



JESUIT

CHENNAI PROVINCE

PROVINCE DEVELOPMENT OFFICE

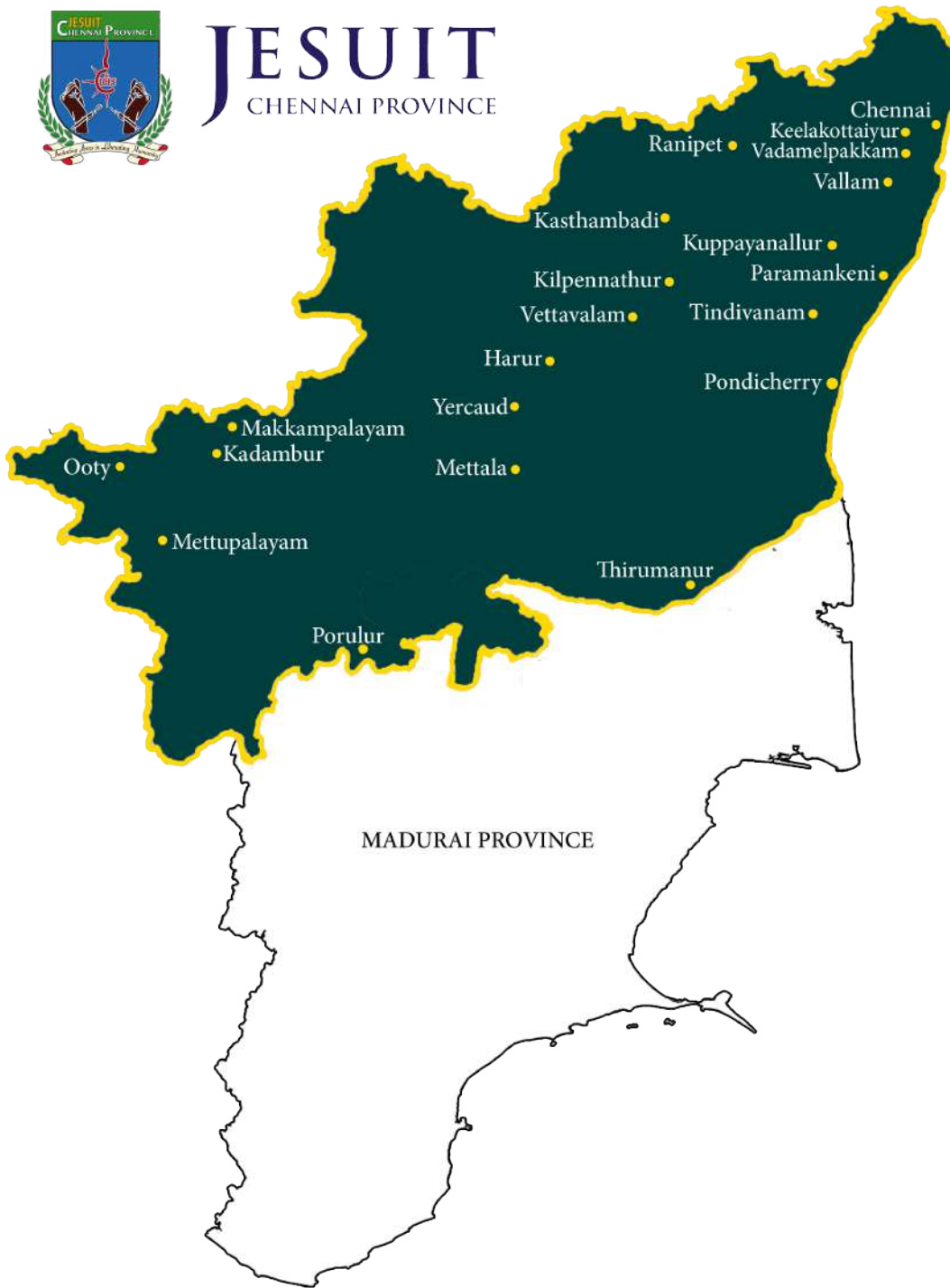


Towards Empowerment and Sustainability
of Jesuit Chennai Province



JESUIT

CHENNAI PROVINCE



MADURAI PROVINCE

OUR REACH



02
COMMUNICATION
CENTRES



14
EDUCATIONAL
INSTITUTIONS



04
FORMATION
HOUSES



14
SOCIAL ACTION
CENTRES



06
SOCIO-PASTORAL
MINISTRY



04
SPIRITUAL
ANIMATION CENTRES



02
YOUTH CENTRES



The Province Development Office is an important unit of CEN Province. We have our Province Vision, Mission and planned actions to empower our marginalized people and we move forward with a great hope that God would provide for what He has started and it will be done. Development is a key concept of any organisation today. Ours should have a focused vision of sustainable development in the process of marching with the people from the periphery to the centre. PDO plays a vital role in this process of implementation of Province action plans. Making every apostolic unit of the Province sustainable is the primary focus of PDO. Based on the need analysis done for each unit by the PDO, it engages in raising funds Nationally and Internationally.

I profoundly thank and appreciate Fr. Vasanthakumar, our PDD, and all those who assist him in all the initiatives of PDO for the sustainable development of the Province.

Fr. Jebamalai Irudayaraj SJ
Provincial



The Province Development Office of Jesuit Chennai Province is in its initial stage of laying a strong foundation for a sustainable platform with a committed workforce. It works towards the empowerment of the people and the sustainability of the missions of the Province through its service to the option people namely the Dalits, Tribals, Marginalized and Vulnerable sections of the society. The main interest of the PDO is that any new initiative that might be proposed is properly scrutinized for its durability and sustenance so that the creative ideas do not go down the drain due to financial limitations or face premature death.

This is a mighty undertaking and to realize this dream, we certainly need the support, and collaboration of many generous people, like-minded individuals and organizations. It is not only for sharing the financial constraints but also to involve many more hearts so that the inspiration and responsibility get shared. We invite you to join us in this noble venture so as to change the lives of many unfortunate people and change them for the better. *‘Every drop counts in making the ocean’* Join with us to celebrate our vision and realize our mission.

Fr. Vasanthakumar Irudayaraj SJ
Province Development Director (PDD)

ABOUT US



JESUIT CHENNAI PROVINCE (CEN) is the second Jesuit Province in Tamil Nadu and the 18th in India. It marches with the marginalized with the motto *“Imitating Jesus in Liberating Humanity”*, in Nine Ecclesiastical Dioceses of the Northern and Western parts of Tamil Nadu while covering nearly half of the civil districts in the State. It caters to the social, economical, educational and legal needs of the Marginalized namely Dalits, Tribals, Migrants, Women and other Vulnerables.

PROVINCE DEVELOPMENT OFFICE (PDO) is the developmental wing of the Jesuit Chennai Province. PDO carries out the developmental activities through networking and collaboration with Jesuits, well-wishers, and other stakeholders both Locally and Internationally according to the needs of the Province. It acts as a bridge between the benefactors and the beneficiaries building relationships and healthy rapport. It works in mutual collaboration with the Province Treasurer for planning and procuring financial assistance.

OUR VISION

Marching forward with the Marginalized to ensure them a sustainable future.

OUR MISSION

To respond effectively to the Province Mission among the Dalits, Tribals, Marginalized and Vulnerable sections of the society by empowering them through transformative and sustainable actions for socio-economic, political, and cultural emancipation.

OUR DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES



Project Development

- To support the units, to develop programs, strategies, policies and ideas, to focus and strengthen our ongoing or new ventures with our option groups.
- To make a thorough study and do the need analysis of each unit of the Province.
- To involve in strengthening the units in the Province, to develop appropriate actions based on the need analysis done.



Resource Mobilization

- To engage in fundraising Nationally and Internationally to support the various ministries of the Province.
- To guide and support various units and sectors in the Province, to access new funding opportunities towards financial self-reliance and sustainability.
- To work closely with Province Resource Mobilization Team.



Planning and Implementation

- To help prepare the master plan for the ministries of individual Jesuit communities and to propose relevant projects to realize them.
- To monitor and actualize the action plans of the Province Apostolic Preferences (PAP) within the stipulated time frame.
- To coordinate relief and rehabilitation activities in times of emergency situations.



Documentation and Communication

- To record and report the major events, initiatives and milestones of the Province and individual units through our website and social media platforms.
- To document and share the best practices in our ministries for facilitating learning and success.



Branding and Visibility

- To develop websites, print and digital communications and other appropriate materials, to create visibility for the various initiatives undertaken in the Province.



Networking and Collaboration

- To network with various stakeholders and lay collaborators, to build partnerships among various ministries in the Province.



Capacity Building

- To train Jesuits and collaborators in writing project proposals, following up with responsible project management.
- To capacitate Jesuits and collaborators to locally raise self-sustainable funds thereby to carry out their ministries.

WE SEEK YOUR COLLABORATION



Dharani, a class 9 student, was forced to discontinue her studies during the Covid-19 lockdown to get married. Based on a tip-off, the PALAVAI team rescued the girl and put her at Fr.Ceyrac Girls Hostel from where she is now happily pursuing her studies to achieve her dream of becoming a Lawyer.

- FR.CEYRAC GIRLS HOSTEL, TINDIVANAM



The mud road to Ananthangal village in Melmalayanur Taluk of Villupuram district was blocked purposefully by a dominant caste fanatic forcing the low caste Arunthathiar to take a detour to reach their village. The affected people along with *Arunthathiar Makkal Nala Urimai Sangam* protested against this act of caste discrimination to the Panchayat President and got the road restored in two days.

- AHAL CENTRE, KILPENNATHUR



QUALITY EDUCATION



Jesuit Education aims at personal development and societal transformation by giving quality education to the marginalized and the underprivileged. Right to Quality education includes providing access to affordable or free education, the presence of competent and qualified faculty, access to teaching and learning materials and infrastructure, etc. Through Evening Study Centres, quality education is provided to the rural poor children who pursue their education in Government schools. We make sure that the teaching-learning is child-friendly, need-based, contextual and holistic. Additionally, short and long-term residential programs are organised in academic, extra-curricular activities and critical thinking, for children to overcome learning gaps.



21
DISTRICTS



50,000+
STUDENTS



06
SCHOOLS



06
COLLEGES



02
INDUSTRIAL
SCHOOLS



12
SOCIAL ACTION
CENTRES

We cater to the first-generation learners, school dropouts, Dalits, Tribals, Migrants and other Marginalized.



15
DISTRICTS



1000+
BENEFICIARIES



02
INDUSTRIAL
SCHOOLS



07
SKILL DEVELOPMENT
CENTRES



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SOCIAL ACTION
CENTRES

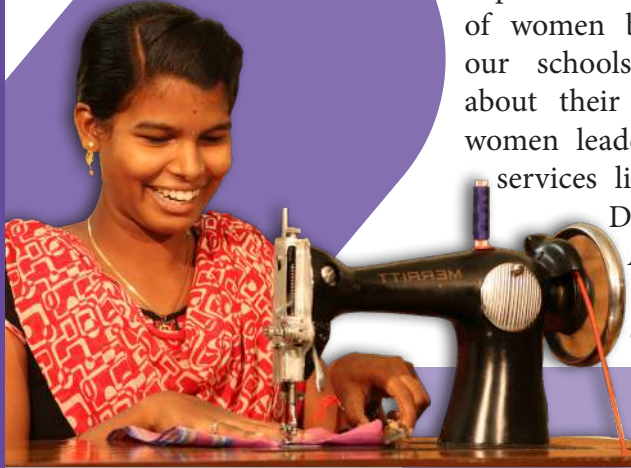
Our Skill Development and Leadership initiatives focus on providing futuristic industry-oriented employability training to uneducated rural men and women, school and college dropouts, and unemployed youth from poor Dalit, Tribal, and other marginalized groups. We offer Diploma Courses in various trades like Carpentry, Computer Applications, Electrical Maintenance, Refrigeration and Air-conditioning, Welding, Driving and Four Wheeler Mechanism for men; Tailoring, Computer application and other small industry skills for women.



SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND LEADERSHIP

Life skills and leadership training are embedded in all the courses to improve the quality of life.

WOMEN EMPOWERMENT



Women, in particular Dalit, Tribal and Migrant women, are the most oppressed in the world facing gender bias, sexual violence, caste discrimination, domestic violence, and economic deprivation. We strive to uphold the rights and dignity of women by imparting quality education in all our schools and colleges. We educate women about their rights and responsibilities promoting women leadership and providing different support services like skill training and Entrepreneurship Development, Life Skills Education, etc. Adding to these, we have established skill Development Centres in our social action centres to enhance the status of women.


21
DISTRICTS


5 LAKHS+
WOMEN


06
SCHOOLS


06
COLLEGES


03
HOSTELS


14
SOCIAL ACTION
CENTRES

Through Self Help Groups and Dalit Women Federations we promote women leadership.



21 DISTRICTS

The Dalit, Tribal, and other marginalized and minority communities often face discrimination, exclusion, inequality, political deprivation, and sometimes violence in every aspect of their life opportunities.



50,000+
BENEFICIARIES

Our Social Action Centres support the human dignity initiatives of the option people through various interventions like facilitating issue based networking and legal support, guiding young lawyer fraternity, providing legal literature, building People's forums, capacitation of students, Youth, Men and Women.



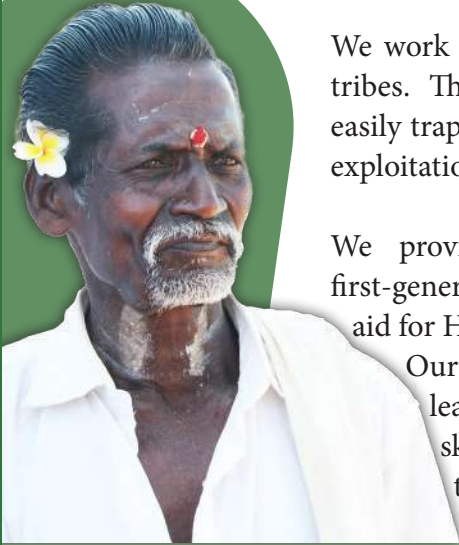
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CENTRES



ENSURING HUMAN DIGNITY

Ensuring Human Dignity is the primary focus of our intervention.

TRIBAL WELFARE



We work for the welfare of the nomadic Irular and Urali-Solagar tribes. They lead a miserable life of poverty and indebtedness that easily trap them into bonded labour and make them vulnerable for exploitation.

We provide quality education to tribal students who are first-generation learners through Evening Study Centres, financial aid for Higher Education, and Residential Learning Programs, etc. Our activities, like the formation of women Self-Help Groups, leadership training, entrepreneurship training, employability skill training for youth, and awareness programs are aimed toward building self-reliant and dignified communities.

We restore their dignity; improve their access to government welfare schemes and transform their lives through awareness and education.



08
DISTRICTS



15,000+
FAMILIES



04
SOCIAL ACTION
CENTRES



12
DISTRICTS



15,000+
MIGRANTS



3500+
FAMILIES



02
SOCIAL ACTION
CENTRES

We accompany Intra-State migrants mostly from northern states of India, inter-state distressed migrants and external migrants working abroad.

Our major interventions for them include safe entry, rescue and death intervention, awareness campaigns, shelter for homeless migrants, healthcare, empowerment of migrant women through the promotion of entrepreneurship and quality education for children.



ACCOMPANYING MIGRANTS

Our service helps the migrants to live with dignity and respect, by facilitating them to access their Constitutional rights.

ESTABLISHING PRIMARY HEALTH CARE



We introduced several healthcare measures after the pandemic, to mitigate the distressing impact on the most under privileged and vulnerable people. They included setting up a Toll-free Helpline Service, Psycho-social care Centres, connecting patients to doctors and financially aiding the supply of critical needs such as oxygen, plasma, hygiene kits and other relief materials and mass vaccine campaign in collaboration with the local government to the under privileged sectors of the society.

We started Jesuit Ministry to Alcohol And Drug Dependants (**JMAADD**) at Kuppayanallur in 2011 to provide treatment to alcoholics and drug addicts. We give awareness to students in the school and women in the locality about the ill-effects of consuming alcohol and drugs.



07
DISTRICTS



8000+
BENEFICIARIES



03
SOCIAL ACTION
CENTRES



01
DEADDICTION
CENTRE

We care for the mental and physical health of the person through our health initiatives so that equal opportunities are availed to everyone.



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DISTRICTS

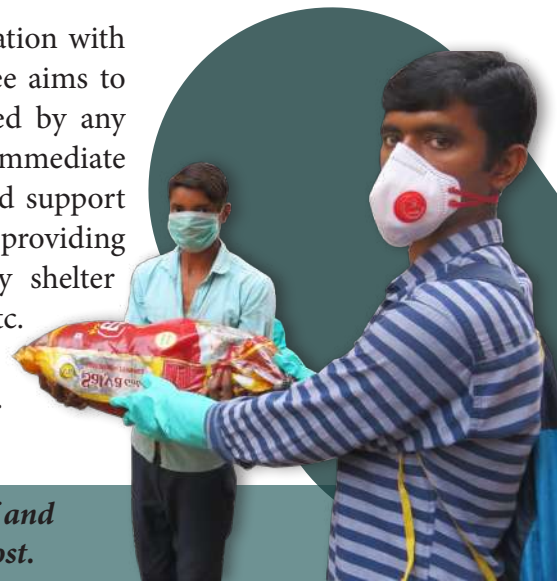


2 LAKHS+ FOR COVID
20,000+ FOR FLOOD



2,50,00,000+
SPENT

The Province Development Office in collaboration with the Province Disaster Management Committee aims to support communities, especially those affected by any pandemic, natural or human disasters with immediate assistance to maintain life, improve health and support their morale. Assistance may range from providing basic amenities, such as assisting temporary shelter and food, clothes, dry rations, medicine, etc. We also provide counselling to the grieving families to overcome grief due to loss of lives.



RELIEF AND REHABILITATION

The PDO coordinates emergency situations so that relief and rehabilitation is accessible to the afflicted with no time lost.

PROVINCE DEVELOPMENT OFFICE



We, the Jesuits, rooted in the Ignatian Spiritual Heritage, having taken the prophetic option for the poor and the oppressed, commit ourselves to form young Jesuits with integrity and credibility to continue God's mission with societal awareness, analytical intelligence, spiritual vigour and to sensitize them to respond to the cries and agonies of nature and humanity to establish the reign of God here on earth.

We equip the young Jesuits to encounter the challenges of their era efficiently by an integrated formation.

DONATE TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE

LOCAL ACCOUNT

NAME OF THE ACCOUNT : **THE SOCIETY OF JESUS CHENNAI PROVINCE-DONATION FUND**

NAME OF THE BANK : **THE SOUTH INDIAN BANK**

ACCOUNT NO. : **0110053000020844**

BRANCH : **NUNGAMBAKKAM**

IFSC CODE : **SIBL0000291**

FCRA ACCOUNT

NAME OF THE ACCOUNT : **THE CHENGAI JESUIT SOCIETY**

NAME OF THE BANK : **STATE BANK OF INDIA**

BRANCH : **NEW DELHI MAIN BRANCH**

BRANCH CODE : **00691**

ACCOUNT NO : **40097752449**

IFSC CODE : **SBIN0000691**

SWIFT CODE : **SBININBB104**





Love ought to manifest itself more by deeds than by words !

- St. Ignatius of Loyola

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