# **Education Support Report for the academic year 2021 – 2022**



## With the Partners











K.L.Priya Project Director of Cheyutha WCBO welcomed all the Chief guests and other Guests of Honor to the Education Support Program.

Lightening the lamp was followed by the Vande Mataram song by Cheyutha WBCO Mrs.Laxmi Padmavathi, foster care children and community members.





Ms. Priya briefed about how **Cheyutha WCBO** is supporting HIV infected and affected children with educational supportfrom **LEPRA Society**, **Indian Red Cross Society**, **ADP Pvt Ltd.**, **Joy Group friends**, **Change foundation Advisory board members** and other local donors. The most exciting news is that a few Children who graduated with educational support from **Cheyutha WCBO**, are now employed IT and Non - IT Sectors and financially supporting their families.

The issue of HIV and AIDS infected children is not only about access to treatment but also concerns other spectrum of children's rights. **Cheyutha WCBO** is very keen about establishing the right to nondiscrimination and stigmatization. This can be achieved only through awareness, and education. Our corebelief is that all HIV infected, and affected children should have **right to education**so that they could overcome the discrimination, gain economic independence to lead agood and healthy life.

Ms. K.L.Priya shared her personal story and expressed the challenges she faced ever since she has been diagnosed HIV positive through her partner. She promised herself not to spread HIV/AIDs to any one and has been leading her life as a single mother with her daughter. A strong message has been conveyed that every HIV/AIDs community member should lead a disciplined life by taking, medication and food on time and be responsible. Should refrain from spreading the infection through sexual inter course. This is the only way to prevent this dangerous life-threatening infection as the community continues to face social stigma discrimination.

**Cheyutha WCBO** members feel blessed to seek support from **LEPRA Society** for a very long time. The Indian Red Cross Society has been providing free premises to run the clinic and other support activities. Our special thanks to**Dr. Arunabala** for providing her services to the community people motherly affection. **Cheyutha WCBO** is running so many other activities successfully with the help of local donors. Following are the current projects that are being run by **Cheyutha WCBO**.

APPI for organization development

- ADP Pvt Ltd.'s Nutrition &education support for 44 Children.
- ACCELERATE project with the collaboration of YRG Care (non-financial project) working on adolescent group.
- EPIC project for organization development (non-financial project)

K.L.Priyawelcomed all the guests to the dais, and the foster care children greeted them with flower bouquets.

- 1. Mr.Prasanth Naik LEPRA Society CEO
- 2. Dr. Arunabala Consultant Cheyutha WCBO
- 3. Mrs. Sujatha-Government school teacher
- 4. Mrs.Swarna Latha Indian Red Cross Society
- 5. Ms.Unnathi Mondreti ADP Pvt Ltd

K.L.Priya walked all guests and audience through last 6 months report including various activities by **Cheyutha WCBO.** 



### **Education Support Sponsors:**

**Education support giving by following donors** 

- Change Foundation donated INR 65,000/- for six Children which was deposited into the bank accounts of students.
- ADP Pvt Ltd –Sponsoring education for twenty-seven children out of 44 Foster Care Children, other children going to government schools
- Mr. & Mrs.Usha Gummalla–INR 60,000/- for seven Children.
- APPI –INR 84,000/- for fifteen Children
- Sandeep Mora-INR 15,000/- for conducting Education support program.

Total 55 Children got Education support for the Academic year 2021-2022

### Success Stories shared by children who are benefited from Cheyutha WCBO

1. Niharika: She opened her speech by greeting all the guests of honor, children and their parents who were part of the event for education support. She shared her story of how she was diagnosed HIV Positive through her parents who died of HIV/AIDs when she was a kid. She was raised by her grandparents since childhood who through the counselor at ART center came to know about Cheyutha WCBO. Niharika was barely 8 years old when she first came to Cheyutha and has been lent support in terms of counselling, medical aid, nutrition, education and mental wellbeing. She confessed that Cheyutha WCBO and her grandparents has been her pillar of strength and motivated her to study well.

She is a graduate and got employed with an MNC. She gave an excellent message to the children and their parents by emphasizing on education and its importance. Also talked about the importance of nutrition is to fight HIV. Advised that one needs to be physically and mentally strong to fight against HIV/AIDs. She educated the lot not to neglect ART medication. She thanked **Dr.Arunabala** for treating her and thanked **LEPRA Society, IRCS, TSACS, JOY Group, Change foundation** for supporting her education.

- 2. Mr. John&Mrs. Laxmi: John wished all the guests of honor and their fellow community members. He shared how he was broke mentally and physically when he was diagnosed HIV positive. How his wife was the only person who supported him working as a domestic aid. Unfortunately, she was affected with Leprosy, took the treatment and was cured. She suffered a relapse and approached Cheyutha and was referred to Leprosy Centre at Nallakunta, where she started receiving treatment. The entire family had gone through many challenges to survive and could not and take care of their only daughter. When they have been to ART Centre at Gandhi hospital, they met Mrs.Kirnamayi Board member of Cheyutha who referred them to Cheyutha. The couple shared how in-depth counselling was provided to both, outreachworker Mrs.Vinoda had paid a home visit and recommended Cheyutha for nutrition and education support for their ward.
- **3. Shahin:** Is a Daily wage workerin DRDO and her husband died of HIV/AIDs. She had no other means of income to make ends meet and was focused only on earning to support her daughter and herself, during which her healthy was deteriorated and has been diagnosed with TB. Has been referred to Cheyutha by her counselor to seek support with medication, nutrition counseled her daughter who finished her 10<sup>th</sup> class and

joined Inter in Government college and Cheyutha will be supporting her with the basic needs. She thanked Cheyutha WCBO wholeheartedly for lending support.

4. Sreeja: Sreeja wished all the guests and children and shared her story about how she was diagnosed with HIV. Cheyutha WCBO and ADP team supported her with nutrition and education support since 2015. She mentioned that Cheyutha is her second home and thanked Mr.Vamshi Krishna and Ms.Unnathi Mondreti&ADP team for nutrition support and sponsoring her higher education. She spoke about the importance of nutrition and Education and conveyed a motivation message that every child that is being supported by Cheyutha should become second line leaders and work towards the vision of Cheyutha WCBO.

### **Distribution of Cheques and School/College Kits**

ADP Pvt Ltd as part of their JOY OF GIVING sponsored School and College Kits for 56 Children. Chief guests Ms. Unnathi Mondreti from ADPand other guests of honor Mr.Prasanth Naik from LEPRA Society, Mrs. Swarnalatha IRCS, Mrs. Sujatha (Mother of Sandeep Mohra Advisory board member) distributed the cheques, school & college bags, waterbottles, lunch boxes, books and stationery to the children.









Mrs. K.L. Priya requested chief guest to tell few words.

Mr.Prasanth Sir LEPRA Society: Sir wished all the guests and children who attended the program. He appreciated Cheyutha WCBO for carrying out so many projects and activities which are aimed at the welfare of HIV/AIDS community. He acknowledged the great work and efforts of CHEYUTHA WCBO for lending support to so many families and their children. He thanked the local donors for supporting Cheyutha for a

noble cause. Encouraged all children to develop leadership skills and advised the current leadership team to develop second line of leaders who could shoulder the responsibility.

Mrs. Sujatha(Mother of Sandeep Mohra Advisory board member): She shared her experience of one year relationship with Cheyutha WCBO and how her son encouraged her to support HIV Positive community. After a thorough inquiry among her friends' circle, she came to know about Cheyutha WCBO. She spoke how happy she is to be associated with Cheyutha WCBO and moved by the stories shared by children. She lay emphasis on nutrition support and education. Also, conveyed that her son and she will continue to support Cheyutha. Would also encourage her friends to celebrate their birthdays, anniversaries at Cheyutha.

**Dr.Arunabala**: explained about the precautions of Covid 19 and advised community members to take Covid vaccination. She recommended them to take ART medication help each other.

Mrs.Swarna Latha, Indian Red Cross Society: She wished all the guests, children and their parents and mentioned that this is the first time ever, she is attending such a meeting and is happy for being invited. She was impressed with the services provided by Cheyutha WCBO and thanked all the other guests and donors who are supporting Cheyutha WCBO. She conveyed that Indian Red Cross Society would continue to support Cheyutha in future as wellwith rent free lease for Cheyutha's office (communicated by Mr.Madan Mohan Secretary of IRCS) and advised Cheyutha to continue all the great activities for the welfare of the HIV community people.

She had quoted some examples of great people such as Mr. Stephen Hawking Scientist, whose body was paralyzed and only his brain could work. Ms.HelenKellerwas visually challenged, and she used to Operate an airplane. Despite, the challenges they faced in their lives, they could become successful only with their determination to achieve great things in life. She advised the children to focus on their studies and should become financially independent, should help the other children who are in need and concluded by a short and sweet song.

Ms.Unnathi Mondreti, ADP Pvt Ltd: Wished all the guests, children and their parents. She mentioned that it was an honor to be seated with all other dignitaries. She shared about her association with Cheyutha and how she came to know about Cheyutha through her colleague Mr. Vamsi Krishna. A group of associates from ES CANADA team at ADP in 2017 started a small group named HELPING HANDS and searched for the organizations who are working for the welfare of Children. We discovered about Cheyutha WCBO and were moved by the line of work Cheyutha is into. Since then, we have been supporting Cheyutha, Children with the contributions from ADP employees. She was moved by Niharika's story, which was very inspiring, wished Niharika all the best for her future. She shared about how six families are adopted by HELPING HANDS and all the ADP employees associated with this group have been contributing to provide monthly groceries. This wouldn't have been possible without their support. She also mentioned that Niharika's and Sreeja's stories are motivating, and she is inclined to lend more support to other children. Shared how she was able to seek educational support for Gomathi (D/o. Lakshmi Padmavati) through her friend Manivannan.

She thanked Priya and team for inviting her for this event and appreciated the good work done by Cheyutha team for supporting children and their families and spoke about the purpose of education and how imperative it is to educate children in the community and society to prepare them to overcome the challenges.

The program ended with national Anthem sung by Mrs.Laxmi Padmavathi and foster care children.





# Thank You From Cheyutha WCBO Team

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