

PALMYRA AUROVILLE

HALF YEARLY REPORT January – June 2015

School and Education

Kuyilapalayam Higher Secondary School



- Kuyilapalayam Higher Secondary School is covering villages in and around Auroville, providing optimum education to children from rural backgrounds, especially the most needy. Villupuram district, where we are situated, is considered to be the most backward district in Tamil Nadu.
- On 1st July 1993, Kuyilapalayam School was started with classes I, III and VI comprising 98 students and 4 teachers, with Tamil as the teaching language.

- Guided by Palmyra, the Kuyilapalayam school could reach its targeted heights with the support of **DIK-OIK organizations** from Germany and Austria from the year 1994 onwards. With the help of various donors, the school could create an educational awareness among the children for their continued progress.
- 1995-96 was the beginning of the third year; the school was given Middle School recognition by the Tamil Nadu government which was a significant achievement. KST counted 261 students and 11 teachers.
- With the commencement of the IX standard in the year 1996-97, Kuyilapalayam Middle School was officially upgraded to Kuyilapalayam High School. In this fourth subsequent year, the total number of students and teachers were 334 and 13 respectively.
- In May 2000 a parallel stream was started with English as the medium of instruction.
- In January 2004 KST was upgraded to Higher Secondary School, recognized by the Government of Tamil Nadu.
- As of now the school is blessed with 2500 students and 70 teachers working as a social organization making no profits.



Highlights

- The School is highly privileged in providing good education especially for the students from very poor background. Every student is being cared for.



- Very low fee is collected from the students for their education. 50% of the student fee is mainly depending on donors.
- We are the only Higher Secondary School within the Auroville area which provides education for a social cause.
- We are pleased to inform that we have produced 100% pass results in X std. board examinations and also consecutively successful results in XII std. board examinations.
- The school is happy in producing many Doctors, Engineers, Teachers and other Professionals through our well Disciplined Educational Technology till now.
- This year is an another remarkable one as we have got recognition as a X std. Examination centre, adjoining 3 more schools with us. We are also expecting the same for a XII std. in the coming year.
- The school has its glorious path in this academic year. Right from the beginning the school has given much more importance to education for all the classes of the students. Special care was given to X and XII std. students. As the students are mainly coming from rural area and poor educational background, intensive coaching is given by our skilled and efficient teachers. Our goal is not only to give first marks but also concentrating in giving high standard of education with great disciplinary approach.

- The school is expanding its infrastructure so as to facilitate the students in providing good learning environment. We are in the process of constructing four more class rooms now. All our construction funds are totally dependent on the donors as very low fee is collected from the students.
- More focus is given in developing the interpersonal skill of the students by conducting various competitions, conducting music, craft classes etc. To enhance the knowledge of the students frequent visit to the school library is arranged for all classes of students, making them refer to various books related to a wide variety of subjects.
- To create interest in learning and listening skills of the students, lessons are taught through LCD projectors for better understanding. Our teachers take utmost care of the students, fulfilling their needs, and adapt themselves to the educational environment.

Our present Results in the Board exams: 2015

We are on cloud nine because our Higher Secondary and Secondary Board exam students once again proved their Excellency by scoring very good marks and producing centum (100%) result in this academic year 2014 - 2015.

233 students appeared for the Higher Secondary Board Examination and came out with flying colors. The first place secured by Deepa Sri. V - 1142 / 1200 , the second place secured by Prassania. G - 1141 / 1200 and the third place secured by Karthikeyan. K , Aravind. L , Karthikraj. G - 1127 /1200.

More over few of our students obtained centum in mathematics. Ten of our students secured 197 out of 200 in various subjects. More than 50 students secured above 1000 marks and 80 students scored above 900 marks. It is awfully good of our students to score these results.

168 students appeared for the Secondary Board Examination. The first place secured by Datchanamurthi B – 491/500, the second place secured by Vaitheki. C – 490/500, the third place secured by Nisha. D and Sureshababu. S – 489/500.

Besides, 43 students scored 100/100 marks in science, 36 students scored 100/100 in social science, 7 students scored 100/100 marks in mathematics, 4 students scored 97 out of 100 marks in language II, 1 student scored 98 out of 100 in language I.

I hope this marks keep us in the best of sprits. Our Kuyilappalayam School commended much esteem from our hard work all through the year. This success shows that we can prove and perform at all sorts of circumstances. This is possible through the combined effort of our qualified teachers and patronage of the well wishers which make us attain this level.

Truly, most of our students are from poor social background, middle class and illiterate families. We have to motivate our little ones with confidence and enthusiasm.

In our educational zone, our Kuyilapalayam school secured very best place among all the other schools. We can proudly say that we are running the school for giving quality education to all and lighting the lamp of education in the lives of the students. Most of the schools' motto may be result oriented but at the end of this tug of war, our Kuyilapalayam students proved their potentialities with their outstanding performance. This result makes us proud and gives positive vibration.

We thank our Almighty to continue to bestow positive energy and good spirits. We expect more for ever to attain greater zenith.

“Beauty is eloquent even when silent”

Sports Activities



A major contribution towards improvement of the life, well being and sporting aspirations of our local youth is the Palmyra-DIK/OIK Sports Ground which is now of very high standard, offering great compatibility for the young players. It is recognised as one of the best turf/grass ground of all the districts in Tamil Nadu excluding only the major grounds in Madras and

other big cities. Coaching and matches are a regular and daily feature. Besides cricket and on request of schools and clubs other sport disciplines are also supported and encouraged.

It greatly enhances the knowledge and competitive level of the game for all participating players from the local and Pondicherry areas.

PROGRAMS

Now we are giving personalized attention to students by giving one coach to each 20 students. Totally three well trained and technically qualified coaches are working in bringing out the talents of the students.

Regular fitness classes every evening bring good fitness for the students and youths which will in turn help them to learn and improve cricket skills. Around 60 students and youths are participating regularly.



Summer camp 2015 was organized from May 1st 2015 to May 31st 2015. Totally 25 students registered for the camp.

We have provided good infrastructure for coaching cricket. The two cement wickets are very much useful for the players to nurture the habit of playing straight and improving their skills. Our ground facility is very much useful for the players to get practice matches and tournaments and also provide enough opportunities to improve their game.

Health Care Activities

DIK health care activities are being implemented by Mrs.Sabine Suchopar, registered nurse from Germany. The overall health care activity is envisioned to be streamlined with the commencement of the MKSP project. Presently health care is extended on an individual basis for all kinds of patients from the villages and Auroville.



Report on Federation Activities

- The Federation is registered under the Tamil Nadu Society Registration Act 1964.

- **External Loan:** The board of the federation borrowed a total amount of Rs. 195 Lakhs at 10.5 to 11% rate of interest from the Pallavan Rural Bank and used for lending among its SHGs and it has been paid back fully.

The federation has submitted a new proposal to the Pallavan Grama Bank, Omandhur for bulk loan amount of Rs. 1 Crore

for their 25 member SHGs for productive purpose. The loan amount has to be paid back in 3 years period. The proposal was sanctioned by the Chairman, Pallavan Grama Bank, Salem and they issued the sanction ticket on 03.01.2014 to the federation. As on May 2015 Rs. 62 lakhs has been paid pack.



The loan amount has been used for the following purpose by its SHG members:

1. Small Business like Provisional shop, mechanic shed - service
2. Purchase of farming machineries such as Tractor with Tipper, Power tiller, Oil engine. etc.
3. Purchase of pipelines for agriculture purpose.
4. Erection of Bore well for irrigation purpose
5. Hollow Block brick making and sales / Brick Chula making
6. Livestock purchase and rearing (Cow/sheep), Poultry form
7. Wood cutting / sales / charcoal making
8. House construction
9. Milk Society run by SHG in their village
10. Keet making
11. Children's education

PROJECT FINANCIAL STATEMENT 1st JANUARY to 30th JUNE 2015						
	PALMYRA-AUROVILLE					
	RECEIPTS FROM DIK GERMANY				COMMENTS	
	Date of Receipt	EURO		INR		
	Opening Balance			20398		
1	9.1.15	10000		773850		
	TOTAL			794248		
EXPENDITURE						
	BUDGET HEAD		BUGDGET -INR	EXPENDITURE- INR	BALANCE	COMMENTS
1	School and Education Expenses		400,000	198,000	202,000	
2	Sports Activities		115,500	98,872	16,628	
3	Health Care and Social Welfare Activities		62,000	26,553	35,447	
4	Establishment Expenses & Administration		192,500	236,468	-43,968	
	Grand Total	0.00	770,000	559,893	210,107	
	ACTUAL BALANCE = (TOTAL RECEIPTS - EXPENDITURE)				234,355	

Total Budget spent for first 6 months: Rs.5.59 lakhs
Total budget needed for next 6 months: Rs.5.59 lakhs

Balance available : Rs.2.34 lakhs

Balance needed : Rs.3.25 lakhs in Euros 4717

P.S.: For the current year, because of shortage of funds, we had to reduce our activities and expenditures considerably. Presently we are running on a minimum budget for all expenditures. Even then we have a shortage of 3.25 lakhs Indian rupees for the present year. If some amount of funds could still be available it would be greatly appreciated.

With thanks and best wishes,

Juergen Puetz
21.7.2015