



# Vidyarambham Trust



Annual Report 2019-2020

## **Vision**

To provide early educational intervention for less-privileged children, by training and nurturing capable teachers, to create a societal transformation.

## **Mission**

Offer free, quality, supplementary education to under-achieving children from less-privileged sections of society so that they become high-performing, confident students with a bright future. We will do this with a culture of excellence, transparency, and accountability. This will be accomplished by developing and deploying learning methods that are relevant to the environment of the children, by nurturing a team of women from every village where we are present and empowering them to transform the lives of the children in their care, and including their parents in the transformation process.

## **Value**

- ◆ Excellence in everything we do
- ◆ Integrity in all aspects of our work
- ◆ Teamwork to achieve our mission
- ◆ Inspire and be inspired
- ◆ Self-confidence to meet our goals
- ◆ Innovate to transform the learning experience
- ◆ Passionate about our mission

## **Vidyarambam Trust - Management**



**Mr. V. Ranganathan** was the Founder & President of Vidyarambam Trust and served as the Managing Trustee until his last breath.

### **BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

#### **C.K. Sridhar, President**

Mr. C.K. Sridhar is an Engineering graduate from Annamalai University. He is currently the Director of a company involved in Construction, Energy and Engineering Consultancy services. He is also the President of Annamalai University Engineering and Technology Alumni Association, Member of Ramakrishna Mission Ashrama, Member of Indo-American Chamber of Commerce and Member in ABK AOTS DOSOKAI, Indo-Japanese Linguistic, Cultural, Technical Trade and Business.

Mobile: 9444052787

#### **Prema Veeraraghavan, Secretary and Correspondent of Rotary Vidyarambam School, Nagapattinam.**

Mrs. Prema Veeraraghavan, M.Sc., B. Ed, has been involved in the education field for more than 45 years. She has diverse experience in developing teaching methodologies for primary education and has won many awards including the CASTME U. K. Award in the year 1998 for innovative teaching.

Mobile: 9840812957

#### **V. Sriram, Treasurer**

Mr. V. Sriram is the Chairman of Walnut Group, a health care company representing organizations from Switzerland and U. K. His brainchild, Dial a Diaper is a novel concept in the diaper industry.

Mobile: 9884091419

**Website : [www.vidyarambam.org](http://www.vidyarambam.org)**

**E-mail : [vidyarambam@gmail.com](mailto:vidyarambam@gmail.com)**

**Lakshmi Swaminathan, Trustee**

Mrs. Lakshmi Swaminathan is the President of Administrative Tribunal, ADB. She is also an eminent Jurist in administrative law and was the Vice Chairman of the Principal Bench at Delhi of the Central Administrative Tribunal.

Mobile: 9003277132

**Y. Sridhar, Trustee**

Mr. Y. Sridhar is a Chartered Accountant by profession and a partner in M/s Ramesh and Ramachandran Audit firm. He is a member of Ramakrishna Mission Ashrama. He is devoting his time for social causes.

Mobile: 9840041114

**Advisory Council :**

Ms. A. Meenakshi  
Ms. Malathi Gopalakrishnan  
Mr. C. Rajapandian  
Mr. A.K. Prasad  
Mr. M.S. Kumaran

**Honorary Co-ordinators :**

Mr. S. Ponnambalam  
Mr. P. Samuvel Devasahayam  
Mr. Ln. Prof. S. Sivaraman  
Mr. T. K. S. Kailasam

**Consultants**

Mrs. Prema Daniel  
Mrs. Uma Shankari Chandrasekaran  
Mrs. Vijayalakshmi Raman  
Mrs. Viji Ramakrishnan

Mrs. Jyothi Thomas  
Mrs. Akila Raman  
Mrs. Subashri Chandramouli  
Mrs. Srimathi Devarajan



**Website : [www.vidyarambam.org](http://www.vidyarambam.org)**

**E-mail : [vidyarambam@gmail.com](mailto:vidyarambam@gmail.com)**

## PROJECTS IN THE YEAR 2019-2020

### VILLAGE CENTERS

#### KIDS

Kids in the age group of 3 to 6 are naturally eager for knowledge and making them learn in a thoughtfully prepared environment makes the whole concept learning a joyful process at Vidyarambam. In their early childhood, Vidyarambam children learn through sensory - motor activities and work with various specially designed material that develop their cognitive powers. The curriculum incorporates learning numbers and language using play way methods in a regular school environment.



#### SUPPORT CLASS JUNIOR (SCJ)

Class 2 and Class 3 students of rural schools are enrolled here and the teachers match appropriate lessons from the school curriculum with the Vidyarambam material whereby learning become more practical and is naturally absorbed and internalized. Children learn the basic concepts of Mathematics and they were also trained to read fluently in Tamil and English. The Phonetic method to learn English words help the children to learn the language in a simpler way.



#### SUPPORT CLASS SENIOR (SCS)

Support class senior comprises of class 4 and class 5 students. Here too, the school curriculum is integrated with Vidyarambam materials and children acquired different concepts of Mathematics through hands-on learning which is more practical and application oriented. Children work individually and in groups that lead to a deeper understanding of language, Mathematics, Science, Music and much more. Children learn the basic concepts of English Grammar using different materials that made the learning more effective and enjoyable



## **MODEL FULL TIME ENGLISH MEDIUM SCHOOL (Rotary Vidyarambam School)**

The full-time Primary school for the children of Tsunami affected families and nearby fishing communities was launched in the year 2008 at Nagapattinam and has been imparting free value education for many years now that has empowered the less privileged children with knowledge and excellence.



The curriculum is designed in such a way that the three dimensions of learning - Academics, Extra-curricular activities and Sports are given importance which results in a well-balanced program for children. Academics are taught to children in a more practical and joyful environment using indigenous Vidyarambam kits and also through audio-visual presentations. The school focuses on the Holistic development of the children wherein the children are encouraged to involve in diverse activities that include Gardening, playing long-established in-door games like Pallangkuzhi (பல்லாங்குழி), Pambaram (பம்பரம்), Chess, Carrom, art-forms like Rangoli, Arts Arts and Crafts, maintaining the School campus and also taking turns to conducting the School Assembly every day. Their Physical and Mental discipline is instilled by practising Yogasana every day and the school also has a well-stocked Library that inculcates the reading habit in children in augmenting their knowledge.

At RV school, learning happens outside the four walls of the classroom as well. Children go out for nature walk every week to observe and study the environment outside. They collect different materials like leaves, stones, twigs, paper and classify them in the classroom as living and non-living things. They also use hand lens to observe and appreciate the wonders in nature. They also set up a model milk booth outside the class room and use different measuring vessels to understand the concept of 'Capacity' in Mathematics.



### **MOBILE TOY VAN**

The Mobile Toy Van of Vidyarambam shuttles from village to village with educational and scientific toys and games kindling the enthusiasm and curiosity of children in the rural areas. The games and toys have been carefully chosen to make their learning practical and joyful, opening their minds to see beyond their immediate settings and environment and making them fly on the wings of imagination.



Children are encouraged to play with these Mind bending Toys for about 2 hours. The Brain storming games like the Memory retention games, Arithmetic games, Word building, jigsaw puzzles etc...develop hand-muscle coordination; activate the left and right brain thereby enriching the imagination and creativity in children. A firm Foundation is offered to kids and it enables hands on learning through play way method on basic concepts in Maths and English language. These toys aim at encouraging children to probe beyond the obvious objectives through discussions and reasoning which leads to the development of their linguistic skills too.

This is a boon for the little ones who do not have access to any such play material. At the end of the session within the school, the Vidyarambam Tutors who accompany the toy van spend “circle time” with the children, singing songs which helps in reinforcing the concepts that they have just learnt.

Vidyarambam is successful in alleviating the fear and hatred towards Education among the rural children by showing them that learning is an interesting aspect in their life. If children can be tapped at the right age and when learning becomes joyful, the hidden talents of the young minds start to bloom and this thirst for knowledge is infused in children once they become a part of Vidyarambam centers.



### **Village Library**

A library was set up in each village having a learning centre, to cater children's story books and novels to people in the village. Anybody from the village could access the books for free.

### **Easy Learning English (ELE)**

#### **Goal**

- Make the process of learning English as a second language more enjoyable
- Ability to read and write in English and achieve a certain amount of fluency in conversing in English
- Negate the fear of learning English which directly reflects in the drop-out rates in schools



## Objective

The ELE program has been designed in such a way that the goals mentioned could be achieved within a specified time frame. The objective of achieving the short-term and long term goals during the program has been planned systematically by drafting specific steps which gets monitored at the end of every week. The teachers get ample support from the ELE trainers who help them to achieve the weekly objectives by clearing their doubts and guiding them at every step.

## Easy Learning Maths (ELM) Goal

Four levels of skill level are targeted across the primary levels (based on appropriate grade level):

- Number sense
- Measurement
- Geometry (Spatial)

## Objective



To teach Mathematics in a fun way covering a broad range of knowledge and skills and at the same time eliminating the phobia associated with the subject. The program works hand in hand with the State Board syllabus and supports class room teaching with interactive fun based activity and games. The program covers the basic tenets of seeing, hearing, and doing Maths by deriving inspiration from nature and everyday objects around us.

For example, children measure the length, width and perimeter of a leaf, to find the area and measuring the trunk of a tree to derive  $\pi r^2$ . The program provides a strong foundation in the subject that forms the basis to succeed as these children get to higher grades and face increased complexity in Maths.

## School Model Learning Centre (SMLC)

The main objective of Vidyarambam's SMLC program during school hours is to integrate the State Board syllabus with the Vidyarambam Material. Under the guidance of academic experts, Vidyarambam has designed educational kits for various age groups starting from kids to seniors. As and when concepts are introduced in the classroom according to the Samacheer Syllabus, Vidyarambam teachers impart the same concepts to children by using the corresponding material from the educational kit. This hands-on method of learning makes learning easier, practical and enjoyable. 'Do and Understand' is the motive behind using



relevant materials to learn English Grammar and mathematical concepts like Number system, Fractions etc. and not just stop with 'Talk and Chalk' method that is extensively adopted in most of the schools. materials to learn English Grammar and mathematical concepts like Number system, Fractions etc. and not just stop with 'Talk and Chalk' method that is extensively adopted in most of the schools.

### Projects for the Year 2019-2020

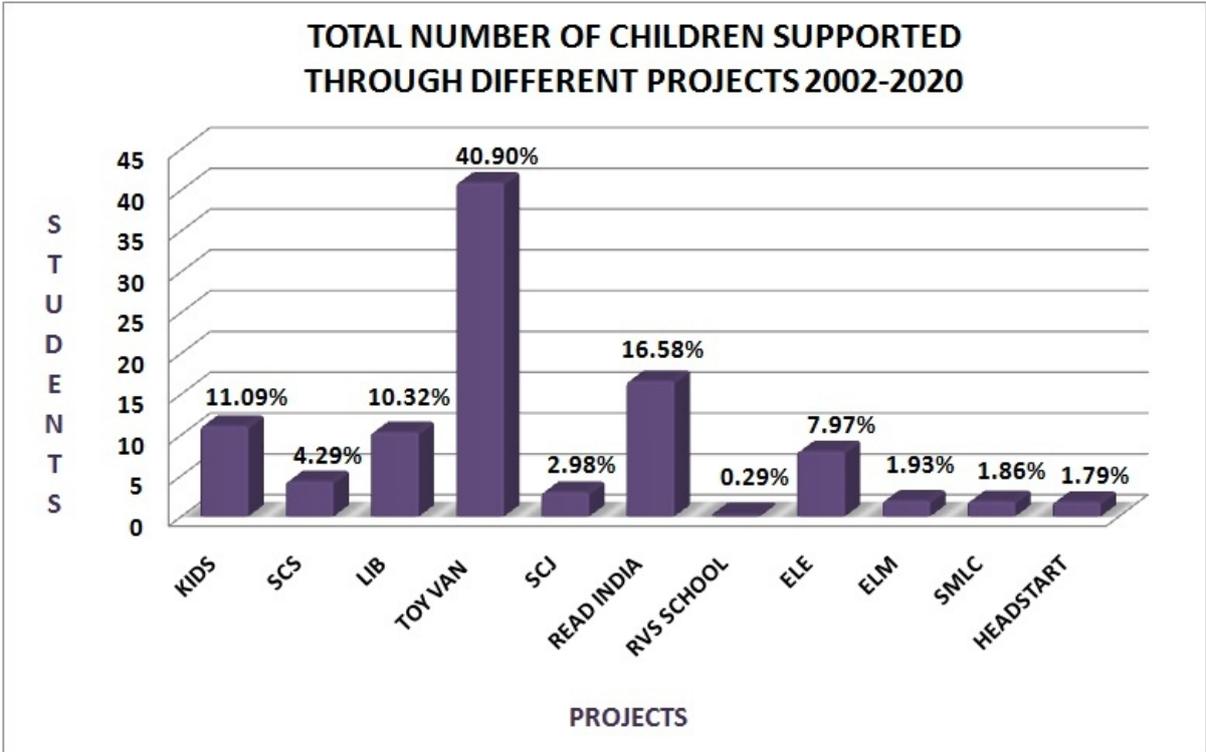
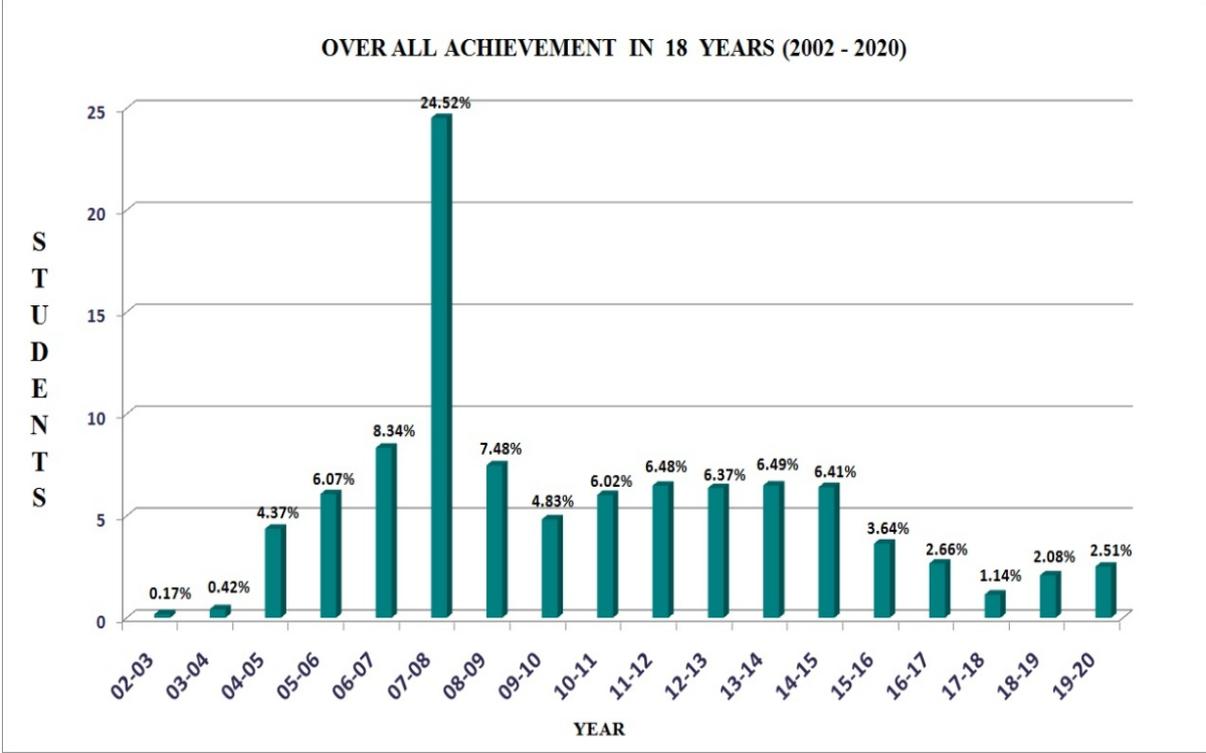
Kind of Projects 2019-20	No. of Centers Opened	No. of Children admitted
Kids	73	1277
Support Class Junior	85	1775
Support Class Senior	86	1867
Library	67	1787
Model School (RVS)	1	241
Easy Learning English	122	5601
Easy Learning Maths	6	490
Mobile Toy Van	202	7843
School Model Learning Centre (SMLC)	24	3504
<b>Total</b>	<b>666</b>	<b>24385</b>



## Results so far

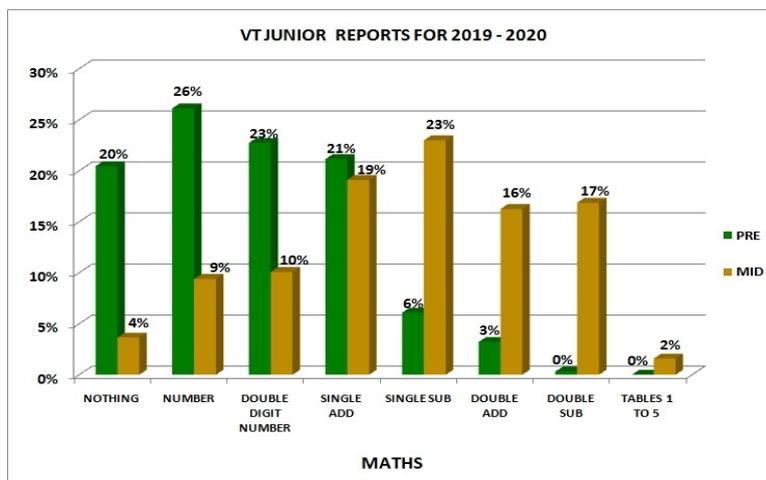
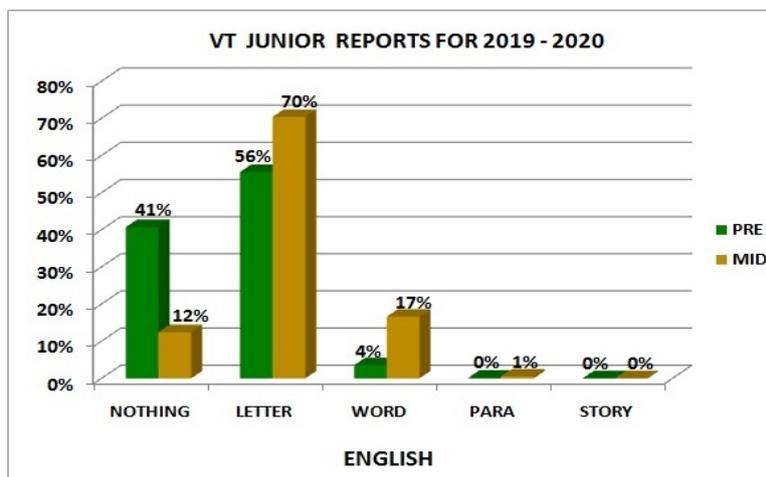
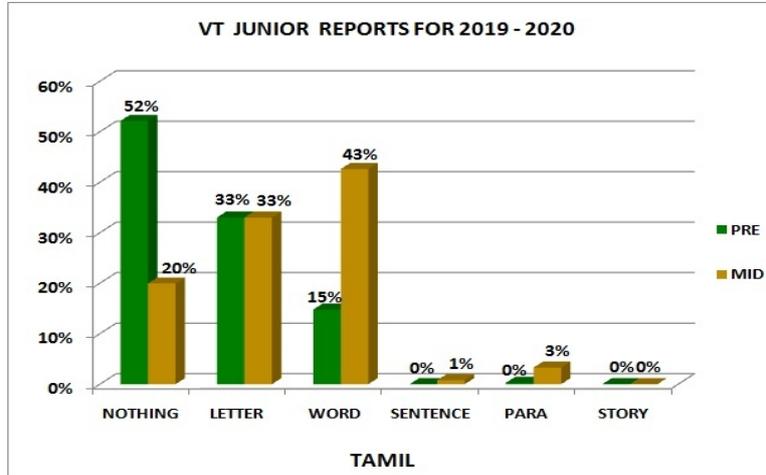
### VIDYARAMBAM TRUST Overall Achievement in 18 years (2002 - 2020)

<b>TOTAL NUMBER OF CHILDREN SUPPORTED YEAR WISE THROUGH DIFFERENT PROJECTS 2002-2020</b>																			
PROJECT NAMES	2002 to 2003	2003 to 2004	2004 to 2005	2005 to 2006	2006 to 2007	2007 to 2008	2008 to 2009	2009 to 2010	2010 to 2011	2011 to 2012	2012 to 2013	2013 to 2014	2014 to 2015	2015 to 2016	2016 to 2017	2017 to 2018	2018 to 2019	2019 to 2020	PROJECT WISE TOTAL
KIDS	1678	4070	10881	25788	34283	9514	5095	2024	1621	2086	2236	1638	1431	1153	751	1324	1064	1277	1,07,914
SUPPORT CLASS SENIOR			2800	6762	8264	2867	2806	1641	1310	2101	2225	2220	1628	1252	793	1663	1594	1867	41,793
LIBRARY			7290	10500	10885	32970	7808	3548	2714	4176	5143	4464	3377	3106	600	550	1505	1787	1,00,423
MOBILE TOY LIBRARY			21539	16044	22031	29708	53404	36659	46500	42109	35472	32566	21104	10433	11483	-	11208	7843	3,98,103
SUPPORT CLASS JUNIOR					5703	2284	3570	1863	1393	2087	2162	1705	1466	1231	784	1498	1495	1775	29,016
READ INDIA						161383	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,61,383
MODEL SCHOOL (RVS)							132	158	237	257	231	262	277	264	278	287	216	241	2,840
EASY LEARNING ENGLISH								1100	4858	10268	14463	13154	10937	7963	3414	3058	2791	5601	77,607
EASY LEARNING MATHS											48	6445	5847	4578	677	725	-	490	18,810
SMLC												756	1964	4740	4737	1972	412	3504	18,085
HEADSTART													14353	667	2411	-	-	-	17,431
CUMULATIVE TOTAL	1,678	4,070	42,510	59,094	81,166	238,726	72,815	46,993	58,633	63,084	61,980	63,210	62,384	55,387	25,928	11,077	20,285	24,385	9,73,405

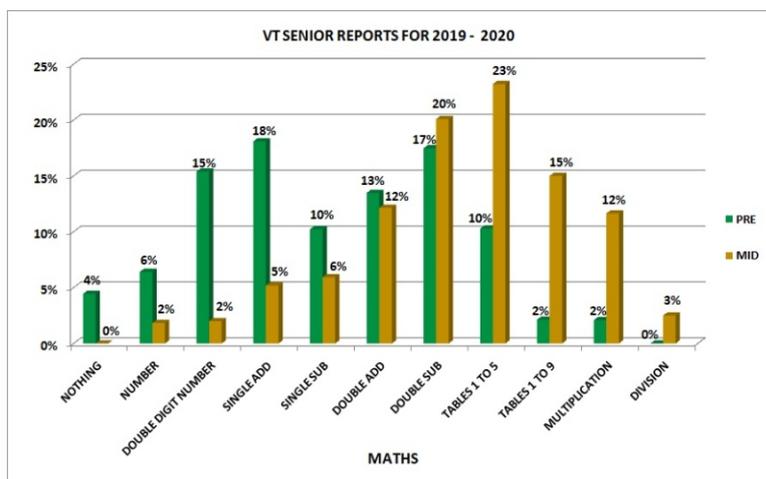
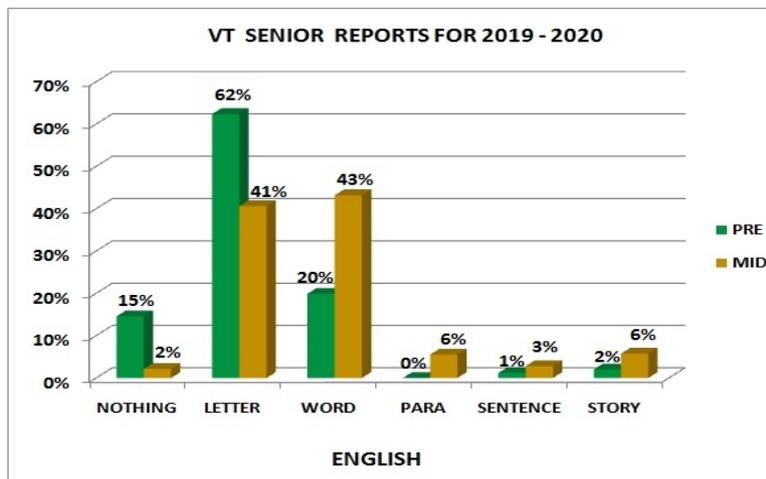
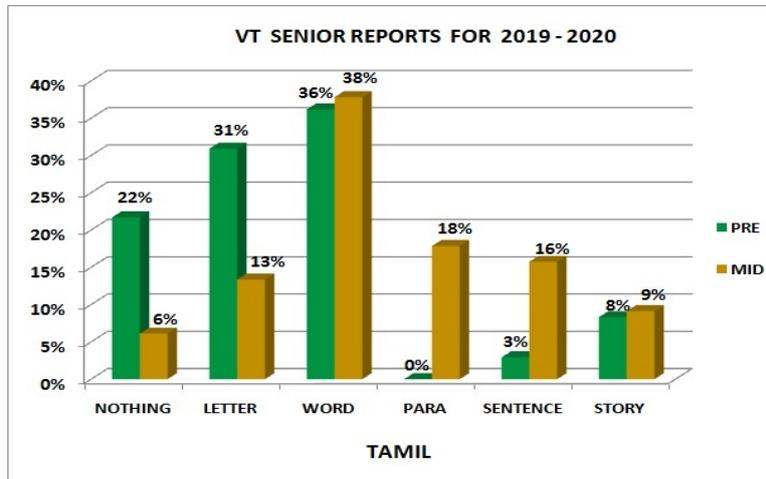


## Results for the Year 2019-2020

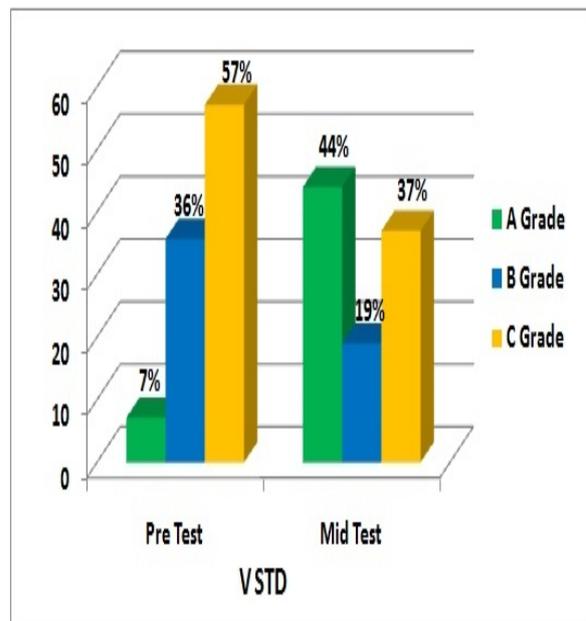
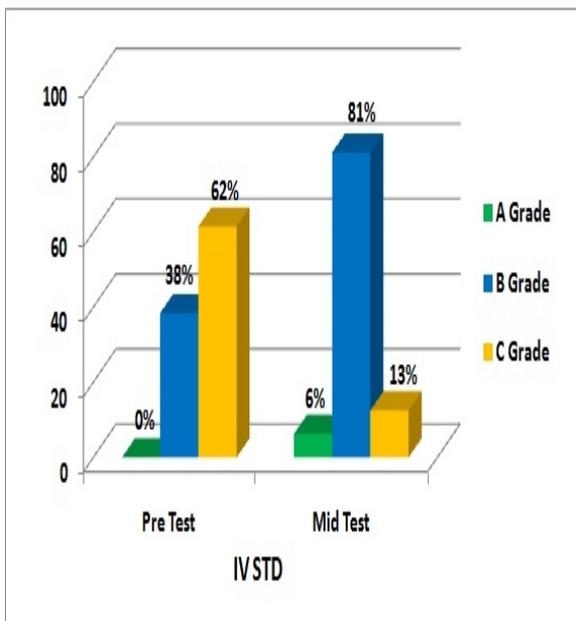
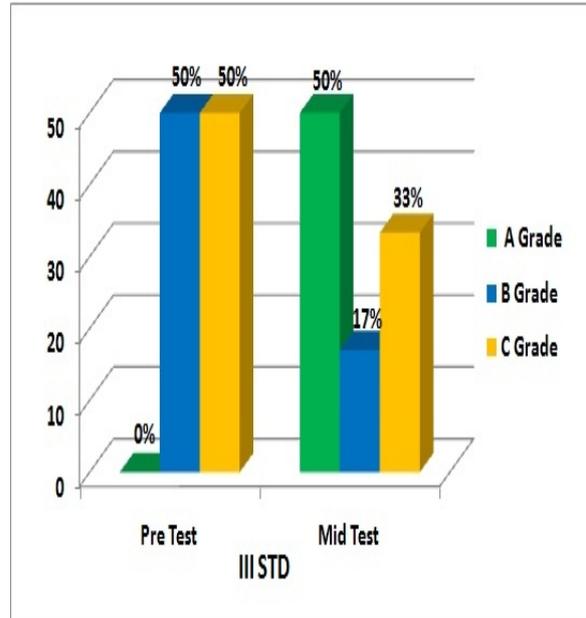
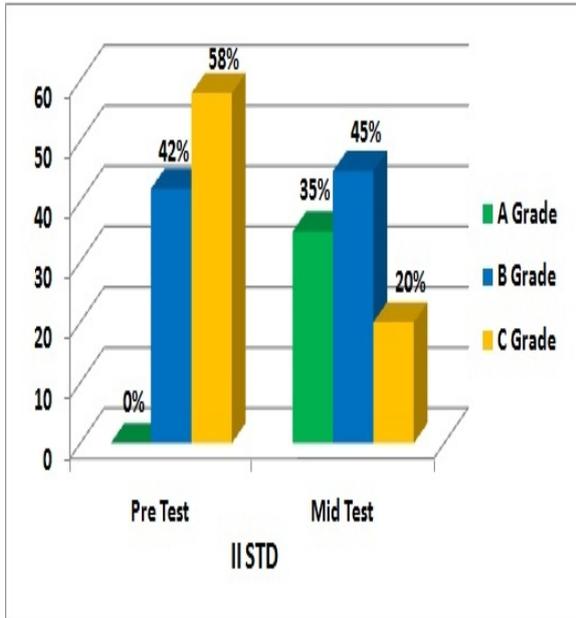
### VT Support Class Junior

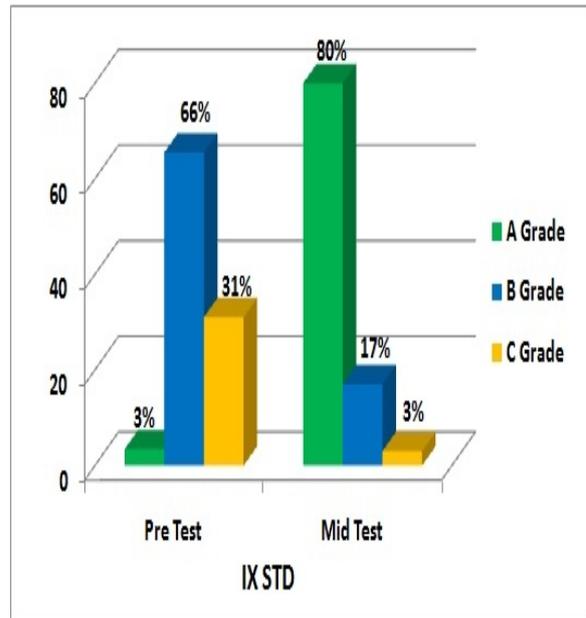
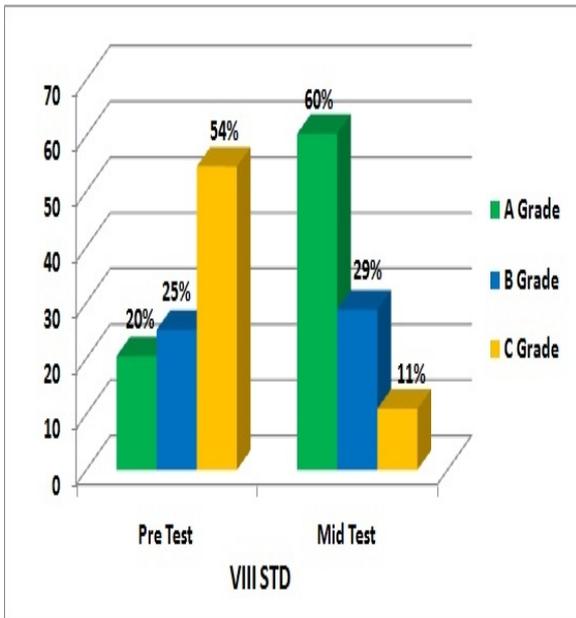
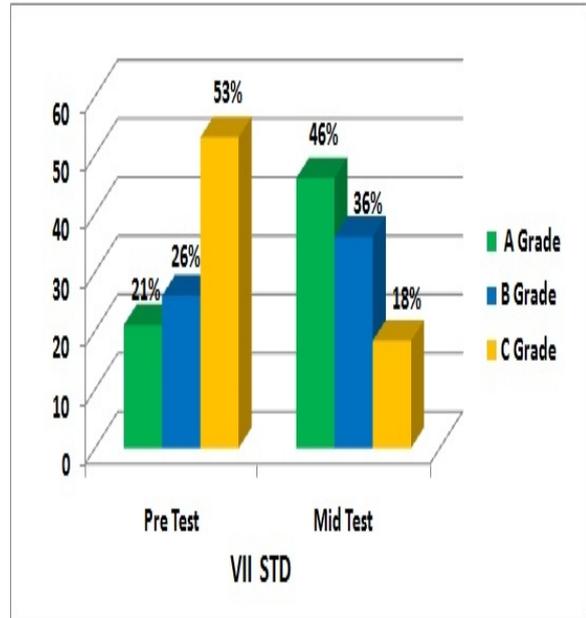
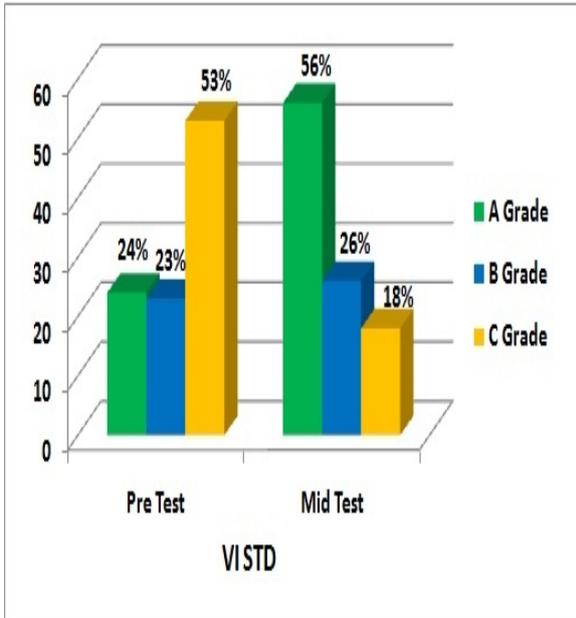


## VT Support Class Senior



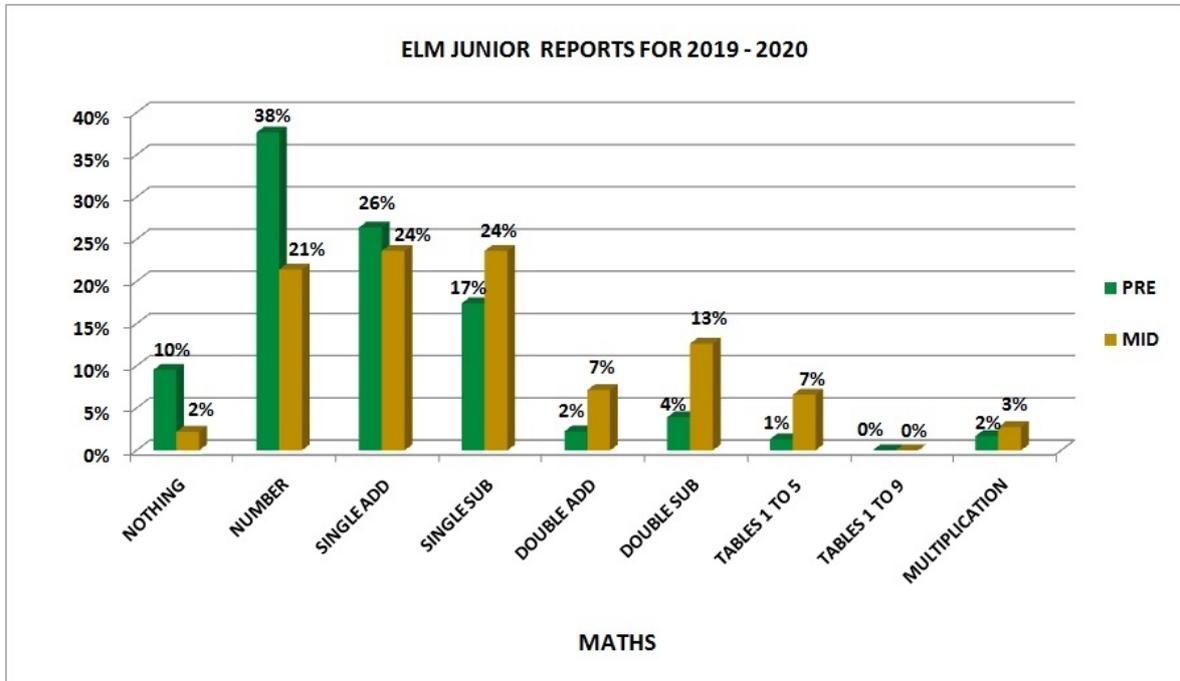
**Easy Learning English**



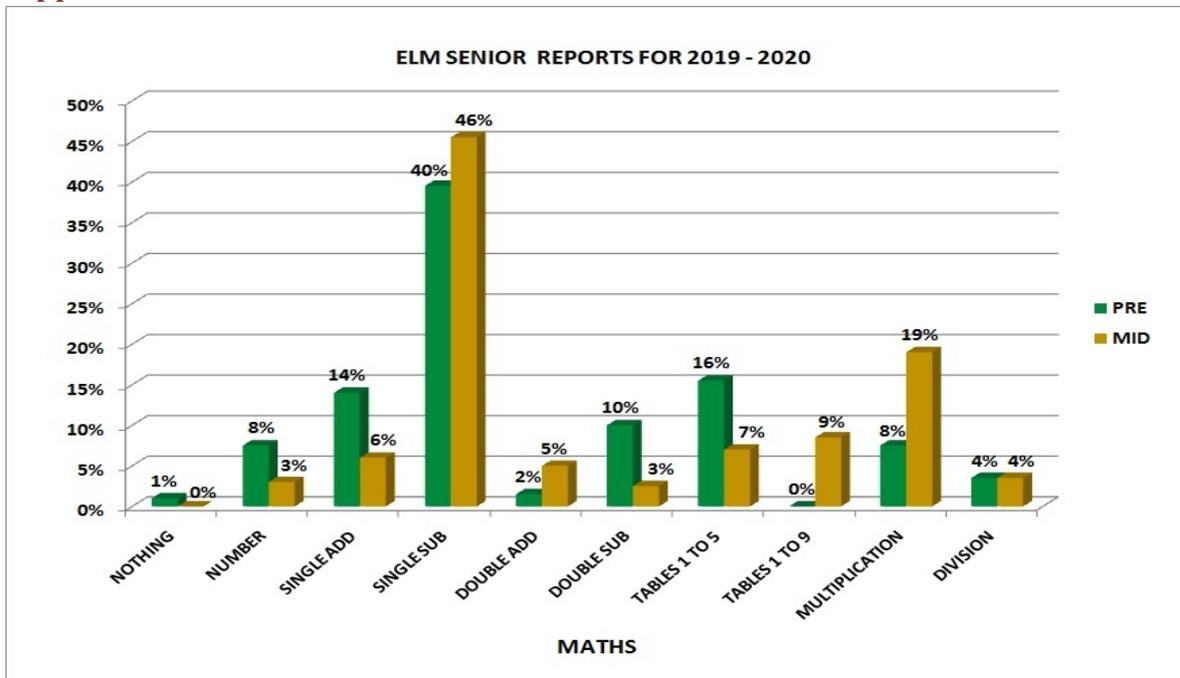


## Easy Learning Maths

### Support Class Junior

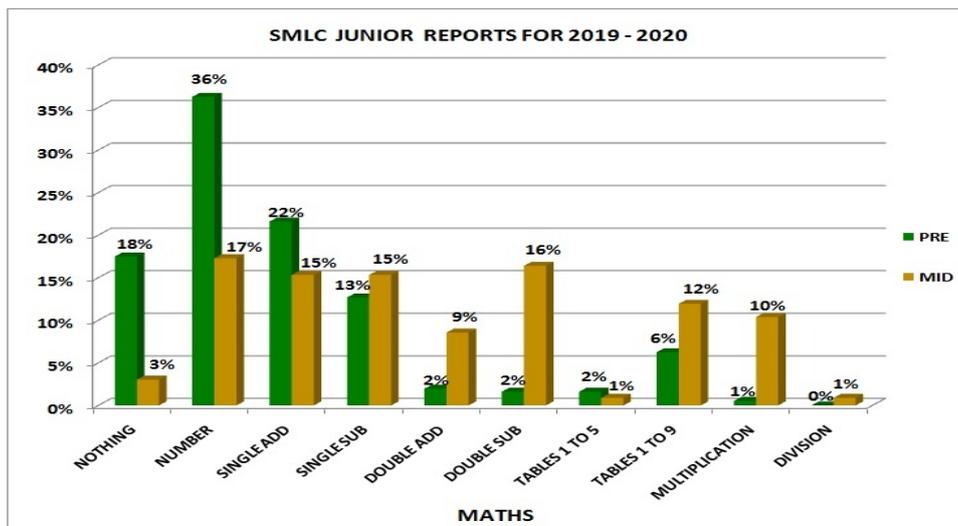
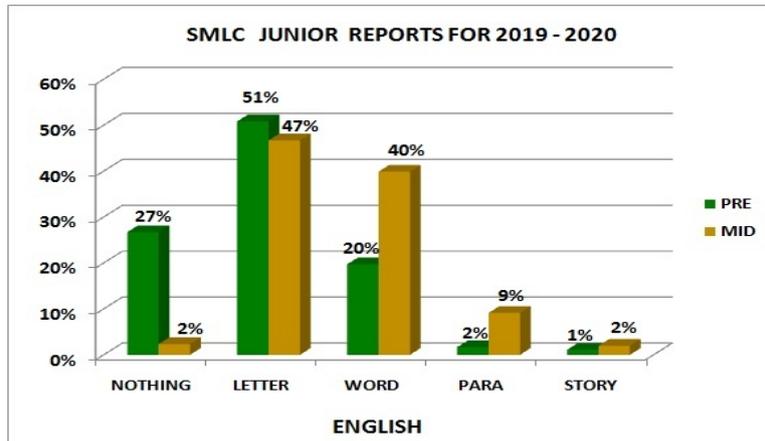
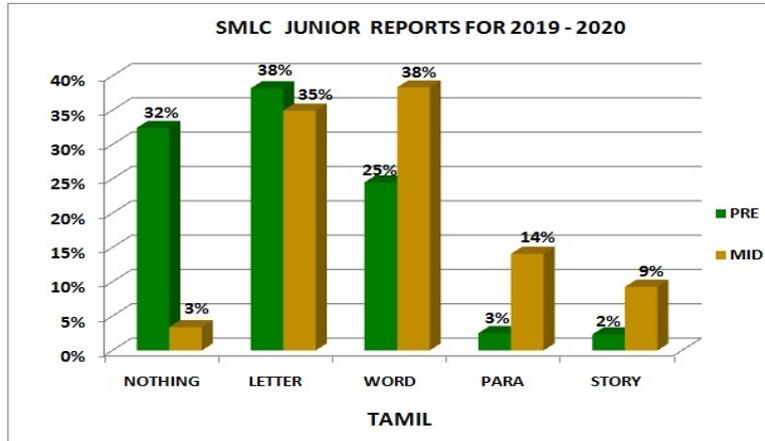


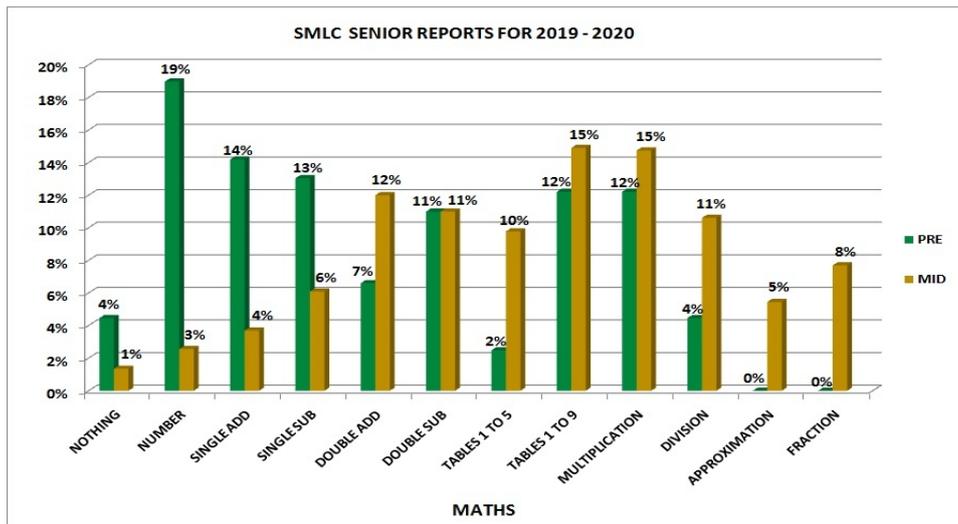
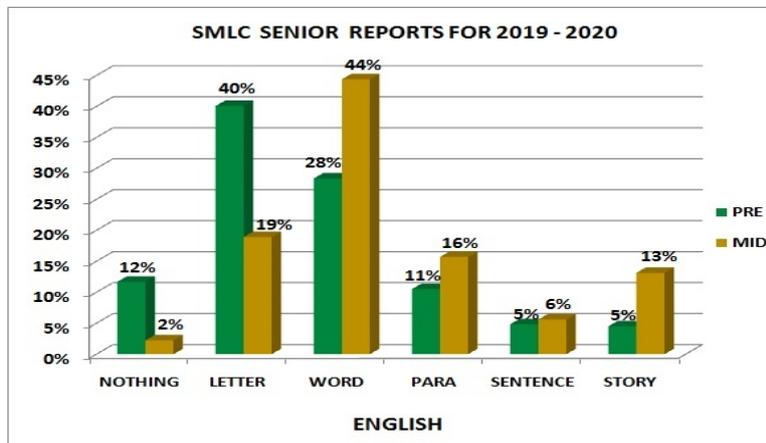
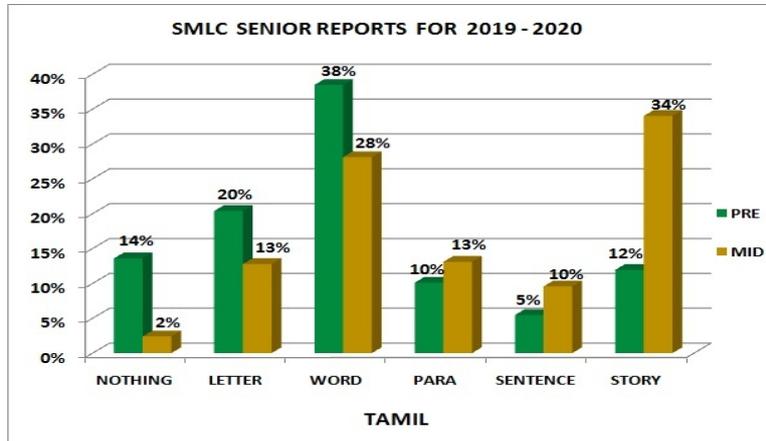
### Support Class Senior



## School Model Learning Center

### SMLC Support Class Junior





**Rotary Vidyarambam School witnessed the following events in the year 2019-20**

With the Blessings of Ramakrishna School Swamiji, Mr. Balasubramanian and Mrs. Latha Balasubramanian of the Aanandam Charitable Trust offered to provide financial support to run The Rotary Vidyarambam School, Nagapattinam from the academic year 2019-20



The School reopened on June 13, 2019 for the academic year 2019 - 2020. Mrs. Prema Veeraraghavan, Correspondent of the School and Mrs. Meenakshi Accounts Manager of Vidyarambam Trust introduced the Donors Mrs. Latha & Mr. Balasubramanian of Aanandam Charitable Trust to the teachers and students. Admission to the UKG class was also held at the school on the same day. Students were admitted in the School on the basis of their five motor Developments, namely, Fine motor, Gross Motor, Social, emotional and Cognitive Developments.



Children were given tasks like catching the ball, String of beads, walking on the rope, counting the seeds and jumping into the tire and were selected for the UKG classes.

One day in a week was allotted for Arts & Crafts, indoor games and for doing all the other activities.

World yoga day was celebrated at our school on June 21, in which our school children danced in yoga postures. They visited a nearby government school and showcased their yoga talents explaining them about the miracles of yoga and what it does to our body.

The Vana Maha Utsav was celebrated throughout the first week of July in our school. Many special guests and forest officer visited the school and watched the children's performance about nature on the occasion of the Vana Maha Utsav. They also presented many saplings and plants as gifts to the children.



Special training for school teachers was given by the Correspondent Prema Veeraraghavan and English faculty Ms. Srimathi in July 2019.

The 72nd Independence Day was celebrated on 15th August in which senior citizens living at the old age home nearby school were invited as special guests. The children performed many activities like singing freedom struggle songs, narrating stories, and poems in honor of the martyrs of the freedom fighters.



Our Rotary Vidyarambam School was selected as the Best school in the Nagapattinam district. On October 12th, School Headmistress, Mrs. Karthika received the award from CEO, Nagapattinam. Teachers from our school received the best teacher award at the district level.

A medical camp was held at the school on October 14, Doctors from Karaikal Vinayaga Mission Hospital examined the children and gave them appropriate advice and medications.



Children's day was celebrated on November 14, in which our children made projects on their own and showcased for others. Government school students from nearby visited our school to view these projects and our School children explained to them. Sweets were provided to all the children.. In the afternoon, children sang songs, narrated, stories and poems about Nehruji.



Swamiji from Ramakrishna Mission, Chennai, visited the school and had a conversation with the students and teachers, and gave a speech; He visited all the classes and praised the teachers.

The second term exams for children started from December 16.

The training for the third term was given to the teachers from December 22. All the District Coordinators of Vidyarambam along with their team participated in this training.

Samathuva Pongal was celebrated in the school on 14th January. The children brought handful of rice and the teachers brought other ingredients required for making Pongal. Traditional dance and games were held and all of them had the sweet pongal made by them.



Mrs. Shoba from the Nizhal organization visited the school and trained the school children and teachers on how to grow trees and plants.

69th Republic day was celebrated at the school on 26th January.

The Sports day was celebrated at our school on 31st January. Children played traditional games. Special competitions were held for the parents and the prizes were given to the winners.



Science day was celebrated in the school on 23rd February. The children made various science projects for the audience. Government school students and parents of our School children attended and praised the children and encouraged the students by asking various questions. The alumni meeting of the school was held on the same day. The students shared their memories and proudly explained how the things they learnt in this school are helpful for their higher studies. They also expressed their desire to teach to the children who are currently studying in this school.

### **Vidyarambam - Events for the year 2019-2020**

The 2019 - 2020 academic year of Vidyarambam began with the First term training of coordinators and assessors. The training was held for three days at the Adyar Youth Hostel in Chennai. The Education expertise Ms. Malathi Gopalakrishnan, Ms. Suseela Raghavan, and Ms. Chandra Anil appreciated the team for their excellent work and taught the teaching techniques. Dr. Venkateshvaran trained the team in yoga to keep the mind and body in condition. Our Trustee Ms. Prema Veeraraghavan and Academic Consultant Ms. Srimathi Devarajan trained the team with first term syllabus.



Following the training in Chennai, all the Coordinators in turn trained the teachers in their respective areas. Around 325 + teachers participated in the training which was held in Tirunelveli, Sankarankoil, Ramanathapuram, Trichy, Ariyalur and Nagapattinam.

In the first week of July 2019, Pretests were conducted for government school children in all the districts. The Coordinators, Assessors and teachers of Vidyarambam

conducted the Pretest for the Children to assess the knowledge level of the children on their class and age basis. Depending on this the children were taught.

In the first week of August, the Libraries were opened in all the districts, followed by opening of Math (ELM) centers. Summit classes on behalf of Ullas Trust were conducted in all the districts.

Follow up training was given to all the teachers working in Vidyarambam at the end of August by the respective district Coordinators and Assessors.



Three books having the contents taught in Vidyarambam namely “Aadalum Paadalum” the songs, Science Activities and English Activity Book were published in September 2019 and were released in the presence of School Heads or teachers from the Government Schools in the respective districts. They were very appreciative of the contents of the book. The entire Vidyarambam team consisting of Coordinators, Assessors, and Academic Consultants have put in their efforts to publish as a book.

Vidyarambam teaching methodology is adopted to teach the lessons from Samacheer book and the second term training was given to all the teachers by the Assessors and Coordinators.



On February 24th, teachers from other schools, who were very happy about Vidyarambam's teaching technique, were trained in Sirkali Office. The Block Educational Officer Mr. Srinivasan in Sembanarkoil was the special guest of the day.

It was decided to start a Resource center at the Sirkali branch office of Vidyarambam and it was decided to upgrade the learning equipment. Mrs. Prema Veeraraghavan conducted training for resource center members at Sirkali branch on how to use and create Resource material.



The second term training was held at the Youth Hostel in Chennai. During this training many exercises in Science, Mathematics, English and Yoga were given.

Mrs. Prema trained all the coordinators and assessors on the many exercises to be done with newspapers like pasting parts of a plant, creating riddles and creating same sounding words.

Mrs. Srimathi provided training through activities for adverb, adjective, suffix and prefix in English. She also gave training in English concepts such as puzzles, hints development and riddles.

Mrs. Shoba from the Nizhal organization attended the training and gave training on how to plant trees.

Mr. Hari from Yogarakshana demonstrated the daily yoga practice for children and teachers and gave the copy of the Yoga book. It was decided on that day that eight asanas should be taught to children daily.

The coordinators and assessors who attended the training held in Chennai conducted the second term training for the teachers in their area in October.



The “Can Do” workshop for Ullas Trust was held in Chennai in September and the Vidyarambam team from all the districts participated.



Government School Heads and teachers praised the service of the Vidyarambam and honored the Coordinators in all the districts.

Follow up training for the second term was held at the end of November for teachers in all districts.

It was decided to bring a book explaining the usage of materials in the kit box. All the Coordinators and assessors with the help of Academic Consultants worked on it and finally compiled this at Sirkali Office.

The training for the third term was held at our Rotary Vidyarambam School in Nagapattinam district on 21 & 22 December 2019. Each Coordinator conducted the training in one subject with the guidance of the Academic Consultant.



Word riddles in four corner game, forming the pattern with the materials used in School and training to ask questions through various charts (like occupation, animals, birds and vehicle charts), introducing vegetables flowers and fruits by whispering game. Exercises were given to the assessors and coordinators on Length, circumference, Spirograph, fraction and calendar.

## Ramanathapuram Akshara Learning Centers

NSE Foundation is funding different projects to make Ramanathapuram, a model district, and Vidyarambam Trust was chosen to teach for primary children in Mandapam Block in Rameswaram. Green Rameswaram Trust was appointed as Technical Knowledge Partner.



Ms.Prabhavathi, our State Coordinator from Tirunelveli was assigned this project and she moved to Rameswaram for a year. Since this is totally a new project, she met the Schools Head and recruited Assessors and teachers for this project which was named as Akshara Learning Centers.



First term training for the Assessors and the teachers was given from 7th to 11th of June 2019 in Green Rameswaram which started with the Prayers to the Almighty.

Mr. Vasudeoji, Secretary of Vivekananda Kendra, Mr. Paranji of Karuna Trust, Mr.Hegde of Green Rameswaram Trust, Mr. Karthikeyan, Mr. Sridhar, Mr. Ramar and Sister Saraswathi participated in the training inauguration program.

On 13th June, 2019, all the Akshara Learning Centers were opened in 26 Schools in Mandapam Block. Vidyarambam Tirunelveli Team members Ms. Prabavathi, Ms.Sivakami, Ms. Darani Shanthi, Ms.Shanthakumari, Ms. Sangeetha and Mr. Ganesh started the centers in various Schools.

Refreshing training was given to the assessors and the teachers on a periodical basis as this is a new project and wanted the team to be well versed in Vidyarambam teaching methodology.

A meeting with the Collector and NSE Foundation was held on the 19th July, 2019, wherein all the NGO's supported by NSE Foundation participated. Ramanathapuram Collector, Mr. Veeraraghava Rao spoke on how we can work together to bring about change and make Ramanathapuram a model District. After this, on behalf of NSE, an agreement to develop Ramanathapuram on all sides like Education, Water, Elderly care, Hygiene, Wash care etc. to the tune of Rs.20 Crores ,was signed by the Collector and Mrs. Rema Mohan, Director, NSE Foundation.





In July 2019, Ms.Sneha of Sattva, the Project Auditor appointed by NSE Foundation, surveyed Vidyarambam Centres and discussed the projects. She was impressed with the teaching methodology of Vidyarambam, the children's capabilities. and gained clarity on duties of the Assessors and the Coordinator by discussing with them individually. Ms.Dharini from Sattva visited the Centres in October and discussed with the Heads of the School about Vidyarambam teachings. The School head and the teachers conveyed their

happiness in the improvement of the children through Vidyarambam teaching methodology.

Vidyarambam founder late Mr.V.Ranganathan's Birthday was celebrated on 27th August 2019. GRT Head Mr.Hegde, Gandhigram Project Director Mr.Chandrasekar lit the lamp. A book of songs for the children, English Activity book and Science Activity book were released. All the NGO partners and other members of Green Rameswaram participated along with Vidyarambam Team.



A meeting with the community people was held in August, 2019 in which the State Coordinator explained about the origin of Vidyarambam, its growth, working methodology and the achievements. She also



narrated about NSE Foundation and how it has implemented so many projects in Ramanathapuram District to make it a model district. The parents were informed about the relationship between the students and the teachers in Vidyarambam and insisted that the parents should interact with their children.

On 30th August 2019, a video shoot was taken in Karaiyur Panchayat Union Primary School. The village people were kind enough to spare a marriage hall to shoot the events and the shoot went on well with the cooperation of the villagers and the head of the School.

A meeting was held on 7th Sep 2019 in Vidyarambam Head Office with the coordinators from all districts to get the feedback about the first quarter and to plan for second term training.

A meeting with the Collector of Ramanathapuram was held on 10th September 2019 with all the NGO Partners. They discussed about their projects. An appeal was placed before the Collector to give permission to conduct the programs in the School. On 18th September, with Collector's recommendation, permission letters were issued by District and Block Education Officers.

Ms.Taruni from Sattva, Project Audit team the visited the centers in Rameswaram on 18thOctober, 2019. She came to Thangachi Madam and Kaatupillayar Koil Learning Centers. She had a discussion with the assessors and tutors who in turn shared their experiences with her. Children's math capacity was assessed by her. She interacted with the Head of the Schools to know about Vidyarambam's teaching methodology and the impact on the children. Ms.Taruni also discussed with the Parents from Akkal madam to understand whether Vidyarambam's intervention is useful for their wards.

Third term training for the teachers was done on 9th and 10th January 2020 in Green Rameswaram Trust Office.

Village Development Group meeting was held in Panchayat Schools quarterly.

Pongal festival was celebrated in Green Rameswaram Trust Office with all the NGOs supported by NSE Foundation.

Mr. Aashir and Mrs. Parvathi from Sattva visited our Centres for reviewing our projects.

Following aspects were reviewed

1. Roles & responsibilities & experience of Coordinators, assessors and tutors.
  2. Project out put
  3. Milestone and reasons for delays
  4. Verification of relevant documents
  5. Analyzed baseline and mid line
2. Discussion with Headmistress and Headmasters
  1. Verify the project progress
  2. General feedback on the project implementation.

Village development Group meeting was held at Panchayat Schools (primary and middle) of Meyampuli, Akkalmadam, Peykarumbu and No. 2 School. Head of the villages and the parents and teachers participated children demonstrated some activities to the forum. Participants saw the learning Centres. Children sang the songs joyfully and wrote articles.

Final test was conducted for Junior and Senior students.

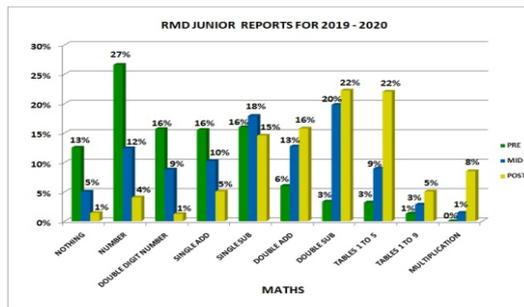
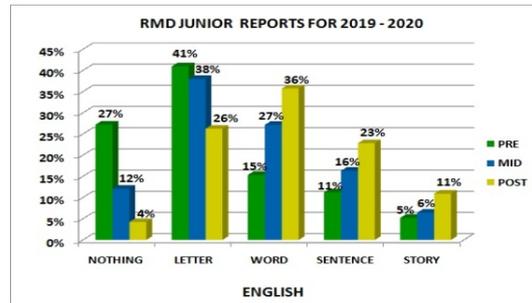
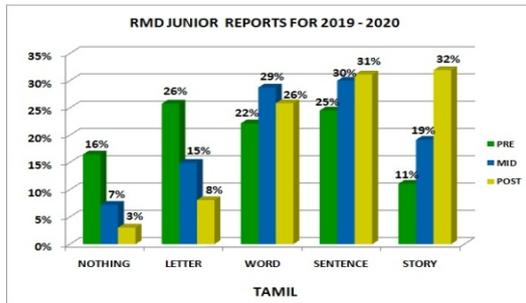
Mrs. Suthamathi Block Educational officer attended the program with interacted with the tutors. She went through our records, materials and all the test reports base, mid and final. She demonstrated how to introduce group activity using materials in a play way method. For example, if a group says a letter, then the next group should say a word starting with that letter and next group should say a sentence starting with that word. Similarly, she gave some ideas for math and science too which was very useful and interesting. She was also appreciative of Vidyarambam work.

NSEF partners at Green Rameswaram Trust office organized awareness program on CORONA COVID 19' for the staff of all the NGOs.

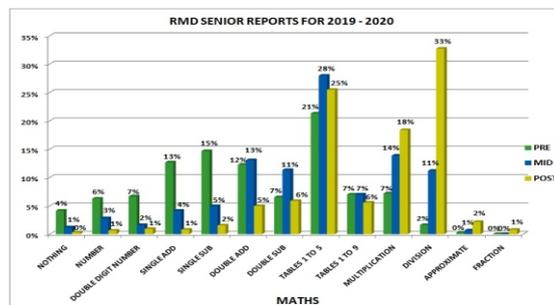
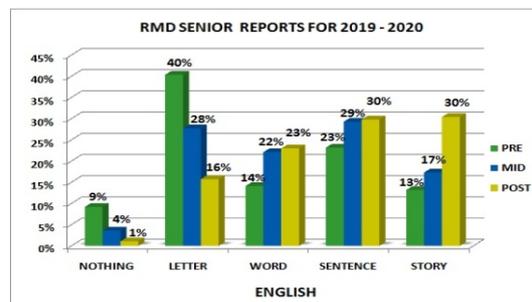
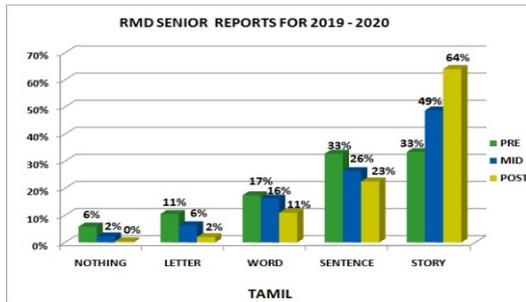
Vidyarambam gave COVID 19 awareness program in 22 villages about protecting oneself from virus, necessity of hand wash, method of hand-wash and also explained about the symptoms of Covid 19 on 23rd March 2020.

# RMD Project

## Support Class Junior



## Support Class Senior



**M/s. VIDYARAMBAM TRUST**10/2, First Main Road, Kasturba Nagar,  
Adyar, **CHENNAI - 600 020****BALANCE SHEET AS ON 31-03-2020**

	SCH NO.	AS ON 31.03.2020	AS ON 31.03.2019
<b><u>CAPITAL FUND</u></b>			
General Fund	1	1,34,62,228.15	1,29,89,121.13
<b>Total</b>		<b>1,34,62,228.15</b>	<b>1,29,89,121.13</b>
<b><u>APPLICATION OF FUNDS</u></b>			
<b><u>A. FIXED ASSETS</u></b>			
Gross Block	2	16,01,862.00	17,31,241.00
Less : Depreciation for the year		2,26,351.00	2,43,750.00
<b>W D V (A)</b>		<b>13,75,511.00</b>	<b>14,87,491.00</b>
<b><u>B.CURRENT ASSETS LOANS&amp;ADVANCES</u></b>			
i) Current Assets	3	1,16,89,695.15	1,13,27,417.13
ii) Other Current Assets	4	-	10,072.00
iii) Loans & Advances	5	4,07,447.00	1,78,735.00
		<b>1,20,97,142.15</b>	<b>1,15,16,224.13</b>
<b><u>LESS:CURRENT LIABILITIES AND PROVISIONS</u></b>			
i) Current liabilities	6	10,425.00	14,594.00
ii) Provisions		-	-
<b>Net Current Assets (B)</b>		<b>1,20,86,717.15</b>	<b>1,15,01,630.13</b>
<b>Total (A) + (B)</b>		<b>1,34,62,228.15</b>	<b>1,29,89,121.13</b>
Significant Accounting Policies & Notes on Accounts	14	-	-
Schedules referred to above form an integral part of this Balance Sheet			
For <b>VIDYARAMBAM TRUST</b>		As per our Report of even date For <b>S.RAVI &amp; ASSOCIATES</b> <b>CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS</b>	
Sd/- <b>C K SRIDHAR</b> President	Sd/- <b>V. SRIRAM</b> Treasurer	Sd/- <b>S. RAVI</b> Proprietor M. No.: 204618	
Place: Chennai Date : 02.09.2020			

**M/s. VIDYARAMBAM TRUST**

10/2, First Main Road, Kasturba Nagar,  
Adyar, CHENNAI - 600 020

**INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31-03-2020**

	SCH NO	FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31.03.2020	FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31.03.2019
<b>INCOME</b>			
a. Donations Received			
i. Foreign Contributions		85,55,062.32	79,26,849.02
ii. Indian Contributions		98,43,409.39	36,60,378.40
b. Teaching Material & Book Fee Collections	7	-	3,13,050.00
c. Interest Received & Other Income	8	4,80,148.00	3,67,554.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>1,88,78,619.71</b>	<b>1,22,67,831.42</b>
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>			
Cost of Teaching and Learning Materials	9	6,11,095.00	2,08,244.50
Instructors Fees		78,41,769.00	44,09,530.00
Training & Monitoring Expenses	10	50,21,687.29	39,79,857.87
Project Support Expenses	11	9,50,760.68	8,42,939.37
School Operating Expenses	12	20,79,003.38	19,05,622.10
Fund Raising Expenses		8,95,000.00	-
Administrative Cost	13	7,79,846.34	8,16,447.66
Depreciation	2	2,26,351.00	2,43,750.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>1,84,05,512.69</b>	<b>1,24,06,391.50</b>
Excess of Income over Expenditure transferred to Balance Sheet		<b>4,73,107.02</b>	<b>(1,38,560.08)</b>
Significant Accounting Policies & Notes on Accounts	14	-	-
Schedules referred to above form an integral part of this Income & Expenditure Account			
For <b>VIDYARAMBAM TRUST</b>		As per our Report of even date For <b>S.RAVI &amp; ASSOCIATES</b> <b>CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS</b>	
Sd/- <b>C K SRIDHAR</b> President	Sd/- <b>V. SRIRAM</b> Treasurer	Sd/- <b>S. RAVI</b> Proprietor M. No.: 204618	
Place: Chennai Date : 02.09.2020			

**M/s. VIDYARAMBAM TRUST**

10/2, First Main Road, Kasturba Nagar, Adyar, CHENNAI - 600 020

**RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31-03-2020**

RECEIPTS		Rs.	Ps.	PAYMENTS		Rs.	Ps.
<b>To</b>				<b>By</b>			
<u>Opening Balances</u>				<u>Expenses</u>			
Cash In Hand	16,832.00			Cost of Teaching Learning Materials	5,67,223.00		
Balance with Bank				Instructor Fees	78,41,769.00		
- SBI A/c	76,539.30			Training & Monitoring	50,21,687.29		
- ICICI - SB A/c (162)	28,69,905.92			Project Support Expenses	9,44,857.68		
- ICICI - SB A/c (163) FCRA	79,56,451.88			School Operating Expenses	20,79,003.38		
- IOB - SB A/c	2,93,816.03			Fund Raising Expenses	8,95,000.00		
- FD Account	70,000.00		1,12,83,545.13	Administrative Expenses	10,08,558.34		1,83,58,098.69
<u>Incomes</u>				<u>Additions to Fixed Assets</u>			
Donations received-Foreign	85,55,062.32			Digital Camera	6,580.00		
Donations received-Local	98,43,409.39			Computer & Peripherals	34,808.00		
Interest received	4,80,148.00		1,88,78,619.71	Electrical Equipments	45,133.00		
				Camera - RVS	27,850.00		1,14,371.00
				<u>Closing Balances</u>			
				Cash In Hand	6,237.00		
				Balance with Bank			
				- SBI A/c	2,80,638.98		
				- ICICI - SB A/c (162)	14,12,179.71		
				- ICICI - SB A/c (163) FCRA	30,900.68		
				- IOB - SB A/c	1,23,267.73		
				- Kotak Non FC	1,44,355.92		
				- Kotak FC	4,43,385.00		
				- FD Account	92,48,730.13		1,16,89,695.15
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>3,01,62,164.84</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>3,01,62,164.84</b>

As per our Report of even date  
For **S.RAVI & ASSOCIATES**  
**CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS**

For **VIDYARAMBAM TRUST**

Sd/-  
S. RAVI  
Proprietor  
M. No.: 204618

Sd/-  
V. SRIRAM  
Treasurer

Sd/-  
C K SRIDHAR  
President

Place : Chennai  
Date : 02.09.2020

**M/s. VIDYARAMBAM TRUST**  
10/2, First Main Road, Kasturba Nagar,  
Adyar, **CHENNAI - 600 020**

**SCHEDULE - 14**  
**NOTES ON ACCOUNTS AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

1. The accounts of the Trust is prepared under historical cost convention on accrual basis of accounting, except for fees collection in Rotary Vidyarambam School at Nagapattinam. This decision was taken by the Board keeping in view of the poor financial background of the children's family in that locality.
2. The information regarding the existing and new projects started during the year by the Trust is provided in the annual report
3. The Trust has approval under section 80G of the IT Act, 1961 Vide DIT (E) NO: 2 (35) 04-05 valid in perpetuity
4. Details about donations received in kind and their utilisation is maintained seperately and the same is not brought in books.
5. **Fixed Assets :**  
Fixed Assets are shown at cost less depreciation. The Trust capitalizes all costs of acquisition and installation of Fixed Assets including charges.
6. **Depreciation :**  
Depreciation in respect of Fixed Assets is provided for on Written Down Value Method at the rates and in the manner specified under Income Tax Rules 1962.
7. **Foreign Currency Donations**  
The Trust has approval for five years till October 2021 under Foreign Contribution Regulation Act, 2010 and received donations in foreign currency during the year.
8. Previous Years figures have been regrouped / re - classified wherever necessary to suit the current year headings and terminology.

For **VIDYARAMBAM TRUST**

As per our Report of even date  
**For S.RAVI & ASSOCIATES**  
**CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS**

Sd/-  
**C K SRIDHAR**  
President

Sd/-  
**V. SRIRAM**  
Treasurer

Sd/-  
**S. RAVI**  
Proprietor  
M. No.: 204618

Place: Chennai  
Date : 02.09.2020

## Disclosure of Facts & Figures

### **Policies of the Organization**

The Board members of the Trust will not be rotated. All members shall serve for the term of their natural lives or until they wish to retire. New members shall be appointed as and when required with the approval of the other Board Members.

The trust has an investment policy by which the President and the Treasurer jointly have the authority to operate the bank accounts and deposit the Trust funds in the bank accounts opened in the name of the Trust and collect interest or dividend on investment of the Trust fund.

Regarding purchase, sales and disposal of assets, the President will have the authority to decide in consultation with other trustees as necessary.

Personnel recruitment and training will be planned and decided by the President.

### **Accounts**

The accounts of our organization are constructed on accrual basis.

### **Executing Staff Benefits**

Benefits for the Head of the Organization

Zero

Remuneration / Reimbursement to Board Members

Sl. No.	Board Members Name	Remuneration	Reimbursement
1	C.K. Sridhar	0	0
2	Prema Veeraraghavan	2,40,000	0
3	V. Sriram	0	0
4	Lakshmi Swaminathan	0	0
5	Y. Sridhar	0	0

### **Distribution of staff**

Highest / Lowest paid staff Members		Salary Levels (Rs)	Male staff	Female staff	Total staff
General Manager	Rs. 58,000 p.m.	Less than 5000	0	351	351
Tutor	Rs. 1,400 p.m.	5,001 - 10,000	3	62	65
		10,001 - 25000	2	9	11
		25,001 - 50,000	0	2	2
		50,000 and above	0	1	1
		Total	5	425	430

### **Travel Cost** (Board Members and all Staff)

Total International Travel cost                      Nil  
Total National Travel cost                                Nil

## ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

We would like to thank the following donors for their support to Vidyarambam, either by funding or by giving materials for the Projects. Apart from donations, they also interact with us and give their valuable suggestions.

### INSTITUTIONS

**Pratham Education Foundation** USA for their continuous support for all our Projects.

**NSE Foundation** for supporting Akshaya Learning Centers( Primary Schools) in Mandapam Block, Rameswaram in Ramanathapuram District

**Pioneer Music Gym** organized two music shows “The Crescendo” in Chennai in August and October 2019 and donated the proceeds to Vidyarambam.

**Aanandam Charitable Trust** for supporting Rotary Vidyarambam School, Nagapattinam

**OPEN India Charitable Trust** for supporting English Classes in Chennai Corporation Schools.

**UllasTrust** for sponsoring English Classes for Middle School Children in rural villages of Tamil Nadu.

**AVO Carbon India Pvt. Ltd**, supporting ELE program in Chennai Schools

**GiveIndia, Give Foundation, UK Online Giving Foundation, Benevity Inc., NASSCOM Foundation** for supporting Village Centers

### PHILANTHROPISTS

**Mrs & Mr. Paul Pandian**, Director, Pratham USA National Board, an ardent supporter of Vidyarambam who has been donating generously.

**Mrs & Mr. Sri Sridharan**, ardent supporter of Vidyarambam. He visits Vidyarambam Centers and interacts with the Team during his trips to India.

**Mrs & Mr. Viswa Santhanam**, an ardent supporter of Vidyarambam.

**Mrs & Mr. S.Damodharan** for supporting Ayyampalayam village in Dindigul District

**Mrs & Mr.Manoj Murali** for contributing their wedding proceeds to Vidyarambam

**Mrs & Mr.Krishna** for contributing their daughter’s wedding proceeds to Vidyarambam

**Mrs & Mr. T. V Ravisankar** for supporting a village in Kanyakumari District.

**Mr. K.Srinivasan** for supporting Sithamalli Village in Mayiladuthurai.

**Mr. Subramanian Narayan, Singapore** for supporting Centers in a Corporation School, Chennai



### **DONATIONS IN KIND AND SERVICES**

**Mr. Auditor Ravi & Associates** for taking care of Accounts and Audit of Vidyarambam Trust

**M/s. Niyati Technologies and Mr. Pradeep** for maintaining Vidyarambam Website.

Anonymous Donors who send gifts like Toys, Books, and Educational kits through **AMAZON.**

**M/s. Pratham Books** for donating books.

**Mrs & Mr.Srinivasan R** for donating Table, Chairs, Library books

**M/s. Ullas Trust** for donating the desktops.

### **INDIVIDUAL DONORS**

Mr Abhishek Kedia	Mr Narayanan R
Mr Anand Narayan Sivaprakasam	Ms. Natasha Mandal
Mr.Anand Radhakrishnan	Mr Nitin Khan
Mr.Anirudh Venkat	Mr Pillairkulam Ramaswami Parthasarathy
Mr Annie Choudhary	Mr Prabakar Elumalai
Mr.Arun Kumar Jain	Mr Prakash K.V
Mr Arun Kumar Rajagopalan	Mr Prasanna Venkatesh Muthukrishnan
Ms.Ayushi Jain	Mr Prasanna Valliappan
Mr Baskar Paneerselvam	Mr Radhakrishnan H
Mr Bhargav P	Mr. Raj Agneeswaran
Mr Chandra Mouli K.R	Mr Rajagopalan Vaithyanathan
Mr Damodaran & Ms Kavitha Damodaran	Ms Rajshri K.R
Mr Darshan	Mr Ramanathan Venkataramani
Mr Deepika Shivakumaran	Mr Ramaratnam
Mr.Gautam Dharamshi	Mr Ramaswamy V
Mr Govindan T.C	Mr.Rangarajan Gopal
Ms Ishwaki Thakkar	Mr Ravisankar Thenkarai
Mr Jagadees S	Ms Sandhya Hariharan
Ms Kalpana Krishna	Ms. Sarah Grace Samji
Mr Karthik Meiyappan M	Mr Sayiram S
Mr Krishna N	Mr. Shanmugam Ramasamy
Ms Lakshmi Balasubramanian	Mr Shivkumar Hegde -Price water House Coopers
Ms LakshmiNarayanan U	Mr Sureshpatnam
M/s Manish Creations	Mr Thirunavukkarasu S
Ms Madhurya Srinivas	Mr. Thirumalai
Ms Manoj Murali	Ms.Usha and Mr.Hariharaputhran
Ms.Medha Parthasarathy	Mr Venkata Raghavendar Rao Tumma
Mr Nagaraj S	Mr Venkatesan K.K
Mr Nagnath Vishwanath Pai	

## **CORPORATE DONORS**

M/s ADD ADS  
M/s Bringing Smiles  
M/s Blue Jay Nuts Pvt. Ltd.  
M/s City Union Bank Ltd.  
M/s Covai Property Centre India Pvt. Ltd, – Covai pelican  
M/s ETA STAR Techcity Pvt. Ltd.  
M/s Federal Bank  
M/s Highpower Infrastructure Ltd.  
M/s ISolve  
M/s McDermott Middle East Inc., - Mandar Deshpand  
M/s Mahindra Holidays and Resorts India Ltd.  
M/s Preya Business Support Services  
M/s Powertrac Engineers Pvt. Ltd.  
M/s Price water House Coopers Pvt. Ltd.  
M/s Quantum Leap Consulting Pvt. Ltd.  
M/s Sathyabama Institute of Science and Technology Trust  
M/s Smile Micro Finance  
M/s SPI Music Pvt. Ltd.  
M/s SPR Current A/C Residential  
M/s Sri Kaliswari Metal Powders Pvt. Ltd.  
M/s Sundaram BNP Paribas Home Finance Ltd.  
M/s Sundaram Finance Holding Ltd.  
M/s TransSys Solutions Pvt. Ltd.

### **WAYS TO DONATE**

**Resident Indians donating INR can avail 50% exemption under Section 80G of Income Tax Act**

**Name of the Account : Vidyarambam Trust  
Donate via RTGS/NEFT**

#### **For Indian Currency :**

1. **ICICI Bank Ltd**  
**Mount Road Branch, Chennai - 600 006.**  
SB Account Number : 603801089162  
IFSC: ICIC0006038
2. **Indian Overseas Bank,**  
Indira Nagar Branch, Chennai 600020  
Account number : 087601000015580  
IFSC : IOBA0000876

#### **For other Currencies : (FCRA)**

3. **State Bank of India,**  
**New Delhi Main Branch (NDMB)**  
Account Number : 40099019826  
Type : Savings  
IFSC Code : SBIN0000691  
SWIFT Code : SBININBB104

**Donate online at [www.vidyarambam.org](http://www.vidyarambam.org)**

**Donate via GiveIndia: <https://fundraisers.giveindia.org/nonprofits/vidyarambam-trust>**



