

The New Liberation Education Economic Development TRUST



Annual Report – 2006

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I. INTRODUCTION

The New LEED Trust is a small NGO working in the field of education for underprivileged and economically backward people in India. The meaning of LEED is: Liberation, Education and Economic Development. LEED has first started in the year 1992, was followed by New LEED in 1996 and The New LEED Trust from 1999. It is registered as a charitable trust (Regd. No. 934/2000, 12AA Income Tax act1961). The administrative office of The New LEED Trust is at Ayavoo Naidu colony, Ammai Ammal Street, Aminjikarai P.O. Choolaimedu in Chennai.

a. The mission

- The aim of LEED is to help the underprivileged and economically backward people in and around the areas of East Namashivayapuram (Choolaimedu) of Chennai and the village Kalyanapuram in (Thiruvannamalai District, Tamilnadu) and its neighbouring villages.
- LEED will help through educating the people to be self sustainable and economically and socially independent. Special concern for children and women.
- Through the help of LEED the people should learn to overcome social evils like child marriages, dowry, neglecting of women, corruption, diseases.
- The goal is that everyone in the areas should be able to live a peaceful life with less worry and become a model for the change of the whole of the Indian society.

Object and purpose of the trust as per the Trust Deed

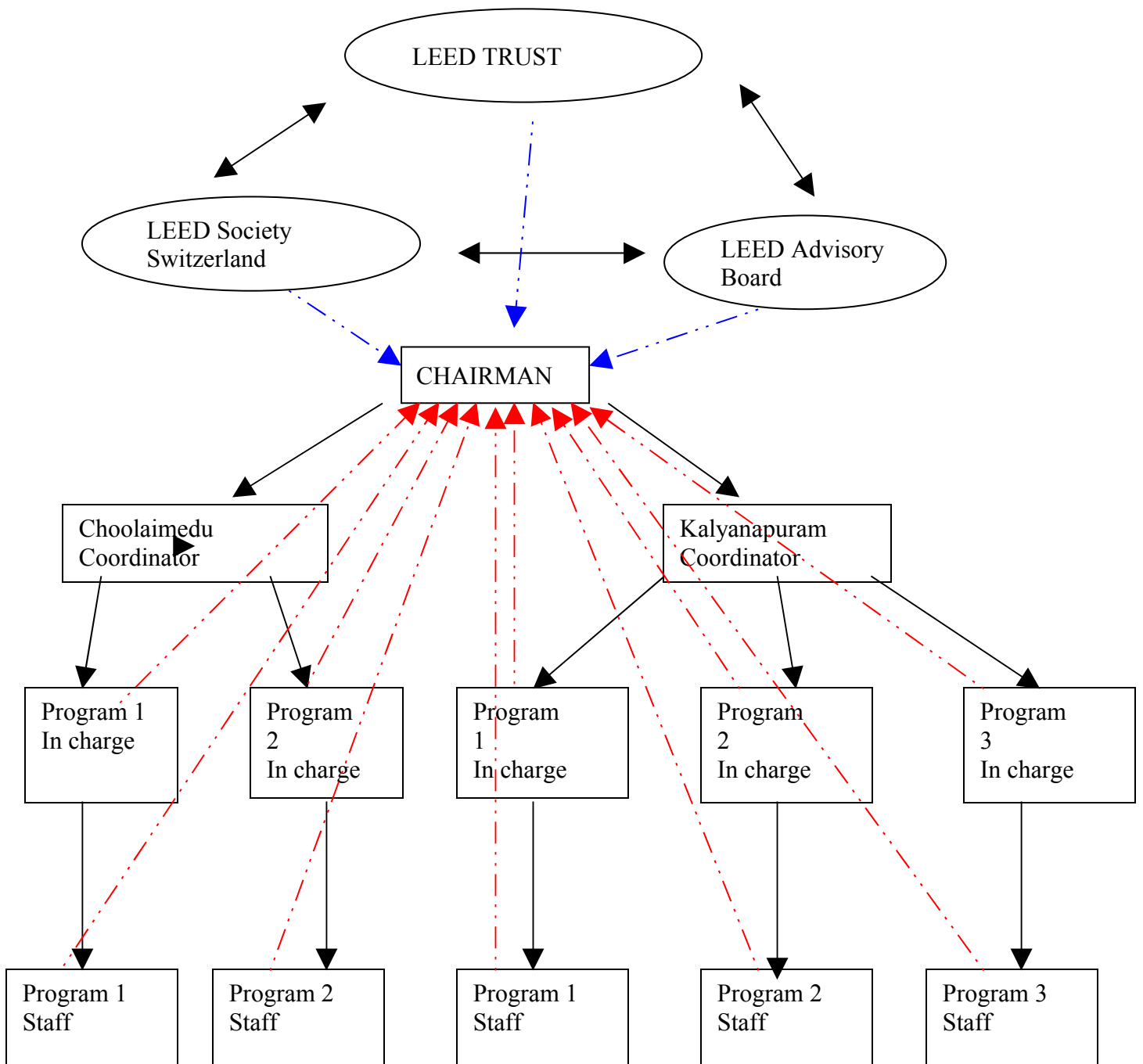
- To undertake to impart, promote and spread education and entrepreneurial and professional skills for the benefit of depressed and weaker section of the society to the subjects to the Union of India and for the said purpose to found, maintain, set up, organize, run, manage, institutes, supervise, superintend, co-ordinate, affiliate, control, guide school, college, universities, hostels, boarding houses, museums, laboratories, exhibitions, libraries, lecture halls, practical classes and other Educational and Technical Institutions.
- To grant stipend, scholarships, studentships and other allowance, concessions or gratuities to deserving students and candidates.
- To hold examinations and to grant certificates of proficiency or other academic distinctions or title to person who have complied with the conditions laid down in the regulations or bye-laws of the Trust and/or the State Government or any other statutory body set up by such Governments.
- To provide facilities for giving residential accommodation and boarding-house for teacher, staff and other persons engaged in carrying out any of the objects of Trust.
- To provide libraries, reading rooms for the benefits of students and general public for the promoting education.

b. Trustees

The New LEED Trust functions well with the support of our honourable trustees.

- Mr. Elijah John Mathew (Managing Trustee)
- Mr. Anna Thirumalai
- Mr. George Abraham
- Mr. Udhay Chandran Nayar
- Mr. Nazar

c. Organizational structure



d. General staff meeting

Once in three months a year, general staff meeting is organized; all the trustees and staffs attend the meeting and shared their experience. Discuss plan for the future activities, staff welfare and so on freely in front of the trustees. Mr. Peter Dietz, President of LEED Society, Switzerland had attended the last general meeting which was conducted on 27th of November 2007 at Choolaimedu centre.

II. CENTRES

The New LEED Trust extends its hand to Kalyanapuram in Thiruvannamalai district and Choolaimedu in Chennai there the environment is not favourable for children's development; The New LEED Trust helps the children by providing quality education and develops their skills. People who could not afford tuition for their children were selected and admitted in LEED tuition centre.

1. CHOOLAIMEDU – CHENNAI

a. Area description:

The New LEED Centre is located in the slum area on its north it has Coovam River, Nelson Manickam road in south, West Namashivayapuram in west and Railway track in east. The centre is functioning in No.114, East Namashivayapuram, Choolaimedu, Chennai 600 094.

The area has 9 streets with 700 families, 90% of men are daily wagers, 8% of men are private employees and 2% of men are government employees. Majority of women are servant maids, some women are employed in export companies and very few are housewives. The area has only three grocery shops, number of petty shops and quite handsome number of pawn broker shops.

Alcoholism is the major problem in this area; women accept hard workers could take alcohol to forget their pain but when it creates financial problem to the family it consider as a big problem. Tobacco chewing and addiction to drugs are also seen among the men and youth in the area.

The people have to work daily to fill their stomach but the flow of money is irregular which indirectly increase the number of pawn broker shops in the area. People know the importance of savings but they lack proper planning and budgeting and could not do savings. Recently government and local NGOs organize self help groups which make the women to save and get loan for less interest. The concept of self help group is lacking due to lack of proper training to them.

The New LEED Trust provides well infra structure for the children to study their lessons apart from identifying inherited talents and potentialities of the children it provides training to them.

b. Benefited areas:

East Namashivayapuram, West Namashivayapuram, Jothiyammal Nagar, Apparao garden, T. V. K. Nagar, Avaipuram and Sowrastranagar

c. The New LEED Staffs:

Choolaimedu centre has six staffs; the success of the centre is because of their involvement and dedication, without that LEED could not achieve its success.

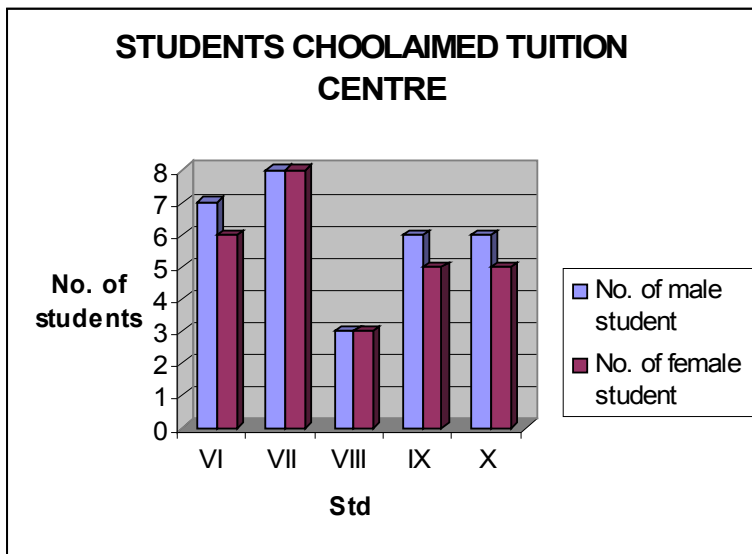
Our valuable staffs are

S.N.	Name	Education	Designation	Date of joining
01.	Mrs. A.S. Uma	M.A. (Social dynamics)	Coordinator-trainee	01.12.07
02.	Mr. D. Venkatesh	B.A. (Sociology)	Head teaching assistant	01.02.03
03.	Mr. A. Pandian	(B.A.)	Office Asst / teaching assistant	19.07.02
04.	Miss. J. Poornima	(B.A.)	teaching assistant	21.08.06
05.	Mr. J. Kannadasan	ITI	teaching assistant	01.08.07
06.	Miss. Jayanthi	A.N.M. XII	teaching assistant	22.08.07

Miss. Poornima, Mr. Venkatesh, Mr., Kannadasan and Ms. Jayanthi are part time workers and rests of them are full time workers in LEED trust. Ms. Poornima is in charge for small savings and cultural programme. Miss. Jayanthi and Miss. Poornima worked earlier and rejoined in duty this year. Mrs. Uma recently joined as coordinator trainee and Mrs. Dhanalakshmi is an office assistant.

d. Students details:

In the academic year 2006-07 totally 57 students were admitted in the tuition centre.



Out of 57 students 40 of them are regular to the class; the classes' starts with silent prayer for 3 minutes then students are asked to read headlines from newspaper and others have to listen it.

One person put some questions towards the listener and they have to respond it; this activity makes them to listen attentively. The low cost notice board is full of information which is shared by teacher with the students.

e. Cultural programme:

Every Saturday cultural programme is organize to develop students' extra curricular activities. The students who are shy and have stage fear are identified and motivated to Participate in the programme.

The talented students participated voluntarily with great enthusiasm; tips are often given to develop their skills.

Generally the cultural programme has dance, songs, drama, poetry, fancy dress, oratory, and drawing, recitation of poem, jokes, mimicry, narrating stories and quiz programmes. The winners received prizes during the annual programme. The goal of the cultural programme is to provide opportunity for all the children to put forth their skills.

f. Students meeting:

Once in a month students meeting was organized by the Students President. In the beginning of the year students select their President and Vice President. He/She presided the meeting and encourage the students to share their ideas, suggestions, problems and expectation in front of our Chairman, Coordinator and Teachers; follow up continues.

Teachers share their views to the students and the programme maintains good student teachers relationship.

g. Parents /teachers’ association meeting:

Every year parents select their President for PTA meeting; once in three months the meeting organizes in the tuition centre. Parents discuss with teachers about their child’s education and behaviours. Mr. Nazar, Trustee conducted PRA in the PTA meeting with the help of LEED staff which helped the parents to understand their own community, basic needs, available resources and the root cause for their problems.

h. Annual programme:

The annual programme is conducted once in a year at the arrival of Mr. Peter Dietz, President, LEED Society - Switzerland. On that programme the best students, winners of cultural programmes receives prizes; apart from that students and PTA meeting is conducted to give clear picture about LEED’s development, current status and future plan.

I. Centre Working hours:

Teachers	5.00 p.m. - 9.00 pm
Students	5.30 p.m. - 8.30 p.m.

Number of Working days:

Sl. No	Month	No. Working Days
01.	January	25
02.	February	23
03.	March	25
04.	April	27
05.	May	25
06.	June	26
07.	July	26
08.	August	27
09.	September	26
10.	October	25
11.	November	24
12.	December	22

	Total days	301
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j. Staff meeting:

Once in a month staff meeting is conducted in LEED Headquarters, all the Choolaimedu staffs attended the meeting and shared their achievements, problems, future plan and suggestions for the project improvement. At the end of meeting staffs submit their bills and received their salary.

k. Medical camp:

The medical camp conducted once in a year in LEED Choolaimedu centre with the support of CMC doctors, Vellore.

2. KALYANAPURAM – THIRUVANNAMALAI

a. Area description:

LEED's second centre functions at Kalyanapuram village at Vandavasi Taluk in Thiruvannamalai district. It is 150 km away from Chennai; it is a remote village without transport facility. To reach the village one has to walk for 2 km from the bus stop.

There are 250 families in the village and majority of the people are landless agricultural labourers and very few have own lands. 60% of people in this village are addicted to alcohol or tobacco.

The main aim of the centre in this remote village is to improve the economic and educational status of the people.

b. Benefited areas:

The following areas are benefited by LEED's projects:

Kalyanapuram, Melacheri, Kottuppakkam, Alliputhur, Aliyur, Kozhipuliyur, Madam, Issa kulathur, Anidipuravadai, J. Patti, Thidial nagar, Vellaikulam and Thennathur villages.

c. Staffs details:

S.N.	Name of the staff	Educational qualification	Class taken	Designation
01.	Mr. Anna Thirumalai. A	M.A., M.phil , B.Ed.,	In charge for Kalyanapur am	Coordinator
02	Mr. Dhatchanamoorthi. C	ITI	V	Head master
03.	Miss. Vendavaram. K	(B.A.)	IX	Asst. Headmaster
04.	Mr. Sudhakar. M	XII	IV	Teacher/Cultural organizer
05.	Miss. Usha. K	(M.A.)	X	Teacher/PTA secretary/Office work/Small saving in charge
06.	Miss. Bhuvaneshvari. A	(M.A.)	-	Tailoring instructor/ Women society secretary

07.	Mrs. Latha. S	X	III	Teacher
08.	Miss. Prabha. A	XII		Typewriting instructor
09.	Miss. Saritha. P	XII	VII	Teacher
10.	Miss. Hemalatha. K	X	-	Handicraft instructor
11.	Miss. Radha. S	X	-	Women society organizer
12.	Miss. Revathi. K	X	VI	Teacher
13.	Miss. Tamilselvi. G	X	I & II	Teacher
14.	Mr. Udhayakumar. K	M.A.,	VIII	Teacher

Kalyanapuram centre staffs are dedicative and work for long period in the centre.

d. Centre working days:

Sl. No	Month	No. Working Days
01.	January	26
02.	February	24
03.	March	28
04.	April	25
05.	May	27
06.	June	26
07.	July	27
08.	August	24
09.	September	26
10.	October	24
11.	November	20
12.	December	17
	Total days	294























































































































e. Women society


























The women society was formed by LEED with 50 members; from that the beneficiaries were selected. For the past 10 years 140 cows were received by the beneficiaries and 20% of the people in Kalyanapuram have been economically upgraded. This project helps women to get additional income and supports women empowerment.

f. Cow loan beneficiaries:

Till this year we had given 143 cows to different families all had paid within the ten months period.

Year	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
No. of cows	10	10	15	15	14	16	20	20	20	3
Amount in Rupees	1000	3000	3000	5000	5000	5000	5000	5000	5000	7000
Total in Rupees	10000	30000	45000	75000	75000	80000	100000	100000	100000	21000

Sl.	Name	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
1	Cellammal										
2	Padmavathi										
3	Gokila. R										
4	Devagi. G										
5	Govinthammal. S										
6	Lakshmi. T										
7	Vanitha. S										
8	Kasiyammal. R										
9	Ranganayagi. R										
10	Ananthi. G										
11	Kuppammal. E										
12	Chinnammal. L										
13	Thaili. V										
14	Muniyammal. M										
15	Ramani. R										
16	Suguna. K										
17	Neela. A										
18	Saratha. G										
19	Ambika. S										
20	Velachi. J										
21	Ambika. M										
22	Parvathi. A										
23	Ovaiyar. P										
24	Kullammal. P										
25	Amirthammal. S										

26	Kasthuri. M										
27	Indira										
28	Lakshmi. M										
29	Vasugi. J										
30	Muniyammal. M										
31	Kaliyammal. E										
32	Kodamalai. S										
33	Ponnammal. M										
34	Ponitha. S										
35	Mariyai. C										
36	Uma. S										
37	Amsa. S										
38	Valliyammai. A										
39	Parameswari. D										
40	Krishanaveni.E										
41	Kasiyammal										
42	Shanthi										
43	Bhuvanesvari										
44	Kasiyammal										
45	Shanthi										
46	Bhuvanesvari										
	TOTAL	10	10	15	15	14	16	20	20	20	3

f. Parent teacher association:

PTA members elected their President and vice president for the year of 2006-07.

g. Students' details:

In Kalyanapuram tuition centre the classes taken from I Std to X Std with good strength. The classes start from 3.p.m to 6 p.m. As there is no transport and street light facilities in the village the centre closed early in the evening.

The students meeting are conducted twice in a month in the centre.

h. Staff meeting:

Once in a month staff meeting is conducted in LEED Headquarters, all the Choolaimedu staffs attended the meeting and shared their achievements, problems, future plan and suggestions for the project improvement. At the end of meeting staffs submit their bills and received their salary.

i. Medical camp:

The New LEED Trust conducts medical camp once in a year with the help of CMC doctors who voluntarily comes to our centre to check our students and people in the area.

j. Technical course:

Tailoring centre:

LEED interest in producing women entrepreneur and started tailoring centre in Kalyanapuram. In 2006 four girls trained and received certificates from LEED. The course started in 2000 and many women get benefited.

Typewriting Centre:

LEED train the students to learn type writing and pays the exam fees for the students.

k. LEED Shop:

LEED started a shop to support women society and the community, one of the LEED staff in charge for that. The shop contains provisional items and stationeries.

l. Stake holders meeting:

The stake holders meeting whenever it needed, the last stake holders meeting was on Dec 06 in Kalyanapuram centre. Mr. Peter Dietz, LEED Society, President, Switzerland, Mr. Elijah John Mathew, Managing trustee, Mr. Nazar, Trustee, MR. Udhay Chandra Nayar, Trustee and Mrs. Elizabeth, Ma foi consultancy attended the programme along with LEED Staff.

People shared their needs, problems and expectations from LEED. Youth and women submitted application for cow loan, technical course and other programmes to start in their village. People understand LEED's goal and assured their support to our trust. Many people came from nearby areas and interested to start LEED's office in their area.

III. FUTURE PLAN:

- To empower women and youth LEED has a plan to start an employment service unit
- handicraft training centre with manufacturing unit and marketing the crafts
- technical training like electrical/electronics course in Choolaimedu centre
- education of children (tuitions, alternative education, activity classes)
- education of women and youths (tailoring, typewriting, basket making, file making, other crafts)

- cow loans for women
- small savings
- co-operative shop
- medical camps in village
- meetings and discussion groups (women, farmers, youth, children, parents)
- door to door counselling
- library

IV Donations:

LEED always thank our donors for their remarkable support to the poor women and children in Choolaimedu and Kalyanapuram village.

**To achieve our goal we are in need of financial resources.
Therefore we kindly ask you to support our work with donations.**

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V. PHOTOGRAPHS:



1. Cow loan beneficiary in Kalyanapuram.



2. Tailoring Centre in Kalyanapuram



3. Students meeting in Choolaimedu centre



4. Handicraft training



5. Teaching assistant taking class



6. Student preparing notes

VI CONCLUSION

The New LEED Trust has been performing its duties tirelessly for so many years successfully in several difficult situations with the help of our donors, staffs and community. However LEED has to go long mile to reach its goal.