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Hope grows stronger when itâ€™s shared with community.

Together, we build strength, dignity, and independence.

One Year of the Tamil Nadu Rights Project â€“ Tiruchirappalli

We are delighted to mark the successful completion of one year of the Tamil Nadu Rights Project in Tiruchirappalli!

Our heartfelt gratitude goes to:

- Mr. Ravichandran, District Differently Abled Welfare Officer
- Mr. Ramesh, Second Level Officer
- The District Office Team, DPOs, Key Experts, CMs, Division Team, BCs, CWs, PTs, Special Educators, CFs, & CRWs
- ARVI Trust Board Members, Chief Executive Officer, and all ARVI staff for their guidance, support, and tireless dedication.

This journey has been a remarkable achievement because of your relentless efforts and commitment to inclusion. We look forward to your continued support and collaboration as we strengthen the project and expand its impact in the years ahead!

â€“ Dr. A. Ramachandran, CSP-Trichy, ARVI

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Outreach & Advocacy Snapshot



ARVI Special School – Brahmasari Rajayoga Visit:

On 18.09.2025, a team of 8-10 members from Dindigul Rajayoga Centre visited ARVI Special School, Dindigul. A total of 21 students participated. Founder Dr. A. Chandran and professional experts conducted sessions on patience, resilience, and strength. Activities like Smile Ball and Coloring promoted calmness, unity, and happiness, inspiring positive thinking and emotional well-being among the students.



Meeting with Dr. Muthusami, IPS (DIG, Rtd.)

On 26th August 2025, ARVI Trust had the privilege of meeting Dr. Muthusami, IPS (DIG, Rtd.), whose humility and faith in NGOs continue to inspire. The interaction highlighted ARVI Trust's impact for differently-abled persons across five districts of Tamil Nadu. Dr. Muthusami appreciated the initiatives and encouraged further commitment to inclusive development and community service. Key takeaways included strengthening public trust through image building, providing timely disaster support, and fostering early engagement with newly appointed district officers. The meeting reinforced ARVI Trust's commitment to building strategic partnerships that enhance outreach and create lasting impact for persons with disabilities.



Orientation Training on Tamil Nadu Rights Project – Theni District:

An orientation training program on the Tamil Nadu Rights Project was conducted in Theni district on 01.08.2025 by the Department for the Differently Abled Welfare. Key officials in attendance included Mr. Ravindar, Assistant Director from the Commissionerate; State Project Officers Mr. Shankar and Mr. Rajarajan; Ms. Kamatchi, District Differently Abled Welfare Officer (DDAWO); Ms. I. Mahalakshmi, District Revenue Officer (DRO) and Dr. Ramachandran, Managing Director of ARVI Trust, alongside representatives from local NGOs and frontline staff.



Daan Utsav Tamil Nadu – State-Level NGO Meet, Trichy:

The Daan Utsav Tamil Nadu Meet was held on Saturday, August 2, 2025, at NIT Trichy, bringing together over 100 NGOs from across the state. This collaborative platform enabled NGOs to showcase their causes, sectors of work, and developmental initiatives. Participants engaged in knowledge-sharing sessions on fundraising strategies, resource mobilization, content creation, and impact-based service delivery. The meet facilitated networking, strategic collaborations, and guidance on leveraging both funded and non-funded initiatives to maximize community impact. The event strengthened inter-

The program aimed to strengthen awareness of the project's objectives, operational strategies, and field-level responsibilities. Tablet devices were distributed to frontline workers to facilitate efficient household survey data collection and support smooth implementation. The session reinforced coordinated efforts to enhance service delivery and project effectiveness at the district level.



District-Level Orientation on Employment and Skill Development Schemes – Pudukkottai

A **district-level orientation for TN-RIGHTS frontline workers** was conducted in Pudukkottai under the guidance of the DDAWO. The session aimed to strengthen knowledge and outreach capacity of field-level functionaries in promoting government welfare measures for Differently Abled Persons (DAPs).

Key highlights included detailed presentations on **employment-linked loan schemes**, offering financial assistance up to ₹13 lakhs with a 5% interest subsidy, along with **₹150,000 as working capital support**. Special emphasis was given to the **Kalaingar Kaivinai Thittam (Skill Training Scheme)**, designed to empower DAPs and women above 35 years through skill-based livelihood training in their villages. The scheme requires a minimum of 20 participants per batch and covers more than 25 trades, such as tailoring, embroidery, bakery, artificial jewellery, basket weaving, leatherwork, food processing, and incense stick making.

Technical sessions were facilitated by **Ms. Kalaiselvi (RSETI)**, **Mr. Velurugan (TNSPY)**, **Mr. Manikandan (District Employment Officer)**, and **Mr. Kaviarasu (Skill Training Centre)**. The orientation underscored the importance of **inclusive entrepreneurship, sustainable rehabilitation, and dignified livelihoods** across Pudukkottai district.

NGO partnerships and reinforced collective efforts toward sustainable social development and community-centric giving in Tamil Nadu.



Distribution of Mobile Tablets to Frontline Workers – TN Rights Project

In Pudukkottai, Theni, and Kallakurichi districts, the District Collector, District Differently Abled Welfare Officers (DDWAO), District Project Officers (DPO), key experts, and Community Service Providers (CSP) jointly distributed mobile tablets to frontline workers under the Tamil Nadu Rights (TNRights) Project.

This initiative facilitates seamless household surveys, efficient field operations, and enhanced documentation. By enabling hassle-free work, it strengthens outreach and ensures inclusive support for all beneficiaries, with a special focus on differently-abled persons (DAPs). The District Collector emphasized leading with dedication, compassion, and accountability. This measure represents a progressive step toward empowerment, operational efficiency, and inclusive governance, reinforcing ARVI Trust's commitment to equitable service delivery and community engagement.



Progress Report: 'Ungaludan Stalin' Grievance Redressal Initiative – Phase I (July 15–August 14, 2025)

The 'Ungaludan Stalin' initiative, launched by the Honorable Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu, aims to enhance citizen engagement and expedite the resolution of public grievances. In the first phase, from July 15 to August 14, 2025, the program conducted 120 grievance redressal camps across all 11 assembly constituencies in Tiruchirappalli district. These camps facilitated the submission of thousands of petitions addressing issues ranging from basic amenities to welfare benefits.

District officials, in collaboration with the Tamil Nadu Rights Department staff, ensured the smooth execution of the camps by maintaining order, guiding petitioners, and coordinating with relevant departments. The initiative was widely appreciated for its accessibility and immediate response system, fostering active public participation and enhancing trust in governance.

The second phase, commencing August 15, 2025, focuses on processing and resolving the petitions received during the first phase. The department extends its gratitude to all staff and officials whose dedicated efforts contributed to the program's success in strengthening people-centric governance.

The 'Ungaludan Stalin' initiative serves as a single-window solution for accessing various government services, aiming to benefit those who are not in town, unavailable, or unaware of other initiative camps. The program plans to organize 10,000 camps across Tamil Nadu by November 2025. In Greater Chennai Corporation alone, 400 camps are scheduled, with six camps held daily in different localities. Each camp offers services from 15 government departments under one roof, providing a comprehensive approach to addressing citizens' needs.

The initiative aims to bring the applications to homes and get the issues resolved, ensuring that citizens have direct access to government services and welfare benefits. This approach eliminates the need for individuals to travel to distant districts or taluk offices, making governance more accessible and efficient.

By focusing on processing and resolving the petitions received, the second phase of the 'Ungaludan Stalin' initiative continues to strengthen people-centric governance and enhance the delivery of essential services to the public.



Quarterly Review Meeting with Advisory Board “ARVI OSC Centres

A comprehensive review meeting was held with Advisory Board Member Mr. Srikanth and key experts from Theni, Tiruchirappalli, Pudukkottai, and Kallakurichi to assess the overall progress and impact of the One Stop Centres (OSCs). The discussion centred on RIGHTS-based progress, beneficiary cooperation, and the effectiveness of home-based interventions and support service provisions. Teams shared inputs on strengthening infrastructure, improving resource use, increasing mobile application awareness, enhancing staff motivation, and ensuring workforce continuity. District presentations highlighted beneficiary engagement, delivery of services, and improved field outreach from pilot to current stages. Key recommendations focused on strengthening field operations, building staff capacity, and expanding support services for inclusive and impactful OSC functioning.

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Quizabled 2025-26

ARVI Trust Special School, Theni – Quizabled 2025-26 Prelims

Gajenthiramoorthi and Gopi represented ARVI Trust Special School, Theni, in the national-level Quizabled 2025-26 prelims. Their participation showcases confidence, courage, and equal opportunity, reflecting our commitment to inclusive education. This achievement inspires resilience, empowering children with disabilities to shine and prove that every talent deserves a platform.

Udayam Special School, Natham – Quizabled 2025-26 Participation

Students Muthupandi, Pandiamma, Bharatarathina, Kaviyarasan, Jeyasutha, and Nanthini from Udayam Special School, Natham, successfully participated in Quizabled 2025-26. Their enthusiasm and determination highlight the importance of inclusion. Each certificate symbolizes resilience, knowledge, and empowerment, reinforcing ARVI Trust's mission to celebrate ability, break barriers, and ensure every child's potential is recognized.

Quiz Competition



Capacity Building Training on Tamil Nadu Rights Project App for Frontline Workers – Theni

On 09.07.2025, ARVI TRUST, in collaboration with the District Differently Abled Welfare Office, successfully organized a **Capacity Building and Digital Enablement Training** for frontline workers under the **Tamil Nadu Rights Project** at the District Collectorate, Theni. The program aimed at strengthening service delivery mechanisms for persons with disabilities through technology-driven interventions.

The session was inaugurated by Ms. Kamatchi, **District Differently Abled Welfare Officer (DDAWO)**, who provided valuable insights and strategic guidance on the role of frontline functionaries in ensuring rights-based entitlements. Technical training was delivered by **Mrs. Saranya (JTO)**, **Mr. Sureshkumar (RSETI)**, and **Mr. Veeravel (DPO)**, focusing on app navigation, data entry protocols, beneficiary tracking, and monitoring mechanisms.

This structured training is expected to enhance **field-level efficiency, accountability, and real-time service accessibility** for the disability community. It also reinforces ARVI TRUST's commitment to advancing inclusive governance and digital empowerment.

The program concluded with a vote of thanks from the **Managing Director of ARVI TRUST**, acknowledging facilitators and stakeholders for their contribution.

Green Initiatives and Skill Development by Students with Disabilities: Students with mild intellectual disabilities from Eklavya School took part in an environmental cleanliness drive. They cleaned the front yard, collected dry leaves, prepared compost (mudakku), and planted saplings. Guided by teachers, students like Mohanapriya, Karthik, Lakshmanan, Sivakumar, Saran, and Mathivanan showed teamwork and social participation. These hands-on activities promoted physical fitness, vocational skills, and independence, supporting ARVI Trust's mission of inclusive empowerment.

Launch of Community Data Enumeration in Theni District: On 11.07.2025, ARVI TRUST, in partnership with the District Administration and the District Differently Abled Welfare Office, facilitated the initiation of Community Data Enumeration in Theni District. Frontline workers commenced door-to-door data collection to capture critical socio-demographic and disability-related information, ensuring evidence-based planning and service delivery. The activity was formally observed by Mr. Ranjeet Singh, I.A.S., District Collector, who provided strategic guidance to strengthen implementation. The District Differently Abled Welfare Officer accompanied the visit, emphasizing the importance of accurate data for policy formulation. This initiative marks a significant step toward promoting inclusive development, rights-based access, and community empowerment.

Pre-Enumeration Training on Disability Survey in Pudukkottai District: On 10.07.2025, a one-day pre-enumeration training for frontline workers was conducted at the ARVI-CSP Office, Pudukkottai, under the leadership of Mr. Ulaganathan, District Differently Abled Welfare Officer (DDAWO). The session focused on the use of digital tablets for data entry, ensuring accuracy in household-level disability enumeration. Detailed orientation was provided on the 21 recognized categories of disability and corresponding government welfare schemes. Key experts Mr. Gnanavel and Ms. Lakshmi Priya facilitated the training, offering technical guidance and practical demonstrations. A total of 16 Blocks frontline workers participated, enhancing their capacity for evidence-based data collection to support inclusive planning and welfare service delivery.

RIGHTS staff ID Card Distribution Across Four Districts: Under the supervision of ARVI Trust Director, staff ID cards were successfully distributed across Theni, Tiruchirappalli, Pudukkottai, and Kallakurichi districts. Field staff from community service providers systematically covered all blocks, areas, and streets, ensuring every Public Distribution System (PDS) entry was reached. The initiative enabled accurate mapping of households, direct delivery of essential services, and verification of beneficiary details. The ID cards were designed with universal acceptance in mind, ensuring clarity and uniformity. This coordinated effort strengthened field operations, improved service delivery, and reinforced equitable access to benefits, enhancing organizational efficiency and community outreach across all districts.

Preparatory Briefing for 'Nalam Kakkum Stalin' Health Camps in August 2, 2025: Under the leadership of the District Disability Welfare Officer, a detailed briefing was conducted for field staff in Theni, Pudukkottai, and Kallakurichi districts ahead of the upcoming 'Nalam Kakkum Stalin' health camps scheduled for August 2, 2025. Key officials, including the DDRO and senior staff, provided comprehensive guidance on the scheme, camp operations, and in-charge responsibilities.

Staff were instructed on maintaining discipline, focusing on each designated area (DAP), assisting petitioners, and providing necessary support. Detailed instructions were given for setting up camp environments, collecting letters and essential documents, coordinating with other officials, and responding to sudden requirements, including medical support, ensuring smooth and efficient camp execution.

Vocational Skill Development: Practical Training Sessions: Vocational training sessions focusing on practical skill acquisition and product-based learning. Beneficiaries received stepwise guidance in detergent preparation for school and sanitation purposes, paper plate production for daily snack use, and simple jewelry making through pre-fabricated materials. These sessions emphasized hands-on learning, executive functioning development, and functional life skills, enabling participants to produce marketable items,

improve self-reliance, and integrate practical vocational competencies into their daily routines.

A Journey of Inclusion in Uppiliyapuram, Tiruchirappalli

Uppiliyapuram Block, at the northern edge of Tiruchirappalli district, historically faced significant barriers in accessing government welfare schemes. Persons with disabilities had to undertake long, arduous journeys to the city, often abandoning the pursuit of essential support.

The TN RIGHTS Project, in collaboration with ARVI Trust and the District Differently Abled Welfare Office, established a One-Stop Service Center in Uppiliyapuram, part of 18 centers across Trichy district. These centers provide accessible services including special education, therapies, rehabilitation, training, and home-based support for bedridden individuals.

In just one year at Uppiliyapuram block:

â€¢ 37 persons were recommended for assistive devices; 14 have received them.

â€¢ 27 high-support individuals were registered; 5 receive monthly assistance.

â€¢ 241 persons directly accessed center services.

â€¢ Approximately 150 received National Disability ID/UDID cards locally.

This initiative ensures government schemes reach the most remote communities, advancing true inclusion and equity for persons with disabilities.

Strengthening Civil Society in Tamil Nadu â€” **VANI India Workshop:** The Chairman of ARVI Trust participated in the two-day workshop on â€œStrengthening Civil Society in Tamil Naduâ€” organized by VANI India on 25â€”26 August 2025 at the Inter Church Service Association, Chennai. The program brought together civil society leaders, corporates, and changemakers to discuss the evolving CSR landscape, building a positive civil society narrative, and thematic areas including Education, Health, Environment, and Womenâ€™s Empowerment.

Sessions emphasized documenting impact, strengthening communication, collaboration, and showcasing solutions. Practical tools such as storytelling formats, media platforms, and collective showcases were highlighted. ARVI Trust is committed to applying these learnings to amplify beneficiary experiences, strengthen CSR partnerships, and enhance inclusive service delivery. This initiative reinforces the organizationâ€™s vision of building a more compassionate and sustainable society in Tamil Nadu.

Dhwani Partners Meet â€” **Tamil Nadu:** ARVI Trust had the privilege of attending the Dhwani Partners Meet â€” Tamil Nadu at Madras Management Association, Chennai, on 3rd September 2025. We were honored to receive the Graduation Certificate from Ms. Akila Natarajan, Ms. Shyamala Ashok, and the Dhwani Foundation CEO. The forum provided a valuable platform to engage with CSR leaders, philanthropic heads, and sector experts shaping impactful initiatives. For organizations from remote areas like Dindigul, such opportunities help bridge grassroots realities with CSR leadership. The insights gained will guide ARVI Trust in strengthening community programs and enhancing service delivery across our operational areas

"Every ability counts when we create space for every voice."

Inclusion grows when we listen, not just when we speak.

