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Forword...

EDUCATION COMMUNICATION AND DEVELOPMENT TRUST, as a community based organisation works to improve the living condition of rural children and women through strong interventions.

Education is crucial for rural children as it empowers them with knowledge, skills, and opportunities to break the cycle of poverty, improve their livelihoods, and contribute to their communities' development. It fosters critical thinking, awareness of social issues, and participation in local governance, ultimately leading to a more equitable and prosperous rural society.

Similarly, Women's empowerment is crucial for individual well-being, societal progress, and global development. It encompasses ensuring women have equal rights, opportunities, and resources to make their own choices and participate fully in all aspects of life. When women are empowered, it leads to a more just, prosperous, and sustainable world for everyone.

We are very happy to continue our journey with the support of our Board of Trustees, Staff Team, Volunteers and our International donors - "GURU KIRUPA FOUNDATION - USA AND The Ontario Teachers' Federation (OTF) - Canada. We are very happy to share our Annual Activities Report for the year 2024-2025.



Dr. R. Velmurugan
Managing Trustee

Mrs. B. Amutha Priya
Programme Director

BACKGROUND HISTROY

A group of social activities joined together and established EDUCATR Trust in 1997 for the total benefit and sustainable development of the poorest of poor, deprived, depressed, orphan, special children. The Trust complies with all legal and financial and management policies and accomplishment all relevant records and acknowledgement from the government. At the inception stage works in 2 panchayats of Usilampatti and conducted vocational training programs to the marginalized sections of society. Over the years extended geographically to 150 villages and 72 panchayaths in the blocks of Usilampatti, Chellampatti, Sedapatti and Usilampatti municipality, Elumalai town panchayath.



Vision & Mission

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lives and Sensitizing, marginalized through education and creating socio economic development.

GOAL

To improve the peoples living condition especially the women, children, youths and disabled from the poor and vulnerable families by strengthening the community based people capacity on functional self-help structures towards a long term sustainable development of the communities.



MAJOR PROJECT INTERVENTIONS

- EDUCATR through "CHAKKRAVARTHY VIDYALAYA NURSERY AND PRIMARY SCHOOL", provides quality and formal education to 301 rural children study in the school.
- "Bridge School Education Programme", EDUCATR continued 10 centers in the community and reaching to 320 community children by appointing 10 EDUCATORS to run the centers.
- EDUCATR supported 136 poor and disadvantaged children paying their part school fees of INR. 1600 each to continue their formal education at CHAKKRAVARTHY VIDYALAYA NURSERY AND PRIMARY SCHOOL.
- 301 children studying at CHAKKRAVARTHY VIDYALAYA NURSERY AND PRIMARY SCHOOL are provided nutritious food supplement included millet food items, milk, biscuits and healthy snacks.

- EDUCATR provided educational Assistance to 36 children and disabilities and children of HIV/AIDS infected women.
- EDUCATR Conducted 05 general health check in 05 Bridge School Centers with the support of Primary Health Center, Usilampatty and reached 166 rural children and provided medical advice and follow up treatment to 18 children.



PROVIDING QUALITY AND FARMAL EDUCATION TO RURAL CHILDREN

Education, Communication and Development Trust (EDUCATR) as a community development organization works for the social and economical development of women and children since 1997. EDUCATR also runs a School in the name of “CHAKKRAVARTHY VIDYALAYA NURSERY AND PRIMARY SCHOOL”. The school has been started in the year on 05 July 1995 with 25 students and at present 301 children study in the school. The school is situated in Usilampatty Block and cover 05 rural panchayats and 12 villages.



The students come to the school from the radius of 15 KMs. The parents of our students are mostly dalit and single women, destitute women, parents who are working as daily coolies, scavengers/ and from slum areas. Though many children come from very poor social and economical situation, we found them they are potential and lack opportunity to expose themselves for new learning. Comprehending the need EDUCATR will continue to support them for their educational needs, health care and expressing their talents



Details of Children at Chakkaravarthy Vidyalaya Nursery and Primary School:

Name of Std	Male	Female	Total
Pre KG	13	18	37
LKG	16	20	33
UKG	18	18	38
I Std	21	20	36
II Std	26	14	41
III Std	20	17	41
IV Std	22	16	37
V Std	23	14	38
Total	159	137	301

“CHAKKRAVARTHY VIDYALAYA NURSERY AND PRIMARY SCHOOL” has totally 07 classes. To support the class teachers and provide quality education to the children, we provided teaching aids to the school teachers. We procured the materials and provided on 07 June 2025 to all the 07 teachers. Now the regular classes are ongoing and teachers educate our rural poor children comprehending their social and economical situation. Children show interest in their learning and enjoy the opportunity provided to them.

Bridge School Educational centers:

To promote quality education among the Community Children, as we experienced our successful interventions through “Bridge School Education Programme”, EDUCATR continued 10 centers in the community and reaching to 320 community children by appointing 10 EDUCATORS to run the centers.

Along with education, these children are supported to develop their skills through various talents show activities. Dropout children and children who discontinued their schooling will be supported by enrolling into our **“CHAKKRAVARTHY VIDYALAYA NURSERY AND PRIMARY SCHOOL”**. All the 10 Bridge School Educational Centers are started from 01 July 2024 and now we completed eight months in Feb 2025 and will continue for 02 more months and completing the academic year on 30 April 2025. We recruited and appointed 10 EDUCATORS to run the centers at their respected villages.



Details of Children from 10 Bridge School Education Programme:

S. No	Name of Village	No. Children
01	Karukkattanpatti	30
02	Mmamarathupatti	28
03	Nakkalapatti	38
04	Thoittappanayakkanoor	28
05	Poochipatti	29
06	Malaipatti	37
07	Kunjampatti	32
08	Kunnuthpatti	33
09	Vgurani	32
10	Maiyanampatti	33
	Total	320

As planned all the 10 Bridge School Centers are started from July 2024. The centers are now functioning from 05:30 – 07:30 PM. The EDUCATORS are appointed from the respective village to take up follow up care for the children. The 10 villages are namely 01. Kunjampatty, 02. Malaipatt, 03. Nakkalapatty, 04. Poochipatti, 05. Mayyampatti, 06. Malapatti, 07. Thottapanaikkanoor, 08. Karuykkanpatti, 09. Vagurani and 10. Mamarathupatti.



We have identified and selected 10 EDUCATORS from the 10 rural communities. These staff team is needed to develop their skills in teaching the rural children according to their capacities and talents.

Therefore we conducted two days training programme to the 10 EDUCATORS at our office in the beginning on 03-05 June 2024. We invited Mr. Samuel Raja, Specialist in children education. He conducted the two days training programme on teaching methods, comprehending the need of rural children and make the teaching joyful to the children. The two days training motivated our staff team and they continue till now based on their learning and educating the children at 10 Bridge School Programmes.



Educational support by providing school fees for 132 poor children:

We placed in our project application to provide Payment of part school fees and basic educational materials to 132 disadvantaged children. These children are coming from very poor families and unable continue their education. When we processed, we identified 136 children needed care and support for their school fees. Understanding the need this year we supported 136 children paying their part school fees of INR. 1600 each. With our continued support these vulnerable children able to get quality education. Most of the children we supported are economically poor, children from dysfunctional families and single parents. By our support the poor children improve their studies and the parents are very happy for the opportunity.

Providing nutritious supplement to 301 children:

All rural children coming from our nearby our target areas to our school are very poor families and they are unable to provide healthy food to their children. Therefore we have planned to support our children coming to school by providing nutritious food supplement 10 days in a month. We started our academic year in June 2024 and started providing nutritious supplement from July 2024 till March 2025 for a period of 09 months. The nutritious food supplement included millets food items, milk, biscuits and healthy snacks. Our initiative support these poor children to have healthy body and concentrate on studies. 301 children grow healthy and incur stable grow to face any chronic spread of diseases.



Health Check up camps at School and 10 Bridge School centers and provide treatment to children:



We have conducted one eye check camp in our school for 301 children and 12 teaching and non teaching staff on 09 Nov 2024 with the support of "The eye Foundation, Madurai". The camp we checked the quality of vision for children and teachers. We have identified 12 children who needed further care and they are taken to Madurai and provided follow up eye care. Similarly we conducted 05 general health check in 05 Bridge School Centers with the support of Primary Health Center, Usilampatty and reached 166 rural children and provided medical advice and follow up treatment to 18 children.

Providing Educational Assistance to 36 children and disabilities and children of HIV/AIDS infected women:



This year, we have admitted 36 children with disabilities and children of HIV/AIDS infected women. These children are socially and economically deprived and unable to continue their formal education. With the support of "The Ontario Teachers' Federation (OTF) - Canada. We supported these children in the month of Sep 2025 by

providing School Bags, Educational Materials, writing materials and sports materials. Now these children got social recognition and they continue their education at "Chakkaravarthy Vidyalaya Nursery and Primary School run by EDUCATR.

Cultural Awareness Programme by Students of Bride School Educational Centers:

To promote quality education among the Community Children, EDUCATR conducted 10 "Bridge School Education Programme" reaching to 320 community children by appointing 10 EDUCATORS to run the centers.



Children learning at Bridge School Centers, formed a cultural team and conducted awareness programmes on Early Child Marriage, Child Labour, Preventive Female infanticide and School Dropouts. This year these conducted 12 cultural awareness programme at their respected village and nearby village.

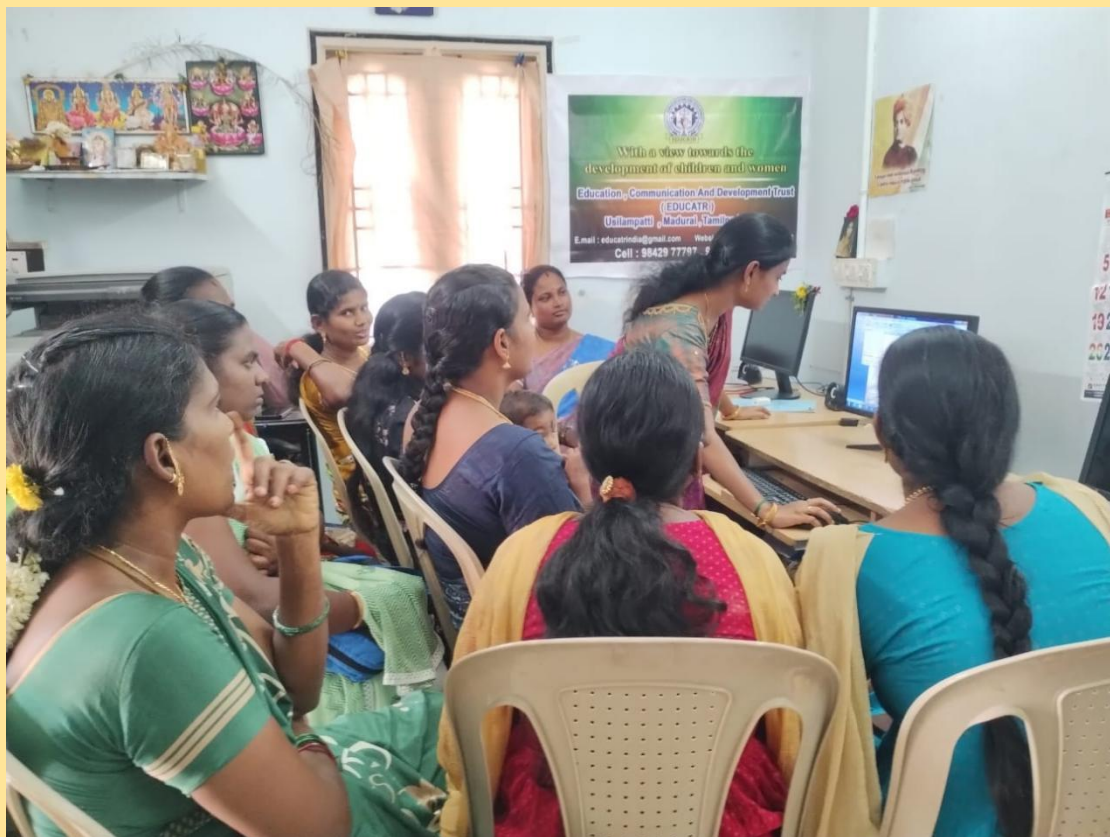
Sanitation Awareness Programme to Market Sellers:



EDUCATR conducted one day training programme on sanitation and personal hygiene to 58 street vendors and members of Women Self Help Groups at our training centre on 22 Sep 2024. Dr. R. Velmurugan, Managing Trustee and B. Amutha Priya, Programme Director conducted the training and motivated the beneficiaries to maintain improved personal hygiene and health and explained healthy intake of food items.

Free Computer Training Programme:

Computer education is of paramount importance in rural areas particularly for women and girls. Comprehending the need EDUCATR provided computer learning to the target beneficiaries for the following reasons...



Digital Literacy: In addition to computer skills, computer education also teaches digital literacy, which includes critical thinking and problem-solving abilities. These skills are valuable for making informed decisions and avoiding online threats and misinformation.

Community Development: Computer education can foster community development by connecting rural areas to the wider world. It can facilitate communication, collaboration, and information sharing among community members, leading to collective problem-solving and development initiatives.

Computer education in rural areas of India is crucial for ensuring digital inclusion, enhancing employability, improving agriculture and rural development, expanding

access to education and healthcare, simplifying access to government services, fostering entrepreneurship, empowering women, promoting digital literacy, and driving community development.

NGO AWARENESS PROGRAMME TO AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE STUDENTS:

Krishna College of Agriculture and Technology (KRISAT), affiliated with Tamil Nadu Agricultural University (TNAU), was established with a clear mission; to address the increasing global, national, and regional demand for agro-based food production by leveraging cutting-edge technologies. KRISAT aims to develop technically proficient farm graduates who can effectively implement these technologies in the sustainable production of food, feed, fibre, and fuel (biomass).

EDUCATR works in collaboration with this college for practical learning. This year on 12 Nov 2025 150 students from this college visited EDUCATR for learning programme about organic farming and the involvement of women farmers trained by EDUCATR. They visited our organization and learned from our documentation about the community development and women empowerment programmes. Dr. R. Velmurgan explained the project intervention carried out by EDUCATR.



Our sincere thanks and Gratitude to...

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