

# Sri Ramacharan Charitable Trust Annual Report 2019

# **Key Objectives**

Facilitate Montessori Education in public schools for under privileged children



*Empower women from economically weaker sections to gain financial independence* 





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2004	Started first environment in VP Koil St., Corporation School	
16	15 Corporation Schools + 1 Govt. School (Presidency, Egmore) are beneficiaries	
58	Environments including Balwadis, KG and Std 1	
70	Teachers trained till date	
13000	Children benefited till date	
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### **Our Donors and Patrons who have supported us thru our journey**

Child Vikas International	TAG Corporation	Karthik lyer	Bhama Seshadri	Udupi Gopalakrishnan
Cognizant Foundation	Bambino Educational Trust	Mohanaraman	Lalitha Ramakrishnan	Swamy & Mangal
Sterling Software	Aarti & Arun Ratnam	PS Raman	Ramani Narasimhan	Radhika Sasankh
Sudhakar Ram	A Krishnamurthy	Manju & Gupta	Mythili Iyer	Lalitha Vaikuntam
KS Subramaniam	AL Somayaji	Radha Balasubramanian	R Ramani	SayeeNarayanan
Financial Express	Balachandran & Bhagirathi Iyer	Madhavan (Ex-CTS)	RS Nikunj	VL Rajesh
Disha Foundation	Gayatri Ramani	Selvaraghavan	Radha & Ramaswamy	VGN property Developers
Data Track Services	Kalvi Trust	Sourimanoharan	S Ganapathy Subramaniyam	Visalam Krishnamurthi
Chennai Willingdon	K Vaidehi	Rahim Ismail	S Thirupurasundari	Usha Jayaraman
Swelect Energy Systems	Kamakshi Mohanraj	Gayathri Ramani	Shanthi Gopalakrishnan	Neeraja Hari
Inner Wheel Dist 323	Savithri & Natrajan	Balan Ramesh Babu	Shobha Iyer	Samyuktha Raman
Dr Ms Chandravadana	K Chitra Govindarajan	Lakshmi Rao	Shyamala Ashok	Dr G Bhanumathi
Gitanjali	KM Vijayan	Mithu	The Doon School	Sahayam Trust
Janak Subramanyam	Krishnan Madabusi	Meena Mani &Malini Rama	Seetha Ravi	Lakshmikanth



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# New schools adopted

- 2 Montessori Environments in T. Nagar Corporation School and 1 environment in Ashok Nagar Corporation School were adopted by the Trust
- Montessori Education in KG sections in T.Nagar started functioning in January 2019 and the current strength is about 40 children
- Montessori Education in KG sections in Ashok Nagar started functioning in January 2019 and the current strength is about 20 children
- Latha and Lakshmi, two of the Trust teachers, were recently absorbed by the T.Nagar Corporation School and Ashok Nagar Corporation Schools respectively
- Their absorption by the schools and the enthusiasm and interest expressed by the School Principals encouraged the Trust to adopt these environments





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Presidency Girls Higher secondary School, Egmore

- The State Government of Tamilnadu recently announced that Montessori-based LKG and UKG classes will be started in 2,381 government middle schools with anganwadi centres.
- The Government intends to develop this school as a Model school for the State and had invited several NGOs to invest in this school
- Sri Ramacharan Trust was also invited to adopt the Montessori Environments in the school
- The Trust has been running the 2 Montessori environments in this school for the past 8 months
- This is the first Govt School adopted by the Trust. All other schools are under the Chennai Corporation



**January 2019** 



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### **Teachers Welfare**

- Dr Meera Raghavan, a Uro-Gynecologist from Apollo Hospital, graciously volunteered her time for a couple of hours to speak to the Trust Teachers on their health
- The Teachers shared their health problems openly with Dr Meera
- The session was very interactive and the teachers requested that we hold more of such sessions in the future
- Sterling Software Ltd and Rotary Club (Madras South) facilitated a Spoken English Crash Course for our Teachers and it was very well received



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### Padmini Gopalan Honored

 Aid India recently held a ceremony to felicitate and recognize some of the eminent social activists in the country.

July 2019

- Padmini Gopalan received their highest award

   Lifetime Achievement for her contribution
   to Education of the under privileged
- Very significantly, Padmini dedicated the award to her team of Montessori Teachers working with Sri Ramacharan Trust



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### 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations

- The function was presided by Justice Vaidyanathan, Actor Surya, Writer Samas and Psychologist Brinda Jayaraman
- Uma Shankar of Indian Montessori Training Center was felicitated and awarded the Maria Montessori award for the year 2019
- Some of our key Donors and Patrons were honored and recognized at the function
  - Welcome Address by K Bharathi
  - Compere by Jayanthi Gopinath
  - Introduction of Uma Shankar by Sundari Jayaraman
  - Introduction of Key Donors/Patrons by Jayanthi Karthikeyan
  - Vote of Thanks by Radhika Sasankh



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### What do the parents say?

My twin children Deepak and Deepika who studied Montessori Method till Std 1 need not be told – they taken responsibility in completing their homework and studying for exams, in contrast to my 10<sup>th</sup> std son who needs to be repeatedly reminded for everything at home.

--Veyileswari

My son Vignesh was not speaking at home- he started to talk and interact well after he joined the Montessori class. He is a consistent topper in class.

--Parent

My son Govardhan in Montessori class is a role model for my 9<sup>th</sup> std. daughter --*Charumathi* 

My daughter was very unruly and stubborn prior to joining schoolbut now after she has started going to the Montessori Class, she has transformed to be a very intelligent, quiet and active student! I am so proud of her! --Fathima

### **Press Releases**

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-CiSwuBcE20&authuser=0

https://thefederal.com/states/tamilnadu/2019/06/06/tamil-nadu-government-introducesmontessori-in-anganwadis/



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#### <u>Website</u>

http://www.sriramacharan.org/ Videos https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=T7IEM-Nmm44&authuser=0 https://youtu.be/vyVsbztvwMo

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