

# SINGLE TEACHER SCHOOLS

(Unit of Swami Vivekananda Rural Development Society)

## NEWS LETTER

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## 18 Years of Service to Humanity

**Tribute by Swami Vivekananda Rural Development Society to the legend Shri. R.P. KRISHNAMACHARI who lives with us eternally, even after reaching the Lotus Feet of the Lord**

Swami Vivekananda Rural Development Society (SVRDS) serving towards upliftment of the underprivileged, promoting quality education, Health, Hygiene and Skill Development. Mananiya Shri. S. Vedantam Ji is the Founder of SVRDS and Shri. Dr. R. Krishnan is the President.

As per the suggestion mooted by Shri. Dr. R. Krishnan and approved by Mananiya Shri. S. Vedantam ji, the name **SVRDS SKILL TRAINING CENTRE** was changed into **SVRDS SHRI. R.P. KRISHNAMACHARI SKILL TRAINING CENTRE**. It was ceremonially inaugurated on 24th February 2024 at SVRDS Teachers Training Complex, Ulundai, Tiruvallur District.



In the gracious presence of Mananiya Shri. S. Vedantam ji and Shri Dr. R. Krishnan, Executive Committee Members the living legend **SVRDS SHRI. R.P. KRISHNAMACHARI SKILL TRAINING CENTRE** inscription was unveiled by his son **Shri. Aravinda Krishnamachari**.



Shri. Dr. R. Krishnan welcomed the members of the Executive Committee, Donors, Acharyas, Field Supervisors and all those who had come to pay their tribute to our Former Honorary Secretary, for his noble concern for the society and the good deeds he had done for improving the underprivileged.

Mananiya Shri. S. Vedantam ji in his keynote speech praised the former Honorary Secretary for his 40-year relationship with him in the upliftment of under privileged. Also he said that although many have benefited from his donation, **Thousands of Students** study every year in the two schools built in the name of **SHRI. R.P. KRISHNAMACHARI's Mother and Father**. These infinite





numbers of students will remember the humble and great human being Chari Sir forever. He also said that it is a great loss to the society, because the Lord took him to the Heaven so quickly.

**Shri. K. Aravinda Krishnamachari** shared the time he spent with his father and his involvement in Single Teacher Schools. He also said he was so moved to see many members of the Executive Committee, many Donors, Teachers and Field Supervisors who came on that day to attend his father's funeral & today's meeting. **Shri. K. Aravinda Krishnamachari** was overwhelmed by the people's affection towards his father. He recalled that his father always focused on day-to-day activities of the Schools whenever he was awake. For example he shared

that even when he was in the hospital bed in the month of Jan 2024, he was asking me to inform President Shri. Dr. R. Krishnan about an important e mail to be sent urgently. He also assured that his family members wish to continue giving all the donations for the welfare of the downtrodden, started by his father as per his wish.

Members of the Executive Committee Shri. R. Ananthanarayanan, Shri. Hasmukhlal D Vora, Shri. G. Krishnaswamy, Shri. M.K. Vaidyanathan, Shri. Rama Subbu, Advocate Shri. Ganesan and Contributors Shri. S. Sitharaman, Chairman, Super Auto Forge Pvt Ltd, Shri. P.S. Dasarathi Managing Director, Turbo Energy Private Limited and Shri. Kulkarni from Sankalp Beautiful World shared their experience with RPK Sir and praised his concern for society. Also on behalf of the staff one Acharya and the Field Supervisor, Mr. Desan, shared touching moments with Chari Sir.



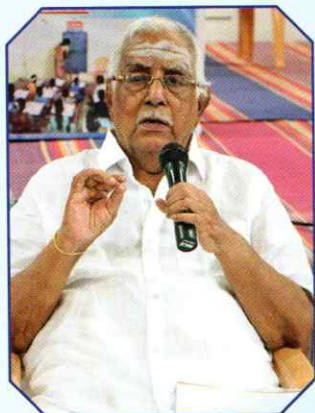
Shri. R.P. Krishnamachari's **dream project SVRDS SKILL TRAINING CENTRE** is a **9,000 Square** feet complex with several Training halls started with a desire to provide **Vocational Training** to the youth of the village to create employment opportunities and **self-earning skills** to improve their lives, presently conducting 7 various courses. The name **SVRDS R.P. KRISHNAMACHARI SKILL TRAINING CENTER** was engraved and inaugurated.

**SERVICE TO MANKIND IS SERVICE TO GOD..**

**GLORY TO THE ETRTNALLY LIVING LEGEND**

**SHRI. R.P. KRISHNAMMACHARI.**

**JAI HIND .....!**





# TRIBUTE TO THE ETERNAL LEGEND

## Shri. R.P. Krishnammachari Ji

- ❖ Karna's avathar to Single Teacher Schools ...!
- ❖ Radiant are your unique qualities...!
- ❖ Ignited we are, witnessing your activities ...!
- ❖ Simplicity, you adorn as your armour ...!
- ❖ Honesty & humility enhance your flavour ...!
- ❖ Noble you are always in every deed ...!
- ❖ Amazing aura you hold around indeed ...!
- ❖ Marvellous is your sparkling simplicity ...!
- ❖ Magnificent is your personality ...!
- ❖ Adorable is your nurturing nature ...!
- ❖ Commendable are your rural services ...!
- ❖ Hard work is the secret behind your success ...!
- ❖ Admirable angel of kindness, you are ...!
- ❖ Rarest among the rare you are ...!
- ❖ Incredible gem of a man you are ...!



## SALUTATIONS

### Shri. R.P. KRISHNAMMACHARI JI, GONE BUT NOT FORGOTTEN

Most revered Chari Ji,

Significantly few people have influenced many lives the way you did. Many souls weep with grief. Still we cannot believe that you are no more. There are heartfelt tributes from infinite number of downtrodden in the society who were uplifted by you.

**"If tears could build a stairway and memories a lane, we would walk right upto the Heaven and bring you back to Single Teacher Schools again".**

You are the repository of immaculate kindness, a compendium of colossal endurance and a fountain head of gentility and generosity. Quality education for the rural student was your dream. Women empowerment was your vision. Skill Development for the youth was your mission. Hinduism was not a religion for you. HINDUISM was your way of Life. Did you become the Lord's favorite..? HE had taken you with HIM so soon.

Keep blessing us from the Heaven above. We all together will try to fulfill your dreams for the society. We will carry your memories always in all ways.

**CHARI SIR YOU ARE IRREPLACEABLE ON EARTH**

**MAY YOUR SOUL REST IN PEACE.**

**Dr. R. RAJAMMAL, M.A., M.Ed., PGDGC, D.Let.**  
National Awardee Educationist,  
Woman Achiever, Social Ambassador &  
Educational Consultant - STS





# SWACHH BHARAT ABHIYAN - CONSTRUCTION OF TOILET CUM BATHROOMS

SVRDS Started construction of Toilet cum Bathrooms at free of cost to the poor villagers having more girl children in April 2015 itself. Received appreciation letters 3 times from the Honourable Prime Minister of India Shri. Narendra Modi Ji.

Now we are entering into 10th year of this project and till March 31st 2024 we have constructed **3533 Toilet cum Bathrooms** at the cost of **Rs. 1766.50 Lakhs** and handed over to the beneficiaries. From this around **18,660** persons started living in villages with pride to have their own Toilet cum Bathrooms constructed around **40 Sq.ft.**, area like in cities with Tiles.

Highlight of this project is when we constructed 100 plus Toilet cum bathrooms in Manjumulai area near Anjetty, Hosur had tough time in transporting construction materials from plain land to the hill area where the tribal are living in small hamlets. For a few places the materials were carried on head for nearly 6 to 7 kms as there are no proper motorable roads. The beneficiaries were very happy to use the facilities because they are the first generation seeing this type of constructions. Especially that area is famous for more forest animals mainly elephants movement and with fear only the ladies were forced to go interior forest in groups to complete the natural calls and now feel so happy & safe .



Handing over of Allotment Letter

@ Kakkalur Village





## DE SILTING OF VILLAGE TEMPLE PONDS

SVRDS started De silting of Village Temple Ponds with the motive of villagers not to suffer for water during summer especially their domestic animals like cattle, Sheep which help them in their livelihood. Many Philanthropic minded persons donates for this Noble cause like Mr. Pravin Kumar Tandley - USA, IDRF - USA, Brakes India Pvt. Ltd., Amirthanjan Healthcare Ltd, TVS SCS Global Fright Solutions Limited & Trichur Sundaram Santhanam & Family Private Limited.

Sofar 96 ponds desilting completed and around **5,77,000** public are happy for getting benefit from this project.



BEFORE

Kodaikkal Pudur Pond, Sholingur, Ranipet Dist.



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Sri Ponniyamman Temple Pond, Nerinjanthangal,  
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## FREE CERVICAL CANCER VACCINATION

Single Teacher Schools conducting CERVICAL CANCER VACCINATION program organized by SANKALP BEAUTIFUL WORLD with Medical team from Madras Medical Mission Hospitals for unmarried Girls of age group from 9 year to 24 years, from the month of June 2023. So far we conducted 6 camps at our Teachers Training Center, Ulundai, Tiruvallur Dist.

Student Selvi. Kalaarasi from Ramapuram village, Ammayarkuppam Sanch came for first dose based on the propaganda during parents meeting organised by her Acharya Ms. Bharathi & FS Smt. Manimegalai which was attended by her mother also & insisted to go for Vaccination. When she came for second dose said that the previous day only her mother passed away due to Cervical Cancer which she came to know from her father after her mother's demise only and understood that because of her mother's suffering only she insisted her to have the vaccination.

Initially the response for the camps was very poor but because of the sincere efforts in villages by our Field Supervisors, Acharyas, awareness was created with parents and they are sending their Girl children now. So far in these few months itself 6 camps conducted in which 232 girls of age 9 to 14 years & 218 girls of age 14 to 24 years vaccinated. Every month on first Saturday the Vaccination camp held regularly.





## FREE MASTER HEALTH CHECK UP

Our President Dr. Shri. R. Krishnan suggested the idea of conducting Master Health Check up for all STS Staff since most of the Acharyas from villages may not be aware of the regular check up to keep their health perfectly. Held discussions with Dr. Shri Shankar of KOLA SARASWATHI AGARWAL SAMAJ HEALTH CENTRE, Purasaivakkam. They agreed to send their Doctors along with medical team to our SVRDS Teachers Training Centre, Ulundai every month. They do complete blood test including creatinine thyroid Etc., by taking samples. They also take ECG in the camp and Doctors check participants physically as well as on ECG report at the camp. After a few days the Blood Report along with Doctors expert opinion will reach office which is handed over to the concerned persons. Based on the Doctors advise, the concerned persons are advised for further treatment if need be. This program was started in the month of Jan 24. Third camp was held on 31st March sponsored by Shri. Dr. R. Krishnan, President. So far around 330 persons got tested including Acharyas, Field Supervisors and office team. There is over whelming response from Acharyas for this initiative.



## FREE EYE EXAMINATION CAMPS

In the period April 2023 to December 2023 STS Conducted on its own 9 Eye screening camps with SANKARA NETHRALAYA technical team at different villages benefitting around 980 villagers In the month of Feb & March 6 camps were conducted with the same Technical team sponsored by M/s. SAINT GOBAIN INDIA PVT. LTD., benefitting



around 640 villagers. Senior officials from the company also participated. Support from Panchayat Presidents public were over whelming. Few of them referred for Cataract Surgery and it was followed by Acharyas and carried out by Sankara Nethralaya. The eligible persons were issued with Spectacles.



In the month of Aug 2023 our FS Sri.Murugan brought one fifth std girl by name Selvi. M. Ilakkiya D/o Shri. Murugesan & Smt. Latchumi from Nelvoy village of Poondi Sanch to our Eye Camp held at Puthupet village with a complaint of near to NIL VISION in both eyes. After examining the Doctors of Sankara Nethralaya gave appointment at their Hospital. Our FS with Acharya & their parents took the girl to Chennai Hospital. After examinations the doctors performed surgery and fixed lens in both eyes, gave spectacles. Now the girl and their parents are so happy & thanked STS saying that their daughter could see the colourful world because of the efforts by STS only although they spent a lot earlier at various hospitals for her treatment but without any improvements.





## OTHER PROJECTS

### PROJECT OF WOMEN CAR DRIVING - FREE

Our past President Shri. Dr. R. Nataraj, IPS (Retd), Former MLA initiated the idea of giving training in car driving to women folk especially Fisher women to improve their livelihood. Had overwhelming response when it was started and so far 500 women got training and Driving Licence too. Mr. Harshmuklal D Vora, IDRF - USA, Breaks India are the few main donors.

Giving below the details of students trained & donors between April 23 & March 31st.

BATCH NO	DATE	DONOR	NO OF WOMEN TRAINED
1	03.04.2023	ARSR FOUNDATION, USA	25
2	18.04.2023 to 18.01.2024	BRAKES INDIA PVT. LTD	250
3	02.03.2024	ARSR FOUNDATION, USA	25
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>300</b>



### TEACHERS TRAINING PROGRAM

All teachers are trained in all subjects by experts from education field. Dr. Smt. Rajammal, Education Consultant heading the team. This year in addition to training they did assessment of teachers individually in VIVA as well as writing.



### MATHS TRAINING

Teachers are trained in Advance Mathematics and English in an innovative manner by Expert Smt. Meena Suresh and team of INSPIRE MATHS, Chennai.



### STS HiED

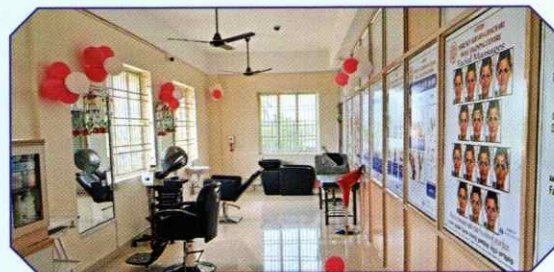
STS HiEd a significant development in STS care of Children Education in rural area. Bridges scientific innovation divide & will excel in building scientific temperament & innovative thinking.





# 7<sup>th</sup> COURSE AT OUR SVRDS SHRI. R.P. KRISHNAMACHARI SKILL TRAINING CENTER

After our efforts to train village ladies in Tailoring & AARI Embroidary we got enquiries about Beautician course. We interacted with Acharyas & who are in the real field workers for several years & students of other two courses. Based on their feedback our late Hon. Sec. Shri. R.P. Krishnamachari took initiative and arranged visit to SVRCC Keezh Perumpallam near PIMS for discussions with the promoters of the institute who runs 14 courses and also our well wishers.



consumables purchased and Lab was established. Our President Dr. Shri. R. Krishnan inaugurated the lab on 15th March 2024. The response looks overwhelming but we restricted with limited entries.

Immediate Past President Shri. K.N. Krishnamurthy arranged for a discussion and visit to HAND IN HAND institute at Kanchipuram who are running the Beautician and Wellness course also along with several other technical courses. Based on the outcome of the visits along with the proposed Tutor it was decided to start the Beautician and Wellness course at our SVRDS SHRI. R.P. KRISHNAMACHARI SKILL TRAINING CENTER. A qualified Tutor with experience and knowledge selected and the essential furnitu



## BANK DETAILS FOR INDIA

Account in the Name of : **Swami Vivekananda Rural Development Society**  
Bank Name with Branch : **AXIS BANK LTD**  
Branch Address : **No.13-A, Maloni Street, T. Nagar, Chennai - 600 017.**  
Code : **1594**  
Account No : **SB A/c. 082010100297851**  
IFSC Code : **UTIB0001594**  
MICR No. : **600211053**



## BANK DETAILS FOR NRI

Account in the Name of : **Swami Vivekananda Rural Development Society**  
Bank Name with Branch : **State Bank of India, New Delhi Main Branch,**  
Branch Address : **FCRA Cell, 4th Floor, 11 Sansad Marg, New Delhi - 110001.**  
Account No : **40124775527 (FCRA Savings Account)**  
Branch Code : **00691**  
IFSC Code : **SBIN0000691**  
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