

# GLOVIS SANGAMAM PROJECT REPORT – APRIL 2015

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Glovis Sangamam project is continuing to support the 8 schools in Thiruvallur Dist. Here is a report of the various activities that took place during the month of April 2015.

## School Annual Days

Other than Ramanjeri where the annual day functions were held in March, the functions were held at all the other 7 schools in April. They took place as follows.

15 <sup>th</sup> April	Allikuzhi and Placepalayam
16 <sup>th</sup> April	Katchur
17 <sup>th</sup> April	Thomur
21 <sup>st</sup> April	Kuppammal Chathiram.
22 <sup>nd</sup> April	Pattarai Perambudur.
27 <sup>th</sup> April	Gandhigram

I managed to attend the functions at Katchur and Kuppammal Chathiram. All the functions were well organized and it was a joy to see the children performing. Before these the competitions were held in early April. The prizes for these were sponsored as a part of our project. We also sponsored snacks for the children during these events.

## Asha Annual Assessments

Asha Chennai started conducting annual assessments at all the schools supported by the chapter this year. As a part of that the assessments were conducted at the 8 schools of Glovis Sangamam. The assessments were conducted on April 17<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>. Since this was the first time we are conducting our own assessments at these schools, we encountered several problems.

1. There were some issues getting permission to conduct these tests as some of the schools. However with the support from the AEO we managed to get around this problem.
2. The teachers at several schools were assisting the students and since we had given the papers to the schools before the exams, had discussed the papers with the students. This invalidated the results we got from several schools. We have to be a lot more strict about how we conduct these tests in the future.
3. Conducting the assessments for children in the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> standards was very challenging. We have to deal with this differently going forward.

On the whole we still found the exercise a useful one and something we should continue going forward. We did learn quite a few things from the tests. We will

publish the full report in a month. We will share this with Hyundai Glovis at that time.

We would like to appreciate the support extended by the Hyundai Glovis staff who came to assist us in the invigilation at Kuppammal Chathiram and Thomur.

### Terms 3 Summative Assessments and Term end

All the schools conducted the SA3 exams from April 23<sup>rd</sup> to April 29<sup>th</sup> and April 30<sup>th</sup> was the last day of the school. The schools will reopen only on June 5<sup>th</sup>. With the annual days, Asha Annual Assessment and their own Summative Assessments, the schools and the Asha teachers had a tight schedule. However they managed their schedule well.

### Upcoming Events

In the month of May, we will be grading the papers from the assessment we conducted. Once that is complete we will be doing the statistical analysis and reports.

We will be conducting interviews to hire teachers. We need to hire several teachers to fill vacancies that have come up due to maternity leave and resignations due to marriage. We plan to hold these in May.

In late may we will be holding RightStart teacher training at Chennai for 5 days (May 25<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup>). All the teachers and even the new hires will be attending this training.

The computers repair effort will continue and the expectations will be for the initial set of 4 teachers to start using their computer effectively.

From the funds remaining from our project, we intend to setup small libraries at 5 of the supported schools. Buying the bureaus and the books for the schools will also take place in May.