











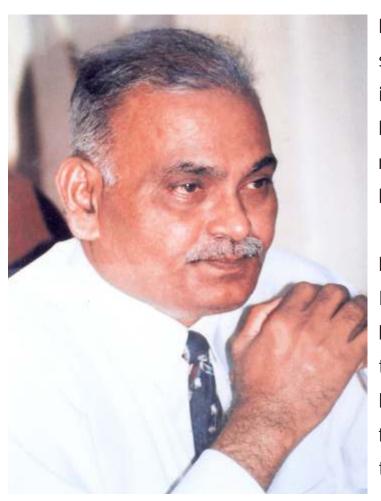


KMR Foundation
Sreenidhi International School

We are a nation of young people. The health, education and creative abilities of our children and young people will determine the well being and strength of our nation.

Dr. Manmohan Singh
Prime Minister of India

KMR Foundation



Mr. K. Mahipathi Rao embodied the secular, syncretic spirit of Hyderabad, a city he lived in all his life and loved dearly. Mr. Rao believed in the idea of secularism and religious tolerance and valued learning and health awareness highly.

Mr. Rao and his late wife, Dr. Sadeqa Khanam Mahi together passed forward, as best as they could, their legacy of religious tolerance and their value for knowledge and learning to the next generation within the family. Mr. Rao passed away in Dec 2007 at the age of 71.

The KMR foundation was formed in memory of Mr. K. Mahipathi Rao by his children in 2008 to further the ideals that inspired Mr. Mahipathi Rao's life and work.

Letter from the Family



n behalf of our entire family, I am very pleased to share this latest edition of the KMR Foundation biennial newsletter with you.

In June 2008, when we started this foundation, our desire was to do something for the public good in the memory of our cherished family member, Mr. K. Mahipathi Rao. We chose very simple goals at the time. We decided to begin with one village, Aziznagar and decided to focus on three basic initiatives: healthcare, education and vocational training. Our emphasis on these three goals was because we believed that by providing a chance at better health and by giving access to educational resources, we might be able to make a perceptible difference in the lives of the people we were choosing to serve.

Over the last four years, we have been able to sustain and grow our healthcare, education and vocational training programs. The healthcare and the immunization support program that we started has now been expanded to 38 villages. We also now have a database that has involved painstaking gathering of some very formidable data by KMRF staff members. I am happy to report that the database now contains health and demographic information of every individual villager in these 38 villages. This database allows us to monitor and support the healthcare needs of the villagers in a much more efficient manner. Our immunization program in several of these villages is running at almost a 100% immunization level for women and children.

We have also expanded our education program for both the village children and the adults that we help with vocational training. Some of the village children now get Khan Academy Math lessons in a state-of-the-art computer lab at Sreenidhi International School. They get to play and learn via globally renowned OLPC/XO laptops. They learn arts and crafts by trained art teachers in well-equipped art studios and use and get trained in world class sports facilities. We have also facilitated visits by these children to fun activities such as visits to the cinema and to the planetarium. All in all, our hope is that we are opening a window to the world so these children can reach beyond their village school and see that greater possibilities exist for them in the world at large.

I would like to thank Mrs. Vasantha Srinivasan and the able team of KMRF for working hard at keeping all these key programs running. Most important in such endeavors is the enthusiasm and genuine concern needed to sustain a connection with the villagers. I have personally seen Mrs. Vasantha and her team at work, the warmth with which they engage with the village children, women and men is very touching. It makes this effort all the more worthwhile for us as a family to see the smiles and joy all around.

I would like you to peruse this newsletter to get a glimpse of the various activities the foundation is engaged in. If you wish to get involved in any way, either the KMRF team or any of us in the family would be delighted to talk to you and get you involved.

Wishing all of you much joy and cheer in the new year!

Humaira Mahi

(On behalf of the Katikaneni / Mahi family)

Letter from the Administrator



e welcome you to yet another issue of the KMR Foundation's NEWSLETTER.

The Foundation will be 5 years old in June this year, and it takes a remarkable journey of real experiences to say that "every little achievement is a process of growth and improvement which takes time. Don't expect fast results if you want good results. "

This Newsletter is aimed at sharing with you some of the ongoing activities and programs that we support; to reflect on our success and growth and share some of our experiences with our adopted community.

The foundation's three key programs focus on healthcare, education and vocational training. On the healthcare front, in the last two years, we have expanded our program from a few villages to the entire Moinabad Mandal, comprising of 38 villages. Although a difficult task, I am happy to report that we have completed the initial work of collecting data and have started the regular immunization program covering the entire Moinabad Mandal. The biggest source of motivation for us is the fact that we have been able to achieve 95.60 % immunization for a population covering 37 villages. According to our fellow partner organization "this is a remarkable achievement, which should be construed as nearly 100%, considering the various factors that prevent immunization of children in rural communities. "Now our effort lies in sustaining this result.

On the education and vocational training front, we have started and run various programs in the last two years. We have started and are running two globally recognized

educational tools/programs Khan Academy math lessons and OLPC/XO laptops with our village children. We have also had a lot of success with collaborative work with Sreenidhi International School in helping the village children. One such program was the "Fiesta" -a fund raiser organized by the SNISIBDP-CAS Students. The SNIS-CAS Students, as part of their community program, took up a yearlong project of imparting English Skills to KMRF adopted village school children and this exposure made them realize the need to serve these underprivileged children. The SNIS students were motivated to raise funds through the Fiesta program and donate a solar panel to the Harijanwada School in Aziznagar Village. Their effort benefited the school and children in a small yet important way to have fans in the hot summer, as otherwise there is no electricity supply to the school.

We are grateful to our working partners and I must say that our program's achievements are the result of combined efforts of private and public partnership and I would like to congratulate the entire team for their hard work and commitment in achieving our primary goal and setting this benchmark for future health goals.

Our sincere thanks to the board members for their constant support and guidance, without which I'm sure our work would not have reached this far.

In the sections in this newsletter you will find more information about our three key programs: healthcare; education and vocational training.

It's a pleasure to share our experiences with you through this newsletter.

Wishing you all A Very Happy 2013.

Vasantha Srinivasan

Adminstrator

Key Goals of KMRF

Health Care Initiatives.

Supporting Education

Enabling capabilities for women, youth and children







Healthcare

Our Key Goal in Healthcare: Providing Health Education & Improving Health **Awareness**

- Since inception, we have focused on healthcare awareness as our key goal along with providing resources to improve healthcare in the region.
- One way we have helped with awareness and actual improvement in health outcomes is by focusing on trying to get a 100% immunization rate in the regions we cover.
- Our team has been trained to use software to create a database that contains demographic and basic healthcare information of every villager in the region we cover.
- This database helps us identify issues quickly and allows us to work with each individual villager in helping them with their healthcare needs.
- We also hold several healthcare and eye camps every year that provide health education and resources to the villagers.

Immunization Program: A 100% immunization goal

Our area of focus covers health care of children and expectant mothers through a comprehensive health care system to

- Enable 100% immunization of all village children.
- Collaborate with Primary health centres for vaccination on due dates.
- Visit village homes and motivate parents to maintain the due dates of immunization.
- Monitor expectant mothers from the fifth month of pregnancy till the first month after delivery through anganwadi workers.

- Promote institutional deliveries rather than home deliveries through constant education and encouragement to reduce infant mortality.
- Provide quality health care tracking of prematurely born babies through their infancy by our foundation health workers.
- Reporting and referral services to hospitals for expert advice and treatment.

Immunization Program: 2012 Update

- The KMRF team works with individual villagers so that they immunize their children. After initially starting in Aziznagar Village in 2008, our program has been expanded to cover other villages in the region.
- In 2010, we embarked on expanding the program to eventually cover all 38 villages in the Moinabad Mandal.
- We are happy to report that we have reached our goal of expanding our Healthcare Program to the entire Moinabad Mandal comprising of 38 villages. This goal has been achieved as of late 2012.
- In partnership with Government health centres and with persistent effort and commitment on our end, we are also nearing our set goal of achieving 100% immunization in every village.



Mapping of villages with a G.P.S.

In order to serve the villagers' health care needs better, KMRF has worked with another organization, REACH to learn and use software that has allowed the foundation to obtain basic demographic information about every single villager in the 38 villages in Moinabad Mandal. The team trained at Mediciti Hospital in Medchal with REACH's project team to learn how to create maps and a reliable database.

In the first phase of this project, mapping was done for 8 villages which has now been extended to all 38 villages.

Mapping of villages and assigning map numbers to the individual houses in the village maps helps with:

- Locating and identifying the houses quicker.
- Facilitating quicker area-wide database updates and maintaining an update villager database.
- Helping KMRF team members in encouraging villager participation in healthcare and education programs in a quick span of time as they move from one house to other.

From our team member Mr. Sharfuddin who helps with motivation and Immunization of children:



- Door to door motivation and finding houses to target the 'default' cases for immunization is easier in the villages where mapping is done under GPS.
- Can cover 50 to 60 houses easily whereas it is a time consuming process to locate the houses and find the parents to talk to in the villages where mapping of villages is not done.
- The village community is now being approached every day for immunization status, pregnancy, delivery and family planning details.
- Importantly this mapping facilitates annual updating of village data for our health project and youth training program.

THE POPULATION COMPOSITION OF MOINABAD MANDAL KMRF-HEALTH PROJECT AREA

S.NO	VILLAGE NAME	GRAM PANCHAYAT	TYPE	MALES	FEMALES	TOTAL
1	Amdapur	Amdapur	Revenue	1098	1010	2108
2	Ameerguda	Peddamanagalaram	Hamlet	101	101	202
3	Appareddyguda	Kanakamamidi	Hamlet	390	344	734
4	Appojiguda	Chilkoor	Hamlet	384	333	717
5	Aziznagar	Aziznagar	Revenue	2533	2516	5049
6	Bakaram	Bakaram	Revenue	1089	1083	2172
7	Balaji Temple	Chilkoor	Hamlet	130	120	250
8	Bangaliguda	Aziznagar	Hamlet	28	17	45
9	Chakaliguda	Kethireddypally	Hamlet	229	199	428
10	Chandanagar	Chandanagar	Revenue	462	455	917
11	Chilkoor	Chilkoor	Revenue	3400	3100	6500
12	Chinnamangalarm	Chinnamangalarm	Revenue	1298	1226	2524
13	Chinnashapur	Peddamanagalaram	Hamlet	193	184	377
14	Himyathnagar	Himyathnagar	Revenue	1826	1667	3493
15	Jeevanguda	Yenkepally	Revenue	220	199	419
16	Kanakamamidi	Kanakamamidi	Revenue	1261	1186	2447
17	Kanchemonguda	Kanakamamidi	Hamlet	59	50	109
18	Kasimbowli	Amdapur	Hamlet	327	263	590
19	Kethireddypally	Kethireddypally	Revenue	787	786	1573
20	Kutbudinguda	Kutbudinguda	Revenue	231	179	410
21	Medipally	Medipally	Revenue	1016	930	1946
22	Moinabad	Moinabad	Revenue	2050	1950	4000
23	Mothukupally	Chandanagar	Hamlet	355	310	665
24	Murthujguda	Murthujguda	Revenue	449	426	875
25	Nagireddyguda	Nagireddyguda	Revenue	896	899	1795
26	Nakallapally	Nakallapally	Revenue	601	555	1156
27	Nazeebnagar	Amdapur	Hamlet	112	109	221
28	Peddamanagalaram	Peddamanagalaram	Revenue	2850	2750	5600
29	Reddy pally	Chandanagar	Hamlet	486	436	922
30	Sajjanpally	Kanakamamidi	Hamlet	234	201	435
31	Sriramnagar	Sriramnagar	Revenue	925	879	1804
32	Surangal	Surangal	Revenue	862	841	1703
33	Tolkatta	Tolkatta	Revenue	729	673	1402
34	Veeranpet	Chinnamangalaram	Hamlet	117	101	218
35	Venkatapur	Venkatapur	Hamlet	706	685	1391
36	Yelkaguda	Kutbudinguda	Hamlet	380	350	730
37	Yenkapally	Yenkapally	Revenue	1012	875	1887
38	Yethbarpally	Nakklapally	Hamlet	352	325	677
			Total	30178	28313	58491

From Ms. Sushmalatha, Coordinator, Immunization Program at KMRF



How do we target every 'default' case where mothers and/or children do not get adequate immunization?

Default cases occur

- If the expectant mother travels to her parents' place for delivery and both mother and infant do not get vaccinated there because of lack of awareness about immunizations in the health centre there.
- Sometimes the infants are given the vaccine forth the first time and the mother forgets following up
- Lack of motivation and a lack of awareness and fear that the child may get a fever or swelling on the spot after vaccination. A fever and swelling is normal and happens with some cases but parents get scared and do not want to come back for a follow-up vaccine.
- Few of them are totally unaware of the importance of a child getting immunized

The KMRF team's approach:

- Mother of the new born is approached once she comes back home from her parents' home and / or when the child is 6 months old. The mother is educated on the importance of immunization and the diseases children tend to get if not immunized.
- The team looks at the 'defaulter' list that is computer generated from the KMRF database and approaches mothers who have not immunized their children and motivate and direct them to the nearby health centre for immunization. Also, inform the Anganwadi & Ashaworkers about the cases that need following up.
- Do continuous follow up i.e. call them to find out if they had gone to the health care centre; in some some cases they are reminded the day before and also on the day of immunization.
- In some cases, a team member goes to them on the day of the immunization and takes them to the centre. In case, that does not happen for any reason they are taken to another nearby village health centre for immunization on another date to ensure that immunization takes place.
- Intensive and active effort is made to target eligible couples (with no children) to identify new pregnancies, and update the village data for new marriages, birth, immigration, infant deaths and general deaths etc.



From the beneficiaries

A rag picker family on **Immunization**

My child's vaccinations were all due because I didn't know when to take the vaccine. My child was identified by KMRF and their continuos motivation made me go to the center for vaccination.

KMRF Team members helped people in our huts very much as we all

are uneducated and we don't know which vaccine we have to take when and the due dates. Sir always tells us in advance when we are due in a way that we could understand. One more very important thing is after taking the vaccine the child will get fever and that also made me feel tense and I wanted to miss taking the next vaccine. Even then, sir used to explain about why that happens and what can happen if vaccine is not taken. I thank the foundation for the help given by them for our children's health.

IMMUNIZATION STATUS OF VILLAGES OF KMRF-PROJECT AREA (MOINABAD MANDAL) SEPT, 2012.

S.NO	VILLAGE	POPULATION	ELIGIB.CHILD	IMM. Full	PROT.	STATUS Full not	IMMUNISATION %	INFANT DEATH 2012	STILL BIRT 2012	
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1	Ameerguda	202	5	5	0	0	100%			
2	Apparedyguda	734	23	23	0	0	100%			
3	Appojiguda	717	20	20	0	0	100.00%			
4	Bangaliguda	45	1	1	0	0	100%			
5	Chakaliguda	440	23	23	0	0	100%			
6	Chandanagar	917	29	29	0	0	100%			
7	Chi-mangalarm	2525	41	41	0	0	100%			
8	Jeevanguda	419	20	20	0	0	100%			
9	Kasimbowli	589	14	14	0	0	100.00%			
10	Kutbudinguda	435	11	11	0	0	100.00%	1		
11	Mothukupally	665	22	22	0	0	100.00%			
12	Nakallapally	1159	34	34	0	0	100%			
13	Nazeebnagar	221	4	4	0	0	100.00%			
14	Reddy pally	922	20	20	0	0	100.00%			
15	Sajjanpally	435	9	9	0	0	100%			
16	Surangal	1703	44	44	0	0	100.00%			
17	Veeranpet	218	3	3	0	0	100%			
18	Yelkaguda	732	31	31	0	0	100%	1		
19	Yethbarpally	678	22	22	0	0	100%	1		
20	Aziznagar	5050	162	160	2	0	97.70%			
21	Bakaram	2159	68	67	1	0	98%	1		
22	Kanakamamidi	2444	56	56	1	0	97%	1		
23	Nagireddyguda	1790	60	59	1	0	96.55%	1		
24	Yenkapally	1887	60	59	1	0	97%			
25	Amdapur	2107	48	47	1	0	96%	1		
26	Kethireddypally	1573	37	36	1	0	94%			
27	Murthujguda	875	29	28	1	0	93%			
28	Sriramnagar	1804	54	52	2	0	92.00%	1		
29	Medipally	1938	62	61	1	0	91.43%			
30	Venkatapur	1390	38	36	2	0	91.20%	4		
31	Tolkatta	1400	50	46	4	0	85%			
32	Himyathnagar	3523	65	57	3	5	79.00%			
33	Chinnashapur	378	8	7	1	0	75%			
34	Kanchemongu	107	2	1	1	0	50%			
35	Balaji Temple	230	7	6	1	0	66.67%			
36	P.mangalaram	5600	Data Survey	vas cor	mpleted, s	oftware do	l one, work on collect	ion of Immunizat	tion details	
37	Chilukur	6500	and motivation for monitoring % has begun.							
38	 Moinabad	4000	Immigrants due to floating population—not included							

Health Camps

We have also maintained our focus on running health camps & eye camps mainly in Aziznagar village but also in the remote villages of Moinabad Mandal where access to Government health centres and other health care clinics

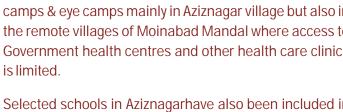
Selected schools in Aziznagarhave also been included in our Health Camp program.

Health Camp in Nakkalapally Village in Moinabad Mandal were given to the patients. Primary school children also

Eye-Camp in Aziznagar Village:

An Eye Camp in collaboration with Lions' Club Dundee Eye as per the advice of the doctors.





Health Camps in the villages:

was conducted in collaboration with Dr. V.R.K. Hospital & Medical College, Aziznagar. Around 200 villagers were attended to by a team of doctors which comprised of a gynecologist, a pediatrician, a general physician and an ophthalmologist. Essential medicines and vitamin tablets were benefited by this camp.

Institute, Secunderabad was organized in Aziznagar for villagers of age group 40 and above. Eye checkups were done to detect cataract and other visual problems. Around 120 villagers attended the camp. Those who were identified for cataract were taken to the Eye Institute for a check-up with an ophthalmologist and underwent surgery









Health Camp in Aziznagar Village:

A health camp was organized in Aziznagar with the collaboration of Sreenidhi Institute of Science & Technology, Hyderabad.

Around 180 people from the village community benefited from this camp. A team of 3 Physicians and 2 Nursing Assistants attended the community and 11 volunteers from SNIST (NSS) took part in the camp.

Health Camps in Aziznagar Schools:

In view of Children's Day, the foundation along with a team from Remedy Hospitals, Hyderabad organized a health camp in Aziznagar for primary school children. Around 50 children under the age group of 6 to 12 were attended to by a team from Remedy Hospitals comprising of a pediatrician, general physician and nursing staff. The children were treated for minor illness and distributed with vitamin supplements and health tonics. Children with chronic complaints and those who needed examination for a specific illness were referred to the local hospitals for follow-up visits. The children were happy to end the day's program with refreshments cakes, drinks and chocolates were distributed to the children.

Vocational Training Programs

KMRF has been empowering village women & youth to enhance their capacity through training programs and empowering them with skills to help them become economically independent.

Women's programs:

Around 23 women who showed interest in a beautician course were encouraged by the foundation to join the course. The training program was for 15 days and sponsored by the SBH- RISET-Chilkur. While most of the women were new to the course, a few of them were experienced and already working and still joined the course to enhance their skills.

Candidates who were interested in developing Computer and English speaking skills were encouraged to join a computer Institute conducted by an NGO. Also those who were interested in tailoring were encouraged by the foundation to join NAC and SBH-RISET-(Rural institute for self employment& training) institutes that train rural women in tailoring.

Several women from Bakaram village who had been trained earlier came forward to engage in paper plate making activity again. This program had been discontinued and with our initiative was restarted again. All the women who have been trained and possess a certificate took part in the meeting. With the cooperation and participation of the village women the foundation took charge in renewing this activity and had a formal initiation ceremony. The women holding these certificates are very keen on continuing this trade and making it a sustainable trade for supporting their livelihood.



Engaging Women in Eco-friendly activity: An Awareness Program

The women from some of the villages were engaged and trained in paper bag making activity. The art of making paper bags using old newspapers was demonstrated by a SNIS Art teacher. The village women participated well and were glad to realize that this skill can help them earn some money in their spare time. This activity also brought some awareness to the concept of The Three "R"s-Reduce, Reuse & Recycle.

Empowering Women --- Training Course in **Tailoring**

About 40 women from the village of Nagireddyguda that were encouraged by KMRF to take a course in basic tailoring for 40 days commenced in October, 2012. This program is facilitated and sponsored by the SBH (RISET-Rural Institute of Self Employment & training) Chilkur.

From the beneficiaries

K. Anitha, Nagireddyguda village

Training was so interesting because we learned so much in the training. All that credit goes to KMRF for organizing the training in the village. Before tailoring training I was not confident in basics of stitching a blouse, I used to stitch only for my mother but now am able to stitch for village people with good pay. We got an order for stitching the uniforms of school students.

Now Talso have become the income earner in my family.

Special thanks to KMRF for conducting the training in the village, today I could say this words only because of the training in the village. My family would not allow me to go out of the village for training so we all are very thankful for the training.

Vocational Training Programs









From a KMRF team member: Vocational training tailoring program in Nagireddyguda:

The village women are now happy that they don't have to go out of the village to take a course. Women seem to have their own problem and reason to say why they are not willing to go to the nearby institute which is only 10 kms away from their village. Some of them are married and some having small children and other family obligations force them to stay in the village, yet they are willing and ready to take such a training course if it is conducted in the village.

They need to improve their skills to be able to work and produce good material matching with present day trends and demands. Constant meetings with them in the village is a routine task undertaken by the team during the course to motivate and encourage them to

- Go to the city and take up a job with other tailors and strengthen their skills.
- Form a group and work in areas of their skills collectively. Update with the latest trends and demands.
- Develop confidence to go out to the city and find out the market status & collect orders.

Education

- An important objective of KMRF's Education program is to reach out to the most marginalized groups of children and provide them with opportunities for holistic education & development. Also important is an effort at enhancing the quality of their education through interventions like furnishing and functionalizing libraries, enhancing reading skills and learning ability through professionally produced hands-on educational activity kits and other learning tools.
- A large number of students enjoy access to computers and a state-of-the-art sports field on the campus of Sreenidhi International School. An annual Inter School Athletic Meet is held to encourage their athletic skills. Art & crafts sessions have allowed them to have fun while engaged in learning that helps them build conceptual understanding.
- The foundation has also facilitated school children with transportation and food for exposure visits to places of historical importance and science museums that empower them and develop their knowledge and confidence.
- A computer literacy program for 10th grade students through Summer Camp is an annual event happening every year to enhance learning capacity through technology and to build confidence among students to face the future competently.

- Our Collaborative education programs are aimed at making an impact and bringing change in children of both the adopted village schools and Sreenidhi Interanational School. Such events and programs are listed below:
- World Literacy Day
- Earth day
- Children's day
- Sports Day
- Charity Drive
- Donate for a cause (Recycle, Reuse & Reduce)
- IB-DP-CAS-(Community, action & service) & ICSE-SUPW- (Socially Useful and Productive work) student programs engaged in community service programs
 - Village Survey program
 - Imparting English skills & reading to village children
 - Computer literacy

From the beneficiaries

Mrs. M. Mary John, Head Mistress, Government Primary School, Harijanwada, Aziznagar.

Solar Panel

We are very happy for the solar panel given to us. Our thanks to the CAS students from SNIS. They checked with us for our important requirements and provided fans & lights in the class rooms, as there is no electricity in the village in the day time. The children are very happy and enjoying it.

OLPC Programme

It is a very interesting project which KMR Foundation has [under] taken, we have to thank the board members for giving this opportunity to our school children. Such facilities may not be available in village private schools also. It is like a mini computer. Students are enjoying and learning through the XO. Government is providing computers to government school from class 6, but our students are so lucky to have this mini computer (i.e. XO) 2 years in

Activities in the XO such as record activity where it allows children to take photos, children are so happy to see their face on XO and Click their photos and their friends' photos too. Likewise, so many activities helped them in school subjects as well as improved their cognitive skills. Thank you so much.

Our programs at a glance

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Education



Annual Distribution of Notebooks

- The annual distribution of note books in the beginning of every academic year to the adopted village schools by the foundation has been in practice for the past 4 years.
- Primary school children from Aziznagar, Bakaram, Nagireddyguda and Yenkapally Villages from Moinabad Mandal, R.R.District, Hyderabad benefit from this contribution.
- Around 500 students from the above schools were supplied with the prescribed notebooks.

Donation of Furniture: A HAPPY MOMENT!!!

The 10th Grade students of Aziznagar Zilla Parishad School, were all smiles as this year's Children's day brought them what they have been longing to have for quite some time: - writing tables as they only have benches to sit on and it was a surprise gift for them on Children's Day.



Learning with Fun!!

• Art & Craft sessions with village children

Kids art activities can keep children entertained and cultivate their creativity and imagination. The grade 4 children of Aziznagar Primary school were engaged in art & craft sessions every week and helped by the art department of Sreenidhi International School.







Supporting Education



Art Exhibition @ SNIS

- The KMR Foundation adopted Aziznagar Primary School (Harijanawada School) children exhibited their art & craft work on the 3rd November, 2012 in the Kalabhavan of Sreenidhi International School, Hyderabad on the PYP & Senior School TPC Day (Teacher Parent conference).
- Visiting parents and their children had the opportunity to enjoy and appreciate the work of village children and their talents. One of the parents commented "it is heartening to see such talents fantastic efforts put up with less resources and in a different environment", another parent wrote "a wonderful display of amazing talents".



Enhancing Reading skills

 A Library has been set up for the village children in the campus of Sreenidhi International School.

- The KMRF team members help the children through activities like puzzles, building blocks and flash cards etc that help them improve their reading skills in English.
- The educational activity kits help them identify alphabets and form words as they do not get such opportunity to explore and learn with fun in their schools.
- Such activity based learning gives them a break from routine and they are happy to learn.



FUN'N'FROLIC: All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy!

Painting of diyas and making greeting cards for Diwali Exhibition & Sale have been fun activities for the village children. Students from the village schools mostly girls take part in painting diyas with colourful designs and making greeting cards.

The Diyas and cards are exhibited in the campus of SNIS for sale before "Diwali". The proceeds go to the foundation to be spent for the above school children.

Facilitating Educational trips

With the help of the foundation, about 60 children from the upper Primary School in Nagireddyguda village took an educational trip to Birla Planetarium, Hyderabad accompanied by their teachers.

Supporting Education



Story Telling On SNIS Campus

Since people began to communicate with each other, "Tell me a story" has been a request of both children and adults. Storytelling is one person telling others about something. The story can be about a real event or it can be made up. Storytelling is often a part of our everyday conversations.



Aziznagar village school children have been enjoying temporary breaks from school and spending them meaningfully listening to stories of all kinds. The teachers from the primary school of SNIS, Aziznagar volunteered and engaged the children in storytelling sessions. The children were very happy to get involved in activities that are fun and that allow them to engage independently while stimulating their thinking skills such as memory games, number games and word puzzles.



Movie Show on Sreenidhi Campus:

The academic year came to an end for Aziznagar primary school children with a movie show. Grade 3, 4 & 5 children came to the campus to watch short movies (moral stories and folk tales) and cartoons.

At Hyderabad Public Gardens with "Moving Images"

About 100 of the KMRF adopted Govt. School Children from Aziznagar (Central Primary School, Z.P.H.S & H.B.S) had the opportunity to watch the film "Chhota Bheem and the Curse of Damyaan" at Jawahar Bal Bhavan Auditorium, Public Gardens, Nampally, Hyderabad. This movie show was organized by "Moving Images"- initiated and supported by the Director of Bal Bhavan, for orphaned and poor children. The motive here was to expose the children to the wonderful world of cinema, giving them a rare opportunity otherwise not easily available to them.



Supporting Education

About 500 children from institutions like BalBhavan, Shivananda Home and Desire Society were present at the show. KMR Foundation sponsored the food & snacks for the entire Students community and other members accompanied them for this purpose far away from the city. Transportation for the Aziznagar children was facilitated by the foundation and KMRF team members took charge of handling the children till they went back to their houses.

It was indeed a wonderful event for the children that they enjoyed from beginning to end. It was amazing to notice that there was 100% attendance that one normally does not see on working days of the village schools.

Using Globally recognized tools to enhance learning

Strengthening Math skills with Khan Academy lessons:



- Khan Academy lessons are now being globally recognized as being very useful as a learning tool to improve students' performance in various subjects.
- Starting in early 2012, the foundation has been running Khan Academy math lessons for grade 4 & 5 of Aziznagar Primary school.
- The students attend online Khan Academy coaching classes on the campus of Sreenidhi International school and get access to the latest computers.
- They practice several modules under each topic assisted by video coaching. Student performances are evaluated to find out their weak areas and the team works towards their improvement.

Fun with Laptops---using the "One Laptop Per Child' (OLPC) XO laptops:

- For over 2 years the village children have been continuously engaged with XO laptops from the 'One Laptop Per Child' OLPC-Program.
- The children use the XO for extra-curricular activities like puzzles, word games and speech activity apart from some education supporting activities in Math & English.
- The OLPC program is a program that has been implemented globally in many countries. KMRF was one of the first foundations in India to work with these XO laptops in the classroom.
- The foundation has connected with other people and researchers involved in international projects in trying to understand the scope and value of using these laptops in the classroom.
- There is continued effort in connecting to other global projects to see how we can improve our XO/OLPC project and get the best outcomes for our village children.



From the beneficiaries

It's so interesting for our entire group of friends. Such a good opportunity we got to learn maths in an International school. We could get more practice with the help of the Khan Academy. The activities taught us basics, and it helped us a lot to refresh our basics as well as learn more. Not only the basics but also LCM GCD and much more there to learn. "THANKS KMRF" - for the opportunity given to us.

Swetha and Appal Naidu, Students From Primary School Aziznagar.

Collaborative programs between Sreenidhi International & Aziznagar Village School Children.

Bringing Awareness!!



Joy of giving a learning experience

There is nothing more refreshing, more inspiring, more wonderful than the smile on the face of someone you have just done something helpful for or when they receive something that they needed the most. The KMRF team facilitates the distribution of certain items for re-cycling such as school bags, stationery, warm clothes, toys, notebooks and story books donated by SNIS (Sreenidhi International School) students to the village community. Such contributions happen every year in the month of December.

Earth Day

As part of raising awareness for Earth Day - 2011, on the 8th April, grade 5 students from Sreenidhi International School interacted with grade 4 of Aziznagar primary school children and presented them with a video show on the importance of saving water and energy. They read out slogans and gave tips on how to minimize the use of water. They also encouraged children to grow small plants at home and make use of used water (but not soapy) to water the plants.



At the end of the program all the children took a pledge that they will save water and Mother Earth by raising awareness among people about saving water

Children's Day-A Joyous Celebration

Aziznagar village School students had a joyous celebration on November 14th in view of "Children's Day." Grade 4 & 5 students (around 20 of them) took part in the activity They participated in activities such as "Paint your favourite place"- which they found very exciting as they had to finish the painting in 30 minutes time. Each and every one of the students did a marvelous job. Around 10 paintings were chosen as "the most colorful paintings of the day". All the children participated were happy to get pencils, erasers and bars of chocolates along with some snacks. They were also engaged in fun games organized by the students.





World Literacy Day

In view of World Literacy day on 8th September, the KMR Foundation in association with Sreenidhi International School, Aziznagar used this special day to recognize the importance of literacy in the lives of children and adults. This was done by conducting valuable programs on the campus of Sreenidhi International School to bring awareness and spread literacy. There was a skills exchange program between the class 4 children of Central Primary School, Aziznagar village and Sreenidhi International School. The village children exhibited their skills in certain activities that they learnt in the OLPC-program.

The foundation also involved around 45 members from the housekeeping dept. of Sreenidhi School for the "Adult Literacy" program- wherein the participants were initiated into the process of learning and writing of Telugu alphabets.









CAS (SNIS) Students with the village community



Imparting English skills:

The CAS (SNIS) Students took up a year long program of coaching the grade 4 & 5 children of Aziznagar Harijanwada school in English to enhance their speaking & writing skills in the language as a part of their community Service program (CAS - Creativity, Action & Service) They also helped them improve their reading skills through an activity oriented program.



Survey program in the village:

A part of the Chilkur village survey program requiring basic data collection was carried out by the CAS students with the help of the KMRF-team.

Connecting with SNIST(Sreenidhi Institute of Engineering & Technology, Hyderabad)

A collaborative program with NSS Students of Sreenidhi Institute of Science & Technology and the foundation helps both the foundation and helps the students connect with the village community through some of our programs.

They undertook a data collection program in the KMRF-adopted villages which in turn helped them develop a project for research & study. They also volunteered to organize a health camp in the village and help the community.





The 1st KMRF Inter School Athletics Meet



Around 120 students from four KMRF- adopted village schools, Aziznagar, Nagireddyguda & Bakaram Primary School children from Classes 4 & 5 took part in the 100 & 200 mtrs sprint and long jump. It was a wonderful day for the village children as they enjoyed every moment of the meet. All the village children looked very smart in their school uniforms (green trousers and checked shirts). Their enthusiasm and energy was boundless, still they kept their nerves and gave their best.

All the 120 children along with their school teachers were served lunch at the sports complex. It was a very satisfying event as all the children dispersed with a happy feeling that they had done a great job.

Performing in the Annual Sports Day of Sreenidhi.

Grade 4 & 5 children of Central Primary school Aziznagar took part in the Mass drill of the Annual Sports Day Celebrations of Sreenidhi International.

It was a spectacular display of their talents with perfect synchronization. The formation of a lotus flower was the finishing style of the mass drill display and was appreciated by each and every one of the audience with thunderous applause.

The finalists of 100m run took part in the finals. All the winners of the various events of the 1st KMRF Athletic







Meet held in November, 2011 from the Primary Schools of Aziznagar, Nagiredduguda & Bakaram were awarded medals and certificates and individual championships.

The high light of the show being the presence of Mr. V.V.S. Laxman a renowned Indian cricketer, who was the Chief Guest of the day's program. The children were thrilled to receive the medals from a celebrity.

Summer Camp in the SNIS Campus

- Computer Literacy program for a short term course in computer skills started with full vigour and enthusiasm. Surprisingly many girl students turned up. Around 43 of them were present on the first day for the orientation program.
- This program has been facilitated by the I.T. department of Sreenidhi International School. The staff members of SNIS willingly came forward to help the students.
- The course started with the orientation of basic functions of computer i.e their history, types, parts and usage. The course program covering M.S. Word, Excel, Power Point and Accessing Internet was held for 4 weeks. As the Summer Camp program is open for all the Aziznagar village students apart from Govt. High School, students from more than 5 Private schools enrolled and took part in the course.
- At the end of the course all the students were awarded course certificates after being tested on their performance A total number of 38 students actually attended the course, out of these, 11 students were from private schools and 27 from the Zilla Parishad School, Aziznagar (KMRF - adopted School).
- The highlight of the program was the demonstration given by the students to the audience. Some of the students who attended the course were asked to demonstrate to the audience the skills that they have learnt during the course. They did a power point presentation to show the audience about the summer camp program schedule, details of attendees like their school's name, class, village etc. They also exhibited their skills in developing a document through WordPad, tabulations with calculations on the excel program that they learnt. They also browsed information on the net for the Statue of Liberty & Tajmahal with colourful images.

The confidence and courage they exhibited in the show was amazing. The audience watched in awed silence. Some of them came forward to speak about their experiences during the course. The students thanked the KMRF Team & the IT. Dept of SNIS for helping them learn these skills.







Solar Panel for the Aziznagar Village School

- The "FIESTA" a fund raiser was organized by the IBDP students of Sreenidhi International school and collected funds were spent on setting up of solar panels and providing fans in the class-rooms.
- It had been a day of pleasure & joy for the village students to enjoy such a simple pleasure of life and a touching moment for the IBDP students of SNIS, as they were eagerly waiting for it to happen.
- These SNIS students have been associating with the Harijanwada school and have been imparting English Skills to children through their CAS (Creativity, Action & Service) program for the past one year.

Future Plans of Sreenidhi Students for the village Schools

- Update & Upgrade the existing Computer lab and Systems of the Village High School
- Appointing a teacher for computer skills
- Supply of furniture to the entire schools









K. Mahipathi Rao Memorial Lecture

This lecture series was set up in memory of Mr. K. Mahipathi Rao to bring inspiring individuals to talk, engage and connect with society through a public talk and event.

The first memorial Lecture in 2009 was graced by the presence of Prof. Ramachandra Guha, an eminent writer and historian.

The second K. Mahipathi Rao memorial Lecture was by eminent writer, Dr. Amitav Ghosh. Dr. Ghosh gave a talk titled 'The Glass palace and the Long March out of Burma, 1941-42.'

The founding members of KMR Foundation Dr. K. Pruthvipathi Rao, Mr. Jawahar Mahi, Dr. K.T. Mahhe & Dr. Humaira Mahi shared their memories of Mr. K. Mahipathi Rao with the audience while Ms. Humaira Mahi spoke about the main goals and the key aim of the foundation to provide education & health care to the under privileged. She also gave a brief account of the foundation's activities and programs engaged in with the village community.

It was as if history came alive that morning through Amitav Ghosh's vivid portrayal of the Long March out of Burma in 1941-42. Many in the audience were unaware that millions of Indians had travelled over a thousand miles of rough terrain over high mountains, dense forests, in freezing cold or pouring rain to reach the safety of their native soil India. Seven decades earlier, when Japan overran Burma and bombs shattered Rangoon - a mass exodus resulted. Dr. Ghosh had conducted extensive research towards the writing of this novel especially on the Long March.









Dr. Amitav Ghosh's powerful narrative threw a nagging question at the audience why has this important historic event been marginalised? To quote him "Indian soldiers fought every war in the 19th and 20th centuries but Indians had no control over how their countrymen were used by the British. Indians were a part of history as it happened, and yet far removed from it.... Their role was that of an audience..." Is it the gap in passing on information between generations or just a lack of a sense of history? With this he reiterated the importance of leaving a narrative behind, even as 'history happens to us'. It is important to have a record of our times, chronicle the stories of those who have lived through important events so as to maintain an unbroken link with our past. He could not help taking a dig at the Indian publishing Industry which churns out mindless stuff on celebrity romance and junk spiritual tips or the television channels that are abuzz with Bollywood news but shies away from recording epoch making events. Indians live in history but absent themselves from history.......We owe it to the future generations to chronicle our past for posterity.

The talk was very well received by members of the audience.

The third lecture in the series is scheduled to be held in Delhi on 7th January 2013, and the speaker is a famous author, commentator and public intellectual, Mr. Gurcharan Das, who will speak on his latest book "India Grows at Night"



'గ్రామీణులకు వైద్య సేవలను అందించాలి'

దించేందుకు అన్నాతులు, స్వాప్సింద పేవకులు ముందుకు రావాలని నక్కటమేదీ వర్యంన్ టాలీరాజ్ ఆన్నారు. మందల వరిస్తలోని వీరాజిత్ రమాలేఖాన్ ఆస్వారు మండిల మండియన్ ఆర్పర్యంతో నిక్కలన క్రిలో మంగ్రామాలం ఉదిత వైద్య శివీరం ఎర్పాటు వేశారు, ఈ సందర్భంగా అయిన మాట్లాడుతూ గ్రామ ESOS DECIDAD ELLORE SUCIDADES ESOS ESOS ESOS ESOS ES DOCUMBROS ESTADOS දිහිට සු ක්රියා ක්රියා සිටිය ක්රියා විසි త్వ ఇబ్బందులు ఎదుక్కొందున్నారున్నారు. అలాంతి వారికి ఇలాంటి వైద్యశివిగాలు ఎంతో ఉపయోగపడ అయిన ఆయన పేర్కొన్నారు.

నట్టలపల్లి గ్రామంతో 272 మందితో పాటు ఆసులందగ్రామం ఎత్తబార్వర్లి ప్రాథమిక పాఠశా లతో విద్యార్థులకు వైద్యవర్శలు నిర్వహించామని ద్యార్థ జమీల్ తెలిపారు. కార్యక్రమంతో ఎంపీటీకి







వైద్య శిజరాలను సబ్పినియోగం చేసుకోవాలి

కేఎంఆర్ ఫౌండేషన్ అడ్మినిస్టేటర్ వంతస శ్రీనివాసన్

ఆతిమార్చమందారాలు, మాట్లులైన గ్రామం స్టామంలో నిర్మహింద్ జరిత వైద్య శవిరాలను భుణకు నద్యవమారం మేమకోవాలకి కేఎలుల్ పొందేవన్ అన్ని స్పిస్టీలల్ వంతన శ్రీనివానగ్ అన్నారు. మందల నదిది లోని ఆకట్వేకునలో కేఎలుల్ పొందేవన్, శ్రీనిధి ఇంటనీ రంగ్ కళాశాల అవ్యక్తుంలో ఆమారం ఉదిత వైద్య శవీరం సర్వహించారు. వైద్య శవీరావు ప్రారంభించిన ఆనంతరం అను మాల్వమతో గ్రామం ప్రజలు ఆక్షిక සැලක්කම් ගෙන් හැක් වැදින සේවාදීම විද සිට සිරුම සොකරේගැන් කෙක් සේම වුණු සිටගත වැදිලිකරුවල්ල ක්රීඩ විධ්යක්ෂණයේ සේම ක්රීඩ විද්ය වර්ද්ය වරදින වරදුම්කදීමේ දේල් వాలని ఆమె కోరాడు. ఈ సందర్భంగా 160 మందికి ఆత, పిల్పంద నండు, దా కి.నరసింహులు, పివామకం వైద్య వేర్యలు నిర్వహించి మండులను నందితే కేశాడు. ఇళ్ళుకమంలో శవింబకే పోలటేషన్ కో ఆర్థినుల్ నున్ను చరిత్రి, మందిక్కు కటితకులు పోల్పోన్నారు.







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