

## KEATS SAMACHARAM (Quarterly Newsletter)



### EVENTS

#### 1. ODF Project inauguration at Bombai Tanda

The construction of around 213 toilet-cum-bathroom units as part of Swachh Bharat mission was completed sometime back. But its inauguration was delayed due to the elections in Telangana. A function was held on 9th March for with Sri GHP Raju, IG-CRPF, Southern Command as Chief Guest who formally declared the tribal village "open defecation free" in the presence of Sri Jaffar Khan, MPDO, Illendu. KEATS was overwhelmed by the traditional welcome by the villagers and their gratitude. The happiness, writ large on the faces of the innocent tribals, gave us immense satisfaction and impetus to do more. The prestigious event was adequately covered by the local media. Relevant video link was mailed to the General Body members.

The project is an important milestone in the journey of KEATS which was possible only with the whole-hearted support of the contributors with a concern. Hats off to all of them!



#### 2. CRPF relief fund

You all may be well aware of the dastardly attack by terrorists on CRPF convoy at Pulwama (J&K) on 14th Feb in which 49 jawans were martyred. A humble donation initiated by Mrs Santha Dronamraju as relief to their families became contagious - true to the spirit of our community. And within 72 hours Rs 3.00 lakhs was pooled with the support of around 30 patrons. The cheque was handed over to Sri GHP Raju, IG-CRPF, Southern Command at Hyderabad on 22nd Feb. Three cheers to the patriotic philanthropists!!!



#### 3. Skill development courses in Civil Engg.

With the interaction of Sri T Ch Hanuman Rao with Dr Rajarao, Principal, Balayogi Gurukulam at Tadepalligudem in WG dt, the idea of imparting necessary skills to the needy to create employment gained momentum taking a concrete shape. The two identified courses were for Field Survey Assistant and Construction Material Testing Assistant. With most of the EC members being Civil engineers themselves, the material preparation was almost a cake walk but thanks to Sri G Kondala Rao, P Raghuprasad, DV Bhavanna Rao and of course the initiator TMAN.

The cost of the project was initially estimated at over Rs 20.00 lakhs but was scaled down to less than one third in the next meeting with most of the test equipment donated by Sri P Seshagiri Rao, P Raghu Prasad and Live Wires. KEATS is extremely indebted to them. The rest of the lab equipment and material is being procured and the two 8-week courses will commence parallelly at the school from 1st May. A GO was also released by the Secretary, APSWREIS, Amaravathi. To an appeal from the Chairman to support the project MV Narasimha Rao, PV Rao, G Kondala Rao, NV Ratnam, Ms Likhitha, Nitin Krishna, Vijay Krishna, Ms Vaishnavi, S Radhakrishna, JS Seshagiri Rao, TVSP Sekhar and Dr D Shailendra contributed their mite. **Two anonymous donors presented six figure amounts!** 🙏

And we are confident that the balance funds would also be coughed up soon.



### EC MEETINGS

Two review meetings were held at regd. office, Barkatpura on

i. 9th Feb

ii. 2nd March

TCh Hanuman Rao, G Kondala Rao and A Vidyasagar were co-opted as Advisors.

The minutes of the meetings were circulated by mail to the General Body members.

### FCRA REGISTRATION

With the perseverance of our Managing Trustee Sri Y S Subrahmanyam, our application for registration under Foreign Contribution Regulation Act (FCRA) was accepted. There could be inspection of the works carried out by us soon by a local official.

### HELPING HANDS

- ◆ Nitin Krishna
- ◆ Ravishankar Rayanapati
- ◆ MV Narasimha Rao
- ◆ E Ravindranath
- ◆ Ms Likhitha
- ◆ L Sesharamunja Rao
- ◆ PV Rao
- ◆ K Rajasekhara Rao

The list is not exhaustive as there are several other patrons who contributed for CRPF jawans relief fund and the skill development program.

Our salute to G Apparao (Executive Trustee) who arranged for school bags, books, benches, learning and sports material to 60 students of Kathavapadu school in WG dt.

### TIDBITS

Bhumipuja of Raduno Abodes (a retirement home in the outskirts of Hyderabad) was performed on 23rd March, 19. The group comprises members of KEATS fraternity in good numbers. We wish the project all success.



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