



Social Capital

By
Green Rameswaram Trust



1. Teertha Pooja

Our work of involving community in doing Teertha poojas is going on smoothly. Locals are trying to take the ownership of the programme with the help of SHG Coordinators. In this month, we could perform Teertha poojas at 22 Traditional water bodies with 265 volunteers participating in the activity.



The details are given below.

Teertham Pooja at Kumutha

<i>Sl.No</i>	<i>Name of the Teertha</i>	<i>Date – August 2024</i>	<i>Participants</i>	<i>Remarks</i>
1.	Mangala	3 rd	11	SHG
2.	Ramar	3 rd	21	SHG
3.	Panacha	5 th	6	SHG
4.	Ariyanaatchi	6 th	6	SHG
5.	Ganavapi	11 th	9	SHG
6.	Kumuda	14 th	9	SHG
7.	Amutha	16 th	8	SHG
8.	Deva	16 th	6	SHG
9.	Veraga	16 th	6	SHG
10.	Simha	17 th	16	SHG
11.	Viloondi	17 th	9	SHG
12.	Nagula	19 th	5	E-Rickshaw Team
13.	Dharma	19 th	9	SHG
14.	Agni	22 nd	90	Sethu Arthi Team
15.	Hara	23 rd	11	SHG
16.	Draupadi	24 th	7	SHG
17.	Parasu Ram	24 th	9	SHG
18.	Angathan	24 th	7	SHG
19.	Brahma	26 th	5	SHG
20.	Sahadeva	26 th	5	SHG
21.	Arjunan	27 th	5	SHG
22.	Bhima	27 th	5	SHG
	Total	22	265	



Teertha Pooja at Ramar Teertham

2. Independence Day Celebrations

The Independence Day celebrations on August 15, 2024, were held at Mangammal Chatram, with a gathering of 35 people. The event was marked by patriotic fervour, with participants reflecting on India's journey towards independence and its ongoing progress. Cadets from INS Parandu along with Sub Left. Suganthan graced the occasion.



Another celebration organized at Sannathi Street which was attended by 11 members along with general public.



3. Krishna Jayanthi Celebrations

On 26 August 2024, Krishna Jayanthi celebration was held, featuring a vibrant competition where around 30 children participated, dressed as Krishna and Radha. The event was a joyous occasion, and the children's enthusiasm added to the festive spirit. Sister Gayatri from Vivekananda Kendra Prakashan Trust, Chennai presented the prizes to the participants, recognizing their efforts and creativity in embodying the divine characters.





Uriadi potti also been conducted as a part of Krishna Janmashtami

4. Webinars

Every Tuesday at 6 P.M. Shri.Krishnamoortiji of Vivekananda Kendra gives a talk on virtual media (Google Meet). This month we have 4 Webinars.

Name of the Topic	Date	Link
Ananda Thayaga Andhra Manilam Part - 2	6 th	http://meet.google.com/zwq-aycm-dxf
Ananda Thayaga Andhra Manilam Part - 3	13 th	http://meet.google.com/zwq-aycm-dxf
Ananda Thayaga Andhra Manilam Part - 4	20 th	http://meet.google.com/zwq-aycm-dxf
Ananda Thayaga Andhra Manilam Part - 5	27 th	http://meet.google.com/zwq-aycm-dxf

5. Eco-tourism

E-Autos reached out to 13212 pilgrims. Out of which, we have provided free services to Senior citizens 76 nos., children 92 nos. and differently-abled 41 nos.

6. Shri.Shivakumarji – A close friend of Vivekananda Kendra passes away



K Shivakumar was the Managing Trustee of the Gandhigram Trust in Dindigul, Tamil Nadu, and passed away at the age of 81 on August 17, 2024. He served on the trust's boards for over 40 years and was a leader in many initiatives that helped the common man.

Shri.Shivakumarji was very close to our senior worker Shri.N.Krishnamoorti and always used to call him for workshops for the Gandhigram Trust staff members to motivate them in their work.

He was equally close to Shri.G.Vasudeo and gracious enough to give a couple of awards to him and nominated him to the Grandhigram Deemed University as a senate member a few years ago on behalf of Gandhigram Trust.

Shri.Shivakumarji readily agreed to make Gandhigram Trust a partner of “Green Rameswaram project” when we started it in the year 2013. He always used to appreciate the work of Green Rameswaram project.

Shri.Shivakumarji’s another speciality was sending the report of functions within 24 hours to all the well-wishers. He was also very transparent in announcing the donations and CSR funds received by the Gandhigram Trust from time to time without any hesitation.

Vivekananda Kendra will miss his guidance and encouragement in the coming years. We join everybody in prayers for the departed soul.

