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VIDIYAL CHILD RIGHTS MOVEMENT

RECEPTION HOME
UNDER JUVENILE JUSTICE
(CARE AND PROTECTION)
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VISION

Every Right for Every Child

MISSION

Empowering children through Rights Based Approach

CORE BELIEF

We Believe in Children being the Present and Part of Building a Peaceful and Just Society



VIDIYAL

- *Celebrating Childhood, Championing Child Rights*
- *Ensuring Inclusion of the Excluded Children*
- *Striving for Social Justice*

FOUR FOLD INTERVENTION STRATEGY

Street Interventions
(Focus: Protecting the Rights of Street Connected Children and Children in Vulnerable Situations)

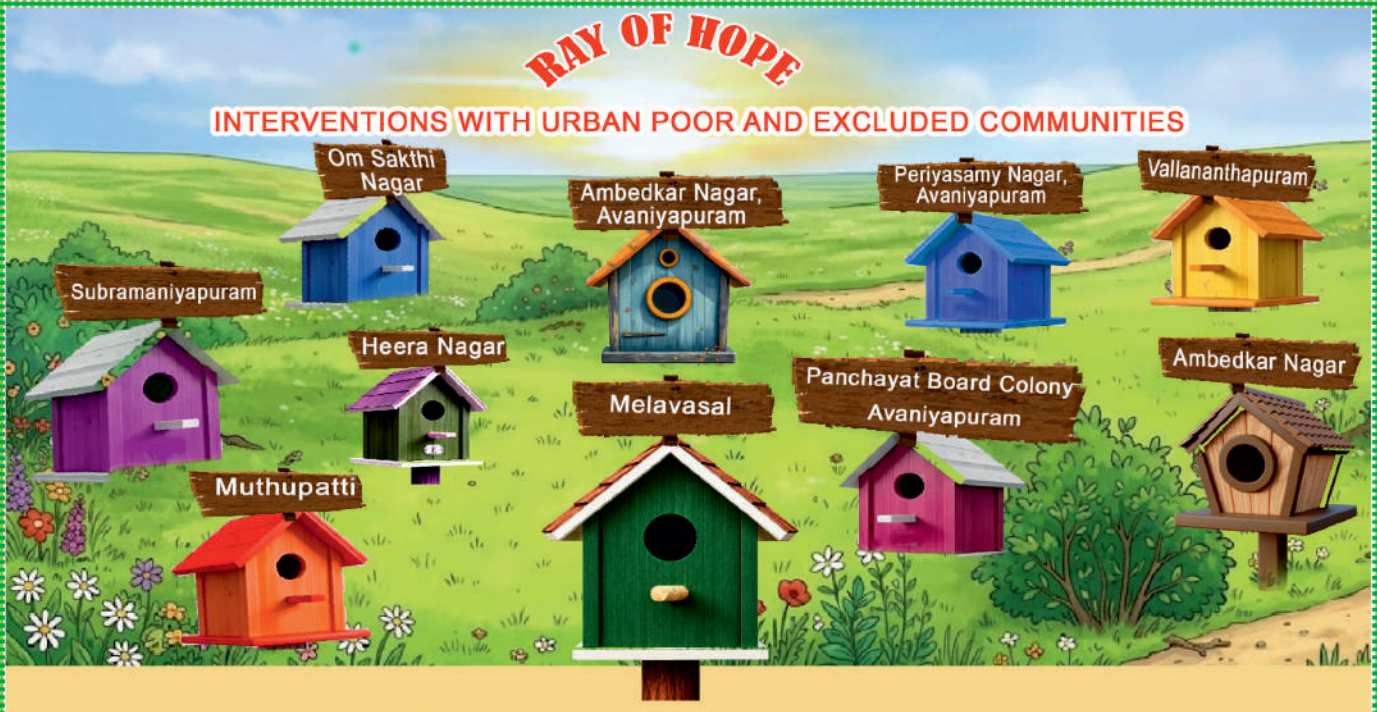
Shelter Home Interventions
(Focus: Rehabilitation of Children through Legal Measures)

Interventions in the Community
(Focus: Preventing Child Rights Violations and Empowering Children to Challenge Social Exclusion)

Societal Interventions
(Focus: Promoting a Culture of Child Rights among Stakeholders and Defending Child Rights)

RAY OF HOPE

INTERVENTIONS WITH URBAN POOR AND EXCLUDED COMMUNITIES



We work with ten socially excluded communities in the South Zone of Madurai to address child rights violations and social exclusion. Over the years, children, parents, and alumni have built a strong community-based 'safety net' for children. This network plays a vital role in protecting children and responding to threats to their rights—at home, in school, within the community, and in wider society. Together, they create safer spaces where children are supported, heard, and empowered.

CHILD RIGHTS AND DEVELOPMENT CENTRES

During the year, we closed Melavasal Centre 2, as the community space used for the centre was required for installing a water resource. At the same time, we expanded our reach by opening a new Child Rights and Education Centre in Om Sakthi Nagar, continuing our work through eleven centres. These centres provide safe spaces where children learn, grow, and express themselves. Children receive academic support through guided study, while forums, training programmes, and workshops build their skills, confidence, and overall development

CENTRE	BOYS	GIRLS	TOTAL
Main Centre	56	28	84
Muthupatti	27	19	46
Melavasal 1	26	14	40
Melavasal 2	21	14	35
HeeraNagar	11	9	20
Periyasamy Nager Avaniyapuram 1	19	14	33
Amedkar Naga Avaniyapuram 2	16	23	39
Panchayat Board Colony Avaniyapuram 3	10	11	21
Ambedkar Nagar	12	12	24
Subramaniyapuram	11	13	24
Vallanthapuram	25	18	43
Om Sakthi Nagar	33	34	67
Total	267	209	476



EXTENDING OUR REACH TO A NEW COMMUNITY



On 3 March 2026, we opened a new Child Rights and Education Centre in Om Sakthi Nagar, beginning our work in this new community. The centre provides children with a safe and supportive space for learning, participation, and development, extending our child rights and education work to more children and families.

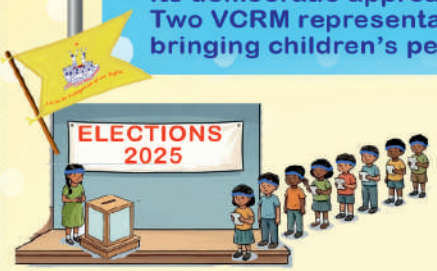


VIDIYAL CHILD RIGHTS MOVEMENT

AN ORGANIZATION OF CHILDREN LED BY CHILDREN FOR CHILDREN

Motto: Let us be Protagonists of our Rights

Celebrating its Silver Jubilee this year, the Vidiyal Child Rights Movement (VCRM) continues its journey as a vibrant, child-led movement in Madurai. Established in 2000, VCRM is a federation of children's forums from across our operational areas, providing children a platform to come together, lead, and speak up for their rights. Its democratic approach ensures equal leadership opportunities for girls and boys. Two VCRM representatives participate in Sakthi–Vidiyal's Managing Committee, bringing children's perspectives into organisational decisions.



On 29 June 2025, children elected VCRM representatives through a democratic process, with a contest for Secretary decided by majority vote. The President and Treasurer were elected unopposed, followed by a formal swearing-in ceremony. Elections were also held for children's forums, groups, and teams.

LEADERSHIP 2025 – 2026
Executive Committee

M.Gopinath - President
S. Dharshini - Secretary
P. Jegadheeswaran -Treasure
K. Viswakavi Member
M. Harshini Member
P. Nisha Member
K. Tharunprasanna Member

CHILDREN'S FORUMS

For many children, the 1 active children's forums are a first experience of belonging, participation, and leadership. A small membership subscription encourages ownership, while annual elections give children the opportunity to choose their leaders. Forum Heads represent their peers at quarterly Children's Council meetings, helping children develop confidence, decision-making skills, and a sense of collective responsibility from an early age.

CHILDREN'S COUNCIL

The Children's Council, VCRM's governing body, brings together representatives from all forums and groups every quarter. Children review ongoing programmes, plan activities, and contribute to decisions affecting the Movement. This democratic space strengthens their leadership, participation, collective thinking, and sense of shared responsibility.



Name of the Centre	Name of the Forum
Main Centre	Sirpihal
Main Centre	Vithaihal
Main Centre	Verhal
Melavasal - I	Poonthalir
Melavasal – II	Kutties
Heera Nagar	Chittukuruvi
Periyasamy Nagar - Avaniyapuram-1	Alaihal
Ambedkar Nagar - Avaniyapuram-2	Vannathupoochihal
Panchayat Board Colony - Avaniyapuram -3	Vannameengal
Subramaniyapuram	Malarhal
Ambedkar Nagar	Vannangal
Muthupatti	Deepangal
Muthupatti	Nila
Vallanthapuram	Sirahuhal
Omsakthi Nagar	Vairangal

UNDERSTANDING VIDIYAL CHILD RIGHTS MOVEMENT

The elected leaders of VCRM participated in an orientation programme on 13 July 2025, strengthening their understanding of the Movement and their leadership roles. At a subsequent consultation on 16 August 2025, the children took a significant decision to amalgamate the urban and rural VCRM and create a new structure. They also resolved to amend the Movement's by-laws to reflect these changes.

GENERAL BODY

Meeting every six months, the VCRM General Body reviews its forums, groups, and teams, recognising effective leadership and holding representatives accountable. These democratic spaces enable even younger children to question older members, express their views, and participate confidently in decisions, strengthening accountability and democratic values.



YOUNG FACILITATORS IN ACTION

This year, - children served as Young Facilitators, leading child rights education sessions for children's forums and proudly presenting VCRM's work during observation visits by voluntary organisations. Their

FOUR DIMENSIONS OF THE VIDIYAL CHILD RIGHTS MOVEMENT

1. FUN AND FELLOWSHIP



2. SELF - DEVELOPMENT



3. SERVICE TO OTHERS



4. ACTION FOR CHILD RIGHTS



1. FUN AND FELLOWSHIP ACTIVITIES

CELEBRATING DIVERSITY

At Vidiyal, we uphold secularism as a core value, reflecting the spirit of the Constitution of India and its rich pluralistic culture. Deepavali, Ramzan, Christmas, and Pongal were celebrated with children planning and organising the festivities. The Muhangal Volunteers' Forum took responsibility for the New Year celebration, fostering leadership, participation, responsibility, and togetherness among children.

Picnics and Outings



Beyond the classroom, children at Vidiyal explore new places through visits to trade houses, historical sites, and places of natural beauty. These outings broaden their horizons, encourage curiosity and learning, and offer opportunities for children to interact, connect, and grow together.

AGE GROUP	TRADE HOUSES	HISTORICAL SITES	PLACES OF NATURAL BEAUTY
Beginer	Vegetable Market	Gandhi museum	Science Park
Primary	Biscuit Company	Thirumalai Mannar Palace	Science Park
Junior	Fish Fram Visit	Arittapatti	Alanganallur water stream
Inter	Nursery Graden Visit	Keeladi	Rameswaram
Senior	-	-	Kolli Hills Trekking



TREKKING AND EXPLORING NATURE

12 girls and 15 boys from urban and rural communities trekked through Kolli Hills, embracing adventure, nature, and new challenges. The experience strengthened fitness, courage, teamwork, and confidence, while the children also enjoyed a refreshing bath in a natural waterfall.













25th CHILD RIGHTS FESTIVAL AND VCRM SILVER JUBILEE

The 25th Child Rights Festival, held on 22 June 2025 at St. Mary's Higher Secondary School under the theme "My Role in Realising Child Rights," brought children together for fun, games, food, and friendship. The afternoon session marked the Silver Jubilee of VCRM, featuring cultural performances and the release of a documentary tracing its 25-year journey. Dr. R. Ponnuram, Ms. M. Praveena, and Mr. A. J. Ashok, members of the Child Welfare Committee, Madurai, graced the celebration as guests of honour. Ten former VCRM Presidents were honoured, while children who held leadership roles during the year were recognised with mementos and prizes.



On 11 June 2025, Vidiyal celebrated the International Day of Play across its rural and urban centres and in 19 schools. Through games and participatory activities, 1,668 children celebrated the joy of play, creativity, imagination, and togetherness.



JOLLY CAMP

Theme:
'The Rising Voice for Rights,
Our Revolution Will Triumph'

1st to 10th May 2025
197 Boys & 137 Girls





CAMPING

Camping brings children together for an exciting shared experience, where friendships grow, new skills emerge, and learning happens naturally through fun, adventure, and exploration.



VIDIYAL CAMP

ANNUAL RESIDENTIAL CAMP, TIRUCHENDUR



Camp Title:
Aalkadal (Deep Sea) Camp

Theme: Stand Up for the Struggle,
Victory Will Always Be Yours

27th September to 1st October 2025
52 Boys and 45 Girls

International Day of the Girl Child

The International Day of the Girl Child was celebrated on 11 and 12 October at the Vidiyal Training Centre under the theme "The Girl I Am, The Change I Lead: Girls on the Frontlines of Crisis." The entirely girls' and women-led celebration highlighted girls' power, voice, and leadership through sessions, activities, songs, and a visit to Thiruparankundram Hillock. The programme was facilitated by Dr. G. Sharmila Jim, Ms. J. Angeline Devapriya, and Ms. P. Preethi, with support from Vidiyal's women volunteers and staff.








29th Pongal Sports Meet

Held on 4 January 2026, the 29th Pongal Sports Meet brought together 106 boys and 84 girls for a day of spirited competition, sportsmanship, unity, and joy. Winners were recognised with prizes for their achievements.

NATIONAL CHILDREN'S DAY







For the first time, children raised resources and independently organised National Children's Day celebrations in their respective centres on 14 November 2025. The celebrations reflected children's leadership, initiative, teamwork, and responsibility, while creating joyful spaces for fun, friendship, and togetherness.

CHILDREN'S FEST 2025

Held on 16 November 2025 at Madura College, Madurai, Children's Fest brought together 615 children from 25 socially excluded communities to mark International Child Rights Day. Under the theme "Listening to the Voices of Children," creative and participatory activities celebrated children's voices, creativity, and participation. Dr. Stephen Ignatious, Radio Jockey, graced the event as Chief Guest.




2. SELF-DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES

TRAININGS & WORKSHOPS FOR CHILDREN

Our quarterly trainings and workshops create opportunities for children to learn, practise, and grow. Designed around the Triangle of Succes - Knowledge, Skills, and Attitude, the programmes address children's cognitive, affective, and psychomotor development. Participatory methods encourage children to actively engage with ideas, build skills through experience, and develop positive attitudes that support their overall growth.

AGE GROUP	1st Term	1st Term	1st Term	1st Term
Beginer	Drawing with Impressions	Water play	Helping and Sharing	Know about shapes
Primary	Basics Of Drawing	Values and Responsibilities	Know about Plants	Team Building
Junior	Healthy Food Habits	Origami	Art and Crafts	Meaningful Hobbies
Inter	Life Skill Education-Effective Communication	Puppetry	Sexual Helth Intervention Programme (SHIP)	Life Skill Education Interpersonal Relatio
Senior	Right to Protection from Sexual Abuse	Leadership Qualities	Problem solving and decision making	Story Telling



7 O' CLOCK PROGRAMME

The 7 O' Clock Programme is a distinctive initiative of VCRM that engages children in structured learning activities from Monday to Friday. The programme combines songs, storytelling, reading, current affairs, child rights education, tablet-based learning, general knowledge, games, and dance. Through this enjoyable and informal learning space, children explore new ideas, develop their knowledge and skills, and learn alongside their peers.

CHILD RIGHTS EDUCATION

Children begin learning about child rights early through Snakes and Ladders, one of Vidiyal's flagship learning tools, available in eight languages. Older children explore child rights in their forums using Urimai Paathayil (On the Path of Rights), a child rights education manual developed by Vidiyal with a range of participatory tools, building knowledge, skills, and confidence to claim and defend their rights.

FORUMS FOR SKILL DEVELOPMENT

Skill Development Forums provide children with opportunities to explore their interests, strengthen their abilities, and discover their potential. Through varied learning experiences, children develop creativity, confidence, critical thinking, a scientific outlook, and public speaking skills, transforming their talents into

SCIENCE FORUM



The Science Forum makes science exciting through experiments, discussions, and hands-on exploration. It encourages children to question, observe, analyse, and discover, nurturing curiosity and a scientific outlook while connecting scientific learning with everyday life.

TAMIL FORUM

The Tamil Forum promotes children's interest in Tamil language and literature. Through storytelling, reading, and creative writing, children strengthen language skills, express themselves creatively, and deepen their cultural awareness.

WONDER OF SCIENCE

Held on 7 December at Vidiyal Training Centre, Wonder of Science engaged children in experiments, creative presentations, and scientist role-plays. **Ms. Abirami Sundari,** a renowned science teacher graced the event as Chief Guest, while Mr. Solaikannan, Regional Volunteer Coordinator, Agastya International Foundation appreciated children's innovative presentations using reused polythene.

TAMIL KONDATTAM

On 24 August 2025, over 240 children celebrated Tamil language and culture under the theme "தமிழே எங்கள் அடையாளம்" (Tamil is Our Identity). **Mr. R. Siva,** Tamil teacher and artist, inaugurated the celebration, which featured cultural activities, competitions, creativity, and teamwork.

RIPPLE CIRCLE

Boys – 53 Girls – 48

Ripple Circle, the thinkers' forum of the Vidiyal Child Rights Movement, provides children a space to explore social issues through discussion, nurturing critical reflection, lateral thinking, and greater social awareness.

- Police Custodial Killings and the Legal Rights of the Accused
- Understanding Geopolitics and the Impact of Wars on Children
- The Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015
- Choosing What I Eat Is My Basic Right
- The Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989
- Book Review – Ore Moli (Right to Language)
- Climate Change: Who Pays the Price—the Rich or the

THE MOVIE CLUB

The Image Media Club develops film appreciation and critique through screenings of socially relevant Tamil films, short films, documentaries, and internationally acclaimed world cinema.

Boys - 57
Girls - 36



- Short Film Festival
- Paranthu Po – Tamil Feature Film
- Nandhan – Tamil Feature Film
- Un Sac de Billes (A Bag of Marbles) - French World Cinema
- Manjolai - Documentary Film
- Akka Kuruvi - Tamil Feature Film
- The Shawshank Redemption - American World Cinema
- Sirai - Tamil Feature Film
- Tamil Short Films
- Vachathi - Documentary Film

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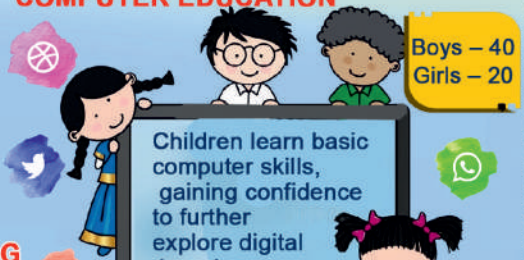
During the year, 215 children, including 121 boys and 94 girls, took part in 11 lively Bus Library sessions, discovering the joy of reading inside this unique library on wheels. The excitement continued on 13 September 2025, when 19 Library Management Team members visited the Madurai Book Fair and enthusiastically selected books for their library.

CAREER GUIDANCE



The Career Guidance Programme, held on 31 May 2025 at the Vidiyal Training Centre, was facilitated by Mr. Jesley Priyadharshan. Students from Grades 9 -12 explored goal setting, career pathways, and informed decision-making, while reflecting on their interests, aspirations, and skills to plan their future. Additionally, IT professional and Vidiyal well-wisher Mr. Ramesh conducted two online career guidance sessions for children who entered college this year.

COMPUTER EDUCATION



Boys – 40
Girls – 20

Children learn basic computer skills, gaining confidence to further explore digital learning.

DIGITAL MEDIA EDUCATION

Boys – 14
Girls – 12

Vidiyal strengthens children's digital skills, using technology as a tool to bridge inequalities, foster social inclusion, and enable meaningful participation in the digital world.

«Each one teach one.»

During the year, the Each One Teach One project enabled students of St. Joseph's Matriculation Higher Secondary School to conduct English classes for 32 Vidiyal children. Of six sessions, four were held at Vidiyal and two at St. Joseph's School, creating opportunities for children to enjoy the attention, encouragement, and companionship of the visiting students.

KABADDI COACHING



Twenty-eight boys learnt Kabaddi through coaching that strengthened physical fitness, teamwork, discipline, strategic thinking, confidence,



3. SERVICE ACTIVITIES FOR OTHER DISADVANTAGED GROUPS



Service projects give children opportunities to experience the joy and value of helping others. Younger VCRM members participate in clean drives within their communities, while adolescents take the lead in supporting disadvantaged groups, including residents of homes for the elderly and persons with intellectual disabilities.

CHILDREN'S FORUMS IN SERVICE





C.S.I RESIDENTIAL SCHOOL FOR CHIIDLREN WITH INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES – VITHAIHAL FORUM





CHRISTIAN SEVA SANGAM, A HOME FOR THE ELDERLY – SIRPIHAL FORUM





ST.JOSEPH'S SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND – VITHAIHAL FORUM





INBA ILLAM, A HOME FOR THE ELDERLY – DEEPANGAL FORUM





NEW CREATIONS, A HOME FOR ABANDONED WOMEN WITH MENTAL ILLNESS – VERHAL FORUM

DAY OF GIVING









The seventh day of the annual Jolly Camp is observed as the Day of Giving. Though from poor and marginalised communities, children contribute their pocket money and raise funds by organising stalls and games. This year, they raised Rs. 25,464/- for New Creations Trust, A Home for Abandoned Women with Mental Illness.

4. ACTIVITIES TO PROMOTE CHILD RIGHTS

CHILDREN'S THEATRE TROUP



The Vidiyal Children's Theatre Troupe brings together children with a passion for theatre, using the stage as a powerful voice for child rights and social change. This year, the troupe presented Koondu Kilihal (Caged Parrots) on online safety at the 25th Child Rights Festival, and Surukku (Noose), challenging caste discrimination, at Sakthi–Vidiyal's 32nd Anniversary.



CHILD NETWORKING

On 19 January 2026, Ms. S. Dharshini presided over the FCMRP Managing Committee Meeting held online.

CHILDREN'S VOICES SHAPING THE CURRICULUM

Extending their voices beyond local communities, Ms. S. Dharshini, a VCRM member and President of FCMRP, and M. Sachin from VCRM–Rural, a member of the FCMRP Executive Committee, represented Vidiyal at the State-level Children's Consultation of FCMRP, held on 31 January and 1 February 2026 at Youth Hostel, Adyar, Chennai, contributing to shaping Tamil Nadu's State school curriculum through recommendations to the Curriculum Designing Committee.







NATIONAL CONSULTATION OF CHILDREN: OUR DREAM - CHILD LABOUR FREE AND SAFE SPACES







Taking Vidiyal's voice to a national platform, Ms. M. Tamilarasi, President of VCRM–Rural, participated in the National Consultation of Children, held on 20 and 21 November 2025 at Viswa Yuvak Kendra, New Delhi. She joined children from across India in discussions on child labour free villages and child friendly safeguarding policies. Her first flight journey from Madurai to Delhi made the experience especially inspiring. Ms. J. Angeline Devapriya, Volunteer, accompanied her as Chaperon and Translator.

SPECIAL PROGRAMMES



Camp Mentor and Anchor:
Dr. Sujatha Rita
Camp Director:
Dr. C. Jim Jesudoss
Camp Organiser:
Mr. D. Arockiam
Camp Coordinator:
Mr. P. Chandran

The five-day Building Anew camp, held from 25 to 29 April 2025 at Pannaikadu, brought together 25 girls and 25 boys from Grades 8 to 12 across Vidiyal's Child Education Centres. Designed to challenge the notion of caste and affirm equity, the camp encouraged children to reflect on their beliefs, thoughts, and behaviours and become agents of change in their lives, families, schools, and communities. Through concept sessions and experiential activities, participants were encouraged to recognize their uniqueness, to rise beyond boundaries, barriers, and limitations, to recognize and embrace new possibilities, to understand that "not yet" means a continuing journey of growth, discovery, and learning, and to live a life ablaze with integrity.

The children's active participation reflected their readiness to work towards a just and equitable world.













SOCIAL AUDIT WORKSHOP

The Social Audit Workshop, held on 6 July 2025 at Vidiyal Training Centre, engaged 50 children in examining environmental challenges such as waste management, water scarcity, pollution, and loss of green spaces. Through discussions and activities, children identified local concerns, assessed services, and proposed solutions. Facilitated by Dr. C. Jim Jesudoss, Mr. D. Arockiam, and Mr. Ganesan, the workshop strengthened environmental responsibility and

VIDIYAL'S FIRST INTER-CENTRE KABADDI AND KHO-KHO TOURNAMENT

On 27 August 2025, Vidiyal hosted its first Inter-Centre Kabaddi and Kho-Kho Tournament for boys and girls at Madura College Ground. Knockout matches led to exciting finals, marked by sportsmanship and unity among rural and urban centres. Ms. T. Mary Anita, Sakthi–Vidiyal Board Member and Physical Education teacher and Mr.Dan, a well-wisher of Vidiyal awarded shields and cash prizes.









6TH NATIONAL CONSULTATION OF CHILDREN'S COLLECTIVES (NCCC)

The 6th National Consultation of Children's Collectives (NCCC), held from 22 to 24 May 2025 at Lady Doak College, Madurai, under the theme "Learning Together, Progressing Together," brought together 71 children and 31 adults from 23 collectives across 11 States and Union Territories.



Centred on the Preamble of the Indian Constitution and its constitutional values, the consultation explored child rights, digital media, and creative arts, including street theatre, folk dance, and mime, promoting child participation and leadership. Parul Sheth, Aditi Kaur, Kavita Ratna, Dr. C. Jim Jesudoss, Mr. Jesley Priyadharshan, and Vidiyal's young facilitators guided the programme.



A visit to the Meenakshi Temple, the play Kirumihal on caste discrimination, "Colours of India," and visits to Rameshwaram and Danushkodi enriched the experience. Organised by NFCP, hosted by VCRM, and facilitated by Sakthi–Vidiyal, the consultation reaffirmed children as equal participants in building a just and inclusive society.

















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5TH GRADUATION CEREMONY: CELEBRATING FIRST-GENERATION ACHIEVERS

Dreams, determination, and resilience took centre stage at Vidiyal's 5th Graduation Ceremony, held on 18 January 2026. 24 first-generation graduates and postgraduates from Vidiyal's partnering communities were honoured for overcoming caste, gender, and economic barriers. Their achievements celebrate personal perseverance and collective support, symbolising social inclusion and hope while inspiring children and young people to pursue education and a better future.

MEDIA DAY 2025

A new world of creativity and digital possibilities opened before Vidiyal children at their first Media Day, held on 12 July at Vidiyal Training Centre. A total of 200 children, including 113 boys and 87 girls, participated in the programme. Through storytelling, green screen experiences, filmmaking, vlog making, AI films, creative props, songwriting, and recording, children explored diverse media tools and skills, leaving inspired and thrilled.



RELEASE OF "CHILDHOOD MATTERS: A COLLABORATIVE SOCIAL AUDIT WITH CHILDREN



Children took centre stage at the release of "Childhood Matters: A Collaborative Social Audit with Children," held on 2 August 2025 at Gandhi Memorial Museum, Madurai. Entirely led by VCRM, the event showcased children sharing their audit experiences and insights. Ms. P. Premalatha, Chairperson of the Child Welfare Committee, Madurai District, released the report, affirming children's voices and leadership in civic processes.

BOYS STANDING FOR GENDER EQUALITY (BS4GE)

Boys came together to question inequality and take responsibility for creating social change through the two-day BS4GE programme, themed "Initiating Equality: Social Change is My Responsibility." Ms. B. Priya, Coordinator of the Tamil Nadu Labour Rights Federation, delivered the keynote address. Through discussions and creative activities, participants reflected on gender norms, privilege, stereotypes, and patriarchy, strengthening their commitment to building a gender-just world.



32ND ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

More than 800 people came together to celebrate Sakthi–Vidiyal's 32nd Anniversary on 25 January 2026 at Lady Doak College, Madurai. Under the theme "Towards a Society that Upholds the Dignity of Children," Ms. Puthukkottai Vijaya, Honourable Chairperson of the Tamil Nadu State Commission for Protection of Child Rights, and Advocate Fr. A. Santhanam delivered thought-provoking speeches. Vibrant dance performances showcased children's talents and voices, adding colour and energy to the meaningful occasion.






CELEBRATING EVERY MILESTONE, EVERY TALENT

Four endowed cash awards, established by families, recognise and encourage children and young people in their educational and personal journeys.

DR. G. GILBERT RAJKUMAR B.V.SC. MEMORIAL AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION

A total cash award of ₹38,750 was presented to 27 urban children, including 8 who passed the 10th Standard, 14 the 12th Standard, 3 who completed undergraduate studies, and 2 who completed postgraduate studies.





MR. G. SHAMNATHNATH RAJASEKARAN MEMORIAL AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION





A Total cash award of ₹29,000 was presented to 27 rural children, including 23 who passed the 10th Standard and 4 who passed the 12th Standard.

DR. G. GILBERT RAJKUMAR B.V.SC. MEMORIAL AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN THEATRE PERFORMANCE

Awarded to 14 members of the Children's Theatre Troupe, with a total cash award of ₹16,250





Mrs. B. ANANDHI MEMORIAL AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN SCIENCE





Awarded to 6 children in recognition of their excellence and achievement in science.



JENNIFER MEMORIAL AWARD

The Jennifer Memorial Award this year recognised Ms. M. Udhaya Vani, Animator, for her committed efforts in defending the rights of children from tribal and nomadic communities.



CHILD PARTICIPATION FOR CHILD RIGHTS PROTECTION (CPCRP)

After three successful years, the CPCRP Project entered its second phase. While Anupanadi–Susai Micheal Street was discontinued due to limited community participation, three new communities were added and another replaced it. The project now reaches 15 communities, with Child Rights and Development Centres and Children's Forums active in 14, while rapport-building continues in Sattayadi Colony.

CHILD RIGHTS AND DEVELOPMENT CENTRES

CENTRE	BOYS	GIRLS	TOTAL
Thanakankulam - Ambedkar Nagar	34	23	57
Mottamalai	20	32	52
Nilaiyur - Harijan Colony	28	27	55
Keelakuyilkudi	27	17	44
Gandhi Street	26	18	44
Anupanadi Susai Micheal Street	28	16	44
Panaiyur	48	34	82
Samanatham	27	21	48
Peungudi- Ambedkar Nagar	31	22	53
Valayankulam Colony	38	29	67
Perungudi - Sangaiya Kovil Street	35	34	69
Malaisamypuram	30	33	63
Thethankulam	25	22	47
Dr Kabir Nagar	47	23	70
Soundarapandiyan Nagar	35	40	75
Sattayadi Colony	23	29	52
Total	502	420	922

VIDIYAL CHILD RIGHTS MOVEMENT (Rural)

At the end of its first phase, VCRM–Rural stands firmly established, with children taking ownership of their platform and participating actively in forums and spaces such as the Gram Sabha. This year, children resolved to amalgamate VCRM–Rural with VCRM–Urban, creating one united Children's Movement.

CHILD FORUMS

Child Forums	
Name of the Child Education Centre	*Name of the Forum*
Thanakankulam - Ambedkar Nagar	Chitrangal (Paintings)
Mottamalai	Arputhangal (Wonders)
Nilaiyur - Harijan Colony	Muthukkal (Pearls)
Keelakuyilkudi	Padaipuhal (Creations)
Gandhi Street	Ithalgal (Petals)
Anupanadi Susai Michel Street	Mehangal (Clouds)
Panaiyur	Panai Marangal (Palm Trees)
Samanatham	Nathigal (Rivers)
Peungudi- Ambedkar Nagar	Mottuhal (Buds)
Valayankulam Colony	Meengal (Fishes)
Perungudi- Sangaiya Kovil Street	Malai Saral (Drizzle)
Malaisamypuram	Viluthuhal (Aarial Roots)
Thethankulam	Pattampuchigal (Butterflies)
Dr Kabir Nagar	Suvadugal (Impressions)
Soundarapandiyan Nagar	Natchathirangal (Stars)
Sattayadi Colony	

LEADERSHIP 2025 - 2026 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Name	
M.Tamilarasi	President
M.Pandi Selvi	Treasurer
A.Munishwari	Member
B.Shiyamala Priya	Member
M.Jeyadevi	Member
M.Nagamuthu	Member

CHILDREN'S VOICES, CHILDREN'S CHOICES

In June 2025, children contributed to developing the CPCRP Project Proposal for its second phase. Through brainstorming, they shared their views, ideas, and aspirations, demonstrating how children's participation can meaningfully shape decisions that affect their lives.



NEW VIDIYAL CHILD RIGHTS AND DEVELOPMENT CENTRES INAUGURATED

Expanding Vidiyal's reach to children in socially excluded communities, four new Vidiyal Child Rights and Development Centres were inaugurated on 25 November 2025 at Gandhi Street, Vilacheri; Panaiyur; Sangaiya Kovil Street, Perungudi; and Sattayadi Colony, Sakkimangalam.

SKILL DEVELOPMENT FORUMS

FORUMS AND TRAINING SESSIONS ACROSS THE 15 CENTRES

RIPPLE CIRCLE

Boys - 159
Girls -183
Total - 342

As the thinkers' forum of the Vidiyal Child Rights Movement, Ripple Circle provides children space to explore and analyse social issues. Through periodic discussions, it nurtures lateral thinking, critical reflection, and social sensitivity, encouraging children to understand the world around them.

- Understanding Geopolitics and the Impact of Wars on Children
- Tamilnadu State Child Policy
- The Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015

DRAWING FORUM

Boys -238
Girls- 225
Total -463

- Colour Mixing
- Colouring Tools
- Natural Colours
- Human Figures

The Drawing Forum develops young talents and strengthens drawing

STREET THEATER

Boys - 228
Girls - 227
Total = 455

Through three street theatre sessions, children explored creative expression, raised social issues, and developed confidence in communication and

Folk Dance

Boys - 233
Girls - 252
Total = 485

Through three sessions, children learned Lezim and Maankombattam, developing rhythm, coordination, cultural appreciation, and confidence through folk dance.



The following celebrations were observed across the 15 Child Rights and Development Centres, bringing children together in an atmosphere of joy, participation, and togetherness. Through these occasions, children experienced India's diverse cultural traditions and pluralistic religious fabric, celebrated family bonding and childhood, and actively participated in planning and organising the celebrations.

- Children's Day
- Mother's Day
- Father's Day
- Deepavali
- Pongal
- Christmas
- Ramzan

CLUSTER LEVEL QUARTERLY TRAININGS AND WORKSHOPS

Term	Beginner	Primary	Junior	Intermediate	Senior
1	Sand Play	Story telling	Healthy Food Habits	Geder Sensitization	
2	My Likes and Feelings	Art from Waste	Origami	Filling Forms	
3	Colouring	Team Building	Meaningful Hobbies	Communication	Protection from Abuse
4	Listening to stories	Protection from sexual Abuse	Art and Craft	Puppetry	Story Teller



JOLLY CAMP



The 3rd Jolly Camp for rural children, held from 18 to 20 May 2025 at the Vidiyal Campus, Muthupatti, brought together 59 boys and 63 girls. Blending fun with learning, the camp featured team-building activities, inspiring biographies, and opportunities for children to explore, collaborate, discover new skills, and enjoy meaningful experiences together.

PICNIC and OUTING

S.No	Nature of Picnic	Place
1.	Historical Place	Alagar Kovil
2.	Natures Bounty	Anaipatti
3.	Historical Place	Gandhi Museum





REFRESHING JOLLY CAMP: A NEW LEARNING JOURNEY

A six-member team led by Dr. C. Jim Jesudoss, comprising Mr. D. Arockiam, Mr. S. Anil Godwin Kumar, Mr. J. James, Mr. M. Anbu, and Mr. P. Baskar, critically reviewed the existing Jolly Camp First-Year Syllabus and developed 10 modules for each of five age groups-Beginner, Primary, Junior, Intermediate, and Senior-bringing fresh learning experiences to children.

VOICES OF THE CONSTITUTION FELLOWSHIP

The Voices of the Constitution Fellowship seeks to deepen practice of constitutional values across 25 urban and rural areas in Madurai District. It empowers fellows and communities to uphold rights, strengthen inclusion and social justice through a constitutional lens. Launched in February 2026, an orientation workshop set it in motion.



FROM RIGHTS TO ACTION

Fellows translated constitutional values into action through interventions addressing basic amenities, entitlements, school and legal issues. They also promoted constitutional values through community and institutional awareness programmes and created forums that fostered dialogue, participation, and collective action.

Communities Reached	Total No of Interventions	Community Awareness & Promotion of Constitutional Values			Institutional Awareness Program on Constitutional Values		Creating Forums	
		Number of Programme	Children	Adult	Venue	Beneficiaries	Forums	Members
25	270	56	106	296	1	30	3	66

COMMUNITY AWARENESS
LET THE VOICES OF CHILDREN BE HEARD

ENGAGING WITH STAKEHOLDERS

A creative community awareness initiative reached 1,022 children and adults across 12 communities, amplifying children's voices. Through a symbolic public wall activity, children invited community members to leave colourful palm prints, expressing solidarity with children and their right to be heard.

MOTHER'S FORUM

The Mothers' Forum created a space for 251 mothers across 15 centres to come together quarterly and engage in discussions on parenting and child development. The forums strengthened shared learning and support among mothers, while Mothers' Day offered a joyful occasion to celebrate and appreciate their love and contribution.

FATHER'S FORUM

The Fathers' Forum brought together 139 fathers from 15 centres for quarterly discussions on fathering and child rights. These gatherings encouraged fathers to reflect on their role in their children's lives, while Fathers' Day provided a special occasion to recognise and celebrate their care, guidance, and contribution.

These forums strengthened family relationships, encouraged positive parenting, and fostered a caring environment where children could grow and thrive.

BOTH FORUMS ADDITIONALLY PROVIDED INPUTS ON:

- Women in Media and Gender Stereotypes
- Securing Identity and Entitlement Documents
- Our Dreams, Our Decisions, Our Future
- Breaking Gender Bias at Home

Peer Learning Session

S.no	Topic	Number of programmes	Participants	Total	Grand Total
1.	Awareness Campaign by Children	14	Children	634	1339
			Adult	705	
2.	Introduction to Child Rights	14	Children	142	142
3.	Child Rights through Snakes and Ladders	14	Children	122	122
4.	Right to Protection	14	Children	135	135
5.	Right to Development	14	Children	173	337
			Adult	164	

PEER LEARNING SESSIONS

VCRM children conducted five Peer Learning Sessions across 14 communities, sharing child rights knowledge and experiences while strengthening their leadership, facilitation, communication, and





GRAMA SABAI

Children demonstrated that they are citizens of today by actively participating in 41 Grama Sabai meetings across 11 Panchayats covering 14 communities. They submitted petitions seeking street lights, cleaner and better-maintained community spaces, and other basic needs, asserting their voices before local authorities and collectively demanding action and solutions for their communities.

STRENGTHENING GRASSROOT MECHANISMS FOR CHILD RIGHTS PROTECTION

Child Rights Protection Task Force (CRPTF)

The 14-member CRPTF, established across 15 communities, brings together children, local government functionaries, and community representatives to identify, report, and respond to child rights violations. Four capacity-building programmes strengthened their knowledge of prevention, intervention, rehabilitation, mandatory reporting, and goal setting, enabling them to collectively build a stronger safety net for children at the village level.



Awareness in Schools on Child Rights and Protection from Substance Abuse

Reaching beyond Vidiyal's communities, awareness sessions in two schools engaged 1,136 children in understanding child rights and the importance of protection from substance abuse. The sessions encouraged children to become better informed, make safer choices, and develop the resilience to protect themselves and support others.

CHILD COUNSELLING

Providing timely psychological support to children who need it, Vidiyal's individual and group counselling services help them understand and address their concerns, develop healthy coping strategies, and strengthen their ability to resolve challenges. Group sessions addressed healthy food habits, managing examination anxiety, meaningful participation in Vidiyal programmes and activities, and the risks associated with mobile phoneaddiction.

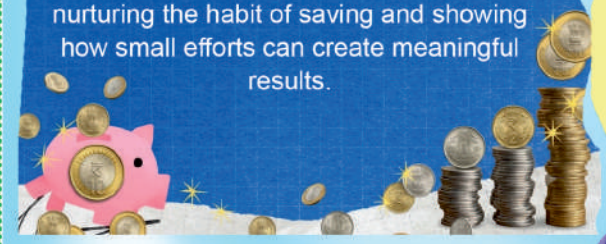
COUNSELLING AT CHILD RIGHTS AND EDUCATION CENTERS

Individual Counselling		Group Counselling
Boys	Girls	
4	8	4



PIGGY BANK

Big lessons begin with small savings. During the year, 276 Vidiyal children contributed ₹46,176 to the Piggy Bank, nurturing the habit of saving and showing how small efforts can create meaningful results.



Promoting timely care and informed health choices, Vidiyal supports children and families in understanding health issues and accessing appropriate services. With the support of Dr. Navaneethan of Gowri Nursing Home, 31 boys and 14 girls received special health care. P.Anbarasan S.Surya Narayanan, M.Nishanthini, and P.Senthilnathan also received emergency treatment for various ailments, safeguarding their health and well-being.

FATHERS' FORUM

This year, 71 fathers came together for bi-monthly meetings, creating space to reflect on fatherhood and share child-rearing responsibilities at home, marking a positive step in strengthening their engagement in their children's

MOTHERS' FORUM

The Mothers' Forum continued to create space for 246 mothers to learn, share, and support one another as primary caregivers. Monthly meetings explored finance management, communication, dreams and aspirations, children's issues, health, and online safety. On 7 March 2026, 31 mothers enjoyed a refreshing trip to Kanyakumari, organised in recognition of their regular participation.

CELEBRATING WITH ELDERS

Joy, laughter, and companionship filled Vidiyal as elders from socially excluded communities came together on two special occasions. They enjoyed singing, dancing, and reconnecting with friends, followed by a sumptuous meal. A thoughtfully chosen take-home gift added warmth to the celebrations, leaving the elders with happy memories and a sense of being valued and included.

Date	Grandfathers	Grandmothers	Total
13.08.2025	9	76	85
08.01.2026	9	93	102



TAILORING TRAINING

Twenty-five women from two batches successfully completed the six-month tailoring course this year and received certificates. Of them, 23 received matching grants to acquire sewing machines for self-employment.

RECEPTION HOME

Since 2004, Sakthi - Vidiyal has been running the Reception Home under the Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act. Children are admitted into judicial custody through orders of the Child Welfare Committee, Madurai District Court, and the Madras High Court, Madurai Bench. Independence Day and Republic Day were also celebrated with due significance and enthusiasm.

Individual Counselling
Boys - 38
Girls - 121

Group Counselling - 73

COORDINATION COMMITTEE MEETING

Dr. G. Sharmila Jim, Director – Child Protection and Ms. P. Preethi, Superintendent represented Sakthi–Vidiyal at the Coordination Committee Meeting held on 8 August 2025, chaired by the District Collector. The meeting focused on strengthening inter-departmental coordination for child care and protection.

- Karate Class
- Aerobics Class
- Drums Class
- Yoga Class

Admission
Boys - 89
Girls - 243
Total - 332

Medical Care
Boys - 17
Girls - 55

Sexual Health Intervention Programme
Boys - 24
Girls - 32

Medical Camp - 4

Celebrations - 8

Restoration
Boys - 91
Girls - 232

Home Management Committee Meetings - 4

Welcome Kit
Boys - 86
Girls - 232

Case Study

A 16-year-old girl, Pavithra (name changed to protect identity), experienced repeated sexual abuse after leaving home while in a relationship. She sought police assistance, was rescued, and placed in Sakthi-Vidiyal Reception Home. A POCSO Act case was registered, and the alleged perpetrator remanded. Following her father's death, reportedly influenced by stigma surrounding the circumstances, she received grief and trauma-informed counselling and was restored to Sevashram Children's Home for the continuation of her eduzation.

Trainings & Workshops
Children's Forum Meetings
Child Rights Education
De Addiction Class

NHRC Member's Visit

Smt. Vijaya Bharathi Sayani, Member, National Human Rights Commission (NHRC), visited the Reception Home on 8 April 2025 and appreciated the standards of care and protection provided to the children. She noted the children's happiness and the quality of food and health care, and commended the dedicated efforts of the team.



Human Resource Development

Behind Sakthi - Vidiyal's work is a committed team of staff and volunteers. Guided by the HR Policy, PoSH Policy, and Child Policy, they work within a framwork that promotes professionalism, safety, and respect for children's rights. Every new member commits to safeguarding principles, while opportuties for learning and skill development support their cotinued growth and commitment.

Trainings for Staff and Volunteers 2025 -2026

Online

- Compliance and Governance: Understanding FCRA, organized by Rebuild India Fund
- Finance and Compliance Challenges of Social Sector Organisations, organised by Azim Premji University
- Lift-Off: Civil Society and the Future of Measuing What Matters, organized by Rebuild India Fund
- Communications for Fundraising – Digital Engagement with Donors, organized by Rebuild India Fund

In-Person

- Jolly Camp Leadership Development
- Building Anew Camp Leadership Development
- Essential Skills for Working with Adolescents
- Child Rights, Child Participation, and the Geopolitics of War and Its Impact on Children, FPCP, Avinashi
- Human Rights of Women in India and Laws Preventing Violence Against Children in Workplaces, SOCO Trust, Madurai
- Protecting the Rights of Adolescent Labourers and the Role of Voluntary Organisations, CACL, South Zone, Ramanathpram
- Prevention Mechanisms to Address Violence Against Women, IDEAS, Madurai
- Understanding Constitution of India
- Positive Disciplining (violence free) Techniques for Desired Behaviour Modification in Children.
- Strengthening Facilitation Skills for Meaningful Engagment



The year also offered time to pause, connect, and celebrate. The New Year Meet and March get-together recognised contributions, while a two-day trip to Ooty brought relaxation, fellowship, and joyful moments in appreciation of their dedicated service.

Vidiyal Alumni – The Olirum Muhangal (Radiant Faces)

Our alumni continue to carry Vidiyal's spirit of change into new spaces and generations. They support Vidiyal by mobilising community resources, organising programmes, and contributing financially when needed. At Melavasal, they organised a sports event and supported the 5th Graduation Ceremony on 18 January 2026. Through their Jolly Camp interaction themed "Our Rise," they inspired children to challenge caste barriers. Two alumni serving on Sakthi - Vidiyal's Board reflect meaningful community participation in its governance.



VOLUNTEERS 2025-2026

1.	S.Sophiya	- President
2.	M.Jeyasri	- Secretary
3.	P.Madhan	- Treasurer

4. P.Aarthi	18. M.Chellapandi
5. V.Santhiya	19. B.Umar Faruk
6. V.Ponuthai	20. K.Janarthanan
7. G.Muthulakshmi	21. P.Marimuthu
8. A.Hari Prasath	22. M.Yogesh
9. G.Abi Sakthi	23. M.Rishi
10. P.Nivetha	24. G.Suryamoorthi
11. S.Meenakshi	25. G.Suriya Narayanan
12. S.Surebiya	26. S.Atheeswaran
13. V.Ragavi	27. B.Kannan
14. M.Uma devi	28. P.Raviraj
15. P.Kabilan	29. P.Muthupandi
16. M.Senthil Murugan	30. P.Dhivakar
17. G.Senthil Murugan	31. P.Arun
	32. V.Vasanth



VOLUNTEERS FORUM THE MUHANGAL

The journey with Vidiyal continues well beyond school. After completing their eduction, Vidiyal children step into the Vounteers Forum, bringing their time, energy, knowledge, skills, and talents to support Child Rights and Development and Education Centres and organise activities. With guidance and mentoring, their commitment grows into meaningful action while pursuing their dreams and aspirations.

WELCOMING NEW VOLUNTEERS: ORIENTATION AND INTERNSHIP PROGRAMME

Children joining the Volunteers Forum are welcomed by senior volunteers and participate in a one-and-a-half-day orientation programme covering self-discovery, volunteerism, roles, expectations, conduct, boundaries, and safeguarding commitments. The proposed year-long internship provides hands-on experience at Child Rights and Development and Education Centres, complemented by 22 structured trainings, workshops, and book-reading

GARDEN WORK

Throughout the year, Vidiyal volunteers lovingly tended and maintained the gardens at the Vidiyal Campus. Their dedicated efforts in nurturing the green spaces were warmly appreciated and rewarded with a special treat.

STAFF TEAM

Dr. C. Jim Jesudoss Executive Director

DEPARTMENT OF CHILD DEVELOPMENT

1	Mr.D.Arockiam	- Director Child Development
2	Mr.P.Chandran	- Academic Trainer
3	Mr.K.Gopal	- Student Counselor
4	Ms. A. Annie Juliana	- Counsellor - Urban
5.	Ms.B.Palaneeswari	- Field Coordinator
6.	Ms.K.Subhashini	- Street Educator
7.	Mr. B. Anto Valan Arasu	- Street Educator
8.	Ms. S.Sudha	- Accountant
9	Ms. K. Rakku	- Part Time tailoring Instructor

DEPARTMENT OF CHILD PARTICIPATION

1.	Mr.S.Anil Godwin Kumar	- Project Director
2.	Mr. R. Monika	- Programme Lead
3.	Mr.M.Anbu	- Project Coordinator
4.	Mr.P.Baskar	- Cluster Coordinator
5.	Mr.J.James	- Cluster Coordinator
6.	Ms.B.Mareeswari	- Cluster Coordinator
7.	Mr.S. Manikandan	- Case Worker - Data and Information Systems
8.	Ms.P.Jenifer	- Accountant

DEPARTMENT OF SCHOOL AND MEDIA EDUCATION

1.	Mr.J.Jesley Priyadharshan	- Director School &Media & Education
2.	Mr.M.Ganesan	- Media Communication Trainer

DEPARTMENT OF CHILD PROTECTION

1	Dr.G.Sharmila Jim	- Director - Child Protection
2.	Ms.P. Preethi	- Superintendent
3.	Mr.P.Uthaya Kumar	- Child Welfare Officer
4.	Ms. M. Pritha	- Counselor
5.	Ms.P.Anusuya	- Store keeper cum Accountant
6.	Mr.I. Gowtham	- House Father
7.	Ms. M. Chandra	- House Mother
8.	Ms.U.Rajeswari	- Paramedical Staff
9.	Ms. M. Sasikala	- Educator
10.	Mr.M.Ganesan	- Art & Craft cum Music Teacher
11.	Ms.N.Mahalakshmi	- PT cum Yoga Trainer
12.	Ms.P.Janaki	- House keeper
13.	Ms. M. Jeyalakshmi	- Cook
14.	Ms. S. Thangam	- Cook
15.	Mr.P.Muniyasamy	- Security
16.	Ms.M.Nagarathinam	- Security - Woman

INTERNSHIP

INTERNS

1. Ms.S.Izza Maryam - Lady Doak College
2. Ms.T.Madhumitha - Lady Doak College
3. Mr.P.Sam Daniel - The Tamilnadu Theological Seminary
4. Mr.M.Hariharasudhan - Kalasalingam Academy of Research and Education
5. Mr.K.Santhosh kumar - The Tamilnadu Theological Seminary
6. Mr.S. Joseph Dhakshnamoorthi - The Tamilnadu Theological Seminary
7. Mr.S.Arun Prasath - Madurai Institute of Social Sciences
8. Mr.S.Karthikeyan - Madurai Institute of Social Sciences
9. Mr.J.Theyaneswar - Xavier Institute of Management and Entrepreneurship, Kochi
10. Mr.R.Abishek - Madurai Institute of Social Sciences
11. Mr.M.Sudharsan - The American College
12. Mr.V.Abdul Salam - The American College

EXPOSURE VISITS AND ORIENTATION PROGRAMMES

Staff Team	- Rupantaran Foundation, Kolkata - April 2025
1St MSW	- Fatima College - July 2025
3rd B.Sc., Nursing & 1st M.Sc., Nursing	- Madurai Medical College - August 2025
2nd BSW	- Madurai Institute of Social Sciences (MISS) - August 2025
Staff & Children Team	- People's Association for Development (PAD) - August 2025
1st MSW	- Lady Doak College - September 2025
2nd BSW & 1st MSW	- Mannar Thirumalai College – September 2025
1st MSW	- Madurai Institute of Social Sciences (MISS) – September 2025
Children & Staff	- Delhi World Public School, Paravai – October 2025
Trainees-	- NISD Training on Special Services for Child Engaged in Begging,MISS – November 2025
B.A Commerce	- The American College – December 2025
Staff Team	- Rainbow Homes Program, Hyderabad – January 2026

Academic Success SUCCESS RECORD

	Boys	Girls	Total
10th Std	3	5	8
12th Std	9	5	14
UG	1	2	3
PG	-	2	2

URBAN

RURAL

	Boys	Girls	Total
10th	18	11	29
12th	3	1	4



A NEW PARTNERSHIP FOR LEARNING AND COLLABORATION

A Memorandum of Understanding was signed with the Department of Social Sciences, Lady Doak College, on 19 February 2026, enabling collaboration in internships, training, conferences, seminars, workshops, cultural programmes, research and educational initiatives. The partnership envisages developing Value Added and Certificate Courses on Child Rights and Protection from Child Abuse.

On 24 March 2026, Dr. C. Jim Jesudoss served as External Examiner for the Field Work Viva Voce of the Department of Social Work, Lady Doak College.



COMMITTEE ON PREVENTION OF SEXUAL HARASSMENT (POSH)

Sakthi–Vidiyal's PoSH Committee meets quarterly to review practices and uphold a safe, respectful, and arassment-free workplace in accordance with the PoSH Act, 2013.

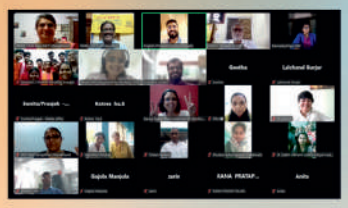
Networking

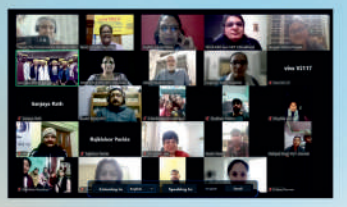
From local action to wider influence, Sakthi–Vidiyal connects with networks that advance children's rights, strengthen child protection, and shape policy and practice. Our engagement goes beyond participation—we contribute knowledge, leadership, documentation, advocacy, and collective action to the wider child rights movement.

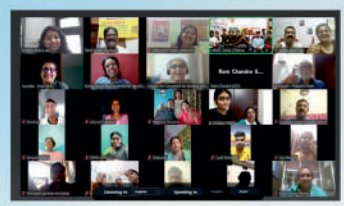
At the state level, Dr. C. Jim Jesudoss serves on the Executive Committee of the Forum for Promotion of Child Participation (FPCP), contributes to its Facilitation Task Force, and leads its Documentation Task Force. Mr. D. Arockiam serves as District Convenor of the Campaign Against Child Labour (CACL).

At the national level, Dr. Jim Jesudoss serves as State Convenor of NACG-EVAC's Tamil Nadu Chapter, a member of its Executive Committee, and facilitator of the Child Participation thematic group. As a founding member of NFCP, we bring Vidiyal's experience of child-led participation to the national platform.

ANKUR YOUNG PERSONS' PEER LEARNING SESSIONS







Vidiyal children participated in three virtual Ankur Young Persons' Peer Learning Sessions. The 5th session, "Cycle of Celebrations - Children Leading the Celebration of Change to End Gender Inequities and Violence in their Communities," held on 13 May 2025, was presented by Shakti Sanyog from West Bengal, facilitated by Praajak, exploring how celebrations can advance gender justice, child rights, and collective leadership.

The 6th session, "Creating Safe Spaces for Every Child - Participation That Drives Change," held on 8 January 2026, was presented by Bal Adhikar Sangharsh Sanghathan (BASS), Maharashtra, and facilitated by YUVA. The session showcased how children use their collective voice to highlight and secure their protection and participation rights in settlements across Mumbai.

The 7th session, "Power of Play: Kicking Out Gender Norms & Child Marriage through Sports for Development" on 26 June 2025, was presented by children's collectives from Rajasthan, facilitated by Mahila Jan Adhikar Samiti (MJAS), highlighting how sports can challenge gender norms and child marriage.



ONE BILLION RISING

FOLK DANCE PERFORMANCE ON CHILD RIGHTS

On 14 February 2026, Vidiyal children performed two folk dances at the One Billion Rising event organised by EKTA, using the power of folk art to express and promote child rights.

Rebuild India partners Meet

Actively contributing to the Rebuild India Partners Meet, we participated in planning discussions, co-created the design, and curated the sessions. Dr. C. Jim Jesudoss and Mr. J. Jesley Priyadharshan represented the organisation at the meet held on 19 July 2026 in Chennai. We also participated in piloting Rebuild India's annual survey.

Rebuild India – Peer Assessment

It is an honour for Dr. C. Jim Jesudoss to contribute as a member of Rebuild India's Peer Assessment Team. Following the orientation programme, he assessed the following organisations during the year.

- Ritham Charitable Trust, Rajapalayam
- ARVI Trust, Dindigul
- Samartha Trust, Bangalore
- Valarkuzhanthai Trust, Thiruvidaikazhi

CONFERENCES, CAMPAIGNS, SEMINARS, WEBINARS, CONSULTATIONS AND MEETINGS 2025 – 2026

Our team actively engaged in the following platforms, bringing child rights perspectives to important discussions, deliberations, and processes that shaped meaningful outcomes.

Online

- Working Group Meeting: Village-Led, Community-Led Intervention Model, Bal Suraksha Collective
- Meeting with Soroptimist International
- Observance of Anti Child Labour Day, NACG-EVAC, India
- Interview by Aspire Circle
- General Assembly, Bal Suraksha Collective
- Vidiyal's Model of Child Participation for Child Rights Protection, APF Partners, Manipur
- Child Rights Education Programme, Vaanmuhil
- Selecting Thematic Leads, NACG-EVAC, Tamilnadu Chapter
- Aspiration Building, Rebuild India

In Person

- Consultation on Creating an SOP for CWCs to Deal with POCSO Cases, Department of Children Welfare and Essential Services, Chennai
- State-Level Consultation on the Integrated Training Centre for Social Empowerment, organised by the Department of Children Welfare and Special Services, Chennai
- Foundation Day, IDEAS, Madurai
- World Day Against Child Labour, CACL, Chennai
- Consultation on Violence Against Children, organised by the Tamil Nadu State Commission for Protection of Child Rights (TN SCPCR), Chennai
- Child Protection Mechanisms in India and Abroad, organised by HOPE, Chennai
- Motivational Speech for Tailoring Students, St. Thomas Charitable Trust, Madurai
- Constitution of India and Voices for Our Rights, IDEAS, Madurai
- Panel on "Rise and Restore: A Dialogue on Mind and Self," Gender Champions Club, Department of Women's Studies, Lady Doak College, Madurai
- Interview with Ms. Nakamura Mari, Research Fellow, Institute of Developing Economies, Japan
- Stakeholders Review Meet, Vaanmuhil, Madurai
- Women's Day, EKTA, Madurai

TRAININGS AND WORKSHOPS 2025 - 2026

Members of our staff team served as resource persons in the following trainings and workshops, sharing their expertise with both government departments and civil society initiatives.

In-Person

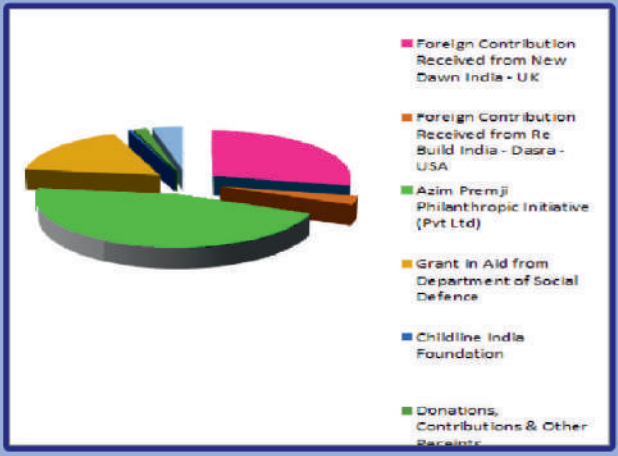
- Prevention of Sexual Abuse and the POCSO Act for Students, facilitated at Vidhyandham Trust, Dindigul
- Folk Dance – Kaliyalattam and Oyilattam, and Street Theatre, Society for Serving Humanity (SSH), Sempatti
- Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015 and POCSO Act, 2012, Police In-Service Training Centre, Madurai
- Safety of Women as Victims, Police In-Service Training Centre, Dindigul
- The Geopolitics of War, Its Impact on Children and Responses from Child-Focused Organisations and International Bodies, Forum for Promotion of Child Participation (FPCP), Tamilnadu, Avinashi
- Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015 and POCSO Act, 2012, Police In-Service Training Centre, Madurai
- POCSO Investigation Skills, Police In-Service Training Centre, Dindigul
- Crimes Against Children, Police In-Service Training Centre, Madurai
- Child Rights Protection and Approaches to Addressing Child Labour, CACL, Ramanathapuram and Trichy
- The Role of Stakeholders in Prevention of Children Engaged in Begging, Madurai Institute of Social Sciences, Madurai
- Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015 and POCSO Act, 2012, Police In-Service Training Centre, Madurai
- Victim Compensation Fund, Police In-Service Training Centre, Dindigul
- Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015 and POCSO Act, 2012, Police In-Service Training Centre, Madurai
- Child Rights, Child Protection and Child Welfare, CSED & Bharathiyar University, Coimbatore
- Building Perspectives, Approaches and Strategies for Working with Children, APF Partners, Bangalore
- Child Rights & Child Participation, TDH (G) Partners, Trichy
- Understanding Child Participation and Enabling Children to Build a Child-Governed Organisation, TDH (G) Partners, Trichy

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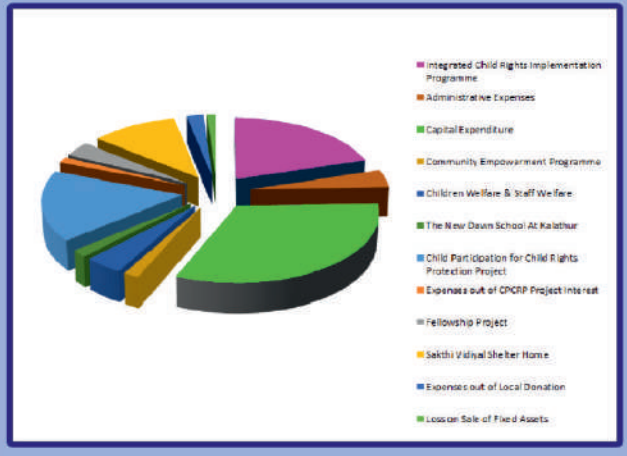
INCOME 2025 - 2026

INCOME 2025-2026	Rs
Foreign Contribution Received from New Dawn India - UK	1,00,23,446.00
Foreign Contribution Received from Re Build India - Dasra -USA	10,49,655.00
Azim Premji Philanthropic Initiative (Pvt Ltd)	1,63,40,000.00
Grant in Aid from Department of Social Defence	60,16,062.00
Childline India Foundation	1,55,911.00
Donations, Contributions & Other Receipts	6,04,170.00
Bank Interest	13,55,249.00
	3,55,44,493.00



EXPENDITURE 2025 - 2026

EXPENDITURE 2025 2026	Rs
Integrated Child Rights Implementation Programme	72,31,703.00
Administrative Expenses	14,91,821.00
Capital Expenditure	,14,38,036.00
Community Empowerment Programme	5,86,720.00
Children Welfare & Staff Welfare	14,66,335.00
The New Dawn School At Kalathur	6,04,226.00
Child Participation for Child Rights Protection Project	59,82,136.00
Expenses out of CPCRP Project Interest	5,14,540.00
Fellowship Project	12,76,054.00
Sakthi Vidiyal Shelter Home	39,27,335.00
Expenses out of Local Donation	7,73,972.00
Loss on Sale of Fixed Assets	3,69,907.00
	3,56,62,785.00



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STATE BANK OF INDIA,
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11, Parliament Street, New Delhi - 110 001

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Palanganatham Branch and S.S.Colony Branch,
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DIGITAL MEDIA

Taking children's voices and child rights messages into the digital space, Vidiyal's Digital Media Centre produced a range of videos and expanded its outreach through YouTube, Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and Google Business.



VIDEOS PUBLISHED ON YOUTUBE

CHILD RIGHTS MUSIC ALBUM – AARPARIPPU

1. Song 17: Vidiyal Pillaithane
2. Song 18: Vaanathumela Paravaihal Paaru
3. Song 19: Tharare Thaara Podu Da
4. Song 20: Ethanal Kaalam Innum Poha Venum

DANCE VIDEOS

1. கலர் கலர் என்ன கலர் | 25th Child Rights Festival
2. அரிசி வெளஞ்ச ஊரு | 25th Child Rights Festival
3. குழந்தை உலகம் பரந்த உலகம் | 25th Child Rights Festival
4. பெண்ணின் விடுதலை | 25th Child Rights Festival
5. துள்ளி குதிப்போம், பாட்டு படிப்போம் | 25th Child Rights Festival
6. ஜெய்பீம் தலைமுறை ஒன்றாகும் | 25th Child Rights Festival
7. Ila Ratham Soodera - Nila & Deepanhal Forums – 32nd Anniversary
8. Kuravan Kurathi - Nathchathirangal Forum – 32nd Anniversary
9. Saathi Ennada Petham Ennada – Meengal Forum – 32nd Anniversary
10. Pallikku Pohum Kulanthaihale – Poonthalir & Chittukuruvi Forum 32nd Anniversary
11. Venam Vittuthallu – Vithaihal & Verhal Forum – 32nd Anniversary

DOCUMENTARY FILM

A Children-Led Journey of Hope, Voice & Change - 25 Years of the Vidiyal Child Rights Movement

CAMPS

VIDIYAL's – Aal Kadal (Deep Sea) Camp – 5 videos

Jolly Camp – 10 Videos

SPECIAL PROGRAMMES

1. 6th National Consultation of Children's Collectives (NCCC) – 15 videos
2. "Childhood Matters: A Collaborative Social Audit with Children"
3. Inter Center Kabaddi and Kho-Kho Tournament 2025
4. International Day of the Girl Child Celebration
5. 25th Child Rights Festival
6. Vidiyal's Media Day 2025
7. Children's Fest 2025
8. Tamil Kondattam 2025 – Celebrating Tamil as Our Identity
9. 5th Graduation Ceremony, Olirum Muhangal & Sakthi-Vidiyal, Melavasal
10. Trekking at Kolli Hills – Vidiyal Urban & Rural Children
11. Wonder of Science 2025
12. The Magic of Colours | Vidiyal Art Celebration

VOICES THAT INSPIRE

Our Voices Matter- Episode 1 Master M.Gopinath

Volunteer Diaries | Episode 1 – Ms.S. Sophiya's Journey

CELEBRATIONS

Diwali Celebration at Vidiyal Main Centre



WE THANK OUR PARTNERS IN PROGRESS

TOGETHER, WE MAKE A DIFFERENCE

For three decades, New Dawn India has been a steadfast partner in Vidiyal's journey for children's rights. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to its sponsors, well-wishers, and trustees for their unwavering encouragement and commitment. Rooted in shared values and mutual trust, this enduring partnership continues to strengthen our efforts and create lasting possibilities for children from socially excluded and disadvantaged communities

AZIM PREMJI FOUNDATION

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to the Azim Premji Foundation for its continued partnership and trust in our work. The successful completion of the first phase of the Child Participation for Child Rights Protection project marked an important milestone, and with the second phase approved from November 2026, the initiative will now support child participation and child rights protection across 15 communities.

INSTITUTIONAL DONORS

1.Sakthi Foundation has been a pillar of support through the Handful of Rice scheme, where every household in a gated community lovingly sets aside a handful of rice before cooking each meal for Vidiyal children. This simple yet powerful act of sharing has, for over two decades, ensured that our children's rice needs are met.

2. Delhi World Public School

3. Fores Bakeries

REBUILD INDIA FUND

We extend our sincere appreciation to Dasra's Rebuild India Fund for strengthening vulnerable communities across India through flexible funding and need-based apacity-building support.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Our journey is made possible through the collective strength of our community of supporters. This year, 1,320 individuals, families, associations, and institutions came forward with generous contributions in cash, kind, and services, sustaining our mission in meaningful ways.

We are deeply grateful to our donors, well-wishers, partners, media, and government officials for their steadfast encouragement.

We also extend heartfelt thanks to our dedicated staff, volunteers, alumni, and parents for their unwavering commitment. Above all, we acknowledge our children, whose resilience and spirit continue to inspire us to carry this mission forward with renewed energy.

PROJECTS WITH GOVERNMENT

Established under the Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, the Reception Home receives the continued support of the Department of Child Welfare and Special Services, Government of Tamil Nadu.

STATUTORY DETAILS

REGISTRATION
Under societies Registration Act – S.No.50 of 1993

Registration u/s 12-A OF THE I.T. ACT (Rule 17A/11AA/2C) Sub – section (1) of section 12 A Provisional Registration No: AABTS3478DE20214 AY 2022-23 to AY 2026-27

REGISTRATION
Under FCRA
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01.04.2023 to 31.03.2028

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Order U/S.80.G.(5).of.the (Rule 17A/11AA/2C) Income Tax Act 1961
Unique Registration No: AABTS3478DF20219
AY 2022-23 to AY 2026-27

Registration under Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015
S.No 1789/DSD/2022
Proceedings No: 6148/D2/2022