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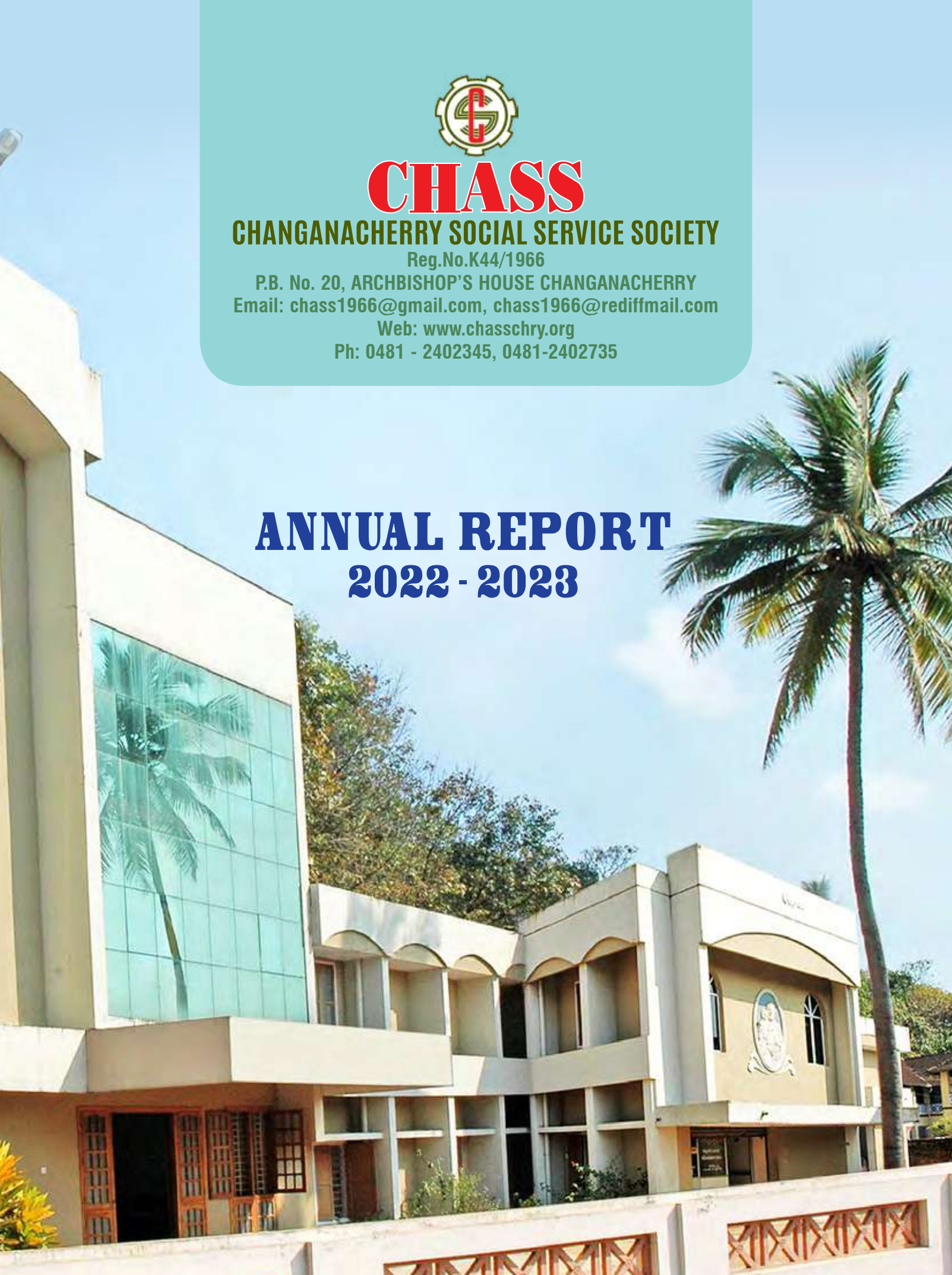
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CHASS AT A GLANCE

CHANGANACHERRY SOCIAL SERVICE SOCIETY (CHASS), the official organ of the Archdiocese of Changanacherry for social concerns and development interventions, addresses the weaker sections of society, irrespective of caste, creed, or religion. Besides its official status in the Archdiocesan setup, the society has been granted NGO status under the charitable provisions of the Government Act [Travancore-Cochin Literary, Scientific, and Charitable Societies Registration Act XII of 1955]. Founded in 1966, the Society has always remained a pioneering organization in social innovations and research-based rural development services.

VISION

A just society based on human values.

MISSION

Sustainable development of the poor and the marginalized through community organization, awareness and training.

THRUST AREAS

- ❖ Human & Institution Development
- ❖ Natural Resource Management
- ❖ Sustainable Agriculture
- ❖ Women Empowerment
- ❖ Skill Development for Alternate Livelihood Initiatives
- ❖ Community Health Initiatives
- ❖ Community Based Rehabilitation of Differently Able
- ❖ Family Development Programs
- ❖ Social Security Measures
- ❖ Peoples Bank and Micro Finance
- ❖ Disaster Risk Reduction
- ❖ Research & Documentation

LEGAL STATUS

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OPERATIONAL AREA-REGIONS

1. Trivandrum
2. Amboori
3. Kollam
4. Chengannoor
5. Alappuzha
6. Muhamma
7. Edathua
8. Champakulam
9. Pulincunnu
10. Changanacherry
11. Thuruthy
12. Thrickodithanam
13. Kurumbanadom
14. Nedumkunnam
15. Manimala
16. Kottayam
17. Kudamaloor
18. Athirampuzha





MAJOR ACTIVITIES/INTERVENTIONS

- ❖ Human & Institution Development
- ❖ Civil Society Organizations
- ❖ People's Awareness and Development Training
- ❖ CHASS Micro-Credit Program
- ❖ Agriculture & Animal Husbandry
- ❖ Natural Resource Management (NRM)
- ❖ Rural Community Health Care
- ❖ De-Addiction
- ❖ Community Based Rehabilitation of Differently Abled
- ❖ Family Development
- ❖ Disaster Risk Reduction
- ❖ Livelihood Initiatives
- ❖ Khadi & Village Industries
- ❖ Welfare and Charity



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MESSAGE FROM PATRON

Dear Rev. Fr. Director, Assistant Directors and all other members in CHASS family,

On this occasion I extend my heartfelt gratitude to each one of you for your unwavering dedication and efforts in the activities of CHASS. As we reflect upon the past years, it is evident that CHASS has made significant strides in addressing the pressing needs of our society.

In the gospel of Luke chapter 4:18, the evangelist clearly speaks about the mission of Jesus Christ. Here, we read as follows "the Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring Good News to the poor, he has sent me to proclaim release to the captives, and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go & free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour". Today the Church continues the same mission of Christ. Our faith calls us to be instruments of God's grace, and you have exemplified this beautifully.

The annual report is not just a document of statistics; it is a testament to the difference we make when we come together with a shared vision for a better world. As we reflect on the past years' achievements and challenges, let us also look forward with hope and determination.

May we remain steadfast in our mission, and may our collective efforts bring light to the darkest corners of the world. I offer my blessings and supports to each and every one of you.

May God bless you all.

Yours faithfully,



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PRESIDENT'S WORDS

Having made a unique mark in the field of social services through various social interactions, CHASS has always strived to highlight the face of the Church's mercy. CHASS's well-functioning local structure helps make its activities accessible to deserving people at the right time. CHASS is following a participatory approach by making use of local resources for the uplift of the target communities. CHASS has developed good working collaborations with various Government departments, Donor agencies and Well-wishers for the realization of the various social service activities. This report is an exhaustive summary of the activities carried out during the year 2022-23. I take this opportunity to congratulate the entire CHASS team for their wonderful contributions for the uplift of poor and marginalized in the operational area of the Archeparchy of Changanacherry.

Fr. Joseph Vaniapurackal
President



From the desk of **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**



I am happy to present the 57th Annual Report of CHASS for the reference of all those who are associated with it. Social Work is a noble profession, and the Social Apostolate is a wonderful opportunity for CHASS to reach out with the love of Jesus Christ regardless of religion, caste, creed, or economic status. As the profession continues to evolve in India and the state of Kerala, there has been steady progress in the scientific nature of the implementation of project activities. CHASS has been fortunate to be at the forefront of adopting the latest strategies and approaches, thanks to its membership and association with Development experts, National & International organizations, Government departments, Caritas India, KSSF, etc. The programs at CHASS would not have been possible if not for the trust and financial assistance extended by its collaborators and funding agencies.

I take this opportunity to thank all on behalf of CHASS for the continuous support and make possible the development work for the marginalized sections of society. of late, Almighty God has been blessing the organization with a myriad of activities. In response to God's calling, CHASS continues to immerse itself in a multitude of activities that touch the day-to-day affairs of human life holistically in order to fulfil the mission of integral and sustainable development in society.

My special thanks to His Grace Mar Joseph Perumthottam, Archbishop of Changanacherry, Mar. Thomas Tharayil, Auxiliary bishop, Very Rev. Fr. Joseph Vaniapurackal, President CHASS, Priests, and CHASS local unit leaders for their visionary leadership and encouragement that welcomes CHASS interventions in its operational areas. The public has shown wonderful co-operation towards CHASS down the years, and I pray that this remains to the end of time.

We look forward to your continued prayers and support as we move down the path to building a better world.

Fr. Thomas Kulathumkal
Executive Director



1 HUMAN & INSTITUTION DEVELOPMENT

CHASS is instrumental in organizing social interventions, programs and projects to meet the changing demands of the target communities as part of the empowering process. Institutional development entails structured programs designed to overcome barriers in order to achieve the goal. CHASS is always vigilant about capacitating its personnel to improve towards achieving the organizational goals and objectives. The following activities were conducted to strengthen the organization and its personnel.

Type of activity	Number of programs
Management training for governing board	1
Monthly pme with staff	12
Regional pme with regional executives	30
Staff training	1
Community organizers training	1
Think tank with members, directors and key staff	3
Leadership training for village leaders	154



Activity	Nature of intervention	Participation	No. of programs
Policy Papers Fine tuning	Institution Development	Core team Members	1
Launching of “Sundarabhoomi Surekshithakudumbam”	Institution Development	The entire CHASS Family	1

Governing Board and General Body Meeting

The Governing Board meetings were convened on September 5, 2022, November 5, 2022, and March 24, 2023. The Board meetings evaluated the activities and chalked out an action plan for the coming period.

The Annual General Body meeting was held on September 20, 2022, and the audited financial statement and annual report for the year 2021-22 were published.



CHASS Annual Planning

The annual planning meeting was conducted on April 5th and 6th 2022, to prepare the activity plan of CHASS for the fiscal year 2022–23 at Koduppunna as proposed by the Director Board and General Body meetings. The entire CHASS team, along with the management team, worked out an action plan and budget.



CHASS Family Gathering

The annual get-together of the CHASS family was on February 25, 2023, at Sandhesa Nilayam Indoor Stadium, Changanacherry. Archbishop Mar Joseph Parumthottam inaugurated the meeting, and Msgr. Joseph Vaniapurackal, President, CHASS, presided over the meeting. 753 people, including the CHASS management team, representatives of SHGs, Farmers Clubs, Local and Regional Units, the Governing Body, and staff members, participated in the program. Fr. Thomas Kulathumkal, Director of CHASS, delivered the keynote address. A talk on Schemes for Minority Community was given by Ms. R. Beena, KSBCDC Kottayam. The day was colourful with a variety of entertainment program by the CHASS family.



2 :: CIVIL SOCIETY ORGANIZATIONS & HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

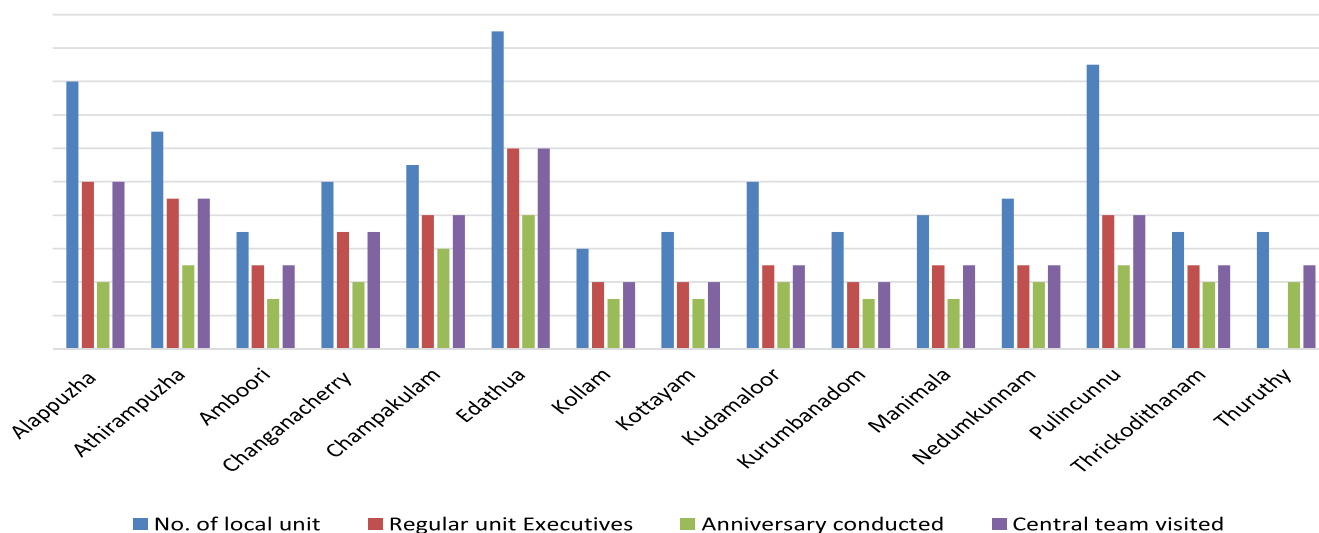
Civil society organizations (CSOs), at the grassroots, are the backbone of social work agencies. The Local Social Service Units of CHASS, which represent different functional grassroots organisations, namely, Self Help Groups, Mahila Samajams, Farmers Clubs, Joint Liability Groups, Micro Credit Unions, etc. This year, about 59,500 marginalized rural poor have been organizationally lined up, duly substantiated by awareness and specific functions geared towards self-reliant development.

Local Social Service Units

Village-level Local Social Service Units of CHASS are the apex body of all the grassroots people's organizations and the functional structure of CHASS at the grassroots. CHASS works through 154 local Trusts which are duly monitored by the parish priest and the regional coordinator of CHASS.



Status of local Social Service Units of CHASS



Regional PME

The regional planning, monitoring, and evaluation (PME) was conducted in 15 regions of CHASS with a vision to strengthen and stabilise field-level involvements and initiatives from January to March 2023. The presidents and secretaries of all the local units, Fr. Thomas Kulathumkal, Director, and Mr. Jobie Mathew, Program Officer, were the participants in this process.



Community Organizers' Sangamam

The regional-level annual gathering of community organizers was held during the month of July 2022. These 13 gatherings facilitated the discussion on the field level activities of CHASS and reviewed the microcredit program after its stagnation due to COVID-19. Fr. Thomas Kulathumkal, Director; Fr. George Panakezham, Assistant Director, Mr. Jobie Mathew, Program Officer, and Mr. John Zacharias, Manager Khadi Department, interacted with the community organizer's along with regional coordinators and regional executives.

In order to ensure the efficiency and transparency of microcredit units, community organizers are trained to use collection machines. Training for the community organizers and local unit executives was organized on April 21, 2022, at the CHASS conference hall. The central team facilitated the training.

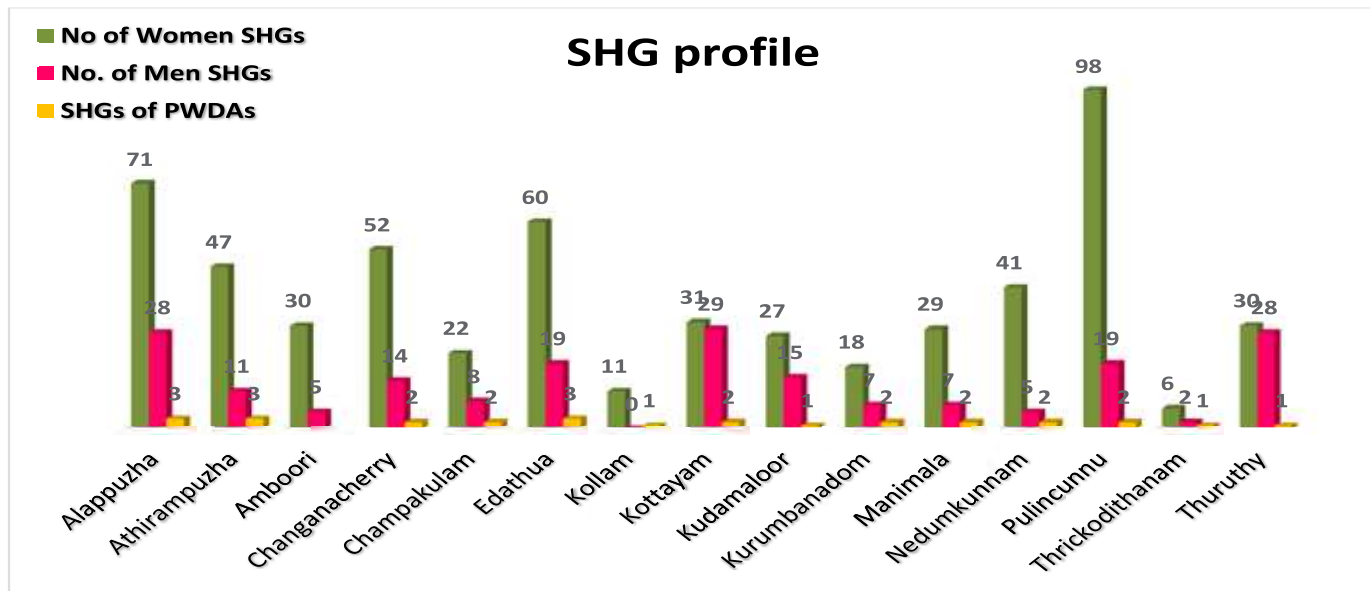
Digitalization of Local Units

Win-Win Foundation Ernakulum developed a new software for CHASS to condense the work load of the units and consolidate the entire activities at the unit, region, and central levels for efficient management, evaluation, and planning. Unit executive members were given training on the installation and usage of the software at 11 regions.



Self Help Groups (SHG)

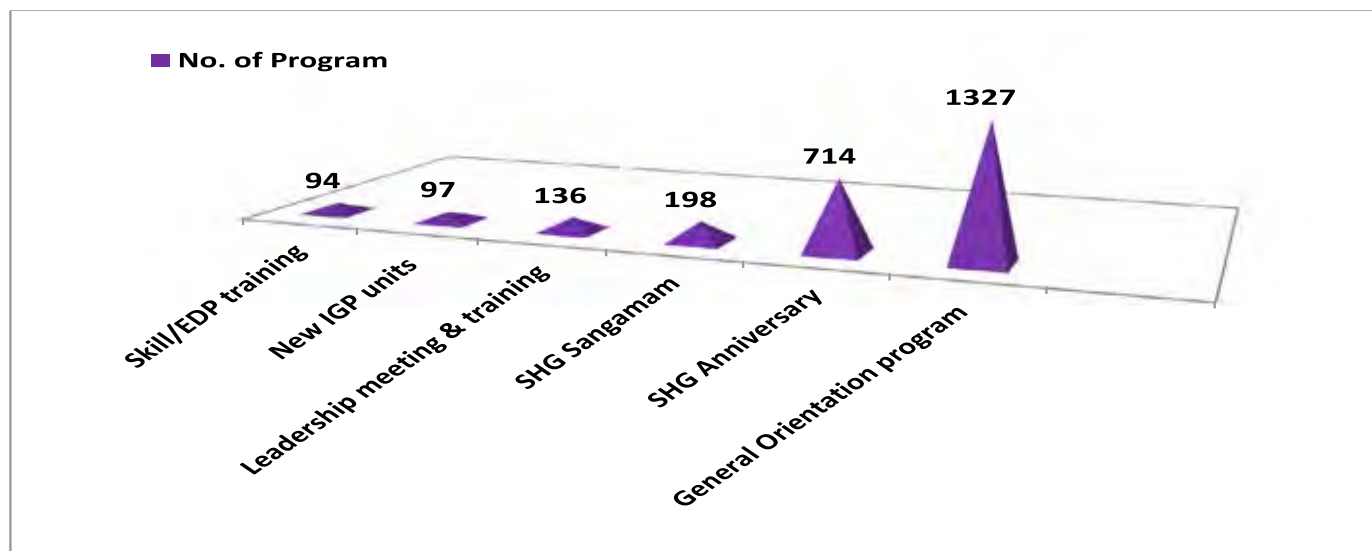
Self-Help Group (SHG) is a grassroots people's organization mainly intended to mobilize human resources for community development. The SHG phenomenon undoubtedly fosters group consciousness, a sense of belonging, self-esteem, a sense of public participation, an expanded horizon of social involvement, adequate self-confidence, and so on.



There are 573 SHGs of women with a membership of 8454, 197 SHGs of men with a membership of 3649, and 25 SHGs of PWDAs with a membership of 307 (total of 795 SHGs with 12410 memberships) under the network of CHASS.

Activities of SHGs





During this year 56 families were assisted with SHG Death Fund of Rs. 5,60,000

Mahila Samajams

The women's SHGs are coordinated under a federated body named Mahila Samajam. There are 73 Mahila Samajams actively functioning, and these are federated under a central network body named AWARD. Monthly meetings, leadership development programs, skill training, responding to social issues, coordinating the functions of women SHGs in the respective locality, and income generation program are the major activities of Mahila Samajams.

Women's day Observation

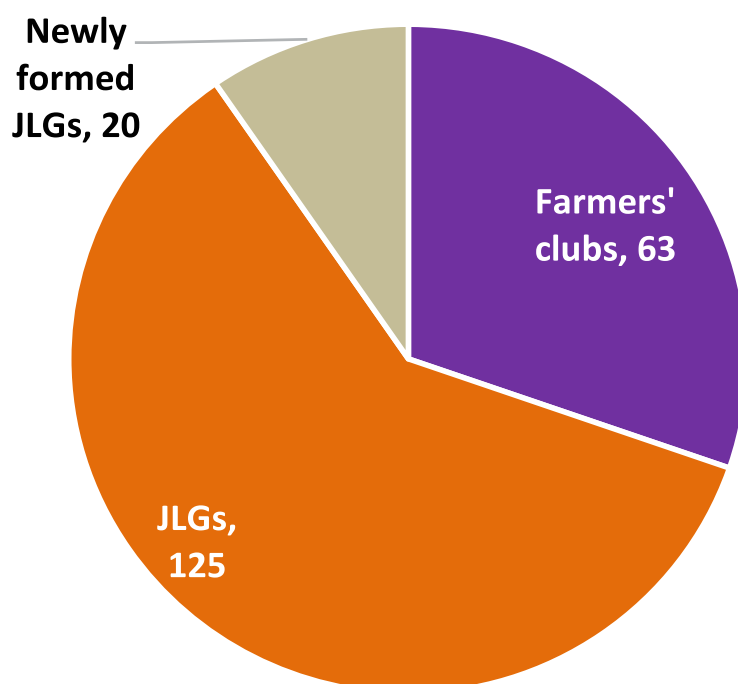
- Alappuzha, Edathua, Pulincunnoo, and Champakulam regions jointly had the Women's Day celebration on March 7, 2023, at Carmel Parish Hall, Pazhavangady. Ms. Jincy Jolly, President, Champakulam Block Panchayath, inaugurated the meeting, which was presided over by Ms. Binu Isaac Raju, Member, District Panchayath Alappuzha. Fr. Thomas Kulathumkal delivered the introductory speech, and Fr. Cyriac Kottayail, Vicar Mar Sleeva Forane Church, delivered the keynote address. Ms. Ancy Lonichen gave an orientation talk on Asahkiranam Cancer Care.
- Changanacherry, Thuruthy, Kurumbanadom, Throckodithanam, Manimala, Nedumkunnam, and Kottayam Regions jointly organised a Women's Day programme on March 9 at St. Joseph's Parish Hall, Veroor. Ms. Sheela Thomas, President Vazhappally Grampanchayath, presided over the meeting, and Ms. Litty Mathew, Kottayam District Planning Officer, inaugurated the function. Fr. Thomas Kulathumkal, delivered the keynote address. Dr. Abhirami Prakash gave an orientation talk on cancer and women in Kerala. Members of the SHG presented a variety of entertainment.





Farmers Clubs & Joint Liability Groups

CHASS is promoting farmers' clubs and JLGs of farmers to facilitate agriculture activities, especially the organic farming and marketing the agro products by the farmers.



3 PEOPLE'S AWARENESS AND DEVELOPMENT TRAINING

The grassroots organizations are envisioned to delve deep into the community development of the concerned village in a self-propelled and duly synthesized manner, rather than just as an operational link. The formation and activation of these village organizations require animation work and training of various types and grades.

Profile of the animation program at various level during 2022-23

Category	No. of Programs	Duration	Total Participants
Shg leaders training	136	One day	2526
Shg sangamam	198	Half day	8612
Cu leaders training	13	One day	546
Lead farmers training	12	3 days	411
Edp training	94	2 days	459
Chass local unit leaders training	13	One day	725
Skill training	32	2 – 10 days	813
Sanchari tailoring training	19	3 months	525
Orientation program for BSW/ MSW and students	16	One day	174
Volunteers training	3	One day	150
	536		14941

Orientation Program for Students

Different colleges and agriculture universities sent their students to CHASS for NGO experience, social work practises, and field exposure as part of their academic curricula. The team, consisting of Fr. Thomas Kulathumkal, Director; Mr. Jobie Mathew, Programme Officer; and Sr. Selma George SRA, Project Officer, guided them to an effective internship programme and provided certificates for 174 students.



4 CHASS MICROCREDIT PROGRAM



CHASS has successfully promoted and popularized a community banking system through a well-oiled Microcredit Program networked by 133 villages, making the rural economy vibrant. This also provides a significant mass base for the society in all of its participatory community development processes.

CHASS promoted 133 units with a total membership of 60, 448 families, facilitated by 235 community organizers.

Death claim scheme

Name of Scheme	No. of families	Amount distributed
Mutual Benefit Scheme (MBS)	158	Rs. 15,80,000



5 SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE

The climatic changes in the region changed agricultural patterns with perennial cash crops over weighed not only created heavy setbacks to the region's traditional self-reliance in food, but also distorted the natural resource base owing to poor soil and biomass management systems and the indiscriminate and unregulated application of chemicals to catalyse the soil for fast results. The disappearance of the water holding areas along the valleys, paddy fields, and adjoining marshy lands has paved the way to water scarcity, especially in summer, for a population entirely dependent on surface natural sources both for drinking and watering the plants during the dry season. The three decades that passed can be rightly termed the “crisis period” in agriculture in Kerala, which happens to be the mainstay of the village economy. As an agency primarily concerned with rural life, it was imperative on the part of CHASS to meaningfully express its solidarity and support for remedying the crisis with appropriate interventions directed towards sustainable agriculture. In this respect, the society resorted to a multi-pronged intervention strategy, namely,

- ❑ *Farmers Dynamic Organizations and Networking*
- ❑ *Farmers Producers Companies*
- ❑ *Whole Farm Approach*
- ❑ *Organic Farming Practices*
- ❑ *Value added Product Processing and Storage*
- ❑ *Organized Marketing*



A. Farmer Producer Companies

CHASS promoted two farmer producer companies in Kottayam District:

1. Pongamthanam Farmer Producer Company, under the Small Farmers Agri-Business Consortium (SFAC),
2. Madappally Farmer Producer Company under NABARD

Membership Campaign: Membership campaigns were conducted at 12 locations in order to orient and organize the farmers to take membership in the companies for collective action.

Farmers Interest Groups (FIGs): Promoted and started Farmer's Interest Groups at the grassroots as the primary units of Farmer Producer companies. Altogether, 25 FIGs are actively functioning under the banner of two FPCs.

Interface Meeting: An interface meeting was conducted with the office bearers of Pongamthanam Farmer Producer Company and the CHASS core team, together with Archbishop Mar Joseph Perumthottam and the Agriculture Department, on August 6, 2022, at the CHASS conference hall. The Archbishop inaugurated the meeting, which was presided over by Fr. Joseph Vaniapurackal, President, CHASS. The chairman and board members of Pongamthanam Farmers Producers Company shared information about the functioning of the company and its future plans. Fr. Thomas Kulathumkal, Director CHASS, Ms. Anina Susan Scaria (Deputy Director, Agriculture Department Madappally), Mr. Mohemmed Assim (Agriculture Officer, Vakathanam), Dr. Joseph Abraham (Social Scientist), Mr. Jobie Mathew (Programme Officer CHASS), and Mr. Vineedkumar (ICCOA Zonal Coordinator) were present for the programme.



B. Rural Agriculture Hat at Changanacherry

CHASS is starting a rural agriculture hat at Changanacherry in collaboration with NABARD. Dr. Gopakumar, Chief General Manager, NABARD Kerala laid the stone on June 29th, 2022, blessed by Archbishop Mar Joseph Perumthottam. The initial target is 20 stalls and other necessary facilities. Fr. Joseph Vaniapurackal, President of CHASS, presided over the function. Fr. Thomas Kulathumkal, Director of CHASS, Mr. Reji Zacharia (Assistant General Manager, NABARD Kottayam), Fr. George Panakezham and Fr. George Thycheril (Assistant Directors, CHASS), Dr. Joseph Abraham (Social Scientist), and Mr. Jobie Mathew (Program Officer, CHASS) felicitated on the occasion.

The project aims at providing infrastructure facilities to the local farmers to stock, market, and value addition of their products in a conducive atmosphere.



C. New Farming Methods Introduced:

Strip Farming

CHASS, in collaboration with KSSF Kottayam, promoted a strip farming system feasible for sloppy hill regions. The program was inaugurated by Fr. Thomas Kulathumkal in the presence of Mr. Jobie Mathew Program Officer CHASS and Mr. Jitu Thomas, Project Officer KSSF. 50 selected farmers from Manimala, Nedumkunnam, and Chepumpara started the strip farming method.



Root Zone Fertigation and the Garden of Eden

In collaboration with KSSF Kottayam, CHASS promoted a new farming practice: Root Zone Fertigation and Garden of Eden methods on an experimental basis. 50 farmers from Ettumanoor and Muhamma adapted this farming system to their agricultural land.

Organic System Rice Intensification (OSRI)

The harvesting of the "ottanjar" paddy cultivation promoted by KSSF and CHASS in collaboration with the farmers group in Mulayamveli at Nedumkunnam was organized on January 23, 2023. Fr. Thomas Kulathukmal (Director of CHASS) delivered the keynote address. Ms. Beena D.J.



(President Nedumkunnam GP) harvested the crop in the presence of Mr. Anil Sebastian (Agriculture Officer Nedumkunnam), Ms. Latha Unnikrishnan (Member Vazhhor Block Panchayath), Ms. Beena Varghese (Member Nedumkunnam GP), Mr. Jobie Mathew (Program Officer CHASS) and Mr. Jittu Thomas (Project Officer KSSF).

D. Nirapara Farm Fest (Karshika Mela)

Karshikamela named “Nirapara” was organized at St. Mary’s Basilica Ground Champakualam from December 15th to 19th, 2022 in collaboration with Nedumudy, Champakulam Gramapanchayaths, and Edathua, Champakulam, and Pulincunnoo regions of CHASS. Exhibition stalls, public meetings, Rallies, Agriculture Seminars, Cultural programs, Roadshows, Food Stalls, Competitions etc. were conducted as part of Farm Fest.

The inaugural meeting of Karshika Mela held on 15th December was inaugurated by Sri. Roshy Augustine, Minister for Water Resources, Kerala, and Sri. Job Michael, MLA (Changnacherry), who presided over the meeting. Fr. Thomas Kulathumkal, Director of CHASS, welcomed the gathering. Smt. Jalagakumari (President, Nedumudy GP), Smt. Mini Manmadan Nair (President, Champakulam GP), Fr. Gregory Onamkulam (Rector, St. Mary’s Basilica), Sri. Regi Zacharia (AGM NAB-ARD Kottayam), Sri. Joseph K. Nelluvally (Board Member CHASS), Sri. P. Jayakumar (Executive Engineer, Water Authority), and Sri. Josmon felicitated in the meeting.



- *Fr. Joseph Vaniapurackal, President of CHASS, inaugurated the **Exhibition stalls**.*
- *Mr. M.J. Devasia, Sub Inspector of Police, Nedumudy, **flagged off the rally***
- *Mr. Subash Chandrabose (former director of water resources in Kerala) led the **orientation seminar**.*

The public meeting of the second day was inaugurated by Sri. Binu Isec Raju (Member, District Panchayth, Alappuzha), and Fr. Thomas Kulathumkal, Director CHASS, presided over the meeting. Fr. Mathew Chooravady (Forane Viacar Edathua) delivered the benedictory speech, and Fr. Philip Vaikathukaran (Former Director CHASS), Sri. Shihabudeen (Assistant Engineer, KIF-BI), Sri. Jose Vlaikal, Dr. Joseph Abraham, Sri. Binu Joseph, and Sri. Joshy George felicitated on the occasion.



- *The second day of the Fest was started with a **farmers' Rally** inaugurated by Smt. Selina Beevi (SI of Police, Women Cell).*
- ***An orientation seminar on the possibilities of inland fish culture and waste management** was led by Dr. K.G. Padmakumar (Former Director Agriculture Research Centre, Kumarakom).*

Adv. Bibin Babu (Vice President, District Panchayath Alappuzah) inaugurated the **public meeting of the third day**, and Msgr. James Palackal (Vicar General, Changanacherry) presided over the meeting. Fr. George Panakezham (Assistant Director, CHASS), Smt. Mariamma George (President Edathua GP), Fr. Mathew Puthenangady (Forane Vicar, Pulincunnoo), and Fr. Joseph Kochichirayil (Joint Director, KRRIS) spoke on the occasion. Fr. Thomas Kulathumkal welcomed the gathering, and Sri. D. Jose extended a vote of thanks.



- Ms. Nimmy from Rice Research Centre Mancombu led the **seminar on the problems and possibilities of Kuttanadan farming**.

Msgr. Varghese Thanamavumkal, Vicar General, presided over the **public meeting of “Polive” (4th day)**, and Mr. Kodikunnil Sresh MP inaugurated it. Mar Thomas Tharayil, Auxiliary bishop of Changanacherry delivered the benedictory speech, and Sri. Gokul Shaji, President, Chamapkulam Block Panchayath, felicitated on the occasion. An introduction was given by Fr. Thomas Kulathumkal, and Mr. Jobie Mathew welcomed the gathering.



Archbishop Mar Joseph Perumthottam inaugurated the concluding ceremony of Nirapara Farm Fest on December 19, 2023. Msgr. Joseph Vaniapurackal presided over the meeting, and Fr. Thomas Kulathumkal welcomed the gathering. Fr. Greagory Onamkulam, former director of CHASS honoured the senior farmers and agriculture labourers. Sri. Binu Isec Raju (Member District Panchayth Alappuzha) distributed prizes to the winners of various competitions held as part of the programme. Fr. Joseph Kalarickal, former director of CHASS, Fr. George Panakezham and Fr. George Thycaherral (Assistant Directors) spoke on the occasion.



E. Farmers' Markets

1. **Nagara Vazhiyora Vipani** promoted by CHASS in collaboration with the Kerala State Agriculture Development and Farmers Welfare Department is continuing its local marketing on Wednesdays. Local farmers and local people are taking advantage of it.



2. **Sunday Markets:** CHASS promoted Sunday markets to support farmers' efforts to market their products locally by avoiding middlemen. There are 31 Sunday markets functioning under the banner of CHASS, duly coordinated by CHASS local units in the concerned villages.



3. **Onam Mela:** A four-day-long Onam Mela was organized from 4th to 7, 2022, at the CHASS compound and Railway Junction Changanacherry in collaboration with the Kerala State Agriculture Development, Farmers Welfare Department, and Krishi Bhavan Changanacherry. A variety of locally produced agricultural products were exhibited and marketed at the Mela. Mrs. Anina Susan Scaria, Deputy Director, Agriculture Department, Madappally, inaugurated the Mela meet presided over by Fr. Thomas Kulathumkal, Director CHASS. Mr. Jacob Thomas, Agriculture Officer, Changanacherry, gave the keynote address. Fr. George Thycheril, Assistant Director CHASS, Mr. Jobie Mathew, Program Officer CHASS, and Mr. Baiju Xavier, Regional Coordinator CHASS felicitated on the occasion.



F. Other Agriculture Activities:

1. Samrudha Agriculture Nursery, Kurumbanadom

Samrudha Agriculture Nursery, Kurumbanadom is a demonstration farm and a plant nursery in two hectares of land, to support the agriculture program of CHASS. Samrudha aims to promote sustainable organic farming and protect the interests of farmers. Samrudha is famous for its demonstration plots for coconut, rubber, plantains, bananas, vegetables, roots and tubers, pepper, ginger, etc. During the reporting period, Samrudha extended its service to more than 3250 farmers by way of awareness creation, model farm creation, and supply of seeds, seedlings, grow bags, etc.



2. Saplings & Plating materials distribution

Coconut, banana and fruit trees saplings, vegetable seeds and grow bags were distributed to 2145 families as part of the agro-promotion program of CHASS during the 2022–23 period.

3. Valarthukootam

CHASS is providing technical and practical support to farmers also distribut chicks, ducklings, lambs, kidari, etc. at subsidized rates. CHASS also ensures that farmers have access to funds from SHGs, microcredit unions, KSBCDC, and other organizations. Valarthukootam is promoted through Sunday markets and Nat-tuchanda for marketing the products at the grassroots level under the leadership of CHASS local units.



6 NATURAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT (NRM)



CHASS's focus on sustainable development of watersheds and livelihoods has prevailed on its best efforts to improve natural resource bases. In this regard, the natural resource management program being widely promoted by the government and voluntary organizations with science and technology inputs is completely consistent with the societal thrust.

Prakruthi - 2022

CHASS in collaboration with Radio Media Village Kurisummood organized a week-long program named Prakruthi-2022 as part of World Environment Day Observation. The official inauguration of the Prakruthi Environment week observation was conducted on June 1, 2022. Sri. Job Michael MLA inaugurated the program which was presided over by Mar Thamas Tharayil, Auxiliary bishop of Changanacherry. Various program were organized to mark the Environment week.



- **Tree Planting:** Bishop Mar Thomas Tharyail inaugurated the tree planting campaign at CHASS Nursery compound by planting a mango tree. CHASS local units along with SHGs, Farmers Clubs and JLGs planted 25,000 fruit trees in Kottayam and Alappuzha Districts.
- **Kuttithottam Program:** CHASS organized a school level organic farming practice named Kuttithottam in collaboration with seven schools in and around Changanacherry Municipality. Fr. Thomas Kulathumkal officially launched the program at Government High School Changanacherry. The students were provided with seeds, seedlings, organic manure, grow bags filled with organic manure and soil and vegetable sapling.



- **Dhwany vilambara rally was organized** from S.B. College to Municipal junction on June 3, 2022 as part of the environment week observation. Sri. R. Sreekumar Dy.SP Changanacherry inaugurated the rally and Fr. Reji Plathottam, Principal S.B. College, delivered the keynote address.



- **One fruit tree in one house:** CHASS in collaboration with its local units distributed 12,500 fruit trees in 12,500 houses.
- **One vegetable sapling for one rupee.** CHASS implemented a special package named “One vegetable sapling for one rupee” on June 4, 2023 as part of environment week observation. Fr. George Panakezham Assistant Director CHASS inaugurated the program.

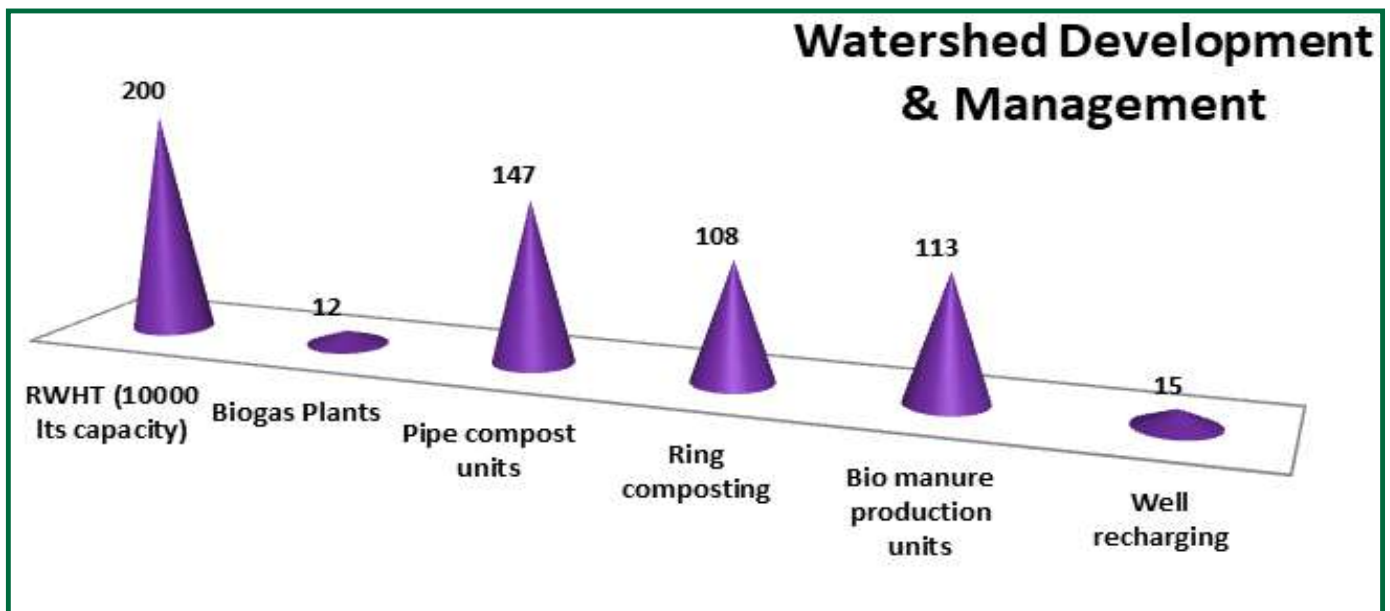


- **CHASS Nursery at Changanacherry:** Started a Plant Nursery in CHASS Office premises as part of Environment Week observation in 2023. Archbishop Mar Joseph Perumthottam inaugurated the Nursery.
- **Unit Level Programs:** CHASS local units observed World Environment Day 2022 with various program like SHG get-togethers, cleaning the waiting sheds, tree planting, etc.



Physical Work

The physical works carried out in terms of watershed development and management during the reporting period are mainly, well recharging systems, vermin composting tanks, bio-gas plants, rain water harvesting tanks, ring compost, pipe compost, muchatti, agro forestry, herbal cultivation, etc.



Other activities are:

Herbal gardening 1314

Social forestry 4560



7 RURAL COMMUNITY HEALTH CARE



Health is considered an important dimension of human development. Good health is not only a prerequisite for the wellbeing of mankind but also augments labour productivity and stimulates economic growth. The following are the different health-related services rendered by CHASS during the years 2022–2023.

A. Ashakiranam Cancer Care Campaign:

Ashakiranam Cancer Care Campaign is a venture of CHASS supported by Caritas India for the prevention and mitigation of cancer and other lifestyle diseases.

Pink day is observed on October 22nd as part of the campaign against breast cancer.

- **DLO Training** is regularly attended by the program coordinator.
- **Promotion of Organic Kitchen Gardening:** 879 families were supported to start organic kitchen gardening. Regular accompaniment and support from the local unit helped them to produce and consume homemade toxic-free vegetables, roots, tubers, and fruits.



- **Cancer Detection Camps:** In collaboration with Pushpagiri Medical College, Thiruvalla, 10 cancer detection camps at 10 locations were conducted. Thyroid examinations, breast scanning, breast velscope examinations, mammograms, Pap smears, etc. were done as per the needs of the participants, and 613 people benefited from the camps.
- **World Cancer Day Observation:** A one - day orientation and medical camp for College students was organised on February 7, 2023, in collaboration with Pushpagiri Medical College Thiruvalla, led by Dr. Roshna and the medical team. 245 students from Assumption College participated in the program. Fr. Thomas Kulathumkal inaugurated the program.
- **Food Kits Distribution:** In collaboration with ACN International and Kerala Social Service Forum (KSSF), we supported 250 cancer and kidney patients from the Kuttanad region with nutritious food kits. Fr. Jacob Mavunkal, Director of KSSF, distributed the food kits on April 4, 2022.
- With the support of the Rotenberg Diocese, 1000 cancer and kidney patients received food kits on April 26th and 27th.
- **Live Free Cotton Sanitary Pad:** The “Live Free” reusable cotton sanitary pad, which is soft, hygienic, reusable, non-allergic, natural, and low-cost, developed by the Ashakiranam desk of CHASS, is well accepted by Kerala women. An expert team of ten women is engaged in the production of the Live Free Cotton Sanitary Pad at the COPTAC Tailoring and Training Centre of CHASS.



B. Grahalakshmi Home Nursing Service: Families where bedridden patients are in dire need of professional nursing care are provided. Six trained home nurses are available for service on a rotating basis. This year, 30 people benefited from the services of our home nurses.



C. One House, One Toilet Project: One house, one toilet is a special project sponsored by SAFP India. SAFP disbursed a total of Rs. 43,75,000 to 181 families who do not have proper toilet facilities in 10 villages.



D. Eye Camp: In association with Dr. Agarwal's Eye hospital, one free eye testing camp was conducted for the staff members, artisans and community organizers of CHASS.

E. Health Insurance:

45 Families received Rs. 224,080/- as medical expense reimbursement from Health Insurance program with New India assurance Company promoted by CHASS.

F. Jal Jeevan Mission Project:

- The Jal Jeevan Mission is a massive and intensive drinking water supply project initiated by the central government, envisioned to provide safe and adequate drinking water through individual household tap connections by 2024 to all households in rural India. The Central Government is implementing this project in collaboration with State Governments, Gramapanchayaths, Water authorities, and Implementation Supporting Agencies (ISA). CHASS is one of the ISAs entrusted with Vazhappally and Madappally GPs in Kottayam District and Nedumudy and Champakulam GPs in Alappuzha District.

- JJM inauguration:** Mr. Job Michael, MLA, inaugurated the Jal Jeevan Mission project in Vazhappally GP on August 19, 2022. Smt. Sheela Thomas, President Vazhappally GP, presided over the function, and Fr. Thomas Kulathumkal delivered the keynote address. Sri. Jerin J Paul (Assistant Executive Engineer, KWA) and Sri. Binu Joseph (Vice President, Vazhappally GP) participated in the program.



- Ward sabha:** Special meetings were conducted in all the wards of Madappally GP in order to explain the JJM project and its implementation. Smt. Maniamma Rajappam (President Madappally GP), ward members, community leaders, political leaders, social workers, anganwadi teachers, Asha workers, village people, and the CHASS team participated in the wardsabha.
- Orientation to the panchayath committee** was arranged for the Panchayath Committee Members of Madappally GP on July 12, 2022. Smt. Maniamma Rajappan, president, along with all the members, participated in the program.



- **Water Quality Test** training was organized for the ward members, community leaders, school teachers, Jalasree club members, social workers, anganwadi teachers, asha workers, and village people from October 4th to 15th at different wards at Nedumudy and Champakulam GPs.



- **Orientation for Kudumbasree and SHG members** was conducted at 10 locations for the members of Kudumbasree and SHG in Nedumudy and Vazghappally GPs.
- SHG members **cleaned the water bodies** in the 6th ward of Champakulam GP.
- **Block-level awareness creation:** Awareness seminars were arranged on the Jal Jeevan Mission project for the Block panchayath and grama panchayath members of Champakulam and Nedumudy on July 7, 2022.
- **Jalasree Clubs** are formed in 14 schools in Vazhappally, Madappally, Nedumudy, and Chamapakualam GPs in order to organize and orient the students on the importance of water.
- **JJM project evaluation meeting** was conducted in Vazhappally, Madappally, Nedumudy, and Chamapakualam GPs in order to evaluate, monitor, and plan for the future. Block Panchayath and Gramapanchayath Presidents, Ward Members, KWA Officials, and Panchayath Office Staff participated during the 2nd week of February 2023.



G. Sajeevam Anti-drug Campaign

CHASS launched an anti-drug campaign in collaboration with Caritas India and Kerala Social Service Forum, aiming to alert parents and the general public to the influence of the Durg mafia among children and fight against the evil in collaboration with all the diocesan departments. Mr. Narendrasingh (Director MSJE, Govt. of India) officially launched the campaign by handing over the guidelines and activity plan to Fr. Jacob Mavunkal, Director KSSF, in the presence of Archbishop Mar. Joseph Perumthottam.



8 DE-ADDICTION SECTOR



SLCA- Kerala

South Zone II of the RRTC (Regional Resource Training Centre), renamed the State Level Coordinating Agency (SLCA), is the designated agency of the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment (MoSJE), Government of India, for the coordination of all the Integrated Rehabilitation Centre for Addicts (IRCA) for the effective functioning of de-addiction and drug abuse prevention programs in the states of Kerala and Lakshadweep. It also ensures the upgrading of the professional skills of the functionaries of IRCA in Kerala with proper training and networking.

No. of Centers in SLCA South Zone II

IRCA	21 nos. (one 30 bedded and Twenty15 bedded)
ODIC	2 nos.
CPLI	2 nos.

A. Anti - Narcotic Observation Week

Oath Taking and Awareness Creation: SLCA Kerala organized a one-day awareness and programme on drug abuse prevention and illicit trafficking on June 25, 2022, at the CHASS conference hall. 152 people from Kottayam and Alappuzha districts participated in the awareness class led by Fr. Giju Varghese, Coordinator of SLCA, and Sri T. M. Mathew felicitated on the occasion. All the participants took an oath against drug abuse and illicit trafficking, read by Fr. George Thycheril, Assistant Director of CHASS. Sr. Selma George SRA, Mr. Carmel Jobie Mathew, Mrs. Treesa Mathew, and Mr. J. Iranimos, staff members of SLCA, coordinated the programme.



Poster Exhibition and Orientation: SLCA Kerala organized orientation and poster exhibition program for School and College Students as part of the Anti - Narcotic Day observation week.

Date	Name of School/College
21.06.2022	Government Higher Secondary School, Changanacherry
23.06.2023	St. Mary's High School Kainakary
30.06.2023	St. Berchmans College Changanacherry



Orientation for PTA Members:

Organized orientation program for the PTA members and students on "drug addiction among teenagers and the precautionary measures to be taken by the parents in collaboration with the following schools and colleges:

Date	Name of School / College
22.06.2023	St. Joseph's Higher Secondary School, Changanacherry
24.06.2023	Kristu Jyothi College , Chethipuzha
25.06.2023	St. Joseph College of Communication, Kurisummood



B. School & College Level Awareness Programs

SLCA-Kerala organized awareness programs for the students of 10 selected schools and 8 colleges in Kottayam and Alappuzha districts on drug abuse and social problems. Fr. Giju Varghese, Coordinator of SLCA, Sri. T. M. Mathew, Sr. Selma George, Mr. Carmel Jobie Mathew, and Mrs. Treesa Mathew, Sri. Littymon, Sri. Liju Thomas, and Sri. Jogi George led the class group discussions with the support of college/college managements.

Date of programme	Name of School/ College
12.09.2022	St. Mary's Higher Secondary School, Champakulam
13.09.2022	St. Ann's HSSS, Changanacherry
14.09.2022	Mary Rani Public School Laikad
15.09.2022	St. Joseph's GHSS, Changanacherry
16.09.2022	St. Theresa's HSSS, Changanacherry
17.09.2022	St. Berchman's HSSS, Changanacherry
24.09.2022	St. Sebastian's HSSS, Ayarkunnam
30.09.2022	St. Mary's High School, Champakulam
06.10.2022	St. Peter's HSS, Kurumbanadom
08.10.2022	Carmel Polytechnic College, Punnapra
21.10.2022	St. Joseph's College for Women, Alappuzha
27.10. 2022	St. Michael's HSS Pattanakkad



28.10.2022	Carmel Polytechnic College, Punnapra
31.10.2022	UIT College Bharanikavu
31.10.2022	IHRD College Puthuppally
01.11.2022	UIT College Muthukulam
01.11.2022	Mar Gregorios College Punnapra



C. Community Awareness Program

Four community awareness programme were conducted on drug abuse among children and youth in collaboration with various grassroots community-based organizations. Fr. Giju Varghese, Coordinator SLCA, Sri. T. M. Mathew, Mr. Carmel Jobie Mathew, Mr. Baiju Xavier, and Mr. Binu Joseph coordinated and led the classes.

Date of programme	Name of Village
27.08.2022	Champakulam
29.08.2022	Nedumudy
30.08.2022	Nedumkunnam
21.10.2022	Madappally



D. Capacity Building for IRCA Counsellors

SLCA-Kerala hosted a five-day intensive capacity-building training for IRCA counsellors in Kerala on October 10–14, 2022, at the Coptac Hall in Changanacherry. SLCA Coordinator Fr. Giju Varghese inaugurated the training programme. Dr. P.C. Shakul Ameen, Dr. Sojan Antony, Fr. Lijo Kushippally, Sri. Vinayachabdran, Sri. Siji Antony, Mr. T.M. Mathew, was the resource persons. Mr. Carmel Jobie Mathew and Ms. Treesa Mathew coordinated the programme.



E. Review Meeting of IRCA Representatives

A one day review meeting of IRCA representatives was conducted on 26th July, 2022 in order to streamline the programme of SLCA and IRCAs, standardize the awareness programme as per the needs of the time and work out a structural plan of action with expert advice and in agreement with the NAPDDR.



F. Online Training on Drug Abuse Prevention

Making use of the social media of the era SLCA-Kerala conducted 10 online orientation programs on drug abuse prevention through webinars for social workers, college & school students, IRCA staff, SHG leaders, CHASS regional coordinators, and volunteers during September–October 2022.



G. Awareness in High Risk and Vulnerable Areas

Conducted an orientation on drug abuse prevention for people from high-risk and vulnerable areas in and around Changanacherry on October 6, 2022, at the Pastoral Center in Changanacherry. The program was mainly targeted for drug carriers, auto rickshaw drivers, head load workers, taxi drivers, etc. Mar Thamas Tharayil, Auxiliary bishop of Changanacherry inaugurated the program by giving a message on the need for anti-drug action.



H. Awareness Program for Law Enforcement Agencies

SLCA, in collaboration with the Government Law Enforcement Wing, arranged one- and two-day workshops for the Police Force of Kottayam District on the role of law enforcement departments in drug abuse prevention. The workshop also discussed the collaborative action of SLCA with the police force. Sri. John C., DYSP Narcotic Cell Kottayam District, inaugurated the workshops, and Fr. Giju Varghese presided over the program, Coordinator SLCA. Mr. T.M. Mathew and Mr. Carmel Jobie Mathew coordinated the programs.



I. Annual Inspection at SLCA

Mr. Narendra Singh, Director MoSJE, New Delhi, visited the SLCA office on February 25, 2023, and interacted with the SLCA team as part of conducting the evaluation of SLCA programs and preparing the report for the Government of India.



J. Online meeting of NGOs

Mr. Sanjaykumar, undersecretary MSJE, and NISD representatives participated in the online meeting of the NGOs running IRCAs in Kerala organized by SLCA-Kerala on February 15, 2023. The meeting discussed the challenges and problems of NGOs in the respective sectors for better understanding.



K. E- Posters

SLCA-Kerala developed and circulated e-posters with attractive designs depicting messages from the anti-drug campaign.

L. National Consultation Meeting

SLCA-Kerala participated in the national consultation meeting of the chief functionaries of SLCAs in India on October 10, 2023. Fr. Giju Varghese, Coordinator SLCA-Kerala, presented the report and submitted the audited accounts, photos, videos, and copies of the IEC materials to the authorities.

M. TOT on Navachethana Module

Fr. Giju Varghese, Coordinator of SLCA - Kerala, participated in the Navacherthana Module TOT on teaching life skills and preventive drug education to school children, designed by MoSJE and the MHRD Government of India, on July 7th and 8th, 2022, at NISD, New Delhi. The review meeting of the Navacherthana Module was also arranged on July 18th by video conference.



N. Awareness Program in Lakshadweep

The SLCA-Kerala team, which consists of Fr. Giju Varghese, Mr. T.M. Mathew, Sr. Selma George SRA, and Mr. Carmel Jobie Mathew, visited Lakshadweep during the first week of December 2022 and conducted awareness programme and meetings at various locations and target groups.

Details of Awareness Program at Lakshadweep:

Date	Program Venues
05.12.2022	Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Memorial Government ITI, Kavarathi Island
05.12.2022	Panchayath community hall , Kavarathi Island
06.12.2022	Kendriya Vidyalayam, Kavarathi Island
06.12.2022	Government Junior Basic School Hall, Kavarathi Island
06.12.2022	Government Senior Secondary School Kavarathi Island
07.12.2022	Community hall, Agathi Island
07.12.2022	Beach side, Agathi Island



INTEGRATED REHABILITATION CENTRE FOR ADDICTS (IRCA)

Changanacherry Social Service Society (CHASS) is the pioneers in the social service sector with an unblemished record, to start ACCEPT Counseling Centers for Alcoholics and Drug Addicts. ACCEPT – IRCA Kattanam is getting the backing of a multi-specialty general hospital since it is situated on the campus of the 300 bedded St. Thomas Mission Hospital. This Centre and the ACCEPT – IRCA Punnappra at Alappuzha are continuing with the grant in aid for de-addiction treatment from the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, Government of India.

Treatment

Sl. No.	Programs	Punnappra	Kattanam
1	Cases reported in the center	160	338
2	Inpatients	160	175
3	Alcoholic patients	122	302
4	Drug abusers	5	15
5	Multiple Drug abusers	33	21
6	Group Counseling	260	260
7	Individual Counseling	2088	2654
8	Family Counseling	1382	2145
9	Behavior Therapy	8	48
10	Psychiatric Treatment	0	OP-10
11	Follow up Counseling	1014	1557
12	House visits	97	106
13	OP Patients	0	163
14	Counseling	3470	815
15	Follow up activities	824	1805
16	A.A Meetings	11	12 PRGM -633
17	Anon meetings	4	12 PRGM -324
18	Al. Ateen	1	12PRGM -311
19	Self Help Group	190	NIL
20	Outreach programme	427	58 PRGM -5200
21	Family Assistance	128	323
22	Vocational Training	124	5
23	Educational Support	2	5
24	Work place Support	8	5

Awareness programs by IRCAs:

Awareness programs were conducted to prevent alcoholism and drug abuse through seminars, study classes, public meetings, audio-visual classes, etc. We also provide Counselling services to the Juvenile Justice Centres run by the Ministry of Social Welfare, Govt. of Kerala. Altogether conducted 151 programs at Punnappra and 215 programs at Kattanam.

Common Programs

Sl. No.	Programs	Punnappra	Kattanam
1.	Drug free day meetings	10	1
2.	No Tobacco day meetings	1	1
3.	A.A. meetings	12	11
4.	Follow ups	380	538



9 COMMUNITY BASED REHABILITATION OF DIFFERENTLY ABLED



The CBR programme of CHASS covers 138 Panchayaths, 20 blocks, and 3 municipalities in five civil districts of Kerala. 5932 Differently abled people of various categories have benefited from this programme over the last 24 years. The tangible results achieved by the programme are:

- 559 youth were imparted job-oriented vocational training and skills.
- 588 were placed in jobs;
- 1161 were provided with self-employment schemes;
- 1538 were given aids & appliances;
- 113 were assisted with housing;
- 2567 were enrolled in permanent disability pension schemes.

Rehaswiss Program

Rehaswiss, Switzerland, an international funding agency working exclusively for the sustainable development of differently abled people supported CHASS to provide IGPs to 41 people during the year 2022–23, along with a skill training and awareness program for the siblings of the differently



abled. The IGP support for the year 2022–23 was inaugurated by Fr. Thomas Kulathumkal, Director CHASS, in a meeting on November 7, 2022, presided over by Fr. George Thycheril at the CHASS conference hall. 41 Differently Abled persons received Rs. 6,20,000/- as IGP support.



Rehaswiss Self Help Project Evaluation: Rehaswiss founder President Mr. Joseph Aerothott, along with the Rehaswiss core team, visited CHASS, interacted with the management team, and conducted project evaluation, activity planning, and budget preparation for the year 2023–24.

Asha Talent Promotion

It is a dream project of REHASWISS to upgrade the talents of differently abled women by initiating their creativity and work culture for better results and to improve their own income through innovative projects. The main objective of the project is to promote the creativity and talent of the differently abled by providing innovative impulses and inspiration. During the reporting year the inmates of Asha Talent Project produced 500 kitchen towels, 350 sleeping bags, 250 big shoppers, 126 cake bags etc., in cotton materials.

Assissi Vidyalyayam Poonthpoe

A special school named Assissi Vidyalyayam was established in 1992 at Poonthope, Alappuzha, had 73 children on its rolls during the reporting year. With the support and guidance of the Directorate of Public Instruction (DPI), Government of Kerala, Assissi Vidyalyaya functions effectively..

Major accomplishments during the year 2022-23

- Conducted two PTA Meetings
- Counseling Service for 18 Parents
- Vocational training to 39 students in candle making, carpet making, paper bag making
- Conducted Medical Checkup once in two months
- Conducted two awareness seminar for parents and peer groups
- Conducted Excursion
- Extracurricular activities such as, dance, music, indoor & outdoor games, band set, drawings, paintings etc
- Conducted Annual sports meet

Annual day celebration: The 30th Anniversary of Assissi School was conducted on March 14, 2023, at the school auditorium. Sri. Jayadev Kalavoor, Cini Artist, inaugurated the meeting, which was presided over by Fr. Thomas Kulathumkal, Director of CHASS. Sr. Ansit Maria CMC, principal, presented the report and accounts. The well-wishers and parents attended the anniversary program.

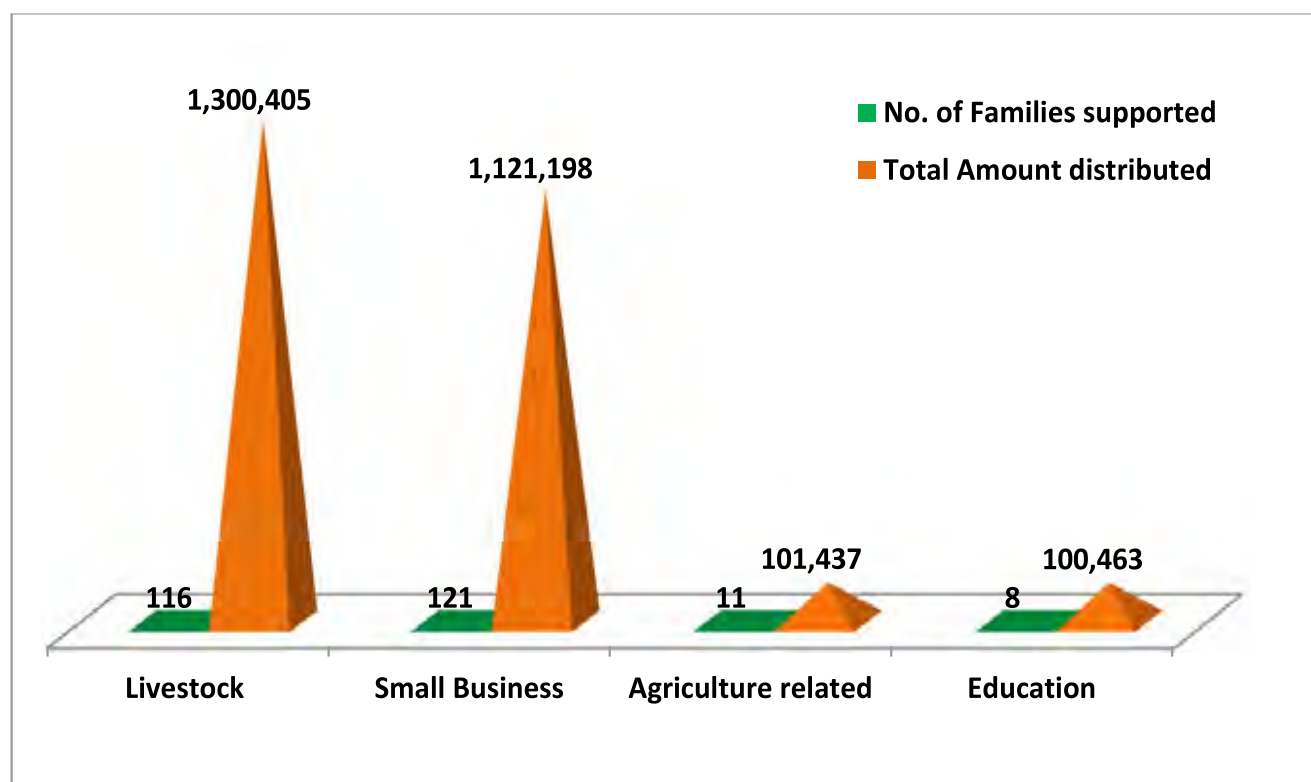


10 FAMILY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

Save A Family Plan

CHASS was able to extend support to 256 most needy families from three regions during the reporting year through a regular sponsorship program supported by Save A Family Plan. The support is provided for improving their socio-economic conditions through house visits, awareness creation, infrastructure development, education assistance for their children, medical aid, livelihood development promotion, etc. 256 families were supported by providing Rs. 26,23,503/-.

Details of service rendered through Save A Family Plan during the FY 2022-23:



Cluster Meetings and Monitoring of FDP partner families were conducted at 21 locations and promoted new IGP units and evaluated the existing IGP units. The CHASS team, which consists of the FDP coordinator and Regional coordinators, conducted house visits during cluster meetings and interacted with family members.



New Families: During the reporting year, 100 new families are selected from six gramapanchayath areas.

FFT Meeting was conducted with the CHASS Director, Assistant Director, Program Officer, and FDP Coordinator in order to evaluate and work out a plan of action for future interventions.



11 :: DISASTER :: RISK REDUCTION



UNICEF Webinar on DRR: The core team of CHASS participated in the Webinar on ‘Role of Women in Disaster Risk Reduction Sector’ organised by UNICEF on February 11, 2023. Mr. Jobie Mathew, programme officer at CHASS, presented a report on CHASS’s involvement in DRR and the role of women, particularly in the waterlogged Kuttanad region.

UNICEF Team Visit to Flood-Prone Area: Mr. Joe George, Representative, UNICEF Kerala, visited flood-affected areas of Kuttanad together with CHASS Director Fr. Thomas Kulathumkal and Mr. Jobie Mathew. The team submitted a report to the Disaster Management Authority of Alappuzha for further proceedings.

Food Kits Distribution: CHASS, in collaboration with Caritas India, supported 312 flood-affected families in the Kuttanad region with food kits during the first week of September 2022.



COVID Rehabilitation Project: Save A Family Plan India provided a financial support of Rs. 100,000/- each to three families badly affected by COVID 19 for starting IGP units.

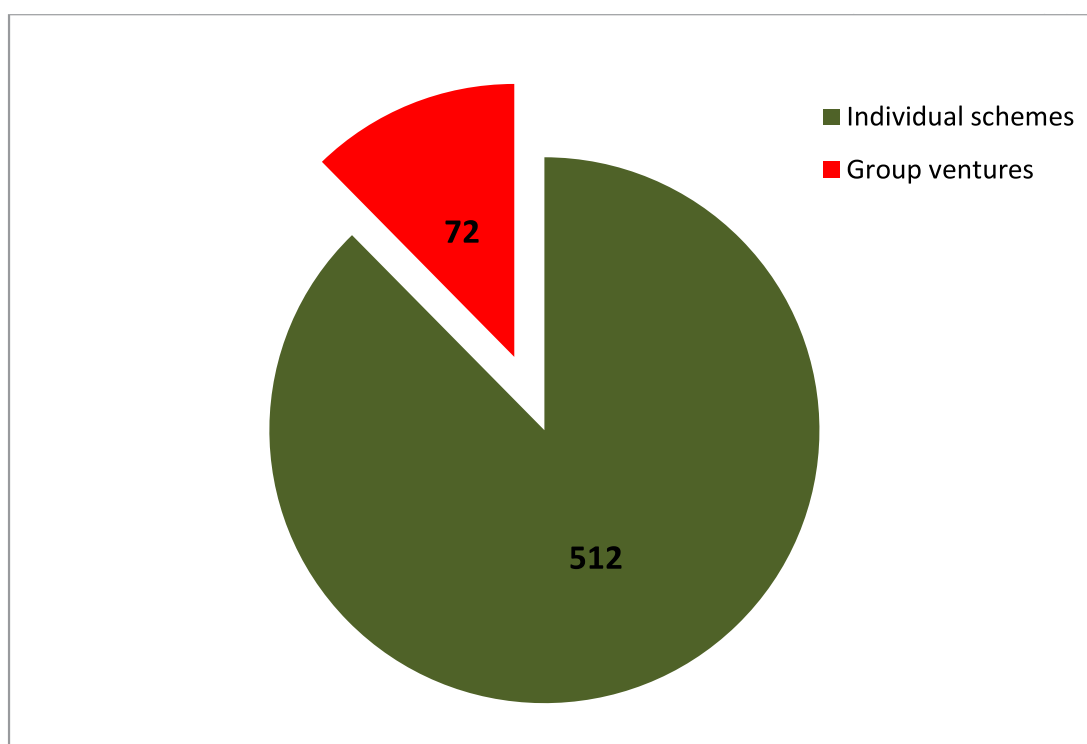


12 LIVELIHOOD INITIATIVES



Employment and Income Generation

Responding to the abject poverty of the target population, the society has, since its inception, supported employment and income generation endeavours. A considerable amount has been rolled out for this purpose every year. The society is now trying to implement these schemes within an organized frame work to ensure the sustainability of these units. 584 units were promoted during the reporting year.



Category	Investment		
	Bank/CU Loan	Subsidy/own Contribution	Total (RS)
Individual schemes	55,00,000	29,50,000	84,50,512
Group ventures	359,00,000	27,05,000	386,05,072
Total	414,00,000	56,55,000	470,55,584



Ushus Project

CHASS, in collaboration with Kerala Social Service Forum, supported 30 widows from Kulathoor, Vaipur, and Kottangal villages to start a tailoring unit as a source of supplementary income. All 30 widows were provided with motorized tailoring machines and training in tailoring. Fr. Jacob Mavunkal, Director KSSF, inaugurated the Ushus project on December 30, 2022, at Kulathur.



IGP support for Women

CHASS supported 100 most deserving women SHG members from Kottayam and Alappuzha districts to start income generating units in collaboration with the Peter Claver Sisters.



Cooperative Tailoring Centre (COPTAC)

COPTAC performs dual functions, viz., training in tailoring & embroidery under the KGTE scheme and undertakes garment making. Every year, 50 girls complete training and receive certificates. The production wing employs 35 women and has a tie up with the Khadi program of CHASS. A special feature of the tailoring job carried out here is that vestments and cassocks are done on a large scale, earning a reputation all over the country.

Collaboration with KSBCDC

CHASS has networked with several financial institutions to incorporate microfinance facilities into SHGs to strengthen their livelihood initiatives with a goal of providing low-interest loans in order to increase their profit. With the assistance of the Kerala State Backward Community Development Corporation (KSBCDC), Rs. 1.75 crore is provided as a loan for IGPs to 43 groups.

Sanchari Skill Training:

CHASS designed a three-month special skill-training program for women SHG members at their local Villages. This year, 21 batches consist of 670 women successfully completed the skill training.



EDP Training & Swasraya Market:

During this year, we conducted 29 EDP trainings on different trades, and over 2312 members benefited from the program. Swasraya Market, run by CHASS, ensures regular supply of raw materials to the EDP units to prepare, soap, soap powder, Liquid soap, lotion, etc.



13 :: KHADI & VILLAGE INDUSTRIES PROGRAM



Since 1977, CHASS has been running institutions for training, production, and rural employment in collaboration with the government under the provisions of the Khadi and Village Industries Commission, catering to 150 stipendiary trainees at a time and an equal number of artisan and regular employees.



Sl. No	Name of the Course	Duration	No. of persons trained
1.	Semi-Automatic Loom Weaving	6 Months	18
2.	Fruit and Vegetables processing	2 Months	45
3.	Bakery Course	2 Months	73
4.	Carpentry and Wood Engineering	6 Months	20
5.	Toilet & Laundry Soap making	2 Months	21
6.	Agarbathi Making	1 Month	15
7.	Spices & Masala Making	1 Month	16
8.	Tailoring & Embroidery Course	5 Months	113
9.	Hand Embroidery	1 week	27
10.	Certificate Course in Bee Keeping	11 days	55
11.	Entrepreneurship Awareness Program (EAP) conducted 13 Batches at various places	1 day	1318
	Total		1721

Training sector

The full-fledged training centre at Mallappally attained a higher status as **Khadi Gramodyog Vidyalaya**, with allotments for regular training courses. The extension-training centre at Kottackapuram also conducts trainings.

Production Sector

The production activities carried out under the Village Industries are carpentry, blacksmithy, honey processing, oil extraction, cane and bamboo works, soap making, bakery, fruit and vegetable preservation, etc. A total of 103 artisans are working in these units.



The details of these centers are:

Sl. No.	Name of the centre	Location	Activity
1	Assumption Khadi Centre	Kurmpanadom	Khadi Spinning and Weaving
2	Amala Khadi Centre	Amalagiri	Khadi Spinning and Weaving
3	Madona Khadi Centre	Athirampuzha	Khadi Spinning and Weaving
4	Carpentry Unit	Pallikuttumma	Wood manufacturing and interior decoration & All Building materials made out of wood.
5	Carpentry Unit	Pallom	Wood manufacturing and interior decoration & All Building materials made out of wood.
6	Carpentry Unit	Mammood	Wood manufacturing and interior decoration & All Building materials made out of wood.
7	Khadi Garments & Mattress Manufacturing	Kottakkapuram	Khadi beds & Pillows, Khadi Garments
8	Bee - keeping Unit	Kurumpanadom	Agmark Honey Processing & bottling
9	Soap Unit	Kurumpanadom	Detergent Powder
10	Cane Unit	Mannila	Cane Furniture
11	Amma Foods	Mallappally	Various Bakery products in the name of AMMA

Marketing Centers

The Khadi & Village Industry Department of CHASS has 5 sales Emporiums functioning at various places. The details are given below.

Sl. No.	Name of the outlet	Location	Items sold
1.	Khadi Gramodyog Bhavan	Sastri Road Kottayam	All Khadi clothes, Silk sarees, Various V.I & handicraft items, All furniture items.
2.	Khadi Gramodyog Bhavan	Palace Road Changanacherry	All Khadi clothes, Silk sarees, Various V.I & handicraft items, All furniture items.
3.	CHASS Furniture	AC Road, Pallikuttumma	Wood Furniture
4.	CHASS Furniture	M.C Road, Pallom	Wood Furniture
5.	CHASS Furniture	Mallappally Road Mammood	Wood Furniture





14 :: WELFARE AND CHARITY

A local charity fund is placed at the disposal of CHASS by the Archdiocese to render personal charity selectively. On average, society disposes of 100 such requests every month. An amount exceeding Rs. 10,52,000/- is accounted for during the reporting year.

Support to Widows: 50 poor widows from Thottackad, Eravuchira, and Rajamattom areas were supported with Rs. 5000/- each in commemoration of the 50th wedding anniversary of Mr. Joseph Aerthott and Suzennee Aerthott, the founders of Reahawiss.

World Hunger Day Observation

Local and Regional units of CHASS cooked and served one time meals to 2625 people as part of the World Hunger Day observation on May 28, 2022, under the leadership of Regional coordinators.



15 :: ACCOUNTS

Changanacherry Social Service Society, Archbishop's House, Changanacherry

Income and Expenditure account for the year ended on 31st March, 2023

Expenditure	Amount	Income	Amount
To Project account		By Projects account	
Death fund SHG members	4,85,000.00	Valarthukollam	3,06,060.00
Valarthukollam	2,95,210.00	Death fund SHG members	5,98,150.00
Pad to Pad project	8,450.00	Pad to Pad project	20,850.00
UNICEF Programme -Emergency Flood Response 2021	15,546.00	NRM programme	8,68,110.00
NRM programme	8,20,174.00	Jala Jeevan Mission	6,13,060.00
Palative Care Programme - NABARD	54,000.00	Ferrocement Tank programme	1,83,490.00
Community awareness and publications	54,300.00	SAFP programme	14,879.00
Temporary shed (Agnihari outlet)	96,380.00	Local Unit Monitoring Fee	7,45,450.00
Flood relief programme	1,95,000.00	Sannudha Agriculture development centre	19,40,964.00
Caritas India project expenses	2,00,000.00	NABARD Programme	1,80,500.00
Contribution to Children Care Centre	3,07,174.00	LIC Commission	5,43,958.48
Flood relief - KCBC Project	10,000.00	Karshika Vipani	22,850.00
Field programme expenses	3,65,644.00	Training programmes	1,01,905.00
KILA Programme	2,69,846.00	Directorate of Public Instruction	12,23,700.00
Asha project	1,69,504.00	Affiliation fee	59,005.00
CHASS Educare	55,000.00	Contribution for collection machine	1,25,120.00
Jala Jeeva Mission	8,55,570.00	Camas India - Navajeevan Project	2,00,000.00
Ferrocement Tank programme	60,400.00	KILA Programme	2,76,546.00
	43,17,192.00	CHASS Educare	1,61,500.00
			61,86,137.48
To Foreign Contribution Utilized	39,75,285.00		
To Administration Expenses - Schedule A	86,47,538.59	By Local contributions - Schedule B	55,70,117.50
		By Foreign contribution received	60,10,359.00
		By Bank Interest	3,98,765.00
		By Building Rent	5,40,000.00
		By Distribution of books and registers	2,06,960.00
		By Software charges	5,000.00
		By Agriculture (development and promotion) Income	28,43,082.00
		By Miscellaneous receipts	1,86,329.28
		By Interest on fd	10,01,600.00
To Excess of income over expenditure	80,07,334.67		
	1,69,41,015.59		
	80,07,334.67		
TOTAL	2,49,48,350.26	TOTAL	2,49,48,350.26

Date : 08-09-2023

Place: KOCHI



As per report attached
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Changanacherry Social Service Society, Archbishop's House, Changanacherry

Balance Sheet as on 31.03.2023

	Sch. No.	Amount ₹
LIABILITIES		
Capital fund as per last Balance sheet		3,62,68,951.35
Add : Excess of income over expenditure		<u>80,07,334.67</u>
Loans	VIII	6,500.00
Building fund	IX	18,66,190.00
Other funds	X	33,56,674.30
Housing funds	XI	2,19,034.91
Current liabilities	XII	10,18,173.70
Revolving fund loan	XIII	3,06,64,265.25
Corpus fund	XIV	66,30,690.00
Mutual Fund Benefit	XV	99,03,100.00
Loan-Rural Finance Corporation as per last Balance sheet		70,169.00
Projects		5,22,401.00
Reserve for project to be completed		2,90,574.68
Infarm Agro Development Center Changanacherry - RFL		23,88,663.50
TDS Payable		<u>29,641.00</u>
TOTAL		<u>10,12,42,363.46</u>
ASSETS		
Building	I	92,23,369.34
Land	II	1,14,10,647.00
Other fixed assets	III	43,34,079.58
Advances	IV	5,16,21,986.13
Projects	V	26,038.00
Revolving fund	VI	3,500.00
Stock in hand	VII	1,70,037.90
Assisi Vidhyalaya Poonthope		64,60,866.00
Security deposit for vehicle		3,34,704.00
TDS		11,53,374.00
Add : Current year TDS		<u>27,200.00</u>
Closing balances:		
Bank balances and deposits		1,61,05,804.05
Cash in hand		<u>3,70,757.46</u>
TOTAL		<u>10,12,42,363.46</u>

As per report attached

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Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment,
Government of India



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Life Insurance Corporation of India



NABARD



Kerala State Backward Class Development Corporation



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Government of Kerala



Directorate of Public Instruction



Suchitwa Mission Kerala



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Kottayam & Alappuzha



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