INSPIRING CHILDREN TO WORK TOWARDS CREATING A BETTER FUTURE

SCINDeA in partnership with **AU Small Finance Bank** promotes 75 evening study centers for students from rural and urban areas that are designed to promote academic and life skills proposing a wholesome development. This initiative identifies each child's unique learning style, helping them overcome challenges, and inspires them to understand their learning. Personalized support in the subjects like Mathematics, Science and English is also being provided. **AU SFB** also sponsors a range of indoor and outdoor activities, including sports, arts and team -building exercises, promoting physical health and creativity. Our dedicated educators value integrity, perseverance and encouraging them to think independently.



FACILITATING BENEFICIARIES IN BUILDING A SUSTAINABLE FUTURE

In collaboration with **TREC-STEP**, a pioneering organization in Trichy, promoted by the Central and the State Governments of India, 130 women from the SCINDeA area of operation in Tamil Nadu and Karnataka have been trained in entrepreneurial development to nurture and promote the spirit of enterprise. 86 business plans have been developed for the women to encourage them to access banks and other financial institutional loans to start enterprises.



"...this training and support has changed my life. I never imagined creating something so valuable. Now, I have an income, confidence, and hope for the future."
Ms. Sampavathi, (TREC-STEP) Ramnagara Field Office



"...this training has been life-changing. I am truly grateful for this opportunity and also extend my heartfelt thanks to SCINDeA and TREC-STEP for recognizing my skills and commitment and honoring me with this award."
Ms. Saraswathi, (TREC-STEP)Manamadurai Field Office.

PRIORITIZING MENSTRUAL HEALTH

In collaboration with **PROJECT BAALA** Menstrual health and solidarity Initiative 2024, SCINDeA has conducted workshops on menstrual health and hygiene management in 156 villages and 23 schools and distributed Baala Reusable Sanitary Napkins boxes to 6000 adolescent girls.

"..receiving free sanitary napkins has been a huge relief, but learning they are reusable has been truly empowering. This not only ensures hygiene but also gives me the confidence and skills to sustain myself and support my community."
Ms. Dhanalakshmi, Tirupattur Field Office.



HEALTH AND SANITATION

With the support of Eureka Forbes, SCINDeA has installed 100 plus RO Filters in Governement schools and PHCs.

In collaboration with **Tirumalai Chemicals Pvt.,Ltd** and **Ultramarine Pvt.,Ltd, Ranipet** SCINDeA has constructed and renovated toilet blocks in 10 Government schools.



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AREA OF OPERATION

SCINDeA currently works in the three states of Tamilnadu, Andhra Pradesh and Karnataka covering a total of 13 districts, 26 Taluks, 39 Blocks, 205 Panchayats, 319 Villages and a population of 2,73,576



YELAGIRI, TIRUPATTUR, TIRUVANNAMALAI, YERCAUD, PALLIPALAYAM, UDUMALPETTAI, DINDIGAL, PUDUKOTTAI, MANAMADURAI, YADAMARI, GUDIPALA, G.D.NELLORE, PULICUT, KGF, RAMNAGARA.



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South Central India Network for Development Alternatives SCINDeA



"Facilitating a journey towards a better future"

SCINDeA is a pioneering networking NGO specializing in development for over 30 years. It comprises of 15 field project offices across South Central India,covering 1 districts of Andhra Pradesh, 2 districts of Karnataka and 10 in Tamil Nadu. The organization focuses on empowering vulnerable, marginalized, and underprivileged communities. Through strategic partnerships, program management, and impact assessments, SCINDeA has built strong community rapport, covering 319 villages, 205 panchayats, 39 blocks and 26 taluks in 13 districts and a population of 2,73,576.

VISION

SCINDeA envisions a society that is based on a just sustainable order; a society where all subaltern groups (Dalits, indigenous communities, quarry workers, slum dwellers, fisherfolk, unorganized sectors of women, youth & children) collectively participate in alternative socio-economic, cultural and political development programmes based on the principles of justice, equality, liberty & fraternity.

MISSION

Build empowered and self reliant people's movements of Dalits, fisherfolk, quarry workers, slum dwellers, tribals, ex-minors, women & youth in the South Central region of the country by enhancing the capacity of staff of the field project offices of the SCINDeA and evolving sustainable development programmes focused on gender equity, human rights and environmental protection through people's participation.

CORE NON NEGOTIABLE VALUES - SCINDeA

- Collective democratic participatory decision making
- Gender sensitivity
- Decentralisation
- People centered initiatives
- Transparency & accountability
- Mutual sharing
- Solidarity
- Respect for SCINDeA staff

OBJECTIVES

- To capacitate field project offices of the SCINDeA in realising the set programme objectives towards empowering communities socially, economically, culturally and politically in order to build strong people's movements.
- To support and facilitate field project offices in promoting alternative development initiatives like sustainable agriculture practices, women empowerment, relating to climate change.
- To federate at the SCINDeA level people's movements promoted by field project offices.
- Collaborate with like minded NGOs and other forums on issues of common concern through advocacy and lobbying.

"...since 1994, SCINDeA has been committed to transforming lives of marginalized communities at large and advocating a journey of hope and resilience towards an equitable society..."

Executive Director, SCINDeA



SOCIO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Dedicated to empowering vulnerable communities, SCINDeA fosters strong community ties through strategic partnerships and impact-driven programs. Its core focus is socio-economic empowerment improving access to government schemes, job opportunities, financial services, and entrepreneurial support. By enhancing social status, promoting inclusion, addressing health determinants, and encouraging community participation. SCINDeA equips communities with the skills, knowledge, and confidence to drive their own development.

CHILD DEVELOPMENT

SCINDeA's Child Development Program enhances life skills, career guidance, and constitutional rights education for school children. It ensures a safe environment by safeguarding rights and promoting child-friendly villages. The initiative has established 289 child resource centers, benefiting children through indoor and outdoor activities. In schools, 4,300 adolescents (ages 11-17) have received life skills training, 1,978 students have undergone career guidance, and 1,952 children (grades 6-9) have been trained in constitutional rights.

SOCIAL EDUCATION

Social Education to communities plays a vital role in the lives of people in changing their way of thinking, approach and behavior. People become aware of their constitutional rights and power of citizenship. 8 fundamental chapters of Social Education are taught to people through village units, SHGs in all 319 villages covering 2.5 lakh population.

NETWORKING AND COLLABORATION

Networking and Collaboration with Govt. depts, duty bearers and like minded NGOs is a crucial element to address the issues affecting the people at the grass-root level. It ensures community resilience. To this extent SCINDeA organizes every year an annual campaign at the field level and central level addressing several issues such as climate change and its impact, violence against girl children, youth, technology and its impact, creating a drug free society, the impact of climate change on agriculture etc., Around 5000 community members participated and benefitted from the campaigns in the last 3 years.

















CLIMATE SMART AGRICULTURE





SCINDeA helps small and marginalized farmers to improve farm productivity, profitability and sustainability of the farming system through activities that reduce the threat of climate change. Till date 1220 farmers covering 76 farmers groups from 76 villages have been trained in climate smart agriculture, thereby improving the soil fertility and producing chemical-free organic products. Appropriate curriculum has been developed for the training of lead farmers and members of the farmer groups.

CLIMATE CHANGE EDUCATION





In the present climate crisis Climate Change education helps people understand and address the impacts of the climate change and empowers them with the knowledge, skills, values and altitudes needed to act as agents of change. Climate Change education in SCINDeA is a key component of our work in education. SCINDeA has prepared a manual on Climate Change in Tamil, Telegu and Kannada. So far 5618 number of men, women and children have been trained in Climate Change Education through our village units and SHG groups.



MANGROVE RESTORATION

In the Pulicat lake in Tiruvalluvar district of Tamilnadu, SCINDeA has been undertaken to restore the local flora and fauna, through mangrove restoration in 5 acres of the coastal area to strengthen climate resilience, mitigate flooding, erosion and improve of the fishing in the community. So far 125 families from 10 villages have been benefitted, socially and economically.









MINI FOREST

SCINDeA has initiated the development of mini-forests and tree plantations across the 3 states of Tamilnadu, Karnataka and Andhra Pradesh in 15 working Panchayats covering 20 villages where the ECoPP project is implemented. 1500 tree plants of different varieties have been planted as part of the project activities under climate change mitigation and adaptation. This initiative aims to combat climate change, enhance bio diversity, and improve air quality.