

ARUNODHAYA

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Preface

This year has been transformative for us, with new initiatives launched to meet the evolving needs identified through our strategic planning. One of our key focuses has been providing training in parenting skills for parents and caregivers, alongside enhancing awareness of sexual and reproductive health among young married women. By equipping parents with essential skills, we aim to create a supportive family environment that fosters the development of children and adolescents. Our program on sexual and reproductive health has encouraged women to prioritize their well-being, engage in family discussions, and seek medical advice. This initiative has brought home the importance of “Healthy Women – Healthy Families.”

We are pleased to announce a new partnership with Omega Health Care Services, while also renewing our collaborations with Asmae to support youth skill development and with Azim Premji Foundation to advance our work with adolescents.

Our approach remains child-centered, focusing on capacity building, active listening, and empowering stakeholders to respect children’s voices while engaging with policymakers. The social media team has played a crucial role, producing impactful short films on online abuse and gender equality, along with a documentary highlighting the various initiatives of Arunodhaya.

This year saw a major boost in strengthening community-based child protection structures with the formation of the first Urban Ward-level Child Protection Committee in Ward 38. We see this as a significant step toward implementing Tamil Nadu’s Government Order 50, which calls for the establishment of Child Protection Committees at the urban level.

Our team’s efforts to support the right to education in government schools were recognized by the Greater Chennai Corporation, which led to an MOU allowing us to work in 19 GCC schools in North Chennai. Arunodhaya team members were also invited to participate in School Management Committees and were honored at the schools’ annual day events, a testament to their dedicated work.

The external evaluation report of the APF-supported project, “Adolescent Awareness and Capacity Building,” offered encouraging feedback, noting that:

“The organization’s management is strong and vision-oriented. It provides necessary capacity-building training and professional development opportunities, enabling the staff to excel in their community interventions.”

We extend our deepest gratitude to our team members and community volunteers, whose tireless commitment continues to drive our mission forward. The trustees have been an invaluable source of guidance, support, and positive energy in strengthening our work.

Finally, we thank the Almighty for the strength and resilience granted to us as we navigate challenges and pursue our mission with renewed purpose.

July 2023
Dr. Virgil D’ Sami
Executive Director

About Us



Established in 1992 as a Registered Charitable Trust, Arunodhaya Centre for Street and Working Children is committed to building a just society where every child enjoys a dignified and joyful childhood, free from exploitation, oppression, and violence. We believe that every child has the right to safety, education, healthcare, and love, and our mission is to create an environment where these rights are upheld and protected.

At the heart of our work is the belief that the well-being of children is fundamental to the development of society. To realize this vision, we have developed a holistic approach focused on child protection, development, participation, and empowerment. Our programs are designed to safeguard children's rights and promote their holistic growth.

Vision

A just society in which every child enjoys childhood assured of his/her rights with dignity and happiness

Mission

Build a social movement that will uproot all form of exploitation and oppression of children and promote and protect the basic human rights of children enabling them to enjoy a dignified childhood Effect policy changes and ensure social justice through research, documentation, campaign and networking.

Philosophy

Arunodhaya believes that all children are born with an inherent right to justice, peace and freedom and deserve access to all fundamental human rights including education, health care, love, respect, security and protection. A nation's development depends on the development of its children. Hence protection and promotion of the rights of children should become an inherent component of all development activities.

Core Values

- Ambition
- Commitment
- Integrity
- Creativity
- Team work and Collaboration
- Accountability/ Transparency

Objectives

- Create a protective environment for every child free from all forms of violence, discrimination, exploitation and neglect.
- Create an environment at all levels for every child to express themselves, take decisions and participate in governance on all matters concerning them with the support of Community Based Organisations.
- Create opportunities for all children to fully develop physically, mentally, gain knowledge and develop their personality.
- Ensure the rights of all children by strengthening all community based organizations for the protection of children from all forms of violence.

Interventions

Education

- Bringing out of school children back to education
- Fostering a culture of reading
- Empowering through digital learning
- Steps to success- Motivational session for exam preparation
- Interaction with Government schools

Child Protection

- Adolescent awareness and capacity building
- Counseling and Healing Unt
- Railway childline
- Shelter Home

Child Participation

- Online safety and responsible social media use
- Leadership skills
- Child participation in governance - Children Nagara Sabai
- Child participation in schools - School Children Council
- Developing Advocacy and communication skills
- Awareness programmes
- Young scientists exhibition
- Networking and collective action

Community Empowerment

Community based organisations

- Women groups
- Youth forum
- Community Child Rights Monitoring Committees

Community based initiatives

- Skill development for sustainable livelihood
- Disaster relief and rehabilitation
- Joy of giving (Daan Utsav)
- Awareness programmes
- Construction of houses for Irula families in Athipet

Strengthening community based structures for child protection

- Ward level child protection Committee
- School Management Committee
- Parent Teachers Association

Arunodhaya Resource Centre

- In house trainings
- Training by other organisations
- Resource persons
- Publications
- Video documentation
- Field work trainings and Internships

Networking and Collaboration

- NGO networks
- Government agencies
- Academic institutions
- Volunteers

Highlights

83

Areas Reached
Empowering Marginalized Communities

2

Districts
Chennai
Thiruvallur

3

Zones
Zone 1: Tiruvottiyur
Zone 4: Tondiarpet
Zone 5: Royapuram

19

Wards
1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8,
9, 10, 11, 12, 14,
16, 37, 38, 41,
47, 53, 52

Direct Reach

Children and Adolescents	7000
Youth	836
Women	3000

Indirect Reach

Children and Adolescents	12000
Youth	2500
Women	8000

Nature of People

Urban Poor
Coastal Communities
Resettlement Communities
Irula Tribe

Schools

Greater Chennai Corporation Schools	19
Government Schools	3
Panchayat School	1
Government Aided School	1

New Initiatives

MOU

Signed MOU with Education Department, Greater Chennai Corporation to work with 19 GCC schools. This enabled us to conduct different programmes in the Schools without any hassle.

Ward level Child Protection Committee Meeting was convened in Ward 38 in February 2024. This is the **first Ward level Child Protection Committee** after the issue of G.O. 50 for the formation of Urban Ward level Child Protection Committees.

Digital learning programme initiated in April 2023 with the support of Leap to Shine.



Responding to the need for developing parenting skill among parents and caregivers of adolescents, Parenting educators training was conducted in collaboration with Parenting Matters.

Second phase of Asmae project initiated from January 2024



Mental wellness training conducted for children in collaboration with SCARF

Women livelihood support received from ROX- Hitech in March 2024



Sexual and Reproductive Health Awareness Programme with the support of Omega Health care services inaugurated in August 2023

Partnership with Azim Premji Foundation renewed for the project 'Safe space for Adolescents'

'Chitterumbu Pesudhu' Newsletter by Children revived. Training on Journalism organised and Children Editorial Team was formed and the first issue released in November 2023



Arunodhaya Social Media Team with adolescents trained by Arunodhaya inaugurated in August 2023

Impact

Education

Arunodhaya is dedicated to ensuring that all children are enrolled in school, supported throughout their educational journey, and motivated to pursue higher education. Our core educational interventions reflect this mission, focusing on sustained engagement and holistic development.



Success in Re-enrollment

101

Out-of-school children (46 girls and 55 boys) were identified and brought back into the education system.

Board Exam Preparation

130

Children (57 girls and 73 boys) were motivated to appear for the board examinations through the 'Steps to Success' programme with confidence and preparation.

Continuous Learning Support

1,566

Children (769 girls and 797 boys) were provided continuous educational support through learning centers.

Second Chances

32

Children (17 girls and 15 boys) who could not clear the board exams were motivated to reappear for the exams and joined in ITI courses, nursing and college.



Digital Learning for Girls

40

Girls were guided in studies through digital learning centres.

Child Protection

Arunodhaya empowers children and adolescents through awareness programs on safety, reproductive health, and life skills. It provides counseling, rescues vulnerable children via Railway Childline, and offers rehabilitation through its shelter home, fostering education, health and development.

Empowering Adolescents

1149

Adolescents (576 girls, 573 boys) participated in Ilanthalir (adolescent) sessions in the communities.

School-Based Awareness

766

Adolescents (395 girls and 371 boys) participated in Ilanthalir (adolescent) sessions from 15 schools.

Safety Education

2269 children (1141 girls and 1128 boys) from 11 schools made aware of safe and unsafe touch.



Menstrual Hygiene Awareness for Girl

1000

Girls in grades 9 and 10 gained information on reproductive health, menstrual hygiene and menstrual products and received cloth pads.

Trauma Recovery

717

Children (366 girls and 351 boys) from 14 schools were provided with counseling support to overcome the trauma of Michaung cyclone.

Career Guidance

57

Adolescents (30 girls and 27 boys) from 9th to 12th grade attended career guidance session.

Building Life Skills

62

Adolescents (28 girls and 34 boys) participated in life skill training.

Personalized Support

126

Adolescents (61 girls and 65 boys) were provided individual counseling.

Group Counseling Sessions

282

Adolescents (108 girls and 174 boys) were provided group counseling.

Exploring New Horizons

115

Adolescents (63 girls and 52 boys) participated in exposure visit to Mini forest in Tiruvallur and Police museum in Egmore.



Shelter for Vulnerable Boys

16 boys were provided care and protection at the Shelter home for boys.

10 boys were referred to Child Care Institutions and 6 boys were reunited with their families.

Railway Child Line

57

Children (18 girls and 39 boys) rescued through Railway Childline at Egmore railway station. 53 children were restored to their parents and 4 children were placed in Child Care Institutions.



Awareness Programs in Egmore Railway Station

1876 Children and 3880 adults were reached through awareness programmes.

Stakeholder Sensitization

271

Stakeholders at Egmore railway station sensitised on child protection.

Child Help Group Meetings

Child Help Group Meeting conducted every month with the participation of Railway officials, GRP, RPF.

Child Participation

At Arunodhaya, we firmly believe that child participation is fundamental to upholding child rights. We foster an environment that empowers children to form opinions on issues that affect them, make informed decisions, and engage with adults to ensure their voices are heard and respected



Children Sangam

80

Units of Confederation of Arunodhaya children sangam with 2850 members.

Child Participation in Governance

Children Nagara Sabai in 10 wards.

Child Participation in School

School children council in 18 schools with 540 children.

Young facilitators

34 children trained as young facilitators.

Planning Camps

37

Area level planning camps conducted by young facilitators reaching out to 1655 children and prepared the plan of action for the year.

Cultural Training

40

Children trained in playing parai, oyilattam, developing script for street play and skill in acting.

Social Media Team

Children trained in video documentation formed Arunodhaya social media and produced short films and documented the programmes of Arunodhaya.

Net Working

CACS representative Selvan Santhosh played an active role in the activities of the Federation of Children Movement for Right to Participation as assistant secretary.





Children's Newsletter 25

Children trained in journalism form the editorial team of Children's newsletter 'Sitterumbu Pesudhu'.

Silambam Training

Thirty-six children trained in Silambam. They participated in three district and three state level events and won prizes.

National Consultation

Representatives from CACS participated in the 5th National Consultation for Children's Collectives- "Thriving Together", held in Ahmedabad, Gujarat, organised by Shaisav.

Science Exhibition

The Young Scientist for Social Change exhibition, held in June 2023, featured 15 innovative projects by adolescents addressing community challenges.



Film Release

Release of film 'Ranam' directed by Mr. Mohammed Sheriff, former CACS member.



Community Empowerment

The mission of Arunodhaya is to Build a social movement that will uproot all forms of exploitation and oppression of children and promote and protect the basic human rights of children enabling them to enjoy a dignified childhood. Arunodhaya invests in building community-based organisations, interacting with different stakeholders and strengthening child protection structures towards creating an environment safe for all children

Child Protection Committee

The first Urban ward level child protection committee formed in Ward 38.

School Management Committee

Arunodhaya team members have representation in School Management Committees.

Parent Teacher Association

407 members across 17 schools trained on child protection

Child Rights Monitoring

Community Child Rights Monitoring Committees active in 13 areas.

Skills Training for Youth

156 youth (123 girls, 33 boys) trained in DCA, Tally, spoken English and life skill.

Job Placement

78 youth (61 Girl, 17 Boys) placed in Job

Skill Training for Women

320 women received skill training in garment making and fashion designing, Aari work and artificial jewellery.

Awareness Programmes

The cultural team of Arunodhaya staff and children conducted awareness programmes on preventing drug abuse, importance of education, children's dream of a good

Cyclone Relief Aid

Cyclone Michaung relief materials provided to 5000 families.

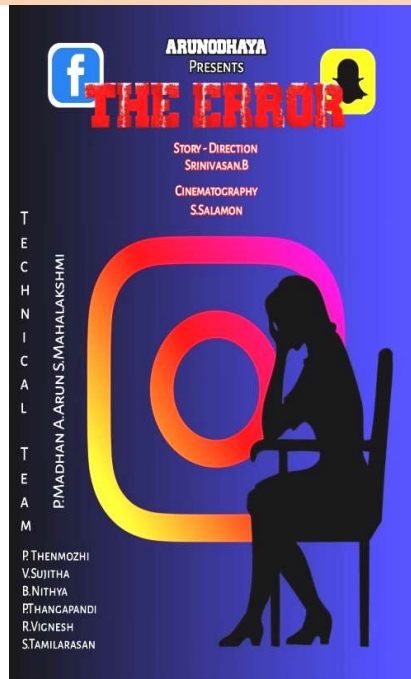
Joy of Giving Event

Children and women celebrated Joy of giving by reaching out to the most marginalised children, women and senior citizens.



Arunodhaya Resource Centre

The Arunodhaya Resource Centre plays a pivotal role in creating and disseminating valuable resources aimed at social empowerment. Through its various initiatives, the center focuses on addressing key community needs, promoting awareness, and supporting capacity building. It serves as a hub for knowledge sharing and encourages positive social change through innovative tools and media.



Health Training Guide

Produced Thalai Nimir, a training manual on Sexual and Reproductive Health.

Film Productions

2 short films The Error on online safety, The Change on gender rights and six documentary on Arunodhaya's programmes were produced by Arunodhaya

Parenting Skills Manual

Developed a Training Manual on Parenting Skills with the support of Parenting Matters.

Networking & Advocacy

Arunodhaya collaborates with various NGOs, government agencies, and academic institutions to promote and safeguard child rights.

NGO Networks

- Campaign Against Child Labour (Tamil Nadu)
- Tamil Nadu Child Rights Watch
- SDG Watch - Tamil Nadu
- RTE Forum
- Forum for Promotion of Child Participation
- Federation of Children's Movements for the Right to Participation

Government Agencies

- Tamil Nadu Urban Habitat Development Board
- Child Welfare Committee
- District Child Protection Unit
- Greater Chennai Corporation, Education Department
- Gender Lab, Greater Chennai Corporation
- Nehru Yuva Kendra Programmes & Activities

Academic Institutions

Contributed to data collection for a study on "Menstrual Hygiene Management among Adolescent Girls in Poor Households in Chennai Slums," conducted by the Department of Economics, Ethiraj College for Women.

NSS special camp in AIR site for a week in February conducted by Women's Christian College

Children participated in the Child fest event organized by the Department of social work, Loyola college in October 2023.



Awards and Recognition

Arunodhaya's dedication and impact were celebrated through various awards and recognitions, honoring individuals and the team's efforts in community development and social work

School Recognition

Arunodhaya team members were honoured by the schools at the School annual day programme in appreciation of their work in the development of school children.

Social Worker Award

Ms. Dhanalakshmi, Shelter home coordinator received best social worker award from Greater Chennai Corporation.

Drug Abuse Competition

Ms. Santhanamary received prize in awareness song competition on drug abuse conducted by the police department



Visits

Arunodhaya welcomed International visitors and Former students, fostering meaningful interactions and celebrating the achievements of its community members

Global Connections and Celebrating Success

Ms. Lisa Bonniorn, Asia Programme Manager, Asmae visited Arunodhaya in December 2023. Students of the University of Copenhagen who were on a three-week India field course on Vulnerability and Risk Assessment Methods (VRAM) visited Arunodhaya in February 2024 and interacted with team members.

Joyful meeting with former children group members

It was a joyful reunion meeting with former children group members now adults and well placed in life



Stories of Change

From Setback to Success: Kavitha's Triumph Over Failure

Kavitha (name changed), a 16-year-old girl, faced a significant setback when she failed her 10th board exams. With her father absent and her mother as the family's sole provider, the situation seemed hopeless. Kavitha, disheartened by her failure, lost the motivation to continue her education. Her mother, already struggling with financial burdens, was also hesitant to support her further studies. At this crucial juncture, the Arunodhaya team intervened. They provided emotional support and counseled both Kavitha and her mother on the value of education.

After consistent encouragement and guidance, Kavitha decided to retake her supplementary exams. With newfound determination, she cleared all her subjects. Today, Kavitha is enrolled in the 11th grade and is optimistic about her future. She reflects on her journey: "I am on my way to success, and I thank the Arunodhaya team for their support." Kavitha's story is a testament to the power of second chances and the importance of emotional and educational support during tough times. Her journey demonstrates that failure is not the end, but a stepping stone toward success, inspiring other students to persevere.

A Helping Hand: Sadhana's Newfound Confidence in Reading

Ten-year-old Sadhana (name changed), a fifth grader, struggled with reading and pronouncing words. With both parents working long hours, support at home was limited, and she began losing interest in school.

During a home visit, an Arunodhaya team member noticed Sadhana's hesitation and started a conversation with her. Sadhana expressed her eagerness to improve her reading skills and her desire for guidance to help her succeed.

Touched by her determination, the team invited her to visit the library each evening, encouraging her to read aloud and practice daily. Gradually, Sadhana's reading fluency and pronunciation improved significantly, filling her with pride and excitement. Now, she heads to school with newfound confidence, eager to keep learning.

From Struggles to Success

Vignesh, (name changed) a spirited 13-year-old in 8th grade, was known for his fiery temperament and frequent clashes with classmates. His unruly behavior reached a point where teachers suggested that his mother consider transferring him to a hostel. But just when hope seemed dim, the counselor from Arunodhaya stepped in. Recognizing Vignesh's potential, the counselor volunteered to work with him, initiating a series of transformative counseling sessions for both Vignesh and his parents. Through engaging exercises, he began to explore his emotions and reflect on his actions, gradually uncovering the roots of his behavior.

The results were astounding. After just a few sessions, Vignesh returned to school, and his teachers were amazed by the positive shift in his demeanor. Not only did he improve his interactions with peers, but he also discovered his hidden talents in Silambam and Kabaddi.

With newfound confidence, Vignesh participated in competitions, proudly earning certificates and medals for his achievements. Today, Vignesh continues his studies at the same school, a testament to the power of guidance, understanding, and resilience. His journey serves as an inspiring reminder that with the right support, transformation is always possible.

Finding Hope: Ramu's Path to Special Care and Stability

Ramu (name changed), an 11-year-old boy, was discovered by a Childline team member wandering aimlessly on the 4th platform of the train station. Upon speaking with him, the team realized that Ramu has mild intellectual disability. Although he struggled to share many details, he was able to recall his grandmother's name and mentioned that they lived in Pallavaram.

The Childline team promptly contacted his grandmother, who came to the child help desk. She explained that Ramu often runs away from home. As an elderly woman, she expressed the growing challenge of caring for him, especially since he has no parents. Understanding her situation, the team recommended enrolling Ramu in a special care home where he could receive the proper attention and support he needs. The grandmother agreed, and Ramu was admitted to Balavihar Home, where he is now studying in the 5th grade.

Ramu's story is one of many that highlights the importance of timely intervention and a compassionate approach to addressing the needs of vulnerable children. With the support of Childline and his grandmother's willingness to make a difficult yet necessary decision, Ramu now has a stable environment where his educational and emotional needs are being met. His placement at Balavihar Home ensures that he will have the resources to grow and develop in a supportive setting tailored to his needs, giving him the opportunity to build a better future.

Stitching Hope: Karthika's Journey from Struggles to Self-Sufficiency

Karthika, a 35-year-old resident of Kasikoil Kuppam in Ennore, faced a challenging time when her husband, a fisherman, was diagnosed with jaundice. His illness kept him from working regularly, causing a severe financial strain on the family. Karthika struggled to make ends meet while raising their two sons, aged 13 and 11. Her sons, both members of Arunodhaya Children Sangam, shared their family's difficulties at one of the group meetings. Hearing about their situation, a member of the Arunodhaya team visited Karthika and suggested she join a garment making and fashion design training center in Ennore. Inspired by the opportunity, Karthika enrolled in the course, dedicating herself to learning new skills.

After completing her training, she began taking small orders, working initially from the skill center. Recognizing her commitment, Arunodhaya helped secure a sewing machine for her through a sponsorship. With this support, Karthika could now work from home, tailoring garments and earning between Rs. 5,000 and Rs. 6,000 per month. Karthika is proud of her achievements. With her newfound skills, she can cover household expenses, support her family, and ensure her children's well-being. Her story is a testament to the transformative power of skill development and community support.

Vallarasu's Journey: From Songwriter to Youth Leader

Vallarasu first engaged with Arunodhaya in 2021 as part of an adolescent group. He actively participated in various activities, discovering his talent for songwriting. He soon began writing awareness songs to educate children on their rights and to highlight the lives of coastal communities.

In 2022, Vallarasu joined the youth volunteer team under the "Empowering Youth towards Sustainable Development" initiative supported by Asmae. During his training sessions on substance abuse, he learned about different types of drugs and their psychological and physical effects. Motivated to make a difference, he created a group of 15 peers, providing equal opportunities for boys and girls. They meet monthly to discuss current issues and share ideas to support young people in overcoming addiction. This experience has helped Vallarasu become a passionate public speaker and a poet committed to social change. He also volunteers with the Police Boys and Girls Club, where he teaches classes for children.

Voices of Transformation

From Bullies to Believers: The Transformation of 'Positive Pullingo'

We had a team by name 'Pollar Pullingo'. We used to involve in teasing other children, pulling their hair and dress, making fun of other, not listening to teachers. Ms. Chellammal from Arunodhaya counseled our team and made us realise our self worth, the negative impact of our behaviour, the importance of setting goal and moving towards it. Now we have changed our team name to 'Positive Pullingo'. We have stopped bullying other children, respecting our teachers and concentrating in our studies. Our teachers used to avoid us earlier, now they are very happy with us. We will be going to high school in June 2024, we will behave well and concentrate on achieving our goal.

- Girl Student

From Conflict to Connection: Banu's Journey to Building a Stronger Bond

I got married at a young age, I have no support from my parents nor from my in laws. This session I have gained more information on how we should bring up children. Always I get angry with my son, now I realise I am on the red signal. I am taking steps to understand my child. I also said sorry to him one day. This changed him. Now he is also listening to me, sharing every- thing with me. We are like friends, I feel very happy.

- Banu

Empowered Guidance: Overcoming Fears in Reproductive Health

I'm Radhika from MGR Nagar; I've attended all the sessions in this SRHA programme, as a part of it I attended the session with gynecologist. Since I'm newly married women I had many questions and panic in sexual and reproductive life. I have PCOD problem and we're planning for baby. I was afraid to go to doctor and check myself. My facilitator motivated me and made me to participate in the session and so I had an opportunity to interact with doctor about my problem. Now I got clear & clarified about my doubts. It was a new experience for me to speak with doctor about my personal sexual life.

- Radhika

"From Struggles to Success: How a Computer Course Transformed My Life"

I am married with two children. My husband works in an export company, but his income was not enough to meet our family's needs. With only a 12th grade qualification, I struggled to find a good job. Through a friend, I learned about Arunodhaya Computer Center and enrolled in the three-month DCA and Tally course. The program helped me build self-confidence and prepared me for employment. Today, I am working as a computer operator, earning Rs. 10,000 per month."

- C. Pavithra, 30 years

Rebuilding Lives: Arunodhaya's Timely Support Brings Hope After the Flood

During the flood, my school bag, books, and notebooks were damaged. I managed with a makeshift bag until Arunodhaya provided me with a new school bag, which is very useful.

- Selvi S. Yashvini,
Harinarayapuram

COLLABORATORS

- Altimetrik
- Asmae
- Azim Premji Foundation
- Childline India Foundation
- Chennai Volunteers
- DP World- Chennai Container Terminal Private Ltd.
- Ecofemme
- Greater Chennai Corporation
- isvolunteers
- Omega Forum for Social Impact
- Online Giving foundation
- Parenting Matters
- Praise Foundation
- Rox- Hi tech
- SCARF
- UK online giving

Target Areas

Chennai District

Kodungaiyur

1. MGR Nagar
2. Ezhilnagar
3. Kanangi Nagar
4. R.R Nagar
5. Annai Sathya Nagar

Korukkupet

6. Dr.Ambedkar Nagar
7. Bharathi Nagar
8. Jeeva Nagar
9. Kamaraj Nagar
10. Meenamman Nagar
11. Sikkirindapalayam
12. Karumariamman Nagar
13. Moopanan Nagar
14. Rajiv Gandhi Nagar
15. JJ Nagar
16. Anna Nagar
17. Stanley Nagar
18. Canal Street
19. Nehru Nagar
20. Chandrasekar Nagar
21. Govindasami Nagar
22. Railway Colony
23. Thiruvallur Nagar
24. Periyar Nagar
25. Gopal Nagar
26. Coronation Nagar
27. Muthumariyamman
Koil Street
28. Bojarajan Nagar

Royapuram

29. Model Line
30. Chetty Thottam
31. Meenakshiammanpettai
32. Bishop LINE
33. West cemetery Road
34. East cemetery Road

Tondiarpet

35. Tamilan Nagar
36. Rajasekar Nagar
37. Patel Nagar
38. Navalur Nagar
39. Kumaran Nagar
40. Indhiragandhi Nagar
41. Vinoba Nagar
42. Nethaji Nagar
43. Parameswaran Nagar
44. Sastri Nagar

Thiruvallur District

Thiruvotriyur.

45. Rajaji Nagar
46. Balakrishna Nagar
47. Kargil nagar
48. Annamalai Nagar
49. Kamarajar Nagar
50. Natarajar Thottam
51. Vetri vinayagar Nagar
52. Raja Shanmuganagar
53. Ambedkar Nagar
54. Poonga Nagar

55. Gomatha Nagar
56. K.R Ramaswamy Nagar
57. Natabai Garden Street

Ennore

58. Mastan Koil
 59. Ondikuppam
 60. Kannikovil
 61. AIR Site
 62. Kasikoilkuppam
 63. Sivanpadaiveedhi
 64. Kattukuppam
 65. Thiruchinnakuppam
 66. RS Road
 67. Indhira Gandhi Kuppam
 68. Pattinathar Kovil
 69. JJ Nagar- Near Kasikoilkuppam
 70. JJ Nagar – Near Kattukuppam
 71. Appar Nagar
 72. Thulukathamkoil
 73. Chinnakuppam
 74. Periyakuppam
 75. Annaisivagami Nagar
 76. T K P Nagar
 77. Ellaiammankoil- Kattukuppam
 78. Vadaku Bharathi Nagar
 79. Sathyavani Muthu Nagar
 80. Vallur Nagar
 81. thazhankuppam
- ### Irula Communities
82. Sadayankuppam
 83. Athipet



For almost two years, children in various locations of north Chennai and Perumbakkam have been acting as change agents by participating in local governance and resolving civic issues through Bala sabhas. DT Next takes a look.

When small things pack a POWERFUL PUNCH

'Bala sabhas crucial for urban development'

Children of Kambhampati are proud, a moment of self-pride in their lives. They are the members of Bala Sabha, a group of EP Park for a better park. They are the members of Bala Sabha, a group of EP Park for a better park. They are the members of Bala Sabha, a group of EP Park for a better park.

Arundhaya Foundation, also based on the formation of Bala Sabhas across various locations in Chennai. "It is our mission to empower children and to help them become active citizens. We are working towards a better future for all children in Chennai. We are working towards a better future for all children in Chennai. We are working towards a better future for all children in Chennai."



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