

# SAMUGAM

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## Director Message

SAMUGAM trust was founded by Mr. Jesudasan Savio, my father in the year 1991. Initially it was started to provide physiotherapy and rehabilitation services to the disabled persons, and later on with the support of JAL ONG Spain expanded the rehabilitation services for leprosy persons. SAMUGAM is one of the pioneer organizations to work for the rehabilitation and development of the leprosy persons in Pullambadi of Trichy District. The Home for the lepers was started and at present 30 leprosy patients are given shelter and provided with regular medical treatment. SAMUGAM established a hostel for the children from the economically poor families of the rural areas in and around Pullambadi who did not have any kind of access to school due to long distance. Children are provided with home like care and support and are transported to school regularly with the help of a vehicle donated to SAMUGAM.

The societal role of SAMUGAM in Pondicherry emerged in the year 2006, when I came across the pitiable life of the children and families of the Gypsies. It was then, SAMUGAM decided to work with the Gypsies, street dwellers, and other abandoned sections of the society. Though their pathetic conditions were obvious, no one seemed to take any initiative to help them. And at that juncture SAMUGAM stepped into Narikuravar colony, a completely untouched, uncared and outreach area where more than 50 gypsy and 30 tribal families living behind the Pondicherry Airport with the help of the local, international volunteers and supporters. Adjacent to the gypsy locality there was a huge garbage dump yard where the waste collected from the residents of Pondicherry city were collected and discarded. These families collected the food from the left over and re cooked it and consumed. The smoke from the burnt garbages surrounded their locality and the people of the gypsy community including the new born had to inhale this contaminated air. There were no basic amenities for the families. They had to walk down for more than 9 kms even to buy petty things. Public transportation was still beyond their reach. So, this was the situation 12 years ago.

After SAMUGAM's intervention, the dumping of garbage was completely stopped. The families no longer go to collect the left over foods and rotten vegetables but were struggling for their living. The families were provided capital assistance for starting their own small enterprise and were trained on tailoring, etc. SAMUGAM provided them basic amenities like water pipeline, water storage facilities, and took up mass level cleanliness programme through volunteers, awareness and sensitization on health and hygiene were taken up. SAMUGAM with the support of international donors constructed a school for the children. Children were enrolled and were provided education for the first time. When the tribal families were hit by thane cyclone during the year 2011, the houses were renovated with the support from Australia. SAMUGAM engaged the children of the gypsies, and tribal families in a day centre when the children were left and uncared by the families who went for work and returned late. The day care centre later evolved into a shelter home to provide short and medium rehabilitation of the children. A shelter home in the name of JALY was started and now it houses more than 100 children of both sexes with the infrastructure support from JAL Spain.

Economic enhancement program through **revolving goat program**, **sewing the seeds** and **capital assistance program** were taken up to improve the economic independence of the family focusing on women. SAMUGAM through its **SAMUPLAN** programme continues to engage the children below 6 years old in the crèche and were provided nutritious food. Children above 6 years old are provided with breakfast and transported to nearby schools with the help of vehicles donated to SAMUGAM. Continuous guidance and motivation

through SAMUPLAN project enabled the children to complete their education till higher secondary.

SAMUGAM through its need based interventions continues to cater to the needs of the children, women and families of gypsies, tribal, and street families. It is always good to recollect the path SAMUGAM underwent and thank all the generous well wishers and friends.

Hence, with this background, I take the opportunity to present the Annual report for the year 2017- 2018 for all those who helped SAMUGAM to work better for the lives of the indigenous and untouched communities.

I thank the entire International fraternities who supported SAMUGAM generously. I always remain grateful for all the volunteers who helped SAMUGAM to reach international communities.

I also extend my thanks for the cooperation and support of SAMUGAM board, and our auditing firm, for enabling us in ensuring transparency and accountability. Lastly, I recollect and thank the tireless efforts of staff members who helped me in their best possible ways.

Thanking you one and all,

**J. Bruno**

Managing Trustee and Director  
SAMUGAM Trust



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## 1. Introduction:

**SAMUGAM** (*Social Awareness for Mutual Upliftment through Guidance and Motivation*) is a registered NGO under Indian Trust Act, established in 1991. It is committed to the rehabilitation of leprosy patients, the education of the underprivileged children and the economic development of oppressed and marginalized communities.

### Registration Details :

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**Vision:** Giving a ray of hope for the underprivileged by showing empathy and expressing solidarity towards their integrated development.

### Mission: To provide:

- Medical, Physical, and Social rehabilitation of lepers and disabled.
- Economic development of the poor and the excluded.
- Education for the underprivileged children.
- Protection of children against child abuse and violence.
- Equal rights for the indigenous people.
- Advocacy and networking with government departments and agencies for and on behalf of the socially neglected people.

### SAMUGAM Initiatives: -

- ❖ Home for the medical rehabilitation of Leprosy patients.
- ❖ Equipping each family of below poverty line with two goats for income generation.
- ❖ Gypsy, Tribal and Dalit communities' welfare and development.
- ❖ Home for the distressed and abandoned children.
- ❖ Education and nutrition support for gypsy and tribal children.
- ❖ Social Enterprise for economic development of deprived women.

### SAMUGAM reach out:

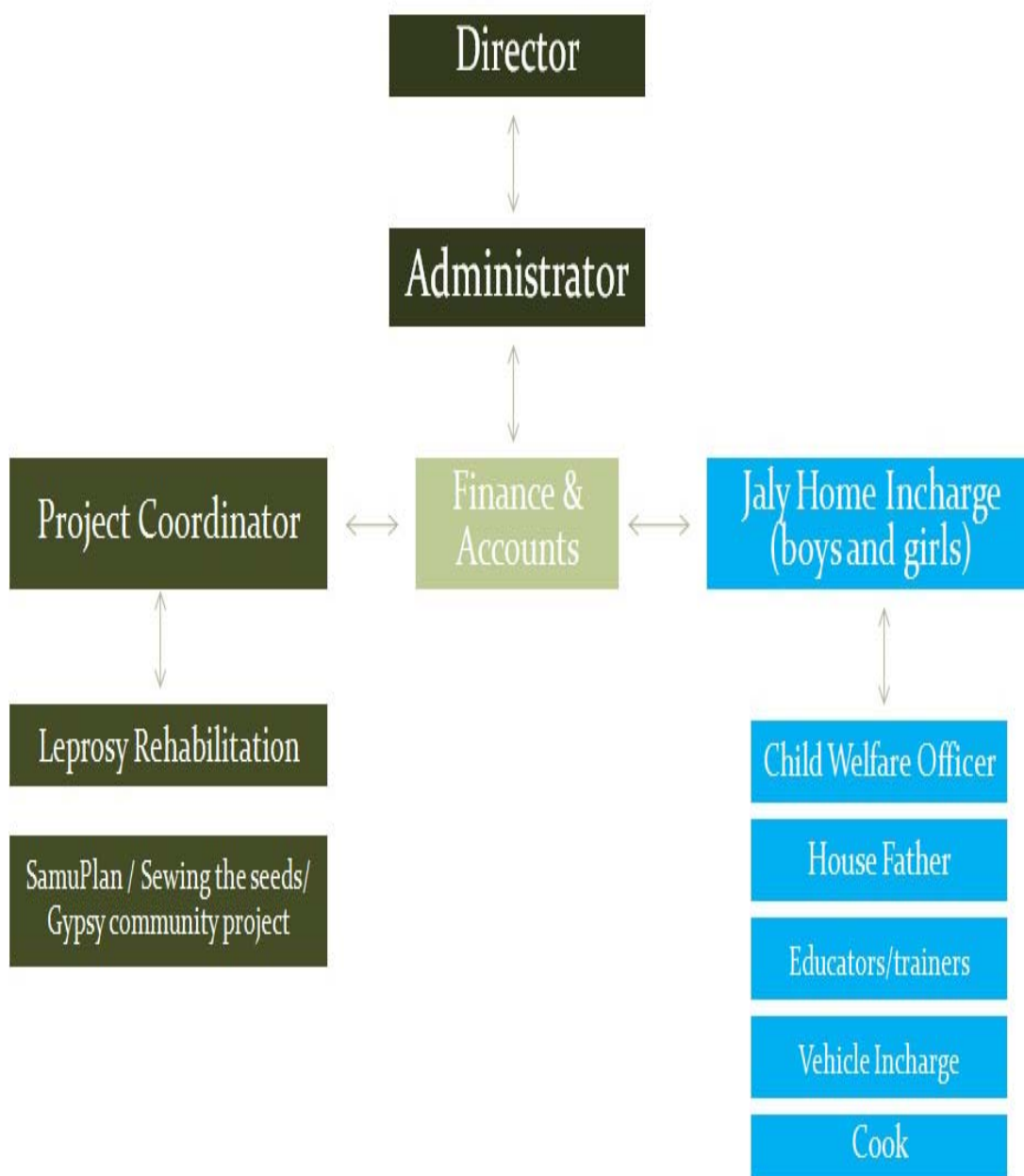
Sl.No.	Program	Beneficiaries
1	JALY HOME for BOYS ( Puducherry)	56 children
2	JALY HOME for BOYS( Pullambadi of Trichy District)	110 children
3	JALY HOME for GIRLS Puducherry	62 children
4	SAMUPLAN ( Nutrition and education support for gypsy and tribal children)	60 children
5	SEWING The SEEDS	10 families
6	GYPSY and TRIBAL welfare development	80 families
7	LEPROSY REHABILITATION	75 persons
8	Income generation program through revolving goat	220 families

Total ( 288 children, 300 gypsy, tribal and BPL families, and 75 leprosy persons)

## **2. Path travelled:**

- 1991- SAMUGAM was registered under Indian Trust Act
- Physiotherapy centre for the disabled in Pullambadi
- Rehabilitation of leprosy persons in Pullmabadi
- Home for the leprosy persons in Pullmbadi
- Jaly Home for boys in Pullambadi
- Economic assistance through Goat revolving programme in Pullambadi
- 2006- Gypsy community level intervention in Puducherry/ establishment of day centre for children
- 2008- Separate home for boys and girls established in a rental building
- 2013- JALY Home for girls functioning in own building/ sewing the seeds programme initiated
- 2014 – SAMUPLAN program launch
- 2015- Expansion of JALY Home for girls
- 2016- JALY Homes recognized and licensed by Govt. of Puducherry

### 3. SAMUGAM Organisation Chart



#### **4. Programme Interventions during the year 2017-2018**

##### **4.1 Rehabilitation of disabled and leprosy persons:**

In the year 1991, Mr. C. Jesudhsan Savio the founder of SAMUGAM established a small physiotherapy centre in Pullambadi of the Trichy district to provide physiotherapy treatment for the disabled. With the support of JAL ONG Spain he, then established a home for leprosy patients to provide medical treatment. The lepers were identified and given medical treatment with the support of the charity organization conducts regular medical camps and follows up treatments. At present, 36 Leprosy patients live in Pullambadi home.

During this year 232 leprosy persons were benefitted through monthly medical camps conducted with the support of Raising Star Pvt. Ltd.,

On 30.01.2018 Anti leprosy day was observed. The Director visited the leprosy home and spent time with the leprosy persons. SAMUGAM continues to render the medical and rehabilitation services to leprosy patients since 1991.



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##### **4.2 Equipping each family of below poverty line with two goats for income generation.**

SAMUGAM initiated income generation programs for promoting self-employment and small enterprise activities. Men and Women from BPL and gypsy families are provided with goats, and financial assistance to set up small enterprises for their economic development. The programme is one of the flagship programme of SAMUGAM. More than 320 families have been benefitted till date.

On 18/12/2017, Dimitry and Kate sponsored goats for three beneficiaries under the goal revolving program.



### 4.3 Gypsy Community welfare and development:

In order to stop the gypsy families from begging and eating from the leftover food in the garbage dump yard, SAMUGAM initiated welfare and development programs in the year 2006. Regular motivation and guidance were provided with the support of the volunteers. Regular awareness on health and hygiene are conducted for the communities. Youths were provided opportunities to work in the fields of construction, transport, and electrical. Because of the initiatives, the surrounding is clean and there are remarkable behavioral changes in the communities. In order to support women with livelihood options, SAMUGAM organized tailoring courses with free tailoring machines and free transportation for the duration of the course. With the help of the donors, SAMUGAM provided auto rickshaws for daily and emergency needs. A Multipurpose community hall was constructed for the common benefit of the community members. SAMUGAM initiated income generation programs for promoting self-employment and small enterprise activities. Gypsy families are provided with financial assistance to set up small enterprises for their economic development.

#### *Programs and events:*

1. On 24<sup>th</sup> April, Ms. Marie French volunteer accompanied with Mona visited Gypsy community and JALY Home.
2. On 28<sup>th</sup> April 2017 a dental camp was organized in Gypsy community. Doctors and nurses from Govt. Hospital examined the participants and later provided paste and brush. Persons who need further treatment like filling, etc were noted down for follow up. 85 persons benefitted.
3. Ms. Nele and Jeron visited and interacted with the gypsy community in the month of May 2017.
4. Mosquito mats distributed to the community people. The mats were donated by the doctors and nurses from Primary Health Centre, Pakkamudayanpet.
5. Baseline data of gypsy and tribal communities through students are in the process.
6. ARUMAI, the handicraft association of Pondicherry donated slippers to 64 gypsy women in the presence of SAMUGAM staff.
7. Crèche was cleaned with the supporters of volunteers.
8. Gypsy women were supported with stipend to make beads with the materials supplied by SAMUGAM.
9. On 14<sup>th</sup> June, special food prepared in Jaly Home was distributed to 30 gypsy families.
10. Monthly meeting with gypsy community. In one of the Sensitization meeting youth expressed their willingness to take up the skill training programme.



11. On 02.08.2017, PIMS conducted medical camp for Gypsy and tribal families. SAMUGAM staff namely Prashanth and Vicky assisted in organizing the camp. More than 60 patients attended the camp.
12. On 24/01/2018, A orientation on savings through Self Help Group was conducted to gypsy and tribal community people by FAMCO Puducherry. Rev. Fr. A.S. Anthonysamy, Director, FAMCO and Managers G, Joseph Adrien Anto, Mr. Aloysius Mariadoss conducted the orientation programme.
13. 25/01/2018 A tribal family was provided with housing material. During the Thane cyclone, the houses of tribal families were destroyed. SAMUGAM with the support of Australian donors mobilized resources for reconstruction and repairing. Accordingly 42 houses were built for the tribal families. Meena who was a trainee in tailoring project received the materials
14. On 23/03/2018 awareness on Health and Hygiene was conducted by Vector Control Research Centre. Sanitary napkins and health care items were distributed. Awareness on health and hygiene was given before the conduct of the camp..
15. On 24/03/2018, medical camp was organized in Gypsy community in Lawspet, Puducherry. Dr. Saravana Kumar and his team conducted a general checkup, 200 people of both gypsy and tribal communities benefited from the camp.
16. On 15.03.2018, SAMUGAM in association with Vector Control Research Centre (VCRC) organized an awareness meeting for working out the possible interventions for construction of toilets under Clean India Campaign. Dr. Sabesan and his team from VCRC conducted the orientation programme.



#### 4.4 Home for the distressed and abandoned children:

Due to poverty and other economic factors destitute women are facing huge struggles to safeguard their children. Children are not taken care of and their rights are denied. Hence SAMUGAM established JALY homes in Pullambadi, Trichy and in Puducherry to meet the needs of children from gypsy, street, and poor economic backgrounds by providing protection, education and shelter. Currently 250 children are benefitted. JALY home was recognized and given license by the Department of Social Welfare, Govt. of Puducherry in the year 2016.

##### *List of events and programmes :*

1. On 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> May Children of JALY Home and staff members went on a 2 day excursion to Kodaikanal. The excursion was sponsored by de Wijzer Aarsele- Kanegem, Belgium.
2. On 19<sup>th</sup> May, a 5 day summer camp was organized by TYCL and MUGHIL in Pondicherry University. Children of JALY home participated in the various events like crafts making, singing, drawing, etc.
3. On 06.06.2017, 72 children of the JALY home was taken to Pogo land for one day excursion. Children actively participated and enjoyed playing indoor games and took a dip in the swimming pool.
4. Children of the JALY home who passed the govt. exam were honored by the Director, SAMUGAM.
5. School reopened on 12<sup>th</sup> June for the academic year 2017. 45 girl and 22 boy children attended school. 3 girl children and 4 boy children are in 10<sup>th</sup> Std., and 1 girl child is in 12<sup>th</sup> Std.
6. On 15.06.2017, JALY home children and CHILDLINE 1098 jointly observed International day against child labour. 35 children participated in the programme. The Welfare Minister, PIPDIC Chairman inaugurated the programme followed by a Rally.
7. On International Yoga Day which was observed on 21<sup>st</sup> June, 23 children from Jaly home participated in the event organized by the Govt. of Puducherry. Children performed Yoga in the programme which was inaugurated by the Chief Minister.
8. As mandated in Juvenile Justice Care and Protection act children committee was formed in JALY Home. An Orientation on formation of Children Committee was organized on 17<sup>th</sup> June 2017 for JALY home children. After the orientation programme children committee members elected their President and Secretary.
9. Child data form and individual care plan as per Juvenile Justice care and protection act 2016 for all children of the Jaly home was prepared.
10. On 30<sup>th</sup> June 4 children celebrated their birthday 2017 during the CWC sitting



11. One child namely S. Sandhiya was discharged after producing the child before the Child Welfare Committee (CWC) on 30<sup>th</sup> June 2017
12. Aadhar card details of all children of JALY home was prepared and submitted to Department of Social Welfare on 1<sup>st</sup> July 2017.
13. On 8.07.2017 Children of JALY home participated the event arranged by Street papers Association, Pondicherry. Children participated in various competitions such as dance, mental aptitude, singing etc. Out of the 6 participating children homes JALY Home was selected as overall champions of the year. JALY Home Children received the overall championship trophy and cash prize of Rs.10,000. The Director, SAMUGAM congratulated the children and staff.
14. On 15.07.2017 Children of Jaly home Dinesh, Ranjith, Ajith and the gypsy boys Muthu, Muthupandi, Maruthupandi, Baskar were enrolled for Vocational skill education through CWC. They were admitted in Mechanical, Electrical and Electronics courses in Vivekananda technical education in Kalpet In august.
15. On 15<sup>th</sup> July Mr. Shiva and his staff from TYCL, Mugil came to JALY home and donated School bags based on the request from SAMUGAM.
16. A five day yoga training programme was organized for the JALY home children. In order to increase mental strength and physical fitness the program was organized by one of the Volunteer. Games and exercises related to mental stress relief were taught in this programme.
17. On 18<sup>th</sup> July 2017, Mr. Ramani, (one of the well wishers of JALY Home) Birthday was celebrated. His daughter represented him and offered sweets and snacks to the children of JALY home.
18. On 03.08.2017, Former Chief Minister of Pondicherry N. Rangasamy visited JALY home and distributed dresses to JALY home children. A song was prepared by SAMUGAM Team which was shown to the guest.
19. On 03.08.2017, JALY Home received 2 Washing Machine as donation and was given water connection for Hygienic washing of clothes of the children.
20. On 07.08.2017, Children namely Ajith, Vinoth and Ranjith from JALY home and children namely Maruthupandi, Muthupandi, Baskar and Muthu from Narikuravar



Colony admitted in Vivekanantha technical education, kalapet through Child Welfare Committee. The children took up Mechanical, automobile and electrical courses.

21. On 12.08.2017, Children of JALY home participated in the CD launching programme.
22. On 19.08.2017, Executives and representatives from JCI International Pondicherry team visited JALY Home and donated sports materials to the children. The team agreed to provide required support for the Children of the Home.
23. On 23.08.2017, one of our staff Mr. Pushparaj visited Vivekanada College, Kalapet to follow up the status of the children admitted in vocational training course.
24. On 25.08.2017, Vinayaga Chadurthi celebrated in JALY home. Children performed pooja and were given sweets and snacks.
25. On 30.08.2017, 11 children studying 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> standard were sent to evening tuition to Sathya Special School for special coaching from evening 6 pm to 7 pm.
26. Children who hail from Gypsy, tribal and street families have poor nutrition and suffer from anemia. In order to address the nutritious needs of the children Nutrition supplement was given to the children on 01.09.2017.
27. On 02.09.2017, Workshop on Photography conducted for the children of JALY Home. Theoretical and practical sessions on photography were given by Mr. Charlie Joe. He also taught the principles and the features of camera. Children learnt the techniques in handling the images, color correction, noise reduction and taking pictures of moving object. Children actively participated and learnt the art of photography.
28. On 02.09.2017 Orientation on Child protection policy of SAMUGAM was organized for the staff of JALY Home. Director, Administrator and staff of SAMUGAM attended the program. Mr. Ravi explained the about the need, principles and the code of conduct to be followed by the staff. At the end of the programme all staff signed the child protection commitment form and submitted to the Director.
29. On 02.09.2017, Pedestrian doctor visited JALY home and prescribed medicine for the children. It is a general visit for the children to follow their health status.
30. On 03.09.2017, TYCL staff Mr. Francis and his team came to JALY home and organized a mapping exercise program for Children. Children were divided into groups and were given group exercise.
31. On 10.09.2017, Mrs. Kalavisu one of the members of Puducherry Commission for protection of child rights visited JALY home and interacted with the children.



32. On 13.9.2017, Rotary club of Pondicherry Elite meeting organized. Director, staff and 13 children attended the programme.
33. On 16.9.2017, JALY home children were donated 3 bicycles by a well wisher. The children studying 10<sup>th</sup> Std. will be able to attend special coaching class with the help of the bicycles.
34. On 17.09.2017, JALY home children were taken to evening live show performed by Artists of Vijay T.V. It was a nice exposure for the children to see their celebrities lively in the stage. 50 tickets were sponsored. 45 children and 5 staff members attended the show.
35. On 18.09.2017, Mr. Pushparaj, Project Coordinator, attended parents meet organized in Sathyalam School and discussed about the educational status of the JALY home children with the Headmaster and the subject teachers.
36. On 22.09.2017, 25 male children of JALY Home for boys were produced before CWC for official admission as per records.
37. On 7/10/2017, Micro Art Exhibition in JALY Home. Mr. Senthil who designed micro art made by chalk piece and pencil were shown for exhibition to the children of JALY home. It was a three day exhibition organised by SAMUGAM. In evening time Mr. Senthil trained the children to make micro arts using the chalk pieces and wood.
38. On 11/10/2017, International day of women child program celebration in JALY Home. Elder children of JALY home shared their own experience among the staff and children.
39. On account of Joy of Giving event, EATON a corporate celebrated the event on 21/10/2017 with the children. EATON staff gave a slip to write the children wishes and they provided the same on the day of Joy of giving programme.
40. On 10/11/2017, Mother Rita head of Samugam Belgium passed last year. In her remembrance SAMUGAM organized a prayer meeting in JALY home.
41. On 25/11/2017 Priya, one of the children of JALY Home underwent cataract operation in Jothi eye care hospital, Pondicherry.



42. On 10/12/2017 Christmas Celebration in JALY home. Children of JALY home enjoyed the Christmas day celebration arranged by the Sunday school teachers. They enjoyed with drama, songs and got a prizes and gifts at end of the programme.

43. On 25/12/2017 Children were taken to Serenity Beach.

44. On 15/12/2017 SAMUGAM initiated neighbourhood community network in Pondicherry and Pullambadi through forming children parliament in JALY home and gypsy community with the support of Fr.Edwin Maria John. Special thanks to Mrs. Logambal co-ordinate the programme.



45. On 24/12/2017, An article on Times of India about one of JALY homes inmate Kowsalya for her achievement for being the first girl from the gypsy community of Puducherry to attend higher education.

46. On 12/01/2018, Cainie Cann volunteer taught facials drawings for children in JALY Home.

47. On 15/01/2018, A group of people from JCI Pondicherry celebrated Pongal with the children of JALY Home. Sports and games were conducted by the JCI Team members to the children of JALY home. The winners and the runners got prizes and gifts.



48. On 20/01/2018, send off was given to Gayle Factor, Naomi, Zoes Abraham. The Australian volunteers visited the Sewing the Seeds project and they had their final day in JALY Home they were greeted warm wishes from the family of JALY home staff and children.



49. On 21/01/2017, Karate class started in JALY home. Mr. Ezhumalai member of JCI, Pondicherry started the karate class. In order to train on self -defense training. The classes are organised during the weekends in JALY home premises.

50. On 21/01/2018, JALY home children participated in the drawing competition and received prize from Honorable Chief Minister V. Narayanasamy.



51. On 23/01/2018, a group of people from Inner Wheel club of Pondicherry visited JALY Home.

52. On 25/01/201, a team from Datamatics visited JALY Home and provided stationary for the children.



53. On 18/02/2018, soap manufacturing training was given in JALY home. A person from Lawspet, Puducherry gave training to the children and explained the composition to make the soap.
54. On 05/03/2018, Lieselotte a Belgian volunteer and the member of Samugam Belgium family celebrated her birthday along with the children of JALY home. She cut Watermelon instead of cake for her birthday. Watermelon pieces were distributed to the children and a special food was organized.
55. On 16/03/2018, SSLC exam started. 9 children appeared for the public examination out of which 7 children are from the gypsy community.

#### **4.5 JALY Home for the Boys (Pullambadi)**

During the previous academic year 2016, 96 boys were residing in the home and continuing the education. 7 children have been discharged since parents opted to take care of their children. During the present academic year 2017, 29 children were newly admitted to the home. The present strength of the home is 111.

The Annex building of the boy's home along with kitchen and dinning hall is under construction with the support of SAMUGAM Belgium.

SAMUGAM Belgium visited the Pullambadi boys home and interacted with the children.

Pullambadi school where the children of the JALY Home are studying was renovated and the building was painted with the support of SAMUGAM Belgium.



#### **4.6 SAMUPLAN( 100 % literacy and nutritional supplement program):**

SAMUPLAN was started with an objective to support the nutritional and educational needs of the gypsy and tribal children residing in Narikuravar colony, one of the isolated and untouched areas in Puducherry. A crèche was established in the community to engage children below 6 years old and were given nutritious meal and for the children above 6 years old, breakfast and transportation facility is provided to drop them at nearby schools. The main objective of this program is to achieve 100% literacy among



children of the gypsy and tribal communities. In this academic year 2017, 42 gypsy children, 18 tribal family children are going to school. 7 children discontinued and 9 children were newly enrolled. The present strength is 69. The children are showing progress in their educational level and they are enrolled to the next standard of education (i.e. from primary to high school to higher secondary school)



- Under this programme, 4 children were enrolled to high school.
- 3 Children namely Lakshmi, Sridevi and Anuradha were admitted in Kolakar School from Pakamudayanpet School.
- 2 children namely Prashanth, Vetrivel were admitted in Pakkamudayanpet school.
- The 9 new children got admitted in school through Samuplan. Out of 9 children, 4 children are from the crèche, Lawspet. Children are provided nutritious food in the crèche.



#### **Republic day celebration:**

On 26/01/2018, Volunteers from Pondicherry University organized Republic day celebration programme in Creche.

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#### **4.7 Social Enterprise for Economic Empowerment of women:**

With an objective to provide long term sustainable livelihood for gypsy women, SAMUGAM initiated “Sewing the Seeds” program and established a centre with adequate infrastructure facilities like tailoring and screen printing machines to produce environmentally friendly products like bags, purses, pillow covers, beaded necklaces, and more. The women from the gypsy communities are engaged in the making of eco friendly products. The design and the impressions are made from recycled materials. The products are sold internationally and the income earned is used for the welfare and the development of gypsy and tribal communities.

1. On 12<sup>th</sup> April Belgium volunteers visited the activities of Sewing the Seeds project.
2. On 24<sup>rd</sup> May Nele, Eron, Laura visited sewing the seeds project. The Director, SAMUGAM explained the project and the involvement of gypsy community people in the making of bags and purses.
3. In the month of June the following activities related to the establishment completed.
  - a) Flooring done and Cement bricks fixed in the shed
  - b) Masonary work to fix the corners of the shed. Flooring for the pump set and water tap area were done.
  - c) Electrical work was completed with Tube lights and fan fixed.



- d) Screen printing working table and Handloom mat machine was reassembled in the training centre.
- e) With the support of interns the training centre was cleaned to remove the unwanted sand on the surface of the floor.
- f) Training centre compound was fenced with Bamboo sticks to avoid theft in the centre.
- g) New tailor Mr. Sundar is appointed for the training centre
- h) Patterns were made for the tailors to stitch the bags and purses to maintain accuracy.
- i) A new logo for sewing the seeds was designed and will be affixed in all products.
- j) A new digital label is given for printing.
- k) Karthiga is appointed as an assistant tailor from the gypsy community.



On 31.08.2017, 200 Non printed bags, 60 tote bags, 40 string bags, 500 stickers and seal were packed and sent to Belgium. Mr. Jonas who ordered these materials in the name of fair and square was produced in the sewing the seeds centre.

On 25.09.2017, 200 small bags, 150 tote bags and 15 string bags were completed and sent to Jona Mallisse, Fair and Square. The total weight of the consignment was 14.200 grams and sent through Air Mail.



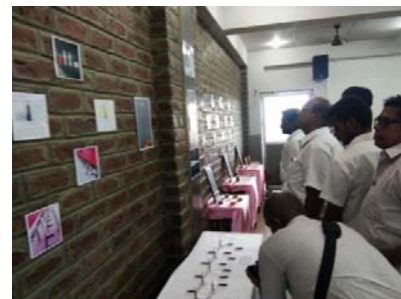
On 25/12/2017, 1500 quantity of paper bags were manufactured based on the job order by Jenomaran Builders.

On 05/03/2018 Dana Foundation people visited the Sewing the Seeds Project and ordered 60 numbers of tote bag with their company name printed on it.



#### 4. Important events:

1. On 12.08.2017, SAMUGAM Director was awarded with “Sevai Semmal” award organized by All India Social Welfare Association. Mr. K. Bhakiyaraj, famous film director and actor presented the award.
2. Micro Art Exhibition was organized on 7/10/2017 in JALY Home. Mr. Senthil who designed micro art made by chalk piece and pencil were shown for exhibition to the children of JALY home. It was a three day exhibition arranged by samugam. In evening time Mr. Senthil trained the children to make micro arts using the chalk pieces and wood.
3. On 11/10/2017, International day of women children was celebrated in JALY Home. College going children from JALY home shared their own experience among the staff and children.
4. On 10/11/2017, Mother Rita head of SAMUGAM Belgium passed last year. In her remembrance prayer meeting was organized in JALY home.
5. On 16/12/2017, TYCL organised Child Leadership Award Programme in Kamban Kalai Arangam, Pondicherry. R. Kowsalya from JALY home was awarded with Erik Erikson Award. The programme organized by TYCL and its team to award various successors in various fields.
6. On 27/12/2017, Kowsalya was invited for a Tea Party with Lieutenant Governor of Puducherry. The children who were awarded during the TYCL child leadership award function were honored by the Lt. Governor in the tea party organized by Raj Nivas.
7. On 22/02/2018, Awareness rally on International Day of Social Justice was organized by SAMUGAM. Children of JALY home hailing from Gypsies, tribal and street children participated in the rally which was flagged off Thiru. V.Vaithialingam, Hon'ble Speaker of Puducherry.
8. On 08/03/2018, Department of Women and Child Developmentt organised a Women's day programme in Kamban Kalai Arangam in Pondicherry. R.Kowsalya from JALY home was awarded by the Lieutenant Governor of Puducherry Kiran Bedi and Chief Minister V. Narayanasamy presided over the function.



## **5. Visit by / Farewell to International fraternity to SAMUGAM**

1. On 11<sup>th</sup> April Leen, Martin, Papa, Machteld and the other Belgian volunteers visited JALY home who were welcomed by the director, staff and children of JALY Home.
2. On 12<sup>th</sup> April farewell given to Mrs. Machteld and her daughter from Belgium in JALY home
3. On 18<sup>th</sup> April send off was given to Mr. Jonas.
4. Warm send off was given to Nele Jeron and Laura in JALY Home who arrived on 21<sup>st</sup> May 2017 to observe the progress of the activities of SAMUGAM.
5. On 2<sup>nd</sup> May send off was given to Ms. Marie, a Volunteer from France who came to SAMUGAM for the second time. She was accompanied with Ms. Mona to support the initiatives of SAMUGAM.
6. On 22<sup>nd</sup> July Belgian volunteers namely Romaine and Jochine, arrived to SAMUGAM and they were welcomed by the children of JALY Home.
7. On 29.08.2017 and 31.08.2017, Mr. Nirvana and Mrs. Gauri from Australia visited the seed centre and Narikuravar colony and interacted with the community. Our Staff pushparaj explained the community level interventions of SAMUGAM.
8. 16/12/2017 30 students from IOWA University visited JALY Home. Every year the students from IOWA visits samugam and its projects. This year IOWA students had a meet with Mr. Bruno, Director, Samugam and he explain the activities of Samugam and their services downtrodden community.
9. 27/12/2017 Daniel Baylos from Canada and Marry Ann from USA are cyclers, cycling from Himalayas to Kaniyakumari about 6000 kms to give awareness on global warming and the importance of cycling during which they visited JALY home and they were honoured by the children of JALY home.



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## **6. Internship, Field visit, and Block placement by Social work aspirants:**

1. On 27<sup>th</sup> July 2017 the students namely Abilekh, Shantelle and Devna das of Symbiosis University from Pune completed their internship were felicitated by Director.
2. On 14.08.2017, Neetu Daliwal relative of Ravi Sidhu, one of the volunteer from Canada visited Jaly home. They were taken to sewing the seeds project and Gypsy community.
3. On 16.08.2017, volunteers namely Kichine and Lebon Mary from France visited JALY home for volunteering one week. They were exposed to various projects of SAMUGAM. On 21.08.2017 they were given send off.



4. On 08/12/2017, Lucas Krishnapillai from France and Timea from DFID, UK were given send off. Lucas and Timea had a wonderful experience in the field of social sector. Timea took interest in upgrading the account formats.
5. On 24/02/2018 Tibo and Melissa from France done one month volunteership in SAMUGAM. They had a wonderful volunteership experience in gypsy and JALY home. They visited the community regularly and worked with our project enthusiastically. Tibo who is a photographer by profession a lot of photos for JALY home
6. On 27/02/2018, Four students from Christ University, Bangalore was given send off after a month of internship in SAMUGAM. The students had a month practice in the field of social environment and they had an opportunity to work with a marginal community like gypsy and tribal.
7. On 19/03/2018 Send off to Lieselotte and Laose volunteer from Belgium. Lieselotte and Laose were the members of SAMUGAM Belgium family and they had a wonderful experience in Pondicherry. They monitored the SAMUPlan Project and JALY home both in Puducherry and Pullambadi.




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## 7. Participation in Workshop/ Trainings:

1. On 29<sup>th</sup> June 2017 Fundraising program was organized by danamojja, a NGO in Bengaluru. SAMUGAM Director participated in the program.
2. On 03.09.2017, State Consultation on Civil Society Organisation Strategy for implementation of UPR III Recommendations was organized jointly by WGHR, HOPE and HRCPS. Divya from SAMUGAM attended the program.
3. On 23<sup>rd</sup> June, One day Orientation Programme on Adoption Regulations (for all stakeholders of the UT of puducherry) was organized. Divya, staff of JALY Home participated in the orientation.
4. On 07.09.2017, One day Orientation on Nutrition standards for the superintendents and Cooks of Child care institution was organized in conference hall of Department of Women and Child development, saram. JALY Home Cooks participated and displayed the nutritious food prepared by them. Honble Welfare Minister visited and tasted the foods prepared by the participants.
5. On 30<sup>th</sup> December 2017, NGO consultation meet was organized by Puducherry Commission for protection of child rights(PCPCR) in Department of Women and Child Development. The administrator and staff member of SAMUGAM participated in the programe.



## Impact stories:

1. On 28.09.2017, Kowsalya one of the child staying in JALY Home stepped into college after a long struggle. Kowsalya who was abandoned by her own family and gypsy community was identified by SAMUGAM in the year 2010 and was provided education and shelter support. The child after several hurdles has now completed her school education. She was the first girl child in the gypsy community to complete her higher secondary education. Her dream to become a nurse has been fulfilled now. If SAMUGAM wouldn't have intervened at the right time she probably been a mother of more than two kids by now.



2. On 07.08.2017, one of the children of JALY Home namely Tamizharasi who completed her 12<sup>th</sup> Std. appeared for counseling and got admitted in Bachelor of Business Management course in community college. Tamilarasi who came from a broken family was taken care by her aunt till 11 years. She was just 12 years old when she arrived to JALY Home and later admitted in govt. school. With her continuous and dedicated efforts she appeared for the Govt.exam and completed her higher education. She is now admitted in her first year Bachelor in Business Administration in College. She along with Kowsalya is serving as a protagonist for other children staying in JALY Home.



3. Dinesh Kumar, elder son of the family lost his father when he was 12 years old and survived with 4 siblings who live near the bank of a lake. He was identified by SAMUGAM in 2013. Hailing from a Below Poverty Line(BPL) family he has lot of ambition to become an engineer and to support his family. SAMUGAM referred him to near by school. He has now completed his high school and presently enrolled in Electronic and Communication Diploma course in Govt. ITI.



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## 8. Future Plans:

- ☐ To explore new avenues for mobilizing resources for the present projects/programs to run on a sustainable basis.
- ☐ To establish a full fledged training cum production centre for sewing the seeds program.
- ☐ To promote terrace gardening in JALY Homes.
- ☐ To promote skill training for gypsy and tribal youth.
- ☐ To establish a permanent shelter home for boys.
- ☐ To promote JALY Home as Model children home.

### 9. Trust Board Members:

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### 10. Staff members:

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Sl.No	Name	Designation
1.	J. Bruno	Director
2.	M. Annie Nirmala	Administrator
3.	K. Manimegalai	Accountant cum Counselor
4.	D. Pushparaj	Program coordinator
5.	Divya	Home Incharge
6.	Prashanth	Care taker
7.	Vignesh	House Father
8.	Jothi	House Mother
9.	M. Ranjitha	Medical Assistant
10.	Amsa	Cook
11.	Amsavalli	Care taker
12.	Baskaran	Driver
13.	Sankar Guru	Music teacher
14.	Rajavelu	Yoga teacher
15.	Kanish	Dance Master
16.	Santhanam	Security

Pullmbadi

<b>Sl.No</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Designation</b>
1	Ganesh	Program coordinator
2	Presila	Home Incharge
3	Matharasi	Cook
4	Usha	Cook
5	Vinoth raj	Driver
6	Mahalakshmi	Housekeeping
7	Krishnamoorthy	Security

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