

RIGHT-BASED INITIATIVES

- Organizing People for claiming their rights
- Survey on finding the Gaps in the Implementations of Tribal-related Projects
- Awareness on Forest Rights Act (FRA), Women's rights and Right to Education
- Bringing the issues into the limelight, to the Media and the Government Officials
- Accessing the Entitlements Such as housing, health, pension, tribal sub-plan schemes, forest rights, land rights and basic amenities
- Obtaining necessary certificates for claiming their rights
- Networking and Lobbying for state level issues



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(PEDAGOGY AND ACTION FOR RIGHTS OF ADIVASIS IN NORTH TAMIL NADU)



FOR THE DIGNITY AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE TRIBALS



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Sathyamangalam Tiger reserved forest covers about 80 villages where tribals live in majority. Amongst them, Urali and Solaga tribes are more in number. They have a culture which signifies equality, freedom and harmony with nature. They take life as it comes.

Illiteracy, poverty, malnutrition, prone to many diseases, lack of socio-political awareness, ignorance of their rights, lack of tribal leadership, domination and exploitation of the settlers / outsiders and diminishing of their unique cultural aspects are some of the important areas of concern here.

The need here is THE DIGNITY and THE DEVELOPMENT. With this dream, PARAN Tribal Centre functions since 2012. PARAN is a Jesuit Social Action Centre functioning as 'TRIBAL EMPOWERMENT TRAINING AND RESOURCE CENTRE'.

VISION

TO LEAD AND BUILD SELF-RELIANT, JUST AND DIGNIFIED COMMUNITIES

MISSION

PARAN ENGAGES IN CULTURAL IDENTITY FORMATION, FOREST AND LAND RIGHTS, IMPROVED ACCESS TO ENTITLEMENTS OF THE URALI – SOLAGAR TRIBE AND OTHER MARGINALISED COMMUNITIES BY EDUCATING AND ORGANIZING IN PARTNERSHIP WITH LIKEMINDED ORGANISATIONS, PEOPLE'S MOVEMENTS AND GOVERNMENT SECTORS.

OBJECTIVES

- Documenting and disseminating tribal cultural forms and practices
- Forming village-based tribal Sangams and Community leaders and training them to access individual and community entitlements
- Forming, training Urali Women Self-help Groups (SHG) and enhancing them towards micro-credit opportunities and asserting their rights
- Forming Children as Educated Leaders
- Networking and collaborating with other NGOs and likeminded organizations

ACTIVITIES AND PROGRAMMES

CHILDREN INITIATIVES

- Campaign to admit in the schools and colleges
- Educational Scholarships
- Evening Study Centres
- Exposure Programmes
- Summer and Special Camps
- Sports and Cultural Days in Study Centres
- Providing Study Materials
- Career Guidance
- Monthly Training for ESC staff

YOUTH INITIATIVES

- Forming Youth Groups in villages
- Leadership Training
- Training on Social Justice

WOMEN INITIATIVES

- Forming and Training SHGs
- Leadership Training
- Entrepreneurship training
- Awareness Campaign on Women Issues

CULTURAL INITIATIVES

- Documenting and disseminating tribal cultural forms and practices
- Tribal Cultural Gatherings

HEALTH INITIATIVES

- Basic Health Care Centres in remote villages
- Periodic Medical Camps
- Awareness Programmes on Health Issues
- De-addiction Programmes

INCOME GENERATING INITIATIVES

- Networking with companies
- Tapping Government Loans and Subsidies
- Economic and Technical Support for Self-employment initiatives

TRIBAL LEADERSHIP

- Forming a community leader for a village
- Training on Social Security Schemes, individual and community entitlements
- Forming village-based Urali Sangams