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# **VISION OF YMCA Madurai ABUNDANT LIFE FOR ALL**

# **MISSION STATEMENT**

Providing Education, Livelihood Training and Life Skills to Youth, Women and Disabled Children, Irrespective of Community, Caste or Religion

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# ANNUAL REPORT 2022 – 2023

"The mountains may depart and the hills disappear, but my kindness shall not leave you.

Isaiah 54:10

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Greetings to you all!

Let me welcome each and every member of YMCA Madurai to this 139<sup>th</sup> Annual General Business Meeting. With a grateful heart to our Almighty Lord, I am pleased to present the Annual Report for the year 2022 – 2023, on behalf of the Board of Directors of YMCA Madurai.

2022 – 2023, has been a great year with new blessings and of course with challenging times when YMCA Madurai experienced the miraculous ways of our Lord's doings, understanding His plans and trusting more on Him without losing faith.

Madurai YMCA's services to the children with hearing impairment, intellectual disability, the less privileged and orphaned children, skill trainings and sports activities continued effectively with the mighty hand of God hovering over us. Our Lord's miraculous ways of leading was felt each and every day thankfully. Impossibles became possibles as we read in Psalm 114:8: 'The Lord turned the rock into a pool of water; yes, a spring of water flowed from solid rock'. This was our real experience with God blessing all our efforts to sustain the programmes and projects. I am thankful to our local and international friends and donors for their generous support in fulfilling the planned activities.

The participation of special children in state level competitions brought laurels to the YMCA. To the credit of YMCA Madurai, one of the differently-abled special educators, Mr. M. Sundaram, was given the state award of the 'Best Differently-abled Employee' during the World Disability Day by the Chief Minister of Tamilnadu. Madurai YMCA finds happiness in being a tool of creating such opportunities and in transforming lives of children in need.

I take this opportunity to extend my thanks to the Board of Directors, the President and the Chairpersons of various Committees for their towering support, relentless encouragement and enthusiasm in planning and executing the activities with utmost dedication. I am sure this report of activities would enlighten your hearts and minds to join hands with us in continuing this mission.



### **SERVICES CENTRE FOR THE HEARING IMPAIRED**

The YMCA KAMAK Higher Secondary School for the Hearing Impaired, initiated in the year 1971, is offering quality services for the children and young people with hearing impairment.

During this year, we had a total of 182 (107 Boys and 75 Girls) including 28 Girls at the Integrated Education program, from Pre-school to XII standard. Quality special education and care is given by 22 special educators and 11 non teaching staff. 65 boys and 32 girls are staying at the school hostel in a comfortable environment.



Fourteen X standard students and Fifteen XII standard students appeared for the Government examinations this year and there was cent percent pass.

Our students participated at the District level Championship Athletic and Team event organized by the Sports Development Authority of Tamil Nadu on 20th April 2022. They won prizes in girls' kabadi, boys' Kabadi, Running race, Relay race event and shot put.

Community Sensitization and Awareness Program on Disability was organized by YMCA Madurai at Thirumangalam, Dindugal, Sholavanthan, Sembatti on 14th May and 30<sup>th</sup> May 2022. Handbills were distributed and causes for the birth of children with hearing impairment and intellectual impairment were explained to the public. The importance of special education and admission into special schools was emphasized.



### **Career Guidance and Counseling Program**

was organized by the Department of Employment and Training at the School on 11th July 2022. Several higher education and employment opportunities for the differently - abled were made known to the students of standard XII.

Educational **Development** Day was observed on 15th July 2022, the 120th birth anniversary of the former Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu, Thiru. K. Kamaraj. Students paid tribute to him through their drawing skills. The biography of Thiru. Kamarajar and his role in freedom struggle

were brought to the attention of the students through a video presentation.

76th Independence Day was celebrated on 15th August 2022 . Rtn. Ramanathan, President of Rotary Club of Madurai West, was the Special Guest. He hoisted the National Flag. He encouraged the students to participate in the process of building peace in the nation. A Pledge was taken in this connection by the gathering. The special students showcased their talents performing mass drill, dance, pyramid show and fancy parade.





Students were taken out on a Pleasure Trip to Thiruparankundram Park and Thirumalai Nayakkar Mahal on 13<sup>th</sup> August 2022. The children came to know about the history of Mannar Thiumalai Nayakar and the Mahal . They enjoyed the day with their friends at the park and at the Nayakar Mahal.

Annual Sports Day was conducted at the School on 18<sup>th</sup> August 2022. Mrs.Sivakami, Sub – Inspector of Police, Tallakulam station, was the Chief Guest. Mrs. J. Shamila Doris, Correspondent, welcomed the gathering. Fr.J. Benadict Barnabas, President YMCA Madurai and Dr.J. Sathiah, Hon. Treasurer offered felicitations. Various sports activities such as frog race, rabbit race, sack race, 100 meter relay, 200 meter relay and kabbadi were conducted for the students in which they participated with much enthusiasm. They also showcased their talents performing mass drill, pyramid show, dance, march past, silambattam etc. Prizes were distributed to the winners.

**District level sports meet** for Differently-abled children was organized at the Race Course Stadium on 28<sup>th</sup> August 2022. Children from the School participated and won prizes in Kabbadi, Long jump, Shotput and Running race.



Teachers' Day was celebrated to appreciate our special educators and their dedication on 19th September 2022. The special guest on the occasion was Mrs. G.Praveena Carmel, Director and Founder of Dolphin Special Schools, Seaguell Special School, Tiruchirapalli,. She motivated the special educators on how to be a good facilitator for the special children in each and every walk of their life. YMCA Madurai special educators performed dances and showcased their talents. Compliments were paid to all the special educators.

**Diwali** was celebrated on 20th October 2022 with YMCA Madurai special educators telling the students about the importance of Diwali celebration and how to celebrate the day with safety measures while firing crackers. Students enjoyed the day by firing crackers and eating sweets.

4 teachers attended the **Continuous Resource Centre Training** for primary class teachers on 'Numbers and Words Concepts' on  $21^{st}$  October 2022. Innovative teaching methods, Teaching and Learning materials were explained to the teachers of the primary classes from standard 1 to 5. The session was beneficial to the teachers.

Students from of I to VIII standard were taken to Vishal D Mall on 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> of November 2022 to give them a personal experience of the mall. Children had fun at the mall and were so happy and excited seeing all the stores and shops. Thanks to the management of Vishal D Mall for permitting this exposure visit.

Our students were invited by the Queen Mira International School, Madurai, to participate in competitions on the theme **'Space Exploration'** on 21<sup>st</sup> November 2022.



**Children's Day** was celebrated at the School on 21<sup>st</sup> November 2022. Mr. R. Thirupati Rajan, Director – Raj Exim Group of Companies and one of YMCA Madurai valuable donors, was the Chief



Guest. He appreciated the special students and special educators. Children showcased their talents through dance and skit. Sweets and gifts were distributed to all.

A Career Guidance and Counseling Program was organized by the Department of Employment and Training on 26<sup>th</sup> November 2022 for the 10<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> standard students. Mr.V.Senthilnathan, Employment Officer, was the resource person. He spoke at length on the employment opportunities available for the students and on how to face or lead their life successfully.



In view of the International Day of Disabled Persons, a District Level Sports Event for People with Disabilities was organized at MGR Stadium in Madurai on 30<sup>th</sup> November 2022. YMCA Madurai students participated in the event and bagged several medals.

M. Muthuraja, M. Madhiyalagan, K. Perumal won 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> prizes in 200m, 800m and 500m Running race respectively at the **State level Competition for the Differently-abled** in Chennai. They received prizes from the hands of state minister at the Rajarathinam Stadium,

Chennai, on 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2022. It was indeed a proud moment for the school.

Mr. M. Sundaram, differently abled special educator working for the last 13 years with YMCA Madurai was given the **Best Differently Abled Employee Award** on 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2022 by the Chief Minister of Tamilnadu on the World Disability Day. It was again a great moment of joy for YMCA Madurai.

Thanks to dear friends from Stichting Doven School, Netherlands, YMCA Madurai was able to get new outdoor play equipments, an outdoor gym for students and a container bakery outlet. These were dedicated on 3rd December 2022 by Rev. S. Suyambu, Former General Secretary, YMCA Madurai. Fr. J. Benadict Barnabas, President, YMCA Madurai, Ms. J. Shamila Doris, General Secretary, and Mr. Rishwanth Joshua Jayaraj, Board Member, were present on the occasion. These are indeed an added blessing to the school.





**Christmas** was celebrated at the School on 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2022. Rev.J.Benadict Barnabas, President, YMCA Madurai, shared the Christmas message. Mr. S. Anburajan, Proprietor Ark Group of Bakeries, was the special guest. Rev. S. Suyambu, Former General Secretary, and Mr. Rishwanth Joshua Jayaraj, Board Member, were present on the occasion as guests. Children performed nativity play and dances.

An **Exposure Visit** to Sathaiyar Dam and Jaggery Production Factory at Alanganallur was organized for the students on 9<sup>th</sup> January 2023.

They learnt about jaggery production and tasted fresh sugarcane juice.



**Pongal** was celebrated on 12<sup>th</sup> January 2023. Students showcased their talents by participating in various traditional activities such as silambattam, uri adithal, kaiyiru eluthal etc. Special educators prepared pongal for children and served it with sugarcane. The significance of this Tamil festival was explained to the students.

**Parent-Teacher Meeting** was organized at the school on 13<sup>th</sup> January 2023. Dr. D. Helen Christina, Asst Professor of Zoology, Counselor & Psychotherapist, was the resource person. She appreciated the parents of students and made them realize how important parental involvement is to the success of a child with special needs. Indian Sign language was taught to the parents by Ms. Kiruba Joyce, ISL Trainer.

YMCA Madurai students participated in the drawing competition organized by the Election Commission of India on the theme "My Vote is My Right - The Power of a Vote". One of YMCA Madurai students, S.Vetrivel, won the first prize in this State Level Drawing Competition and received a cash prize worth Rs.10,000 from Mr. R. N Ravi, Governor of Tamil Nadu, on 25<sup>th</sup> January 2023, in Chennai for his meaningful drawing. Two other students K.Bhavana and K.Perumal who won the 2nd (Rs.1000) and 3rd prize (Rs.500) received cash awards from the District collector of Madurai, Dr.S.Aneesh Sehkar, IAS.

**74**<sup>th</sup> **Republic Day** was celebrated on 26<sup>th</sup> January 2023. Mr.Shivakumar Parthasarathy, a YMCA Member and a well wisher, hoisted the National Flag and distributed sweets to the children.

An **Exposure Visit** for the special educators was organized to CSI Higher Secondary School for the Deaf, Chennai, on 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> February 2023. The visit helped the special educators to learn how they could contribute to the holistic development of the hearing impaired students through equipping themselves and skill enhancement.

Students from classes 1<sup>st</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> were taken to the Science Fest held at the Sri Ramakrishna Matriculation School, Madurai, on 24th February 2023. They observed the science projects exhibited and learnt about various science concepts.

The 9<sup>th</sup> Grade students were taken to the **Science Expo 2023** conducted at the American College, Madurai on 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2023. They were amazed to see various science working models displayed by the college students and found them very enlightening.

The students were taken out on an **Educational Visit** to the Keezhadi Heritage Museum on 10<sup>th</sup> March 2023. The children were amazed to see each and every article like old coins and the architecture displayed at the museum.

Life skill sessions were conducted for students on various topics such as how to handle negative emotions, how to develop listening skills, how to overcome greediness, how to use mobile phone in a secure way and about the benefits of dancing as a stress reliever. Ecological concerns too formed part of the topics dealt with. The sessions were beneficial to the children.



**Blood group identification Camp** was conducted at the school.

4 Training sessions in Indian Sign Language were organized for the staff and students.

World Deaf Day, World Book day, International Dance day, and International Yoga Day were observed at the school.





Students from the Crescent College of Education, Students from the Psychology Department of the American College, students from Dindigul Medical college, and students of Social Work from the Madurai Institute of Social Sciences visited YMCA Madurai school for exposure.

Training in Bakery Skills was conducted for the students of 6th to 9th grade along with their curriculum at the Bakery Unit. 2 persons with hearing impairment are employed at the Centre.

The Centre also caters to special orders on cakes, bread, puffs etc., from churches, schools and other institutions.

### YMCA SPECIAL SCHOOL FOR THE MENTALLY CHALLENGED

The YMCA Special School for the Mentally Challenged, initiated in 2000, is functioning effectively catering to the needs of 100 children with various types of mental disabilities such as Down Syndrome, Autism with retardation and cerebral palsy.

During the year, the School had 75 boys and 25 girls . 20 students stayed in the school hostel. Training in academics, daily living skills, social skills, behavior modification, sensory stimulation speech and language development were imparted to children by 14 teaching and 12 non teaching staff and 1 Physiotherapist.

Children were taken out on a Pleasure Trip to Thiruparankundram Park on 31st March 2022, accompanied by special educators and caretakers. The students enjoyed the trip outside school and

were very happy to experience outdoor play with their friends.



A few of the children participated at the **Autism Awareness Day** observed at the Department of Social Work, Mannar Thirumalai Naicker College, on 8th April 2022. Competitions on drawing, singing and Thirukkural recitation were conducted and the children participated with much interest.

Blood group identification camp was conducted at the school on 13th April 2022. Blood groups of all the children were recorded with the help of a medical team from Meenakshi Mission Hospital.



One student, V.Mani Prakash, participated at the **District Level Sports Meet** conducted by Special Olympics Bharath and NIEPMD on May 20th 2022. He got selected In Mini Javelin throw and was further chosen to participate in the competition at the state level at Kanyakumari on 29<sup>th</sup> May 2022. He won the 5<sup>th</sup> prize.

During May 2022, the special educators visited the houses of all children to better understand the social and economical situation of



the families of children and to counsel the entire family with regard to the handling of the special child.

Thanks to the generous support from the German YMCA, the construction of a Tailoring Centre for mothers was initiated at the second floor of the exisiting building during June 2022.

A survery cum awarenesss program on disability was conducted by the special educators in the villages around Achampathu and Viratipathu on 6<sup>th</sup> August 2022. During the survey, handbills were distributed to the community with information on the evils of consanguinity and on the causes, early identification and prevention of disabilities.

**Drawing Competition** was conducted by M/s. Nippon Paint on 12<sup>th</sup> August 2022 on the theme *'Colours for change'*. YMCA Madurai school children participated enthusiastically in the drawing competition and gave an expression to their talents. Drawing kits were distributed to all the children who participated in the competition.



The 76<sup>th</sup> Independence Day was celebrated on 15th August 2022. Mr.Gaurav Sharan, Manager, Indian Overseas Bank, Bullion Bazaar, was the Chief Guest. He hoisted the National Flag. The Chief Guest in his special address shared the story of Stephen William Hawking as a motivation for the special children. Mrs. A. Anbuselvi, Headmistress, welcomed the gathering. Mr.B.J.A.Jesudoss, a well wisher of the school, offered felicitations. Children performed mass drill and a dance. They also made a parade of fancy dress depicting the National leaders and freedom fighters. Sweets were distributed.

The special educators participated at the **Teachers Day Celebration** organised by Tamil Nadu Association of All special schools at Ulaga Tamil Sangam on 5<sup>th</sup> September 2022. 40 special schools participated in the program. 5 special educators from YMCA Madurai school were adjudged as "Best special educators" by Dr. R. Anand Kumar, Secretary, Department of Welfare for the Differently Abled.

**World Mental Health Day** was celebrated in association with Bethsan Special School and JC Residency on 10<sup>th</sup> October 2022. Competitions were conducted for the children and they took part actively in games lke Carrom, Bocce, Carrying the balls etc. Maniprakash, got the 3rd prize in Bocce game and Nagarishi Kesavan got the 2nd prize in Carrom tournament.

**Children's Day** was celebrated at the school on 14<sup>th</sup> November 2022. The special educators entertained the children by performing a dance. All the children were given sweets and gifts. Children enjoyed the day having a lot of fun.

Parent Teacher Meeting was organized at the School on 21<sup>st</sup> October 2022. Mrs. Suvitha, Assistant Professor, CSI College of Education, was the resource person and she shared her knowledge and guidance on how to raise a child with special needs. Parents were motivated by her thoughts and counseling.



**Diwali,** was celebrated on 21<sup>st</sup> October 2022. The special children expressed their happiness bursting crackers and enjoyed eating sweets.





National Webinar on Pre - Reading, **Pre Writing, Pre –Math** was organized by the National Institute for Empowerment of Person with Multiple Disabilities (DIVYANJAN) on 15th and 16th November 2022. The special educators, Ms. Arockia Saranya and Ms. Carolin Gracy, participated in the program and benefitted from it.

Continuous Rehabilitation **Education** program was conducted by NIPMED, on the topic of Teaching Pedagogy in Inclusive Education on

25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> November 2022. The Headmistress of the

school Mrs. A. Anbuselvi and special educators Mrs. S. Reethal, Mrs. A. Martina and Mrs. A. Jegatha Arockiaselvi from the school attended the training.

47 students participated in the **Talent Show** conducted by the CSI college of Special Education, Pasumalai, on 25<sup>th</sup> November 2022 and expressed their skills in drama, coloring, collage, solo dance and group dance and won prizes.

World Disabled Day was organised by the District Differently Abled Welfare Office on 28th November 2022 at Race Course ground. YMCA Madurai school student A.Fridolin won the 1st prize in long jump competition.

Christmas was celebrated on 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2022. Mr. Sam Devavaram and Dr. Rajini Premalatha were the special guests. Ms. J. Shamila Doris, Correspondent, welcomed the gathering. Chief guests delivered the Christmas message. Mr. B. J. A Jesudoss, Committee Member, encouraged the special educators, parents and children through his felicitation. Special children showcased their talents performing dances and staging the nativity scene. Christmas gifts were distributed to all the children and staff.

Special students were taken out on a Science Expo organized at the SBOA School, Madurai, on 6th January 2023. Children were amazed to see the aguarium setup. They enjoyed seeing different varieties of fishes in the aquarium.

Special students were taken out on an Exposure Visit to Jaggery Production Factory at Alanganallur, on 10th January 2023 to show them the preparation process of jaggery. There they tasted fresh sugarcane juice and Jaggery.





Thanks to SEESHA, the children received new dresses for Christmas & Pongal on 11th January 2023.

Pongal Festival was celebrated with great enthusiasm on 12th January 2023. During the celebration, students showcased their talents participating in various traditional activities such as kaiyiru eluthal, Musical Chair, and hopping game etc. Delicious Pongal was prepared and served to the students with sugarcane.





A capacity building program on **"Effective and Creative Teaching Techniques"** was conducted for the special educators on 21<sup>st</sup> January 2023. The special educators who underwent training on 'Ennum Ezhuthum' from the School for the Hearing Impaired were the resource persons. They introduced many innovative ways of teaching numbers and language skills through games, storytelling, and music.

Children were taken to a cinema theatre on  $25^{\text{th}}$  January 2023 in order to make them

experience movie - watching in a theatre.

**German Day** was celebrated on 28<sup>th</sup> January 2023. Two interns from German YMCA College, Ms. Annemarie and Ms.Friederike, shared their culture and tradition with the children and the staff. They conducted games for the children. Children and staff enjoyed the day very much.

**Down Syndrome Day** was observed on 8th March 2023 at SVN College, Madurai. Competitions were conducted for the children. A rally was conducted around the campus to raise awareness about Down Syndrome. Students played games and enjoyed the events of the day.

Special students were taken on an **Exposure Visit** to Keezhadi, the heritage museum in Madurai, on 11<sup>th</sup> March 2023. The children were amazed to see the old age treasures in the museum. Special educators explained to the children about the various things and coins displayed.

**Regular Physiotherapy Sessions** are conducted for the children with the support of a trained physiotherapist. Children with muscular and motor problems benefit from them. Sensory training is done as part the program and so they are trained to use their senses effectively.

**Skill training in Candle Making and Handicrafts** is offered for the children. The mothers of the children are trained to make jute products and banana fibre products.

Two of the mentally challenged students are employed at the school as Office Assistant and Gatekeeper.

### YMCA J.P. KENNET BOYS' HOME

YMCA J.P. Kennet Boys' Home, the oldest project of YMCA Madurai, initiated in the year 1954, is situated at Alagappan Nagar. The renovation of the living block for the boys was completed with the support of many donors and the dedication of the Home was done on 8th June 2022. The building was dedicated by the Former General Secretary of YMCA Madurai, Rev.S.Suyambu, and opened by the Former President of YMCA Madurai Mr. Gnana. Surabhi Mani. Fr. J. Benadict Barnabas,



President led the special prayer of thanksgiving for the New Boys' Home. Mrs. J. Shamila Doris, General Secretary, welcomed the gathering and thanked all the donors for their generous support. Chairman of the Home, Mr. Robin Dante, offered greetings to all the members who participated in the dedication of Boys' Home living block. YMCA leaders, Secretaries, Boys' Home inmates and friends entered the Home with joy and thanksgiving.



During this year, the Higher Secondary and college education of two inmates were taken care of. Efforts are in progress to renew the license given under JJ Act from the District child Protection Unit and to admit boys who need support.

### **YMCA SPORTS AND WELLNESS CENTRE**

YMCA Madurai Sports and Wellness Centre, initiated in the year 2010 at Alagappan Nagar, offers facilities for the young and old people to develop and take care of their physique. Students and adults residing in and around the area are utilizing facilities such as tennis court, cricket net-practice pitches, fitness centre/gym, walking track, foot ball court, skating rink and outdoor badminton courts. Every day, around 250 children and adults from the surrounding areas are making use of the facilities.









The extension work of skating rink at the Sports and Wellness Centre got completed and it was inaugurated by the Chairman of the project, Mr. G. Jeyasingh Thiyagaraj, on 25th November 2022. The facility is being used by a number of children. Dr. J. Sathiah, Hon. Treasurer, Secretary of the Project Mr. G. Jebaraj, General Secretary Mrs. J. Shamila Doris, parents, coaches and children were present.

### YMCA CAMPSITE



YMCA Campsite at Utchapatty near Thirumangalm is being developed as an eco friendly farm and a good cricket ground for cricket lovers in Madurai. The ground at the campsite is used regularly by various cricket associations in Madurai. Goats ad hens are being reared at the Camp site.

On 6th June 2022, 178th YMCA Founders Day was celebrated at the YMCA Campsite, Thirumangalam. Awareness on ecological concerns



was shared with the students of the YMCA Cricket Academy by Fr. J. Benadict Barnabas, President, Dr. J. Sathiah, Hon.Treasurer and Chairman of the project Mr. G. Jeyasingh Thiyagaraj. The General Secretary explained to the students about YMCA and the vision of the founder Sir.George Williams. An Awareness Rally on the importance of planting trees was conducted and 25 mango trees were planted at the Camp centre. Mr. G. Jebaraj, Secretary, organized the program. He welcomed the gathering and thanked everyone. Cake cutting, in observance of the Founders Day, was done by Mrs. Jeyasingh Thiyagaraj.



15 Casuarina saplings were planted at the YMCA Campsite on 9<sup>th</sup> July 2022 by the All Saints Church Youth Fellowship. They too utilized the cricket ground for conducting a tournament.

# YMCA ST. MARTIN'S MODEL FARM & YMCA APPASAMY RURAL TRUST PROJECT





YMCA St. Martin's Model Farm is situated at Kayathar, Tuticorin District. Goat farming and poultry farming with country hens are going on in the site and country chicken and country goats are available for sale to the community. During the month of May and July 2022, 25 Guava saplings and 30 coconut saplings were planted.

Paddy was cultivated in 12 acres of YMCA Appasamy Trust land during the year and 4343kgs of paddy were harvested in month of April 2022.

# YMCA EVENING STUDY CENTRE AND PLAY SCHOOL, MUTHUPATTY

The "YMCA Evening Study Centre and Play School" functioning at the YMCA Programme Centre, Muthupatty, is facilitating school-going poor children to excel in studies by providing evening coaching classes at the YMCA Centre with the assistance of tutors since 2007. Children who have no supportive education at home





are encouraged and counseled to attend the evening study centre where YMCA Madurai offers supportive education classes.

During the year, 50-60 children aged 5 to 17 years happily spent the evening at the YMCA from 4.30 to 7.30 p.m. playing and doing academic home work in a safe environment under the supervision of tutors. Clean drinking water and washroom facilities are available for the children to clean themselves after play time. Nutritious refreshments are offered for the children, which help them to gain energy for the study time which in turn results in better academic performance.

The Project Co-ordinator and 3 Tutors make sure that the needs of the children are met and they complete their home work and are ready for the school next day. Students are given special coaching to appear for the annual examinations.

Play School for the children aged 3 to 5 years is functioning during daytime from 9.30 a.m. to 3 p.m. 25 children attend the Play school in three stages: Pre KG, LKG and UKG. They learn alphabets, rhymes, read and write in English and play games.

Covid Vaccination Camps were organized for the community at the Centre in association with the Madurai Corporation on 30th April 2022 , 8th May 2022 and 12th June 2022 . Around 50 persons from the community benefitted from it.



Vacation Bible School was organized at the Centre from 30th May to 3rd June 2022 for 80 students on the theme "Double Happiness". Bible verses, songs, and storytelling related to the theme were taught by Mr.Stephen and his team. Certificates and gifts were distributed to the children who participated.



Handwriting and Reading Practice in both English and Tamil was given to 40 students from 1st June to 10th June 2022. Mrs. Indra was the resource person.

Welcome Day was conducted at the Evening Study Centre and Play School for the children who were starting the new academic year on 30<sup>th</sup> June 2022. Mrs. Gnana Selvi, member of YMCA Madurai, and Mrs. Jhansi from the Agricultural Department, welcomed the children happily with flowers and chocolates. Play School children

Students were given note books, pencils, pen and pencil box. Evening Study Centre students were given school bag, lunch bag, uniform, water bottle, slippers and snack box. The children were very happy.

On 15th July 2022, Career Guidance Programme was organized for the high school and higher secondary students. Mrs. Indra was the resource person and she spoke on the importance of education and also encouraged them to work hard and join engineering, agriculture, medical education. She dwelt at length also on the various employment opportunities available.

Training in Yoga was organized for the students on 22nd July 2022. Mrs. Malathy Priya, from Ganesh Coaching Centre, was the resource person. Benefits of doing yoga and its importance were explained to the children.





**Refreshment Training** for the teachers was conducted on 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2022. Mrs. Indra, teacher, shared her knowledge in teaching and learning methods through songs and stories.

Independence Day was celebrated at the Play School on 15<sup>th</sup> August 2022. Mrs. Devasena, Superintendent, District Educational Office, hoisted the National Flag. She shared with the children how India got independence and the need to preserve its freedom. Sweets were distributed to children.

To celebrate the joy of colours, "Red Day and Green Day" was conducted at the Play School on 25<sup>th</sup> August 2022 and 15<sup>th</sup> November 2022, with the aim to make the kids understand the colours Red and Green. These sessions were very much useful for the children to sort and classify objects based on colours.

**Teacher's Day** was celebrated on 24<sup>th</sup> September 2022 at the Play school and Study centre. Mrs. Sakura Grey, Principal, Karen Matriculation School and Member of YMCA Madurai, was the Chief Guest. She delivered a



speech on the important role of teachers in the society. She said teachers are the backbone of the children, shaping the life of each and every individual child. Children performed cultural events.

**Children's Day** was celebrated at the Play School on 14<sup>th</sup> November 2022. Mrs. Daisy, Member, YMCA Madurai, was the Chief Guest. Fancy dress competitions were conducted for the children. Fancy dress parade was showcased by the children.

Children's Day was celebrated at the Evening Study Centre on 19th November 2022. Mr. Selvin Rajareegam, Teacher, Mrs. Sakura Grey, Principal Karen Matriculation School and Member of YMCA Madurai, were the guests. They spoke about Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, Former Prime Minister of India, freedom fighter and politician who was extremely fond of children. Children were taught stories, songs and rhymes during the occasion.

Fruits Day, Colours Day and Hand Washing day were observed at the Play School.

Field visit to Thirupparankundram park was organized for the children of the Playschool and



Study Centre on 26<sup>th</sup> November 2022. They enjoyed the eco friendly environment and happily played games in the park.

Sports Day was conducted on 10<sup>th</sup> December 2022. Mr. R.Kathiravan, Physical Education Teacher, Prajana Matriculation School, Thiruparankundram, was the Guest of the occasion. Games like picking the pulses, lemon and



spoon, rabbit race, water filling, skipping, ball back throwing etc., were conducted for the students. Children actively participated in all the events and prizes were distributed to the winners.

Christmas Celebration at the Evening Study Centre and Playschool was organized on 23rd December 2023. Mr. Stephen Jeyakumar, Secretary, YMCA Nagamalai Pudukottai, and Mrs. Sabitha Stephen and family were the special guests. Children enacted the nativity play and entertained the audience with their dance performance. Christmas gifts were distributed to all children. They enjoyed a sumptuous lunch.

### YMCA PROGRAMME AND YOUTH EMPOWERMENT



A special prayer meeting was organized seeking the blessings of our Lord in the new financial year. President Fr.J.Benadict Barnabas , Hon. Treasurer Dr.J.Sathiah. Ms.J.Shamila Doris, General Secretary, Secretaries and staff representatives from various projects were present. President and Treasurer encouraged the staff and wished God's guidance and blessings.

An awareness program on POCSO Act and Child Protection Policy was organized on 8th August 2022 for all the staff of YMCA Madurai. Adv. Mrs. Sasi, Legal cum Probation Officer, Government of

Tamil Nadu, spoke about POCSO Act and the need for Child Protection Policy in schools. 80 staff of YMCA Madurai participated in this session which was an eye opener for the participants.

A Retreat for Staff of the Special Schools was organized on the theme "Work Together for Good" at Saranthangi Retreat Centre on 1st October

2022. Dr. Joyce Jeyarani and Ms. Gunaseeli Johnson, District Child Protection Officer, Karur were the guest speakers. It was an opportunity for the staff to step away from their daily lives and connect deeply with their inner selves and spirituality.

YMCA Madurai Staff Christmas Program was organized on 17st December 2022. Mrs. J.Shamila Doris, General Secretary, YMCA Madurai, welcomed the gathering. The Presidential address was delivered by Fr.J.Benedict Barnabas, President, YMCA Madurai. Dr. J. Sathiah, Treasurer, YMCA Madurai, was also present on the occasion. Christmas Message was delivered by Rev.T.Samuel R.V.Singh, Clergy Secretary, CSI Madurai Ramnad Diocese. He explained about the 5 significant things of Christmas Eve as Preparation, Observation, Adoration, Liberation and Salvation. Secretaries and staff from all projects of YMCA Madurai attended the Programme and gave various performances. It was a great time of fellowship as YMCA family and the programme ended with a sumptuous food.







Felicitation to staff, who were retiring during the year, was organized at the YMCA Madurai on 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2022. Mr.R.Pandian, Driver, Mr.A.Velmurugan, Driver, Mr.K.Rajendran, Office Assistant, Mrs.Vengalathi, Cook and Mrs. Maniammal, Cook, were given felicitation by the President Fr.J.Benadict Barnabas, Hon.Treasurer Dr.J.Sathiah and Mr.R.Arul Raj, Secretary and Mrs.J.Shamila Doris, General Secretary . Their exemplary services were shared with the staff of YMCA Madurai and everyone wished blessings for them.





### A 2-day Pleasure Trip to Kanyakumari

was arranged for 25 women caretakers and maintenance staff of the YMCA Special Schools on 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2022 with a sponsorship from Ms. Sabine Drecher, Germany. They enjoyed the train journey, the comfortable stay and good food at YMCA Kanyakumari and Marthandam and the scenic beauty of Thirparapu Waterfalls, Kanyakumari and Muttom beaches, Botanical garden, Mathur High bridge and Vattakotai Fort. They sang

praises to God for this great opportunity and felt refreshed.

Thanks to the family of Mr. I. Davidson, Former General Secretary and the founder of YMCA KAMAK Higher Secondary School for the Hearing Impaired in the year 1971, his 106th birthday was celebrated at YMCA Madurai special schools on 25<sup>th</sup> July 2022. The family of Mr.I.Davidson shared their happiness and memorable thoughts with the special children and presented snacks and gifts to all the staff and children.



### **INTERNATIONAL GUEST HOUSE AND SERVICE CENTRE**

YMCA Madurai International Guest House and Service Centre at the heart of the city offers air conditioned, non airconditioned and dormitory facilities for members and friends. There are 19 fully furnished rooms, with 40 beds and 3 AC and non AC training halls at the Centre. Hostel for men on a monthly basis is offered too at the Second floor of the building with single, double and 4 bed-rooms.





Summer Training Programs were organized for 35 students in the Guest House hall on hand writing, spoken English, drawing, arts and crafts, abacus, chess, skating, gymnastics, western dance and table tennis. Skilled trainers were engaged for the purpose.



### YMCA RELIGIOUS DEPARTMENT



The inaugural service of the World YMCA/ YWCA Week of Prayer and World Fellowship was held on 13<sup>th</sup> November 2022 at the premises of YMCA School for the Hearing Impaired, Visalakshipuram. "PRAYING THE IMPACT" was the main theme for the year. The Rev.Fr.J.Benadict Barnabas, President, YMCA Madurai, was the special guest and he shared the word of God. Throughout the week, prayer services were held at various places. The meetings were conducted at the following places:

On 14th November 2022, prayer meeting was held at the Chapel of YMCA International Youth Centre. The Rev. K. L. D. Rajasekaran, Professor, New Testament, Tamil Nadu Theological Seminary, shared the word of God.

On 15<sup>th</sup> November 2022, prayer meeting was held at the YMCA School for the Mentally Challenged, Ellis Nagar. Mr. T. G. Solomon, Word in Life Ministries,

shared the word of God.

On 16<sup>th</sup> November 2022, prayer meeting was held at the premises of YWCA. Mrs.Dulcie Illango, Member, YWCA, shared the word of God.

On 17th November 2022, prayer meeting was held at the YMCA School for the Hearing Impaired, Visalakshipuram. The Rev. T. Jebin, Professor, Old Testament, Tamilnadu Theological Seminary, shared the word of God.

On 18th November 2022, prayer meeting was held at the YMCA Evening Study Centre, Muthupatti. Mr. Elango, Member, YMCA Madurai, shared the word of God.

YMCA Choir practices were conducted under the leadership of Mr. T. Jeyakumar at CSI Church in Shantinagar during October 2022.





YMCA Christmas Carol Service was held on 27<sup>th</sup> November 2022, at the Church of the Divine Patience, Railway Colony, Madurai. The Rev. D. Paul Yesudasan, Professor, Christian Ministry, Tamilnadu Theological Seminary was the guest speaker and he shared the Christmas message.

### **WORKING WOMEN'S HOSTEL**

Women's Hostel at the Service Centre for the Hearing Impaired, Visalakshipuram, provides a clean and comfortable accommodation for students, working women, members and guests. Single room, double room, four- bedroom, AC room and dormitory facilities are available with hygienic and homely food at the Hostel. Around 55 women from different walks of life happily stayed at the hostel during the year. The income generated from this facility supports the YMCA School for the Hearing Impaired.



During the year, with sponsorship from the US YMCA, the process of conversion of two dormitories into four double rooms was initiated.



### **INTERNATIONAL YOUTH CENTRE**

YMCA International Youth Centre, a project for self reliance, is indeed a source of generating revenue for our services through the rent received from the State Bank of India, Ellisnagar branch, SBI ATM, JCB and the South Indian Bank Regional Office. During the year, floor tiles at the roof of the building and paver blocks around the building were laid. Monthly prayer services are held at the Chapel.

The Bakery Outlet at the International Centre premises sponsored by the SBI Life Insurance and friends from the US YMCA was dedicated to the glory of God on 30<sup>th</sup> March 2023. Fr. J. Benadict Barnabas, President YMCA Madurai, led the inaugural prayer service. Rev. S. Suyambu, Former General Secretary, offered the dedication and Dr.Prabakar Navamani, Former President of YMCA Madurai, and Mrs. Rebecca Navamani inaugurated the café in the presence of the Board of Directors, Secretaries and Staff. Rev.







J. Thasayyan, Board member, offered prayers at the cash counter and sought the blessings of God for the Bakery outlet. Ms. J. Shamila Doris, General Secretary, thanked the leaders and the guests and also the donors who could not be present on the occasion. This would facilitate income generation for our services through the sale of bakery products made by persons with hearing impairment and would offer employment opportunities for persons with hearing impairment and intellectual disability.



### **ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING & ELECTION 2022**



The 138th Annual General Business Meeting of YMCA Madurai was held on 17th September, 2022 at the YMCA KAMAK Higher Secondary School for the Hearing Impaired. The President, Fr.J.Benadict Barnbas, called the meeting to order and welcomed the members present. Mrs.D.Pricilla, Board Member, YMCA Madurai, offered the opening prayer. The General Secretary, Mrs. J. Shamila Doris, presented the Annual Report for the year 2021-2022 and it was unanimously adopted and approved by the General Body. Hon. Treasurer, Dr.J.Sathiah, tabled the Annual Audited

Statements of Accounts. The General Body resolved unanimously to adopt the 138th Annual Report and Audited Statements of Accounts. CA. M. Saravanan, F.C.A., was appointed as the Auditor for the year 2022-2023.

Dr. S. Manual Jayaraj, Chariman of the Scrutiny Committee, presented the report of the Scrutiny Committee on the election of four Directors to the Board of YMCA Madurai for 2022-2025. He declared that Mr. Gnana. Surabhi Mani, Mr. Jeyasuresh Dr. J. Sathiah Jayaraj, Mr. Rishwanth Joshua Jayaraj were elected to the YMCA



Board for the term 2022 - 2025 unanimously.

A list of 5 members who entered into glory of God during the year was read out and the General Body observed a one - minute of silence in memory of the departed souls. The meeting came to a close with prayer and benediction offered by Rev.J.Thasayyan.



### YMCA WOMEN'S CONCERNS DESK

National Girl Child Day was observed at the School for the Hearing Impaired on 25th January 2023. Students were made aware that every girl child is the future of our nation and that girls must be celebrated. They were also taught about the inequalities that girls and women face in Indian society due to gender bias and motivated them to be empowered to face the challenges of tomorrow.





Women's Day was celebrated on 9th March 2023. The Presidential Address was delivered by Fr.J.Bernadict Barnabas, President, YMCA Madurai. Ms. Shamila Doris, General Secretary, welcomed the gathering. Dr. Janet Vasantha Kumari, Chairperson, Women's Desk, spoke on the occasion. Adv. S. Selva Gomathi, Joint Director, SOCO Trust, was the chief guest and she spoke on Economic Empowerment of Women in India which was very informative for the gathering.

Dr. J. Sathiah, Hon. Treasurer felicitated the programme. Various competitions such as Rangoli, Debate and Connection game were conducted for women staff and prizes were distributed to the winners.

### **VOLUNTEERS / INTERNS**

Two interns, Ms.Annemarie and Ms.Friederike, from the German CVJM University of Applied Sciences in Kassel, did their internship at the YMCA Madurai Special Schools from September 2022 to January 2023. They participated in all the activities of the Schools and conducted various activities for the students with hearing impairment and intellectual disabilty. Main concept of the activity was class room community like unity, team work, and good class quality. Apart from activities, themes of socialization, gender discrimination and class room values were also dealt with through play way methods. The sessions were very beneficial for the children.









The interns conducted a Capacity Building Program for the special educators on 7th January 2023. They dealt with YMCA's Vision, Enhancement of mental health in children without violence and on communicating effectively avoiding conflict. The session inspired and motivated the special educators to work towards their goals effectively.

Two interns from the United Theological College, Bangalore, Mr. Jenil Dhas and Mr. Adarsh Eldo, did their internship at the YMCA School for the Hearing Impaired and the School for the Mentally Challenged during September 2022. They conducted various activities for the children and prepared case studies of children.



### **MEETINGS AND CONFERENCES**





Southern India Region of YMCAS organized their Regional Meeting at the YMCA Camp Centre, Yellagiri on 15th October 2022. Mrs. J. Shamila Doris, General Secretary, YMCA Madurai, delivered a session on "YMCA and Gender Concerns". YMCA leaders from all over Tamil Nadu attended. Fr. J. Benadict Barnabas, Dr. J. Sathiah, Mr. Robin Dante and Mrs. Poornima Robin from YMCA Madurai participated at the meeting.

National Council of YMCAs of India organized a National Consultation of Presidents and General Secretaries 2022 on 20th October 2022 at YMCA Chennai on the theme "Prospective Plan 2030 - Just World, Sustainable Planet, Meaningful Work, Community Wellbeing." Justice JB Koshy, President, NCYI and Mr. Vincent George, President, Madras YMCA were present. National General Secretary, Mr. Bertram Devadas introduced the theme of the consultation in line with the World Alliance General Assembly Recommendations. Rev. Samuel D.Stephen, Former Deputy Vice-President of the World Alliance of YMCA and President, Salem YMCA, gave the keynote address. He emphatically said that the strength of movement is in direct proportion to the steadfastness and stability of its leadership. The sustainability of the movement rests on the ability of its present leadership to raise the next generation leaders. He called the YMCAs to restore the image of God in humanity and to stand on the strong spiritual foundations laid by the founding fathers. He encouraged the Indian YMCA movement to contribute to the World movement. Fr. J. Benadict



Barnabas, President YMCA Madurai, and Mrs.J.Shamila Doris, General Secretary, participated in the meeting.

YMCA National Women Assembly 2022 was conducted at YMCA Camp Centre, Alwaye, during 2<sup>nd</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> of December 2022, hosted by South West India Region of YMCAs on the theme "Towards a Just world for securing Equal Opportunity". The program was presided over by Mrs. Elizabeth George, Chair Person, Regional Women's Forum. Ms. Rebecca Stanley, from YMCA Salem, was the Keynote speaker. About 80 participants from the nine different regions participated in the three-day program which provided a unique



opportunity for women to have participatory learning, with sharing of ideas and cultural practices, and in becoming responsible citizens. Ms. Muthupriya, Ms. Jenifa Jabez and Ms. Saral Tharma Thangam attended the Assembly with their active participation.







### A Capacity building Programme

for Head teachers of Government and Government aided Schools was organized by the State School Education Department for 3 days from 19<sup>th</sup> January to 21<sup>st</sup> January 2023. Mrs. G. Joyce Mary, Headmistress, participated in the training and got benefitted.

The Biennial Conference of the Southern India Region of YMCA of India was held at YMCA Karaikudi on 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> January 2023 on the theme IGNITE- Empower Young People and Communities. Fr. J. Benadict Barnabas, Dr. J. Sathiah and Mr. G. Jebaraj attended the Conference.

The XXXVI National Triennial Convention and Board Meetings of the National Council of YMCAs of India was held from February 25<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> at YMCA Madras. Fr. J. Benadict Barnabas, Dr. J. Sathiah, Mr. E. J. Baldwin, Mr. V. James Christopher, Mr. J. Koilmani and Mr. Robin Dante attended the convention. Fr. J. Benadict Barnabas, President, YMCA Madurai was selected as one of the members of the National Executive Committee, National Council of YMCAs of India.

The Southern Region of YMCAs organized the Regional Women Assembly on 7<sup>th</sup> and 8th March 2023 at the YMCA Campsite, Yellagiri on the



theme – IGNITE – Enrich and carve themselves. Mrs.P. Premila and Mrs. D. Carolin Gracy from YMCA Madurai participated at the meeting.

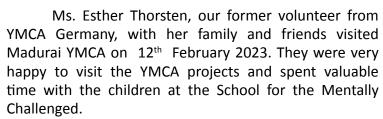
Ms. Y. Sobia and Ms. Saral Tharma Thangam from YMCA Madurai attended the Regional Youth Leadership Training on "Ignite- Striving Youth for Transformation" organized by the Southern India Region of YMCA hosted by YMCA Tranquebar – Porayar on 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> March 2023 . There were sessions on igniting the power and potential of young people to transform themselves into better leaders. Camp fire and group discussions were organized for the participants.

### **VISITORS**

Mr. Bertram Devadas, National General Secretary, National Council of YMCAs of India, visited the service projects of YMCA Madurai on 1st May 2022 and was much impressed with the services of YMCA Madurai. Few of the YMCA secretaries from all over India visited our service projects on their way to AOS Conference at Kodaikanal.



Ms. Josephine Herb, former volunteer from YMCA Germany, visited our service projects and spent a week with the special children at the School for the Mentally Challenged from 26<sup>th</sup> September 2022. She was very happy to be in YMCA Madurai once again and was delighted to see the developments and new additions at the school.



A group of 51 students from Blakilde School, Denmark, under the leadership of Mrs. Connie Moller from Blakilde Efterskole, Denmark, visited the YMCA Madurai in two batches from 30<sup>th</sup> January to 18th February





2023. They visited the projects of YMCA Madurai and worked with the children at the Evening Study Centre. With their generous donations, the renovation of the building at the Evening Study Centre and Play School was done with new wall murals.







### CONCLUSION

I end this report with thanks and gratitude to the Almighty Lord, who is our shield, strength, protector and deliverer. YMCA Madurai, with 139 years of remarkable history, continues to count on His faithfulness in materializing the affairs of this organization.

Every success of this movement was possible with the dedicated team of Board of Directors, Project Committee members and well wishers who stood with us and I record my deep sense of gratitude to all of them. Very specially, I would like to thank Fr.J.Benadict Barnabas, President of YMCA Madurai, for his leadership and consistent support in all the endeavors of Madurai YMCA. I am thankful to Dr.Sabrin Sonjeev Ross, Vice-President, for his solidarity and support at all times. My sincere thanks to Dr.J.Sathiah, Hony.Treasurer for his meticulous support in managing the finance.

I owe my gratitude to you, the members of the General Body, for your prayers and participation.

I take this opportunity to thank the professional Secretaries of YMCA Madurai for their cooperation and commitment in executing the activities. My appreciation to the staff members of all the projects, the fundraising team, the accountants, the teachers and the support staff for their perseverance and participation in executing the mission of YMCA Madurai.

Our sincere appreciation to Auditor, CA.M.Saravanan, F.C.A, and his team for the professional support.

Special thanks are due to

- The National Council of YMCAs of India, New Delhi
- CVJM World Service, Germany (Signs of Hope)
- YMCA of the USA, Chicago
- CVJM- Landesverband Baden, Germany
- Blakilde Efterskole, Denmark
- YMCA of Greater Houston, USA
- YMCA of Greenville, USA
- YMCA of B.R.Ryall, USA Illinois Association of YMCA, USA
- Ms. Lies Schouwenaar and Stichting Doven School, The Netherlands
- One World Team, Germany
- M/s. Jayaraj Automobile Agency, Madurai
- Asir Foundation, Madurai
- M/s. Thangamayil Jewellery
- Raj Exim Group of Companies



- Rotary Club of Madurai West
- Lions Club of Madurai Malligai
- State Commissioner for the Differently Abled, Chennai
- District Government Departments in Madurai
- Other major donors / sponsors from India and abroad

We read in Galatians 6:9, 'Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up'. YMCA Madurai believes in doing good for the deserted population of our community of poor and the marginalized children, youth, women and the differently-abled with fervent hope in God.

We solicit your continued prayers and patronage to carry forward this mission.

Thank you!

Respectfully Submitted,

J. Shamila Doris

**General Secretary** On behalf of the Board of Directors 9<sup>th</sup> September 2023





### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To

The Members of "Young Men's Christian Association",

Main Guard Square, Madurai.

### **Opinion**

We have audited the financial statements of "Young Men's Christian Association", which comprise the balance sheet as at March 31st 2023, and the Statement of Income and Expenditure for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements give a true and fair view of the financial position of the entity as at March 31, 2023, and of its financial performance for the year then ended in accordance with the Accounting Standards issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI).

### **Basis for Opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with the Standards on Auditing (SAs) issued by ICAI. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the entity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in India and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

### Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with the aforesaid Accounting Standards, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the entity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the entity or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the entity's financial reporting process.

### **Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements**

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with SAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.



### **Report on Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements**

We further report that

We have sought and obtained all the information and explanations which to the best of our knowledge and belief were necessary for the purposes of our audit.

- (a) In our opinion, proper books of account as required by law have been kept by the Association so far as it appears from our examination of those books
- (b) The Balance Sheet, the Statement of Income and Expenditure dealt with by this Report are in agreement with the books of account.
- (c) In our opinion, the accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management are appropriate.

For Saravanan & Associates, **Chartered Accountants** (Firm's Registration No. 008289S)





M. Saravanan, Partner, (Membership No. 204928)

UDIN: 23204928BGTPHO3139

Place: Madurai Date: 14.08.2023



**MAIN GUARD SQUARE, MADURAI 625 001** 

# SIGNIFICANT ACCCOUNTING POLICIES & NOTES ON ACCOUNTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2022-23

### a) General

The Financial Statements have been prepared on the historical cost convention. These statements have been prepared in accordance with the generally accepted accounting principles and the applicable mandatory accounting standards. The preparation required adoption of estimates and assumptions that can affect the reported amounts of revenue and expenditure and the assets and liabilities as well as the disclosure of contingent liabilities. Differences between the actual results and estimates are recognised in the year in which they become known or materialises.

### b) Fixed Assets

The Fixed Assets are stated at their original cost of acquisition including taxes, freight and other incidental expenses relating to the acquisition and installation of the concerned assets. The figures have been regrouped, reclassified, recast, rounded off wherever necessary to conform Project wise Statements. The Net Block of Assets is arrived at after charging Depreciation.

### c) Depreciation

Depreciation has been provided on Fixed Assets under Written Down Value method at the rates and in the manner prescribed under the Income Tax Act,1961. Assets have been reclassified, regrouped, recast wherever necessary to conform Project wise statement. Depreciation is rounded off.

### d) Revenue Recognition

Income from projects and interest on deposits are recognised on accrual basis. Whereas Donations, School Fees Income, Membership fees, Voluntary Contributions (Foreign & Local) and Grants from Government are recognised on receipt basis.

### e) Employee Benefits

Management Contributions to Provident fund, Pension fund and Employee State Insurance are charged to Income and Expenditure Account.

### f) Income Tax

Income Tax Liability is not applicable due to the exemptions available under section 11 as the Institution is recognised U/s 12AB of Income Tax Act.

### g) Investments

Investments in Fixed Deposits are readily realisable and intended to be held for more than a year.

### h) Borrowing Cost

Borrowing costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition or Construction of an assets are capitalised as part of the cost of assets till completion, Other Borrowing Costs are recognised as an expenditure.



### i) Indirect Taxes

Exclusive method of accounting is followed for GST. GST collections and payments (including ITC) are accounted in a separate account and not charged to the Income & expenditure Account. The Balance in the account is classified either as Current Liability or as current Assets.

### J) General fund

The amount of Rs. 27,375.06 have been directly adjusted in the General fund a/c due to short and Excess provisions for expenditure and Income respectively made in earlier Period.

### k) Others

- i) The balances with the bank accounts are found reconciled with bank statement and fixed deposits were confirmed by the respective banks.
- ii) No Contingent liabilities reported by the Management.

Mrs. J. Shamila Doris **General Secretary** 

Dr. J. Sathiah Hon. Treasurer

As per our Report of Even Date Attached For Saravanan & Associates, **Chartered Accountants,** (Firm Regn. 008289S)

CA. M.Saravanan, Partner M.No.204928

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### MAIN GUARD SQUARE, MADURAI 625 001

CONSOLIDATED INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR TH		31.03.2023
INCOME	AMOUNT	AMOUNT
Foreign Contribution received in YMCA Main A/c		
National Council of YMCA USA, Chicago	2,714,971.00	
One World Team Berchtesgaden, Germany	210,830.00	
Stichting Dovenschool, Netherlands	1,321,365.00	
Blakilde Efterskole, Denmark	252,493.00	
CVJM Weltweit , Germany	1,020,217.00	
Mrs. Esther Manual, UK	10,000.00	5,529,876.00
Bank Interest on FC		35,129.00
Grant for Disability Project		
Govt. Grant Received (DDAWO)		2,160,000.00
Local Donations Received		5,943,935.00
Interest from Bank		126,378.00
Revenue from Activities (Projectwise)		
YMCA Kamak Higher Secondary School for the Hearing Impaired	2,419,214.00	
YMCA Play School	95,900.00	
YMCA Special School for the Mentally Challenged	1,858,300.00	
YMCA Study centre	2,000.00	
YMCA St. Martin's Model Farm- Farm Income	79,270.00	
YMCA Appasamy Trust -Cultivation Income	23,145.00	
YMCA Skill Training Centre	1,080,606.00	
YMCA Statutory Payment- Other Income	4,013.00	5,562,448.00
Revenue from Rendering of Services		
YMCA General Administration Account		
(i ). Taxable Supply (GST)	31,885.19	31,885.19
YMCA Working Women's Hostel		
(i ). Taxable Supply (GST)	3,251,666.50	
(ii ) Exempt Supply	754,226.00	4,005,892.50
YMCA International Guest House		
(i ). Taxable Supply (GST)	2,796,465.00	
(ii ) Exempt Supply	483,234.00	3,279,699.00
YMCA International Centre		
(i ). Taxable Supply - Rent Income (GST)	5,939,142.00	5,939,142.00
YMCA Sports & Wellness Centre		
(i ). Taxable Supply (GST)	756,150.00	
(ii ) Exempt Supply	837,820.73	1,593,970.73
Excess of Expenditure over Income		7,179,872.29
Total		41,388,227.71



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### **MAIN GUARD SQUARE, MADURAI 625 001**

CONSOLIDATED INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR TH	HE YEAR ENDED	31.03.2023
EXPENDITURE	AMOUNT	AMOUNT
Projects Wise Expenditure		
YMCA Sports & Wellness Centre	1,480,611.80	
YMCA Fund Raising Expenditure	2,215,373.76	
YMCA Working Women's Hostel	2,345,367.81	
YMCA St.Martin's Model Farm	427,792.00	
YMCA International Guest House	2,912,798.60	
YMCA International Centre - Building Maintenance	2,117,705.44	
YMCA Appasamy Trust	229,953.00	
YMCA Play School	12,746.80	
YMCA Skill Training Centre	984,890.40	
YMCA Rent A/c	90,358.00	
YMCA Statutory Payment A/c	247.80	
YMCA Boys' Home	175,291.80	12,993,137.21
YMCA General Administration Expenses		
1. Expenditure out of Foreign Contribution	24,539.68	
2. Expenditure out of Local Contribution	6,425,256.78	6,449,796.46
YMCA Kamak Higher Secondary School for the Hearing Impaired		
1. Expenditure out of Foreign Contribution	2,057,444.00	
2. Expenditure out of Local Contribution	6,735,103.64	8,792,547.64
YMCA Special School for the Mentally Challenged		
1. Expenditure out of Foreign Contribution	965,164.36	
2. Expenditure out of Local Contribution	4,736,829.88	5,701,994.24
YMCA Study Centre		
1. Expenditure out of Foreign Contribution	1,027,058.00	
2. Expenditure out of Local Contribution	53.10	1,027,111.10
Depreciation		6,423,641.06
Total		41,388,227.71

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### MAIN GUARD SQUARE, MADURAI 625 001

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET	Γ AS ON 31.03.2023	
PARTICULARS	Amount In Rs.	Amount In Rs.
Sources of Funds		
General Fund	52,848,566.93	52,848,566.93
Long Term Borrowings		
Loan From South Indian Bank	3,723,135.50	
Loan from Madras YMCA	2,500,000.00	
Loan from Others	415,000.00	6,638,135.50
Non Current Liabilities		
Rental Deposits	2,831,552.16	2,831,552.16
<u>Current Liabilities</u>		
Earmarked Funds	14,722.46	
Other Current Liabilities	841,673.81	856,396.27
Total		63,174,650.86
Application of Funds		
Fixed Assets	57,381,443.76	57,381,443.76
Current Assets		
Fixed Deposits with Bank	1,004,116.00	1,004,116.00
Loans & Advances		
Advance for Capital Assets	1,676,528.00	
TDS & Other Receivables/ Adjustable	538,819.31	
Staff Loan	100,000.00	
Deposits with Statutory Bodies	376,987.93	
Sundry Debtors	358,903.57	
Other Loans and Advances	19,408.01	3,070,646.82
Cash at Bank		1,718,444.28
Total		63,174,650.86

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# YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION MAIN GUARD SQUARE, MADURAI 625 001

# FIXED ASSETS & DEPRECIATION SCHEDULE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31.03.2023

s.	Description	Opening WDV	Total	Additions	St	Total	Depreciation	WDV as on
NO		01.04.2022		Before Sep	After Sep			31.03.2023
1	Land & Development	629,950.00	629,950.00			629,950.00		629,950.00
2	Building, Furniture, Equipments, Etc	50,078,880.91	50,078,880.91	19,355.94	19,355.94 2,468,849.88	52,567,086.73	5,133,266.18 47,428,338.48	47,428,338.48
3	Plant & Machinery	4,337,906.15	4,337,906.15	973,726.17	395,400.42	5,707,032.74	826,399.88	4,880,632.86
4	Vehicles	613,322.44	613,322.44			613,322.44	91,998.37	521,324.07
5	Computer	145,118.98	145,118.98	10,300.00		155,418.98	30,086.03	125,332.95
9	Live Stock- Goats	95,850.00	95,850.00			95,850.00		95,850.00
7	Renovation of Living block Boys Home	2,457,906.00	2,457,906.00	961,000.00		3,418,906.00	341,890.60	3,077,015.40
8	Roof Top Pantry Unit (Work in Progress)	623,000.00	623,000.00			623,000.00		623,000.00
TOTAL	FAL	58,981,934.48	58,981,934.48	1,964,382.11	2,864,250.30	63,810,566.89	6,423,641.06	57,381,443.76

(Note: Figures in this Schedule have been regrouped, reclassified, recast, rounded off whenever necessary to conform Project's statements)

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- YMCA Sports and Wellness Centre
- YMCA Camp Centre
- YMCA Programme Centre for Children & Youth

YMCA Working Women's Hostel

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