



# JEEVA JYOTHI

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ANNUAL REPORT 2017-2018

## Annual Report 2017-2018

### **Proem from the desk of Director**

It gives me immense joy to address you all through this annual report 2017-2018 to share with you all the path we stepped in, the activities we carried out, the projects we implemented, the programs we extended, the people we reached out to, the changes we created, the lessons we learned and the gaps we addressed and the plans we foreseen to better our services in the ensuing years.



Serving proudly in our 24<sup>th</sup> year of voluntary service, I stand with deep gratitude to all the foreign donors, govt departments, local donors and sponsors, well-wishers and my board members and staff of the organization for your patronage, contribution, suggestion and commendable services extended to JEEVAJYOTHI to make our goal realistic and to reach the unreached through our programmatic development. Hence, when I look back what we have done in the past year I feel happy and complacent with some major achievements and results we have created in our target areas especially in the lives of our target beneficiaries. I also think and understand that we need to pay more attention to certain areas where we slightly performed below our capacity and ability.

I would happily state that some of our programs and activities won the appreciation of many donors, govt departments and common public. To cite some, our products such as fancy jewels, wire bags made by disabled were exposed in a national level stalls, our interventions and best practices were published and documented in a regional and national level publications and documentary films. Four of our shelter boys attended 12<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> standards passed with Good Marks... Lots of positive changes, results and energies were created in the last year to wide spread the programs of the organization. Keeping and cherishing this positive energy I conceive that we need to work, serve and reach out to the needy in the ensuing years to create change in the society.

## CHILDREN SECTOR

It is an irrefutable fact that JeevaJyothi and Children are Siamese twins and JJ has a long tradition of experience and vast expertise in working with children of different backgrounds and categories. In fact children are the backbone and pivotal of the service of Jeevajyothi. All the services and programs of JJ have been drenched in and evolving around child centered and child focused right from the inception of JJ. Subsequently, this fiscal year 2017-18 has no exception and has opened up and unveiled versatile programs to better their childhood, Health, Education, Participation and Leisure to be precise JJ has intended to work intensively for their Protection and Promotion of “RIGHTS”. We would like to bring to your notice all the endeavors we have perfected during the reporting year...

S.No	Programs	Boys	Girls	Total
1	Shelter Home	17	0	17
2	Day Care Centre	80	45	125
3	Children's Club	17	0	17
4	Integrated Children's Club	17	0	17
5	School Enrolment	17	0	17

### Residential Shelter Care



The main objective of the shelter care activity is to provide a safe and healthy environment for children who are orphaned or for those

who are in difficult circumstances, deprived of their basic needs to education, nutritious food and parental care. The shelter home has all necessary facilities such as an extensive and equipped play area, kitchen with dining facilities, library and study space, garden, dormitories, quarters for wardens and cooks. Further, these children are well taken care of by a warden who is aware of child rights, able to understand their problems, can counsel them and provide motivation and care to lead a healthy life. Children in the Shelter home go to the nearby Government schools. They are also provided with extracurricular activities such as outdoor, indoor games, drawing, yoga and folk arts to give them an opportunity to express their talents and feelings. As these children are from the target areas, house visits and parental counseling is also provided as support services, keeping in mind the long term development of the child.

During the year 2017-2018, the shelter home provided its care and services to 17 Children who are from different backgrounds

### **Day Care Centres**

The children below 6 years are unattended by the parents in the absence of Balwadis (Day Care Centres). Hence, the 2 Day Care Centres are run by JJ in this project which provides care and protection to these children in the working area. The project intends to cover around 50 children in the age group 3 to 6 years for daily



care and protection with 25 in each centre. These centres aim to provide supplementary nutrition, non-formal pre-school education, nutrition and health education, health check-up and referral services. A daily timetable, syllabus was followed for the academic classes and nutritious food was given to the children. These centres are located amidst rice mills and brick kilns and hence reach out to 51 children of Rice mill workers and Brick kiln workers respectively.

Similar sort of service is also extended to the Children of Rice mill workers living in Thirikulam, Grandline and Athivakkam with the support of “Indian Council For Child Welfare” (ICCW) under Rajiv Gandhi National Crèche Scheme to facilitate children enjoy their childhood, to have healthy and nutritious food, to learn the basics with



their peers in a child friendly way. These 3 centres extend its services to the needy 74 children living in and around redhills.

Supplementary nutrition, non-formal pre-school education, nutrition and health education are the main focal activities of these centres. Most of the health related services and awareness are carried out with the willing support of VHNs and local Primary Health Centres. They do visit our DCC's once



a month to ensure medical check up, immunization and Health Education

Meetings with the lactating and pregnant women and especially with the Adolescent Girls of the target areas.

### **Awareness programmes conducted:**

#### **School awareness programme**

The Jeeva Jyothi sub center team members conducted lots of school programme in the year of April-2017 to March -2018. The sub- center team conducted 55 school programmes in Puzhal, Solavaram, Gummidpoondi and Minjur blocks schools. The team created awareness on CHILDLINE-1098 and its roles and responsibilities, child protection and child participation. The sub-center team showed Komal video in some school programme. There were about 11,935 school children benefitted from the school programme. The school children came to know about childline-1098 and child rights. In addition the children were aware of good touch and bad touch.

#### **Community Awareness programme**

Jeeva Jyothi sub center team members organised many community outreach programs in the year of April-2017 to March -2018. The sub center team conducted 45 community outreach programmes in Puzhal, Solavaram, Gummidpoondi and Minjur blocks area. The outreach programs were held in Naloor, Periyapalayam, Red hills, Pasuvan palayam, K N nagar, Chiddaraja Kandigai, Vijaya Nallur, Kanniputhur and more many places. The team also conducted community programmes in Auto stand, bus stand, market, Rice mills, public places and railway stations to disseminate awareness on CHILDLINE 1098s. The team especially conducted community outreach programme to self-

help group women and MGNREGA workers. Over 2467 people benefitted from the community programme. The people knew about child rights, child protection and importance of child education. Especially the team sensitized the community on the prevailing problems of child marriage and importance of child education.

### **Methods used for awareness:**

The sub center team members used lots of methods for their outreach and awareness programme. The methods are,

- Street play and cultural events
- Conducting games
- Documentary & Video on child protection
- Awareness songs
- Conducting training programme
- Awareness materials
- Displayed awareness posters and stickers in shops
- Displayed awareness posters in railway stations and bus stands

### **Number of Open house programmes held:**

The sub center team conducted three open house programs for the period April 2017-March 2018. The highlights of open houses were children themselves identified issues and expressed the issues that were affecting them through these open house programs

Issues and problems mentioned by the children during open house are...

- Good drinking water
- Cleaning street and water tank
- Provide good electricity with street lights
- Access to library
- Play materials
- Safe and clean environment in the school campus
- Build compound wall

## **CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES**

CBR (Community Based Rehabilitation) approach strives to create inclusive and equal society through 5 major matrixes such as “Health, Education, Livelihood, Social Inclusion and Empowerment towards promoting the rights of Persons with Disabilities in Sholavaram Block. The project reaches out to 559 PWD’s of which 85 are Children with Disabilities. The project has got lots of activities for the CWD’s starting from identification to rehabilitation, education, social inclusion and Promotion of Disabled People Prganization (DPO) locally known as “Sangam”. The sangam name is ‘**Velicham**’ Thus with the support of the project, JJ has extended therapeutic intervention, referrals to surgery and rehabilitation, training on ADLS (Activities of Daily Living Skills), helped them obtain entitlements and schemes pertained to them, enrolled them in regular schools, initiated Integrated Children’s club, increased CWDs participation in Schools, community, organized the support of parents/caregivers, peers, community leaders, teachers and other important stakeholders. In all our efforts of improving and bettering the lives of CWD’s the role and support of various Government departments at panchayat, block and District level is highly notable and their pertinent services are significant and duly of time. We would like to furnish the details of our intervention below.

<b>S.No</b>	<b>Services Provided</b>	<b>Source</b>	<b>No of CWD’s</b>
1	Therapy/ADLS	SSA	27
2	Assistive Devices	DDAWO/CBR	38

3	School Enrolment & Regular to Schools	Govt. Schools	10 & 60
4	ID cards	DDAWO	7
5	Schemes obtained	DDAWO	29
6	Corrective Surgery	Govt Hospitals	2

Apart from these major programs we have also implemented various programs for Children for their all round formation. They are as follows:

### **Medical Check up**

We periodically organize medical checkup for our children to assess their growth, to help them get proper medication and ailments for their medical needs. This year we organized the camps with the support of some voluntary doctors, Lions Club who helped us asses the children. They prescribed medicines to the children, referred few of our children for treatment. This sort of activity helps us know the health conditions of our children as well to update their health profile periodically. Hence all the 24 children have benefitted through this activity.



On the 18<sup>th</sup> of March, A team of Master of social work students from Dr. Ambedkar College and J.M. Diabetic centre doctors jointly organised medical camp for shelter home boys and differently-abled people. After the medical check-up the JM diabetic centre doctors gave medicine and health tonics to our shelter home boys. Before that the students plant saplings in our shelter home campus.

### **Parents Meeting at the Shelter**

This particular activity is organized to meet all the parents/guardians at the shelter along with the Director, Warden to build a healthy rapport with the families as well to make them understand their education status, health status and the formation they are undergoing at the shelter. Also we will insist them to ensure healthy relationship, affection and guidance when they are at their homes during holidays. This activity has been organized



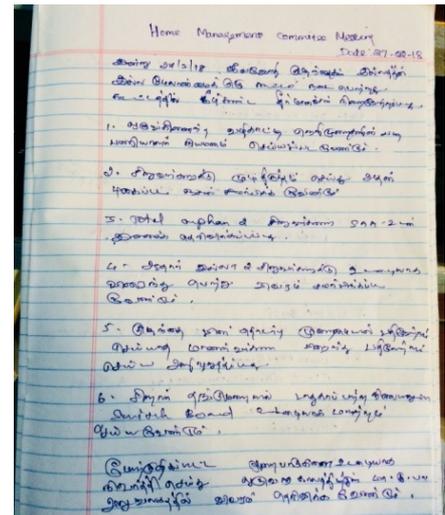
quarterly at the shelter and it was fruitful indeed because all the parents ensured their participation in an effective way and they were very much concerned about their children's future which reflected in their participation.

### **Parent's Meeting in the School**

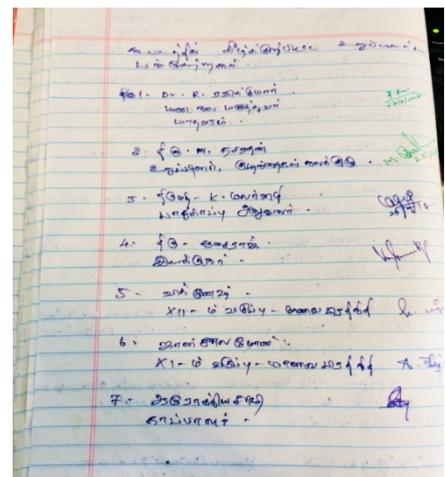
Parent's meeting in the school is an activity organized by the schools to help parents understand the academic skills, code of conduct of each child where our Warden as the deputed guardian will attend the meeting and will have enough space to interact with the teachers about each child. This has been very proactively happened and the warden in turn understood the performances of the shelter children outside the shelter premises. We have also made very good

rapport with the school teachers and the teachers have spoken well about our children.

### Visit by DCPO Unit-Tiruvallur



In the month of June, New District Child Protection Officer Mr. Senthil visited our shelter on 27/02/2018 as well our children. During the visit, DCPO, Child Welfare Committee member, JJ Board Members, director, shelter warden, coordinator and 2 shelter representatives of Child Protection Committee were present. The intent of the visit was to improve our services to the children in a better way and to know from children of how the services that are provided to them are child friendly and useful for their academic and extra- curricular skills development.



### BHUMI FESTIVAL (Children Talent Show)

The shelter children went to Jain College, Meenambakkam to a volunteer organization called 'BHUMI' which is entirely working for the children. This

event is planned to exhibit their talents, sporting intent. The event had gathered over 1500 children from different homes. They conducted different types of sports events and all our Children participated in the events and won prizes and they were very happy to



share their presence amidst the huge gathering and also to exhibit their talents. Our boys have won the 2<sup>nd</sup> prize in Foot ball and won the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> places in carom and chess games.

### **The SAPRISH 2017**

Our shelter Boys participated in a cultural event organised by Anna University Rotary Club and has won prizes in Solo Singing, poetry, Group Dance and subsequently in Chess and Carom. Certificate of Participation was distributed to all the 24 Boys. Simultaneously A special camp by SRM group was organised at the same campus where all our boys treated for their sickness.



### **Counselling:**

Counselling support is an on-going activity where the service is offered to the shelter home children and their family members. During the Parents meet in January, group counselling was provided to the parents of the shelter home children. Group and individual counselling was also provided to the children based on the need. Children who are about to face the Board exams were provided weekly counselling to motivate and encourage them to build confidence in facing the exams. An interest about higher studies was also inculcated in them.

### **Children Participation**

The children's clubs continued to function in the target areas as well in the shelter home. We operate 7 Children's club with 92 members and children's club activities generally facilitate them to lay a path for their self-development and to deal effectively with the issues that they meet in day-to-day life. The children club members periodically organise their meetings and discuss their issues, problems and trainings were organised quarterly to sensitize them on leadership skills, child participation and Child Rights.



**NATIONAL CENTRE FOR LABOUR (NCL)**

National Centre for Labour (NCL) is an organisation dedicated to articulate the hopes, aspirations and demands of the most exploited, marginalised sections of India's working population. Formed in the year 1995, NCL, is an apex body of independent labour organisations working in the unorganised sector in India. With a membership of about a million workers from 10 states, it represents the interests of the Construction workers, Agricultural workers, Contract workers, Forest workers, Anganwadi workers, Hamalies (loading and unloading workers), Domestic workers, Cobblers, Marble and Granite workers, Tiny and Small Scale Industries workers etc.



Jeeva Jyothi we are the organization working for the Street Children and Child Labour. Through NCL we are conducted Program on Social security act for the children's and why education Importance to the children by providing Lecturer by "Former Labour Commissioner From Karnataka" to create awareness.



## DISBALED SECTOR

CBR (Community Based Rehabilitation) Project is supported by CBRF, Bangalore through CARITAS India. CBR is a systematic approach which strives to create inclusive and equal society through 5 major matrixes in par with the United Nations Convention on Persons with Disabilities (UNCRPD) such as “Health, Education, Livelihood, Social Inclusion and Empowerment



towards promoting the rights of Persons with Disabilities in Sholavaram Block. The project reaches out to 705 PWD's of which 89 are Children with Disabilities. The project has got lots of activities for the CWD's starting from identification to rehabilitation, education, social inclusion and Promotion of Disabled People Organization (DPO) locally known as “Sangam”. As we are progressing in the fourth year of the project, we have implemented the designed programs for their empowerment and social inclusion.

The project is shaping up well as desired and it is going on well in a right track towards “Empowering the Rights of the Disabled”. We have formed 33 VDPO’s, 12 PDPOs and 1 Block Level Federation with the support of the project for promoting and upholding their rights which is also the crux of the project. As the result of these VDPOs and BDPO the PWDs are taking the lead and addressing the issues and they do advocate for their issues in a RIGHT based approach.



Children Disability Therapy



Capacity Training For Disability



Jeeva Jyothi Providing a Walker for Disability Children.



Jeeva Jyothi Providing wheel chair & Walker for Disability



Capacity Skill Development Program for Disability

Highlighting some of our key interventions with data

S.No	Activities	Source	No Of PWDs Benefitted
1	Obtaining ID cards/ Certificates	DDAWO	23
2	Medication for PWMI	CBR/Banyan/Govt	42
3	Assistive Devices	DDAWO/Individual sponsors	41
4	Referrals for corrective surgery	Private	2
5	Availing Govt. Schemes	DDAWO	152
6	Formation of VDPOs	CBR	42
7	Development fund for livelihood promotion/VPRC Loan	CBR	12
8	Vocational training	CBR	3
9	Job placement	CBR/PVT/GOVT	9
10	Trainings for Leaders	CBR	40
11	Grievances redressed/registered	District Collector Office/BDO/police station	39/42
12	Marriages	Own/CBR	9
13	World Disabled Day	CBR	250

Major

Achievements and Qualitative Outcomes as per the Matrix

**Health:**

- ☛ 90% of CwDs/PwDs have improved their functional abilities
- ☛ 91% of CwDs/ PwDs have improved their Daily Living Skills,
- ☛ 79% of CwDs/ PwDs have improved their Mobility

- ☛ 91% of CwDs/PwDs have improved their Communication

### **Education:**

- ☛ 100% of CwDs have accessed equal opportunities to early growth and development
- ☛ 84 % *Children with disabilities have access to quality education.*
- ☛ 97% Children with disabilities achieved their academic standards to their fullest ability
- ☛ 83% Children with disabilities participated in sports and games

### **Livelihood:**

- ☛ 72% of PwDs have increased income through government, private and self-employment
- ☛ 96% of PwDs are aware of govt. policies, schemes, programs
- ☛ 74% of PwDs access govt. schemes/programs

### **Social:**

- ☛ 50% of Panchayat have inclusive structures, systems in place
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### **Empowerment:**

- ☛ 100% of VDPOs at grass root level is in place
- ☛ 72%of VDPOs are functioning effectively
- ☛ 100% of BDPO is functioning effectively

### **TRAINING OF TRAINERS PROGRAMS:**

Training of trainers (TOT) engages participants in a comprehensive, multi-day distributive learning process that builds the knowledge and skills required to effectively train educators to deliver evidence-based on Right of Person Disability (RPD).

This rigorous 3-day workshop includes advanced training on the RPD act 2016 and how to strengthen the DPO's and Federation group training program was held on 26.04.2017 to 28.04.2017 at KROSS Bangalore.

**Participants:**

S.No	Name	Organization Name
1	Susairaj	JeevaJyothi
2	Justin	DMI
3	Mahesh	IRCDS
4	Simon	IWDI
6	Mahedran	TTA
7	Haja Moidhien	MSSS
8	Jaya Lakshmi	SAVE

**Regional Partners Meet:**

Regional Partners Meet for Inter-state exchange of experience on achievement, challenges and new learning of RPD act. The 14 Partners from South region they have exchanged the experiences on achievements and initiatives of their Project. Partners from South region they have been gained more knowledge on

the provisions of the RPD Act 2016 and MH Act 2017 and put plans in place to train 'community Based rehabilitation workers' (CBRWs) and DPO leaders at their respective project sites. The partners of South region they have understood the various formats that help in documenting results (means of verification) in their respective CBR programmers. Regional Partners meet was based on Project Implementation, Phasing out project and RPD act 2016. CBRWs have learned and gained more knowledge through these south Region Partners meet which was held on Bangalore Don Bosco .

### **Basic Needs India Meeting :**

Basic Needs India (BNI) grew out of the belief that the rights of people who experience mental illnesses, especially those who are poor, must be addressed at individual level and also in the context of wider world. BNI engages people living with mental illnesses and their carers in processes that are mutually enhancing. All people involved in care and rehabilitation work learn, grow and are strengthened together. BNI addresses both people's mental health concerns and situation of poverty to ensure sustainable recovery.

The underlying conviction is that mental health issues must be seen not only in medical terms but just as importantly, as human rights issues.

BNI's main role is that of creating a caring, accommodating and understanding environment to ensure treatment of people living with mental illnesses. Such an effort involves liaising with and including a host of people such as people affected by mental illness, family members and other carers, community members, traditional healers, medical professionals, policy makers and government officials.

Basic Need India conducted mental Health act to the Ngo's Leader and Coordinator. The meeting main concept was Mental Health act, Roles of DPO Leaders and care Giver of their Parents.

## SINGAPORE VOLUNTEER VISIT to JEEVAJYOTHI

Volunteer from Singapore Mr. Francis Goh came to India, Chennai, he was volunteered for 3 months at Jeeva Jyothi. On the first day of their visit, we welcomed him in our typical Tamil manner and then the visitors were introduced to Jeevajyothi's Director, staff and Leaders and simultaneously we introduced ourselves to the visitors. Later the schedule was



discussed and accordingly the team made visits to a CWDS house who is a special child and who is now improving through our intervention and they had observed the child and learned how therapy/ADLS and Home based interventions are practiced and how these interventions can make a possible change in a severe child with disability. Later they met a WWD who is managing her life all alone through a petty shop provided through JJ and they made some interesting conversations with her and appreciated her for her effort as well JJ for contributing for the change happened in her. Then the team visited a Panchayat Level DPO comprised of 20 Disabled persons and exchanged their views about Disability, issues and problems related to Disability and Federation Activities for promoting the rights and needs of PWDs.

Later month he was spend time with shelter home students and he was taking grammar class to the students to improve their English vocabulary level. And then he gave football training to the shelter home students. The students were also learned enthusiastic and the students was participated football game at zonal level and District level matches. He was motivated and



encouraged our students in extracurricular activity. He also engaged in Jeeva Jyothi Administrator work and doing day to day office work and he was updating jeeva Jyothi work.

### **Advocacy & Lobbying programs**

“Disabled persons are Right holders and we are Duty-bearers” as per this maxim our leaders of the Disabled People Organizations actively participated in Block and District level Advocacy programs and endorsed their collective voices for their issues, rights.

Block level as well district level interface meetings with govt.

Officials and training on advocacy and BDPO management were organized by JJ with the support of Vasantham DDPO to submit our memorandums and to combat for their rights. Simultaneously 2 days of training was conducted with the facilitation of Vasantham to sensitize leaders on PWD ACT 2016 and on advocacy skills to promote their rights. We also oriented 30 school teachers, 15 ICDS workers, 5 SSA teachers and 5 VHNs on the importance of TLM (teaching learning materials) to CWDS and the way to handle children with high support needs.

Thus, some of our PWDS obtained sanitation schemes, job placement in Panchayat, Order Copy for MGNREGA Scheme stating a separate card for PWDS with full wages.



## ENVIRONMENT

Jeevajyothi has four major sectors to which JJ has been giving equal and intensive care towards the programs associated with it. These four major sectors are the embodiment of Jeevajyothi by which JJ is operating and envisioning social transportation. Our commitment to Environment is an indisputable fact and we have been concentrating more on



how to preserve mother nature, how to sensitize people on “RRR”(Reduce, Reuse and Recycle) methods, how to inculcate organic garden amidst the present and future generations, how to enthuse the minds of people to access lively, natural and traditional food and medicines for years. In attempting to pay heed to our commitment with the target beneficiaries and our staff members we organised trainings, workshop and meetings to make people “Nature-Human

Centric”. some damages in our target area too. Chemical agriculture and Genetic engineering are threatening public health and leading to nutrition decline. Costs of production, which includes hybrid and genetically engineered seeds, chemicals and irrigation etc. In Jeeva Jyothi Shelter home we are



doing Organic farming at small level for our students are practicing the organic Farming.

JJ in turn also created the shelter home into a more green, environ prone zone by growing home garden, planting more plants, greens, shrubs and made steps to form a fish pond and so on. JJ tried its best to keep the environment alive and instilled in the minds of children, staff and community the importance of preserving nature and planting trees.



Organic Farming is not just a source of safer, healthier, tastier food. It is an answer to rural poverty. Organic agriculture is not just a method of farming. It is saving the Earth, farmers' and future generation.