

ANNUAL REPORT 2018-19

Devashrayam Charitable Society welcomes all our members to the 23rd Annual General Body meeting. We take this opportunity to thank all our well wishers, friends and donors for their support which helps us to reach out to countless needy people and be a ray of sunshine in their lives.

The following office bearers for 2018-19 were elected in the Annual General Body meeting held on 08.07.2018

President	Mr Sasikumar A
Vice President	Mr Ramaswamy V N
Secretary	Mr M N Govind
Joint Secretary	Mr P V Vijayaraghavan
Treasurer	Mr Manoj C S

THE YEAR THAT WAS

This year marked our 23rd year of service to the poor, needy and the helpless in the society. Over the years the scope of service and the number of beneficiaries has increased as large hearted people from far and wide come to us so that we may be a channel for them in reaching out to the ones in need.

The over-whelming participation of so many people in our activities gives us confidence to continue on our path of fulfilling our mission.

We celebrated the 23rd Annual Day on 23rd July 2018 in a grand manner with Kummanam Rajasekharan, Governor of Mizoram as Chief guest. Other dignitaries were Justice Chettur sankaran Nair, Smt K Rajalakshmi, Marutharode grama panchayat President, Shri C K Sivanandan Press Club President and Mr K R Chandran FRAP President. Devashrayam members were present in good numbers along with parents of students and invited guests/well wishers. Saptaswaram orchestra of Sri K Ganesan presented Ganamela after the formal function concluded.

In the unprecedented floods that devastated Kerala in August 2018, a few of our students' homes were destroyed. Members, community and the government supported in their rehabilitation.

Ongoing projects of Devashrayam.

The projects undertaken by Devashrayam were the same as last year and can be classified under 4 sections:

- **Annadhanam** - **Providing free midday meal to the poor patients at Govt. District Hospital, Palakkad**
- **Ashrayam** - **Vocational rehabilitation of special needs Students**
- **Ayurbandhu** - **Financial Aid for dialysis to poor patients with renal failure**
- **Free Medical Aid** - **Medicine and financial assistance to poor patients.**

ANNADHANAM

Devashrayam was established with the intent of providing a free mid-day meal to the poor patients at Govt. District Hospital, Palakkad. This was the **1st project** of our Society and very soon support from individuals started reaching us. What started as a small beginning (ie meals to 100 patients a day in the 1st year) has assumed fairly large proportions and now almost **300 patients** receive their mid-day meal from us. This service continues uninterruptedly on all the 365 days for the past 22 years and approximately **100,000 patients** benefit every year. This number is increasing every year. In spite of the soaring prices of essential commodities, the residents in and around Palakkad town as well as the Round Table of India – 81, contribute the major chunk of rice needed for this project. We thank all the donors & well wishers who have donated in cash and kind to make this project run without interruption. The total cost incurred towards this project was **Rs 1,430,698.00** plus rice (more than 500 kgs per month Valued approximately Rs. 200000/p.a) and food material donated by well wishers.

ASHRAYAM

Devashrayam provides a safe refuge and a healthy learning environment to the mentally challenged who otherwise have nowhere to turn to. The vocational rehabilitation Centre was started under the guidance of Dr. T. Murali “The Rehabilitation Man of India”, a person who has dedicated his life for the upliftment of the Mentally ill and the retarded.

At present 60 mentally challenged students attend the rehabilitation center. They participate in regular morning exercises, classroom sessions, art, craft and music lessons designed as per their capabilities. Apart from that, a few of them are involved in our ongoing projects of making phenyl, liquid soap, agarbathi, candles and paper bags. The Mushroom production unit set up with the assistance of Free Masons of Lodge Palghat – 159 generates a small income every year.

Our Khadi Unit set up by the Khadi Village Industries Board in 2002 functions very efficiently as it is ably supervised by Mrs Leela from the Khadi Board and our staff Mrs. Sheena.

The sale of phenyl, liquid soap, Agarbathi and other items produced by students fetched a good income, just as in the previous years.

Total rehabilitation expenses for the year were **Rs 2,937,557.00**

Details of events in which our students participated and their interactions with students and teachers of various schools/colleges that visited the Centre, are given in the **LIST OF IMPORTANT EVENTS**.

AYURBHANDHU

Our tie up with Shanthi Medical and Information centre at Balaji Hospital, Palakkad completed another successful year. Poor patients with kidney malfunction/failure are able to carry on with their lives with the free dialyses support from this project. This year brought the total number of free dialyses to more than 360 from inception. In addition we have been sponsoring medicines upto 1000/- per month for around 55 patients with kidney malfunction for the last few years. We also support patients for peritoneal dialysis at the District Hospital. Our expenses towards dialysis and medicines were to the tune of **Rs 760,985.00** this year.

AROGYA NIDHI

This is another significant project of Devashrayam. This project operates through an authorized medical shop in Palakkad. Around **56 poor patients** are given medicines free of cost on a monthly basis on producing prescription from doctors. This year the quantum of medical aid was **Rs. 253,088.00**. We are humbled to be of service to the ill and suffering multitudes. Much more needs to be done, however, as the number of people who need financial help are many and we are not able to meet the entire requirement. Medical insurance to the tune of upto Rupees One & half lakh was provided to all the staff and their family members, by paying an insurance premium of **Rs 77,860/-**.

LIST OF IMPORTANT EVENTS

2018 April 7th Saturday. Summer Vacation began for Rehabilitation Centre students and teachers.

2018 May 2nd Wednesday. Rehabilitation Centre Re opened after vacation.

2018 June 11th Monday. Audition conducted at our Centre by Flowers Channel for dance and mimicry. Our students were selected for group dance.

2018 June 25th Monday. Supreme Court Justice Kurien Joseph and staff members of District Judiciary started a project of sponsoring the noon meal project every Monday. A function was held to felicitate them. The team visited the Centre and spent time with our students.

2018 23rd July Monday. 23rd anniversary of Devashrayam was celebrated with Kummanam Rajasekharan, Governor of Mizoram as Chief guest. Other dignitaries were Justice Chettur sankaran Nair, Smt K Rajalakshmi, Marutharode grama panchayat President, Shri C K Sivanandan Press Club President and Mr K R Chandran FRAP President. Devashrayam members were present in good numbers along with parents of students and invited guests/well wishers. Saptaswaram orchestra of Sri K Ganesan presented Ganamela after the formal function concluded.

2018 July 27th Friday. Sreenarayana Public school along with 50 students, teachers and PTA staff organized a cultural program. They distributed sweets to our students.

2018 Aug 15th Wednesday. Independence Day was celebrated along with Lions Club, Palakkad. Lion President V Ramachandran hoisted the flag. Secretary K K Babu, Regional Chairperson Anil S Nair and a few members of the club were present. Breakfast was arranged for the guests, students and staff present.

2018 Aug 16th Thursday. Due to heavy rains centre was closed early for Onam vacations

2018 Aug 29th Wednesday. Centre re opened after Onam vacation.

2018 Aug 31st Friday. New school diary was issued to students.

2018 Sept 25th Tuesday. Food grains, clothes, edibles were collected from Flood relief camp and the members made packets for distribution to poor patients from Arogyanidhi and Ayurbandhu schemes

2018 Oct 15th Monday. A Whatsapp group of well wishers of Devashrayam was started.

2018 Oct 16th Tuesday. Mahanavmi pooja was conducted. Centre was closed for 3 days pooja holidays.

2018 Oct 26th Friday. Official photos of all students, members and projects were taken.

2018 Nov 10th Saturday. Painting competition by Art Effusions Global Palakkad was held at BEM school. Our students who won prizes were- Santhosh 2nd prize, Ajay Krishnan 3rd prize and Consolation prizes Sreedevi & Suneesh

2018 Nov 14th Tuesday. Ladies Circle Palakkad conducted a colouring competition just as in the previous years. All students were given a gift hamper consisting of colouring pencils, eraser, sharpner and crayons. Sweets were given to the students.

30 Students and 3 Teachers of Guardian Public school visited the Centre at 2pm and conducted cultural programs for the students. They gave Sweets to everyone.

2018 Dec 3rd Sunday. This year World Disability Day was not celebrated by the district o account of floods in Kerala. So at Devashrayam we organized sports & cultural events. Almost all of our students participated and got prizes. A saddhya was given to all.

2018 Dec 7th Friday. Shadow puppet show (Tholpavukuthu) by Koonathara Sri Vishwanathan Pulavar and group arranged by Mr Dinesh SPIC MACAY coordinator

2018 Dec 11th Tuesday. Parents meeting with teachers and members was organized which 40 parents attended. Very good suggestions were given by parents especially to conduct exams and issue report cards to students. There was a discussion on the day tour planned for 13th Dec.

2018 Dec 12th Wednesday. Magician Sri Saravanan of Comedy Utsav Flowers channel fame gave a performance for students at 2 pm

2018 13th Dec Thursday. Day Trip to Coimbatore airport, Car Museum, Isha Yoga Centre. 66 persons

2018 Dec 18th Tuesday. Birthday celebration of Beena Govind's friend's child was held at the Centre

2018 Dec 21st Friday. Centre closed for X-mas vacation.

2018 Dec 22nd & 23rd Sankalp exhibition at Palakkad. Devashrayam products were kept for display & sale

2018 Dec 31st Monday. Centre re-opened after vacation.

2019 Jan 1st Tuesday. Bake Fort celebrated New year with the students. 12 people from Sauhrudha Koodaram Facebook group visited and presented 'Snehaswantharam'. They brought snacks for all. 3 persons from Kallepully brought cakes

2019 Jan 2nd Wednesday. 6 persons from Art of Living Foundation visited the Centre. They donated Rs 10,000/-, brought sweets and presented a cultural program

2019 26th Jan Saturday. Lt Col K R Anil, a well wisher of Devashrayam hoisted the flag. His wife and daughter gave Sweets to students, teachers and members.

2019 Feb 2nd Saturday. 24 nursing students and 2 staff visited. They performed Dance, and gave gifts and snacks.

2019 Feb 11th Monday. Manipuri dance performance under Gowri Creations was arranged by Dinesh of SPIC MACAY. We gifted the dancers with kits of our products

2019 Feb 23rd Saturday. 20 students & 2 staff members from Bharathamatha College Kozhimpara BCA 1st year students visited the Centre with Sweets and 4 packets of diapers

2019 Feb 26th Tuesday. Sai Gas Agency conducted an Awareness class for using safety measures while using LPG cylinders

2019 March 2nd Saturday Sathya Sai group displayed our products at Music College, Palakkad

2019 March 8th Friday. 20 women from Elapully Kudumshree attended a session on paper bag making on Women's day organized by Canara bank Head office. 10 officials of Canara bank were present. Lunch was sponsored by them and gifts were given to the women

2019 March 8th to 28th Exams conducted for all the batches. Question papers were set as per the capability of the students.

2019 March 16th Saturday. Sri Raveendran maash and group from HSS Vandithavalum presented Gana mela

Report cards were given to students on the last working day of the academic year.

HELP TO NGO'S AND OTHER INSTITUTIONS

- Donation of Rs 2,000/- to Chirakukal, Palakkad- as support to the old age home for the destitute.
- Donation of Rs 12,000/- to Margadeepthi Charitable trust for organizing medical camps.
- Donation of Rs 6,000/- to Aashrayam, Rural Development Society, Kollengode for educational projects.

INTERNSHIPS

Four MSW Students from Amrita University, Coimbatore have done their Field work from December 2018 to March 2019 at Devashrayam as a part of their course.

Three MSW students from Saraswathi Thyagraj College, Pollachi completed their field work from December 2018 till March 2019.

Two students from Mercy College, Palakkad completed their field work from Jan to Mar 2019.

One student from Christ University, Bangalore did internship of 30 hours in May 2018

SPECIAL DONOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Devashrayam acknowledges and appreciates the support provided by all our well-wishers, sponsors and friends. Without the help and support of these good hearted people, Devashrayam would not have been able to reach out to so many people. We express our sincere gratitude to all who extended help and prayers in times of need.

A few acknowledgments are given below for the large support extended to us by these individuals & Institutions.

1. Mr Manoj Ganesh Parmesh, Dubai donated Rs 3,00,000/- towards Arogyanidhi and Ayurbandhu projects.
2. Col Mohandas Menon donated Rs 1,00,000/-
3. Mr Sreejith Menon donated Rs 96000/- towards students sponsorship for 4 students for 1 year.
4. Mr N R Veeraraghavan, Mumbai donated Rs 1,00,000/-
5. Mr Satyanarayanan donated Rs 1,00,000/-
6. Mr H Suresh, Aluva donated Rs 1,00,000/-
7. Ms Sandhya P K donated Rs 50,000/- towards student's sponsorship for 1 year.
8. Mr Pramod Mohan G donated Rs 50000/- towards 2 student's sponsorship for 1 year.
9. Justice Kurian Joseph donated Rs 42000/-
10. Kerala Hindus of New Jersey donated Rs 36000/-
11. Ms Dhanya donated Rs 28,000/-
12. Crystal Solar World donated Rs 24,000/- towards a student's sponsorship for 1 year.
13. Col M Sathesan donated Rs 30,000/-
14. Mrs Litty Joseph, Kanjikode donated Rs 20,000/-
15. Dr Balasubramaiaam donated Rs 24,000/- towards student's sponsorship for 1 year.
16. Mr Sarath Palayil donated Rs 20,000/-
17. Lt Gautham Krishna donated Rs 24000/- towards student's sponsorship for 1 year.
18. Dr Meenakshi Rajan donated Rs 25000/-
19. Mr P C Ramakrishnan donated Rs 25000/-
20. Mr Raju Menon, Top in Town Palakkad donated Rs 25000/- towards student's sponsorship for 1 year.
21. Mr Madhu K donated Rs 25000/-
22. Mr Raghunandan Parakkil donated Rs 24000/- towards student's sponsorship for 1 year.
23. Ms Shanthi Raj Nair donated Rs 27500/- towards student's sponsorship for 1 year.
24. Mr Thulasidas donated Rs 25000/-
25. Mr Harish & Santhosh, Palakkad donated Rs 25,000/- towards student's sponsorship for 1 year.
26. Ms K P Lakshmi donated Rs 25000/-
27. Justice Chettur Sankaran Nair donated Rs 20,000/-
28. District Court donated Rs 21000/- for Noon meal project
29. M/s Spin Coimbatore donated Rs 24000/- towards student's sponsorship for 1 year.
30. Round Table Palakkad contributes 100 kgs of rice every month and supports us with rice and cash donations.
31. One sack of rice (75 kgs) is contributed every month from Mr Suresh Babu, Palakkad.
32. Lions Club of Palakkad, Chandranagar contributed 50 kgs of rice every month.

Identity

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- Devashrayam Charitable Society is registered as a society under the Society Registration Act of 1860 (Reg. No. 209/96, dated 17-07-1996 with the sub register office, Palakkad) [Registration renewed on 13-03-2012]
- Devashrayam Rehabilitation Center for the Mentally Challenged is registered with the Directorate of Social Welfare Trivandrum (Reg. No. 0141, dated 03-12-2005)
- Donations to Devashrayam Charitable Society is exempt under Section 80 G of Income tax Act of 1961, vide order No. CIT. TCR/TECH/80 G- 42/ 2006-07, dated 02-08-2007.
- Devashrayam Charitable Society is registered under Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act , 1976 Registration number is 05289009, dated, 05/05/2010. Returns for the year submitted on 23-09-2012

Name, address and account number of banks

1. Union Bank of India, Chandranagar, Palakkad,
SB Ac. No. 339602010097002.
2. Union Bank of India, Chandranagar, Palakkad,
SB Ac No. 339120100091426. (Exclusively for Foreign Contributions under FCRA act of 1976)
3. SBI, Marutharode Branch, Palakkad
SB A/c No. 33957556465

DEVASHRAYAM BOARD PLACES ON RECORD OUR SINCERE GRATITUDE TO MR K V VENKITARAMAN FOR COMPLETING THE AUDIT AS A SERVICE TO OUR NGO. WE ARE INDEBTED TO HIM AND HIS STAFF FOR THIS GESTURE.

NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE AUDITOR

Mr.K.V.Venkitaraman,
Chartered Accountant
Noorani Post, Palakkad-678004

We also place on record our sincere gratitude for the services of Mr M P Sathyanandan, Vallancheri for overseeing our accounts on a monthly basis and ensuring that our books are up to date.

DETAILS OF BOARD OF MEMBERS 2018-19

Name	Age	Sex	Position on Board	Occupation	Cost of International travel
Sasikumar.A	58	M	President	Retd Employee of Private Undertaking (BPL)	0
Ramaswamy V N	68	M	Vice President	Social worker	0
M N Govind	57	M	Secretary	Business	0
P V Vijayaraghavan	73	M	Joint Secretary	Social Worker	0
Manoj C.S.	51	M	Treasurer	PSU Employee	0

Ramachandran C	80	M	Executive-Member	Rtd. PSU employee	0
Archana Subhash	52	F	Executive-Member	Management teacher & Counsellor	0
Beena Govind	51	F	Executive-Member	Journalist	0
Lalitha Gowrisankar	72	F	Executive-Member	Social worker	0
Mohandas P P	71	M	Executive-Member	Social worker	0
Lakshmanan T	83	M	Executive Member	Agriculturist	0
Samma George	83	F	Member	Retired from Rail Way Service	0
Mayankutty	67	M	Member	Retired Railway Employee	0
Satheesan.M	88	M	Member	Retired Army Personnel	0
Biju T.K	51	M	Member	Special Educator, N R H M, Palakkad	0
Dr.Vamanamoorthi	80	M	Member	Retired from Kerala Government Health Department	0

Staff details

Gender	Paid Full Time	Paid Part Time	Paid Consultants	Unpaid Volunteers
Female	09	02	1	-
Male	08	03	-	-