

1. Workshop on entrepreneurial skill for women in sub-standard settlement

No of students who have participated in this program: 30

Date:26.07.2017

The students of women empowerment team had decided to conduct tailoring class for the women of Girriparoad in their leisure hours in order to improve their life. We joined hands with well known person from that slum. As we had planned, the coaching class was started on 26/7/2017 with 10 members and the time for the program



2. Inauguration of tailoring class

No of students who have participated in this program: 15

Date: 02.08.2017

Place: Jothiammaml nagar ,saidapet

Students of women empowerment team had decided to conduct tailoring class for the women of jothiammal nagar in their leisure hours in order to improve their life. Students joined hands with Mrs.Rajjama a well known person from that slum, Mrs.Esther has been appointed as teacher for this program ,as Students had planned the coaching class was started With 15 members .the time for the program is 2.30- 4.00 pm



3. Embroidery and tailoring unit

No of students who have participated in this program: 12

Date: 4.08.2017

Introduction

It was about crowd at the one of the terrace in Jothiammal Nagar, Saidapet. Students from the department of Plant Biology, Loyola College had organised an event, “embroidery and tailoring course completion day” 12 women (few widows and separated) received certificate for their completion of 3 month course.

Jothiammal nagar, Saidapet

In the month August 2018, Prof. Rathna had identified Jothiammal nagar, Saidapet at the bank of River coovum. It was first initiative of Loyola College getting into Jothiammal nagar; and Jothiammal nagar observing students entry into the slum at first. The slum dwellers are telugu speaking people settled for 3 generations. Most of the slum dwellers are occupied as sanitary workers for Chennai Corporation. They clean the sewages of government offices. Women are engaged with domestic help. Present generation enrolled in school with the support of NGOs work in the neighbouring slums.

Department of Service Learning (DSL), Loyola College

Department of service learning (DSL), Loyola College is one of the department make each and every student to realise their responsibility towards their society. Though it is a credit based system for the department, every student has to work in the slum of Chennai.

DSL intervention

2nd year students from department of Plant biology, Loyola College was assigned for Jothiammal nagar. Students will try to be with the community for the entire year, within that students will try to initiate programs in the community. Students will be divided into many groups such as Education team, health team, Women team, Youth team and Elders & disabled team.

Education team found place and children requesting for tuition program. Education team had initiated tuition program with 20 children at the terrace of Rajammal’s house, one of the slum dweller of Jothiammal nagar. Health team organises programs or awareness on health issues for children, women and elders. Recently health team had organised hand wash event for children. 10 children had participated and health students trained those children to be clean before and after playing.

Embroidery and tailoring unit

Women team had gathered women (few were separated and widows) from Jothiammal nagar, they got to know their interest to learn tailoring and embroidery. One among them a woman

Ms. Esther Rani, has come forward to teach tailoring and embroidery for those interested women. It was started in the month of October 2017 between 1 pm to 3 pm since they were occupied in the morning for daily or monthly wage.

Month crossed, at the end of January 2018 (4th month), trainer Esther Rani said trainees have completed their embroidery and tailoring course and next batch trainees are ready with their tools to join the program. She had intervened with companies to get orders to run a sustainable unit at Jothiammal nagar and clicked with one Export Company (bags to be stitched).

Course completion day

Prof. Rathna astonished by seeing their effort and regularity to complete the course and plan to run sustainable unit. She decided to recognise their effort by organising “course completion day” on 8th February 2018. She invited the Rev. Dr. Louie Albert SJ., Director, Department of Service Learning, Loyola College Students from Department of Plant Biology, and Ph.D scholars from Taiwan University who were in a visit for outreach programs on that particular day. Participants were embarrassed by seeing their hard work and enthusiasm. During the happy moment, Director of Service learning (Outreach) had donated a sewing machine and yet to give 3 more sewing machines to run a sustainable unit at Jothiammal nagar, Saidapet. Trainees were very happy to receive them and pledged that they will run the unit properly which help to develop their livelihood.

Conclusion

At the end of the event, trainees have showed their models to the participants. Tailoring program team was in appreciation and applauses for their quintessential initiative.



4. Awareness on Importance of Education

No of students who have participated in this program: 25

We the students of Maths (Shift I) of Loyola have been given an opportunity to go to slum areas and help the people on **15th August 2017**. This is great opportunity from the college to the students so that students can understand the problems faced by the people around there.

Objectives

Teaching group conducted two programs.

1. Children interest and awareness in studies
2. Children activity and participation

The group took initiative to conduct the programs. We asked the students' parents for the participation of the students. Students contributed money to buy gifts and chocolates for the participating

Activities

We assembled all the children together and gave them a speech in Tamil so that everyone can understand the language. Then we conducted activities like running race musical ball slow race etc. This created happiness in the children face. Then gifts were given to the winners and chocolates to the non-winners for their participation.

Experience

Since it is a children program it was very difficult to take care of them. Students took initiative to control them and make them coordinate and obey us.

Conclusion

I conclude that this was an amazing experience for the students to show their strength in helping. More and more students should come forward and help the needy and poor



5. A Rally on Dengue Awareness

Date: 19.08.2017

Duration: 45 Minutes

No.of college students participated: 55

The second year students of B.Com (CS)-B organized an awareness rally on dengue in collaboration with Corporation staff, Zone-9 on 19th September 2017 at Allaiamman koil street. The Chennai Corporation staff had come with handbills containing information about preventive measures for dengue. They

had also brought along Nilavembu kashayam (Herbal tonic) and distributed it to the women in disposable plastic tumblers. The Rally began at Allaimman koil and ended near the Ration shop, S.M Nagar. In rows of two, the students formed a queue, and created awareness about the preventive measures for dengue through slogans, placards and charts. They proclaimed that mosquito breeding in stagnant water is the most common cause for dengue. The women and elders were interested in collecting the herbal tonic for their children. We were able to educate near about 50 women and elders through this rally.



6.. Pamphlets distribution on “ Dengue fever

No of students who have participated in this program: 35

On the 28th August 2017, health and sanitation group of b.com corporate 'c' section conducted a special event on creating awareness on health and sanitation within the locality.

In order to execute the event the group had arranged around 200 pamphlets in the regional language Tamil so that the locality people can understand what the students want to convey.



On the day of special event all the groups were involved in distributing the pamphlets by forming into separate groups of 8-10 each going into different places of Chindarapet and distributing the pamphlets .moreover, other than distributing the phamplets the students spoke to the men, women of the locality about how to keep the locality clean and neat in order to reduce the chance of any dangerous diseases like dengue, malaria, Chickengunia etc. The students also personally called the school children and made awareness seminars on how to be clean and what should be done in order to keep oneself immune and protected from these kind of harmful diseases.

The students of corporate 'c' section were very much enlightened, proud and engaged themselves voulantrly into this benefitting event. Special contribution was made by prof. Jaiprakash sir who helped in conducting the event by speaking to the head of the locality in order to make this event a success.

7. EDUCATION AWARENESS PROGRAMME

No of students who have participated in this program: 30

An education awareness programme was organized by the youth group on **31st August 2017** in Gandhi Nagar, Park at 3:30p.m. The main aim of the programme was to give knowledge on the importance of education in this modern world, to the youngsters of the area. The speaker for the programme was Mr. Kaviyaran. He gave a valuable speech to the people on the importance of education in this modern society. He spoke to them various after effects if we lack education in our day today life. After the speech, the audience were



allotted time to clarify their doubts. Many youngsters asked and conveyed their difficulties in continuing their studies. After the speech by Mr. Kaviyaran, Prof. Melson, Outreach department in charge for the department of mathematics spoke to the people his thoughts. The programme was ended by 4:45 a.m. with national anthem. **30 students took** part in it.

8. The Dengue awareness

No of students who have participated in this program: 20

The students of Loyola College from the department of b.com general, section b had organized a rally on **31st of August 2017 in S.S Puram**. The main objective was to sensitize people on dengue, malaria and sanitation. The students prepared placards and charts which quotes the prevention of dengue, malaria and sanitation. The students went to the streets and created awareness on the prevention of dengue, malaria



The main objective was to sensitize people on malaria, dengue and sanitation. So we the department of b.com 2nd year students had prepared charts which highlighted on malaria, dengue and sanitation. The students went in to the streets of M.K Rathanagar by holding the placards and made the people to be aware of the causes and the prevention of malaria, dengue. the students also insisted the community to keep their surroundings clean.

9. RALLY ON DENGUE AWARENESS

No of students who have participated in this program: 40

B.Com 'E' Sec

A rally on Dengue awareness was organised on Aug 31, 2017 in Dr.Thomas Road, T Nagar by the students of 2nd year B.Com under the supervision and guidance of Prof. Antony Samy.



The rally successfully commenced after getting prior approval from block medical officer, area counsellor and police corps. People of the locality were made aware that dengue is spread by mosquitoes and they should keep their surrounding clean to check breeding of mosquitoes. They were also advised to check water stagnation near the plants and road side pits. Students went in and around the locality raising slogans, giving suggestions, notices regarding dengue and exhibiting notices that gave the details of dengue disease like the causes, effects and symptoms along with some preventive measures. Some students recited Tamil poems regarding

dengue to create an urge to fight against dengue. The idea of depicting all activities in an organised way worked very effectively. Pluck cards and colourful charts also served a good exhibiting tool. A separate on the spot awareness was made to the people who were around the municipal water and gas vehicle. The shopkeepers were also taught regarding the storage of consumables and stores. Separate teams were formed to inculcate certain values and measures regarding dengue and other water borne diseases on the people of that area. A week before the camp, special efforts were put by the students headed by their leaders to prepare and organise the event which ended in a grand success. A brief idea about the basic preventive measures to be followed was given by the students. Our students enthusiastically participated in the rally and their work was appreciated by everyone.

September 2017

10. DENGUE AWARENESS RALLY

No of students who have participated in this program: 40

DATE: 01/09/2017

PLACE: VARATHARAJAPURAM

CHIEF GUEST:PROF. PRAMILA

Department of Chemistry.

A rally was conducted on Dengue awareness by students of Health and Sanitation Group of Chemistry Department of Loyola College. The rally was flagged off by the Chief Guest Prof.Pramila and Outreach In charge staff Prof. Priya. The rally was started with a silent prayer and Chief Guest's speech. About 54 students participated in the rally. Slogans related Dengue awareness made known to the peoples of Varatharajapuram locality. Students distributed about 130 packets of Nilavembu powder to the peoples of the locality by explaining the usefulness and effects of Nilavembu powder. During this session, Students advised the people to prevent the stagnation of water, use of boiled water for drinking purpose and proper dispose of garbage. Charts with the slogans of dengue awareness were placed in the locality. The rally ended with vote of thanks by Staff in charge Prof.Priya.



11. Creating awareness about Dengue and Malaria

No of students who have participated in this program: 21

Venue :R. K. Nagar

Date : 6thSeptember 2017

The students created awareness about Dengue and Malaria to the residents of R. K. Nagar. The different groups of students were given a handout which contained the information which had to be delivered to the people. They went to each of the houses and the small group of students spoke to them with the objective of creating awareness to all or at least most of the residents of that area. They told the people about the symptoms of Dengue fever which usually starts with symptoms of chills, headache, pain in the back of the eyes that may worsen upon moving the eyes, appetite loss, feeling unwell (malaise), and low backache. Painful aching in the legs and joints occurs during the first hours of illness. The temperature rises quickly as high as 104 F (40 C), with relatively low heart rate (bradycardia) and low blood pressure. The other symptoms to be observed are reddening of the eyes and appearance of a flushing or pale pink rash comes over the face and then disappears.



The lymph nodes in the neck and groin are often swollen. So they instructed the people that if they have any symptoms resembling what has been mentioned by them, they should immediately consult a doctor. They also advised them that Home remedies such as rest and fluid intake (oral rehydration) are important. Pain relievers such as aspirin and nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAIDs) should only be taken under a doctor's supervision because of the possibility of worsening bleeding complications. They said that Carica papaya leaf extract (papaya leaf) has been shown in several clinical studies to be an effective treatment for dengue fever and they also advised them about the medicinal effects of NilaVembukasayam. They made them aware that it is important to cover all the vessels containing

water with a tight lid. They mentioned that too much sugar can also prove to be detrimental to their health and that A good source of vitamins and proteins is essential for the body. Then they spoke about the symptoms of Malaria and they spoke about the foods that can be consumed to increase their immunity levels. They also told them that Alcohol consumption, Obesity, Excessive use of antibiotics, Lack of exercise, Poor hygiene and Smoking, weakens immune system. Stress, Worry for weeks, Most of the people were curious to know about the disease and so they listened attentively to what was being said by the students.

12. Creating awareness about Dengue and Malaria

No of students who have participated in this program: 19

Venue : Nochi Kuppam

Date : 6th September 2017

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13. Literacy Day (Rally)

No of students who have participated in this program: 21

The students conducted literacy day (rally) on 10/09/2017 at MuthumariammanKoil Street, Arumbakkam. People in the region show good response to us. The students holed the slogan charts in our hands which gives the awareness on important of education.



14. Awareness on gender based issue

No of students who have participated in this program: 22

The students of Medical Laboratory Technology, Loyola College collaborated with Outreach Department, to present a street play titled “BharathiVeethiUlaa” at Teynampet on the **15th of September, 2017**.

The group, comprising of 22 students from 2nd M.Sc. MLT, performed this Tamil play to highlight the various forms of social issues that slum people face in public as well as private spaces. The theme of the play is that Bharathiyar comes alive and comments on social issues.

The play started by aiming to raise awareness about the crucial issue of gender based cultural imbalance amongst the slum community by this open-to-all performance.

The next stream of the play portrayed life of old parents specially single parent are seen roaming about on roads having no specific shelter to live in, no regular food to eat, no medical care and no social support to spend remaining days of their life with peace of mind and dignity.

Also, the street play tried to bring out the value of education by showing the attitude of rich student's behavior towards their parents and irresponsible parent's behavior towards their children.

Polygamy is very commonly found in slum cultures where people are addicted to alcohol . The play also addressed the issue of polygamy and women's rights.

The program concluded with the special self-motivating songs and a formal vote of thanks.

Dengue awareness rally

Dengue awareness rally was held on 14th September 2017 in Muthumaati Amman KoilStreet, Arumbakkam. Awareness program was conducted using slogan charts and 'Nelavembu' juice was given to the people which was prepared by the employees of Greater Chennai Corporation (Ammaunavagam).



15.Talent competition

No of students who have participated in this program: 10

Talent competition was conducted on 15 September 2017 at Antony's middle School where competitions were conducted for school children and notebooks were distributed to all the children in the school. The prizes brought a smile on the faces of the children.



16. Awareness on Education

No of students who have participated in this program: 14

Awareness for the children program was conducted by the Department of history in Bazaar Street on **15th September 2017**.

Students had already informed of the program during the previous class. Children were given awareness on education. Most of the children drop their education due to various reasons like family background, negative role models, festive moods and negative influence by peers. These were observed by the students and decided to conduct the awareness program. This program started with a street play. The message was that children come up in life only if they are educated. This skit threw powerful thoughts among the children. After that they were informed of the advantages of educated population. They were informed of their own families' limitations. Children were informed that they can embrace good quality of life if they are educated. They can have a happy life if they are employed in sectors where they could draw decent salary. They were also requested to use the tuition center which is available in the area. The program came to an end with distribution of snacks. Prof,Kumanan appreciated the students for the efforts taken to conduct the event in a meaningful way.



17. Disposal of Non Bio-Degradable wastes
No of students who have participated in this program: 16

Venue: Nochi Kuppam

Date :16th September 2017

The second year under graduate Students of English Department had decided to conduct a sensitization program about garbage disposal and the health hazards associated with it to the residents of Nochi kuppam. Before explaining to the people about the health hazards associated with improper garbage disposal and accumulation of garbage. The students decided to engage themselves in the task of cleaning the slum. Mr. Anto Varun, one of the second year students had bought 10 big plastic refuse bags (bin bags) to collect the garbage which was to be cleaned up, All the students of the department were given plastic gloves and everyone was actively involved in removing the non bio- degradable materials as well as the bio-degradable wastes from the area.

The students were able to dispose the garbage into eight big refuse bags. Then the students along with their Outreach faculty started to fill up the stagnant water filled areas with dry sand with the tools that were provided by the residents. They explained to the people that these waterlogged areas which were stinking and black in colour have the potential to cause severe bacterial and fungal infections and hence it is important to fill these areas with dry sand to prevent infection. There was also a dog which was dead two days ago (swollen carcass) and it was not buried and the students covered the carcass(dead dog) with dry sand and told the people that it is very important to bury the dead animal or else it can lead to the spread of infectious diseases.

They also explained to the people that non-biodegradable waste has to be properly disposed or it can be sent for recycling. The children from the area requested the students to provide gloves for them and they were also involved in cleaning up the area.



18. DENGUE AWARENESS

No of students who have participated in this program: 56

Venue: Sathyasai nagar

Date: 19.09.2017

INTRODUCTION:-

Sathyasai nagar is an undeveloped slum area near koyambedu. There is no Proper sanitation .The roads get flooded even for a small rain. Most of the people at this part of the Chennai are not educated .They are Unaware of the health issues that may be caused due to improper sanitation with no Support from any organization, especially NGOs the people are not able to report Their problems regarding improper roads and improper waste disposal to the

Government officials.

PLANNING:-

We BCA-II year belonging to Health and sanitation group planned to help people in whatever ways possible. We planned to create awareness about dengue among the people. So we planned an awareness program on dengue in sathyasai nagar on 19.09.2017 in the time of 10.30am. We prepared a pamphlet which contains key points of causes and prevention of dengue in it. We prepared ourselves to distribute them to people. We printed invitations for the event and got approval from the director of service learning department and posted in notice boards.

IMPLEMENTATION:-

We have distributed pamphlets throughout the area regarding how people should cope up with the problems regarding dengue .The information mentioned in pamphlets shall bring awareness among them, since in this area is not educated, we have explained to this people regarding dos and don'ts for a dengue free life .



LEARNING:-

We learned a lot and lot more than our previous experience, through the amazing and useful camp, which was conducted by our group. By interacting and inviting the people from the lower strata of the society, we learned to communicate fluently and eloquently with them. We learned how to coordinate with our friends and organise a beneficial event for the welfare of the people. We also learned to understand the real problem which are faced by the slum dwelling citizens of Chennai.

CONCLUSION:-

Our good sprit and heart lead to the grand success of the event. The vibrant leadership of Prof. P. Jai Prakash and the hard work of Health and sanitation team resulted in the useful service the people of sathiyasai nagar.

19. Dengue awareness rally

No of students who have participated in this program: 12

19th September, 2017 at MK Radha nagar

The dengue awareness rally in MK Radha nagar Teynampet Chennai. Due to the rainy season in slum areas many of the people has affected by fevers so we take the initiative to conduct the program .on 19th September our class students have together gone for a rally in the area. We had made placards and pamphlets to do the program in a good manner .we done many rally for around 3-4 streets.

Dengue fever is a mosquito-borne tropical disease caused by the dengue virus. Symptoms typically begin three to fourteen days after infection. This may include a high fever, headache, vomiting, muscle and joint pains, and a characteristic skin rash. recovery generally takes two to seven days in a small proportion of cases, the disease develops into the life-threatening dengue haemorrhagic fever, resulting in bleeding, low levels of blood platelets and blood plasma leakage, or into



dengue shock syndrome, where dangerously low blood pressure occurs.

dengue is spread by several species of mosquito of the aedestype, principally a. Aegyptus .the virus has five different types; infection with one type that type,

but only short-term immunity to the others. Subsequent infection with a different type increases the risk of severe complications. A number of tests are available to confirm the diagnosis including detecting

Impact of the program:

by conducting the program people in that area are well aware about the dengue disease and they now knew how to use the clean the vessels, and they are aware about drinking boiled water and to keep their surroundings and drainages clean. Our students have given the pamphlets to the people to be aware about it and we mentioned how to be aware about it.

Conclusion:

By doing these kind of rallies we learn lot of social services and happy to serve to the peoples.

20. A Rally on Dengue Awareness and Prevention

No of students who have participated in this program: 60

The second year students of B.Com (CS)-B organized an awareness rally on dengue in collaboration with Corporation staff, Zone-9 on **19th September 2017** at Allaiammankoil street. The Chennai Corporation staff had come with handbills containing information about preventive measures for dengue. They had also brought along Nilavembukashayam (Herbal tonic) and distributed it to the women in disposable plastic tumblers. The Rally began at Allaimmankoil and ended near the Ration shop, S.M Nagar. In rows of two, the students formed a queue, and created awareness about the preventive measures for dengue through slogans, placards and charts. They proclaimed that mosquito breeding in stagnant water is the most common cause for dengue. The women and elders were interested in collecting the herbal tonic for their children. We were able to educate near about 50 women and elders through this rally.



21. Dengue Awareness

No of students who have participated in this program: 15

Venue : R. K. Nagar

Date : 29th September 2017

The students created awareness about Dengue fever to the residents of R. K. Nagar. The students thought that it would be a good idea to spread awareness about Dengue by offering Nilavembu kasayam to the residents, as they can give a glass of Nilavembu kasayam and explain about prevention of Dengue. The students went and informed the people that Nilavembu kasayam is being offered to the Residents at a particular location and requested them to drink it by saying that it acts like a vaccine in preventing Dengue.



Once the Nilavembu kasayam was prepared, they started distributing it to the people when they reached the place at which it was prepared. As the people were about to drink it, the students explained about the symptoms of Dengue fever and explained that it is better for them to consult the doctor as soon as they have noticed the symptoms of Dengue.

The students said that Carica papaya leaf extract (papaya leaf) has been shown in several clinical studies to be an effective treatment for dengue fever and they also advised them about the medicinal effects of Nila Vembu kasayam. They made them understand the importance of covering all the vessels containing water with a tight lid and to boil (according to WHO standards) and drink water.

22. Interaction with fisher folk

No of students who have participated in this program: 160

Date:21&:22.09.2017

Area: Srinivasapuram, Pattinapakkam

The fisherman people we met were fishing for generations. They are trained to do fishing from the age of 12-14. They use catamaran and fibre boats for fishing with which they can cover a distance of 5 to 30 kilometres respectively. They say that technology has helped them a lot in fishing as in earlier times they only used normal nets made of thread which gets worn out easily, while nowadays they have durable fibre nets for every variety of fish available. Their daily income largely depends on the amount of fish they have gathered and it is highly volatile as someday they earn 1000 rupees while on another they end up getting nothing.



Their main worry is that the amount of fish present in the sea has decreased to a larger extent and they are also largely affected by the fishing activities of large MNCs as they use an advanced fishing net with which they catch millions of fishes in a single go. The main reason for the decrease in fish resource is due

to the adverse effects of 2004 tsunami to the sea and one of the other reason is oil spills in the sea. They say that they will not be able to do fishing in the rainy months due to the adverse conditions in the sea like heavy storms. During this period, they do other jobs to earn their livelihood. Adding to this they are also not allowed to do fishing in the months of June and July as per government order for which the government give a meagre amount of relief fund which makes it even tough for them to make their livelihood. They also said that during Vardha cyclone, lot of their boats and other assets were destroyed.

Another serious issue is the lack of required support from the government. They say that their queries are never addressed by the government even though there exists a separate ministry for this purpose. Also never the government has given them the required financial support during their times of hardships. They also say that they face a lot of problems due to the Srilankan



border issues in the sea while fishing for which the government has never taken necessary steps to safeguard them from being arrested by the Srilankan guards.

They say that their next generation is not ready to take up this as their profession as they feel that there is no guarantee for consistent income. They say that in spite of having all these hardships they are still continuing to do this as their profession as they want to continue the tradition left behind by their previous generations.

23. ADMITTED A CHILD IN THE SCHOOL

No of students who have participated in this program: 12

A girl named Kanimazhi from the area of Gandhi Nagar, Park, was admitted by the school teaching team members with the help of prof. Melson, outreach staff in charge for the department of mathematics. It was on **25th Sepetember 2017** the girl was admitted to the school. She was a drop out student. She doesn't have her father and mother. Both of them died before some years. At present she lives with her grandmother. It was the members of the school teaching team who took the initiative to take this girl to the school. Now Kanimozhi is admitted to C.S.I school in Royapettai. **12 students** took part in the event.



24. Terrace gardening

No of students who have participated in this program: 12

Date: 25/9/2017

Venue: Jothiammal nagar, Saidapet

In order to take our outreach to the next level ,Students have decided to do terrace gardening ,students asked the tailoring class members to bring waste plastic bucket. Student brought 3 sacks of sand transported from MMDA to saidapet. The members from Tailoring unit bought buckets. They filled those bucket with the sand the members brought decayed tomatoes, beans, red chillis from their home and students have planted them properly in the terrace.

Nearly 8 baskets were asked those members to water regularly.



25. AID TO AN ELDERLY WOMAN

No of students who have participated in this program: 15

It was a beautiful gesture from the elders' team members to put up a shop for an elderly woman in our outreach area. It was on **30th September 2017**, elders' team members helped an elderly woman to put up a shop in front of her house. Every group member contributed a minimum of 100 rupees and altogether of 1500 rupees was used for this purpose. It was for Mrs. Regina Devi, a 54 year old widow, with 6 children, whom the team helped. Prof. Melson, outreach department staff for the department of mathematics was present at that time. It was really a generous act by the group members. **15 students** organized this program.



26. Sports for Children

No of students who have participated in this program: 17

Date: 01.10.2017

Venue: West Coovam Road

The students of Education Team of Commerce B Section conducted games for the children of West Couvam Road area at Rex Street, Chindhadripet on 1-10-2017. The children were divided into small groups. The first event was running race for girls. Around fifteen girls participated. The second event was running race for boys. There were around twenty six boys who took part in the running race. Since the number of children was more than twenty the students conducted rehearsals to bring down the numbers for finals. The competition was really fierce and there were a lot of spectators for the event. This event took a lot of time since there were a lot of complaints to conduct again by a few participants. But the students were able to convince them. A few went on to talk to the boys and explained to them that the main achievement is their participation and winning is secondary. Musical chair was conducted for the girls since some of the girls could not take part in the running race. There was much enthusiasm among the girls. A lot of women were present there to support their wards and encourage. When the events got over the students addressed the children and congratulated them for taking part in the competition. They stressed the importance of competing and participating rather than sitting out and being a mere spectator. After addressing sweet were distributed to the children and the local people. Prizes were given to the first three winners. The children were very happy and thanked the students for conducting the game



27. Creating Awareness about 104 Maruthuva

Sevai

No of students who have participated in this program: 21

Venue : Nochi Kuppam

Date : 6th October 2017

The students spread the awareness about the Health call centre service which is being run by the Tamil Nadu Government. Nurses, Health Advisory staff, Medical officers and Doctors offer specialized advice in the call centre. The number 104 is a toll free number and the caller is charged only when the call is transferred to a few of the departments. The students were divided into many small groups and each group was given a hand out which contained the information about the call centre service. The primary objective of the helpline is to provide the caller with the immediate home remedies for most ailments. Information about Communicable as well as non communicable diseases will also be provided. If there are a few people in an area who are sick (due to a communicable disease) a health camp can be organized to prevent further infections. Callers from any part of the State would be directed to the nearest healthcare (Govt. or Private Hospital) with requisite facilities to treat ailments or injuries.

The different group of students tried to spread the information to most of the families in Nochi Kuppam. They informed the people that they can call this number to register complaints regarding Non availability of doctors, staff, Medicines/Injections, Non availability of beds and any other Grievances will be brought to the notice of the senior Government officials, which will enable the top decision makers to make timely interventions. The call center has expert counselors for Suicidal prevention counseling, Counseling for depression, stress or any other issues. Counselling for Drug and Alcohol addicts and the treatment options available for Alcohol and drug addicts is also provided in the call centre. Information about Cancer, Heart attack, Diabetes and blood pressure will be provided and any questions related to hospitalization/medication will be provided and second opinion of a doctor as to whether surgery is required (If the first doctor has suggested that surgery has to be done) will be given in the call centre. One woman had a few doubts



about her thyroid problem and the students encouraged the woman to call the number and hence the faculty in charge of Outreach called the call centre from his mobile phone. The woman was feeling shy to discuss her problem in front of the faculty and students. So the call was disconnected. But the person who was working in the call centre called back the faculty member (the number had been registered in his name) and enquired about the reason for the call. The faculty told the woman to go inside her house and speak to the call centre advisor and after answering her queries they told her to gargle her throat with warm salt water and the kind of diet that she should consume taking into consideration her thyroid disorder. The people felt that the call centre service is a good initiative of the government and most of the people said that they will call this number when the need arises for them

28. Swachhta Hi Seva

No of students who have participated in this program: 10

“Happy to clean the slum of Jothiammal nagar, saidapet for the city makers”

Students of plant biology and chemistry were involved in the cleaning activity on 29th October 2017 by 10 am at Jothiammal nagar, saidapet, Chennai. People who reside in Jothiammal nagar are sanitary workers who also involved themselves in the activity. Students who clean the slum area were proud and happy that they had cleaned for the city makers who work for corporation of Chennai.

Photos



29. Disposal of Non Bio-Degradable wastes

No of students who have participated in this program: 13

Venue: R K Nagar

Date :18th December 2017

The second year under graduate Students of Tamil Department conducted a sensitization program about garbage disposal and the health hazards associated with it to the residents of R K. Nagar. The students told the residents about the importance of disposing non biodegradable wastes and also about the importance of sanitation.

They then started to dispose the waste materials into the refuse bags and collected and as they went around cleaning up the place they also instructed the people about the importance of disposing plastic wastes and also to not use much of plastics. They told them that they can use their bags while shopping and they can also use their containers to collect oil or other items while going for shopping. They also told them that they can recycle the plastic bags and materials rather than disposing them.



30. Psychological support to the Physically Challenged.

No of students who have participated in this program: 10

Date: 06.01.2018

Venue: Chetti thottam, Saidapet

Students of women empowerment group of sociology department visited a physically challenged woman to spread awareness to her about the job opportunities in the society which are especially for the disabled.

We were thinking that if we spread awareness the people would be motivated to give it a try. But to our surprise she was indifferent to the information we had provided.

She told us that she is not interested in going out. To your information, The girl had no legs, She was given a wheel chair by the area counsellor but she refused taking it saying that she was not interested in going out of her home. This incident was told to us by the girl's mother.

This incident made the student to think of the mental aspect of the problem. She was not only physically challenged, but also she was afraid mentally that, what will the society think of her and would they mock at her.

And hence this made us think that the work is not only to spread awareness but also to understand them at a deeper level and provide them with mental support. From then students initiated to support her by spending time with her whenever they come for field visit.



31. Eye camp

Date: 09.01.2018

No of students who have participated in this program: 40

Venue: Chetti thottam

Students of Health team had organised eye camp at chetti thottam on 9th of January 2018. Though it was pongal celebration time, students had taken that opportunity to conduct eye camp for chetti thottam dwellers.

Totally, 80 entries (patient checked) in the eye camp. Students could see their fullest cooperation of the community. Students have collaborated with eye sight foundation is an organisation conducts camp for many slum areas. They got to know through prof. Rathna and students have organised the event successfully.

Nearly 20 elders have benefited with 20 eye glass worth Rs. 2000 each. It helped many elders in the community.



32. Awareness programme about Cancer prevention
No of students who have participated in this program: 15

Venue : Nochi Kuppam

Date : 23rd January 2018

The students of second year English department organised a cancer awareness programme for the residents of Dooming kuppam on 23rd January 2018. The resource person was Ms. Selvarani from Iyakkam foundation. She spoke about the services offered by her organisation where they have given free medical treatment for cancer for children under the age of nineteen and have saved the lives of almost 12000 people affected with cancer. She said that the reason behind the success story of Iyakkam foundation is Dr. Satya Sailakshmi who has been involved in fundraising and through her wholehearted efforts and the generous contribution of the donors, they have been able to save the lives of numerous people.

She spoke about the early diagnosis of cancer and what is the diet that needs to be followed for prevention of cancer. She highlighted that Aloe vera has been a medicinal plant which has numerous benefits with respect to dealing with non communicable diseases like cancer. She also spoke about the employment opportunities which are being offered through her organisation. She said that their organisation can train and support people to help them in growing vegetables in small pots or broken buckets and that they will buy it from them. If they are not able to produce enough vegetables, these vegetables can atleast be used for their own consumption. She said that their organisation is ready to buy the food products which can be prepared by the people and that they are also ready to give training for them about the kind of products which are in demand. On the whole, the women who attended the programme felt that the information which was being shared by the resource person was very useful and that they are ready to know more about the opportunities for self employment.



**33. Awareness programme about Cancer prevention
No of students who have participated in this program: 25**

Venue : Dooming Kuppam

Date : 23rd January 2018

The students of second year Statistics department and their Outreach faculty organised a cancer awareness programme for the residents of Dooming kuppam on 23rd January 2018. The resource person was Ms. Selvarani from Iyakkam foundation. She spoke about the services offered by her organisation where they have given free medical treatment for cancer for children under the age of nineteen and have saved the lives of almost



12000 people affected with cancer. She said that the reason behind the success story of Iyakkam foundation is Dr. Satya Sailakshmi who has been involved in fundraising and through her wholehearted efforts and the generous contribution of the donors, they have been able to save the lives of numerous people. She spoke about the early diagnosis of cancer and what is the diet that needs to be followed for prevention of cancer. She highlighted that Aloe vera has been a medicinal plant which has numerous benefits with respect to dealing with non communicable diseases like cancer.

She also spoke about the employment opportunities which are being offered through her organisation. She said that their organisation can support people who can grow vegetables in small pots or broken buckets and they will buy it from them or it can be used for their own personal consumption. She said that their organisation is ready to buy the food products which can be prepared by the people and that they are also ready to give training for them about the kind of products which are in demand. On the whole, the women who attended the programme felt that the information which was being shared by the resource person was very useful and that they are ready to know more about the opportunities for self employment.

34. Awareness programme about Cancer prevention

No of students who have participated in this program: 12

Venue : Radhakrishnan Nagar

Date : 25th January 2018

The students of second year Viscom department and their Outreach faculty organised a cancer awareness programme for the residents of Dooming kuppam on 23rd January 2018. The resource person was Ms. Selvarani from Iyakkam foundation. She spoke about the services offered by Iyakkam foundation, and where they have saved the lives of more than 10000 people affected with cancer

They have given free medical treatment for cancer for children under the age of nineteen. The real reason for the tremendous services offered by Iyakkam foundation is because of the wholehearted efforts of Dr. Satya Sailakshmi who has also been involved in fundraising and through the generous contribution of the donors. Ms. Selvarani met the people in two different groups and she spoke about the early diagnosis of cancer and the diet that needs to be followed for prevention of cancer. She highlighted that Aloe vera has been a medicinal plant which has numerous benefits with respect to dealing with non communicable diseases like cancer.

She also mentioned about the employment opportunities which are being offered through her organisation and their partner NGOs. She said that their organisation will offer training to people to grow vegetable yielding plants in small pots or broken buckets and that their organisation will buy them as soon as the plants have yielded these vegetables. She said that their organisation is ready to buy the food products which can be prepared by the people and that they are also ready to give training for them about the kind of products which are in demand. The women who attended the programme felt that the information which was being shared by the resource person was very useful and that they are ready to know more about the opportunities for self employment.



35. Awareness Program of Domestic Workers scheme

No of students who have participated in this program: 15

Awareness Program of Domestic Workers Union and its opportunities was held on 25th January 2018 in Dr. Santhosh Nagar, Dasapraksh Kuttisaipakuthi, Mrs. Pungukuzhali from Tamil Nadu Domestic Workers Welfare Trust, Chennai-94 gave awareness about Domestic Workers Union and opportunities available. Many women actively participated in this awareness meeting and showed their interest towards domestic workers opportunities and union.



36.. Environmental issues

No of students who have participated in this program: 12

Venue : R. K . Nagar

Date : 29th January 2018

The second year B, A Tamil Literature students conducted public speaking and drawing competitions for the children from R. K. Nagar Slum. They competitions were based on environmental issues and so they spoke to the children about the environmental issues and told them about the importance of safeguarding the environment and for growing trees. They gave two days time for the children and told them to come prepared on 29th January for the competitions.



They conducted the competitions on 29th January. Initially most of the children did not come forward to participate in the public speaking competitions. The students encouraged the children and they first told the children to sing songs in front of others and they then conducted the public speaking competition as they had the confidence to speak in front of others. Few of the children spoke well about protecting the environment and growing trees. They then conducted drawing competitions and most of the children participated in the drawing competitions and they showed their creativity in drawing the pictures and in expressing their ideas about the environment and planting trees. The students(Loyola) judged the children and gave note books and pens as



prizes to most of the children who participated in the events.

37. WOMEN EMPOWERMENT EVENT

No of students who have participated in this program: 15

On the 30th January 2018, the women empowerment team of chemistry department (outreach) organized a short meeting in the Nerupumedu slum, Saidapet . It began around 2:30pm till 5:30pm. The meeting was organized for and addressed to the women of Nerupumedu slum.

The members of the women empowerment team reached the spot around 2:30pm and approached Ms. Priya, to whom the meeting was already informed. With the help of Ms. Priya , the team where able to gather around thirteen women for the meeting at the temple at Nerupumedu. The meeting began with a short introduction of explaining about the purpose of outreach and what is our moto by our team mate Iniyan. And then our mentor Prof. Rathna graced us with her presence. After Iniyan explaining briefly about outreach, Navin, our other member of the team took over the speech by explaining about the educational team. He was helped by our Prof. Rathna in explaining about the difficulties faced by the education team for taking tuitions but in lack of space. Later we agreed for having Ms. Priya's house for tuition untill we get a better place. Prof. Rathna also explained about the funding programme for widowed women to all the women present there, whose support is greatly needed. We also laid a stepping stone for the function of self-help group for the women. And also we were offered a nice place in the temple for our further meetings. The meeting was officially ended at around 3:30 , after we went to Chetti Thotam where we reviewed the meeting.



During the meeting we learnt many things such as; how to gather people for meeting, and form a group with them, how to address people and many other things we haven't learnt till now. The meeting was over at 5:30 and then we dispersed.

38. Health Awareness for Senior Citizens

No of students who have participated in this program: 16

Venue : Nochi Kuppam

Dates : 30th January 2018

The second year B. A. English Literature students spoke about Health related information to the Senior citizens of Nochi Nagar on 30th January and 9th February 2018. They made the elderly people aware about the essential things which are to be taken into consideration as the students were given a handout containing 40 points which was prepared by Dr. V. K. Natarajan. Dr. V. K. Natrajan was a specialist in dealing with senior citizens and he is the recipient of Padmashree award. They spoke to them about the importance of taking medical tests, helpline numbers for elders, importance of maintaining the prescription chits and noting down the medicines which cause allergies/harm to their bodies, taking medicines without the consent of the doctor(on the advice of the pharmacist), significance of different forms and ways of treating diseases, quantity of food to be consumed at each meal.

The students also spoke about the symptoms associated with heart attack, diabetes, thyroid disorders, stroke, Epilepsy, schizophrenia, Dementia and Alzheimer's disease. The students made the people understand the importance of moderate physical exercise and the necessity to manage their weight as obesity can cause many diseases. They also made them understand how stress can affect them. The students told the elderly men that frequent smoking and drinking beyond the age of sixty can severely affect their bodies and they told them to meditate and not be too worried about their problems. They also told them that they should start saving some money every month as these days they cannot expect their children or grand children to take care of them when they become too old. The elderly people listened patiently as the students spoke about these facts to almost all of the senior people in Nochi Kuppam. Some of them who could read, requested the students to give them a copy of the handout as they felt that it is necessary for them to follow the instructions given in the handout.



39. DENGUE AWARENESS RALLY

No of students who have participated in this program: 20

12 Feb. 18

We the II UG-A Sec students of Department of Physics[Health and Sanitation team] Loyola college as part of our outreach activities organized dengue awareness rally in and around the streets of Mangalapuram, Chetpet. The rally started by 9.30am

We started the rally with two drummers headed by Mr.Dhiraj. We covered the streets of Mangalapuram 1 and 2 and walked through the streets and distributed notices to the vendors, local residents and students in those areas. We also carried placards and distributed notices to the residents. We walked through the church, water tank, primary health centre, nursery school and almost covered the area.

They also received the notices with good response and the programme was a great success for our team and students were also involved with good cooperation by following in a proper queue. We whole heartedly thank the Department of Service Learning and our outreach in-charge Prof. Richard and community leader Mr.Isaimani for making it a great success.

PHOTO GALLERY



40. Women empowerment program:

No of students who have participated in this program: 25

Siragu an endeavour to empower women by providing a platform for self-development and independence launched its Training cum Self Help Centre on Sunday, **February 18, 2018** opposite Central Railway station in Chennai.

The launch was graced by Honourable Reverend Father Dr. A. Louie Albert S.J, Director, Dept. of Service Learning, Loyola College, Mr. Arokia Sagaya Melson, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Service Learning, Loyola College, Mr.Prabhakaran, DMK Secretary, Gandhi Nagar Slum, Faculty members of Loyola College, Heads of Acid Survivors & Women Welfare Foundation, five brave Acid Survivors and eminent guests from the locality.

‘Siragu’, is an initiative supported by Acid Survivors Women Welfare Foundation, which is a leading non-profit organization, having an all India presence, for prevention and for also providing Holistic support to Acid Survivors and women, in particular through a network of chapters and partners.

This endeavour was conceptualised and is driven by an energetic and passionate group of college students dedicated to bring about a change in the society. ‘Siragu’ aims to provide women free training in skills such as making sturdy newspaper, denim and jute bags, thus enabling them to make an earning and support their family. If their skills are well honed by training they can be made independent, which will have an impact on the children that they bear, thus giving the future of our country the right values. Hence, with this unique mission Siragu has made a start, envisioning many more such centres across the country. **25 students organized this program.**



41. Financial Scheme for Self help Groups
No of students who have participated in this program: 28

Venue : Nochi Kuppam

Dates : 23rd February 2018

The second year B. A. English Literature students created awareness about the Finance related schemes initiated by Tamil Nadu Backward Classes Economic Development Corporation on 23rd and 27th February 2018. The Corporation provides loans that are economically and financially viable, trade or project to the individuals, Groups, Societies, belonging to the Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities at lower interest rates for their economic upliftment.



All the students of English Literature were divided into several groups and they made the people aware about the schemes. The corporation provides loans to individuals(Men) upto Rupees Two Lakhs at the yearly interest Rate of Six percent for doing small business. For women, the loan amount is upto Rupees One Lakh at an interest rate of Five Percent per year. For women who have registered self help groups the loan amount is Rs. 50,000 for a woman at the interest rate of Four percent per year. The corporation also provides schemes for men who have a registered Self help group and the loan amount is Rs. 50,000 for a man at the interest rate of Five percent per year. For youth who are technically qualified and are having the intention of starting a business, they are granted loans upto Rupees Ten Lakhs at the interest rates between Six to Eight Percent.

The Eligibility criteria for these loans are that the beneficiary should be belonging to Backward /Most Backward Classes/De-notified Community. The beneficiary should be between 18 and 60 years and the Annual Family income should not exceed more than Rupees 1,03,000. For people belonging to SC/ST the government also gives a subsidy of 30 percent/or Rs. 25000 whichever is less for loans upto Rs. One lakh. For schemes related to Self Help groups, it is mandatory that the Self Help group should have been existence for six months.

Many people were interested to know about the loan schemes. Some of the women belonging to self help groups were already getting loans at a higher interest rate and hence they wanted to get loans through the corporation at a lower interest rate. The students also warned the people that if they do not pay the installment amount for every month on time, the interest rates are likely to increase to a higher rate.

42. Jobs in Private Sector

No of students who have participated in this program: 16

Venue : Nochi Kuppam

Dates : 03rd and 9th March 2018

The second year B. A. English Literature students conducted activities which were focused on informing the people in Nochi Kuppam about the jobs which were available for them in the Private Sector. Their Outreach Faculty had attended a job Fair which was conducted by the Tamil Nadu government where a lot of Corporates were assembled in Sir Thyagaraja candidates as they wanted to recruit even people who had little or less education as well as graduates from different



backgrounds. Their Faculty spoke with many of the Human Resource executives from different companies and he told these executives about the number of people from different slums who were looking out for Jobs. Most of the HR Managers/Executives felt that they always required people who had only completed 8th/10th/12th as there was a huge demand for people who were unskilled or who did not complete their schooling. There was also a demand for graduates as some of these companies had come to the Job fair with the intention of recruiting at least 100 people. The Faculty also told the students from English Department about the jobs which were available in Private sector. The students then spoke to the people to know about the kind of jobs which they were doing and the amount of money which the people earned every week/month. For the people who earned less, they suggested about the employment opportunities which were available in Private sector. They told the people that Apollo Pharmacy was recruiting a lot of people who had completed either 10th/12th. They also told them that TVS Training and Services was also looking to train and Recruit people who had completed 10th/12th as they would train them on ITI(Technical Education) related training for 38 days in their centre(free food and accommodation for 38 days) and they take them into the rolls of TVS after finishing their probationary period of one year(first year they would be on contract with a salary of 9000 and thereafter they could get close to 13000).

43. Rally on Dengue fever

No of students who have participated in this program: 50

10th March 2018

The students of Loyola College had given an awareness rally at Gangaikarapuram. The main idea of this rally is to create alertness about health and sanitary factors among the people of is a housing board colony located at T Nagar. Many people from Chennai are not aware of this area. The people of this area are most deprived in health and cleanliness factors. The students of Loyola College were supporting these people with help of their college service learning department. This department helps the students to be aware about service and engage them in many social works. This process will make them good men in future for our society.



The awareness rally was held on 10th March 2018 by Monday at Gangaikarapuram. The rally was organized by the Prof. Basker Jayabalan of service learning department and prof. kirubakaran Amalraj of English department the rally had started by giving pamphlets to the people of that area. There are many charts made by the students that contain Tamil slogans on health issues. All the students of English department had given their equal participation in the rally and the people of Gangaikarapuram were very happy by seeing the students support to them and at last the rally had suited as wonderful example for the quotation

“Youths selfless nature decides our nation’s future”

