

Highlight June 2024

1. Self-employment promotional exhibition.

Not forgetting the fact that the NTI is managed by volunteers their courage must be commended for successfully conducting the above exhibition at an unfamiliar area. While the whole NTI community was involved in this maiden public event, three volunteers ie; Thanushiya, Nilojinei and Kuhananathini must be congratulated for undertaking major responsibilities. They visited more than three places looking for ideal venue. Finally settled down with Sinhagiri (PVT) LTD at Chankanai.



The exhibition was inaugurated by both the Area manager and the Branch Manager, Sinhagiri, Chankanai on 17th June 24. About 25 NTI beneficiaries who are engaged in the self-employment business brought their products such as: curry & masala powder, 'Saththu ma', Mushroom, craft work, dresses, vegetables and plants.

NTI community members' 50 and passersby in the bazaar about 50 visited our exhibition. The cost of the exhibition should have been at least Rs; 150,000 but due to the hard work of every one it was only 40,000/

2. Visit of Dr.C.S.Canagarjah, USA.

Dr.Canagrajah has been a long serving partner and member of the NTI advisory Board and recently appointed the NTI Ambassador. He first visited us on 21.06, met the NTI Project Officers, POs, and prospective beneficiaries of the Killinochchi area at Karunanilayam.

Photos depicts the meetings at Karunanilayam and at the village Usilmpitty, Dharmapuram:

He conducted two separate Training and instruction sessions for POs and the Beneficiaries. He also had discussions with distinguished leaders like Principal of Hindu college Killinichchi, Asst director of Development T.Gurukulrajahprojects and former Minister of Education Honourable



The Team visited Usilampitty in Tharmapuram guided by Ms.Deka, a Govt School teacher. An in-depth Study and analysis was done and the community unanimously elected Ms.Vanaja. as the coordinator. She got all the prospective beneficiaries to fill the NTI self-employment form. As requested by the community agreed the NTI team to visit them for further planning meeting. They expressed their eagerness to participate in the NTI development activities. Also thanked the NTI team and Dr.R.S.Canagarajah for making the tedious journey.

3. Donation towards purchase of one Laptop.

Ms.Punithavathy Selvaratnam UK donated Rs; 100,476.90 for the purchase of i 3 HP laptop. NTI will now have two old PCs and two Laptops to service the IT studies. We sincerely thank Ms,Punitham for her magnanimous timely donation. Surely the students and the IT instructress will be grateful to her. The ICT teacher Ajanthini is getting ready for her class.



4. Project Officers training at NTI Main Centre Navaly.



Immediately after the Killnochchy program Dr. Canagarajah left for Colombo for personal reasons and next day returned to Jaffna on 25th to conduct the training session for POs at the NTI Main centre, Navaly. He left for Colombo the same day evening. NTI thank him for his dedication to serve the people.



POs and volunteers, 19 of them assembled at the centre benefited a lot by participating at his instructions group study and role plays. Finally they were asked to look back the day they joined the NTI and the present development they made tus far. It was emotional and enthusiastic testimonies. Jana said she was very shy person and when NTi considered her for the position of Project Officer, she was reluctant to accept and the Project Representative discouraged it. Jana spoke confidently on her leadership abilities and thanked the NTI. The Project representative who was present there commended on her personal development.

Another person said when NTI began its activities at his village in 2019 there were no teachers or Govt servants. Due to NTI activities many have got good passes in English language, two entered college of ducation, Two got care giver training at the Institute of Medial Science, Manipy. Five cycles were given in support of their work and studies both free and subsidised cost with instalment settlement.

Group work, outcome was presented and decided that Pasanithy and Prasanthini present their reports at a proposed Zoom meeting. A formal vote of thank you was expressed by Ms.Gowthami. Nithuson a male dancer, Tholpuram Branch spontaneously performed a dance in appreciation of Doctor's services. Dr.Canagarajah also responded and made a contribution of !000 UDS \$ that fetched Rs;307,000/



5. Ponnaga, North & Selvapuram Kilinochchi: Sponsor the partners of helping Hands. UK.

We thank partners of helping hands UK, for the financial support to provide economic development to two deserving communities namely Ponnagar and Selvapuram. There are 435 families and many of them are labourers and daily wage earners. Photos : issue of chicks:



Ms..Devika PO

6.. Planning zoom meetings and fellowships.

Zoom meetings with Project officers have become very popular and useful. We had four zoom meeting during 7.30 to 9.30pm. this month. An average of 15 POs attend the meetings and others report excuses. POs support identifying school leaders and unemployed to help them in self-employment and career guidance. This month we were able to visit six new villages this month and made them as an organised Branch to do our follow up activities. Pasanithy PO Puthumadam celebrated her birthday with the NTI community.



7. Supply of reconditioned cycle to deserving working women.

ISLF Project provided supply of five reconditioned cycles to be given on 50% subsidised cost to NTI Working students. Accordingly the fifth bicycle was provided to P.Thanushiya, NTI PO Moolai & a preschool teacher, at a subsidise cost of Rs;10,000, monthly instalment of Rs;1000/



8. Visit to new village at Moolai Central Vaddukodai.

The NTI team visited Moolai Central with the support of Branch Representative Uvatharshini. We provided necessary instructions on carrying out the NTI activities. Young members submitted applications seeking support in their self-employment and career pursuits. We have started a poultry project there and selected ten families. Aply assisted by Jana PO Pandavedai each family was given (1 male and 2 female) 3 birds. A few families were supplied with seeds and seedling to start the Home Garden project as well. .



9. Leadership Batch II

Sixth training session was held on 6th June with 17 participants including Palai and Killinchchi. As the program is nearing completion output from individuals are increasing. Every session has a new subject to motivate and participants volunteer to share their experiences. Gobinath provided leadership.



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