



REGENBOOG INDIA FOUNDATION

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LETTER FROM THE MANAGING TRUSTEE

Persistence This is the word I would choose to describe the performance and efforts of our team in 2018-19. Regenboog India Foundation has completed 12 years of service starting from 2006. This year was the most painful for the foundation as we have to shutdown Sarasvathi Children Home due to unavoidable administrative reasons

On a brighter side, the year marked increased progress and growth ever with continued support and patronage from people around the globe.

The tire tracks of Mobile Library reached many Government Schools and expanded the student readership at an exceptional level. Reading - a dying habit they say. But not anymore for the students of Thiruvannamalai !

Mobile Clinic took a new shape this year with the help of generous donations from Mr. Jerry Jones, Founder of So Hum foundation.

With a new addition of automobile, the Mobile Clinic got a face-lift and their journey to remote village now is easily accessible.

Mobile Clinic is getting reformed at a faster pace with its expanding boundaries and the ability to provide medical assistance to a wider range of people.

Last year, we empathized the sufferings and pain, natural disaster can bring to the families and communities in Kerala and Tamilnadu when floods and cyclone struck.

We have much to celebrate about 2018-19. But, our work is not done enough and efforts to reach people for their necessities and livelihood would continue with increased vigor in efforts and patronage from people around the globe.

I personally thank all the donors for their generous support, Volunteers for their unmatched service without any gains and the Thiruvannamalai District Administration for their continuous assistance and guidance throughout.



G Madhan Mohan
Managing Trustee

EDUCATION

MOBILE LIBRARY Over 25,075 books have reached the hands of School children

EVENING SCHOOLS More than 250 students have benefited from 5 evening schools during the year.

EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT 14 Students received financial aid for higher education.



HEALTH CARE

MOBILE CLINIC

31,728 patients located in remote villages have received medical assistance.

1,839 Kms of Travel has enabled the panel of medical practitioners to reach far flung villages and provide medical aid.



ENVIRONMENT

WATER SHELTER Six water holes have quenched the thirst of wildlife habitants during summer.

WASTE MANAGEMENT Temporary trash bins were placed during *Thiruvannamalai Maha deepam* and *Chirtapournami* festivals to manage huge garbage collection.

PLANTATIONS Over 5000 Saplings are conserved to be planted during the onset of monsoon in the foothills of Arunachala



DISTRESS RELIEF

KERALA FLOODS

Team rushed to flood hit Kerala with essential medicines and flood relief materials.

GAJA CYCLONE

Tamilnadu was severely affected by Gaja Cyclone. Extensive medical support was provided for immediate recovery from water borne diseases.



Working Together to Promote a Healthy Future

The Journey so far

Villages surrounding Tiruvannamalai has no/limited access to medical care. The importance of proper healthcare is not known to majority of people who live there and the people seek medical intervention only at the last moment when they find it impossible to delay any further. People are reluctant to get themselves examined due to cost of affording medical facilities and the pathway to hospitals are not easily reachable due to lack of transportation.

Golden hour

Without proper medical care at the right time, simple procedures are getting complicated due to delayed medical attention. Diagnosis of most medical issues at an early stage can be cured. Many chronic diseases such as diabetes and blood pressure go undiagnosed and the situation goes even worse if there are any side effects from the underlying disease.

Routine of Mobile Clinic

Mobile Clinic starts at 9AM on all days from Monday to Friday. Every remote village located in and around Tiruvannamalai is covered by the team. Every Friday and alternate Tuesday's, Mobile clinic visits Javadhu Hills to provide medical assistance to people at the hills. Twice a month, Mobile Clinic camps at Old age home and Arunachala Village School for a routine checkup.



Most people neglect healthcare due to perceived cost of treatment and many curable ailments becomes life threatening due to late diagnosis.

The Team

Mobile clinic team comprises a trained medical practitioner, two nurses, one pharmacist, one social worker and one driver. Preliminary checkups and historical medical informations are noted by the nurses and social worker. Each patient is then attended by the doctor. Once the Doctor prescribes the medicines, the Pharmacist provides the medicine to the patient at free of cost and instructs them about the dosage and intake of medicines. In-case of medical complications of higher degree, the patient is referred to a hospital for further treatment.

Challenges in Care

Road conditions are worse at remote locations making it hard for mobility. Shortage of skilled medical personnel is a key threat. Unavailability of Pharmacist for few weeks even worsened the situation but eventually the team is set and running.



Mobile Clinic 2018-19 by Numbers

Adult Female
14,767

Children
10,585

Adult male
6,376

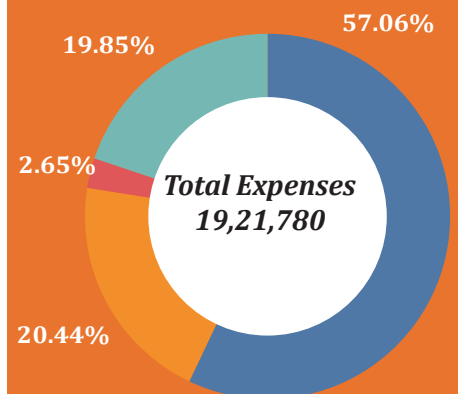
231 days of working



18,081 kms Traveled



31,728 Patients Treated



- Salaries
- Medical & Hygiene
- Misc.
- Travel





Students are shaping themselves with Books

Small truck loaded with books starts the journey in the morning to government schools. Once the vehicle reaches the school, students immediately form a beeline to get their hands on the bookshelves to make the toughest decision of their day which is selecting a couple of books to read for the next two weeks.

The schedule

Mobile library makes a trip to every school once in 15 days. For a month, 20 schools are covered. Students are allowed to borrow 2 books at a time and they have 15 days of time to finish reading the books. During the next trip, students return the books borrowed in exchange for new set of books and this cycles continues.

Pupil's Request

If a student is unable to find a specific book in the library, a request can be made for the book to be included in the library. Regenboog foundation promises the requested book to the student and delivers the same book within the next 48 hours.

An Extempore event

A random student is chosen to speak about the book he/she read for the last 15 days. The student shares the experience and learnings from the book. Students propagate the books they read and this motivates the other students to start reading. Public speaking skills are enhanced this way and students are willing to come forward to share their knowledge they gained from books.

MOTORCYCLE LIBRARY

Reading, a growing habit at Thiruvannamalai

Motor Cycle Library

With the aim of cultivating the habit of reading and reaching the students of every possible schools, Motor cycle Library(MCL) was introduced. Motor cycles were customized in a way to accommodate 200-300 books with storage facility. Prime objective of MCL is to impart social values on students and improve their readership.

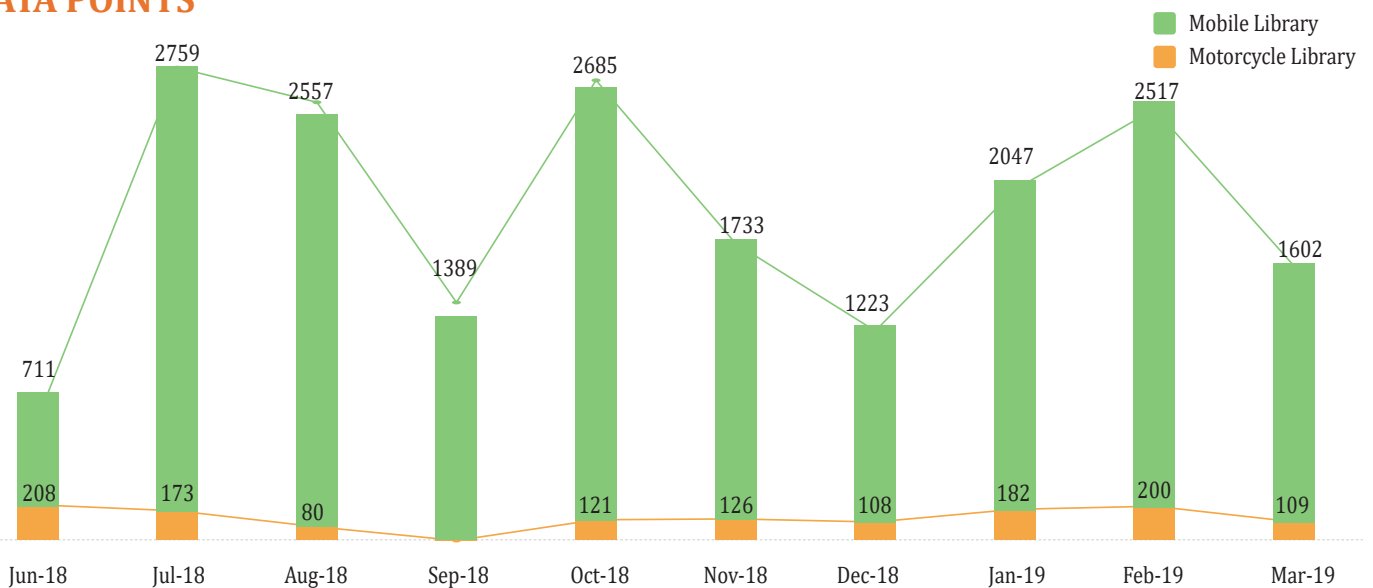


Fruits of Mobile Library

Mobile library teaches an important skill in life to students which is reading. Books have become an integral part of student's everyday life . It is evident from the lifestyle of students that reading have improved their ability to imagine and improve level of understanding. Best part of learning is sharing and students now developed a healthy habit of sharing informations a lot amongst themselves about varied topics they read in books.



DATA POINTS



Education, a new lease of life for Children

Background

School education and College education support has been provided for students who hail from economically weak sections and are unable to spend further on their education. Regenboog identifies students in need every year and funds their educational needs whatsoever including all expenses which are essential for the continuity of education.

Beneficiaries so far!

14 students have been supported this year out of which 4 students received school education and 10 students were enrolled in College education. Coming August 2019, two nurses will qualify from their institution who were also the beneficiaries of this program and one among the nurse will join our Mobile Clinic. Regenboog is delighted to witness this transformation of a student who was once deprived of education and now being able to successfully complete the education against the odds and will soon join hands with the Mobile Clinic team to make differences in the lives of village people.

CHILDREN VILLAGE

Traumatic decision ever made in the history of Regenboog

Tragedy struck the village

Sarasvathi children home was forced to shutdown on 25th February 2019 due to unavoidable administrative reasons. Rules and regulations were perplexing to follow and ensure smooth functioning of the children home. Closing the doors of the home was the last decision taken after detailed discussions with parents and guardians of the children, well-wishers and donors. Deciding the step was extremely painful and traumatic. Children were provided alternative accommodation at varied locations and are continuously monitored to ensure better care. Frequent visits are made to constantly encourage and motivate them to pursue their dreams in education. Sarasvathi home is now utilized for nurturing tree saplings. Regenboog is consulting various donors and supporters to utilize the sarasvathi home infrastructure for better purposes.



Naviram Park - daily routine for the Citizens



Regenboog Involvement

Regenboog along with the support of district administration, developed a park for the people of Thiruvannamalai. A Memorandum of Understanding was signed with the government to develop the park. Government supported the civic infrastructure of the park.

What's in Naviram Park?

Naviram park is supposed to a model park for the State with showcases on History, Culture, Environment and Hygiene. Park is completely painted with artifacts and information which will make the children think and question. Performance Stage has been set for the children to showcase their skills to the public. Often theatre plays are performed by kids and awareness programs are conducted at the park about various issues concerning people.

Amenities in the park

Park is completely secured with 24/7 security arrangements. Security cameras, washroom facilities and purified drinking water is available. A small library is setup for kids and adults which is highly welcomed by the people. Apparatus such as height weight machine, blood pressure monitor are placed to promote awareness about health. Park witnesses a footfall of over 2000 people over weekends and the park is open to public for full day on weekends and public holidays. Maintenance work is carried out on every Monday. Use of mobile phone inside the park is a rare sight as parents and children are occupied with the features of the park.

FEATURES OF NAVIRAM PARK

- Kids play area was constructed using reused materials
- Stage is set for the children to carry out stage shows and plays
- Walking track for people to shape their muscles and Library for people to shape their minds
- Devices like weighing machine, sphygmomanometer to gauge health indicators
- Painting depicting culture, heritage, environment, science and hygiene
- Parents and children are out of the gadget world and spend quality time together.
- Women and elderly people walk in the morning peacefully without any noise and pollution.



Evening School - an effective way to curb dropout ratio

Education for ALL

Children from slums and economically weaker sections who study in Govt. Schools are given special focus in the evening school. Children from these sections are more prone to discontinue studies due to a lack of motivation and awareness. Parents of these children are mostly laborers with less or no literacy to guide and encourage education for the students. Evening school serves this purpose to reduce dropouts from school and provide the motivation and direction required to continue education at all costs.



Schooling method

Evening school functions from 5PM-8.30PM. As of now, 6 evening schools are functioning in different villages of Thiruvannamalai. A typical school starts with a Thirukural, moral story and the current affairs in the society. Students are taught and given clarity on the subject that was taught in the school for the day. Students are allowed to share their thoughts in an open forum which will help to overcome fear and instill confidence that people are there to care. Students are also trained in arts and crafts to encourage creativity and promote out of class learning environment.



Success Story

An average of 250 students are getting benefited from the evening school. Evening school is a viable and successful model in arresting dropouts of children from schools. Accessibility of education and continuous monitoring are the key parameters that makes the children keeps focused and motivated. Reaching the homes of children made the difference. Education at the doorstep along with their peers gave them the necessary motivation to continue education. Regenboog makes sure that no children is out of its sight when it comes to educating children.

The future will either be green or not at all

Need of the hour

Global warming has emerged as one of the most important environmental issues ever to confront humanity. Regenboog promotes environmental awareness amongst people for sustainable development and encourages the conservation of irreplaceable natural resources and vulnerable plant and animal species. The entire project is supported and funded by Indian Citizens.

Water Shelter

During Summer, wildlife inhabitants of Arunchala hill find it difficult to get access to water resources. Often the wildlife species come out of the hill cover in search of water and pose risk of vehicle hit. So to avoid this, Regenboog has built and maintains ten water shelter on the hill region of Arunchala to provide water until the onset of monsoon. With a total capacity of over 40,000 liters, animal regularly quench their thirst here.

Nursery

To promote afforestation, trees are planted under the foothills of Arunchala hill before the onset of monsoon. Over 5000 saplings are preserved and cultivated in the nursery for this purpose. These tree saplings will be planted during October 2019.

Trash bins

Every year during Karthigaideepam and Chitrapournami, over 1.5 million people visit Thiruvannamalai. With big crowd movement, huge garbage disposal is also expected. Regenboog along with district administration for the



second consecutive year, places temporary trash bins around the town for effective garbage collection and safe disposal.

Plastic Awareness

In view of high environmental hazards due to the use of plastics, Regenboog started a movement Kaipai Iyakkam, with a motive of propagating the hazards of plastic usage by placing posters and placards across the city to create awareness.



Nature never fails to teach us a lesson !



Kerala Floods

Kerala, a southern state of India witnessed drastic flood during the year which displaced large families and posed survival hardships for majority of the people. Regenboog rushed to the State with Mobile Clinic and Social workers to help and rehabilitate the people.

Mobile Clinic at Kerala

Outbreak of infection is the most expected after a flood. Mobile clinic with essential medicines was stationed at Western Ghats to tackle the spread of infections. Regenboog has prior expertise in handling flood hit areas which trained us in equipping essential emergency medicines.

Relief Materials

Also, Regenboog provided relief materials and also collected relief materials from the local communities and distributed them to the families of flood affected areas.



Gaja Cyclone - Tamilnadu

Tamilnadu was worst hit in the Cyclone with families and people losing their livelihood. Tanjore Tamil University requested Regenboog for relief measures. Regenboog rushed to Tanjore with tremendous medical support. Medical camp was conducted from Tanjore to Vedaranyam along the coastal line for six days. Relief materials were distributed to the affected people.

Cholapuram School Renovation

A Government high school in Cholapuram, Orthanadu Taluk was damaged heavily during the Gaja cyclone. Regenboog promised last year for the renovation of the school. Work will be completed by May 2019. The school renovation was taken as a post disaster relief work and it will be a gift for the students from Regenboog.

Vision 2019-20

Regenboog envisions the following work to be done during 2019-20 with everyone's support and love:

- Start an evening school at Kudukuduppaikarargal colony, Pudhur Ayyampalaym and Vedyappanur, which is a dream since Regenboog was started.
- Expanding Mobile library to more students by reaching more Government Schools.
- Implement two more motorcycle libraries.
- Mobilizing financial support for Mobile medical clinic project
- Increasing the capacity of the nursery by 15,000 saplings and planting of at least 10,000 tree saplings at the foothills of Arunachala.
- Health education session to bring more awareness about the importance of being healthy and cultivating healthy habits amongst the people.

Long Term Vision

- Building a hospital for the economically backward people of the Thiruvannamalai region with essential medical facilities.
- Providing Mobile library services to the entire Thiruvannamalai district government Schools.
- Environment awareness and development programs at a much-extended level.

FINANCIAL POLICIES

Financial Policies and Controls adopted

- Higher level of transparency is maintained related to donations and spendings.
- All expenses are handled by the Finance staff and no trustees are allowed to spend directly.
- Project budgets are prepared by project staffs and vetted by accounting staff and Managing trustee.
- All expenses are approved by the Managing Trustee and the same is monitored at three levels by Project team, Accounting department and Auditors. Hence, the possibility of corruption is zero.
- Audited financial's are translated in Tamil language and displayed at the office and is published on Regenboog's website.
- Audited financial's are shared with all donors for their review.
- All donations are accepted only through bank transfer and only a small portion is received as cash donation.
- All donors are issued with donation receipts immediately..
- The total budget amount is diversified and invested to avoid concentration and investment risk.
- Regular expenses are reviewed often and prices are compared with alternative service providers.
- Cash expenses are avoided as much as possible and majority of the transactions are by bank transfers.
- Internal audit takes place once in every three months to review policies and controls.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

BALANCESHEET

2018-19

2017-18

SOURCES OF FUND

Capital Fund	1,89,49,751	1,89,49,751
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Current Liabilities

Short Term Provisions	48,877	9,440
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TOTAL

1,89,98,628

1,89,49,604

APPLICATION OF FUNDS

Non-Current Assets

Fixed Assets	1,63,19,862	1,69,19,092
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Current Assets

Loans,Advances and Deposits	43,200	43,200
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Cash and Cash equivalents	26,35,566	19,87,312
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TOTAL

1,89,98,628

1,89,49,604

FINANCIAL POSITION

MAR-19

MAR-18

Cash Balance	29,829	27,131
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Bank Balance	26,05,733	19,60,180
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Fixed Deposits	-	-
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Loans & Advances	25,000	25,000
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Other Deposits	18,200	18,200
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TOTAL

26,78,762

20,30,512

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

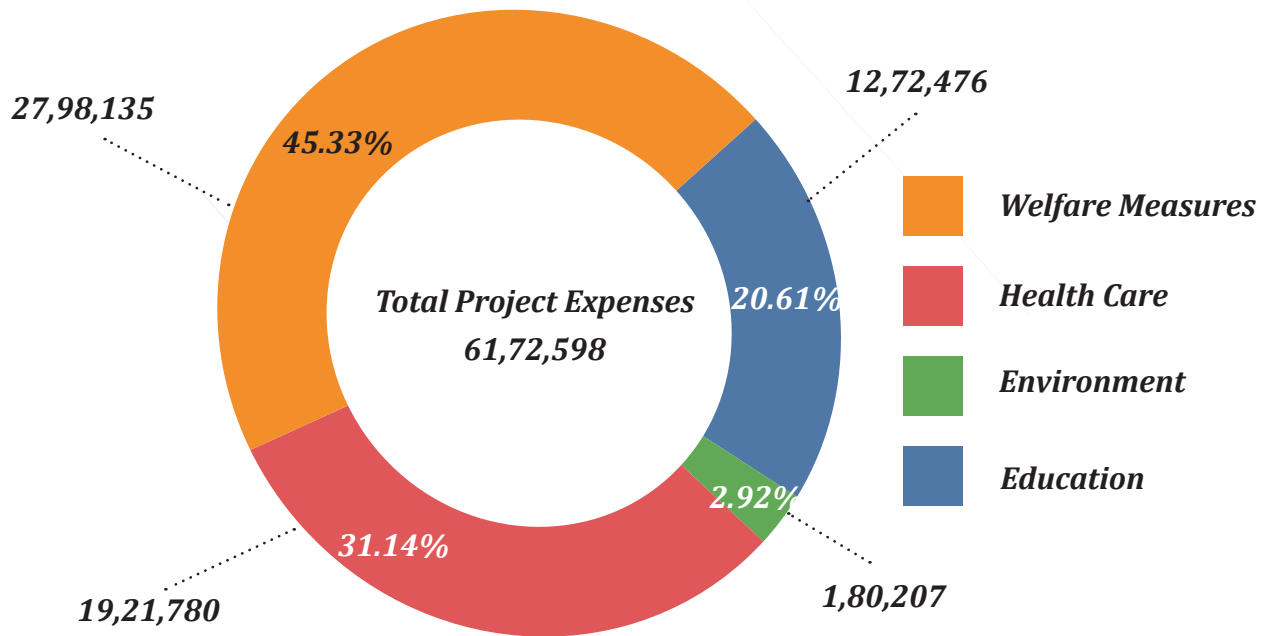
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE	FOREIGN CONTRIBUTION	INDIAN CONTRIBUTION	TOTAL
INCOME			
Donations	71,84,942	7,97,513	79,82,455
Interest Income	2,63,095	31,538	2,94,633
TOTAL(A)	74,48,037	8,29,051	82,77,088
EXPENDITURE			
Project Expenses	58,40,436	3,32,162	61,72,598
Arunachala Evening School	5,59,965	-	5,59,965
Arunachala Village Medical Program	19,21,780	-	19,21,780
Sarasvathi Children's Village	20,40,175	-	20,40,175
Arunachala Mobile Library	2,95,406	-	2,95,406
Naviram park	3,96,615	-	3,96,615
Disaster Relief Project	3,18,890	-	3,18,890
Educational Sponsorship Program	3,07,605	1,09,500	4,17,105
Nursery plantation project	-	70,048	70,048
Girivalapathai Garbage Project	-	70,048	70,048
Environment Awareness	-	9,539	9,539
Water for Animals	-	29,170	29,170
Administrative Expenses	3,98,432	1,36,336	5,34,768
Depreciation	14,85,504	74,636	15,60,140
TOTAL(B)	77,24,372	5,43,134	82,67,506
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) (A-B)	(2,76,335)	2,85,917	9,582

8.66% Administration Expenses as % of Total Project Expenses

EXPENSE INSIGHT

Sarasvathi Children Village	33.73%
Naviram Park	6.43%
Diaster Relief	5.17%

9.07%	Arunachala Evening School
6.75%	Educational Sponsorship
4.79%	Mobile Library



Arunachala Village Medical 31.14%

1.15%	Girivalapathai Garbage
1.13%	Nursery Plantation
0.48%	Water for Animals
0.16%	Environment Awareness

Major Expenses in Welfare Measures

Food Expenses	7,56,328
Salary&Honorarium	7,00,643
Disaster Relief	2,56,918
Repairs & Maintenance	1,71,613
Painting works	1,31,991
EPF Contribution	1,23,245
Fuel Charges	1,10,552
Educational Expenses	88,179
Play Materials	73,194
Uniform Expenses	67,771
Miscellaneous	3,16,981
Total	27,98,135

Major Expenses in Health Care

Salary&Honorarium	9,75,674
Medical Expenses	3,85,452
Fuel Charges	2,04,773
EPF Contribution	1,25,537
Vehicle Maintenance	1,09,256
Vehicle Insurance	64,420
Food Expenses	17,564
Repairs & Maintenance	10,489
Taxes & Fees	9,526
Stationaries	8,265
Miscellaneous	10,824
Total	19,21,780

EXPENSE INSIGHT

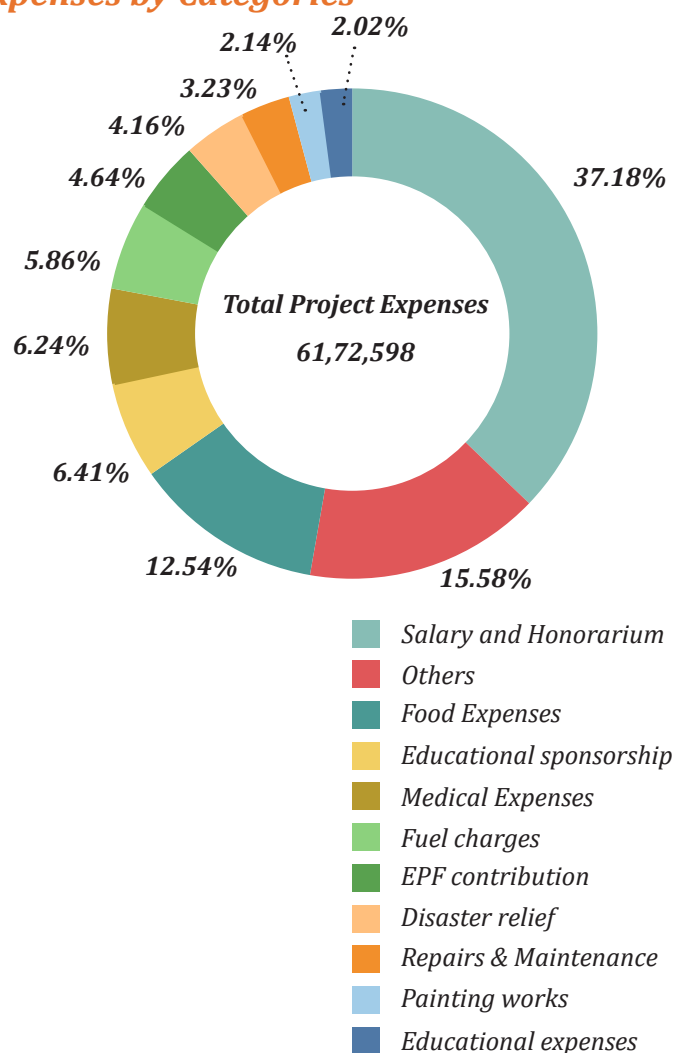
Major Expenses in Education

Salary&Honorarium	6,18,681
Educational Sponsorship	3,95,525
Fuel charges	46,170
Rent	39,500
EPF Contribution	37,561
Educational expenses	36,660
Vehicle Insurance	20,500
Maintenance Expenses	17,227
Functions and celebrations	15,100
Vehicle maintenance	9,502
Miscellaneous	36,050
Total	12,72,476

Donations for the year

One World Children's Fund	4,43,358
Verein Arunachala Village	11,44,468
School	
Verein Arunachala Rising	37,95,370
Sun	
Other Donations	5,66,739
Mr. Suresh	15,000
Mr.Pradeep Chander	24,300
So Hum Foundation, USA	5,80,018
VZW De Johanna Bode	12,02,190
Ms.Backiyapreethi Ravindran	3,500
Mr. Dhanachander	6,000
Ms.Padma Ganapathy	8,500
Mr. Ramanan KPV	17,000
Ms.Seetha Gopalakrishna	1,17,000
Mr. Siddesh	27,000
Mr.Sivakumar Gnanasekaran	20,000
Mr.Venkatesh Narayanan	6,012
Mr.Vignesh G	6,000
Total	79,82,455

Expenses by Categories



90% of the donations are from Foreign donors 10%

Administration Expenses

Salary&Honorarium	1,14,404
Fuel charges	84,803
Labour charges	46,390
EPF Contribution	40,409
Travel Expenses	34,601
Electricity	27,468
Functions and celebrations	22,330
Consulting Fees	21,260
Communication Expenses	19,302
Repairs & Maintenance	18,985
Miscellaneous	1,04,816
Total	5,34,768



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