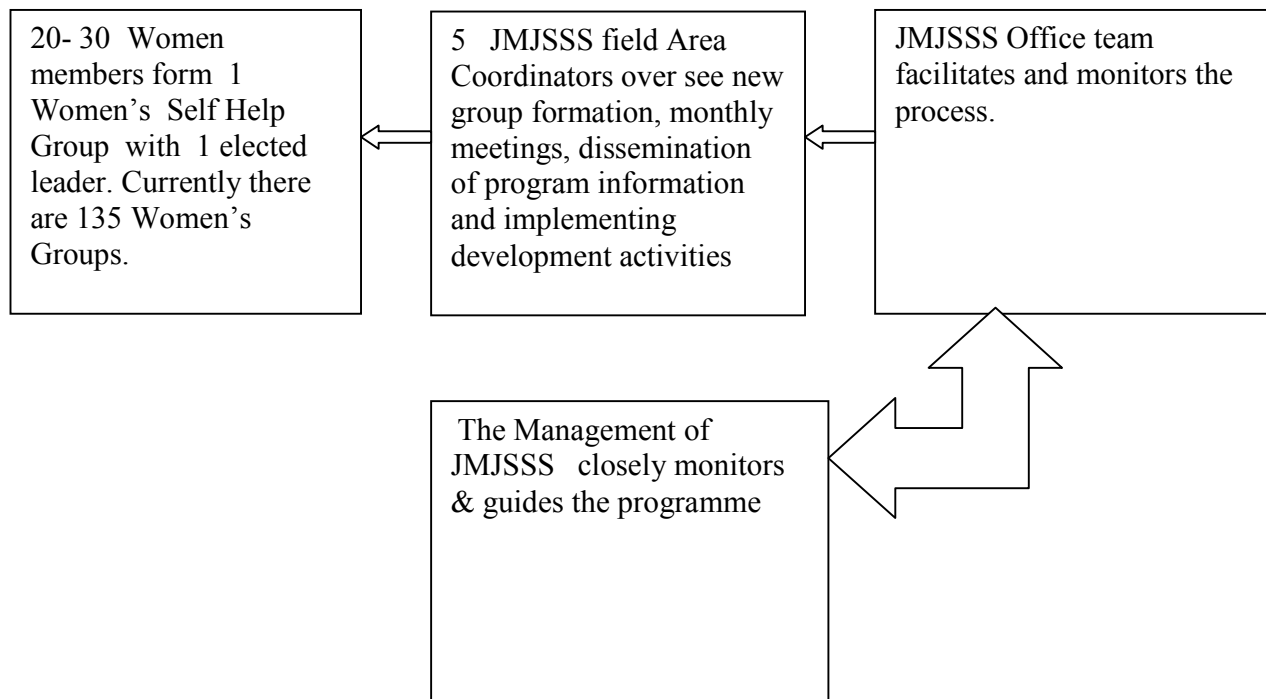
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Turning Women as Agents of Change

Women Integral Development is crucial for the success of any development related activity. The progress of a country is dependent on fighting social discrimination and recognizing the power of women in strengthening the bonds of amity in communities. The focus of the WID (Women Integrated Development) Programme is bringing Social, Economic, Ethical & Intellectual change in the lives of women understanding this change would reflect itself in the lives of their families and communities. During the year 2013-14 around 500 women joined the WID Programme. Current total number under JMJSST is 3310 women belonging to 135 groups across 37 villages of 9 Mandals. Through Establishing & managing a network of active 135 Self-Help Women's groups, JMJSST invests in the capacities of these women to become agents of change.

Structure of WID Programme



Activities

A. Capacity Building

Monthly Group Meetings

Monthly Meetings were organized & facilitated by Area Coordinators at village level in all the Areas. The objective of these meetings was to update & motivate the women to keep up the spirit, plan and make decisions on the activities to be implemented during the month. The women were exposed to input sessions on literacy, health, sanitation, social justice, environment etc. As a result the women are more united, developed strong relationships.

Training for Group Leaders

To enhance the quality of leadership, their abilities and to create a positive attitude within the women group leaders, JMJSST in collaboration with Balavikasa organized 2 special trainings for the Group leaders of 5 areas 120 in number. Financial Support for this programme is from JMJSST & Balavikasa Rs.150 per head.(Balavikasa 50+ JMJSST-MACTS 100)

Training for Area Coordinators & Sisters/Directors Incharge

11 two day trainings were conducted for area field coordinators & Sisters/Directors incharge of the WID programme at Balavikasa People Development Training Centre (PDTC). 24 monthly meetings for the Area Coordinators at JMJSST. These meetings revived the energy of the coordinators and substantiated their knowledge in programme management. It's a platform of continuous learning, enabling them to imbibe teamspirit and deepened their commitment. Travel allowances & Accommodation expenses are met by Balavikasa

Training for Women Entrepreneurs

One day training programme was organized at Balavikasa for the Successful & promising business women to improve their knowledge on business ethics, techniques and optimum utilization of loans & local resources. Best business women of our Areas were recognized and were felicitated. Travel allowances & Accommodation expenses are met by Balavikasa

Convention

On 31st January 2014 a convention was organized at Balavikasa on the topic "Women's Empowerment through Entrepreneurship" to facilitate the rural women entrepreneurs from our operational areas in developing useful business insights and learning, improving their business management /networking skills. For which 30 women of our areas who are excelling in business participated in the convention along with the area coordinators. Travel allowances & Accommodation expenses are met by Balavikasa

Inter Province Exposures

The Area Coordinators were taken to Siruguppa for the Inter Province Mahila Convention. They had a chance to meet other area coordinators of other provinces, exchanged their views and gained new insights. They have also participated in the cultural activities. Travel allowances & Accommodation expenses are met by JMJSST-MACTS.

Picnics

Trips to different tourist places were arranged for the staff members every year. These types of programs will enhance the team- spirit and contributes towards an effective participation. One day Picnic was arranged for the Coordinators and for the office staff in the month of September'14 to the great Vijayanagara empire of Sri Krishna Devaraya's Hampi- Vijayanagarm . It was trip of edutainment. All the expenses are met by JMJSSS-MACTS

B. Economic Development

Through their groups women place a little money in to a collective savings account each month. If they are regular in attendance, after a specified time they are able to apply to the group for a loan to start a micro enterprise in **2013-14 (Oct)** nearly **1304** women in 5 areas were beneficiaries of loans worth more than **Rs. 1,62,36000**. With these resources, they were able to start petty shops, buy buffaloes for milk/meat production, Tea stalls, hotels, chicken stalls, candle making, vegetable business, Sarees business, pots making, buying some machines for grinding, tailoring machines, repair shops etc.

C. Jaladanam

Andhra Pradesh is known for its scorching heat and a very common ailment during summer time is dehydration, leading to several deaths every year. Women groups realized that it was their social responsibility to protect travellers from thirst; hence the women started a programme called Jaladanam in 5 areas. Clean and purified water was collected in pots or drums and served. Approximate number of travelers benefited from Jaladanam is 50,820. Financial Support of Rs.10, 000 for 5 areas by Balavikasa, Group leaders & other Women of the areas.

D. Kitchen Garden

The Area Coordinators of JMJSSS motivated women to start a kitchen garden in their backyards to reduce expenditure on food purchases and achieve a measure of self –sufficiency. The seeds were brought in bulk and distributed at an affordable cost. 2270 Women cultivated vegetables & fruits to supply their kitchen and also distributed the extra seeds to women who are poor and could not afford to buy.

Impact of Women integrated Development programme

- Through networks women build strong supportive relationships with each other
- Women group leaders strengthen their leadership skills through capacity building and in turn become community leaders
- Development of small business and women entrepreneurs in the villages
- Improved the literacy and increased educational level through adult literacy programme
- Increased self- confidence and became self-reliant
- Women empathize with the orphans, old and destitute and other vulnerable sections , provide financial and emotional support
- Women are committed to taking up development activities in the villages, fighting for social justice and creating model communities
- Through the empowerment of these women groups, communities are altering their perception of women as change makers

Mainstreaming Widows in to Society

Summary of the Programme

In order to alleviate social seclusion and create favourable conditions for widows to enjoy their rights, opportunities & dignity, JMJSSS in collaboration with Balavikasa initiated the Widows Empowerment Program in 2006. The objective of this programme is to educate the society on the discriminatory social practices and superstitious beliefs which make the lives of widows miserable and to create awareness among people on their social responsibility of accepting and respecting widows as women with rights.

A. Motivational Meetings

Different methods such as games and debates, Neuro –Linguistic programming techniques and yoga sessions were conducted to enable the widows to remain positive, forget their past, and dream for the future. We strongly believe these kinds of sessions help them to transform as a person and this change spreads to the other widows. The younger widows are also motivated to remarry. Financial Support for this programme is given by Balavikasa & JMJSSS-MACTS

B. Share & support Meetings

Share & Support meeting took place once in the year 2013-14 where 269 widows got together from all 5 areas. This gathering provides them with adequate confidence to reclaim their identities and rebuild their future. These meetings also created a space where they realized that they were not alone in their journeys and could exchange experiences, information and support. Travelling allowances Rs.100 per head by Balavikasa & Tea, Snacks by JMJSSS-MACTS

C. General Awareness Creation

As part of awareness creation among the larger community, the issue of widow's rights was discussed in all the meetings & trainings. A lot of awareness was created among other women and programme beneficiaries in order to fight for social justice and accept widows in to mainstream community life.

D. Educational support to super smart children of widows

JMJSSS in collaboration with BVSSS has selected bright & meritorious children who are very gifted with academic excellence and is supporting their education. JMJSSS with BVSSS has taken initiative to help about 5 children of the widows, who have secured above 60% of marks and provided them with educational support. We call these children as 'Super Smart Children'. The idea behind providing this help is that no child, who has talent, should loose the opportunity to achieve greatness.

Semi Orphan Children Rs. 16500.00

Impact of Widows Empowerment Programme

Individual

Widows are changing their mind set and attitudes, moving away from self-hatred and instead viewing themselves as women who have done nothing wrong and who should be treated with dignity & respect.

The young widows are starting to come up with ideas of their own on how to deal with the societal discrimination.

Family

Their children (Semi orphans) are benefiting from their changed attitudes and have a stable home environment, with hope for an education. After attending the meetings, they are also more empathetic towards the daily struggle of their mothers and vow to change the attitudes of those they come in contact with.

Community

Some members of communities are beginning to understand the fallacy behind superstitious beliefs and beginning to treat widows as human beings in their own right, allowing them to attend the religious ceremonies and wear bindi.

Widows are showing support by defending each other against any abuse or accusations. They are also inviting other widows to their children's puberty functions or marriage celebrations. They take blessings from widows for their newly wed sons and daughters, something that was unheard in the past.

Solidarity with Orphans

Summary of the Programme

In rural villages where poverty and unemployment are rampant, the breaking down of family units due to the deaths of one or both parents leave a number of children destitute, broken and uneducated. JMJSSS with the collaboration of Balavikasa has worked to better the situation of these orphan children through an innovative community-led initiative, where local women groups care for the orphan children with love and financial support. Discussions take place in the women groups regarding the utter desperation of orphan children in their communities. The women are moved to empathize, even though they are poor themselves, respond generously by contributing some of their wages towards the children's education. A strong bridge of bonds is built between the women & the orphans as they came together on different occasions during the year, such that now the orphans have come to know the women as 'mothers' and the women consider the orphans their 'children'. The expenses for this programme are met by the contribution of the women in our groups. In 2013-14 total number of orphans is **75**.

A. Poor Contributing for the Poorest

Every Year a day called "Solidarity with Orphans" is organized in all the WID areas. Area coordinators brought all the orphans & mothers together on one platform. A lot of hope, confidence and support was exchanged. Women willingly paid for their own travel, sacrificed their daily wages, cooked meals for the children and contributed one day worth of wages towards educational expenses. A common birthday for all the children was celebrated on this occasion. Some inputs on the importance of education, girl child, discouraging child marriages were also given to the thousands of women gathered on this day.

A total of 2000 women, 8 guests and 3 local donors participated on Solidarity Day February 7th 2014. The women donated an unprecedented amount of **Rs.1, 28,000**. It was truly inspiring and amazing to see such a large amount of money pooled from the women involved towards the betterment of the orphans' lives. With this amount 12 college going orphans were supported in their Education with Rs.52000.00

B. School Preparatory Day

JMJSSS in collaboration with Balavikasa organized the School Preparatory Day in June before reopening of schools. The aim of this gathering was to prepare the Orphan Children for the new academic year and provide them with required things like uniforms, books and other toiletries. Area coordinators guided the children with disciplinary talks on punctuality, time management, hygiene, good leadership and friendship. During the reporting year 49 children attended the School Preparatory Day. Financial support of Rs. 35000 is given by Balavikasa.

C. Visiting Children in the Villages & Schools

Area coordinators and other women visited the children and found out their educational status and their well being. JMJSSS encourages these visits of the women & coordinators so that the children never feel unloved or alone in the world.

E. Talent Show

Every year the orphan children are brought together during the month of October and cultural events are organized. Children participate with great energy & enthusiasm and they exhibit unique talents in writing, drawing, dancing, speaking, singing, music etc. Children also encouraged giving group performances and they also get the experience of family spirit & team spirit. As part of this we arrange one day edutainment outings for these children. The expenses for this programme are met by the contribution of women.

Care of the Old & Destitute

JMJSSS in collaboration with BVSSS is involved in caring about 49 old & destitute who are completely neglected & deprived of anybody's support in the villages. Twice in a year they come to JMJSSS centre accompanied by the group leaders of the areas and are given Rice, general requisites, groceries & clothes etc. Our leaders & members take initiative to assist the old & destitute in their respective villages. The financial support of Rs.2200 per head is given by Balavikasa.

Health & Sanitation

Antenatal & Post natal Care

A higher incidence of mortality is found to occur among women and girls living in poverty, illiteracy and socially disadvantaged groups. JMJSSS in collaboration with Balavikasa initiated this programme 3 years ago to educate pregnant women on ante natal & post natal care and to manage complications if they were anemic. Such kind of camp organized at JMJSSS centre in the month of November and 95 women participated. Dr.Sr.Annie from St.Joseph's Hospital, Guntur conducted free medical check up & students of College of Nursing, Nallapadu were present on this occasion and enlightened them. Health supplements like Protein-X bottles were provided to the women. Financial Support for T.A & Meals given by Balavikasa is Rs.10980 and other expenses by JMJSSS-MACTS.

Health Camps

People suffering from different illnesses in rural communities do not visit hospitals due to lack of health awareness, transportation, and poverty. In order to sensitize them about preventive health care issues and to facilitate their access to health services, JMJSSS in collaboration with Balavikasa conducted 8 health camps in 8 villages. These camps provided comprehensive health services free of cost and 692 people were directly benefited. Financial Support of Rs.10, 000 including medicine for 5 areas & once medicine only. All other expenses are met by JMJSSS-MACTS.

Sanitation

JMJSSS in collaboration with Balavikasa started the family toilet programme to educate communities on the adverse effects of open defecation, while providing resources to build toilets and knowledge on their usage and maintenance. Motivation meetings were held for all the women along with their husbands. 40 families were supported with Rs.3500 each for the construction of toilets.

Awareness Activities

The awareness is created on the special days like National Importance days, International Women's day, International Water Day, International Widows Day, World Environment Day, International day of Girl Child etc. Some special input sessions, rallies are organized in these days. The expenses for these programmes are met by JMJSSS-MACTS

CHAI-LF

The Catholic Health Association of India (CHAI) is the strategic partner organization (SPO) of Lilliane Foundation (LF). Currently the CHAI-LF project is supporting 49 children with disabilities with appropriate rehabilitative interventions. This funding support is to reduce the physical, attitudinal, and institutional barriers that hinder the participation of CWD (Children with Disabilities) in society, since the society is not well equipped to facilitate their participation. The amount released by CHAI-LF from June 2014- October 2014 is Rs.2, 60,000.00

Education – 43

Health- 5

Work and income - 1

New Initiatives

Work Shop for the Inter province Novices

A three day work shop on social awareness was organized by JMJSSS for the Inter Province Novices from 15.08.2014 - 17.08.14. Srs. Lourdu Joshi, Saritha and their team members have dealt on the topics like 'The existing Social Evils in the Society', 'The People in need of our Support', and 'Our Role in the Development of the Society', 'Our Role in the Empowerment of Women' etc. They also explained to them of the activities of the JMJSSS and its units in AP., Odisha and Tamilnadu. Sisters from Swadhar & Ujjawala were invited to share about the activities. Some of the inmates shared their experiences. On the last day the novices were taken to Ujjawala Home, St. Joseph's technical school, JMJSSS for the orientation to women's programme & of Children with disabilities.

Social Awareness Exposure Programme for the 1st Year Junior Sisters

A month long exposure programme on the Social awareness and social activities of our province was organized by JMJSSS for 12 of 1st Year Junior Sisters from 20.08.14 – 19.09.14. The objectives of this exposure are to provide the Junior Sisters with an exposure to social services rendered by JMJ Society and also provide them with basic knowledge on social work, to enhance their ability to understand people, their problems and needs, to Provide them an overview of scope of social services in JMJ, to make them understand the vitality of Social work in contemporary world, to imbibe the spirit of social service within them.

The Junior Sisters were divided in to 2 batches 6 in each. Each batch is given 15 days for the exposure. During these days they were given orientation to Self Help Groups of JMSS, field visits were arranged to interact with the women in the villages and to witness the activities those are carried on in the villages like orphan children, widows, neglected aged and physically challenged etc. They were also put in home based centres of care & support Swadhar, Ujjawala & Prajwala homes. All their exposures & orientations were evaluated. They were very enthusiastic and open to take up any task given by the Province. Their travel and other expenses are met by JMSS.

Children's Parliaments

2 Children's Parliaments were formed in 2 of our operational areas namely Bonthapadu & Angalakuduru and others areas it is under process. Meetings were conducted for the parents of the children. The elders, the village president & ward members were briefed on the concept. All of them gave a positive response that they will surely back the children in this venture of development of their own village.

Children are very excited to be called as ministers and are very energetic & vigorous to go forward to take up the issues of their villages to bring change in their villages. The expenses for this project is met from JMSS-MACTS

Visiting the Units of Social work

Sr.Lourdu Joshi, the Executive Director of JMSS had made visits to the other Social work Units of Andhra Pradesh 'Home for the Aged & Lepers Colony – Durgi' JMSS Nilayam- Kondramutla, JM Swadhar Home- Tenali and found out how the units are functioning.

Certificate & Job Oriented Skill Training Courses

JMSS in the year 2013-14 with the support of NSDC (National Skill Development Corporation) have conducted Job oriented skill training courses and 500 rural youth were the beneficiaries of this programme.

Work Shops

To equip and update oneself for the proper functioning & implementation of the activities & Projects in JMSS, the Sisters who are working in JMSS have attended the following regional, national & international seminars.

Sr.Lourdu Joshi – International Work Shop on Sustainability – Jabalpur

Sr.Lourdu Joshi - National Seminar of CHAI

Sr.Lourdu Joshi & Saritha - Inter Province Core Meeting - Palamaneru, Bangalore Province

Sr.Lourdu Joshi - Work Shop of Social Media – Kazipet, Balavikasa

Srs.Lourdu Joshi & Saritha - Inter Province Mahila Convention - Siruguppa, Bangalore Province

Srs. Lourdu Joshi & Saritha - National Work shop of CHAI on Child Rights - Mumbai

Conclusion :

The year 2013-2014 was another year to strive to reach its goals. JMJSSS will continue to achieve its goals and reach its vision that is to Visualize a just society where in all can live in peace, joy, happiness, equality and brotherhood. Where by the kingdom of God can prevail in all, fulfilling the words of Louis Eveley- "The glory is of God man fully alive".

Future Thrust:

- Children Parliaments in other areas
- Organising more Training Programmes for Women, Youth, Children & other N.G.O's
- Internship for overseas students
- CHAI-LF Team members have suggested to have a separate house for the children with disabled in Guntur province.

Reports from the other Units of Andhra Pradesh

1. St. Ignatius Convent – Durgi

Sr. Paschalina, the superior and other 2 Sisters here are involved in caring for the **20 aged people, helping 29 lepers and the Evangelization**. It is initiated mainly to care the poor and deserving aged people. All the needs of this home are met by our Provincialate. Local benefactors occasionally contribute paddy, provide food for the inmates. As the need arises they are taking the paying people in. They are also helping the lepers who reside in a nearby colony. Once a month they visit them, if necessary give them medical care and solve other problems like water, repairs etc. Due to the land dispute that is going on from few months, they stopped visiting them.

Future Plans:

- Admission to the people who are able to pay
- To fix the amount to middle class paying persons
- As pension amount is increased 50% of the pension is to be utilized for the maintenance of the Institution
- To safeguard the land of the Institution near lepers colony we need to construct a compound wall
- Monthly Financial support to the lepers is to be reconsidered

2. JMJ Social Service Nilayam- Kondramutla

Hostel for SC, ST & BC Girls:

At present there are 145 tribal students in our hostel studying from LKG to 5th standard. All the students who stay in our hostel pay Rs.2500 per year. This programme is funded by Suryodaya Project- Bangalore for the food and medicine of the students and rest of the expenses are met by the province.

The amount received Rs. 200000.00

Grihini School:

There are 14 Grihini students who are learning the skills like Tailoring, knitting, painting, embroidery, cooking, farming etc. Sr.Maria Rani and her community sisters give them regular instructions how to be self sufficient in the future and counsel them to face the problems courageously.

CHAI-LF:

There are 20 children who are benefiting under this programme. All these children are studying. The financial support from CHAI towards this project is Rs.89000

Evangelization:

Besides these activities Sisters are involved in Evangelization work of 7 villages, by going to the villages to conduct prayers, by visiting the families of the faithful, arranging the spiritual meetings in the villages & visiting the sick people those who are in need of them.

New Initiatives:

- New water tank construction was done and some of the major repairs also taken place.
- The nephew of Sr.Alexis had donated sewing machines for some girls

Future Plans:

- To be more active in our apostolic work to help the people around
- To construct new bathrooms for Grihini students
- House repair & Painting of both Hostel & Grihini

3. St.Joseph's Technical School–Nallapadu -88th Annual Report

In the year 2013-2014 St.Joseph's Technical School introduced to the students 2 new courses like Ari work (Maggam) & Handi crafts along with Tailoring and Embroidery. There are 30 girls from different villages of Guntur district, from poor family background. 12 first year students & 5 second year students secured first class in the exams. Other students lack of required qualification of at least 7th class are not eligible to appear for the Govt. Exams. So as usual in the academic year 2013-14 too there is 100% pass result for the Technical School. Since they hail from very rural background it is a challenge to teach them. They are trained with minimum fee with all facilities. Students are fortunate to utilize their skills & become self-sufficient. Some even get Government jobs.

Our province is very generous to cater to the needs of these girls and providing financial assistance. With the support of some benefactors the centre is blessed with good building, infrastructure & sewing machines. Sr. Tresa Kommareddy proudly says that the beneficiaries and the families are very happy and grateful to all that we do through the tailoring Centre.

Future Plan: The management will pursue and take necessary steps to enhance the admissions for the next academic year

4. JMJ Ujjawala Home - Nagarjuna Nagar

Trafficked are a particular group of individuals with various personality problems and who cannot mix with the general public freely .Almost all the victims are brought from Brothel houses through police and court.

Women Development & Child welfare Department: Department encouragement is continuous and they give us lot of support as and when needed. Inspections are done once in six months by two men committee i.e. RDO & Project Director. Impossible cases from other homes are brought to our homes for safe custody , care & protection.

Police department: Home is under Peda Kakani police station. We have regular rapport and timely help .Through them we got Inverter and Coolers. They provided us provision for sales mela. Its because of them we find easy to deal the difficult cases.

Family settlements: We are trying to settle the inmates as and when the proposals come for the orphans. In month of Aug 15th R. Vasantha Kumari got married to the boy from Vijayawada. For the marriage expenses we received Rs.10000 from our Provincial superior.

Renovation: Renovation & paintings of the total building is done by the provincialate. It is convenient and safe custody for the inmates. We are grateful & thankful to Sr. Regina Provincial superior and her council.

Orientation classes: 15 inmates are taken to Hyderabad – Kukatpally in month of October from 1st to 5th, joined with NGO Prajadarana for orientation and Yoga classes. Topics mainly on future frame work, and family life education.

Tours & picnics: Inmates are taken to two days to Haailand , Suryalanka & Hyderabad

Linkages with Districts: We get inmates from Guntur / Khammam / Vijayawada / Warangal/Ongole. Child welfare committee discusses in their meetings and sends the girls to our home for safe protection and custody.

Education: Inmates are sent for formal and informal education. Interested individuals are sent for formal education .Few of them are given provision for private study.

Skill trainings: More preference is given for the skill training. Many of them are not interested in education. Inmates are having the inclination to run away and we have no provision to send them out for skill training. At present they are learning – Embroidery, stitching, garment making, patch work, Embroidery & Bag making.

Success stories from inmates: Many of the inmates are happy to stay here and prepare for their better future learning and studying.

Contributions from the society: Some of the families come forward to our home to celebrate their Birthdays and death anniversaries.

Orientation by Junior sisters: 11 Junior sisters came to UJJAWALA home duration of 4 days Sr.Rosalina and inmates felt happy and expressed that it is a memorable experience .All of them have enjoyed their stay profiting culturally / spiritually and mentally. Their presence brought lot of life among the inmates.

At present the **total no of inmates** residing in UJJAWALA home are **45**. The rehabilitation process is implemented according to the need, capability and age of the victim. Out of 64,(11) are engaged in formal education,(16) are engaged in menial work,(7) are mentally challenged (2) Lactating ,(8) Counseling (20) are involved in vocational training i.e. tailoring, Bag making, Ari work, Hand Embroidery, Basket making Computer embroidery, Rolling ,Bat hick printing and Tie and Dye.

Strength particulars of UJJAWALA Inmates from Jan 14 to 31.10.14

Month	Previous	New ADAMMISSION	Discharge	TOTAL
Jan	59	5	6	58
Feb	58	12	6	64
March	64	10	17	57
April	57	20	19	58
May	58	02	01	59
Jun	59	7	12	54
July	54	05	04	55
August	55	15	14	56
September	56	6	01	61
October	61	13	08	64

Inmates outside the Home are:

General Nursing -2

ANM - 1

Intermediate - 5

Married (Under UJJAWALA) - 2

M.Sc.Geology - 1

9th Class - 1

Sr.Rosalina & team are grateful to the Almighty God and Sr.Regina Chinnappan, the Provincial Superior for their constant support and care to carry out their work with satisfaction.

5. Holy Family Care & Support Centre for HIV/AIDS - Sattenapalli

Holy Family Care & Support Centre is supporting the PLHIV and patients with TB by its out reach activities like regular home visits of the patients in different villages, conducting health awareness programs, organizing health talks on HIV/AIDS & TB, importance of nutrition and personal hygiene, individual and family counseling and the follow up care. In & Out patient care includes, paying attention & taking good care of the patients by providing them needful medicines, nutritious food, individual counseling, motivation & counseling on ART&TB drugs, regular treatment of supportive medicine, education on preventive methods.

Other activities:

- CHAI provides nutritious food to the affected and infected HIV children
- HIV&TB rally is being conducted once a year
- Pastoral care given to the patients by providing spiritual talks & conducting prayers
- Participation in the celebration of founder's day& Christmas
- Once in a year a short picnic

New Activities:

Community Health Programme started during the month of September. This programme is supported by CHAAP, Vijayawada & includes the Awareness programmes, Sanitation, Training Programme, Nutritional Support, Rehabilitation, Screening new HIV/TB cases.

6. JMJ SWADHAR Home - Tenali

The Ministry of Human Resource Development, Govt. of India, with the objective of the scheme to comprehensively rehabilitate widows, victims of Trafficked women/girls rescued or run away from brothels or other places, victims of natural calamities, mentally disordered, Women affected by HIV /AIDS, Women prisoners released from jail and are without family, social and economic support where they face exploitation, Women affected by domestic violence and destitute women introduced to Swadhar scheme from 2001. The scheme provides support like food, clothing, shelter, counseling, medical facilities and vocational training to women to enable them to regain their emotional strength that gets hampered due to their encounter with unfortunate circumstances. This scheme envisages providing them with legal aid and guidance to enable them to take steps for their readjustment in their family /society to rehabilitate them economically and emotionally. To act as a support system that understands and meets various requirements of women in distress. This Scheme encourages women to start their life a fresh with dignity and conviction.

The children who are homeless, orphans & affected by HIV/AIDS are sent to nearby Govt. schools .The bright children are placed in private residential schools & colleges with management funds. Nutritional education, health education, personality development programmes are taken up by our college lecturers, local experts. This project is started in the year 2005 and financed by the ministry of Women development & Child Welfare, New Delhi. Partially JMJSSS, Nallapadu is also helping this project.

As on October 2014 there are 127 beneficiaries in the Swadhar home.

Trafficked	06
Homeless & Difficult circumstances	78
HIV/AIDS	14
Deserted	20
Challenged	09

Vocational / Skill training provided in the home: Tailoring, Machine Embroidery, Hand Embroidery, Bag Making, Basket making, Computer embroidery, greeting cards, painting, saris embroidery, flower making with waste material, decoration items , preparing bangles, ear rings, Machine Embroidery, Tie & Dye, Training in Ari work and MLT.

Special services provided to residents: Yoga, Meditation & Art of living, Counseling, Formal education, College education, Vocational training, Placement service to the trained, Medical Help, Part time jobs, Adult literacy, Visiting the rehabilitated SWADHAR inmates, Exposure visits to other institutions.

Women /Girls- Modes of rehabilitation: Reconciled with husband / In-laws, Marriage, Further Education, Self Employment, Restored to parents, Job Placement

'Swadhar' Scheme is aimed at uplifting the women who are in "difficult circumstances" and providing legal and clinical assistance, besides making them self-reliant. We appeal to every JMJ to assist directly or indirectly to those women who had been the victims of atrocities in one way or the other and join hands to bring them in the mainstream.

Strengths:-

- The society as a whole and the province in particular has genuine interest for the JMJ Swadhar Home and it extends its support at all levels.
- JMJ Swadhar was able to try in mobilizing financial support from local, non local and attending cum sale exhibitions in different places which empowers our inmates in various ways.
- Outreach care and support is provided for people living with HIV (PLHIV) in collaboration with both the GOs and NGOs.

Weakness:-

- In spite of all the efforts, JMJ Swadhar could not succeed in marketing of our products.

Activities planned by the unit last year:

The Sisters incharge started to create Reserve Fund through local donations. they initiated training in new skills and marketing the products like hand made things were prepared and were exhibited in different places like JMJ College -Tenali, municipal corporation market- Tenali, police parade ground -Guntur, R.C.M church in Tenali, Stella Maris college in Vijayawada, for sale to get some profit.

Future Plan:

Explore the local donors to provide the inmates Cots, Dining tables, Chairs, Outdoor play materials for the welfare of the Children.

7. JMJ Convent – Thangellamudi

JMJ Convent at Thangellamudi in West Godavari District of Andhra Pradesh is involved in Community Based Rehabilitation of Physically Impaired Children (CHAI-LF). Sr.Alphonsa Payapilli is a Mediator of CHAI-LF. At present they have 52 students studying 1st to PG English medium and Telugu medium. Some of them are studying vocational courses such as tailoring, carpentry, polytechnic, and brick making. In the year 2014 they have received the amount of Rs.2, 00,000 for 52 students.

She visits them twice in a year and encourages them to study well and checks their mark sheets after their exams. During Christmas season the community gathers them in the convent and celebrate semi Christmas. Children express their gratitude for the service that we do for them. Our services for their studies enable them to stand on their legs and find better future in their life.

8. Report of Prajwala Counselling Centre - Vijayawada

December 2010, we adopted Kandrika for our programs. This area is chosen because of the poor economic conditions of the people living over there, reports of domestic violence, alcoholism are high from this area. This area also is known for girl child marriages and for maximum girl child school drop outs. Initially it was very challenging to approach and to gain confidence from them. In April 2012 we started a tailoring program in this area where 27 women got trained in tailoring. We were able to give machines to these women with the help of sisters in Begineg, Antwerp, Belgium.

January, 2013 we started 10 women groups with 15 – 20 women in each group. Each group comes together once a month where we gave one hour input session on various themes. Every 4th month we planned to conduct awareness program for all the groups together.

Another area we adopted is Rani gari thota. We did a survey for five months here i.e. from February 2013 to June 2013. As per the request of local women here too we started tailoring training program from August, 2013. This program had lot of disturbances due to the strikes and bandhs happening all over Andhra Pradesh against division of the state. Now from October onwards we are having a regular uninterrupted program where 24 women are learning tailoring. We are still continuing the survey and building rapport in other streets. We decided to finalize formation of the groups by the end of December and continue the program as in Kandrika from January 2014.

Short Stay Home

To give support and to stand by the women and girls who are victims of domestic violence, victims of child marriages, victims of dowry, and many other shattered women we initiated a short stay home. The process began in November 2012 by applying for permission from women and Child Department, Vijayawada. We were asked to take in residents from May 2013. This is floating population. Women come in and leave after settlement of the problems.

These are some of the activities we conducted during the year 2013-14.

A. Training programs

- The programs are well appreciated and receiving invitations from many new congregations and institutions.
- The participants express that they are personally helped and then feel confident about helping others

B. Short Stay Home For Women Victims of Violence and Abuse

- Provides shelter for 20 women with basic facilities
- Counseling both individually and in the group
- Several opportunities to help women get trained in different fields
- Good network with NGOs

C. Community based programs for emotional and economic empowerment of poor women

- Once women get convinced about the possibilities of making their lives better, they show lots of interest
- Good staff who are also interested in doing things
- Local support through other NGOs
- Good rapport with government organizations
- Collaboration with Local colleges like Maris Stella, Prabhas etc.
- Total beneficiaries of this programme are 500 Women

D. Family Counseling Cell

- Situation of the centre in the slum area which is very accessible to poor women
- Good Rapport with counseling cell in local police department
- Good rapport with other NGOs
- Total beneficiaries of this Family counseling cell are 210 families

E. Legal Advisory Cell

- Help we receive through women in our group to identify those in the community who need legal help or advise
- Total persons got legal help are 21

Future Plans:

- To intensify all the programs that are being carried out
- To initiate and carry on programs for youth in three adopted areas

REPORTS OF ZONAL CENTERS

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES IN THE STATE OF ODISHA

1. Care, Support & Treatment for People Living with HIV/AIDS

The service for 231 registered people living with HIV/AIDS under our centre is taken care as they walk in with the support of donors- Mrs. Jolly Allukas and Mrs. Rosamma. This amount is utilized for the Nutritional, psychological and Medical support.

2. Nutritional Support for Women & Children living with HIV/AIDS

The service for the 20 infected & affected women & children were receiving the support from CANA, Kinder mission and CHAI for Medical, Psychological, Nutritional, Educational and Travel support. This amount is utilized for the Psychological, Nutritional and Travel support for HIV/AIDS affected and infected most deserving children.

3. Disability Program

The disability program is carried out with the support of CHAI-LF both in Sambalpur and Kantabanji for 102 children in the form of Education and Medical Support.

4. Family Development Programme

The programme is benefited by 71 families with the support of Save A Family Plan Organization. Few Core Processes are:

- Generating awareness, sensitivity and consciousness on Governments benefits and schemes.
- Issue based micro planning at family level.
- Family based local initiatives/actions
- Family based and community based monitoring and reflection.

5. Skill Development Programme

The skill development programme for rural youth is initiated with the support of Don Bosco Tech Society. 80-95 students for every batch of 3 months are trained in sales & marketing and placed in different restaurants and shopping malls in Odisha.

6. Tailoring and Basket Making Programme

The tailoring and Basket making programme is initiated in the year 2013 & 33 drop out girls of the rural areas are benefited with the support of Conrad.

7. Awareness Program

Awareness Programme on HIV/AIDS is organized for 250 youth.

8. Day Care Centre for elderly persons

50 elderly persons were provided with basic requirements.

Future Thrust In the State of Odisha

- Bore well Projects from Caritas- India
- Linkage with Usha Company tailoring school
- TB Awareness Project from RNTCP

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES IN THE STATE OF TAMIL NADU

1. JMJ Home for the Disabled - Trichy

1. Balwadi

In balwadi school there are twenty-five children. Sangeetha is the teacher. We follow the term system in our school. Oral and written exams are conducted. To know and to encourage the ability of the children games and competitions are conducted. Important festivals are celebrated to know the culture and to create the atmosphere of oneness. Parents are happy with the children's education and their development.

2. Day care center

We have day care center with 20 members. Every Monday and Thursday they come to our convent. Many of them are deserted by their children. They have nobody to care for them. So, we give them rice and their necessary things. We meet their medical expenses whenever they are in need of. We counsel them. And we had arranged one day picnic to one pilgrim center. In commemoration of Christmas we give them clothing's and sweet to make them happy.

3. CHAI-LF

We have 41 children with disabilities. In different places we are arranging the teachers and helping them. In our centre 10 girl children are staying. We also arranged physiotherapy doctors and special teacher.

4. Vocational training centre: (Tailoring)

We have started tailoring centre in Trichy on 2012. The girls, who are not able to go for further studies, come to learn sewing. We give them training from 11am-3.30pm. They learn cutting and stitching. One of our helpers is teaching for these children. So far we have trained 40 Women. We also teach them to make incense, washing lotion. At present we are teaching them to make Rosaries and necklaces.

5. Tuition centre- Trichy

In the year 2012-Aug ,Norbertin fathers asked JMJ sisters to start tuition center in Thiruvallarchipati .We began the tuition center with ten children. Slowly the number of children increased. But due to some reason the tuition center was not functioning well. After that JMJ sisters went for family visit to NMT colony. There they studied the situation of people and was inspired to start tuition center to motivate inculcate interest in children for studies. We started this center in Sep 2012. Now there are 40 children who are regular to this center. Mr. .Bala came forward to teach the children. Sisters approached lion's club members. From the month of Sep 2014 the Lions club members are paying the teachers in the center.

6. HIV/AIDS Programme

We have started this programme on March 1st 2013.with blessing of Fr.Arul oprem and Fr.Sengole. We have 20 infected children in Trichy. Every month we are giving nutrition and travel expenses. We conduct meeting for them. We take care of their health and each month we check their weight. We too found that they were also affected psychologically so we are also giving counseling for parents as well as children. We could see some change in them. For example Prasanth, who was at home without study and proper food is now staying in the hostel and studying. Every month he comes to take nutrition and we can see improvement in his health. Mularumpu is a girl,who was also infected by HIV and almost going to die. Her parents died of HIV. She was brought up by her grandfather. Since he was unable to take care of her she had less CD4.We found her in a village and we are providing good nutrition. And now she is much better and living her life happily. She is very grateful to those who helped her. On Dec 1st we celebrated World AIDS Day along with our children. We went in candle procession and made them to realize they are important for this life.

7. Kalai Kaveri - Trichy

JMJ social service center collaborated with KALAI KAVERI started vocal class in JMJ convent premises at Trichy. Fr.Anthuvan is the director of this Fine Arts Collage. With his inspiration,

cooperation and guidance we started this programme on 2nd July with twenty children. On 2nd July at 4 o'clock we had inaugural session. Sr. Rosily began the programme with prayer song. And then she welcomed the guest and the participants. Fr. Anthuvan delivered thought provoking message. He said that music is the inborn quality, and everyone love music. Music should be the part of our life. This inaugural session was concluded by prayer. Br. Ranjith is a vocal class teacher. He is also student of Kalai Kaveri. Every Monday and Friday at 5.30pm to 6.30pm class is taken. Due to some inconvenient student were irregular to class. Now very few are coming to learn.

8. Children's Parliament

Children's Parliament was started by JMJ sisters in Thiruvallur. It is collaborated with SHAPE center in Sembattu. During the inaugural session Fr. Isaac gave thought provoking message to children. In his message he said to develop self confidence work hard for the people and together to build a better world. On that day Fr. Arulanathu and Fr. Sengol also gave inspiring message to children. Due to some problem it is not functioning at present. We are planning to start it in some other area.

9. Nature Programme

Nature Program was organized by JMJ sisters in JMJ convent Trichy many people came for this awareness programme Br. Ambrose in his message highlighted the usefulness of various medicine the nature provides and how to use them in their day today life. Nature is a friend which can be used for all the sicknesses; it is a good remedy for all the illnesses. Nature medicine will not give any side effect. It keeps the body hail and healthy. He said some leave's names and their uses for the particular sickness. All the things which are created by God are all used by human beings from the beginning of the world. Our forefathers used all these nature medicines and lived long. So it's better to use all nature medicine which is around us. Convey this message to all the people whom you know so other people also may be benefited. This programme ended by small prayer by Sr. Rosy. One of the participants thanked the group and resource person for his availability and his interest towards people.

10. Tuition center - Theckalur

Theckalur tuition center was started by Sr. Mary Kumari in the year 2010. Till 2012 the tuition center was running well. Due to lack of financial help, for some 1 year tuition center was not functioning. In the year 2013 Sr. Rosily Ainthukayam approached the commissioner of Thiruthani. During her visit he asked her to survey the surrounding area. After studying about the place she sent the report in brief. After going through the report he referred to Amaraj Company. They are helping a lot for the development of Theckalur tuition centre and now it is well functioning.

11. Day care centre – Theckalur

We have also started in Theckalur a day care center with 5 old people. Every day we are giving mid day meal for them and for Deepavali they were given Sarees.

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