

### INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY CELEBRATION AT SNEHAN

Women's day is celebrated every year on 8<sup>th</sup> of March. The world keeps a day to thank all the women and appreciate them for their dedicate roll in men kind. Life wouldn't be possible without a woman in all of our families. Before any person getup from the bed, the mother gets up, wakes up her husband with cup of tea, cooks for her children and alongside gives them bath, feeds them and packs them lunch for whole family, send the children to school and husband to office. Her contribution doesn't end her; she does family laundry work, and runs with or without eating to her office or labour work. Her contribution keeps on till she reaches her final destiny. That is women, the mother, wife, daughter and sister.



At Snehan, the women's day started with cake cutting by Paloma from spain, Mr.Karthikeyan the founder of Sristi Village and Mrs.Sarawasthy madam. It was an honour to have them with us to cut the cake and start the day.

To keep the day special we honoured our women staff by surprise. We had taken them for a day of outing. We went to Providence Mall in Pondicherry, for some of our staff, this is first time they entered the mall. Our women were welcome by sales girls.



All of our women got a chance to get makeup by professional beautician; our women were glittered with colourful lipsticks and nail polish.



Fun in getting into escalator, almost for all of them this was a first time experience in climbing up by escalator, some were excited, some frightened but all of them enjoyed going in escalator.







Our two grandpas, really enjoyed this day, they were treated equal, got chance to be in the air-conditioned mall and watched very beautiful movie called Vaathi Tamil Move in digital cinema theatre. The homeless people are not allowed in such a social gathering. But because they are rehabilitated and look decent, clean and because they were with us, they got change to be equal and enjoy all the comfort. For all of them it's a unique experience. At last we all went to KFC food court to eat together. It was a fun filled day for all of them in this special event.



# TEACHING TO FISH AT SNEHAN TAILORING CENTRE

Randomly used word on charity is "teach to fish not give fish". We at Snehan empower the women from marginalized community by teaching them to be independent through skills. Last 45 days

we have given training to three family women in tailoring skills at free of cost. This skill gives immense strength to the women, who always look at her husband for every little need. We understand that, the freedom of choice is surprised due to ignorance and lack of skills. In Snehan training centre, tailoring is one of the most loved skills where women come happily to learn and become independent in income generating to their families. Many women came to our centre in deep poverty but sooner they become self-reliant.



So far Snehan had trained about 35 women, where all of them are earning for their family and welfare of their children. Snehan brings smiles.

## LITTLE STEPS TOWARDS MR.POOPATHI'S HAPPINESS

Mr. Poopathi 61 years old man, once was homeless and helpless. He lived on the streets by means of charity. Loneliness, depression and threat of life was hunted him every movement of his street life. Five years back, he was rehabilitated from street life by Snehan, trained him in income-generation activities and was given employment and shelter. This



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changed his way of life; he became more responsible towards his work and faithful towards Snehan organization. Once, he didn't have any ID of his own but now he has Aadhaar Card on his name, and bank account to save the earnings of labor. Of course this change of his character didn't happen in a day or month but few years.



A patient gives its fruit's on its time. Snehan is happy to bring a change in the life of Mr.Poopathi. We are striving to reach many more homeless on the streets...

# ANUMUTHU SHARING ABOUT SNEHAN NGO IN PUNE

Mr. Anumuthu founder of Snehan NGO, sharing about the organization and its purpose at Pondicherry. Also shared about the life of homeless people and their real needs to live dignified life. The new plan that is to start Snehan Home for the neglected sick people in Pondicherry. Anumuthu also talked about the tailoring project where marginalized women are being trained and employed to bring financial sustainability in their families.



One of the successful products that goes all over India is traditional Jolna bags. Through his talk, he got new orders of Eco-friendly cotton Jolna bags.

#### **KNOCK INDIA MEET AT PUNE**

kanthari alumni run organization KNOCK INDIA meet held at Pune from 27th of January to 30th of January 2023. Thirty participants from 30 states took part in this meeting; among them 20 were kanthari alumni. The meeting went on well, Mr. Karthikeyan from Sristi Village took one day session on efficient way of running organization and writing quality project proposal writing. During the session he mentioned one point that we should be "friend raiser" The successes of his amazing project is due to good friends of his.



He believes good friends will build and run along with our vision and mission. His insight was an eye opening for many of us. During the stay at Pune, we meet other organizations and shared our thoughts and took their experience.

## REGULAR CARE BROUGHT IMPRESSIVE HEALING

This 70 years old amma, ignored and lift on the streets by her own family after she lost her mobility and income. She took shelter under tree after her family pushed her out of home due to stinking odour. She would scream in pain and in hunger. None of her family members bothered to feed her or to give medical care. After knowing her condition. Snehan intervened in her life. Supported her for income generation activities and helped her with medical needs such as binding her wounds with medicine and financial support to survive. With regular flow up and constant care, we can see the changes in her leg and in her life. Our hearts are filled with joy, after seeing such an improvement.







#### Dear Friends,

The Snehan activities would not be possible without your help and contribution. Therefore, on behalf of all our beneficiaries and board members, we say thank you very much for your support. Do share our quarterly newsletter with your friends...

We need your financial support to start Snehan home for the neglected old and sick adults on streets. Do support us to bring values and save lives of old people.

We are looking for committed and likeminded volunteers to support us in Snehan activities, interested candidates can apply through Snehan

website. <a href="http://snehan.org/volunteer/">http://snehan.org/volunteer/</a>

With warmest regards,

The Snehan team and Anumuthu.

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