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**ANNUAL  
REPORT**  
**SANTHIVARDHANA  
MINISTRIES**



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## PROFILE OF SANTHIVARDHANA MINISTRIES

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3	Registration Details:		
	(a) Registered Under	:	Societies of Registration Act 35 of 2001
	(b) Regd. No.	:	129/2005
	© Date of Regt.	:	09-03- 2005
4	Income Tax Registration Details:		
	(a) Registered Under	:	12A Reg AAFTS1055CE2005501 valid through AY 2026-27
	(b) Regd. No. 80G	:	ITBA/EXM/F/EXM44/2024-25/1070656128(1), AAFTS1055C24HY01
	© Date of Regt.	:	Renewal dated: 26-11-2024 valid through AY 2026-27
	(d) PAN No.	:	AAFTS1055C
5	FCRA Registration Details:		
	(a) Registered Under	:	FCRA Act 1976
	(b) Regd. No.	:	010170260
	(c) Date of Regt.	:	21-04-2010 Renewal dated:18-12-2021 valid through 31-12-2026
	FCRA Bank Details	:	State Bank of India, New Delhi Main Branch (NDMB) A/C No.40091087283
6	Nature of Service	:	Education, Adult Literacy, Medical, Welfare and Rehabilitation Services to All sorts of Disabled, Old Age women & Below Poverty Line Peoples & livelihood support to through IGP to SHGs and relief activities



## ABOUT US

Santhivardhana Ministries is a Registered, Non-profit Voluntary Organization committed to the upliftment and empowerment of persons with disabilities and individuals living below the poverty line, regardless of caste, creed, religion, or gender. The organization is registered under the Societies Registration Act 35 of 2001, vide Registration No. 129/2005 with the Government of Andhra Pradesh. Since its inception, Santhivardhana Ministries has been actively engaged in delivering services focused on education, welfare, and rehabilitation for persons with disabilities. The organization's operations began in Chandramampalli and have since expanded to Pulimeru Village, Peddapuram Mandal, located in Kakinada District, Andhra Pradesh.

### Legal and Statutory Credentials:

- Registered under Societies Registration Act 35 of 2001
- Registered under the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (Equal Opportunities, Protection of Rights and Full Participation) Act, 1995 / 2016
- Registered with The National Trust under the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, Government of India
- FCRA Certified – Eligible to receive foreign contributions under the Foreign Contribution Regulation Act
- 80-G Income Tax Exemption – Donors are eligible for tax benefits under Section 80-G of the Income Tax Act
- CSR Registration – Eligible to receive corporate social responsibility funds
- ISO 9001:2015 Certified – Certified for maintaining a quality management system

### Our Mission:

To implement inclusive, sustainable, and community-based programs that enhance the living standards, educational opportunities, and social inclusion of persons with disabilities and economically marginalized populations in rural India.

Santhivardhana Ministries continues to work diligently to bring dignity, education, and livelihood opportunities to those in need, empowering them to lead independent and fulfilling lives.  
*Santhivardhana Ministries Empowering the Differently Abled and Marginalized Communities*

Santhivardhana Ministries was established with a foundational mission to promote the Welfare, Rehabilitation and Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities, while also fostering an inclusive and equitable society for all. Over the years, the organization has grown into a beacon of hope for the differently abled and other vulnerable groups across rural areas of Kakinada and ASR Districts of Andhra Pradesh.

### Recognition & Awards

To honor its commitment and impactful work, Santhivardhana Ministries has been recognized with several prestigious awards:

- **State-Level Best Non-Governmental Organization Award (2018)** – Presented by State Authorities during the International Day of Persons with Disabilities celebrations at Vijayawada.
- **District-Level Awards** – Honored in 2011, 2016, and 2022 by the District Administration of Andhra Pradesh on Independence Day and Republic Day celebrations at Kakinada.

#### **Core Activities and Programs:**

Santhivardhana Ministries undertakes a wide range of community-centric programs, with a special focus on disability welfare and empowerment:

- ✚ Awareness Generation Campaigns at the grassroots level to combat stigma and promote inclusion
- ✚ Vocational Training and Skill Development for persons with disabilities
- ✚ Human Resource Development in the field of disability rehabilitation
- ✚ Women Empowerment initiatives including leadership development and entrepreneurship
- ✚ Income Generation Programs for marginalized families
- ✚ Health Camps and Medical Outreach Services in underserved rural areas
- ✚ Parental Counseling & Support for families of differently abled children
- ✚ Advocacy Rallies supporting child rights and disability awareness

#### **Special Care Initiatives**

The organization also undertakes dedicated social welfare programs that reach some of the most vulnerable groups:

- ✚ **Elderly Care Program:** Provision of nutritious protein-rich food and safe shelter for 30 to 45 senior women, ensuring dignity in their old age.
- ✚ **Support for Pregnant Women:** Distribution of nutritious food kits to promote maternal and child health.
- ✚ **HIV/AIDS-Affected Children:** Annual distribution of blankets, essential medicines, and other necessities.
- ✚ **Disaster Relief Efforts:** Assistance to victims of natural disasters through food, clothing, and healthcare support.



The organization has been maintaining the following activities implemented for the noble cause of Persons with Disabilities and needy.

1) Special School for the Intellectual Disabled Children at Pulimeru Village
2) Day Care Centre Special Needs Children at Bendapudi
3) Vocational Training Centre for Persons with Disabilities at Kodavali Village
4) SVM-APF ANDA Project
5) Gowshala at Pulimeru Village & Home for the aged Women, Pulimeru
6) Livelihood support belongs to BPL Women

### OUR WORK

We support individuals with intellectual disabilities, regardless of the degree of disability, socio-economic background, or age.

- ❖ We strive to eradicate the stigma surrounding intellectual and multiple disabilities.
- ❖ We focus on empowering children by building their confidence and self-reliance.
- ❖ We aim to enhance quality of life through improved healthcare and individualized rehabilitation programs.

### OUR BELIEFS

- ❖ We believe in transparency.
- ❖ We uphold the principle of Charity with Dignity.
- ❖ We are committed to professionalism and dedication in all our efforts.

### OUR GOAL

To establish a specialized center equipped with modern facilities and trained professionals, offering high-quality, affordable, and up-to-date education and therapy to all those in need.



### OUR VISION

To transform the current fragmented rehabilitation system into a holistic, integrated model focused on improving the lives of intellectually disabled children. Through individualized, specialized training, we aim to make social inclusion a lived reality.



## SPECIAL RESIDENTIAL SCHOOL FOR INTELLECTUAL DISABLED:

Our organization has been dedicated to the service of persons with disabilities through the establishment and operation of a Special School for the Intellectually Disabled. This initiative is supported by the Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities, Government of India, New Delhi, under the Deendayal Disabled Rehabilitation Scheme (DDRS), along with the contributions of local donors. The school is located in Pulimeru Village and offers both day care and residential care facilities.

Since 2005, *Santhivardhana* has committed itself to the holistic development and rehabilitation of persons with intellectual disabilities, cerebral palsy, autism, physical disabilities, speech and hearing impairments, and multiple disabilities. We work towards empowering individuals to lead dignified and meaningful lives, aiming for their social integration and economic empowerment.

We believe that the ultimate goal of rehabilitation is to prepare persons with disabilities for a contributory and participatory role in society. Rehabilitation is seen as a lifelong journey – “from womb to tomb” – and encompasses a wide spectrum of support services. In today’s context, economic empowerment has emerged as a crucial component of rehabilitation, and hence, we place special emphasis on vocational training as a means to uplift the socio-economic status of our beneficiaries.



### Facilities Provided to Children

We provide a range of facilities to ensure all-round development of our students:

- Training in Activities of Daily Living (ADL)
- Academic Skill Development Training
- Physiotherapy and Speech Therapy
- Skill Development in Sports and Games
- Training in Arts, Music, and Dance
- Pre-Vocational Training
- Vocational Training
- Recreational Facilities

### Beneficiary Profile – Academic Year 2024–25

O.C	B.C	S.C	S.T	Total
54	38	18	1	111



The Special School currently caters to 111 students, aged between 7 and 23 years, including those enrolled in the Vocational Training Center. These students represent a diverse range of disabilities, including:

- Cerebral Palsy
- Autism Spectrum Disorders
- Intellectual and Learning Disabilities
- Multiple Disabilities

The primary goal of our programs is to provide individualized and inclusive learning environments that enhance the academic, functional, and social development of every child.

## Our Programs

Here's a look at the key programs we offer, each designed to foster unique skills and promote holistic development:

### Functional Academic Group:

This group focuses on developing essential literacy and mathematical skills crucial for daily interactions and communication within the community. We emphasize foundational learning to empower students for future training and independent engagement. The initial introduction between student and tutor is vital for building a strong foundation for learning.

### Care Group:

Students in the Care Group receive comprehensive support tailored to their individual needs. The primary goal is to teach daily living skills and basic functional activities. This empowers them to optimize their involvement within their families and the broader community. Learning is made engaging through a variety of fun, motivating, and functional activities.

### Music, Dance & Drama:

Throughout the year, many of our students actively participate in music, dance, and cultural programs. We celebrate all religious and national festivals with performances both in-house and within the community, allowing students to showcase their musical, dance, and drama skills to large audiences. These activities are not only enjoyable but also significantly contribute to a child's holistic development and personal growth, fostering self-confidence.





### Games & Sports:

Games and sports are a powerful medium for physical and social development, making a deep impact on the well-being of every child. All our students, from the youngest to the oldest, engage in a variety of indoor and outdoor games and sporting activities, including roller skating, athletics, fun games, badminton, volleyball, and bocce. We also use several indoor games as teaching aids, ensuring learning is always fun.



### Arts & Crafts:

Our students are actively involved in a wide array of art and craft activities, with their creations frequently displayed throughout the school. These activities provide a wonderful opportunity for students to enjoy creating beauty while simultaneously improving their fine motor skills, which are essential for their overall development. Students are always excited to showcase their talent!

Here's a compilation of Santhivardhana's service activities, categorized for clarity:



### Santhivardhana: Committed to Community and Values

Santhivardhana is actively engaged in a variety of service activities, demonstrating its commitment to ethics, values, and community well-being. From empowering individuals with special needs to promoting sustainable farming and aiding disaster victims, the organization consistently strives to make a positive impact.



## Empowering Through Education and Support

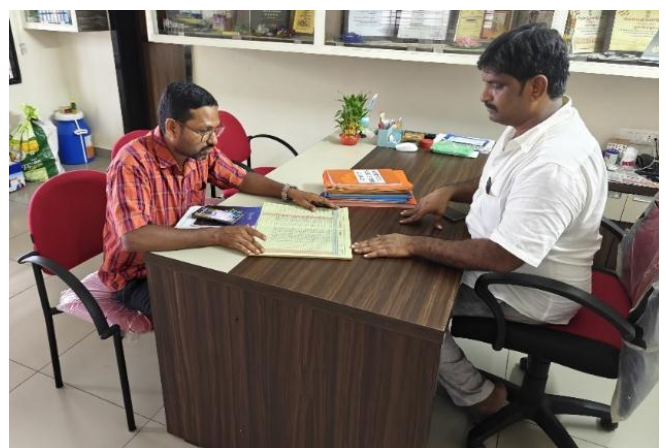
Santhivardhana focuses on the holistic development and support of special needs children and their families.

- ❖ **Raksha Bandhan Celebrations:** Embracing Indian customs and promoting the bond between siblings, Santhivardhana celebrates Raksha Bandhan. Rakhees made by vocationally trained children are exchanged, with Principal Satya, special teachers, and even girl children tying them to others. This initiative highlights the organization's dedication to instilling ethics and values.
- ❖ **Counseling to Parents:** Recognizing the unique challenges faced by parents of special needs children, Santhivardhana conducts regular parent-teacher meetings. In collaboration with Azim Premji Foundation, these sessions motivate parents and provide crucial knowledge on caring for their children. Experts from NIEPID have shared diagnostic details and strategies to improve children's IQ. A special meeting was also held to explain the National Trust NIRAMAYA SCHEME, with Santhivardhana committing to yearly renewals. These meetings, attended by over 150 parents, provide essential skills and foster a supportive community.



**Visits and Compliance:** Santhivardhana's commitment to transparency and adherence to guidelines is evident through various official visits:

- Sri. Raju Superintendent, Welfare of Differently Abled, Transgender and Senior Citizens Department Kakinada District visited the special school to verify records and ensure compliance with norms. He expressed satisfaction with the accuracy and transparency maintained by the management.





- **DCP Unit Team Visit:** A five-member committee, including DPO, DCPO, CDPO, LCPO, and POIC, visited the school for the renewal process of its CCI's registration certificate under the JJ Act 2015. The team verified facilities and services provided to special needs children.



- **Judge Madam Visit:** Peddapuram Civil Judge Sri. K. Deepa Daiva Krupa visited the special school, expressing happiness interacting with the children and appreciating the care provided by Secretary Mr. Veerababu and his team.

## CELEBRATIONS

**Independence Day:** Santhivardhana celebrated the 78th Independence Day at both its Pulimeru and Bendapudi branches. Secretary and Principal hoisted the flag, and a fancy dress competition featuring children dressed as freedom fighters was organized. The importance of the day, independence, and its limits were explained to the children, followed by the distribution of chocolates and biscuits.



**World Disabled Day:** This significant day, celebrated on December 3rd, is a highlight in Santhivardhana's calendar. The organization participates in district-wide celebrations organized by the Welfare of Differently Abled, Transgender and Senior Citizens Department Kakinada District. Santhivardhana's students from both Pulimeru and Bendapudi branches achieved remarkable success, securing a total of 48 prizes in various sports categories. The event, chaired by Z.P. CEO and Incharge Asst. Director, included cultural activities and prize distribution by distinguished guests, including District Collector Sri. Shanmohan Sagili.



### Louis Braille Day:



Louis Braille Day is a special occasion celebrating the "father of the Braille language." As Secretary Mr. R. Veerababu stated, Braille isn't just an invention; it's a source of life for all visually impaired people. Many blind individuals have achieved success in their lives by learning this unique language.

The event was attended by Sri K. Satyanarayana Garu, Chairman of VBVR Foundation Kakinada, as a special invitee. Principal Smt. Satya emphasized that "disability is only a mark; achievement is a trademark, whatever you are." She encouraged the children to utilize the facilities at Santhivardhana to succeed in life. Following the speeches, Braille slates, styluses, walking sticks, and Braille books were distributed to visually impaired students by the special guest, in the presence of the Secretary and Principal.

### Mother Teresa Birth Anniversary:

There's no question of birth without a mother. Love means mother, and mother means love. Mother Teresa is recognized worldwide as a mother figure who sacrificed her life serving vulnerable and helpless people. Santhivardhana strives to follow Mother Teresa's vision and mission in serving the community. Santhivardhana hopes that every citizen will learn how to give love, how to serve, and where to give. Jai Hind.



### Down Syndrome Day:

Among the 21 recognized types of disabilities, Down Syndrome is an intellectual disability. The Principal stressed the importance of love for everyone to erase discrimination against disabilities. This year's theme for the day was "Improve our support systems."





## DAY CARE CENTRE SPECIAL NEEDS CHILDREN AT BENDAPUDI

Santhivardhana Ministries, has been a significant force in supporting vulnerable populations, including orphans, the poor, and especially persons with disabilities, since its inception in 2005. Driven by a vision of economic and social integration for those with physical and mental challenges, the organization has extended its services to critical areas within Andhra Pradesh. A key initiative in this mission is the establishment of a Day Care Centre for Children with Intellectual Disabilities at Bendapudi Village, Thondangi Mandal, Kakinada District.

**Primary Objective and Need:** The paramount aim of the Bendapudi Day Care Centre is to provide vital Special Educational and Rehabilitation Services to Children with Intellectual Disabilities in the uncovered rural areas of Kakinada District. This focus on rural communities is crucial, as access to specialized care and education for children with intellectual disabilities is often severely limited outside urban centers. Families in these "uncovered" regions face significant challenges in finding appropriate support, leading to isolation, lack of developmental opportunities for their children, and increased burden on caregivers. The Bendapudi Centre directly addresses this critical gap.

**Services Offered at the Day Care Centre:** While specific daily activities for the Bendapudi centre were not fully detailed, Santhivardhana Ministries' overall approach to special education and rehabilitation suggests a comprehensive suite of services, typically including:

- **Special Education:** Tailored educational programs designed to meet the unique learning needs of children with intellectual disabilities. This often involves individualized education plans (IEPs), functional academics, and practical life skills training.
- **Rehabilitation Services:**
  - **Physiotherapy:** To improve motor skills, mobility, and physical independence.
  - **Occupational Therapy:** To enhance daily living skills, fine motor coordination, and sensory processing.
  - **Speech Therapy:** To develop communication skills, articulation, and language comprehension.
  - **Behavioral Modification:** Strategies and interventions to manage challenging behaviors and promote positive social interactions.
  - **Psychological Intervention and Counseling:** Support for children and their families to cope with the emotional and psychological aspects of intellectual disability.
- **Early Intervention:** For younger children with developmental delays, early identification and intervention programs are critical for better long-term outcomes.
- **Vocational Training:** As children grow, the centre may offer pre-vocational or vocational training to equip them with skills for future livelihood and greater independence.
- **Activities of Daily Living (ADL) Training:** Teaching essential self-care skills such as dressing, eating, hygiene, etc.
- **Social and Communication Skills Development:** Encouraging peer interaction and effective communication.
- **Leisure and Recreational Activities:** Promoting overall well-being and social integration through play, music, and sports.
- **Parental Counseling and Guidance:** Empowering parents with knowledge and skills to support their child's development at home.

On June 25, 2024, Smt. Bullamma, the Honorable Judge of Prathipadu, visited the Bendapudi Special School campus with her protocol. She thoroughly inspected the school's records and premises, paying particular attention to the kitchen, refrigerator, and the medicines administered to the special needs children undergoing rehabilitation at the Bendapudi branch.

Judge Bullamma also took the time to interact with each child individually, inquiring about the facilities provided to them. Special Educator Srinivas, who is the in-charge staff member, provided a comprehensive explanation of the staff's duties and the management's objectives. Judge Bullamma expressed her satisfaction with the management for providing all facilities appropriately.



Advocates and Para-Legal Volunteers (PLVs) regularly visit the **Bendapudi Special School branch** to conduct legal awareness camps. These visits occur two or three times annually, as per their schedule.

During these camps, advocates explain **new legal amendments** and their implications. Similarly, the **Pulimeru branch** also receives annual visits from a judicial team, including a Judge and advocates, accompanied by PLVs. **Respected Judge Shri. Katam Bhanu garu** and his judiciary team visited our school. They provided detailed explanations about **new clauses enacted concerning girl child protection and disabled rights**. They also guided students on **how to protect their rights and fulfill their responsibilities towards society**. We extend our sincere regards to everyone involved in these valuable initiatives.





## Official Visit to Santhivardhana Special School, Bendapudi

Smt. K. Praveena, District Women and Child Welfare Department, Kakinada District, along with the CDPO, Tuni, visited Santhivardhana Special School's Bendapudi branch to assess services for special children. The visit included observing meal service and a comprehensive review of records, rooms, and the premises. In-charge Mr. Srinivas and Special Educator Ms. Jyothi assisted with the verification.

Additionally, a five-member committee (DPO, DCPO, CDPO, LCPO, and POIC) conducted an inspection as part of the school's application for Child Care Institution (CCI) registration renewal under the JJ Act 2015. The team thoroughly examined the facilities, services, and care provided to children with special needs, expressing appreciation for the management's efforts.



## VOCATIONAL TRAINING CENTRE FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES AT KODAVALI VILLAGE

### Santhivardhana: Empowering Through Vocational Training

Santhivardhana Vocational Training Institute in Kodavali, in collaboration with Dasra and TDF, is making a significant impact by providing crucial vocational training to underserved communities. So far, the institute has successfully trained three batches of girls and women, equipping them with valuable skills.

The success of these programs is largely due to the dedicated tutors who not only impart knowledge but also offer encouragement, fostering a positive and supportive learning environment. A key aspect of Santhivardhana's mission is that all students receive this training completely free of cost, removing financial barriers to education and skill development.

### Bridging the Gap to Stable Incomes

While many of the trained individuals are already earning Rs.300- 500 per day from home, Santhivardhana's commitment goes further. The organization is actively working to help these women transition to fixed monthly incomes, providing them with greater financial stability and security. This ambitious goal is being realized with invaluable guidance from the Director of Batchu Rambotlu Foundation and Prof. Ranga, who are offering strategic guidelines and pathways for participants to secure regular earnings, particularly within the cloth business sector.

### Expanding the Vision: Including Persons with Disabilities

Santhivardhana recognizes that vocational training is a powerful tool for empowerment across all sections of society, and its vision extends beyond just women. The organization is committed to including persons with disabilities in its vocational training initiatives. This inclusivity is vital because vocational skills can significantly enhance the employability, independence, and self-confidence of individuals with disabilities, enabling them to contribute meaningfully to the economy and society.

By offering tailored training and support, Santhivardhana aims to break down barriers, foster social inclusion, and ensure that individuals with disabilities have equal opportunities to learn, earn, and thrive.

Santhivardhana extends heartfelt thanks to all its supporters whose contributions ensure the uninterrupted continuation of these vital services. The ultimate wish is for all the trained women and individuals with disabilities to gain the self-confidence needed to leverage their talents and secure a dignified livelihood.





## SVM-APF-ANDA Project

Santhivardhana, an organization focused on supporting the needy, poor, orphans, and disabled children, has indeed started a special program with the support of the Azim Premji Foundation.

While specific details about this *particular* special program by Santhivardhana are not immediately available in the search results, it is clear that the Azim Premji Foundation provides grants and support to various not-for-profit organizations (NPOs) across India. Their focus areas include education, health, livelihoods, and broader social development, particularly for vulnerable and disadvantaged groups, including persons with disabilities.

Santhivardhana's mission aligns with several of the Azim Premji Foundation's philanthropic goals, such as providing residential care, education, food, and medical support to children with disabilities and those in need. The Azim Premji Foundation's grant program supports organizations working "on the ground" across a range of issues to provide immediate care, access to essential services, and the possibility of a dignified future for marginalized people.

Therefore, it's highly probable that the "special program" refers to an initiative by Santhivardhana that has received financial or other forms of support through the Azim Premji Foundation's grant-making or partnership programs, enabling them to expand or enhance their services for the communities they serve.



**Programme Goal:**

The overarching goal is to provide need-based interventions and support to approximately 125 children and adults (aged 6-22 years) with Intellectual Disability, Cerebral Palsy, Visual & Hearing Impairment, and Multiple Disabilities. The ultimate aim is to improve their quality of life, foster greater independence, and promote their inclusion within their families and communities.

**Key Activities and Outcomes****Objective 1: Provision of nutritious food and healthcare services to special children**

- Activity: Food and nutrition support for 95 children. This indicates that a significant portion of the program's beneficiaries will receive direct food aid.
- Milestone: Consistent access to nutritious meals will lead to better overall health and growth for the children. This milestone directly links the activity of providing food to the expected positive health outcomes for the children.

Additionally, the document mentions that all eligible Children with Disabilities (CwDs) will avail relevant entitlements. These entitlements include:

- Unique Disability Identity Card (UDID): A crucial document for persons with disabilities in India to access various government schemes and benefits.
- Health insurance: To ensure access to necessary medical care without financial burden.
- Travel concessions: To facilitate easier and more affordable transportation.

This program is also highlighted as a continuation of an existing initiative, aiming for a total reach of approximately 125 individuals.

**Objective 2:** To provide comprehensive, individualized support for special children by conducting regular home visits.

**Objective 3:** To enhance 190 parents' ability to provide high-quality home care and support and creating strong support systems.

**Supporting Parents of Children with Special Needs: A Santhivardhana Initiative**

Santhivardhana, in collaboration with the Azim Premji Foundation (APF), has successfully organized two Parents-Teacher Meetings during the 2024-25 academic year. These meetings aimed to empower parents with the knowledge and skills necessary to care for their children with special needs.

The first meeting, held on January 22, 2025, saw the participation of 93 parents. Two guests from the National Institute for the Empowerment of Persons with Intellectual Disabilities (NIEPID) were present to discuss children's diagnostic details. This allowed for a better understanding of each child's specific needs, leading to suggestions for various approaches and goals to enhance the child's IQ.



Following this, a special parents' meet was conducted on February 4, 2025, to raise awareness about the National Trust Niramaya Scheme. Santhivardhana provided a comprehensive explanation of the scheme's details to parents and committed to assisting with the annual renewal process.

The second meeting, held on February 6, 2025, at the Pulimeru school compound, was attended by a total of 151 parents. Key members of Santhivardhana, including the Principal, Secretary, and CEO, along with a team of professionals (Psychologist, Physiotherapists, Speech Therapists, and Special Educators), were present. During this session, special educators and the psychologist provided valuable training on practical skills for parents to utilize while caring for their children at home.

The Secretary extended gratitude to all parents for their trust in Santhivardhana and for enrolling their children to foster their overall development. The positive feedback from parents, who expressed their satisfaction and requested more such beneficial meetings to learn new techniques and gain insights on at-home care, highlights the success of these initiatives.

Santhivardhana is committed to continuing these valuable sessions to support parents in their journey of nurturing and developing their children with special needs.



Santhivardhana is an organization that undertakes various social welfare projects, including a Goshala (cow shelter) and a Home for the Aged. Here's a brief overview of these two initiatives:

### Goshala at Pulimeru Village:

- **Purpose:** The Goshala is maintained under Santhivardhana and provides a service that was particularly beneficial during the Corona Pandemic, suggesting it offers products or services like cow milk.
- **Benefits of Cow Milk:** The organization highlights that cow milk acts as an antibiotic and improves immunity.
- **Vocational Training:** A unique aspect of this Goshala is that children above 20 years of age receive vocational training there. They learn cattle care and premises cleaning from the caretakers.
- **Aim:** The ultimate goal is to empower these individuals with self-sustainability, enabling them to earn a daily income and lead meaningful lives.



### Santhivardhana Home for the Aged:

- **Establishment:** This initiative is a branch of Santhivardhana Ministries, specifically established for the welfare and special care of aged women over 50 years.
- **Focus Areas:** The home primarily concentrates on providing care related to food, health, and overall rehabilitation for the elderly.
- **Addressing Challenges:** It acknowledges that a significant percentage of seniors have chronic diseases, and in rural areas, poverty and lack of caretakers are major issues. The home aims to provide protection from intruders and a safe, secure life for its residents.
- **Activities:** The elderly residents engage in various activities, including daily chores, learning new skills, and some even participate in agri-based product preparation, Goshala care, and other income-generating activities, as well as recreational pursuits.
- **Location:** While not explicitly stated in the provided text for the Goshala, it's inferred that the old age home might be on the same premises or closely linked to their special school (Santhivardhana School For Special Children) in Pulimeru, Peddapuram Mandal, East Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh.



In essence, Santhivardhana appears to be a holistic organization aiming to uplift vulnerable populations, from providing vocational training to adults with disabilities at their Goshala to offering comprehensive care for elderly women in their old age home.



## LIVELIHOOD SUPPORT BELONGS TO BPL WOMEN

Santhivardhana Ministries and The Dewan Foundation for Women Empowerment and Livelihood Programs: Santhivardhana Ministries (SANTHIVARDHANA SOCIAL AWARENESS DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION - SVSADF) Location: Primarily in Kakinada District, Andhra Pradesh, including Peddapuram and Kothananduru mandals, .

Partnership with The Dewan Foundation: Santhivardhana Ministries has been associated with The Dewan Foundation (specifically, in liaison through Brighter Futures) since 2018. This partnership is crucial for their women empowerment and livelihood initiatives.

### Key Program Highlights:

The collaboration focuses on Self-Help Groups (SHGs) as a primary method for economic upliftment and social change among the poor and marginalized, including:

- Differently-abled individuals
- Persons affected by Leprosy
- Persons living with HIV/AIDS
- The poorest of the poor

Through this partnership, Santhivardhana Ministries has:

1. Formed Special SHGs: These groups aim not only for income generation but also for broader social development through women's empowerment, sensitization on early detection of disability, prevention and treatment of leprosy and HIV/AIDS, and poverty elimination.
2. Provided support Income Generation: They have provided Income Generating Program (IGP) to beneficiaries.
3. Supported Diverse Livelihood Activities: We have supported 52 different types of income-generating activities. Some of the key activities include:
  - Cow Rearing Activity:
  - Buffalo Rearing Activity:
  - Tailoring Units:
  - Autos (for Traveling & Loading):
  - Kirana and General Shops:
  - Vegetable Businesses:
  - Tiffin Centres:
  - Fancy Stores:
  - Fruit and Juice Centres:
  - Snacks and Pan Shops:
  - And various other small businesses like rice shops, cement shops, saloon shops, fish/chicken/mutton shops, books & stationary shops, fertilizer shops, construction material shops, laundry shops, and tent houses.
4. Overall Impact: This initiative has enabled more than 6500 BPL women in those upto 375 disabled poor and marginalized individuals to build their lives, support their families, and contribute to their society through the Self-Help Groups facilitated by Santhivardhana Ministries. This year we supported 309 women to purchase Autos to get easy income by giving work to their men. The emphasis is on fostering self-reliance and dignity.



### Santhivardhana Celebrates International Women's Day 2025

Women are the backbone of every family, playing a crucial role in managing household affairs and complementing the efforts of men who provide for the family. Recognizing this invaluable contribution, Santhivardhana once again had the honor of highlighting the importance of women in both the family and society.

On March 8th, 2025, Santhivardhana organized a vibrant International Women's Day celebration at their Residential Special School compound in Pulimeru. The event aimed to acknowledge and felicitate women who diligently manage their family responsibilities alongside their partners.



The celebration was graced by distinguished guests: Smt. Venkata Lakshmi, Peddapuram Mandal Revenue Officer, and Smt.. V. Mounika, Peddapuram Sub Inspector of Police. The event was meticulously organized by Mr. Veerababu, Founder and Secretary of Santhivardhana, with the support of Principal Smt. Satya, CEO Mr. Raghuveer, the special school staff, and the respected parents.

A special focus of the program was to honor mothers of special needs children, who dedicate extra attention and care to their families. In collaboration with DASRA, Santhivardhana felicitated several parents, a tailoring tutor, and the two esteemed guests for their responsible public service. All awardees expressed their gratitude for the special honor and, in turn, felicitated Principal Satya madam. The Secretary extended his heartfelt thanks to everyone who contributed to the success of the event and the organization.



**We respect girls, womens, mothers. Because we deserve their love which is getting here.**

### Promoting Sustainable Agriculture and Animal Welfare

Santhivardhana is actively involved in initiatives that promote sustainable practices in agriculture and improve animal husbandry.

- **Farmers Awareness (Natural Farming):** In collaboration with KVK, Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Kalavacharla, Santhivardhana has educated farmers about Natural Farming. These camps, held in villages like Kodavali (Gollaprolu mandal) and Pothuluru (Prathipadu Mandal), taught farmers how to produce their own low-cost fertilizers. Approximately 100 farmers gained knowledge of natural farming, with Santhivardhana hoping this will lead to a revolution in the farming sector and provide healthy food for future generations.





- A Step Towards Animal Husbandry: Santhivardhana aims for healthy changes in agriculture and animal husbandry through innovative, government-proposed techniques with less investment. In collaboration with the Project Director, ATMA (Agricultural Technology Management Agency), Kakinada, Santhivardhana conducted medical camps for animal farmers, covering buffalos, cows, dogs, hens, sheep, and goats.



- Camps were held at Kandrakota, Kodavali village (Gollaprolu Mandal) benefiting 51 farmers, and Gontuvanipalem village with 49 farmers.
- A fourth educational tour was organized for 25 SSC students from Kandrakota village high school at KVK (Krishi Vignana Kendram), Pandirimamidi, Rampachodavaram.
- Farmers received free medical check-ups, injections, Priyamin powder, and instructions regarding seasonal diseases for their animals. Secretary R. Veerababu extended thanks to all collaborators for the success of these initiatives.





## Disaster Relief and Community Support

Santhivardhana demonstrates its humanitarian spirit by providing crucial support during times of crisis.

- **Disaster Relief (Floods at Kunavaram):** Santhivardhana played a vital role in aiding victims of severe floods in Kunavaram, a tribal village in Alluri Sitarama Raju District. River Godavari's heavy floods in July heavily damaged 10 villages. Collaborating with DonateKart, Santhivardhana successfully distributed food groceries sufficient for 10 days to nearly 500 victims, with kits supported by Amazon-DonateKart. The distribution took place in safe temporary shelters, and the effort was met with gratitude by the beneficiaries.





## AMBA -SUPPORT

That's wonderful news! It's truly a great sign that **AMBA, Bangalore**, has stepped up to support Santhivardhana by sponsoring **20 laptops** for the children at **Santhivardhana Residential Special School in Pulimeru**.

It's particularly commendable that these laptops are being given to intellectually disabled children with higher IQ levels, as identified by special educators. As you rightly pointed out, this isn't just a donation; it's a thoughtful initiative to provide **specialized resources** to help these children gain knowledge and further develop their potential.



We echo your gratitude to everyone at AMBA for their continued support of the children at Santhivardhana. This kind of engagement makes a real difference!

Mudragada Giri Garu visited our special school on December 21st to celebrate former Chief Minister Y.S. Jagan Mohan Reddy's birthday with the children. His father, Mudragada Padmanabham Garu, is a prominent leader of the Kapu community. The principal extended gratitude to Sri Giri for his visit and for distributing cake and tiffins to the children.



### Devi Sea Foods Donates Physiotherapy Kits to Santhivardhana Children

On the occasion of MD Sri B. Brahmanandam Garu's birthday, Devi Sea Foods, Peddapuram, extended its corporate social responsibility (CSR) efforts by distributing much-needed physiotherapy materials to children at Santhivardhana.

The Secretary of Santhivardhana expressed gratitude to the entire Devi Sea Foods team for their generous contribution. The Santhivardhana team also conveyed their birthday wishes to MD Sri B. Brahmanandam Garu.



*I'm incredibly grateful for the hard work and helpful attitude of all my well-wishers, supporters, team members, dedicated staff, and volunteers. Thank you for being such an amazing and integral part of my service!*

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On behalf of our entire organization, I extend our heartfelt thanks to the District Collector, Joint Collector, Assistant Director, Welfare of Senior Citizens, Transgenders & Disabled Department, Kakinada District, and all other district administrators. Your unwavering support has been instrumental in helping us achieve our goals, consistently encouraging and inspiring us at every level.

We are especially grateful to the Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities, Government of India, New Delhi, for their crucial support.

Furthermore, our sincere appreciation goes out to our volunteers, community members, and our dedicated staff whose tireless efforts are the backbone of our organization.

We are incredibly proud to bring this Annual Report for 2024-25 before you. As we look ahead, we are eager to undertake even more initiatives to uplift the living conditions of the poor and differently-abled individuals, focusing on their education, rehabilitation, and empowerment. We eagerly anticipate your continued support as we strive to expand our reach and impact.



(R.VEERA BABU)  
Executive Secretary