

# Society for Poor People Development (SPPD)

2016 – 2017

SPPD



## ANNUAL REPORT

*Envisions a secured & sustainable community for all  
the deserving people  
in Tamil Nadu*

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It is with immense pleasure I present our Annual Report for the year 2016 to 2017. Of course it was a year full of hectic schedule and I would like to share some of the most important aspects here.

I am indeed so happy to inform you that during the year our initiatives on children was so vibrant through a variety of initiatives in the 22 Evening Tuition Centres which had a total strength of 609 Children in all.

This apart, the important vulnerable child centric activity of providing "Nutritional Kit" to the children affected and infected by HIV/AIDS certainly made a big difference in their lives. Through all these activities our dedication towards shaping and safeguarding the lives of children has been getting further strengthened.

Similarly, in yet another milestone in our endeavor towards paving bright future for the rural youth, substantial number of 102 young men and women have opted to undergo promising vocational skill training courses in the year.

Indeed it is remarkable considering the humble beginning with a mere 13 students who could take up these courses in the inaugural year of 2012-13. Making the rural youth employable is central. The support provided to the students in the form of travel cost and a daily nutritional meal played the pivotal role in the same.

In the same manner, in line with our passionate commitment that is based on the principle of "Empowering Women through Financial Inclusion", has been achieved by facilitating financial linkages to hundreds of women for a variety of income generation activities this year too.

This apart, I should mention that the disaster and climate change management activities included not only the relief and rehabilitation to the victims of disasters. But preparation of vulnerable communities to face the calamities, formed an important part as well. Disaster Preparedness Clubs have been formed among the communities of Slum dwellers, School Children and Differently Aabled, post exhaustive training.

The following pages provide details on the above. To sustain current activities and devise further, we are a foot to strive to associate with more Online Platforms. While concluding the note, I wish to express appreciation and gratitude to all Donors and associates in particular to Joe Homan Charity , Global Giving , Give India , ICICI , Andrew McElroy,etc I also wish to thank all our Board members for your solid support in enabling SPPD to accomplish many feats in all its endeavors..

*"We extend our deepest thanks to our Individual and foreign donors who ensure a lasting change for the children, youth and women community"*



**J. RAJU**  
**SECRETARY, SPPD**

# EVENING STUDY CENTRE (ESC)

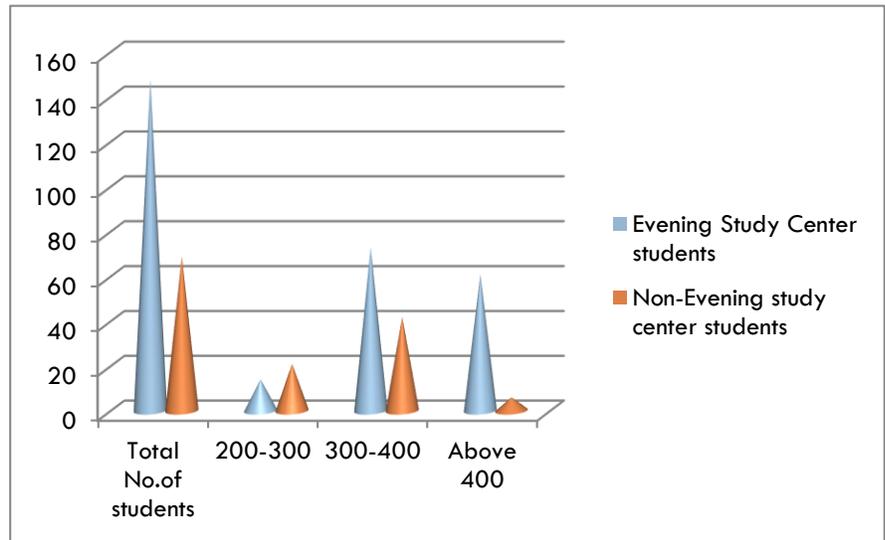
## TRUE STORY

**Kirubakaran** is studying 8<sup>th</sup> grade in the Union middle school. His father Ramesh is away on work as migrant labour in a granite quarry in Kerala. He lives with his mother Parvathi and her sister Kanisht at Melkottam village.

*“After I joined the Evening Tuition centre of SPPD functioning at Melakottam, things have started changing for me in a big way . Apart from the tutorial assistance I get from my tuition centre teacher (tutor), the note books and other stationeries I get, I have been able to do my daily class room home work without fail”. Thank you SPPD!.*



We are pleased to present our success report. We have furnished a comparative report , the current educational status of students who have passed out Grade VIII from our ESC in **2015-16 & 2016 -17** were collected and placed on a comparative scale with the students who do not attend our ESC tuition classes.



## Regular Activities

To balance the inequality, very poor rural students from all grades I to VIII levels in this area were summoned in the evening and were assisted with completion of their school work and daily lessons. The centre was scheduled on all working days with a period of two hours duration.

## Nutritional supplement

During the tuition class the children were provided with nutritional support of dates or pea nut toffees to ensure that the children are getting their nutrients that are necessary for health and help to sustainin their hemoglobin level. These simple candies serve as a vital source of protein to the children while satisfying the children’s craving for sweets.

## Stationery Distribution to Students

Children were provided with stationery and note books to help them continue their studies without any complexity in their minds.

This is one of our pioneering projects and is being implemented by SPPD since the year 1995, with the benevolent support of **Joe Homan Charity of United Kingdom and Give India** in catering to the needs of **9242** children of the ESCs. And **609** students formed part of the **22** centres during the year.

Quality and access to education is the major concern in rural schools. The rural children, more than half of the students in the fifth grade, have difficulties in reading and writing English, solve simple mathematical problems. Since most people in rural areas are very less educated, they are unable to assist their wards with their education. To balance this drawback, though parents are interested in enrolling their children to private tuition centers, due to financial constraints they

### **Distribution of sports and IEC material**

The tutors were provided with stationery, education materials like charts, wall maps, Alpha kit (English & Tamil) and sports materials like skipping rope, Frisbee, carom, chess, ring ball, etc. to help them develop our children's talents in various fields.

### **Provision of Advance lesson plan**

ALP (Advanced Lesson Plan) covering the easy to understand technique is used by the tutors to help the children to do Math, Science and English in a better way.

### **Capacity programme to Tutors**

To improve the capacity of tutors, we invited volunteers from related filed to train our tutors in the play way method of teaching, how to make the class more active, preparatory methods for teaching aids, etc.

### **Exposure visit & Sensitization on Local Resources**

Children were taken to various places of interest like the local post office and cooperative banks to help them broaden their horizon and face the challenges in an unknown environment. The comprehensive set of activities of the project also include the sensitization on the local natural resources among the children as an important activity. This assumes great significance, considering the acute water crisis and serious **depletion of other natural resources**, our target areas have been witnessing in recent times.

### **Advisory Committee - Organizing NGO/Parent/Teacher Meet**

Once in a quarter – the advisory committee - Parent/ School Teacher/ Headmaster / Programme Co-ordinator – was organized to help parents/guardians understand their children's progress and to support their children's academic efforts. During the meet, stationeries, saplings, water filters were provided to the schools as a token of thanks. This quarterly meeting of the committee helped in strengthening the project.

### **Promoting Kitchen Garden**

A total of 100 students 5 of them representing the 20 centres were part of the clubs. Each child was distributed seeds & saplings of quality vegetables and training imparted to these children by their tutors to promote their kitchen garden in the long run. Through this they helped themselves in producing fresh vegetables and consequently their health status will also be at a good scale. They club were able to harvest 123.5 kgs of Snake guard, 178 kgs of Flat beans, 147 kgs of Ridge gourd, 303 kgs of Bottle gourd and 113 kgs of Bitter gourd



## EDUCATIONAL MATERIAL SUPPORT

Access to education is the major concern in rural schools. Mainly the severe financial inability of the families keep the rural kids out of this ambit of education . Fulfilling this gap goes a long way in minimizing the dropout rate of children from schools apart from ensuring the future of quite a number of rural children in our region. We on our part carry out the activity of issuing educational kit packages (stationery, inner wear, foot wear , toiletry , uniform) to both middle and high school students who come from very poor financial backgrounds. The continued support from Give India and individual donors has helped 122 children with their educational needs.



## NUTRITIONAL SUPPORT



Due to various causes such as its close proximity to the industrial hub of Namakkal town and the heavy migration of labour, the Musiri region has a high population of the victims of HIV.

And hence SPPD involved itself in paying special attention towards the cause of both the children who are infected with HIV and those who are affected by being the children of the HIV infected parents. With the shattered economic productivity of their parents, the plight of the children of the victims of HIV is extremely pathetic.

A total of 85 HIV infected and affected children have been part of the project. Every month each of these children are distributed nutritional supplement kit. The kit consists of pigeon peas, horse gram, green peas, Horlicks (nutritional and mineral mix), dates, milk and eggs. For milk and eggs children are given cash for purchase. The activities have been carried out with the support of Give India.

# YOUTH SKILL TRAINING

157 youth are narrowed down and enrolled to the hospitality trade. The youth enrolled have successfully completed their academic year with support of free lunch for five days a week keeps the students more energetic and balances their nutritional diet. Educational material and travelling cost has reduced their trouble, which as a net result marks the attendance level on a high scale. 92% of students are successfully placed resulting in reduction of poverty, enhanced productivity and promoted environmentally sustainable development. This will help them develop their personality and inspires them to come forward and achieve greater successes.

## Examination

The performance of our students in the examinations was consistently good. The number of students passing out through this vocational course, records a steady increase. Almost 95% of the students under the support of have successfully completed their exams.

## Internship Programme

As a part of the regular curriculum, students are sent for training programmes to hotels to be trained on the practicality of the course pursued. Along with certification, the course also provides students with placement and job opportunities. Through such trainings, students set aside a part of their earnings to meet out their partial educational needs, while they also supplement their family's necessities.

### TRUE STORY

Ramamoorthy was longing for higher education, but discontinued his schooling in 9<sup>th</sup> standard as the condition of the family was such, and was forced to take up a job as a painter. He happened to meet one of his sister's class mate and heard about the skill training provided for less educated and dropout students by offering free meals, travelling allowance and the required educational materials made him to think of skill training, made him to join the course.

Where he gained handful experience in the real industry. The stipend earned in his training period has supported his family economically.

He appeared for his final exams in June 2016 and successfully passed out. He is now working at the same hotel handling south Indian cuisine and earning Rs.7,500/- per month.

The number of high school drop-out children, especially after 8<sup>th</sup> grade are quite high in numbers. Similarly, the youngsters who complete their 10<sup>th</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> grades successfully in the villages here, after schooling tend to remain idle. Both these sections, the boys in particular are forced in to **illegal sand mining** and other **life risking jobs** due to severe lack of employable skills.

Our organization takes pride in playing a very significant role in providing career guidance to these youth. SPPD has been involved in sensitization campaigns and facilitation initiatives in diverting the youth towards **risk free** and **prospective careers**.



# Climate Change & Disaster Management



The floods of November 2015 have brought life-changing disaster to Chennai tossing up the routine activities of its residents. As a result many have suffered immeasurable destruction, loss, damage and despair. We initiated our immediate action were to the victims of the flood in Chennai, our relief activities were carried out in Teynampet, Chennai, taking care of victim's dire needs. Throughout the 2016 and a major part of the year'17 our initiatives are going on.

In an effort to streamline the relief assistance process, we teamed up to implement the delivery of immediate relief work like provision of Dress (food and water packets, mats, mosquito nets and bed sheets, Toiletries (Bathing soap, washing soap, towel, tooth brush and paste, hair oil, powder, combs, sanitary pads), Provisions (Rice, cooking oil, sugar, dhal), Utensil kit (cooking pots, frying pan, ladles, tumblers, plates), carbon emission free, smokeless stoves to the flood victims residing in the areas of Teynampet, Chennai.

## True story:

One of the beneficiary, she is a mother of four children. In her own words... "We lost all our things in the flood and are totally depended on the relief items that are provided by donors. We are thankful for providing us this utensil kit which is absolutely helpful to us."

## Educational materials to schools & Children

Student chairs, staff chairs, mats, file cabinet, games materials were procured and distributed to four schools; Appadurai Corporation Primary School, Panagal Park Corporation Primary School, Vanniyar Corporation Primary School and Dr.Giriyappa Corporation Primary School. The most deserving students of these schools as well as children at the household levels from Teynampet area were provided with shoes, socks, uniform, stationery and ID cards.

## Aids to people who are living with disabilities

Crutches, elbow crutches, hearing aids, cot were provided to people living with disabilities.

## 104 houses were renovated

104 families were provided with necessary materials based on the beneficiary's need. For the construction of roofing tarpaulin sheets were provided with the needed construction materials. The provision of these most basic items had allowed those affected to have an assured shelter for themselves and take care of their family members under proper safe roofing.

## Community awareness and disaster preparedness programme

### 2250 community members were oriented on preparedness for disaster management

The community level training was imparted to the people living in Thiru.V.Ka Nagar, Dr.Giriappa Road and Thomas Road, Teynampet, Chennai. Around 2250 participants were children, older adults and neighbours living in that surrounding acted as participants in the training programme. They were educated on immediate first aid, planning which involved identifying organizational resources, formation of teams, determining the roles and responsibilities, communication touch up with neighbouring communities, etc. to ensure that the response system functions successfully. The training programme was facilitated with the help of Mr.Palani, Chariman, Red Cross Society, Chennai City; Mr.Lawrence, Demo Organizer, Red Cross Society; Mr.Subramaniyan, First Aid Trainer.

### Five Adult Disaster Response Clubs (ADRC) are formed with 150 lead volunteers from the community.

150 active lead volunteers are introduced through the imparted trainings which serves as a platform to select caregivers to take care adults with disabilities.

Five Adult Disaster Response Clubs with 30 members per club are formed.

### True Story:

*"I was unaware of the immediate first aid to be given to a person who has cardiac arrest. But now, the course I recently attended, was a on a clear cut conception and the training was much more informative than I anticipated. The course material was thoroughly relevant, instructive and engaging. It was enlightening to learn that helping and perhaps even saving a person's life is far easier to handle than I had imagined."*



## 1320 school children were oriented on preparedness for disaster management

The training programme that ranged from one-to-five hours was facilitated with the help of Mr.K.Palani, Secretary, Indian Red Cross Society, Sub-branch, Amijikarai, Chennai City; Mr.K.Lawrence, Demo Organizer, Red Cross Society; Mr.K.Subramaniyan, First Aid Trainer. All our dedicated trainers from the Red Cross Society and 24 volunteers who are well equipped with extensive first aid knowledge and ample experience working with young people took up the training programme in an efficient manner. Each training module ran through 20 – 30 minutes and included a broad range of topics like the basic concepts & elements in disaster management, types of natural hazards and brief description of various natural disasters, such as flood, drought, cyclone, earthquake and their impact.

## 11 Children Disaster Response Club were formed

**Children Disaster Response Clubs (CDRC)** were formed with stake holders such as school teachers, students, NGO Staff, parent/teacher association, local government bodies as members of each club in 11 schools. A basic kit comprising of first-aid kit ,a flood preparedness manual, all the necessary medicines and little tools needed for (emergency) immediate relief were provided to each club as well a printed T-shirts were provided to each member of the club.

## Cyclone 'Vardah'

The immediate thing we did was to supply some of the essential needs for the people who were stranded without water, food, tarpaulin sheets, toiletries, etc.

### True Story:

Mr.Sarathy , Headmaster of Mandaveli Girls Higher Secondary School, says that he was so happy to a part of this program, a unique type. Out of 700 children in his school, about 120 had participated in this Children Disaster Response Club and had learnt many components of planning and preparing for disaster preparedness. The only thought of concern was that it was a short program. He also recommended that this program can be a regular one with additional days of training.



# Women Empowerment Programme

SPPD support to children also extends to empowerment of rural women – the primary careers of children.

A total of 2410 SHS have been formed and functioning with our facilitation with the total membership of 26,124 women during its existence of well over 22 years.

In the year a total of **213** Self Help Groups with **2699** members were credit linked facilitation to the tune of Rs. **Rs.5,13,96,400/-** -with ICICI bank for income generation , agriculture , purchase of milch animal and cattle, etc. Total outstanding for the year was **5.5** cores.

Similarly a total of 10 families received loans for construction of houses to the tune of **Rs.16,60,000/-** from SPHM.

SI	Particular	TOTAL
1	Number of Districts worked	4
2	Number of Block Worked	17
3	Number of Villages Worked	1085
<b>LOAN TO SHGs</b>		
1	Number of SHG Credit Linked	213
2	Number of members	2699
3	Total loan amount	5,1396,400

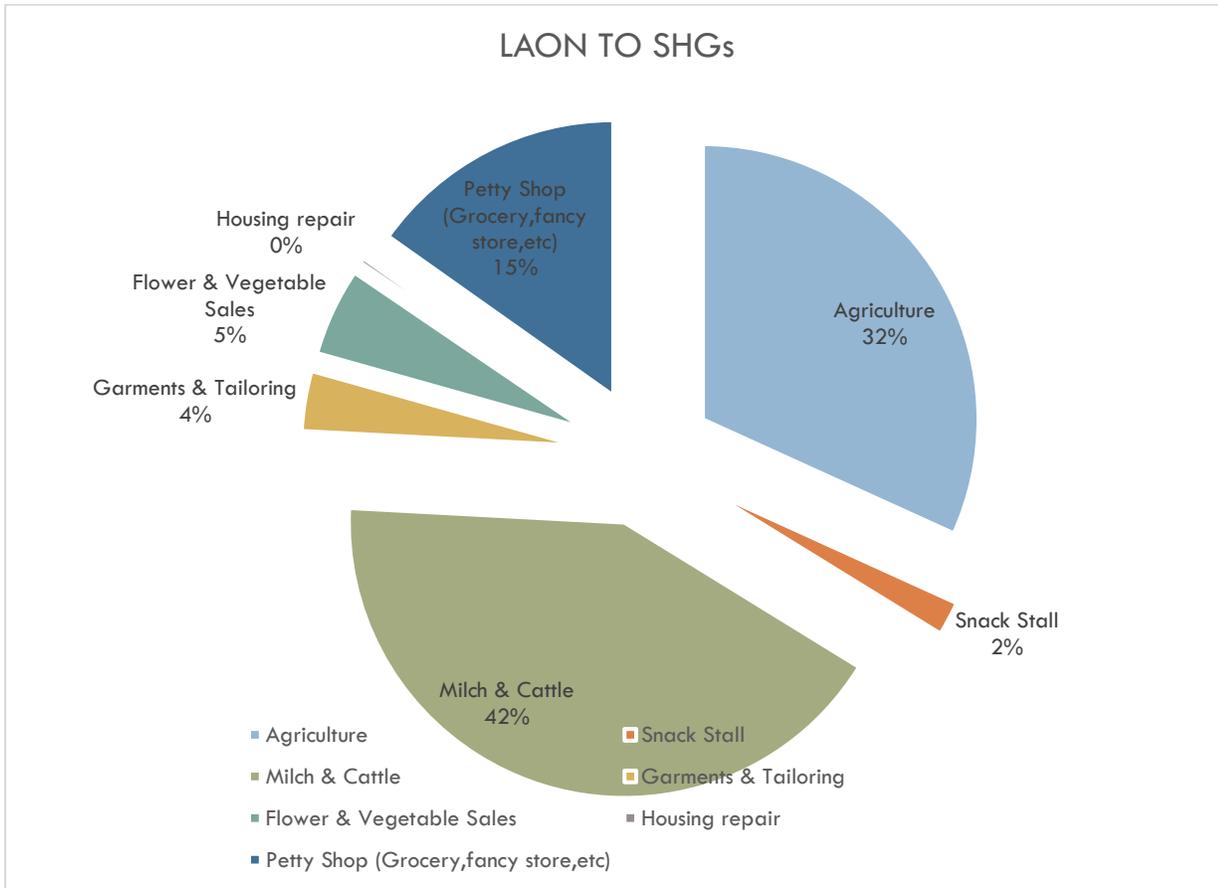


The State Government has implemented various programmes for the rural upliftment – especially for the people who are below poverty line. In tune to this, SPPD is now working with Trichy City Corporation, under National Urban Livelihood Mission (NULM), on the objective of formation, strengthening and providing bank linkages to women SHGs from the BPL sectors. We have formed 52 SHGs in Ponmalai and K.Abishekapuram Zones followed by opening of bank accounts for these groups.

### True Story:

*I am Manjula The unsteady wages earned by my husband was the sole income of the family. With this income of hardly around Rs. 6000/ a month, we were finding it extremely hard to manage our family of four members. Especially meeting the educational expenses of my son used to be very difficult Subsequently with the help of SPPD I secured a loan for rearing goats The herd has grown to a total of 8 goats in a period of two years through breeding. And I was able to sell*

three of the kids from the herd and earned Rs12000. In addition to that now I am the proud owner of 5 goats which I shall use to breed and sell. Thank you SPPD



## SPPD Board Members

**Mrs.R.Gayathri**, Master in Women Studies (MWS) M.Phil

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- Executive Member - SPPD
- Teacher

## RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS - 2016 - 2017

RECEIPTS	Rs.	Ps.	PAYMENTS	Rs.	Ps.
<b>To Opening Balance</b>			<b>Foreign Contribution Programme</b>		
Cash in Hand	74,474.06		JHC - Evening Study Centre	9,31,889.00	
Cash at Bank	19,38,712.41		JHC - Nutritional Supplement	2,65,873.00	
Contribution Received from Institutional Donors	26,27,187.74		GG - Youth skill training	1,97,646.00	
Bank Interest	53,381.00		SVCF - Educational Material support	9,604.00	
			GG - Preparedness & Mitigation	9,39,277.50	
			GG - Rehabilitation Programme	14,29,872.00	
			GI - Children's Programme	19,026.20	
			Administration Expenses	2,56,592.23	
			<b>Fixed Asses</b>		
			Computer	1,65,00.00	
			Furniture	61,600.00	
			Tools & Equipment	1,800.00	
<b>Local Contribution Programme</b>			<b>Local Contribution Programme</b>		
Give India	1,76,962.68		Women Empowerment Programme	9,41,585.00	
General Funds	1,59,010.00		Give India	1,35,692.00	
Bank interest	4,745.00		National Urban Livelihood Mission (NULM)	1,86,702.00	
Subscription	12,000.00		Evening Study Centre	18,769.00	
Local donations and others	13,70,339.46		Administration Expenses	4,33,434.09	
			<b>Fixed Assets:</b>		
			Computer & Printer	32,600.00	
Fixed deposit	15,03,607.00		Tools & Equipments	3,600.00	
Interest received	1,77,146.00				
			<b>SHG's Development Programme</b>		
<b>SHG's Development Programme</b>			Indian Overseas Bank - Principal paid	5,09,055.21	
Loan Fund Recovered from SHG's	12,20,000.00		Indian Overseas Bank Ints. Paid	4,54,797.00	
			Fixed Deposit	16,94,843.00	
			<b>Current Assets</b>		
<b>Current Liabilities</b>			Deposit paid	1,16,000.00	
Rental Deposit received	65,000		Advance Tax	84,224.00	
			<b>Closing Balance:</b>		
			Cash on Hand	58,883.51	
			Cash at Banks	5,67,549.15	
<b>Total</b>	<b>93,67,413.89</b>		<b>Total</b>	<b>93,67,413.89</b>	

**INCOME & EXPENDITURE – 2016 – 2017**

Particulars	2016 - 2017		2015 - 2016	
	Amount in Rs.	%	Amount in Rs.	%
<b>Income</b>				
Grants	26,27,187.74	57.54	4,544,636.45	71.55
Bank Interest	58,126.00	1.27	71,364.00	1.12
Local Contributions	18,80,306.68	41.18	1,735,620.89	27.33
<b>Total</b>	<b>45,65,620.42</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>6,351,621.34</b>	<b>100.00</b>
<b>Excess of Expenditure over Income</b>	<b>22,56,522.60</b>			
<b>Expenses</b>				
Programmes	50,75,935.70	79.72	4,385,754.70	80.19
Management	6,90,026.32	10.84	440,718.92	8.06
Depreciation	6,01,384.00	9.44	642,790.00	11.75
<b>Total</b>	<b>63,67,346.02</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>5,469,263.62</b>	<b>100.00</b>
<b>Excess of Income over Expenditure</b>			<b>882,357.72</b>	

**BALANCE SHEET – 2016 – 2017**

Particulars	2016 - 2017		2015 - 2016	
	Amount in Rs.	%	Amount in Rs.	%
<b>Asset/application of funds</b>				
Fixed Assets	5723692.85	46.02	5,365,478.85	37.12
Cash & Bank Balance	6,26,432.66	5.02	2,013,186.47	13.93
Deposit/Advances/Loans	60,87,107.00	48.94	7,074,145.00	48.95
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,24,37,232.51</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>14452810.32</b>	<b>100.00</b>
<b>Liabilities/source of funds</b>				
Donors Account	30,30,427.79	24.37	3,539,483.00	24.49
Fixed Asset Reserve	85,56,804.72	68.80	10,813,327.32	74.82
Deposit/Advances/Loans	8,50,000.00	6.83	100,000.00	0.69
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,24,37,232.51</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>14452810.32</b>	<b>100.00</b>

**Total cost of International travel by board members/staff/volunteers on behalf of organization for 2016 - 2017 : Zero**

### **Remuneration to Board Members for 2016 – 2017**

<b>Sl.No</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Position on Board</b>	<b>Gross Remuneration (Rs.)</b>
1.	Mrs.R.Gayathri, MSW, B.Ed	President	0
2.	Mr.J.Raju, M.A., L.L.B	Secretary	0
3.	Mr.J.P.Aloysius Eronious Raj, B.Com	Treasurer	0
4.	Mr. K.Padmanaban, B.Sc., B.Ed	Executive Member	0
5.	Dr.K.Rajukkannu, M.Sc.(Agri), Ph.D	Executive Member	0
6.	Mrs.G.TamilSelvi, B.Sc	Executive Member	0
7.	Ms.M.M.Sirumalar	Executive Member	0

### **Reimbursement to Board Members for 2016 – 2017**

1	International Travel	Rs.0
2	Domestic Travel	Rs.0
3	Local Conveyance	Rs.0
4	Entertainment Expenses	Rs.0
5	Others	Rs.0

**Details of Staff**

S.No.	Particulars	Full time		Part time		Total
		Male	Female	Male	Female	
1	No. of staff	12	14	5	25	56

**Distribution of Staff according to 'salary levels and gender break up'**

S.No.	Particulars	Full time		Part time		Total
		Male	Female	Male	Female	
1	Less than 5000	2	6	5	25	38
2	5001-10000	8	7			15
4	10001-25000	2	1			3
5	Above 25000					
<b>Grand total</b>						<b>56</b>

**Salary and Benefits of NGO Head, Highest and lowest paid staff members**

	Name	Designation	Remuneration
Operational Head of the organization (including honorarium)	Mr.J.Raju	Secretary	Rs.0
Highest paid person in the Organisation (staff or consultant)	Ms.Banu	Project Coordinator	Rs. 13,000 * 12 = 1,56,000
Lowest paid person in the organization (staff or consultant)	Ms. Nivetha	Office Assistant	Rs.3,500 * 12 = Rs.42,000