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SANGAMAM SCHOOL FOR SPECIAL NEEDS CHILDREN (SSSC)

***AMAR SEVA SANGAM
AYIKUDY – 627852, INDIA
17 June 2023***

About Sangamam School



Sangamam School has been running very successfully during the year 2022-23 with the help and support of **ASHA** for Education, U.S.A. and other likeminded supporters of Amar Seva Sangam. Sangamam literally means integration / meeting. This school meant for children with special needs in the age group of 6 to 18, we try to prepare them to get **integrated** with the society at large gradually to the extent possible in each case.

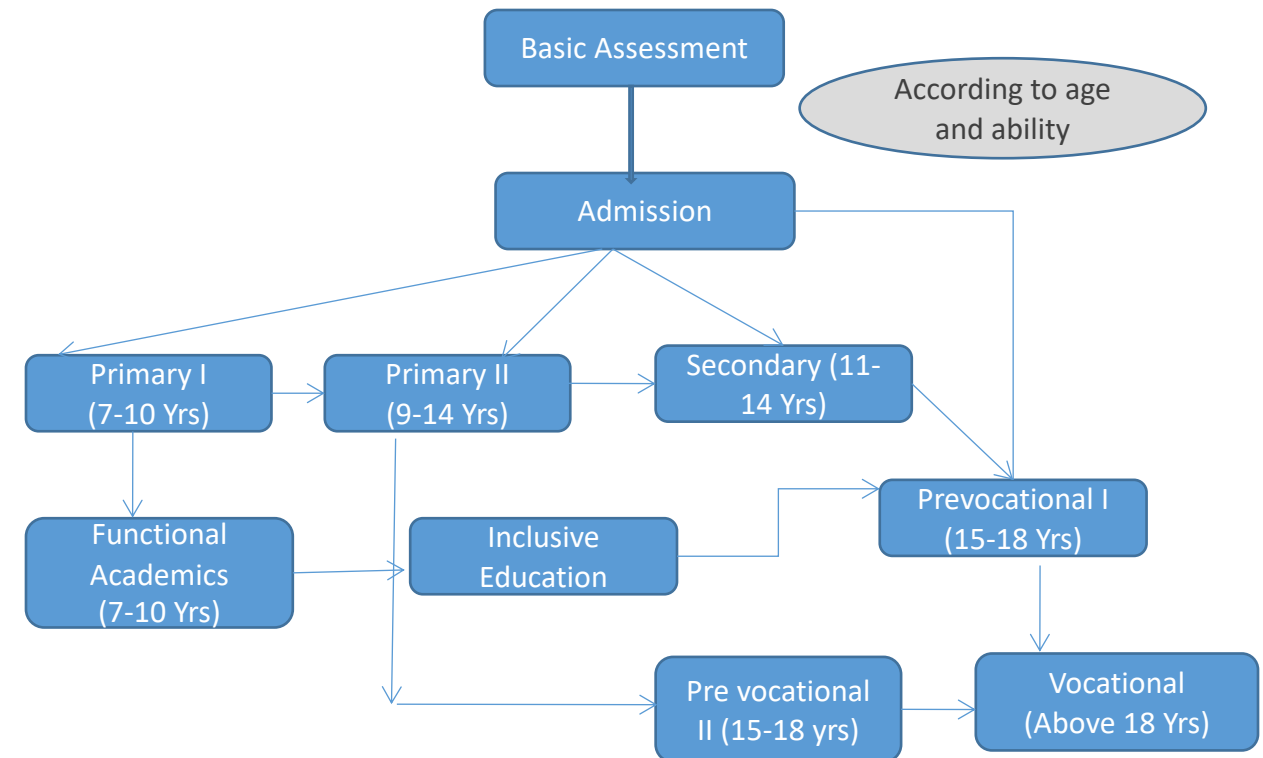
In **September 15, 1997** a day care center was started with just 9 children and 2 teachers. With your generous and kind support our school is expanding its activities. From **1997 to 2023** we had enrolled **400** children with special needs out of which **58** have been successfully mainstreamed.



Current Status of our school and activities FY2023-24



NAME OF THE CLASS	BOYS	GIRLS
PRIMARY I	4	4
FUNCTIONAL ACADEMICS	5	3
PRIMARY II A	6	1
PRIMARY II B	5	1
SECONDARY	6	4
PRE VOCATIONAL I	7	1
PRE VOCATIONAL II	10	1
INCLUSION	11	3
VOCATIONAL TRAINING	26	3
TOTAL	80	21



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Human Resource

- 10 special educators (including 1 Headmistress and 1 Assistant Headmistress)
- 2 Special Teaching assistant and 2 Teaching Assistant
- 1 office assistant
- 3 helpers



Infrastructure

- 7 class rooms
- One store room
- One office room
- One physiotherapy hall.
- A small play area is there in front of the Sangamam special school building which consists of a slide, a pair of swings, a parallel bar and a merry go round.

The children are brought to school by the buses which are donated by ASHA foundation. They are provided free uniform, nutritious lunch, biscuits and milk. They are trained in daily living activities, behavioral science, self-care, basic reading, writing and vocational skills. Rehabilitation services like Special education, Physiotherapy, Speech therapy and Yoga are also part of the curriculum to improve their health and intellectual ability.

Primary – I Level



No of Students : 8

Age group : 7-11 years

Aim: Focused on Activities of Daily Livings skills (ADL) for high support need children. Identification of objects and basic language skill

Objectives: If they are trained in these areas there would be improvement in their cognitive domain.

- Activities for sitting tolerance to promote concentration and listening.
- Mainly focused in Activities of Daily Living.
- Identifying the objects by both physical and verbal prompts.
- Identifying body parts by verbal prompting.
- Train them in Reading, Writing, and Number concept using play way method
- Making the children to mingle socially with others.
- Teaching and training good manners like greeting others etc.



Functional Academics



No of Students: 8

Focused on Primary level subjects:

- Pre school training to include them in Inclusive education
- Skills in reading like sight word matching, letter identification, two letter word reading etc.
- Skills in writing like copy writing in word, correct spacing etc.,
- Skills in arithmetic like counting with objects and meaningful counting.



Primary – II A & B Level



No of Students : 7 (Primary II - A) + 6 (Primary II - B) = 13 Students

Age group :7– 14 years

Aim: Focused on grooming skills, concepts like color, shape, number, time, other language skills

Objectives: If they learn the following skills, they would improve their skills in communication

- Training is given on to identify their names.
- Mainly focused on self help skills.
- Coaching on simple identification and counting.
- Skills are taught in the play way method.
- Hyper activity is reduced based on sensory diet (by advice of Occupational therapist)



Secondary



No of students : 10

Age group :10 – 13 years

Aim: To prepare the students for Pre – Vocational level

Objectives: Focused on basic concepts and domestic activities

- By teaching reading & writing students will learn to write their names and residential address.
- Training in concepts like color, time, money, shapes.
- Motivation given in domestic activities and gardening.
- Training in simple conversational skills



Pre-Vocational I & II



No of student : 08 (Pre Vocational I) + 11 (Pre Vocational II) = 19 Students

Age Group : 15 – 18years

Aim: To acquire basic Pre vocational skills and life skills.

Objectives: Focus is on basic vocational skills and to mingle with the community

- Attention given to money concept, Time concept, Reading and writing.
- Training to include the students in community.
- Training given in jewel making, cover making, gardening etc.,
- Maintaining a shop to improve their day to day life skills like shopping etc.,
- Training to give basic computer skills like typing etc.,
- Training in simple conversational skills



Inclusive Education



No of students: 14

Age : 10 to 15 years

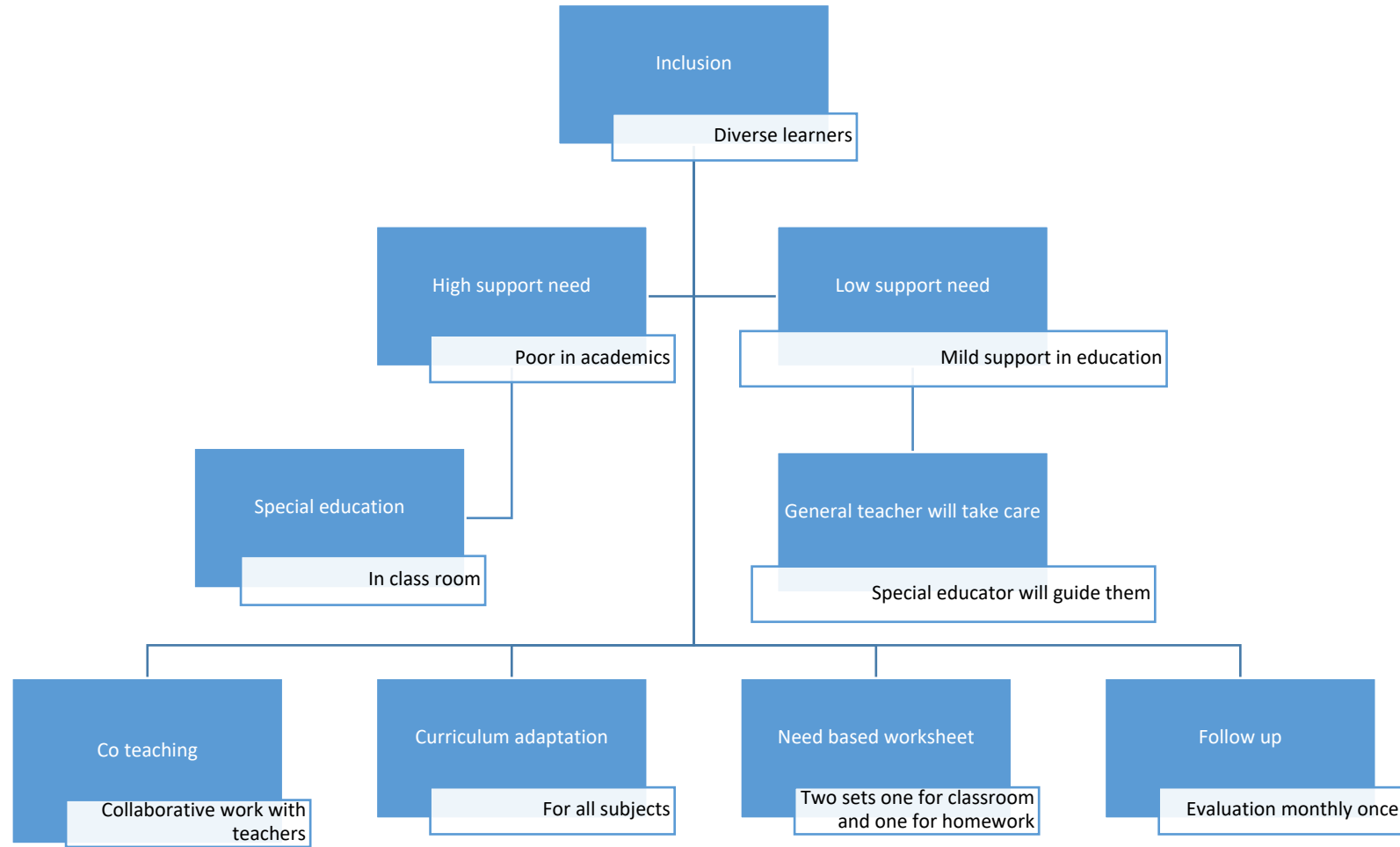
Aim: To improve the children in social and communication skills.

Objectives: Focus is to achieve basic academics skills and to include with their peer groups.

- Every year students are writing grade level assessment test to get included in general school.
- Our students are getting peer group tutoring, improvement in socialization and communicative skills.
- Students are also participating in music, games, sports, yoga, dance etc.,
- Lessons are taught using projectors.



Inclusive Education - Process



Sangamam Vocational Training Centre



Goal

- Using information technology, to provide a sustainable living to adults with moderate to severe intellectual disabilities.
- With the assistance of AMBA, Bangalore, we equip such individuals with necessary training to enable high quality and accurate back office data entry for various clients.
- However, the impact has gone well beyond economic empowerment, removing stigma, and uplifting a population that felt left behind.



Data Entry
Training



Chalk piece
Making Training



Phenyl Making
Training



Instant Sambirani
Making Training



Dish Wash Liquid
Making Training



Jewel Making
Training



Gardening

Achievements



So far,

- 20 students are working in their surrounding areas and in that 5 students are working in Amar Seva Sangam, earning between Rs.50 to Rs.300 every day.
- 15 students help their parents in their job.





NEW INITIATIVES

FOR CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

1. Autism Children Care
2. Amar Abdul rehab Orchard
3. Enabling Inclusion® App

Autism Children Care



Focused on sensory integration and behavior modification

Focus given on ADLS, Socialization and Vocabulary enrichment.

Occupational therapy and Sensory integration activities for students who have problems in areas like visual, auditory, tactile, Olfactory, gustatory etc.,

To normalize hypo and hyper sensitivity, we are giving various activities like playing in swings, trampoline etc.,

Play - way method is used to improve their attention, concentration and eye-hand co-ordination.

Outdoor teaching is encouraged most of the time

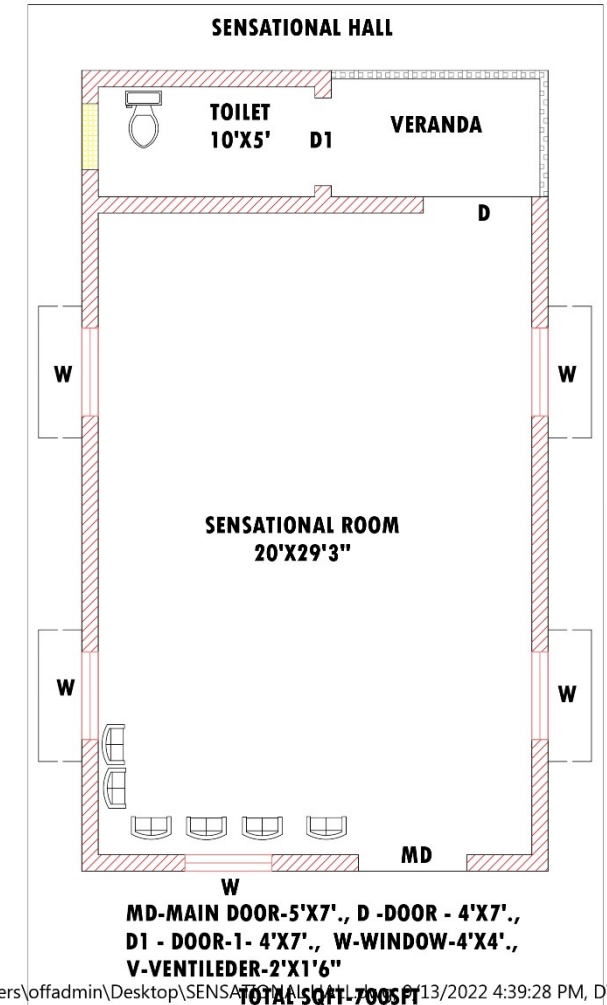
Students are also participating in yoga, music, games, sports etc.,



Proposed Construction for Autism Centre

We are planning to construct Autism Centre with Sensory Integration facilities for Children and Adults with Special Needs at Amar Seva Sangam. It would be spacious enough for the service users. Main goal of the project is to Integrate the children with sensory issues with the community and mainstream school through sensory Integration therapy.

Particulars	Amount in Lakhs
Total Infrastructure Cost	19.66
Total Equipment Cost	10.92
Total project Cost	30.28
Amount funded by Donors	7.50
Balance funding Gap	22.78



Amar – Abdul Kalam Rehab Orchard – a Social Forestry

Amar Seva Sangam is committed to continuous innovations and new techniques for bringing inclusion and equality for children with disabilities and as a part of this we are creating a **Rehab Orchard** with 175 nos. of different varieties of fruits and 500 nos. of Amla saplings.

Orchard as stimulation for intellectually challenged children is one of the most promising sensory technique that is evolving for their development. The Rehab Orchard is not just a space for rehabilitation but a transformative initiative for their skill training and livelihood. The flora and fauna develop them with fun and recreation. This is ideal for yoga, relaxation and retreat for our staff, well-wishers and donors, and a paradise for natural lovers.



Amar – Abdul Kalam Rehab Orchard – a Social Forestry

Advantages:



Mental Benefits.

- About the plant and how it grows, and changes.



Physical Benefits

- Strengthen muscles and improve coordination, motor skills, balance, and endurance.



Social Benefits

- Helps students to follow and work independently, problem solving skills, and follow directions



Emotional Benefits

- Focusing on the fresh air, the feeling of sunlight allowing them to take a break from negative stimuli.



Sensory Benefits

- Children with sensory sensitivities may benefit from a garden in which their negative responses may decrease.



Enabling Inclusion[®] App



Community Workers

Screen



Rehab Specialists

Assess
& Plan



Community Workers and Parents
Supported by Rehab Specialists via Tele-rehab

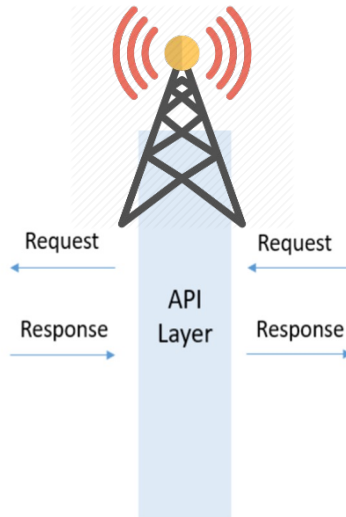
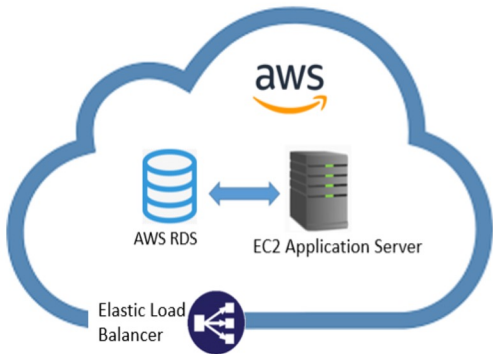
Therapy in Child's Home, Centre
or Mobile Clinic



Monitoring & Research

Reset treatment
goals & plans

Evaluate
6 months



Android Mobile App
CRW, Therapist,
Specialist



Enabling Inclusion® App



Last set of evaluation: (Jan 2023)

S. NO	Evaluations	Assigned	Completed	Completed in %
1	Speech(above 6)	28	25	89%
2	FACP 7 to 10 years	72	65	90%
3	Inclusion	23	23	100%
4	FACP 11 to 14 years	70	67	95%
5	Voc above 18 years	67	66	98%
6	Prevoc 15 to 18 years	2	2	100%
7	Finemotor	1	1	100%
8	ICF	13	13	100%
9	Physiotherapy(Gross motor)	14	13	92%
10	FACP - Recreational	51	19	96%
11	FACP - Social	53	50	94%
12	FACP - Personal	52	48	92%
13	FACP - Occupational	52	49	94%
14	FACP - Academic	52	52	100%
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CURRENT SERVICE USER	TARGET	ACHIEVED
Number of children benefited cumulative including the discharged and dropouts	123	121
Active children	123	111

10 children were discharged

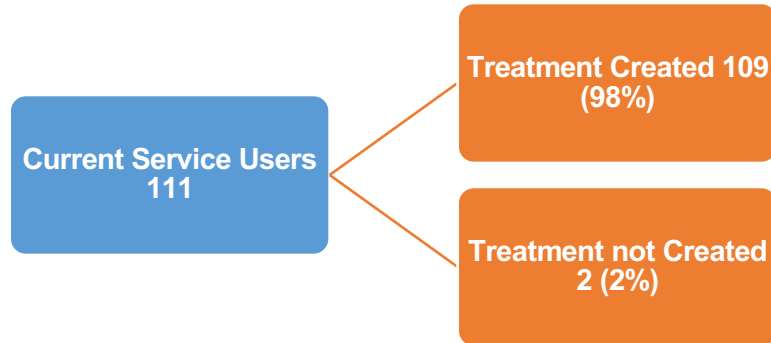
#	Active staffs to active child ratio	Ratio – (Total)
1	Physiotherapy	1:9
2	Occupational therapy	1:22
3	Special Education	1:10
4	Speech therapy	1:20

Note: 22 children need Occupational therapy and 9 children need Physio therapy and 20 children need speech therapy

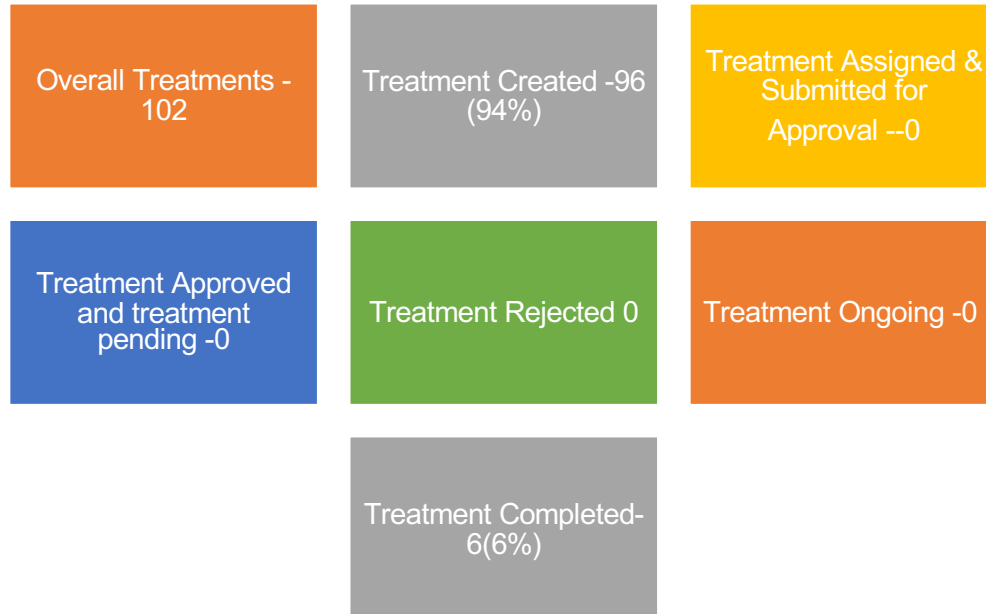
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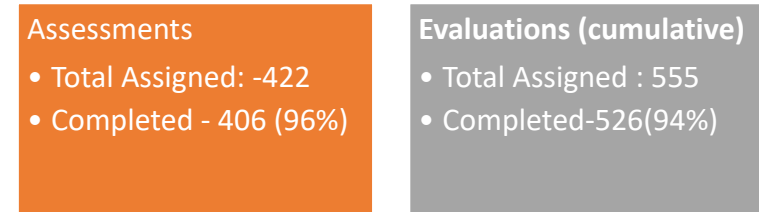
Service User Module: (Feb 2023 to Apr 2023)



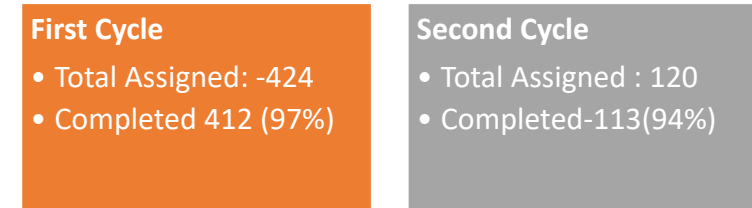
Treatment Module: (Feb 2023 to Apr 2023)



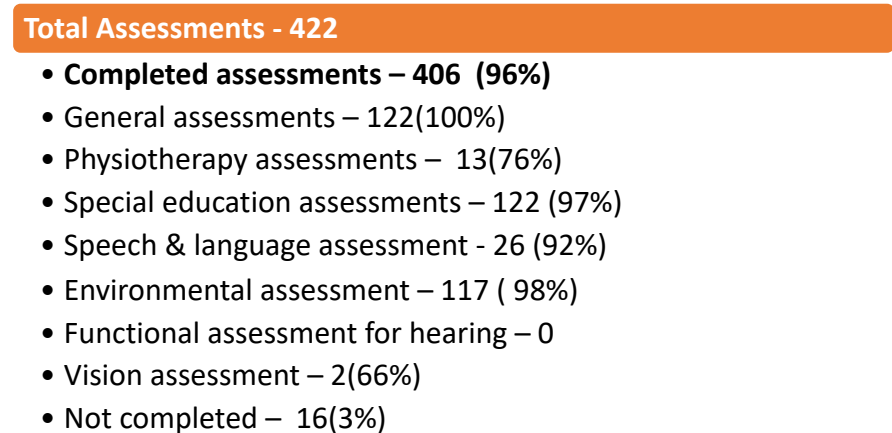
Assessment and Evaluation: (Feb 2023 to Apr 2023)



Evaluations: (Feb 2023 to Apr 2023)

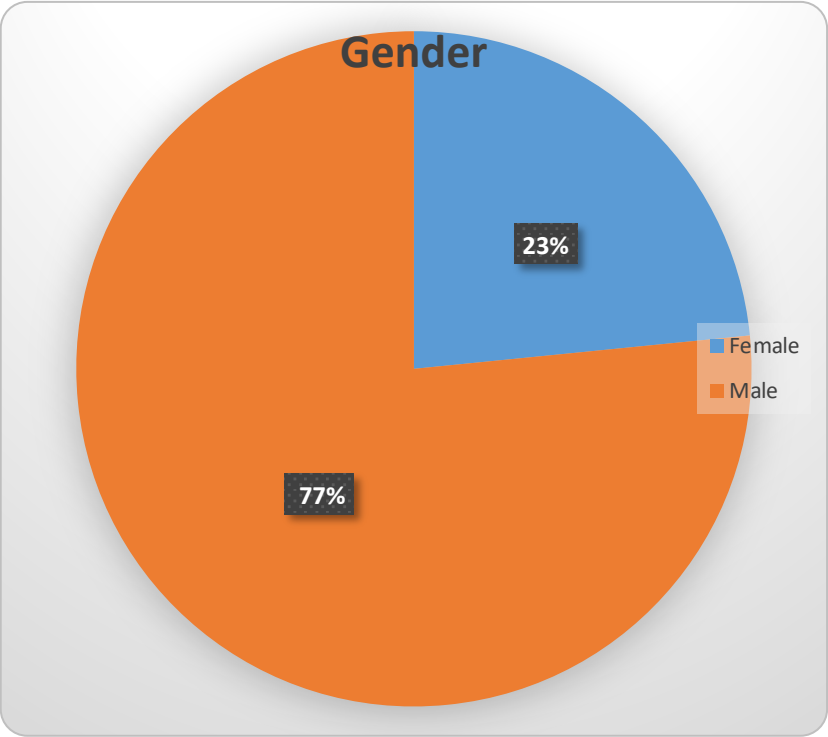


Assessments: (Feb 2023 to Apr 2023)

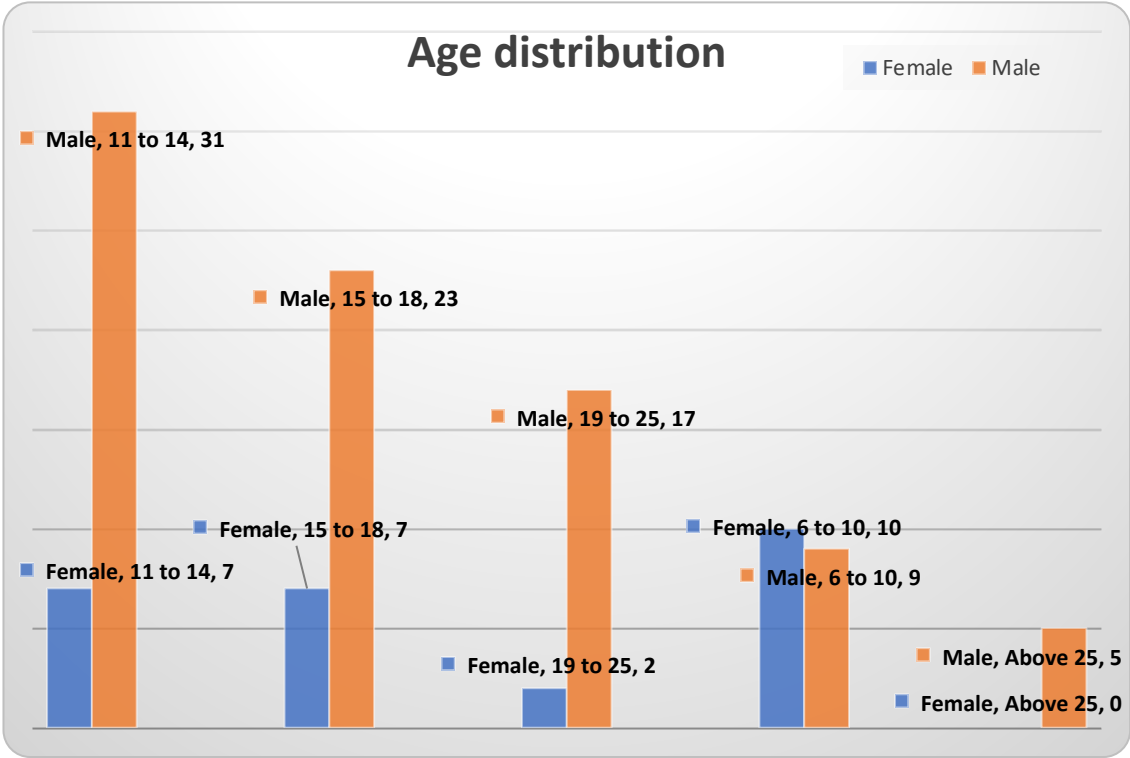




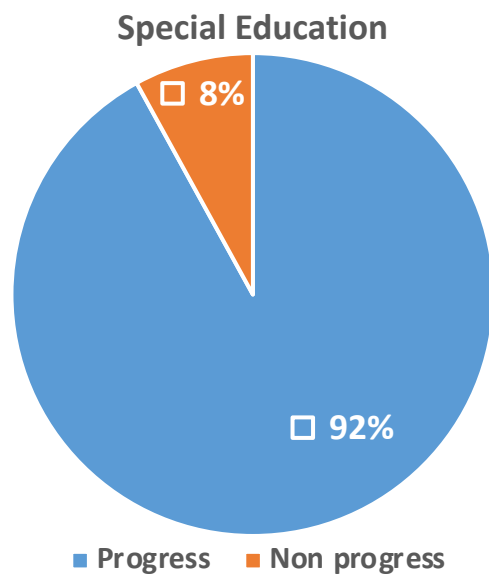
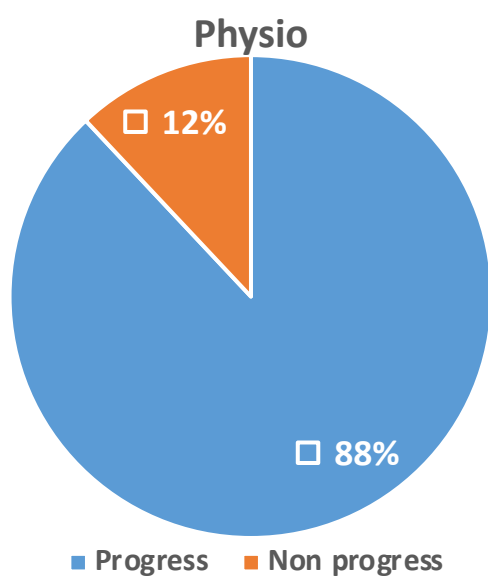
Gender Distribution



Age Distribution



Progression Report: (July 2022 to Jan 2023)



Training Program: (Feb 2023 to April 2023)

S.N o	Trainees	Topic	Presenter	No. of Participator
1	Special Educator	Pranic healing introduction session		6
2	Special Educator	Challenges of Hearing Impaired children in Inclusion	Mrs. Chollamuthu	9
3	Special Educator	Use of Teaching Learning Material in Inclusion	Mrs. Subbulakshmi	9
4	Special Educator	About Co Teaching	Mrs. Suriya	9
5	Special Educator	Challenges of Visually impaired children in Inclusion	Mrs. Gomu	9

OTHER ACTIVITIES

1. Silver Jubilee Celebration
2. Physio, Occupational and Speech Therapy for Children
3. Extra-Curricular Activities
4. Van Pick up and Drop

Silver Jubilee Celebration



With the help of donors like Asha for Education, Handicare International Canada and Staff Grant and feeding grant from Differently Abled Welfare office Tamil Nadu we have been making progress and completed our 25th year recently. On 7th April 2023 we celebrated the Silver Jubilee of our Sangamam School. The program was inaugurated by our Tenkasi District Collector Thiru. D. Ravichandran, I.A.S.





PHYSIOTHERAPY, OCCUPATIONAL AND SPEECH THERAPY

Extra Curricular Activities

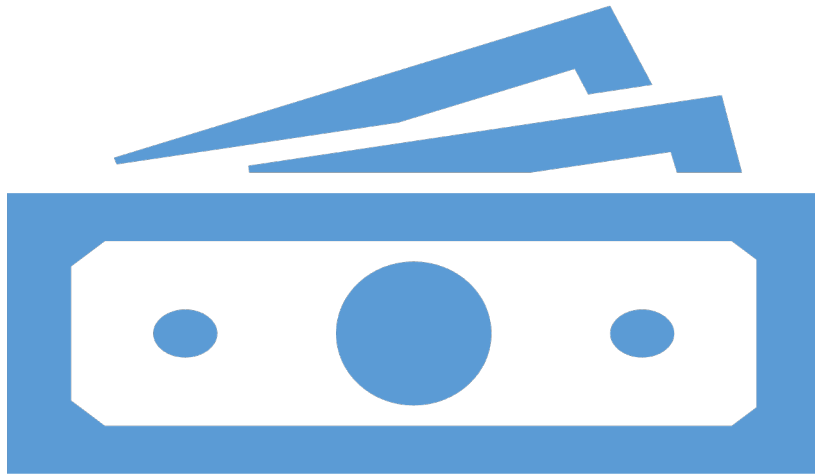


- Yoga
- Art and Craft
- Dance
- Music
- In door games
- Out door games
- Drawing
- Coloring
- Children participated in talent competitions and won prizes.



VAN PICKUP & DROP





Financials and budgets

Grant request for 2023-24

Utilization of funds received from Asha for Education - FY2022-23



Utilization of funds received from Asha for Education for the year– 2022-23	
Particulars	Amount in INR
Total expenses - Special School Teacher's Salary for 2022-23	29,65,258
Grant received from Asha for 2022-23	19,25,000
Amar Seva Sangam's contribution from general funds	10,40,258

Children with Special Needs	Benefited in the year 2022-23	Current year strength 2023-24
Girl Children with Special Needs	29	21
Boy Children with Special Needs	98	80
Total no. of children with special needs	127	101

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Requested Budget for FY 2023-24



Amar Seva Sangam Budget for 2023-24 Special School Teachers Salary (All figures in INR)		
#	Account Head	Budget 2023-24
1	SSSC Salary Expenses	24,71,784
2	SSSC Administration Expenses	1,21,275
3	SSSC Medical Expenses	11,025
4	SSSC Children Training Expenses	66,150
5	SSSC Uniform Expenses	1,83,750
6	SSSC Van pickup Expenses	6,30,000
7	SSSC Electricity Expenses	55,125
8	SSSC Appliances & Aids Expenses	26,250
9	SSSC Food Expenses	2,75,625
10	Vocational Training and Educational Expenses	55,125
	Total Budget	38,96,109
Requested Budget for 2023-24 to Asha for Education		38,96,109

Staff Salary Breakup FY 2023-24



Sangamam School Staff Salary Details - FY2023-24 (All amount in INR)				2023-24	
#	Staffs Name	Professionals	Educational Qualification	Per month Salary	Per Year Salary
1	Mrs. M. Subbulakshmi	Headmistress	M.C.A., B.Ed.,(ID)	31,894	3,82,728
2	Mrs. G. Gomu	Assistant Headmistress	M.Com., B.Ed(ID)	33,244	3,98,928
3	Mrs. R. Nithyakalyani	Special Educator	B.Lit.,TPT., B.Ed(ID)	26,034	3,12,408
4	Mrs. D. Pandiammal	Special Educator	B.Sc .,B.Ed.,(ID)	21,049	2,52,588
5	P. Muthulakshmi	Special Educator	B.Sc., B. Ed(ID)	11,739	1,40,868
6	Ms. S. Poovammal	Special Teaching Assistant	B. Lit.,DECSE(ID)	14,077	1,68,924
7	M. Mariappan	Special Educator	M. Sc., B.Ed(VI)	14,021	1,68,252
8	Mrs. K. Pitchammal	Teaching Assistant	Xth	9,387	1,12,644
9	T. Thambiratti	Teaching Assistant	B. Com.,	6,933	83,196
10	Mrs. S. Muthukumari	Office Assistant	B.Sc	10,505	1,26,060
11	Mrs. R. Prema	Helper	Nil	14,004	1,68,048
12	Mrs. P. Mariammal	Helper	5th Std	13,095	1,57,140
		Total		2,05,982	24,71,784

Onetime Funding Request : Blood Count Machine



Onetime funding request for purchasing Blood Count machine

As we have limited caregivers, two persons always have to accompany the patient for taking the patient to the outside lab. This can be minimized if we have the machine at our campus.

We have our service users in different age groups, and they all can be benefitted from this cell counter. Time and manpower can be saved. Early detection of diseases will allow us to refer the for treatment promptly.

Problems with shifting can be minimized. Lab charges can be saved as we have a large number of service users with various disabilities. It helps us to early detection, monitor, and screen the patient in preventing infections.

Requested Funding : INR 2,50,000

Asha Approved Funding : INR 1,00,000

Funding Request FY 2023-24



We thank you very much for your continued support to Amar Seva Sangam. Your valuable support helps us to continue our work and helps to maintain our children with special needs progress in a better way.

For this year (2023-24) we are looking forward your generosity and support to continue our rehabilitation service.

We are looking forward to your favorable response.

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Promoter Co-Chairman and Secretary
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