# SOND Annual Report-2019.

SOND is an Organization which has been operating in the Northern and Eastern Provinces for the past 21 years. The following projects have been implemented by SOND in 2019.

- 1. Strengthening Counter Trafficking Efforts Project
- 2. Social Cohesion and Reconciliation Project
- 3. Education support
- 4. Information Centre
- 5. Special Activities

## **Strengthening Counter Trafficking Efforts project- SCOUT**

Steps and actions are being implemented to Strengthening of anti-human trafficking efforts in Divisional Secretariat Divisions of Jaffna, Nallur, Tellippalai, Koppai Chavakachcheri and Sandilipai in Jaffna District

This program is aimed at preventing Human Trafficking. The aim is to awaken the government officials rural organization leaders and youth as well as the community and help and support the victims.

#### The main activities of this project are as follows:

- Conducted project Orientation meeting in the district level.
- Project Orientation Meeting was held in Jaffna, Nallur, Tellippalai, Kopay Chavakachcheri and Sandilipay.
- Conducted training for the trainers (TOT).
- Conducted training programs for Government Officers in Jaffna, Nallu, Tellippalai, Koppai Chavakachcheri and Sandilipay.
- Conducted training program for the youth in Chavakacheri
- Conducted training programs in Community Based organizations leaders in Jaffna, Nallur, Tellipalai, Kopay, Chavakacheri and Sandilipay



• Conducting Project Review

Meetings with District and Divisional level Officers.

# Social Cohesion and Reconciliation Project.

## **Community Assessment of SCORE project.**

With the sponsorship of NPC 5 villages were selected in the Tellippalai Divisional Secretariat Division to do the Community Assessment such as Ilavalai Northwest - Kollengalatti , Vasavalan East, Palaly south Palayivemankam South. Problems had been indentified in these divisions and Working Committees have been set up to address these issues and steps have been taken to resolve some of the problems.





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Two Training program has been conducted for the Pradesha Saba members who have been working in Tellipalai Divisional Secretariat by SOND with the sponsorship of NPC.

## **Organizing Street Dramas related to Social Cohesion and Reconciliation**

5 Street drams had been organized and staged in Ilavalai west G.S division

## World International Peace Day.

The main event of this project was the International Peace Day and Exchange Program. These two programs are being conducted at conference hall of Tellipalai Divisional Secretariate. Seruwila Divisional Secretaries, Government, Non-Governmental Organization Officers and Members of the Public (Tamil and Sinhala Citizens) were there in Jaffna to highlight the event.



#### Peace Intiatives among students

Activities were carried out to bring about harmony and peace among the students in the 3 schools selected under the National Peace Initiative.

The first event was a group of school teachers, parents and older people who were given a day training to build better harmony and peace among students.

The other event is a peace week in schools. Throughout the week, students were presented with a series of



thoughts on reconciliation and peace and this was presented and highlighted in the school Notice Boad.

#### **Support for the Education**

Four of the poorest students who are pursuing a degree at the University, is supported by SOND with a small amount of financial assistance.

In addition, with the financial support of the Country Music Foundation, 105 school children were provided with educational equipment and 3 bicycles.



#### **Information Centre**

Our organization provides a library service for people to enhance their reading ability in the community. Accordingly the government officers, non government officers, teachers students as well as our staff also get benefited from this.

## **Special Activities**

### 1. Providing incentives for the betterment of mother clubs.

With the financial sponsorship of European Union incentive had been provided by SOND in Tellipalai area through UNICEF for the 19 mothers club who run well in the Tellipalai division and one in the Kopay Divisional Secretariat. Rs 30,000 was provided to promote each clubs to enhance their activities.

Also Alaveddy Srirangan mothers club has been selected as the best performing mothers club and special incentive was given to them.

### 2. Bill Boards fixed to create awareness.

With the sponsorship of the European Union, through UNICEF, SOND has provided 36 Bill Board and fix it in streets, hospitals and public places .



Also 8 awareness bill boards are displayed in schools related to Child right protection.

## 3. Cleaning Valvetithurai sea side

Chemical society, University of Jaffna, MEPA & SOND jointly implement a project name "Go Green". In this project Valvetithurai sea side had been cleaned come under the Valvettithurai Prdesa Saba area.



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## 4. Meetings related to VCDC & VDP

Last year Discussions on child protection were conducted in the areas such Vayavilan East, Palali South, Palali North and Palali East to motivate the VCDC and develop VDP by SOND.

#### 5. Discussion with mothers' clubs

Under the Health and Nutrition Project implemented by SOND last year, with the mothers club which has been selected as the best performing mothers clubs. Discussions were conducted to encourage and evaluate the performance of the clubs.





#### 6. Entrepreneurship and employment opportunities.

With the aim of providing employment opportunities to women by our organizations. A company is formed in the name of Yaal Shakthy. Its main product is lard and short eats. The company is located in the Neervely and has provided employment to 11 employees. The company is operating profitably.

#### 7. Training for volunteers

There are many people working in SOND as a volunteers and they are given training to improve their skills and engage in field work. These skills are helpful to them in finding jobs.

#### 8. Outside training

Outside trainings are given to Pre school teachers, youth and also to Community Base organization leaders in their locations.

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