# Vivekananda Kendra



Natural Resources Development Project Kanyakumari -629 702

# Developing Social Capital (Networking)

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#### **Developing Social Capital**

VK-Nardep develops social capital by Networking with various stakeholders such as (i) Central and State governments (ii) Voluntary organisations (iii) Research institutions (iv) Schools and Colleges (v) Farmers (vi) Self help group members etc.



This helps in exchanging the information and ideas among the entire cross section of the society through various programmes such as organising different types of camps on (i) Different technologies (ii) Personality development (iii) Amrita Kutumbam etc. In addition, different stakeholders are visiting our Gramodaya park, J.C.Bose nursery, Green health home for Exposure visits and Study tours.

This helps VK-Nardep in achieving Vivekananda Kendra's basic objective of

- i. Lok Sangraha (collecting people)
- ii. Lok Sanskara (imbibing ideology)
- iii. Lok Vyastha (creating volunteers and well wishers to spread the ideology)

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\* 1998 - 2008 -Street plays and Folk songs - 6 programmes - 346 attended

- \* National Environment Awareness Campaign (NEAC),
- \* Ministry of Environment and Forests, Govt. of India
- 2000 Cycle Rally Rameswaram to Kanyakumari 35 attended
  - \* 2008 Cycle Rally 2 33 Covered 70 villages
- 2014 2015 Street play 2 nos. 47 attended UNICEF, Chennai ★



programmes at Schools, colleges and institutions. Bus stands Bazzars, shop people , local people etc., -Environmented Slogans, songs, Films, distributing of seedlings and Environment quiz programmes



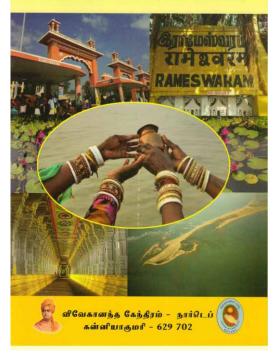
Street Play on Water conservation, organic farming , Herbal medicine Sanitation and Hygiene, saving trees and Environment, etc., .



A week long street training on street plays and songs for volunteers before performing in public places Involved voluntry organisations in turn to organise this type of programmes at their own places



பசுமை ராமேஸ்வரப் பாடல்கள்





Late.Shri.Vengaiyan was a born poet as well as folk singer. He had a God's given gift of composing a song after listening and understanding the subject. Green Rameswaram project has 10 different verticals and after a few hours discussion with the poet, he came out with meaningful songs on Rameswaram

#### Schools level programme

1999 - 2006 Environmental Awareness Programmes at schools and colleges (Keeping Environment Clean & Green) - 19 programmes - 10,942 attended
National Environment Awareness Campaign (NEAC), Ministry of Environment and Forests, Govt. of India

2003 - Exhibition at schools related to Environment - 2 nos - 1,350 attended National Environment Awareness Campaign (NEAC), Ministry of Environment and Forests, Govt. of India.

2002 - Gaja Mela - 1 - 1,780 attended National Environment Awareness Campaign (NEAC), Ministry of Environment and Forests, Govt. of India

2002 – 2006 World Environmental Day - school children - 4 programmes - 3,350 attended National Environment Awareness Campaign (NEAC), Ministry of Environment and Forests, Govt. of India.

2007 - Eco camp at schools - 2 - 291



Teaching environment to school children in the way of story telling, songs, games , group discussions, plantation, hygiene etc,

### II. Developing Scientific temper in school Children



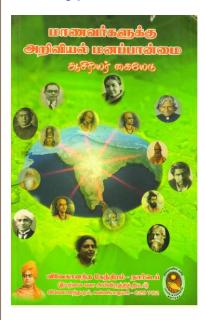
Demystified the science through practicals and its application in day today life. After a weeks programme Students got rid of their fear of science and started liking the subject. Parents as well as teachers appreciated the efforts. For further dissemination of knowledge and extension work a book has been brought out.

2010 - 2014 - Workshop for teachers and students on "Developing Scientific temper" 10 - 625, DST, New Delhi 2007 - 2012 - "Developing Young Scientists" programme

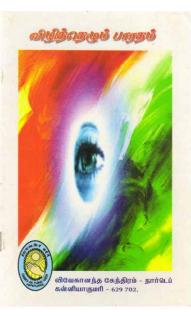
5 nos - 308 attended Kumari Ariviyal Peravai, Kanyakumari District



#### Teaching practical science to school children



VK-NARDEP also brought out a "Vizithelum Bharatham" depicting India's Contribution to science and technology . This helped the students in understanding the greatness of India and how she was leading in all fields of Life which unfortunately we have forgotten due to colonial rule.



#### III. Sustainable Development -Panchayat Presidents:

2004 - 2006 -Rural technology for "Sustainable Development" 39 nos - 1096 panchayat preseidents attended. Programme sponsored by SIRD, Tamilnadu - 6 days





- A week long Training programme for developing village holistically in the field of i.Shelter, ii. Water and sanitation, iii. Health, iv.Food, v.Energy and vi. Inner Sustainability
- \* Half day theory and half day practical demonstration
- \* Tight programme from 5 AM to night 10 PM having the following components
  - ▲ Morning -Yogasana and Pranayama.
  - ▲ Inspirational stories, Environment in day to day life and Folk songs
  - ★ Evening Field games games
  - Night Light Assembly to de-stress , review of the days programme and planning for the next day

# III. Sustainable Development - Panchayat Presidents:



Lighting the traditional Lamp within

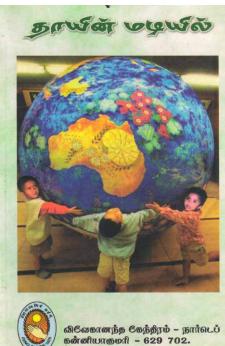


Games to relieve stress and going back to childhood

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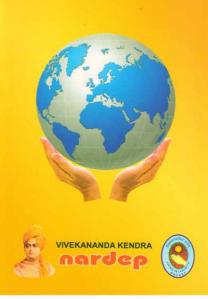


**Books on Environment** 

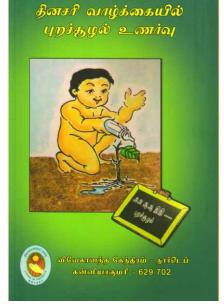
#### III. Sustainable Development - Eco-Village :

2012 - Training programme on "Eco-village" - 3 nos - 141 attended -Government of Maharashtra 2003 - Village cleaning campaign -1 - 60 . Karyakartas from different States of India

## The Scared Earth!



The book aims to accomplish the creation of eco-awareness by first highlighting the interconnectedness of all life on earth as single grand system called Gaia. The book totally deals in 16 chapters important ecological issues and for each one of them it gives solutions. The last chapter is titled 'Towards Sacred Earth'



The book narrates 100 simple ways of environment friendly living in day to day life.



# **IV.Green Technologies**

#### Different stakeholders

S.N	Year	Description of Items		Participants
1.	2005 - 2006	Rural Technologies for Sustainable Development		149
2.	2. 2005 Rural technologies for "Sustainable Development" for Voluntary organisation		5	160
3.	2012 - 2021	Training on 'Green technologies for Sustainable Development' polytechnic and colleges - all over Tamilnadu	15	1060
4.	2018	Training Programme on Green Technologies for Sustainable Development	1	09
5.	2019	Green Technologies for Home Makers and SHG's	12	353







#### Hands on Training:

- ✦ Ferro cement Technology
- ✤ Making Different type of Arches
- ✦ Rat-trap bond
- ✦ Compressed Earth Block
- ✤ Fly Ash Bricks

#### V. Motivation camps :

#### For Govt. Officials

Vivekananda Kendra Motivational and refresher programmme comprises of Training oneself in

- 1) Self-analysis
- 2) Self-restraint and self-expression
- 3) Balancing one's emotions and
- 4) Expressivediscipline.

#### **Course contents**

- 1) Yogasanas which aims at inner sustainability and outer physical health
- 2) Breathing exercises to streamline and maintain inner equilibrium
- 3) Group entertainment activities designed to foster Teamspirit
- 4) Lectures, self-analysis that tune the intellect to sharpen the inner self- evaluation
- 5) Deep and healthy Relaxation through light exercises, games etc. at a very deep level.



The Motivation camp brings out in clear and simple way the real aims of inner satisfaction and happiness, which are positive, non-abusive and unselfish. Collective welfare and individual motivation are polarized.

## V.Motivation camps :

Govt. Officials





S.N	Year	Description of Items	Prog.	Participants
1.	2004	Orientation Course for newly recruited Engineers, State Institute of Rural Development, Tamilnadu	1	25
2.	2005	Motivation camp for Rural Development officials , Tamilnadu	3	82
3.	2006 - 2008	Motivation camp for Tamilnadu Investment Industry Corporation ( TIIC) officials	5	151
4.	2008	Motivation camp for officials of Election commission , Govt of Tamilnadu	1	23

Avery useful book by Shr.N. Subramaniam Pillai for the search within. Lucidly written by way of stories. Poetry and the routine to be followed in day today life.



**Light -Games to relieve stress** 

V. Motivation camps :

#### Govt. Officials





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S.N	Year	Description of Items	Prog.	Participants
1.	2008 - 2009	Refresher Course for officials and staff of Co-optex , Govt . of Tamilandu	7	386
2.2010Motivation camp for officials of Tamilnadu Water Supply and Drainage Board (TWAD)		2	66	
3.	2010	Motivation camp for Official and staff of Tamilnadu Civil supply and Consumer Protection Department, Chennai	6	163
4.	2010 - 2011	Motivation Camp - Tamilnadu Forestry Training College , Vaigai Dam, Madurai	4	203
5.	2019	Refresher course for Aspiration Staff	1	25
6.	2019	Motivation camp for Thattankudiyiruppu village	1	38



The participants are themselves made to identify, through inner examinations, the inner hurdles towards achieving the happiness. The Ways to handle, restrict and eliminate negative inner pollutants are elucidated through well-designed sessions.

# VI. Empowering Voluntry Organisations:



S.N	Year	Description of Items	Prog.	Participants
1.	1998 - 2008	Orientation camp for Empowering Voluntary organisation and preparing model proposals - Tamilnadu and Andhra Pradesh ,CAPART, New Delhi		250
2.	2002	Innovative and Integrated Projects, CAPART officials		48
3.	2002	Regional Committee Meetings , CAPART , Hyderabad		6
4.	2003	TRC Review Meeting , CAPART NGO's		15
5.	2003	Young Professional meet , CAPART New Delhi		76
6.	2002 - 2004	Workshop on "Sustainable Development" for Voluntry Organisations -Tamilnadu and Andhra Pradesh	5	234



Project proposal writing, executing the project, report writing, NGO management,

## VII. Exposure visits and Study Tours:

#### Schools, Colleges, ATMA, Watershed Development programme,

#### Voluntary organisation and volunteers

S.N	Year	Description of Items	Prog.	Participants
1.	2001 2021	Exposure Visits	101	7851
2.	2003 -2021	Study Tour	83	3499
3.	2010 2021	Internship and Project work	1	25



Farmers from ATMA group -Studying Azolla technology



Forest Dept. officials -Study Tour



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Exposure visit -College students





Students of Agricultural University -Study tour



## VIII. Personality Development Camps for children



#### 11 camps - 650 students

#### **Contents:**

- ★ Stretching and Yogasana
- \* Story telling
- ★ Interactive sessions
- **\*** Environment in day

#### today life

- ★ Street plays
- ★ Singing songs
- ★ Games
- ★ Sight seeing etc.,







Environment songs , story telling and Interactive sessions

## IX, Amrut Kutumbam:

2011 - 2021 - Family camp - 7 nos - 362 attended



Action songs on Family Values



## Matru Puja

- $\star$  Taking food together
- ★ Reading good books
- ★ Kula devathai
- ★ Taking care of living beings
- ★ Attending family and village functions

#### X. Sri Amudha Surabhi Women SHG's:



- 100 women SHG's -1600 members
- preparing and selling Herbal cosmetics and first aid kit .
- Cultivating Amirtha Kutumbam



Annual day Competitions -

#### X. Amudha Surabhi Women SHG's:





#### Self Help Group Pledge

I, a member of the Sri Amudha Surabhi Self Help Group Federation take this pledge to-day.

I shall work for the health and well – being of myself and my family members.

I shall work for my family harmony and character. The money borrowed/received from Sri Amudha Surabhi will be spent on positive aspects of my family.

I shall strive to banish addictive substances and intoxicants from my family and from my village.

I shall practice strict economy education of the girl child, and equal respect for boys and girls in my family will be my chief concerns.

I shall live in harmony with my neighbours and will cooperate with them. Community programmes

like festivals and those in need of my help will always be patronized by me.

I shall endeavour to build a strong and purposeful community. I shall bring up my children with the qualities:- Self — confidence patriotic feeling, love, helpful attitude and self - help.

I shall keep the environment clean. I shall economies on fuel, water and electricity.

I shall live as an exemplary citizen of Bharat and train my family members to live so.

I shall elevate myself through purity and prayer

I shall render the Sri Amudha Surabhi Self Help Groups Federation into a useful instrument of service and growth.

## XI. Community Yoga Protocol for Elders to Improve the Innate Immunity ( All India) :

## Launching the programme

Programme for the elders was launched in May 2021 where about 1,200 people participated. Region wise review meetings were organised every week to monitor the programme and for taking corrective actions.

# Yoga Training -Dialogue with Vanaprasthas

Dialogue with Vanaprasthas every week on different topics such as 1. Patanjali's Yama and Niyama 2. Proper diet 3. Yoga as way of life 4. Sadhana in day to day life 5. How to de-stress etc. Twenty-four eminent scholars from all over India gave lectures in English, Hindi, Tamil and Kannada.



• Two months duration

- 87 Yoga instructors involved.
- 763 Elders attended the course regularly.
  - Different parameters were measured
    - Data collected from elders



The results show that there was a substantial improvement in the mobility and immunity of the elders, after practising Yoga for two months. There is a need to propagate this protocol at different levels which will help the elderly people to live a better and Healthy life.

# 1500 nos participated

# **C**Trainer Training programme

Reached out to different yoga centers and elderly people in the states of 1. Maharashtra 2. Karnataka 3. Gujarat 4. Assam 5. Tripura 6. West Bengal 7. Kerala 8. Odisha and 9. Tamil Nadu. A three-day Yoga training programme was organised for about 100 trainers in different parts of the country through virtual mode because of COVID-19 pandemic.



Three categories were made namely 1. Independent 2. Dependent 3.Despondent of the elderly. In actual practice, we could not get despondent category as nobody was allowed to enter old age homes. So, the Yoga protocol practice was mainly for the dependent category.



Six charts, three in each category for the men and women were printed, which will be useful to the elders while practicing the Yogic

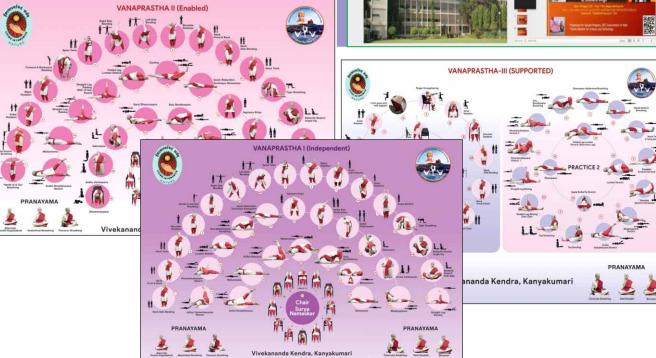


Dr.Jitendra Sigh, Union Minister for Department of Science and Technology was the chief guest for the valedictory programme.



The highlight of the programme was the presentation of two papers, based on our work, by our colleagues at IIT Mumbai and Maher University,Tamilnadu





#### XII. Green Rameswaram Project

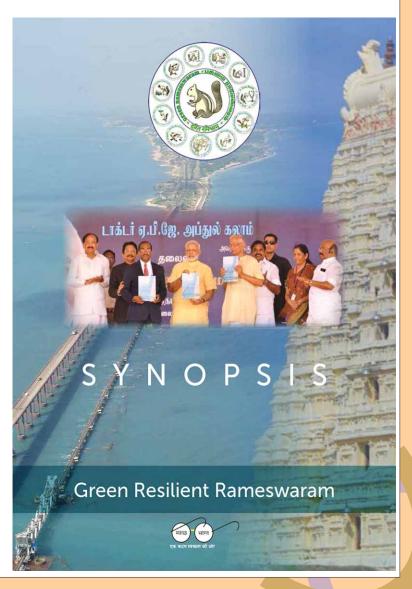


Green Rameswaram project inaugurated by Late Dr A P J Abdul Kalam, Former President of India on 28th January 2014.

Synopsis of the Green Resilient Rameswaram released by Hon. Prime minister Shri.Narendra Modi on 27th July 2017

A project to make an ancient islant Clean, green and beyond

- \* Water Management
- \* Waste Management
- \* Renewable Energy
- \* Green Health
- \* Heritage
- \* Land scaping and Beautification
- \* Eco Tourism and Green Transport
- \* Marine Bio-diversity
- \* New Merchandise and Livelihood



XIII.Representation to VK-Nardep staff in different government bodies and committees

- ★ VK-Nardep Member, District Mission Committee of Agriculture
- ★ VK-Nardep Member, District Mission Committee of Horticulture
- Shri.V.Ramakrishnan Member of District Advisory Committee, Ministry of HRD, Govt.
   Polytechnic, Nagercoil -(2015-19)
- ★ Shri.G.Vasudeo Member of Advisory Committee, Airport Authorities of India, ThiruvananthapuramAirport-(April2019onwards)
- ★ •Shri.G.Vasudeo Subject expert (Biogas) in Reconstitution of National Technical Advisory Committee for Implementation of Solid and Liquid Management, Ministry of Jal Shakti, Govt. of India (2019-21)
- ★ Shri.V.Ramakrishnan Member, UGC STRIDE Mentoring and Monitoring Committee, Central University, Tamil Nadu (2010-23)
- ★ Consortium partner of IMPRINT Project, Tezpur University, Assam (2019-23)
- ★ Shri.G.Vasudeo Member of Central Employment Guarantee Council (2017-18)
- ★ Shri.G.Vasudeo Member of Dr.Mashelkar Committee on Water and Sanitation (2014-2018)
- ★ VK-Nardep Member, Advisory Committee of Kalakadu Mundanthurai Tiger Project











Shri. G.Vasudeo at Tezpur University



Shri.Ramakrishnan attending review meeting at CUTN, Tiruvarur

## XIV. Media Coverage



சித்தா, ஆயுரவேத மருத்துவத்தை

#### இந்தியா முழுவதும் கொண்டுசெல்ல மத்திய அரசு தீவிரம்

தகா மற்றும் ஆயுர்வேத வத்தினை வட இந்தி ம் கொண்டு செவ்ல அரசு தீவிரம் காட்டி என்று மத்திய ஆயுஷ் பைச்சர் குப்பதாயக் ளகுமரி விவேகாளத்த வில் தெத்தவர்ம கு நடந்தது. கருத் ந தார்டப் திட்ட ஸப்பாளர் \_\_\_\_\_\_ கைப்பாளர் \_\_\_\_\_\_ and and a state னம வடுத்தார். எதுசெயலாளர் வரவேற்றார் செயல்பாடு செயலாளர் ளக்டு*வார்.* கருத் சுத்துவிளக்கேற்றி

த மத்தியஆயுஷ் ச்சர் குபட்தாயக் ல குத்துவ உலகில் மருத்துவத்திற்கு உபரரம்பரிய லூல் ஆய்/வேத ழம் வளர்த்து தான்பட்ட 640 வட இந் சொன்று கப்படுக

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#### **Fish Amino** A useful biological option

#### S Premalatha

Farmer groups in Tamil Nadu found a successful solution in Fish Amino not only reduced the requirement of nitrogen, Fish Amino not only reduced the requirement of nitrogen fertilizer, but also served as a growth promoter enhancing vields. Being produced from wastes which hitherto resulted in health problems, fish amino also served as a means to reduce pollution in the region.

Enhancing farm productivity by chemical inputs like fernilizer, pesticides succeeded in increasing overall productivity and helped in achieving food security. Prolonged application of the chemical inputs gradually hijacked the natural systems. Several species of soil micro and macro flora and fanna like blue green algue and azolla which were abundant and were an integral part of the farming system are being replaced with exotic weeds like Salvinia, making the water bodies almost biologically dead. Indiscriminate use of chemicals and pestides not only killed he beath and longevity of livestock and humans, causing a the health and longevity of livestock and humans, causing a variety of new generation diseases like cancer.

Like animals, plants also need unino acids. They cannot be synthesised or may not be synthesised in sufficient quantities in plants. This is also the case with animes and organic ring compounds like indole and pyrrol compounds etc., which are very vital for vegataive growth, flowering and productivity. These compounds, which are required in very

"Waste from one system should form the food for other systems' VK Nardep



small quantities, often become a limiting factor for the

sman quantities, otten become a mining tactor for the growth and the productivity of important crops. These compounds produced out of enzyme activity and fermentation from fish and meat waste can be given as a foliar spray.

During the post monsoon season, huge quantity of fish waste and non-edible fish related waste is generated. The fish processing units too generate a lot of waste. With no proper disposal systems, it often results in environmental pollution tarposat systems, it otten results in environmental polinition and epidemics. If this waste is properly processed in time besides solving the problem of pollution, it will also serve as a wonderful growth booster. This growth booster is much



## **BIOMETHANATION PLANT** A Cheaper Way to Cleaner Cooking and Greener Garden



Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana is bringing good transformation in the rural areas. However, there is a eed for cleaner and cheaper method need for cleaner and cheaper method of cooking gas that does not depend on fossil fuels. With depleting fossil fuels, the cost of LPG cylinders is rising steeply and the subsidies are slowly giving way to unsubsidized prices. Therefore, the rural population will have a limited reach towards LPG cylinders. This will have adverse effects not only for the rural households but also for the environment. The rural women will be forced to rely back on primary fuels such as fuelwood-which involves a time-consuming forage into the adjacent forest areas. Such an increased pressure on fuelwood will lead to deforestation and also a conflict of interest between basic livelihood needs of the population and conservation of natural resources. There is also another

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velopment Project, popularly known as VK-NARDEP, is an ntegral part of Vivekananda endra and has been working in the field of been working development for an exercise development for more than 25 years. Its work i newable energy has wor rganization, the prestor organization, the period international Ashden Awa Now, VK-NARDEP has con out with Shakthi Surabhi-biomethanation plant.

problem. The burning of the fuelwood and the direct burning of dried cattle dung are both inefficient means of fuel-usage. They also create air pollution and add to global warming. Indoor or household air pollution is another critical problem. With increasing droughts and

fluctuating monsoons, the farmers who form the bulk of rural community are also finding it hard to maintain the livestock population. In such a situation, the cattle dung-based biogas plants are more a liability than a useful addition in the agro ecosystem. Therefore, for the marginal farmers and the rural population of India what is needed is a technology that can provide them with cooking gas---an efficient fuel---that will help them improve the domestic fuel efficiency while naturally integrating the technology to the environment-both economically and ecologically.

## **XIV. Media Coverage**







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# From a garbage heap to a pool of spirituality

#### Vivekananda Kendra gets State honour

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT EXEANATIMETERM The Vivekananda Kendra, which was coordinating with the district administration and implementing 'Green Rameswaram pro-ject', has won the State government's Award of Excel-lence in Environment Conservation and Management.

The government has chosen the Kendra for the award in institutional cat-egory for its work on the project implemented in Rameswaram island in 2015. Minister for Environment K C Karuppannan presented the award to the Kendra at a function bed in Chennal on June S, a release from the Lendra said here on

Thursday. Thursday, V. Saraswathi, coordin-ator of 'Green Kameswaram project', who received the award, said the Kendra was happy that the state govern-ment had recognised its ser-vice in the island. "We are hugely encouraged by the award," she said adding the Swarth, she san adding the Kendra was committed in making the pilgrim island green and ciean. The Kendra joined hands with 'Hand in Hand' a non-governmental organisation on make the superscription for

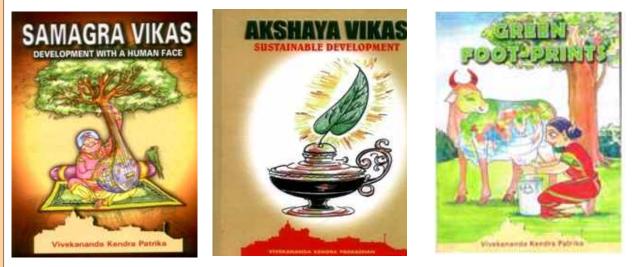
to make Rameswaram free from plastic, she said. After launching the project in 2014, the Kendra identified 44 water bodies, including 'theerthams', the venerated water bodies and renovated 26 of them so far, she said.

The Hindu dated June 6, 2017. Vivekananda Kendra was receiving the best award for award of excellence in environment conservation and management for the Teertham renovation works done under Green Rameswaram project

The Hindu Dated – October 14, 2016. This article talks about the renovation of Brahma Teertham which was a place of garbage dumpyard now Vivekananda Kendra gets it renovated

#### XV.Work shop on Inner Sustainability and Sustainable Living:

Workshop on "Sustainable Living" - 1 nos - 22 attended Brainstorming on "Inner Sustainability" - 1 no - 20 attended 2008 - Workshop on "Inner Sustainability" - 1 - 21 attended , Webinar on "Environment in day to day life" - 1 no. - 34 attended Webinar on "Corona and the need for new ways of life" 1 no - 46 attended



published in the year 2000 ,2002 and 2007

**Green Foot-Prints** brings together the eco-wisdom from the living heritages of all humanity with specific relevance to a developing nation and an ancient civilization like India that is Bharath. The book. consists of four parts. The first part, **Sacred Green** enumerates how environmental care was embedded into our day to day culture and is part of our way of life. How the sense of sacredness flowers into Ecological Intelligence

The second part **Greening of Human Intelligence** showcases the works of secveral activists and thinkers of this century, who created awareness globally about the hazards of blindly imitating the western life style. The third part **Green Diversity** illustrates how the irreplaceable Bio-diversity got displaced due to industrialization and the rearguard steps needed to be taken to reinstate it.

The fourth part **Green Systems** deals with the steps taken by various peoples' initiatives in safeguarding the traditional knowledge systems, an invaluable asset which the so-called developed countries owe to the developing ones. All together this lucidly presents all the various aspects of one of the most pressing need of the hour for the whole humanity. The book brings out experiences, illustrations, quotations, writings, and summary of activities from various relevant sources. Mahatma Gandhi, Firitjof Capra, James Lovelock, Vandana Shiva, Pachauri and many other eminent holistic thinkers and achievers share their vision in the pages of this book.

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#### XVI.Gramodaya Darshan Park:

VK-NARDEP' have developed more than 100 green technologies in the field of Shelter, Water, Agriculture and Health. These technologies have been aesthetically exhibited by way of panels in four different cubical along with Live models. Gramodaya park helps the entire society in understanding environment friendly sustainable living practices which induces them change their life style for their own betterment as well as for the society and a planet as whole.

#### The tree: The herbal world, food, fuel, fibre, fertilizer, fodder, medicine and the earth that supports all.



The living world, traditional wisdom, love for purity, discrimination between Good and Evil, *Viveka.* 

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#### The Sun:

The ultimate source of all energies. Food, physical, pranic, mental (emotional), intellectual and spiritual energies.

The clouds: Prospects, hopes, dreams and elevating awareness.

The wavy blue waters: The dynamically flowing water.

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#### All of them contribute for a better life; Holistic Life; A right type of life.





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# XVII . Important Presentations:

SI.No.	Title of the paper	Name of the organisation	Date	Remarks
1.	Integrated Rural Development	Swadeshi Vijnana Mela	12 <sup>th</sup> to 19 <sup>th</sup> January 2002	Shri.G.Vasudeo
2.	Samagra Vikas - Development with human face	International seminar on "Emerging Discourses on Culture and Development", Govind Ballabh Pant Social Science Institute, Allahabad	21 <sup>st</sup> to 23 <sup>rd</sup> February 2005	Shri.G.Vasudeo
3.	Samagra Vikas – Development with human face	National seminar at Gandhigram Rural Institute, Dindigul	4 <sup>th</sup> and 5 <sup>th</sup> March 2005	Shri.G.Vasudeo
4.	Mutuality of Expectation	National conference on CSR, Rambhau Mhalagi Prabodhini	15 <sup>th</sup> and 16 <sup>th</sup> February 2014	Shri.G.Vasudeo
5.	Dharmic technologies in the light of Integral Humanism	Pradnya Pravah, Nagpur	16 <sup>th</sup> August 2014	Shri.G. Vasudeo
6.	National conference – "Livelihood opportunities in rural areas"	J.P.Naik Center for Education and Development, Pune	27 <sup>th</sup> and 28 <sup>th</sup> December 2014	Shri.G.Vasudeo
7.	VK-Nardep activities	TIDES Leadership Summit, Coimbatore	3 <sup>rd</sup> September 2016	Shri.G.Vasudeo
8.	Best practices in Rural development	Gandhigram Rural Institute, Dindigul		Write up in a book published by Dr.Boraian
9.	Gram Swaraj – Gandhian visit	Gandhigram Rural Institute, Dindigul	13 <sup>th</sup> March 2019	Shri.G.Vasudeo
10.	Developing village volunteers in village panchayats	GRI, Kodaikonnal	11 <sup>th</sup> and 12 <sup>th</sup> June 2019	Shri.V.Ramakrishna n
11.	Environmental Ethics	Gandhigram Rural Institute, Dindigul	17 <sup>th</sup> September 2021	Shri.G.Vasudeo
12.	Environmental Ethics	Mahalakshmi Women's College, Chennai	17 <sup>th</sup> December 2021	Shri.G.Vasudeo

## XVIII . VK-Nardep Establishments :

#### Technology Resource Center, Anjaneyapuaram :



Training center for VK-NARDEP having Eco friendly model buildings for training volutry organisations, Panchayat presidents, social workers etc., with the facilities of Lecture hall, staying arrangements, work yard for practical training and Dining hall etc.,

J.C Bose nursery and Harit surabhi organic shop helps the visitors to know various agricultural technologies and pickup any plant of their choice .

Farmers, Voluntary organisations and educational institutions are visiting regularly for training and live demonstration on Nursery , Agricultural and Horticultural technologies.

#### J.C.Bose Nursery, Vivekanandapuram





#### Green Health Home and Varmam Research and Resource center Vivekanandapuram campus

This Green Health Home caters siddha Medicine to the local public in curing various ailments and chronic diseases. It also has facilities for the following

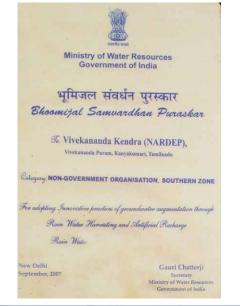
Special Varma Massage, Varmam Point Stimulations, Varmam Manipulations and Herbal Fomentation for Various physical and mental ailments, varmam training ,Research and Development work etc.,

#### XIX . Awards and Recognitions:

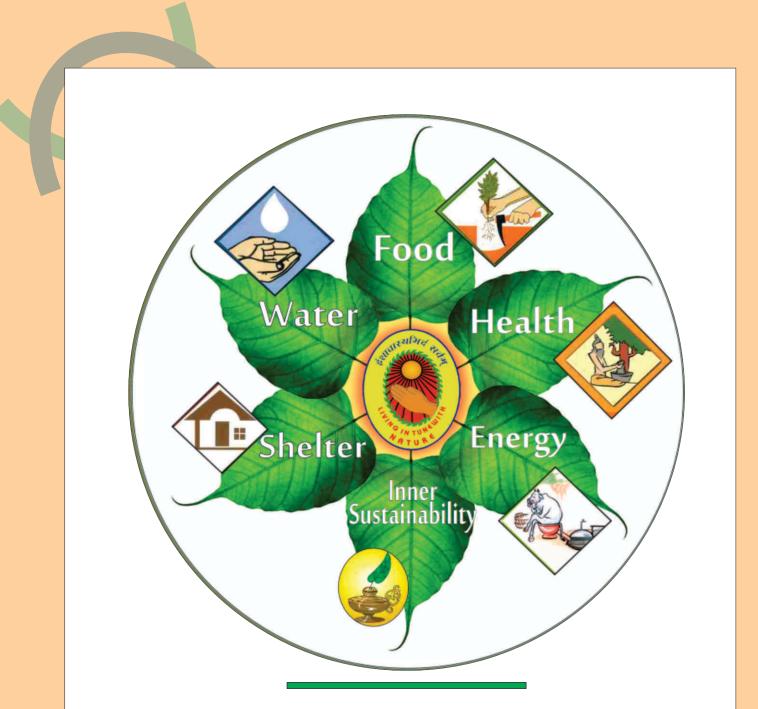
- International Ashden Award (2006) for our work in the field of utilisation of Biogas Slurry for value added products in the year 2006.
- Bhoomijal Samvardhan Puraskar (2007) from Ministry of Water Resources for VK NARDEP's work in Ramanathapuram District of Tamilnadu.
- "Societal Innovation Award" for the year 2010 from National Research Development Council (NRDC) for our work in the propagation of Azolla Technology.
- Vivekananda Kendra received Gandhi Peace Prize for the year 2015. It is for the work and contribution in Rural development, Education and Natural Resources Development project.
- Environment award from Govt. of Tamil Nadu, Dept. of Environment 2017
- Ministry of Jal Shakti, Government of India has awarded Vivekananda Kendra Nardep for the work done in discovering water bodies at Rameswaram under Best NGO category for the year

**2020**.









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