



ANNUAL REPORT

2020 - 2021

Year of commitment

For all of us, starting late March and for a large part of the year, everything that was normal, was no longer so. How we relate with each other changed completely. There were more exceptions to our life than we ever thought of. Social issues, Inequity couldn't have been any more massive. For Payir, this was a period of revelation to us: the community here was looking towards us - for information, for knowledge, for solutions that will help us all to sail through. The immense strength and the experience of the years of the team, showed up .. unwaveringly. As the year progressed, the issues we found solutions to and made substantial gains over the years, started resurfacing.

Malnutrition and Anemia levels among children is again on the rise as parent's income has reduced significantly.

Abuse of children - sexually and for labour - is a major cause of concern.

Low learning levels or almost no interest for learning among primary and high school children and low interest for further education among higher secondary school children as government schools didn't function and parents don't have the capacities to create learning atmosphere at home.

In addition, new addiction to smart phones, among boys, is a huge cause of concern.

Our report here, details the many ways we involved with the community during this COVID year.

Community health work in managing the epidemic

As early in March, we started preparing ourselves for an imminent shut down. We started discussing with people about COVID lock downs and preparedness.

End of March, which was still late as stocks started running out, we started buying some bleach, liquid chlorine, sprayers and other disinfectants, sanitizers and masks. N95 masks and PPE were out of stock. We stocked good amount of food grains and groceries for our common kitchen as we wouldn't be able to go to a wholesale market often.

We had then started talking to people in the village as well. So youngsters came for a discussion with us, in the first week of lockdown. They brought Thenur panchayat president and vice president along.

We discussed about what is a virus, how does it multiply in our body, how this specific virus is transmitted, what would be the necessary actions to be taken at the village level and so on...

In that discussion, one of the things we suggested was improving one's immunity by taking concoctions. So the team asked us whether we could make it and provide to our villages. Following this discussion, we provided herbal concoctions prepared at Payir, to close to 4000 people in 3 villages, covering entire Thenur panchayat and a hamlet (Nathakadu) in T.Kalathur panchayat.



The youngsters in each village organised the distribution at village levels. We insisted that they have to maintain physical distance while distributing and that the one who distributes must wear a mask. As much as possible, they maintained this on all the 5 days that we gave the concoctions, early in the mornings. To give instructions on when to drink this and how much to drink, we created a voice message and in these villages the audio was played all days to ensure that everyone understood when to take it and how much.

Distribution of concoctions for 4000 people of 3 villages, for 5 days is a story of how an organization, youth from the villages and village administration could work collectively...



Coming to the medicine part, as we at Payir have been working a lot through traditional medicines, stocked homoeopathic medicines, nilavembu powder, ginger, lemon and thirikadukam...

We kept reading about global COVID effects and we were planning for all sorts of imagined / proposed possibilities. Discussed with the team all about it... We were sure to deal with COVID and we got ready for any situation that might pose. And, we were anxious...

Our health workers are our warriors for all the time – they have been ensuring communities health with a composite prevention messages with multiple stakeholders along with the curative and referral work.

Playback theatre training – way to stay engaged during Covid !

We were very fortunate to have our dear friends Clare and Manimaran with us during the first 2 months of lockdown... Added to the joy of having them, Manimaran Anna's family too was with us, Magizhiniakka, Samaran and Iniyan. Both of them are senior social activists and have contributed so much to the common good through performing arts. They have used arts as liberation tools. They both wanted to help us during our community living through lockdown. They came forward to transfer some of their theatrical skills to us.

Many of you know that, with Manimaranmagizhini's training and support, we have been doing street theatres every month in our villages for the past 2 years(except this COVID time). Thus we have a theatre team at Payir composed of adults and children. To add to that, they taught us another theatre skill PLAY BACK THEATRE.

Though our original theatre team wasn't available for the trainings during the lockdown, everyone of us, from 62 year old Vani amma to 13 year old Arjun, who lived at Payir, took the training in the evenings.



After our day to day chores, at 6pm we used to come together for the training. For 1 hour 30 mins we used to receive training from them. It was a beautiful time. After COVID, Payir will certainly use this form of theatre to interact with the community.

Engaging with 12th passed out students during Covid - Career counselling ..

It was May, time for college admissions. And COVID had already delayed the results. But we had to do something. These are villages and the kids, most of whom we work with, have parents who haven't been to a college, most of them hadn't completed their schools themselves. And the delaying results, lockdown, uncertainties.... Oh, the children will be all the more confused and anxious.

But this lockdown and late results gave little more time for us to be with the young minds who had finished their 12th, looking forward to pursue their education further.... But what education, where? As always many didn't have plans yet.

We had planned for one day motivation program with video conferencing career guidance for 12th students. 4 days, 4 batches and totally 50+ students. Boys and Girls....

Children were happy to be out for a day during the lockdown period, that too out with their friends.. They enjoyed the day and got a chance to start thinking about their career little more seriously....

Our friends and trainers Sr. Clare, Mr. Manimaran and Mrs. Magizhini, thanks to all of them for their kind support. Lucky they were with us during the lockdown, but for whom this program couldn't have taken place.

Our friend Mr. Aravindhyan who is the backbone of our career guidance program had been eager to meet the children in person as he used to. And the video conferencing helped us to bridge the gap, for he and his friends connected with the children from their respective places and conducted the career counseling.

We provided career guidance to 80+ 12th finished students, instrumental in placing 45 of them in colleges and extending financial help to 30 of them. Many students would have dropped out if not for this guidance.

Engaging children during Covid in our school and government schools

Our children too have stories about their learning during lockdown!

On-line classes? Oh, we are Govt school children! We never had online classes. The entire academic year just like that dissolved in lock down.... Private school going children attended on-line classes. They learnt / learnt a little / kept touch with their learning process / just gave attendance most of the times.... They all had a story about their learning during lockdown....



For lakhs and lakhs of rural children, there weren't stories to tell about their formal learning during lock down. They have lots and lots of stories to tell about extended holidays (a fortunate few) / poverty / they having to work in fields or else where / being sexually misused and so on...

We at Payir, wanted to keep in touch with children to keep their formal learning thread alive... we have been taking classes in 7 villages for more than 300 children.

For the past 4 months, Payir teaching team and health team together have been conducting neighbourhood learning sessions in 7 villages engaging 250+ govt school children, who otherwise had no learning engagement during lockdown. Parents are happy that their children too get to do this while the private school going kids have been having online classes for a long time. Teachers from Payir too have had a great learning experience, engaging with children in a totally different scenario.

Payir ran 7 neighbourhood learning centers, conducting 13 sessions each day with a little more than 200 students from grade 3 to 10. Without schools and access to online classes, our children continue their happy learning here.



Engaging children during Covid – arts!

New stories were written on these old CDs, when kids created these colourful art pieces.

Neighbourhood learning centers are keeping the creative childhood alive for these govt school kids, during these testing times.



Engaging children during Covid – Silambam and Paraicamp !

Payir has been helping in a lot of ways for children's education and development around the Thenur area through the testing COVID times. As part of that effort, earlier this month, Silambam (stick based martial art) and Parai (drum like instrument) camps were conducted for about 90 children.

The children participated with great enthusiasm in the camp and got introduced to two of our very traditional art forms.



Water body revival - World Water Day 2021!

"A drop of water is worth more than gold to a thirsty person"



On World Water Day 2021, we were proud to bring you the watershed management activity carried out by Payir with your help around Thenur area. Saving rain water is of paramount importance in dry regions like South East India. One major way of saving it is through lakes.

One such lake near Thenur is the Periya Eri (Big lake) which had been occupied by unwanted weed growth until July 2020. This proved to be a major barrier for rainwater to be collected in this lake. This lake's area is 150 acres and if water is saved in this lake, it can cater for all villages year round in the region. So Payir started clean-up efforts in July 2020. The clean-up project took a month to complete and the lake was cleared of all weed growth by 1st September 2020 .

This lake will now serve as major water storage and solve some of the water shortage problems in the area.

Trees planting drive

Kanagaraj is an enthusiastic young leader from Adaikkampatti village. His efforts in organising youth in his village and continuous involvement in environmental conservation activities in his village including tree plantation is amazing. He took saplings from Payir and planted and is maintaining for the past 1 year and has planted more this year. He gave seeds and nursery covers too to raise more saplings. Kanagaraj, in you we see hope for a greener future!



Payir foundation is always a big supporter of protecting and nurturing the environment. Last year, even through the tough Covidtimes, Payir team planted about 5000 trees of 25+ varieties in 10 villages in the region. The Payir team comprised of youngsters from the villages. The team collected seeds, grew seedlings from them and the transferred the seedlings to actual planting locations. We look forward to planting even more trees this year in our continued efforts to make the surroundings greener. Please keep supporting us as we paint the town green!

Persevering tough time – Payir & Thoorigai workers

Thoorigai Women's collective annual turnover reached Rs.20 lakhs and their products are now all over India. However they took a big hit due the drop in demand and had to divert efforts into stitching covid masks and distributing the same to frontline workers, at many times subsidized for free ..

During the COVID times Payir workers were on part salaries due the large drop in donations and funds flow, however the workers showed great determination to continue working even during tough times similarly.



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PAYIR TRUST - Foreign Contributions

PAYIR OFFICE, THENUR VILLAGE, Via T.KALATHUR, ALATHUR (TK), PERAMBALUR (DT)

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE PERIOD FROM 01.04.2020 TO 31.3.2021

Receipts	AMOUNT	Payments	AMOUNT
To Opening Balance		By Expenses Payable	
" Cash at State Bank of India	23,365.03	" PF Payable	1,06,796.00
" Cash in Hand	22.79	By Object Expenditure	
To Revenue Income		" RSTC Children Covid Support	95,500.00
" Donation - Asha for Education	2,58,000.00	" RSTC Teacher Salary	3,17,289.00
" Donation - FoP	25,63,155.00	" RSTC Children Food	1,02,155.00
" Donation - Pirabukannan	10,000.00	" RSTC Children Learning Material	19,220.00
" Donation - UK Online	3,56,997.12	" RSTC Children Welfare	21,813.00
" Donation - Sankaranarayanan	1,70,000.00	" FoP Healthcare - Outreach	2,68,177.00
" Donation - Subash Chander	85,000.00	" FoP Healthcare - Curative	3,00,730.00
" Donation - Easwar Lakshmi Narayanan	55,000.00	" FoP Healthcare - Admin	8,900.00
" Donation - Aruna Murugesan	20,000.00	" FoP Covid Care	44,500.00
" Donation - Geetha Singaram	1,000.00	" Higher Educational Assistance	2,10,886.00
" Donation - Veeramani Ramasamy	25,000.00	" Neighbourhood Learning Center	4,79,841.00
" Donation - Give Foundation	65,962.08	" Afforestation & Watershed	16,42,344.72
		By Revenue Expenditure	
		" Bank Charges	9,823.70
		By Closing Balance	
		" Cash at State Bank of India	5,519.81
		" Cash in Hand	6.79
	36,33,502.02		36,33,502.02

As per separate report of even date attached

DATE : 11.10.2021

PLACE : TRICHY

UDIN : 21011096AAAAFX7313

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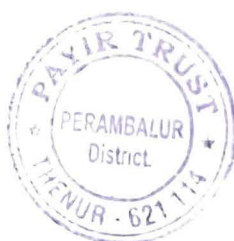


PAYIR TRUST - LOCAL ACCOUNT

PAYIR OFFICE, THENUR VILLAGE, Via T.KALATHUR, ALATHUR (TK), PERAMBALUR (DT)

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR THE PERIOD 01.04.2020 TO 31.03.2021

RECEIPTS	Rs	PAYMENTS	Rs
To Opening Balance		By Capital Expenditure	
Cash in Hand	20,255.00	Building	1,07,163.72
Cash at Bank - LVB	81,060.50	By Deposit & Advances	
Cash at Bank - SBI	17,17,216.27	FD LVB 80650	15,00,000.00
		FD 29933	18,50,000.00
To Revenue Income		By Object Expenditure	
Voluntary Contribution	44,20,975.55	<u>Community Initiatives:</u>	
Govt. Grants - SSA RSTC	1,75,627.00	Afforestation & Watershed	6,91,065.20
Income Tax Refund	8,610.00	<u>Education Initiatives:</u>	
Hospital Income	24,407.00	Career Guidance	27,220.00
FD Interest	2,13,375.00	E-Learning Initiatives	15,970.00
Bank Interest	13,389.00	Evidyaloka Rainbow Project	1,09,995.00
EPFO Refund	38,880.00	Higher Education Assistance	2,45,224.56
		Neighbourhood Learning Center	81,591.48
To Others		Payir Learning Center Expenses	7,970.00
PF Payable	3,53,175.00	School Intervention Initiatives	3,470.00
		School & RSTC Admin Expenses	4,838.00
		<u>Govt. Grants Initiatives:</u>	
		<u>RSTC Expenses:</u>	
		RSTC Children Healthcare	6,540.00
		RSTC Children Welfare & Learning Exp.	29,696.00
		RSTC Children Food	2,72,142.00
		RSTC Teacher Salaries	1,42,609.52
		Covid Support RSTC Families	6,500.00
		<u>Health Initiatives:</u>	
		Healthcare - Curative	41,098.00
		Healthcare - OutReach	38,864.00
		Healthcare - Covid	2,20,092.40
		Supplementary Nutrition Expenses	22,470.00
		<u>Program Expenses:</u>	
		Farm & Livestock Expenses	3,49,692.20
		<u>Covid Care:</u>	
		Covid Staff Support	2,20,609.00
		Covid Support To Thoorigai	3,33,310.00



RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR THE PERIOD 01.04.2020 TO 31.03.2021

RECEIPTS	Rs	PAYMENTS	Rs
		By Revenue Expenditure	
		Rent	19,200.00
		Bank Charges	1,549.70
		PF Late Fee	1,127.00
		Salary Administrative	50,270.00
		Taxes	2,000.00
		Repairs and Maintenance:	
		Repairs and Maintenance-Building	1,45,546.00
		Repairs and Maintenance-Solar	16,190.00
		Repairs and Maintenance-Vehicle	67,893.00
		General And Administrative Expenses	50,193.50
		Telephone, Cellular & Internet Expenses	45,007.98
		EB Charges	14,139.00
		Legal and Professional Charges	10,000.00
		Computer Consumables & Maintenance	4,700.00
		Miscellaneous Expenses	7,101.00
		By Closing Balance	
		Cash in Hand	36.00
		Cash at Bank - LVB	13,360.10
		Cash at Bank - SBI	2,90,525.96
	70,66,970.32		70,66,970.32

As per separate report of even date attached

NOTE: FD Preclosure charges included in Bank Charges

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