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I. Introduction

- The New LEED Trust is An NGO working in the field of education for underprivileged and economically backward people in India. The meaning of LEED is Liberation, Education, and Economic Development.
- The New LEED Trust is functioning from the year 1991 and is registered as a charitable trust (Regd. No. 934/2000, 12AA Income Tax act1961).
- At present The New LEED Trust is working in slum community of Thiruvalluvar Nagar in Perungudi in Chennai, Tamilnadu, India.

a) Mission & Vision

- To improve the standard of living of the underprivileged and economically backward people in India.
- Help through educating the people to be self-sustainable and social and economically independent with
Special concern for weaker section of the community.
- Motivate people to overcome social evils like child marriages, dowry, domestic violence, illiteracy, unemployment, and health problems.
- The goal is that everyone in our Project areas should be able to live a peaceful life with less worry and become a model for the change of the whole of the Indian society.

b) Object and Purpose of the Trust

- To Promote and spread education and entrepreneurial and professional skills for the benefit of depressed and weaker section of the society.
- To hold examinations and to grant certificates of proficiency or other academic distinctions or title to person who have complied with the conditions laid down in the regulations or byelaws of the Trust or the State Government or any other statutory body set up by such Governments.
- To provide facilities for giving residential accommodation and boarding-house for teacher, staff and other persons engaged in carrying out any of the objects of Trust.
- To provide libraries, reading rooms for the benefits of students and public for promoting education.

c) Means to achieve these goals:

- Supplementary education for children (Activity based education programs & alternative education schools)
- Skill based education programs for women and youth (Tailoring, computer education, Basket Making, file making & other crafts)
- Marketing the crafts through fair trade shops.
- Sustainable entrepreneurship program for women.
- Family development program.

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d) Board of Trustee

1. Mr. Elijah John Mathew, Managing Trustee / Chief Functionary
2. Mrs. Siraj Khatoon, Trustee
3. Mr. Robin Babu Rajendran, Trustee

e) The New LEED Staff

The success of The New LEED Trust is its staff and volunteers, without their involvement and dedication The New LEED could not achieve its success. The following are The New LEED Trust Staff, Volunteers, and Interns.

S.no	Name of the Staff	Designation
1	Mrs Anthoniammal	Office Superintendent, Tailoring Tutor and Basket Making Tutor
2	Ms Donalda	Programme Coordinator
3	Mrs Poongothai	Field Social Worker, Medical Representative
4	Mr Poovarasam	Medical Representative
5	Dr Sudan Raj	Medical Officer
6	Mr Sarathy	Karate Master
7	Mrs Pachaiyammal	Housekeeping

f) Interns and volunteers

1. Kavyamathi E. Stella Maris college, Chennai
2. Swetha Sivakumar, Stella Maris college, Chennai
3. Jovitha John, Loyola college, Chennai
4. Namkoi Jacob, Loyola college, Chennai
5. Trinitha Loyola college, Chennai



II. Perungudi Project

a. Project Area Description

The New LEED office is situated at Kallukuttai, which is part of the Perungudi area. This is an “Arrival City” (Slum Dwelling) with 20,000 houses. Most of the houses are huts and made of cement sheets and waste materials. The area has the Mass Rapid Transit System- Perungudi railway station is the most important landmark. Most of the residents are employed in construction work and the women folk are either employed as housekeeping in offices or being housemaids and in some cases totally unemployed and depend on their husband's Income. Most of their husbands are addicts to alcohol and other bad habits. These habits have an ill effect over their health as well as on the economic conditions and normal relation with their family. Though most of the children are sent to the nearby government schools, many among them

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lack in necessary nutrients in their food, Hence the children are always prone to suffer from poor health and immune deficiency.



b. Basic services available in the community

- Most of them have Family Ration Card, Voters Identification card and Electricity connection. But some people have critical problems in getting these cards.
- No legal land document (Patta) or authorized construction for the land/house.
- No announcement from Central / state government for eviction, destruction, or rehabilitation process.
- Tahsildar office (Assistant collector & Executive Magistrate (Class II) revenue administrative officer holds court related to land, Tax, and revenue matter) is located in Sholinganallur.

c. Educational Services

- Pre-school (Balwadi) run by NGO- 'Asha Nivas'
- Chennai higher Secondary School, Perungudi 2 Km from The New LEED
- Chennai Higher Secondary School, Tharamani 3 km from The New LEED
- St. Anthony's Higher Secondary school (Government Aided), near TANSI Nagar, Velachery 2.5km from The New LEED
- Colleges and Polytechnic Institutions - Velachery, Tambaram and Kelambakkam. The nearest college is the Guru Nanak College of Arts & Science, and it is 5 km from The New LEED Trust.
- Women's polytechnic college in Kasturibai Nagar.
- Tamilnadu Dr. Ambedkar Law University

d. Health Services

- Private hospitals located in Velachery (2 Km from this area)
- TN Multispecialty Hospital near Chintadripet Railway Station.
- Rajiv Gandhi General hospital central,
- Government hospital in Royapettah and Triplicane.
- Nearby PHC located in Thuraipakkam.
- Government Hospital in Perungudi 184 Division (near Raman Building)

e. Water and Sanitary Situation of the area

- Only few houses have individual toilets with individual septic waste tank.
- Have facility of metro water supply twice in a week
- There are presences of domestic and industrial garbage in the area.
- No government support to dispose the garbage.

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- There are no proper roads or streets, and it becomes very difficult to live in this area during Rainy season, even for a small rain street fill with dirty water stagnation for 3 to 6 months.
- Four streets are provided water connection through well water from Perungudi, corporation provides water twice in a week.

III. LEED Programs at a Glance – 2022

Community based programs are social programs with a participatory approach for community development and it involves community stakeholders in the process. In the year of 2022, The New LEED Trust conducted Community Programs for the children, adolescent, youth, and women groups on various topics like, health, hygiene, career, environment etc. The purpose behind the program is to make the people aware of their rights, duties, availability of welfare schemes and guide them towards constructive development.

1. Skill Development Training Program (SDTP)

a. Tailoring Centre

Based on the baseline survey and need assessment report, it was identified that the majority of women are interested in learning tailoring. More interest was shown by women who are separated, widowed and women who have family difficulties and want to support their family financially. Tailoring classes for women in Perungudi were started in the month of June 2011 and is a six-month and 1 year certification course.

During this year 28 students have mastered the skill. Many women are interested in learning tailoring and embroidery skills. This training will enable them to learn a new skill and help them to become more self-reliant as many have turned in to entrepreneur also LEED provides employment opportunity through SHG, Thalir-LEED.



b. Project Thalir-LEED, SHG, Basket Making

Most women in Perungudi are plagued by poverty as a lot of them are either single mothers or widows. The New LEED Trust does its bit to help uplift the living conditions of these down-trodden women by initiating a project called 'Thalir' which means 'to sprout'. It simply means 'New beginnings' and that's exactly what Thalir signifies for these women.

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This is an important project of LEED where we give training to community women for basket weaving from colourful wires and custom-made designs to accommodate a buyer's customer's requirement. LEED provides employment opportunity through SHG, Thair-LEED for those who are trained. This program enables them to earn a monthly amount of INR 4000 to 5000. Most of the women who participate in this program eke out an honest and fair means of living to overcome their situations. Totally we have 20 women who are part of the program. This year we saw a rise in number of basket orders.



c. Computer Training

The main objective of this program is to engage youths and adults in purposeful activities which would allow them to grow personally and academically. This computer training program aims at training all and helps them to know the basics of using a computer, the syllabus is framed especially for our community children to make them computer friendly. Computers are considered as a part of elite learning and a dream for most of the youths and adults in the slum. However, this program allows everyone to learn this valuable skill and utilize their leisure time in useful manner.

Computer Literacy Program was started in the year 2011 to boost the employment opportunities of the community people and aid self-dependence. The program consists of two courses, Diploma in Computer Application and Basic Type Writing course. This program is open to all age group from the community. "Interest to learn" is the only eligibility criteria set by The New LEED. This program has enabled 60 students to learn this skill and become 'computer literate'.

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d. Door /Floor Mat making Training

The doormat/ Floor Mat making program was organized by students from Stella Mari's college at The New LEED Trust, Project centre, Perungudi.

The skill training program was conducted for women in the Perungudi community to make doormat out of waste materials. The making was taught, and all the women actively participated. The cardboard for the making were given to interested participants.



e. Urban Nanny Training Program

Urban nanny certified program was conducted by 'Sethu foundation' for creating employment opportunities for women. The 15 days Training Program (50 hours) started with an introductory session on Training Schedule and further details regarding. They were certified professionals who provides physical, emotional, and informational support at comfort of their client's home to ensure a safe and healthy pregnancy and postpartum. They are trained to provide advice on nutrition, fitness, emotional well-being, support and comfort measures during labour and birth, and they were taught about the importance of breast feeding, support pregnancy, post pregnancy and Ayurveda manager etc.

The trainees were taught about the lactating mother, postpartum depression, awareness on mental health. The 15 days course was concluded with valedictory program. Certificate were issued to all trainees, few of them got placed after training program.



2. Activity Based Supplementary Education Program (SDTP)

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a. Activity Centre

Most of the children in this area goes to the nearby government schools, many among them lack basic knowledge in their studies. There are cases where even a 10th standard student is unable to read Tamil and English or not even know simple mathematics concepts such as addition and subtraction. Most of the parents are illiterate in this area, so they are not able to guide their children in their education. This made LEED take a voluntary stand to work on this filed. So, this year LEED started an Activity Centre. Mrs Donalda along with the staff and interns are taking care of this activity centre in the evenings from 5.00 PM to 7.00 PM. nearly 50 students are benefited by this activity centre each day. The tutor guides the children for their educational and moral development and creates awareness about social problems to them in an interactive manner. This promotes the personal development of the children as well as motivates them to perform better in their academic pursuits. Children of this activity centre have shown tremendous improvement in their education and social activities compared to the other children in the community. This highlights the success of this program.



b. Library for the Youths and Children

The library program was started after understanding that there is no library for the children in the area. The library for the youths and children were started with the help of well-wishers who sponsored around 160 books which are arranged in the library unit. The books include general knowledge, moral stories in English and Tamil, autobiography of leaders, comic books, Books related to psychological problems, dictionary, Thirukkural, yoga, meditation, and many other interesting books to motivate children to practice the habit of reading books daily.

c. Karate class

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The Karate coaching given by Sensai Sarathy. to the children on weekly twice or thrice basis This Year LEED Dojo, 20 students were benefited out of this program, 4 Students were graded Black Belts, Regular karate classes have boosted the self-confidence of the students as well as helped them to be physically and mentally fit. The students have progressed in their learning of the martial art form and have displayed their skills during various events and competitions organised during the year.



d. Tamil Nadu State Karate Championship 2022

The Sports Karate Association Tamil Nadu on 4th December 2022 at Jamal Mohamed College organized the Tamil Nadu State Karate Championship 2022 in Tiruchirappalli, Tamilnadu. Under 21 years Male category, Meganathan S. won 1st place in Kumite and under 14 to 15 years Male category, Balakrishnan M. won 2nd Position in Kumite. Under Sub-junior Category, Joshika won 3rd place in Kata and Kumite. She competed against 25 black belt participants.

The continuous effort and the passion of the children to the field made them to attain the fruit of success at this incredibly early age. Despite, all their challenges external factors and inability, the commitment that the children have, given them this winning status. This competition and the motivation given by the New LEED Trust, made the children to move further towards their passion.



e. Phonetic Training

Phonetics training class was conducted in the New LEED Trust for the students in the Perungudi community. The class was taken by Ms. Jovita under the guidance of the project coordinator Mrs. Donalda. Around 15 students from the community attended this phonetics class. This class was conducted for students from standard 1 to standard 11. The main focus of this phonetics class is to help the community students to improve their linguistic skill. Due to pandemic the students find very difficult to read and write in English, so this phonetics class was conducted in an interesting way to make them feel easy to understand. The students

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were taught the basic phonetic sounds using English alphabets and a short YouTube video was telecasted, where the students also actively participated along



f. Folk Art classes - Oyilattam

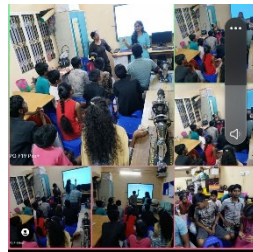
The New LEED trust has organized a skill development program in order to equip the kids some ds skills apart from studies, and to create awareness on kids about the importance of folk art. The program was conducted by students from Stella Mari's college on 8th October 2022.

Oyilattam (ஓயிலாட்டம்), which means "dance of grace" is a folk dance with origins in the Madurai region of Tamil Nadu. The dance has its origins in southern Tamil Nadu and is primarily performed in Madurai district, Tirunelveli district and Tiruchirappalli district. Oyilattam is one of the folk arts identified for mainstreaming by the Tamil university. Mainly Oyilattam is performed at village festivals. It is a dance used after harvest to protect the grains from birds.

This training has been organized on a monthly twice basis based on the availability of the children in the community and the interns from Stella Maris College. The interns have taught them the purpose of learning Oyilattam, the traditional dance of Tamil Nadu. Children have actively participated during the session. They have put in their efforts to get the proper steps with full enthusiasm. Which has become a motivation to the interns and the organization to conduct further classes.

g. Computer Classes

The New LEED Trust has organized computer classes for the children under ABSEP Program, this program was organized by students from Loyola College. During this program Basic computer skills were taught to children, and it were effective. The students were very attentive and concentrated when it was taught with pictures and activities.



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h. Paper crafts: cutting alphabet letters a-z

On 27 October 2022, Students from the Loyola College along with the help of the coordinator conducted a handicraft – teaching basic and simple ways of cutting alphabet letters A-Z. The students were very attentive and creative. Each step of cutting the alphabet letters displayed on the board. They could easily follow the steps. The group session was so interesting and filled with laughter – seeing their friend's work.

At the end, they managed to learn the cutting of some alphabet letters. It was really a fruitful and enriching experience.

i. Children's day program

The New LEED trust actively works with children in the Perungudi community. Children's Day was celebrated on 18th of November at The New LEED Trust project centre. The main theme of the event was that 'Children are always precious as they spread happiness and make a difference'. A skit was enacted depicting the work of the NGO for children. The children thoroughly enjoyed the dance, skit, and recitation. The joy and happiness on each kid's face showed the hard-core efforts of the team. Nearly 70 children participated in the event. Mr. Peter was the chief guest for the event while Chairman Elijah John Mathew, Trustee Siraj, Program Coordinator Donalda and other staff of the, The New LEED Trust the children thoroughly enjoyed the dance, skit, and recitation. The joy and happiness on each kid's face showed the hard-core efforts of the team. Nearly 70 children participated in the event. Mr. Peter was the chief guest for the event while Chairman Elijah John Mathew, Trustee Siraj, Program Coordinator Donalda and other staff of the, The New LEED Trust graced the occasion. Gifts and refreshments were provided to the kids. On children's day, the kids took a pledge to plant more trees and safeguard their environment.

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3. Family Development Program

Family Development Programs were started in June 2011. From the year of 2014, this program has been supported by LEED for the maximum reach in the community. The team for this program consists of a Family Development Program (FDP) coordinator and a social worker. The team deals with 40 families for a period of nine months. They practice a continuous interventional process which lasts nine months. This program motivates and guides the families for their development.

The main objectives of the LEED Family Development Program (LFDP) are to identify the potential of the families and building up their self-confidence for their overall development in the society. The families targeted by LFDP are the poorest ones, who are most often not capable to respond to their own needs by themselves. These programs are done by field social workers in systematic steps namely survey visits, selection meetings, permission visits, observation visits, regular home visits, second last visits and phase out meetings

4. LEED Medicare Centre

Every community need to have better health as it is central to human happiness and well-being. It is also a fundamental right of a human being to enjoy the highest attainable standard of health ("the right to health") (WHO, 2015). However, there are numerous factors that hinder the people in Kallukuttai, from the attainment of sound health. One of the major factors is an absence of medical Centre in the community. The people are denied of adequate access to health care; their right to health is endangered. We at The New LEED Trust, aspire to help the people enhance their quality of living by addressing this issue. We have established a medical center in the community, which empowers the people with multiple health aspects, for example, prevention and treatment of disease and illness. With the effort of the New LEED Trust, on 1st July 2015, Medicare center was established in Perungudi, Kallukuttai. This Medicare Centre is operational in the evening from 7.00 PM. The medicare program provides services to people subsidized services, 40,000 of people are benefited by this program in a year. It imparts health-related information and knowledge and prevents the people from falling into

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ill-health and provides them with adequate medical treatment when needed. Overall, the medical Centre is making an essential contribution in assuring and enhancing their health and well-being in the community.



5. Community Program

a. National Girl Child Day celebration

“When girls are educated, their Countries become stronger and more prosperous”- Michelle Obama. National Girl Child Day was celebrated at The New LEED Trust on 25th January in association with “THOZHAMAI”, a resource centre for the promotion of rights of the children, youth, and women from socially deprived communities. The aim of the Programme was to raise awareness about the right of the girl child, to help them understand the importance of education and To discuss about the issues such as female infanticide, inequalities, exploitation and gender discrimination faced by them in Society.

The New LEED Trust has initiated several programs over the years to encourage more opportunities for girls and boost their personal and social development including karate training and computer training. Nearly 20 adolescent girls participated in this awareness Programme. Various games were conducted to make the discussion lively. The girls actively participated in all the sessions. This was a very informative program.

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b. International Mother Language Day

Mother Language means a language through which the people of a nation express their idea, thoughts, feelings, and emotion clearly. Mother language day was celebrated on 23.02.2022 at The New LEED of Perungudi project Centre. The objective of the programme was to make the children express their feelings clearly in their mother language. The theme of this year 2022 is "Using technology for multilingual learning, Challenges and opportunities". Nearly 15 students participated in the Programme. It was helpful to the students to improve their language skill.

c. International women's day celebration program

The Management and Staff of The New LEED Trust organized an awareness programme for women's day on 8th March 2022. As part of the celebration, Kolam competition was conducted on the topic "Tuberculosis" and the theme was "Women in TB Eradication". The main objective of the programme was to create awareness among women on Tuberculosis.

Nearly 120 people participated in the Kolam competition. The Participants were very cooperative and creative in expressing their thoughts in the form of colourful Kolams. The Kolam were marked based on creativity, theme, and effort.

The event was graced by the presence of the Senior treatment supervisors of the National Tuberculosis Eradication program Mrs Vijayalakshmi and Mr Gopinath, District coordinator Mrs Aswini, Health visitor Mr Vignesh Senior program officer Mrs Nalini from REACH, Community advisor board for stream trial for ICMR NIRT Sr. Mary, Freelancer Mrs Sonali Seth, The New LEED Trust Chairman Mr Elijah John Mathew, and LEED advisor Mrs. Preethy Ken.

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The program begun with "Tamil Thai Vazhthu" and welcome speech was addressed by Ms Donaldda, Program coordinator. Speech on gender equality and women empowerment was delivered by interns from the Stella Maris College. Special address was given by District coordinator Mrs. Aswini, on the eradication of TB from a community. Sr. Mary explained about the various symptoms of Tuberculosis and to act immediately once symptoms were observed. To create TB free India, oath was taken by the participants. The participants were very interactive and were intrigued to know more about TB. Prizes were distributed to the Kolam competition winners. Complementary prizes were also given to all the participants. The programme ended with National Anthem.



d. Earth day celebration and seed ball making program

As a part of earth day celebration children were encouraged to make a seed ball at The New LEED Trust on April 23, 2022. The objective of the program was to create awareness on kids about climate change and global warming, to educate the children about the ill effect of plastic usage, to give awareness about planting the tree, and to teach them the process of making the seed balls and educate the children about children parliament. The program conducted by the resource person Racchana Ramamurthy; environmental engineer McGill University Canada connected through Google meet. She spoke on several topics some of them were micro plastic and its effects on earth and climate change. She categorized the micro plastics into primary and secondary micro plastics and explained the difference between them. Since the topic is new to the children they actively listened and answered the questions. Then she specified about the micro plastics in marine creatures and how it affects in many aspects of marine fish and marine food chain. The micro plastics can have toxic effect on fish and other aquatic life including reducing food intake, delaying growth, causing oxidative damage and abnormal behavior. After explaining the definition, effects and causes she explained about the prevention of micro plastics. She ended the meeting with the slogan EACH ONE PLANT ONE TREE. At the end of the session, she interacted with the children about their understanding on the topics.

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Children were taught to make seed balls with the help of staff members, each seed balls were placed in paper cup and given to children. They were instructed to take care the seed balls in their houses. Then the children were divided into standard wise student from 6th to 8th were asked to make a circle and Stella intern explained about the student parliament where children in the community would take up issues in the locality and solve them with other members. They were encouraged to take up leadership to pursue the same.

e. Dry ration kit distribution-2022 rally

Dry ration kits were distributed to the youths of Perungudi community on the International Youth Day 12th August 2022. To encourage and motivate them to contribute to the community. In a way to thank them for all the cooperation and efforts taken to give back to their community along with the New LEED Trust.

f. Stray dog menace

The people in Thiruvalluvar Nagar are facing trouble with stray dogs barking whole night, many people in the locality are scared even to walk on streets during the daytime. People are scared to drive Two Wheelers or any vehicle because of the stray dogs. They are in large numbers, and they started attacking the passerby. They run towards the motorbike which leads to many accidents in the area. People lost their sleep as dog barks whole night.

When the dogs are fighting, some pedestrian pass by them or try to scare them away they get bitten and causing health hazard to the people. There are many victims of dog bites including children, elderly, women and men. Especially when the kids are walking or playing around the locality, they get scared by sudden outburst from the dog which can be fatal at certain times. They are even restricted to play inside their houses because of the trouble created by the stray dogs.

To take an action on this issue, interns from Stella Maris and Loyola College along with the staffs of The New LEED Trust took initiative and filed a petition through online portal. As a follow up interns met the Chairman of Corporation office and raised complaints after obtaining signatures from the locality people expressing their solidarity to resolve this issue. The very next day the workers from the corporation visited the locality and caught the dogs which created problems to the area people with the assistance of staff members. The immediate effort from the corporation is appreciable. A great action indeed by our Chennai Corporation.



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g. Story Board

A very interesting group work session conducted by the students from Loyola College along with the coordinator with the women in the community. The session made women to share their stories with other women which was inspiring to others. Some of the major problems identified were child marriage, caste system, drug addictions, education, and restrictions for women and so on.

After a conversation, the women have decided to come to the trust and learn tailoring and basket making for keeping them financially independent. The team felt very happy and decided to have regular meetings with these people and help them to stand for themselves and build their own life.

h. Medical Camps

1. Oral Cancer Awareness and Screening free Camp

A free Dental checkup was organized by The New LEED Trust in Collaboration with Saveetha Oral Cancer Institute. The camp was exclusively organized for our community people who can hardly afford quality treatment for their dental issues.

The camp started around 10.30am. Nearly 35 names were registered for the checkup. Two dental Surgeons along with a PRO were present in the camp. Importance of healthy teeth and oral hygiene was explained to the patients. Patients were recommended to go to Saveetha oral cancer Institute for further treatment.



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2. General Camp

A Free medical health check up camp was organized on 28th April 2022, in association with Sri Balaji Medical Hospital. The main objective of the program was to bring awareness amongst the deprived population, who have no access to basic health care services or knowledge about the diseases they are suffering from. And to make sure people are getting the health care at the right time and seeing the doctor early enough before a small health problem lances serious and to promote and develop awareness among women about the method of early detection of breast Cancer



The 16-member team of hospital including one general physician one orthopaedic doctor and one Ophthalmology, Breast cancer education and nurses were present. Physical examination, eye test, breast

cancer detection and ortho issues were diagnosed. Various types of joint pain and myalgia were seen as predominant muscular skeletal problems. Free blood sugar blood pressure and consultation were provided. Nearly 65 people from the community benefit by this health check up. Free medicines were provided to the patients.

During the camp we felt that people were really suffering due to lack of even a minor level of health care which was reflected by the nature and spectrum of disease that they presented during the camp. This medical camp was appreciated by the people.

3. Medical camp and distribution of nutrition support for tb patients and survivors

The Free Medical Camp and Distribution of Nutrition Support for TB Patients and Survivors was conducted by The New LEED Trust in Association with Sree Balaji Medical College and Hospital.

The camp started with registration of the personal details of the patients like name, age, address and contact number for future reference. The patients were given O.P.D (outpatient department) card and were send to various department like Ophthalmology, Breast Cancer, Dermatology, Orthopaedics and General Physician according to their health issues and needs. The participants made use of the free camp by checking their blood pressure, sugar test and pulse rate. Married women examined their breast and many others like elderly and children consulted orthopaedics and ophthalmologist.

From this free medical camp identified that most of the people were having ortho and vision problems due their aging and difficult working conditions. The New LEED Trust arranged all the facilities for the camp and for the participants like directing them to live Healthy life through distribution of nutritious food supplements like dates, egg, groundnuts, and peanuts. After all the consultation few patients were referred to Sree Balaji Medical College and Hospital for further treatment process.

Overall, 50 participants were benefitted through this free medical camp. With the active participation and full involvement of The New LEED Trust staff - Coordinator, Assistant Coordinator, Field Staff, Tailoring Teacher and Interns from Bharathiar University, Coimbatore. Along with the support of Sree Balaji Hospital doctors and medical team, the free

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medical camp and distribution of nutrition support for TB patients and survivors was successfully completed.

4. General Medical camp

The free medical camp was organised by The New LEED Trust in association with SREE BALAJI MEDICAL COLLEGE AND HOSPITAL, Chromepet. The camp was started around 10 AM and extended till 1 PM on 15th September 2022, for the Perungudi community people. The participants made use of the free camp by checking their Blood Pressure, Sugar test and pulse rate.

From this free medical camp, it was identified that most of the people were having Ortho and vision problems due to their aging and difficult working conditions.

The New LEED Trust arranged all the facilities for the staffs and patients. After all the consultations few patients were referred to See Balaji Medical College and Hospital for further treatment process.

Overall, 70 participants were benefitted through this free medical camp. With the active participation and full involvement of The New LEED Trust staff Coordinator, Assistant Coordinator, Field Staff, Tailoring Teacher and Interns from Loyola College, Chennai along with the support of Sree Balaji Hospital doctors and medical team.

i) Awareness Program

Awareness Programs are aimed at children, adolescent, youth and women groups to tackle various topics like health, hygiene, communicable and non- communicable diseases, child rights, women's rights, TB awareness, HIV AIDS awareness, Cancer Awareness, medical camps etc. The purpose behind the program is to make the people aware of their rights, duties, availability of welfare schemes and treatment on health issues, importance of timely medical help and proper understanding of medicine.



1. Seed Ball Throwing and awareness rally

"The trees are roots of our existence"

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A Rally was organized by The New LEED Trust as a part of the Earth Day on 26th June 2022 to throw seed balls around the community. Nearly 30 children actively participated in the rally. The main objectives of the program were to create awareness on the importance of growing trees, to inculcate the virtue of planting trees and to motivate children to be more environmentally friendly.

Children raised placards of slogans to create awareness about the importance of growing trees. Awareness songs were sung while walking around the streets. At the end of the activity the children along with the interns took an oath to plant more trees and protect our environment.

2. Air pollution awareness program

An online awareness programme on air pollution was organized in The New LEED Trust on 28th January 2022 by Darsh Sashank, a 10th standard student at Gateway international school. A total of 15 students participated in this programme. A THEME based game was organized during the session which was very interactive and intriguing. It helped the students to understand the ill effects of air pollution and how to overcome it by 'Reduce, Reuse and Recycle'. Students were taught how to make homemade soaps with natural ingredients and also were given homemade soaps as a sample, which had a strong impact on children and motivated them to implement it. It was a very successful programme.



3. International childhood cancer awareness program

Awareness Program on Childhood Cancer was organized at The New LEED Trust on 18th February 2022 in Association with the "Golden Butterflies", children's palliative care

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foundation. The objective of the Programme was to create awareness, remove stigma and fear attached and to express support for children with cancer. 25 Children aging between 10 to 16 years participated in the Programme.

Ms. Ramalakshmi, Project Manager, Golden Butterflies (GB) briefed about the prolonged chronic illness, myths and taboos related to cancer. She also explained the intervention process and Supportive schemes available for cancer – affected children in their organization.

Ms. Lavanya Krishna Kumar, Trustee, GB and an eminent Art Therapist organized and conducted an Art activity. Then the paper was rolled and a hand- made ‘wish bead’ was created. A string was connected to the paper bead and a beautiful bracelet was made which in turn exchanged with their loved ones. Thus, through which the children were taught about ‘Understanding compassion in palliative care’, and love for fellow beings.

Ms. Donalda, Programme coordinator, The New LEED Trust, gave the vote of thanks and feedback about the Programme were provided by children.

The children promised to conduct what they learnt through this awareness session. It was an effective and meaningful Programme.

4. Cervical and ovarian cancer awareness Program

An awareness program on Cervical and ovarian cancer was organized on 09-04-2022 at Perungudi project center. Nearly fifteen women participated in the program. The objective of the program was to provide awareness on cervical and ovarian cancer and to remove the stigma and fear attached and to educate women from the community on the importance of early detection, to encourage women to go for screening, self - examination and seek treatment, knowledge regarding the availability of Government Insurance schemes

The interns explained about both Cervical and Ovarian Cancer, which is most common among women. The women were taught about the signs, symptoms, and the risk factors of cervical cancer. The test to detect cervical cancer like Pap smear test, biopsy, colposcopy etc. were also explained. The women were educated about the treatment to be taken after confirming it which includes surgery, Radiation therapy and chemotherapy. The interns insisted women to follow a healthy lifestyle in order to avoid all the risk factors.

The women were advised to go for regular medical checkup and to avoid usage of tobacco and alcohol. During question-and-answer session the women shared their concerns and question related to Ovarian and cervical cancer. The interns also provided information regarding the insurance scheme available for the patients diagnosed with cancer. This was a very meaningful session as it educated women about the symptoms and risk factors of the deadliest disease.

5. Oral cancer awareness program

A program was organized at The New LEED Trust on 12th of November regarding substance abuse and oral cancer prevention. The awareness program was conducted by a 2nd year MSW student from Stella Mari’s College. Nearly 20 children participated in this event. The program focused on oral cancer awareness and oral health and hygiene. These concepts were innovatively introduced to the kids via alternate media skills of a puppet show.

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The children learnt the message to not to use drugs and also educate their friends and family about it. They were also encouraged to consult the doctor if they face any oral health issue. Children also learnt the negative effects of substance abuse on their family and emotional distress it causes. The children were very keen to learn the concepts, interact and observe the program. They promised that they will not indulge in any substance abuse and follow oral hygiene and maintain overall oral health.



6. Exhibitions in colleges

The 2-day exhibition was organized at Loyola College on 30th September 2022 and 1st October 22 at Stella Mari's college. The NGO tries hard to make women come out and learn to make baskets and other handcrafts to make them financially independent in the family and also to contribute a part to the society. Being independent makes their voice heard in the family and creates a value for them in the society and their own communities.

What's more important here is, Support from the community and the people. A little bit of contribution in buying these products will help them build their own life. And empower them to build others.



7. Orientation Program for Interns and volunteers

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A brief training on internship was given to the interns and volunteers explaining the objective of the trust and its activities.

a) Home Visits during Field work

The social workers help the people who comes to them and willing to undergo a change to develop. They take initiatives but most important is using of resources. It's important for the social worker to analyse the resource and guide them to find a solution. These resources are primarily their family and friends.

The support from family and the surrounding environment becomes essential for one's growth. The kids spent only two to three hours in the trust centre. So, the interns visited the families to understand their real situation and look into the barriers around them. They also interacted with their parents and made them understand the needs of these kids. Home visits happen twice a week to report the kid's progress.



b) Blog writing skill

The Chairman of the Agency had organized blog Writing Skill Training. For which the co-trustee, the co-coordinator and the interns of The New LEED Trust participated. Mr. Bilal was the resource person. The interns consisted of three students from Loyola College and two from Stella Maris College. Mr. Bilal Husain gave the basic instruction of how to write a blog. He wanted the interns to drive home the idea of traffic drive while writing a blog article. The methods of smart board teaching and interaction had been used.

Mr. Bilal gave each topic to trainees to work upon and to be familiarized with the blog writing. He gave some feedback and suggestions to do it better. The interns expressed their heartfelt gratitude to the resource person for giving his time and skill. For the trainees it was altogether a new experience of developing their skill in writing the blog. It was an enriching and fruitful session.

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IV Conclusion

The New LEED Trust takes this opportunity to thank all the donors, staffs, volunteers, and well-wishers for all the support given to the organization by which we could perform successfully and carry out our duties tirelessly for helping its beneficiaries for many years. This was possible only with the help of our donors, staffs, volunteers, and community. However, The New LEED Trust has miles to go to reach its goals for the service to the humanity.

