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Annual Report 2021-2022

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It gives me great pleasure and joy in presenting the brief report of activities of Rural Uplift Centre and the results which it achieved during the financial year 2021-2022.

Programmes implemented during 2021 -2022 are:

1. Prime Minister's Micro Insurance Scheme for the Poor.
2. Running of crèches for children of poor agriculture labour-families and beedi worker-families under National Crèche Scheme, Govt of India .
3. Enabling women to get relief from poverty and security from violence and also to get legal aid.
4. Covid 19 relief activities in Kanyakumari and Tirunelveli Districts.
5. Floods relief activities among small & marginal farmers in Kanyakumari District
6. Co-ordinating & monitoring the Government of India welfare schemes in Kanyakumari District.
7. Strengthening the network and co-ordination of NGOs.
8. Resource mobilization.

1. Prime Minister's Micro-Insurance Scheme for the Poor:

Rural Uplift Centre is one of the agencies approved by Life Insurance Corporation of India to implement the Prime Minister's Micro-Insurance Scheme for the Poor who are unable to enroll themselves under the regular insurance schemes. One hundred and eleven policy holders together paid their premium amount of Rs. 1,38,600, /- (one lakh, thirty eight thousand and six hundred) during this year. Twenty-six policy holders who were defaulters of their due payments renewed their policies without paying the interest and fine. They paid only the due premium amount of Rs. 53150/ (fifty three thousand, one hundred and fifty only). Nine policy holders received their matured amount of Rs. 77124/ (seventy-seven thousand, one hundred and twenty four only).

Results: Ensured Safety of Life from Risk to Life through Micro Insurance to the eligible one hundred and eleven poor families.

2. Running of crèches for children belonging to poor agriculture labourer-families and beedi worker families under National Crèche Scheme, Government of India:



Mrs.Mary Linda conducts pre-School training at Thalapathysamuthram

Rural Uplift Centre is maintaining four crèches for the children of beedi-workers and agriculture labourers - one centre each at Kallathi and Elankulam and two centres at Thalapathysamuthram in Nanguneri Panchayat Union limits of Tirunelveli District. One hundred and ten children are being taken care of at these crèches with the joint financial support of Ministry of Women & Child Welfare, Government of India & Government of Tamil Nadu. The children are imparted pre-school training through the play-way method with the help of trained pre-school teachers. The children are provided with nutritious noon meals. Medical facilities are also provided to them in collaboration with the Primary Health Centre personnel. Monthly orientation meetings on childcare are organized for their mothers. Besides, measures to prevent diseases and to prepare nutritious meals with the locally available food materials are also taught to the mothers. Crèche monitoring committees consisting of panchayat leaders, community leaders, leaders of women's groups and a representative of Rural Uplift Centre are constituted in all the four centres to animate and monitor the functioning of the four crèches.

Results: All the one hundred and ten children acquired pre-school training and better health. The headmasters of the nearby primary schools have reported that the children trained in RUC-run crèches perform better than the other children in all school activities.

3. Enabling women to get relief from poverty and security from violence and also to get legal aid.

Capacity-Building Training Programme for Women

The advocate-team of Rural Uplift Centre consisting of A. Maria James and A. Maria Stephen and guest lecturers, Adv. Murugan and Adv. Helan Johnsi Bai along with the paralegal workers, Mrs. Laksmidevi and Mrs. Annammal and Mr. Muthukumar organized legal awareness training programmes in twelve villages during this financial year (Mathias Nagar, Arasanvilai, Mukkalampadu, Marthandam, Pattanvilai, Moolachel, Bharathinagar, Koonthakulam, Puthukudieruppu, Seelathikulam, Lethikulam and Melapatthai). This programme was held for ten days in each of these places and it gave an idea of Indian Penal Code, Hindu Marriage Act 1955, Indian Christian Marriage Act 1872 and Muslim Marriage Act 1937 to 480 rural women. The participants in the programmes also got an idea of Special Marriage Act 1954, Divorce Act 1869, Family Court Act 1984, Medical Termination of Pregnancy Act 1971, Protection of Women from Domestic Violence Act 2005, National Commission for Women Act 1990, Dowry Prohibition Act 1986, The Indecent Representation of Women (Prohibition) Act 1986, Sexual harassment of Women at Workplace Act 2003 and labour welfare laws.



Village level Women's rights training in Kalungadi, Tirunelveli District.

Twenty-one day District level training programmes were organized for fifty women social workers each in Thirunelveli and Kanyakumari Districts during this financial year to help them develop strategy to monitor women's rights

Ten women's Rights Campaign meetings were organized during this financial year in Kanyakumari and Thirunelveli Districts. Five hundred and eighty-four women participated in these campaigns. RUC jointly with the alliance of Women's organisations conducted the international women's day at Azhakiyamandapam on 8th of March,2022, in which three hundred women participated and celebrated international women's day.

Nine Women Rights Monitoring Cells have been formed in Tirunelveli and Kanyakumari Districts and each of these cells has an average membership of twenty women. Follow up meetings were conducted during this financial year to facilitate them to articulate their grievances to the appropriate Government authorities.



Village level Women's rights training in Marthandam, Kanyakumari District.

Legal Aid to women victims:

During the financial year 2021-2022 forty-one cases were taken up to assist the victims of various types of crimes to get justice and compensation:

Domestic violence	6 cases
Sexual harassment	3 cases
Divorce & maintenance	7 cases
Dowry harassment	13 cases
Family dispute	4 cases
Cheating case	2 cases
Civil case	2 cases
Theft case	3 cases
Habeas corpus petition	1 case



Advocate Maria Stephen conducts monthly District level coordination meeting cum training of Women's Rights protection volunteers

Results:

Wage increase for women beedi workers:

The women beedi workers were aware of their statutory wage, leave wage, bonus, provident fund contribution by the employer and gratuity. The women beedi workers

jointly requested the Government of Tamil Nadu to enforce their labour rights. The Government of Tamil Nadu considered the genuine request of the women beedi workers and increased their wages for rolling one thousand beedies to Rs.27, which includes Rs:13/- basic wage and other statutory benefits.

Welfare schemes received from the Government:

- Forty-five families have received housing facility with the subsidy amount of Rs.1,80,000/- per family.
- One hundred and eight families have received housing facility with the subsidy amount of Rs.2, 70,000/- per family.
- 68 families have received toilet facility with the subsidy amount of Rs.12,000/- per family.
- 50 women have received subsidy amount of Rs.35,000/- each for purchase of cows.
- 100 families have received subsidy amount worth Rs:2,50,000/- for establishing backyard poultry units
- Eight widows have been sanctioned monthly pension Rs.1000/- each.
- One differently-abled person has been sanctioned monthly pension Rs.1000/-..
- Seven women have received Rs.50,000/- and eight grams of gold each and one women received Rs.25,000/ and eight grams of gold as marriage assistance.
- Nine families have received cowshed-building assistance worth Rs.1,15,000/- each.

Community infra-structure facilities availed by the communities:

The rural communities have improved their drinking water infrastructure facilities at Vellichanthai, Chinthamani, Elangkulam, Bharathinagar, Manavilai, Koonthenkulam, Kizhavaneri, Asarivilai and Koduppakuzhi (Nayakkanvilai), which have reduced the work burden of water collection to women.

Approach road maintenance work has been carried out for 15-km length in five villages (Ariakulam to Arumaneri, Kallathi to Ariakulam, Kannannalloor to Vallioor, Serthanarkulam, and Chinthamani). Concrete street roads have been constructed for six villages (Vellamodi, Kattuvilai, Sethuvoor, Asarivilai, Karisalvilai and Manavilai).

Street lights have been replaced in Vellichanthai, Vellamodi, North Ethencadu, Arasanvilai, Kurunthencode, Manavilai, Soorapallam, Seelathikulam, Koonthenkulam, Bharathinager, Elangkulam, Kallathi, Chinthamani, Valliyaneri, Lethikulam and Melapathai.

One public toilet has been constructed at Kurunthencode. Anganwadi maintenance work has been executed at Vellamodi. A graveyard has been constructed at Ethencadu. A community hall has been constructed at Vellichanthai. Two small bridges have been constructed in Chithoor and Arumaneri and drainage facility at Chinthamani and Koonthenkulam. Twenty-five rain water collection systems have been created at Koonthenkulam and two feeder channels have been constructed in the villages of Ethencadu and Sethuvoor.

Awareness on women's welfare laws:

All the para-legal training beneficiaries are aware of their rights guaranteed under various women's welfare laws and became mentors to women in distress.

Relief, justice and compensation through legal intervention::

- Four families were united during the financial year.
- Jewels worth Rs. 4,68,000/-, Cash Rs: 1,00,000/- and household articles worth Rs1,00,000/- were received back by the victims in two cases.
- Compensation worth Rs:49,00,000/- received by the victims.
- Monthly maintenance of Rs.3000/- has been awarded in one case.
- Sexual abuse through social media case - Accuse was arrested and the trial is pending.
- Rs: 25,000/- was reimbursed in a chit fund cheating case.
- One time settlement amount of Rs.2, 00, 000/- awarded in one case.
- Four families were separated.



People's Parliament held at Nanguneri

4. Covid-19 relief response:

Covid 19 relief activities in Kanyakumari & Tirunelveli Districts: Following the imposition of Covid lockdown, people were very much afraid and worried. RUC obtained a special travel permit from the Government for meeting people at their doorstep and to carry-out relief activities for them. RUC published awareness materials

and organised one-day awareness meetings in each village on preventive measures of Covid 19 in twenty-one villages of Thirunelveli and Kanyakumari Districts.

Selection of beneficiaries: RUC constituted five-member covid-19 relief committees to take care of the 2000 most affected families in the selected 48 villages. They were also informed that the proposed budget per relief package was Rs:1250/-(one thousand two hundred and fifty only). The covid-19 relief committees selected the most deserving families in their respective villages. People's movement leaders and RUC finalised the list of 2000 beneficiary families to be supported in partnership with Jesuit Mission- Germany, Misereor-Germany and Sisters of Holy Family- United Kingdom.

Selection of relief materials for supply: The relief committee conducted informal meetings in the respective villages with the beneficiaries and prepared the priority list of relief materials as requested by the beneficiaries. RUC received the priority list of relief materials to be procured from the relief committees. RUC's core team consolidated the priority list of relief materials sought by the prospective beneficiaries. The relief materials included in the priority list are rice- 5 kgs, turmeric 200 gms, chily powder 200 gms, coriander powder 200 gms, cumin powder 100 gms, fenugreek powder 100 gms, mustard powder 100 gms, pepper 100 gms, dried ginger 100 gms, cloves 50 gms, sambar powder 200 gms, two types of cereals 500 gms each, coconut oil 500 ml, masks- 4 each, and kabasura mixture (sidha medicine) 50 gms. The relief materials were purchased as per the procurement policy of RUC.

Distribution of relief materials in Kanyakumari District: The covid-19 relief materials distribution to one thousand and two hundred families under covid prevention awareness programme was inaugurated in Kanyakumari District by Mr.Vijay Vasanth, Member of Parliament, in the presence of Mrs.Vijayatharani, M.L.A. of Vilavancodu constituency and Mr.Rajesh Kumar, M.L.A. of Killiyur constituency, at a function held at St.Antony's Shrine Parish Community Hall, Vettuveni (Marthandam), and after the inaugural function the M.P., and M.L.As participated in the relief distribution events held at Pandaravilai, Tholaiyavattam and Kambilar. The core team members Mr.Maria James-Secretary, Mr.Maria Stephen, Mrs.Laksmidevi, Mr.Muthukumar, and Mr.Christopher, along with the five- member covid-19 relief committee members constituted in each of the villages distributed the relief materials at Marthandam, Pandaravililai, Tholayavattam, Kambilar, Moolachel, Kadayal, Kulasekaram, Saral, Ulaganvilai, North Saral, Pampanvilai, Kadayal, Manavilai, Sethur, Mathias Nagar, Arappurai colony, Pattanvilai, Allenvilai, Esanthangu, Ethancadu colony, Vellamodi and Varukkathattu by getting the acknowledgements of the beneficiaries



Mr.Vijayvasanth, Member of Parliament, Kanyakumari Constituency and Mrs.Vijayatharani, M.L.A, Vilavancodu constituency and Maria James, Secretary of RUC distributes Covid Relief materials at Marthandam.



Mr.Vijayvasanth, Member of Parliament, Kanyakumari Constituency and MR.Rajesh kumar, Member of Legislative Assembly, Killiyoor at the Covid relief distribution meeting.

Distribution of relief materials in Thirunelveli District:

The relief materials distribution-cum-covid-19 preventive measures awareness meetings were held in four centres covering 700 families. First Covid-19 preventive measures awareness meeting-cum-relief material distribution meeting was organized on Kallikulam Primary School Campus. The Speaker of Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly, Mr.Appavu.M.L.A, Dr.Deepak.M.B.B.S, Mrs.Florence Vimala, Rathapuram Block Development Officer, Mr.Shahul Hameed, Police Inspector of Valliyur, Mr.Yesurajan, Rathapuram Tahsildar, twenty covid-19 relief committee volunteers, RUC core team members, 139 beneficiaries and a few community leaders participated in the function.. The Speaker of Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly Mr.Appavu.M.L.A, inaugurated the Covid-19 preventive measures awareness meeting-cum- relief material distribution meeting held on Primary School campus, Kallikulam, and distributed relief materials to the 139 beneficiaries. All the speakers motivated the people on the Covid-19 preventive measures and the covid-19 relief measures of the Government.



The Speaker of Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly, Mr.Appavu.M.L.A, Member of Parliament of Thirunelveli, Mr.Gnanadiravium, Member of Legislative Assembly Mr.Ruby Manokaran distributes covid relief materials at Kalakkadu.



Maria James, Secretary of Rural Uplift Centre conducts Covid prevention awareness meeting at Kallikulam.

The second Covid-19 preventive measures and awareness meeting-cum-relief material distribution meeting was held on Government Higher Secondary School Campus, Kalakadu, a few days later. The Speaker of Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly, Mr.Appavu.M.L.A, Member of Parliament of Thirunelveli, Mr.Gnanadiravium, Member of Legislative Assembly Mr.Ruby Manokaran, Dr.M.Deepak.M.B.B.S, Mr.Pichaiya, Kalakadu Block Development Officer, Mr.Esakki Pandi, Nanguneri Tahsildar, Mr.Sababathy, Kalakadu Police Inspector, twenty-five covid-19 relief committee volunteers, RUC core team members, 156 beneficiaries and a few community leaders participated in this meeting. The Speaker of Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly, Mr.Appavu.M.L.A, inaugurated the Covid-19 preventive measures awareness meeting-cum- relief material distribution meeting held at Kalakadu and distributed relief materials to 156 beneficiaries.. All the speakers motivated the people on the Covid-19 preventive measures and the covid-19 relief measures of the Government.

The third Covid-19 preventive measures and awareness meeting-cum-relief material distribution meeting was organized a few days later at Rural Uplift Centre, Nanguneri. The Speaker of Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly, Mr.Appavu. M.L.A, Member of Parliament, Thirunelveli, Mr.Gnanadiravium, Member of Legislative Assembly, Mr.Ruby Manokaran, Former Member of Legislative Assembly, Mr.Krishnan, Dr.Deepak.M.B.B.S, Mr.Esakki Pandi-Nanguneri Tahasildar, Mr.Kaliappan-Nanguneri Police Inspector, fifteen covid-19 relief committee volunteers, RUC core team members, eighty-four beneficiaries and a few community leaders participated, The speaker of Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly, Mr.Appavu.M.L.A, inaugurated the meeting-cum-relief material distribution and distributed the relief materials to eighty-

four beneficiaries. All the speakers motivated the people to take up the Covid-19 preventive measures and the covid-19 relief measures of the Government



The Speaker of Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly, Mr.Appavu.M.L.A, Member of Parliament of Thirunelveli, Mr.Ruby Manokaran distributes covid relief materials at Moolaikaraipatti, Tirunelveli District.



Beneficiaries in and around Moolaikaraipatti assembeled for receiving covid relief materials

The Fourth Covid-19 preventive measures and awareness meeting-cum-relief material distribution meeting held on Reach Matriculation School campus, Moolaikaraipatti a few days later. The Speaker of Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly, Mr.Appavu.M.L.A, Member of Legislative Assembly, Mr.Ruby Manokaran, Dr.Deepak.M.B.B.S, Former Member of Legislative Assembly, Mr.Krishnan, Mrs.Saraswathi, District Social

Welfare Officer, Mr.Esakki Pandi-Nanguneri Tahasildar, Mr.Maheswaran, Moolaikaraipatti Town Panchayat Executive Officer, Mr.Kaliappan, Moolaikaraipatti Police Inspector-in-charge, Dr.Gurunathan, Medical Officer, Mrs.Parvathy-Treasurer of RUC, RUC core team members, 60 covid-19 relief committee volunteers, 321 beneficiaries and a few community leaders participated in this meeting. The speaker of Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly, Mr.Appavu.M.L.A, inaugurated the Covid-19 preventive measures awareness meeting-cum-relief material distribution and distributed relief materials to 321 beneficiaries. All the speakers at the meeting motivated the people to take up Covid-19 preventive measures and the covid-19 relief measures of the Government

Distribution of relief materials to physically challenged persons:

The first Covid-19 preventive measures and awareness meeting-cum-relief material distribution to physically challenged persons was organized on 21st July, 2021 at Nanguneri. Mr.Ruby Manokaran, Member of the Legislative Assembly, representing Nanguneri, Mr.Maria James, Secretary of RUC, Mr.S.V.Krishnan, former Member of the Legislative Assembly, Advocate Mr.Maria Stephen, Advocate Mr.Murugan, Mrs.Parvathy, -Treasurer of RUC, covid-19 relief committee volunteers, 60 beneficiaries and a few community leaders participated. Mr.Ruby Manokaran inaugurated the Covid-19 preventive measures awareness-cum-relief material distribution meeting for the physically challenged.



Mr.RubyManokaran, Member of the Legislative Assembly, Nanguneri distributes covid relief materials to the physically challenged at Nanguneri.

The second Covid-19 preventive measures and awareness meeting-cum-relief materials distribution to the physically challenged persons was held at Moolachel on 26th July,2021 Advocate Mr. Maria Stephen, the programme co-ordinator, inaugurated the meeting and distributed the relief materials to 30 beneficiaries. Leaders of Kanyakumari

District Organic Farmers Association, Mr. David, Mr. Johnson and Mr. George, motivated the people to follow the Covid-19 preventive measures and the covid-19 relief measures of the Government. The third Covid-19 preventive measures and awareness meeting-cum-relief materials distribution meeting was held at Kampilar on 27th july,2021. Mr.A.Maria James, Secretary of RUC, Mrs.Rani & Mr.Selvakumar, leaders of the Kanyakumari District Organic Farmers Association, participated in the function. All the speakers motivated the people to follow the Covid-19 preventive measures and to seek the covid-19 relief measures of the Government.

Covid-19 preventive medical camps:

RUC in collaboration with Ayurvetha Medical College & Hospital, Nagercoil, organized medical camps at Sethur, Koduppakuzhi, Mukkalampadu, Kadayal, Vettyuvenni, Kulasekaram, Moolachel, Pallam and Nanguneri during the month of september,2021 and provided treatment and medicines free of cost to the beneficiaries. The Ayurvedha Medical College Dean, Prof.Dr.Claret Devi, had obtained special permission of the Government for holding Covid-19 prevention medical camps and for distributing medicines free of cost to the beneficiaries. The Ayurvedha Medical College Doctors team headed by Prof.Dr.Ramaraju, Department of Medicine & Prof.Dr. .Diana, Department of Medicine along with RUC's core team organized Covid-19 prevention camps in nine villages during the month of september, 2021, provided treatment and distributed medicines free of cost to 2572 families.



Prof.Dr.Ramaraju, Department of Medicine & Prof.Dr.Diana, Department of Medicine along with RUC personnel conducts Covid-19 treatment camp at Kulasekaram.



Prof.Dr.Ramaraju, Department of Medicine & Prof.Dr.Diana, Department of Medicine along with RUC personnel conducts Covid-19 treatment camp at Mukkalampadu.



Prof.Dr.Diana, Department of Medicine along with RUC personnel conducts Covid-19 treatment camp at Koduppakuzhi.

Result: Two thousand families were relieved from hunger during the covid-19 pandemic period. Two thousand, five hundred and seventy families were protected/prevented from getting Covid-19.

Organic farming for rehabilitating the communities affected by Covid-19 in Kanyakumari District

RUC organised seven one-day capacity-building training programmes for 200 small and marginal farmers of Moolachel, Marthandom, Kadayal, Kulasekaram and Pampanvilai during this financial year. The participants were given training in increasing soil fertility by using various types of composts and green manure, selecting and processing seeds, preparation of nursery, manure management, weed management, plant growth-tonic preparation, pest-repellent preparation, bio-pest control measures, inter-cropping, mixed cropping, three-tier cropping, and water conservation measures. They were also given sufficient information on the Government schemes for organic farming, livestock management, beekeeping and backyard poultry farming. These 200 farmers acquired knowledge on organic farming to produce organic food crops. The organic farmers have sought several measures from the Government of Tamil Nadu to promote organic farming in the State and thereby ensure food security and resilience to disasters like Covid-19 pandemic situation.



Mr.A.Maria James, Secretary of RUC conducts Organic Farming capacity building training at Marthandam.



Mr.Christopher, Organic farming trainer of RUC conducts Organic Farming capacity building training at Kadayal.

Results:

Small and marginal farmers of Kanyakumari District numbering 200 have acquired alternative skills on organic farming to achieve resilience to disasters like Covid-19 pandemic. The hitherto alienated organic farming technologies have now become their own technology and they have control over them. The organic matter of the soil has now increased and the soil fertility has also increased to sustain productivity. The 200 farmers have cultivated various disaster-resistant crops by adopting organic farming practice and obtained reasonable increase in yield (paddy, plantain, sericulture, vegetables, rubber) in the first time crop itself. Eighteen farmers have taken up backyard poultry, twenty farmers have taken up cattle-rearing and 53 farmers taken up bee-keeping to enhance their income. They have ensured food security for their families for the whole year. The yield obtained by them is nutritious, poison-free and good for health and prevents various diseases. The cost of cultivation and input cost has decreased considerably, as the farmers themselves produce organic manure and pest repellants. They are able to find market for their produce in and around their own places. The farmers and their family members are resilient to disasters. The

neighbours of the beneficiaries have started organic farming practices with the motivation and the help of the trained beneficiaries. Forty bee-keeping farmers have received a subsidy of Rs:1,95,000/- from Horticulture Department, 15 farmers have received subsidy Rs. 20000/- each for establishing drip irrigation facility from Agriculture Engineering Department, 32 farmers have received subsidy of Rs. 9200/ each from the same department for the purchase of agriculture implements, five members have together received subsidy of Rs. 10,50,000/- for rearing goats, poultry and cows. Two farmers have received subsidy Rs. 200000 each to build agriculture store rooms. Another 53 farmers have received Kissan credit cards. Twenty five farmers have received subsidy Rs. 100000 (one lakh) each under a NABARD scheme to purchase milch animals.

Seven expert organic farmers have participated in the All India Radio's Experience Sharing Programme. Their interviews were broadcast later by All India Radio. The duration of the broadcasts was twenty minutes per experience sharing. Some of these broadcasts were repeated several times. Government of Tamil Nadu have initiated pilot measures to promote organic farming in the State based on the request of the organic farming beneficiaries of Kanyakumari District.

5. Floods relief activities among small & marginal farmers in Kanyakumari District

Heavy rain followed by water logging damaged the houses and standing crops (banana and vegetables) of many farmers during the month of November, 2021. Three hundred and seventy marginal farmers belongs to Marthandam, Moolachel, Kadayal, Kulasekaram and Thittuvilai were severely affected. RUC provided tarpaulins (20 ft x 15 ft x 200 gsm) to restore their partly damaged houses in the first week of January, 2022 to 150 families in and around Marthandam, 30 familie at Kadayal, 110 families families at Moolachel, 47 families at Kulasekaram and 33 families at Thittuvilai. The team consisting of Mr.A.Maria James, Secretary of RUC, Mr.S.Johnson, Executive committee member of RUC, Kanyakumari District organic Farming Association leaders Mr.Dhas, Mr.Maria cecil, Mr.Micheal, Mrs.Rani, Mrs.Puspalatha, Mrs.Gladis, Mr.David, Mr.Johnson, Mrs.Shanthi, Mrs.Kalarani,Mr.Louisan, Mr.George, Mr.Sujin Jebaraj, Mr.Jeyakumar, Mrs.Mekala , Mr.Visakakumar, Mr.Selvakumar, Mr.Arul vadivel, MR.Xavier and RUC core team members distributed the relief materials.



Mr. Maria Stephen-RUC distributes tarpaulins to the floods victims at Moolachel

Results: Three hundred and seventy marginal farmer families restored their damaged houses.

6. Co-ordination & monitoring of the Government of India welfare schemes in Kanyakumari District.

RUC has been appointed by the District Collector of Kanyakumari District, as one of the members of “District Development Co-ordination and Monitoring Committee” for coordinating and monitoring of Central Government programmes implemented in Kanyakumari District as nominated by Mr. Vijai Vasanth, Member of Parliament (Lok Sabha). A. Maria James, Secretary of RUC, has already participated in four Co-ordination and Monitoring Committee meetings held at the Collectorate, of Kanyakumari District at Nagercoil, and he submitted various suggestions and recommendations.

7. Net working & co-ordination:

The Social Action Movement, Kanyakumari District, and RUC jointly organised five meetings-cum-workshops during the financial year 2021-2022 on resource mobilization strategies, Compliance with various laws, Government orders governing NGOs such as FCRA (amendments), Income Tax (amendments) and their consequences. These have helped the NGOs to comply with regulations and enhance their governance capacity. A. Maria James, Secretary of RUC has attended two virtual meetings and another two-days consultation meeting on 9th & 10th of March, 2022 of

Inter-Agency Groups in Tamil Nadu & Pondicherry held at Chennai to get prepared to face disasters and respond to them in Tamil Nadu.

8. Resource mobilization:

The members of RUC and its staff have taken sincere efforts to mobilize local resources for implementing the charity activities. The parents of crèche programme, beneficiaries of organic farming strategy for disaster resilience programme in Kanyakumari & Thirunelveli Districts and other well-wishers have helped RUC with their contributions. Misereor - Germany supported it when it took up Covid relief project and helping women to get relief from poverty and violence and to get legal aid project. Jesuit Mission supported it to take up Covid-19 relief programme. Sisters of Holy Family of United Kingdom have supported it to provide relief measures to physically challenged persons. Ministry of Women & Child Welfare of the Government of India & Government of Tamil Nadu have jointly supported it for running crèche programme. Misereor-Germany in collaboration with Smile Foundation of New Delhi has conducted the workshop for two personnel of RUC on local resource mobilisation skill.

9. Income & Expenditure account:

During the financial year 2021-2022 an amount of Rs: 6555478/- (sixty-five lakh, fifty five thousand four hundred and seventy eight) was received as contributions, bank interest and also from various other sources and an amount of Rs:6521649/-(Rupees sixty-five lakh, twenty one thousand and six hundred and forty nine) only for the charity activities detailed in this activity report. The detailed audited statements of receipts and payments, income and expenditure and the balance sheet as on 31-03-2022 is attached for reference..

10.Thanks to the Collaborators & Partners:

We, the members, staff and beneficiaries of Rural Uplift Centre (RUC), whole heartedly thank Misereor, Germany, Jesuit Mission, Germany, Sisters of Holy Family, United Kingdom, MIVA, Switzerland, Ministry of Women & Child Welfare of Government of India, Mr.Appavu, Speaker,Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly, Mr.Vijay Vasanth, Member of Parliament, Kanyakumari, Mr.Gnanathiraviyam, Member of Parliament-Thirunelveli, Members of Legislative Assembly in Kanyakumari and Thirunelveli Districts, Director of Integrated Child Development Services, Government of Tamil Nadu, District Collectors of Thirunelveli and Kanyakumari Districts, Mr.A.Kulathooran Pillai, Auditor, Nagercoil, Members of the Social Action Movement, Tamil Nadu, Members of Inter-Agency Group,Tamil Nadu, Members of Sphere India, Leaders of Kanyakumari District Organic Farmers Association, Volunteers of Rural Uplift Centre and Print and Electronic media personnel for their valuable co-operation and support in implementing the charity activities during the year 2021- 2022.

