

## LETTER FROM THE MANAGING TRUSTEE



When disaster strikes, the stakes are highest for the world's poorest families, and particularly for children.

# Unconditional support from donors redoubles our effort

Regenboog India started its 13th year with tough challenges ahead due to closure of Sarasvathi Children Home in Feb 2019. Finding the right shelter for children and enabling continuity in their education was the top most priority of the foundation.

Mobile Medical Clinic was instrumental in providing agile and quality medical aid to rural pockets of Tiruvannamalai. Pharmacist availability was the pivotal issue in running the clinic with desired pace. Due to scarcity of certified practitioner in Pharmaceuticals, Medical clinic suffered intermittent support from Pharmacist throughout the year.

Mobile Library has been a tremendous source of knowledge for school children with the reach of 80 schools covering in Tiruvannamalai. The level of overwhelming response and support from School children makes the Mobile Library to push boundaries and expand horizons.

During the year, travel to Switzerland was fruitful with meeting the benevolent donors and was immensely motivated by their unconditional and honest support across all initiatives.

Government of Tiruvannamalai has been extending their arm in every possible way. Bureaucracy trouble is almost absent and the impact of our work is well appreciated with recognition.

In March 2020, tragedy struck the country with the onset of Coronavirus pandemic. Regenboog has been closely monitoring the situation from Jan 2020 as the virus started to spread. With experience in handling in disasters, Regenboog Team anticipated the emergency requirements and was well prepared from initial days of outbreak to tackle the virus with utmost care.

I personally thank all the donors for their generous support, Volunteers for their unmatched service without any gains and the Tiruvannamalai District Administration for their continuous assistance and guidance throughout. We look forward to continuing our efforts for many more years to come.

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## **MOBILE MEDICAL CLINIC**



### NO ONE IS LEFT OUT OF MEDICAL CARE AT TIRUVANNAMALAI

#### **New Initiatives**

- Health Education awareness programmes have been kickstarted during the year. Medical representatives create awareness about common diseases like Tuberculosis, Dengue, Diabetes and teach the villagers about the symptoms, prevention and treatment of disease at different stages of ailment.
- Demographic data is stored for every patient including age,sex,disease category to analyse seasonal disease patterns and identify geographical correlation factors impacting patients to intervene in the early stages to provide the best possible healthcare.

### Challenges

 Certified Pharmacist was unavailable continuously due to frequent turnover. 4 Pharmacist have been changed during the year and every change required amendment in licence which drug consumes money, manpower and time.

### DATA POINTS

32,137

269

WORKING DAYS

18,242

DISTANCE TRAVELLED IN KMS



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### **CASE STORY**

### Timely care saved my leg.

I am Govindan 70, from Melkarippur village. My right feet was injured in an accident few months back. I didn't give attention to the injury and as days passed, my injury became septic and was covered fully with dirt and worms. Periodically, I am provided with Blood Pressure tablets by Regenboog Medical team. On seeing my injured feet, they volunteered to treat me with medicines and cut open my wound to clean my feet from worms. I am very thankful to the team for their kind support and care. I pray to God for everyone who are behind this initiative and continue doing good work.





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# **MOBILE LIBRARY**

### **New Initiatives**

- Mobile Library is functioning with great thrust and currently covering 74 schools across Tiruvannamalai region.
- Motorcycle library was initially planned for 2018-19 but was delayed due to lack of manpower. However, during the year, right set of motivated boys have taken over mobile library with greater reach amongst children.

### Challenges

• Collection of distributed books is difficult due to Coronavirus induced lockdown. 5,156 books lent before lockdown is stuck with children and there is no easy solution available at the moment to recover the books.





MOBILE LIBRARY

34,715

BOOKS DISTRIBUTED

5,017

STUDENT BENEFICIARIES

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## **CASE STORY** Hemalatha's Transformation

My name is Hemalatha. I am studying 8th Standard Kattumalaiyanur at Government School, Tiruvannamalai. Our village does not have a public library and School textbooks are the for only material us to read. Regenboog's Mobile library provides opportunity to read books and I have cultivated a healthy habit of reading books daily. Reading has become an integral part of my life and it has changed my mental outlook and thought process. The way I see the world through books is phenomenal.

# EVENING SCHOOL

#### New Initiatives

- Vediyappanur, Devanandhal and Puthur are the 3 new evening schools started during the year.
- On request from Students of Government school for Computer education and spoken English, a computer centre equipped with 5 computers and a trainer was started in December 2019. Regular classes happen during the weekend.

#### Challenges

•Vediyappaur Evening school strength reduced to 10 from 80 as Govt.school teachers restrict children from attendance. Efforts are on to have a official discussion with teachers and education officials.

•Students of Pudhur Evening school are difficult to handle and the importance of education is not easily accepted amongst the parents.

•Paliyapattu evening school teachers quit in Feb 2020. Planning to start the academic year with new set of motivated teachers.

## "Evening Schools are a viable model in tackling school dropout ratio."



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## **CASE STORY**

i am Vanitha and my son name is Porselvan. He is studying 9th Standard in Devanandal Government School, Tiruvannamalai. Arun attends Evening school everyday from 5PM to 8PM. He is the first generation learner in our family. We are not in a position to afford private coaching classes and our family members are not educated to help him in his studies.

Evening school conducted by Regenboog has a great influence in our community. All the children in our village are now guided by the teachers of evening school. My son now studies well with interest and he is now getting the best possible educational support. Teachers give good guidance and now he feels motivated to study and pursue his dreams. I sincerely thank Regenboog for this help to our community. I am confident that my son is in the right hands.















## **EDUCATION SUPPORT**



## **CASE STORY**

I am Muthalagzhi from Devnandal, Tiruvannamalai. I have 3 siblings in my family. Regenboog helped me to pursue Higher secondary education after 10th Standard. After schooling, I joined Government College for Undergraduate.Post Undergraduate, I was interested in taking up M.Sc Medical Physics and approached Regenboog for economic and moral support. Now, I am studying the wished course in Chennai.



"I thank Regenboog and all its donor for their generous support."



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# ENVIRONMENT

- To promote afforestation, trees are planted under the foothills of Arunchala hill before the onset of monsoon. Over 9000 saplings are preserved and cultivated in the nursery for this purpose. Plantation of trees are done in a massive scale with the help of forest department.
- During Summer, wildlife inhabitants of Arunachala 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 10 water shelters on the hill region of Arunachala to provide water until the onset of monsoon. With a total capacity of over 50,000 liters, animal regularly quench their thirst here.
- During the year 4 water ponds were built in and around Arunachala hills for wildlife habitats to quench the thirst.









## **PARVATHAMALAI CLEAN UP DRIVE**

Huge cleanliness drive was organised in Parvathamalai with 1000 volunteers. Usage of plastics by devotees in hills pollute the environment. With extraordinary support from Govt. machineries for 4 weeks, entire hills were made free from plastic and trash. Trash bins were placed in and around the hills for people usage. Parvathamalai cleanup was herculean task due to steepness of the mountain and harsh pathway to uphill. This is the first time a clean up drive was conducted in the history of Parvathamalai hill.



1,000+ volunteers 3500 ft

3000 KGS OF PLASTICS REMOVED 100 dust bins placed

## **NAVIRAM PARK**

"Naviram Park has separated people from their digital gadgets. Parents play along with their children and spend quality time with their loved ones. "



Walking Track for people to walk peacefully without any noise or disturbance



Public Stage for children to carry out stage shows and plays



Library, Innovative play equipements, Paintings & Sculptures depicting ancient literature & Science

## **CASE STORY**

I am Aishwarya. I have two children who are aged 8 and 3. Before this park, my children had no place to play and digital devices were their only entertainment. Now,we are a daily visitor to the Park in the morning. Children play actively in the play area and I am surprised to see them read books now and then from the library along with their friends. My aged in-laws, use the walkling track for daily exercise without noise or any traffic disturbance. This park has changed our lifestyle and habits of our family for good.



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## **FINANCIALS**

2019-20	2018-19
2,00,51,944	1,89,49,751
33,903	48,877
2,00,85,847	1,89,98,628
1,52,08,236	1,63,19,862
43,200	43,200
48,34,411	26,35,566
2,00,85,847	1,89,98,628
2019-20	2018-19
14,681	29,829
48,19,730	26,05,733
25,000	25,000
18,200	18,200
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48,77,612

TOTAL

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26,78,762

## **DISASTER RELIEF**



Regenboog India Foundation has been closely monitoring the COVID-19 situation since the outbreak of the virus in January 2020. We anticipated India's present situation in January 2020 and started to prepare us from then. Regenboog India is actively involved in fighting the virus with various government and private machineries in the following aspects:

- Public Awareness
- Support Government Agencies
- Resource Mobilization & Relief Measures



## CHOLAPURAM SCHOOL RENOVATION

## Cyclone hit school in dilapidated condition



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. The school renovation was taken as a post disaster relief work and it will be a gift for the students from Regenboog.

### **Renovated School**





# VISION 2020-21

we are more dependent on each other than we have ever have been



## EVENING SCHOOLS

With closure of schools due to lockdown, formal education for students is badly hit. Evening school helps children stay motivated and avoid them from being forced to discontinue education. Year 2020-21 is expected to be uncertain due to the pandemic. All project work has been hit and the entire focus and resources will be diverted to COVID -19 support and recovery. Regenboog will collaborate with all Government agencies in the district and provide necessary support in all ways possible.

Evening School will be started on a phased manner based on gauging the situation. Children are the worst hit due to lockdown especially girl students who are more vulnerable to domestic violence and child marriage.

Mobile Medical Clinic will continue to support Government health department. Mobile Library vehicles will be utilised for spreading awareness. Children who were part of Sarasvathi home will be monitored on a regular basis and provide them all utilities for their well being.



## "Together we can do great things"

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