



ROTARY CLUB OF TRINCOMALEE  
CLUB No.15983

## Interim Report:-

### Global Grant Project No1638777 between Rotary Club of Trincomalee RID 3220 and Rotary Club of Bronshoj, Denmark –RID 1470 in 2017.

The Rotary Club of Trincomalee with the collaboration of Rotary Club of Bronshoj, Denmark formulated a project called “**Helping Hands**” which was meant to help the poor students in uplifting the educational capabilities of **Mutur East**, an area which was devastated by the recent civil war. After war was over in 2009, the people returned to their homes which were either partly damaged or fully destroyed. With the help of the state agencies and other donor agencies most of the houses and schools were rebuilt, and the children started to attend school. However there were no opportunities for the people to earn a living other than depending on paddy cultivation and fishing. As these trades are seasonal in these areas and the fishing people had lost their fishing boats and gear, the families struggle hard to make ends meet and feed their children. In most houses only one meal is cooked and the children are forced to attend school on empty stomach and walk more than 3 or 4 KM to school. Due to this some of the students faint in the school and the teachers complain that when they teach the students are unable to concentrate. The Government provides morning meals to the students up to Grade 5 only and the students above Grade 5 are not fed and they attend school on empty stomach. Our Club decided to feed these students.

The Rotary Club of Trincomalee and the Rotary Club of Bronshoj, Denmark submitted a project proposal to the Rotary International for **LKR10,012,500.00. ( US \$ 70,017 )** and it was approved and **US \$ 70,017** was received in Sri Lanka on **17<sup>th</sup> Feb.2017**. The amount received as per Dollar exchange rate was **LKR 149** in Sri Lanka was **LKR 10,432,532.06**

Our Club decided to use the increased amount of **LKR 420,032.06** for the benefit of the children and increased the number of students for feeding and issue of bicycles..

Originally we planned to feed **400** students and provide chicks for **400** families and give away **110** cycles, & **1000 Stationeries** pack for **1000 students**. however were able to increase the number as given below.

Feeding of students	= <b>594</b>
Lively hood beneficiaries	= <b>403</b>
Issue of Cycles	= <b>133</b>
Issue of Stationary	= <b>1000</b>

### Commencement of the Project

The project was official commenced on **01<sup>st</sup> March 2017** during the official visit of **Rtns.PDG.Helge Anderson, Rtn. Ole Hansen and Rtn John Jenson** our Rotary partners from **Rotasry Club of Bronsoj, Denmark**. An introductory meeting was held at Kalaimahal Hindu college, Pallikudiyiruppu for the students, parents , members of Women Rural Development societies and school Teachers.This

meeting was held to introduce about Rotary and its world- wide assistance to the down trodden people and about the **“Helping Hands Project”**. Rtn.PDG.Anderson, our President and Rotarians of Trincomalee Club explained about this project .There after three cycles were handed over to three students as a token of commencing the project. The visiting Rotarians inspected several houses of the beneficiaries of the project area and also visited the schools where the morning meals will be given.

**Photos of the event.**



**Operation of the Project- Distribution of Chicks**

The beneficiaries were given nine training classes by the Vetnary Surgeon of the area and the beneficiaries keenly participated. During these training classes our Rotarians working in Banks and Accountants gave lectures to the trainees about the benefit of the project and how to earn and control the earnings and about saving money, and opening savings accounts in the Bank. Details of how to open the Bank accounts was explained. During the training Tea and short eats were served and after the end of the session Lunch packets were distributed to the beneficiaries. To encourage making of chicken cages our Club decided to offer each beneficiary building material worth LKR 1500/-. After the Training Classes each beneficiary was given a **“Delivery Order “** to collect **03 Nos. corrugated G.I.roofing**

sheets and 01 Kg of wire nail from the nearby Hardware stores whenever its convenient to them. We have arranged with the local Hardware shop to Bill us the cost of the materials after good number of beneficiaries get their items. This arrangement worked well and all the beneficiaries made their cages without spending, using the jungle poles and palm stems with Tin sheet roof.

**Detail of Training for the beneficiaries**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Venue</b>	<b>No. of participants</b>
30/03/2017	Pallikudiyiruppu	53
04/04/2017	- do-	50
20/04/2017	- do-	68
04/05/2017	Padalipuram	52
09/05/2017	Padalipuram	50
22/05/2017	Padalipuram	31
30/05/2017	Naloor	54
10/07/2017	Naloor	20
12/09/2017	Those who missed training	25
<b>Total Beneficiaries who attended training</b>		<b>403</b>

**Photos of training classes:**





Thereafter the beneficiaries have to make the cages and after inspection of the cage, chicks are issued to them. **45 days old country chicks** were supplied to **403 beneficiaries in 10 batches**. Along with the chicks our club gave a packet of Grower-Mash and some medicines for each family to commence their project without much problem. The chicks were taken to the villages of the beneficiaries and issued. Rotarians keenly participated in the distribution of the chicks. A Technical assistant was appointed to help the Club in collecting data and monitoring and helping in distribution.

**Detail of issue of chicks**

<b>Batch</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>village</b>	<b>No.of beneficiaries.</b>
01	10/04/2017	Pallikudiyiruppu	42
02	20/04/2017	Pallikudiyiruppu	43
03	25/04/2017	Pallikudiyiruppu	58
04	12/05/2017	Padalipuram, Ithikulam	44
05	24/05/2017	Padalipuram	45
06	03/06/2017	Padalipuram, Illankaithurai,veeramanagar Neelakerny	49
07	26/06/2017	Thangapuram,Srinivasapuram,Pallikudiyiruppu ``	33
08	18/07/2017	Neenakerny,Naloor,Thangapuram	27
09	12/09/2017	Pallikudiyiruppu,Neenakerny,Naloor	27
10	29/08/2017	Neenakerny, Srinivasapuram	35

**Total of Beneficiaries issued Chicks 403**

**Photos of issue of chicks all issues**







### **MORNING MEALS:**

Three schools were selected to supply the morning meals to the students and A meal contractor was appointed after calling for quotes. We decided to give the meals to the entire students from **Grade 6 to 12** as it was found difficult to separate the very poor students from others and issue the meals. To avoid the psychological problems of the students, our club decided to supply meals to the entire students which came to **594 students**. A meals supervisor was appointed to supervise the supply of meals and to check the quantity and the quality along with the Staff of the school. The students will be supplied meals for **120 school days**. After our Club started to give wholesome morning meals, the attendance increased and the children are happy to attend school. Photos given below show how happy students are during the break. Area Public Health Inspector (**PHI**) and few members of the **WRDS** make surprise visits to the respective schools to oversee the issue of meals. The PHI visits the meals suppliers kitchen often to check the quality of food and the cleanness of the way the food is prepared. The teacher assigned to oversee the issue of meals checks the quality of the meals supplied and questions the children about the taste of the meal and their liking of the meals supplied. We are happy to report our club has not received any complaints of the meals supplied.

**Photos showing partaking of meals..**



**Photos of issuing of Meals..**



**Details of students receiving the meals given below:**

1.Kalaimahal Hindu College	300
2.PadalipuramPhamahal Vidyalayam	197
3.Naloor GTMS.	97
<b>Total number of student given morning meals</b>	<b>594</b>

**SUPPLY OF BICYCLES:**

Quotations were called from reputed suppliers of ladies and Gents bicycles and order was placed to get down unassembled cycles to Trincomalee. Cycle mechanics were employed to service and assemble the bikes. Total **133 cycles** were issued, due to the request from the students no. of cycles was increased. The requests was recommended by the Principal of the respective schools. Cycles were transported in two trips by trucks and distributed to the students at schools.

**Details of the issue of cycles is given below:**

- 1.Kalaimahal Hindu college **92 ( M-47 , F-45)**
- 2.Padalipuram Phamahal Vidyalayam **31 ( M-20 , F-11)**
- 3.Naloor GTMS **10 ( M-05 , F-05)**

**Total Cycles issued was 133 ( M-72 , F-61)**

**Photos of issue of cycles:**





## Issue of Stationaries:

Stationaries were issued to the entire students of the three schools selected by the club.

1. Kalaimahal Hindu College, Pallikudiyiruppu -456
  2. Pamahal Vidyalayam, Padalipuram -398
  3. Naloor Girls Tamil School, Nallor -146
- Total issue of stationaries 1000 students.**



## How we managed the extra number of assistance given for above proposed number of beneficiaries under Helping hand project in Muttur East area.

Our Club has gained **LKR 420,032.00** by the way of increase in exchange rate, hence we decided to increase the issue meals & cycles , Due to this change,the estimate was increased by **LKR767,490.00.** Our club decided to pay any short fall in the budget to be gapped **50%** by the Club funds and **50%** from Rotarians contribution totaling to **LKR. 350,000.00.**

We also conducting training classes in Banking and account keeping and travelling by using the Rotarian professionals in the Banking sector and for transport using our own vehicles most of the time and minimum hiring of vehicles.

## **TRAININGS:**

Following Training have been arranged for beneficiaries, WRDS, Teachers & Students to find out the impact of our whole project. It is planned to be held **10<sup>th</sup> January 2018.** ;

1. Maintenance of Back yard Poultry. - **Done**
2. Preparation and feeding breakfast for students at school. - **Done**
3. To enhance Leadership qualities for Student Leaders. - **Done**
4. To update skills among Teachers involved with Computer Studies. - **Done**
5. Financial Literacy Training for Livelihood Beneficiaries – To be held on **10<sup>th</sup> Jan 2018.**
6. Meeting with Teachers, Beneficiaries about the impact of the project.- **To be held on 10<sup>th</sup> Jan 2018.**

## **The Impact of the Project to the beneficiaries and outsiders**

1. After the supplying of morning meals ,the principals of the three schools informed the Club that the attendance has increased, there no cases of fainting of students in the school. The students and the parents are happy.

2. The Cycles issued is being used by the students and their siblings to attend school in time.They reach home early after school and has enough time to do their school home works and chores.They also attend extra classes held in the School.

3. The villagers are very happy to have received the chicks and are looking after them very well. Only two families lost their entire chicks for sickness and in other cases the mortality rate is negligible. We have replaced chicks to the two families who lost their birds.

The birds which were issued earlier have started to lay eggs and most of the families started to sell the eggs. Some people have started to hatch the eggs to increase the stock.

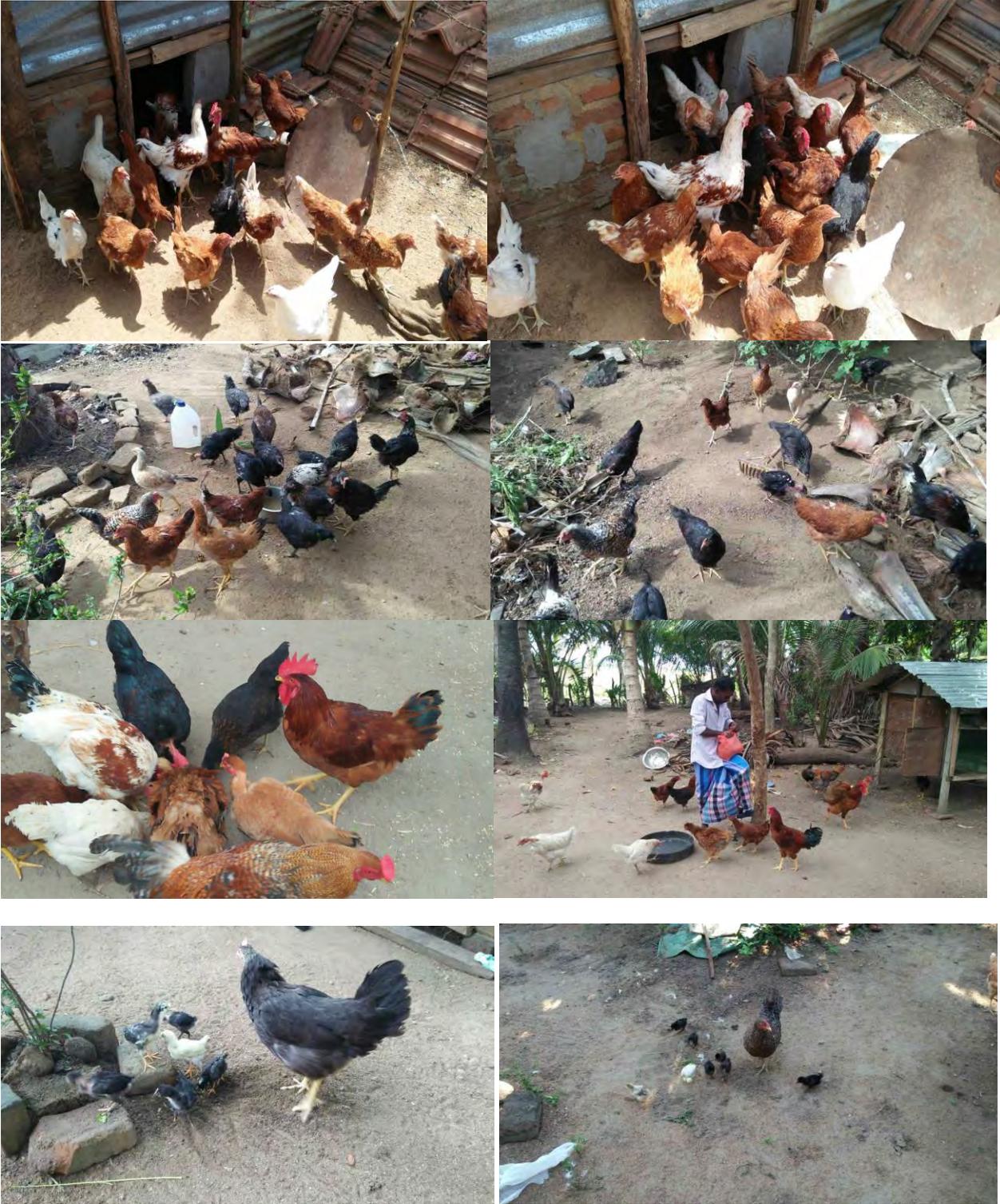
The issue of chicks has become a very popular lively hood program and there were inquiries from other local funding agents about the details of this project for them to implement them in other areas.

4.An Meeting is arranged with the beneficiaries , teachers and members of WRDS to discuss the impact of the project in early January 2018.

5.The Computer Training for teachers to update their skills and Leadership training for students too are arranged in end of January 2018.

6.We hope to complete the project by end of **February 2018.**

Photos of Grown birds, with eggs etc.





Chicks given during the first batch, were lying eggs and some beneficiaries hatched the eggs and breeding some chicks by their own way...Now. This way they are showing us the sustainability of the project-**Jayam.**



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