

Project 'REACH' - Dist 3203

RESPONSIVE EDUCATIONAL ACCESS FOR SPECIAL CHILDREN AT HOME (REACH)

ABOUT HOST CLUB: ROTARY TIRUPUR PRIME

- Established in 2016 | Club ID: 88557
- Completed 50+ Projects in avenues like Education, Community Development and Healthcare worth USD \$300,000.
- ▶ Signed multiple MoUs with Government of Tamilnadu to establish and build government schools to provide education free of cost. One such signature project with 15 smart classrooms, a library and a Makerspace lab was handed over to Government for Operations and Maintenance.
- Currently, Our trust Rotary Tirupur Prime Trust has an official collaboration with Govt of Tamilnadu to construct 70,000 sqft Cancer hospital to address the need of cancer patients in our district.

Preface on the Need:



One in every 60 children in Tamilnadu are born with intellectual and functional disabilities (Source: Ministry of Statistics and Program Implementation, Government of India March 2019)



Most of them do not have access to special education due to limited availability of schools, lack of commutation, Cost, resources and quality teachers etc.,



Working parents from lower, middle class & below poverty line, find it very difficult to send their special kids to special school due to unavailability of effective mode of transportation.



Enhancement of special children's education is not at best because of limited skilled teachers.

Problem Statement:



Lack of skilled teachers – Only 12% of teachers are highly skilled and eligible to enhance, educate, treat special children in our district/rural areas and the same has been identified through communitive assessment questionnaires.



Commutation issue: Since most of the special kids commute from rural areas, they do not have comfortable and effective mode of transport to reach school. Also, Many special kids have experienced meltdowns in public transport and few met with frequent accidents while travelling in two wheeler bikes. Hence many parents avoid special education to their kids.

About the Project – REACH:

- Firstly, a hindrance that prevents special children from going to school is the lack of access to education & care. We address this issue by providing education on wheels
- Our goal is to provide education to special children at their doorstep regions.
- Second, is the quality of education. We help teachers to improve their skills by providing 2 levels of training which in turn will create a positive impact on the children's carrier

1. Access Education – Special Children

- ▶ 1 Special Vehicle for special children of Rotary Dist 3203
- Trained teachers and Staff to provide quality education and care
- Built-in Assistive Technology
- Built-in Special Adaptive Equipment
- Visual Projectors
- Safety Equipment
- Mobile Digital Lab



Representative Image*

2. Picture Exchange Communication System training

- Training will be conducted by Hyderabad Autism Ashram- Care4club
- ► The training includes 6 phases which helps teachers
- Improve communication skills.
- Implement picture communication.
- Motivate their students to participate and learn to be independent in expressive communication.
- Create intent and initiation in autistic children.

3. Training on fundamental 26 Brain Gym activities

- Training will be conducted and evaluated by Dr. Mahek Uttamchandani, who is Pediatric Occupational Therapist and Brain Gym Instructor/Consultant at Brain Gym International-Ventura, California
- ▶ The training includes fundamental 26 Brain Gym activities which helps to:
- Integrate the body and the mind
- Stimulate individual learning abilities
- Manage stress
- Improve concentration, memory, balance, physical coordination, writing and reading, organization skills.

Implementation Partners



Sai Kirupa Special school – Govt Recognized Non-Profit Initiative



Rotary Tirupur prime

Started in 2016 Rotary Tirupur Prime is a well-known service organization in the region Recognized for the successful execution of long-running projects that benefitted the community **Key stakeholders:** Paul Barnabas, President - Rotary Tirupur Prime,

Paul Benjamin, Foundation Chair



Rotary district 3203

Rotary district 3203 comprises of 50+ clubs spread over parts of Tamilnadu The Geography covers close to 4 revenue districts

The 'addressable market' covers remote reas in the Western Ghats, where such facilities are bit unavailable

Key stakeholder: Rtn MD B Elangkumaran Rotary District 3203 Governor 2022-23

Proposed Fixed Capital Costs

Fixed costs	Amount (INR)	Amount (*USD)
1 Reach Vehicle	35,27,085	42495
Special Equipments	3,53,995	4265
Training-1 fee	44,820	540
Training-2 fee	29,050	350
Training 3-Doctor fee	29,050	350
TOTAL	39,84,000	48000

Note: Assumed exchange rate 1 USD=INR 83

Proposed Recurring Operational Costs

Annual recurring costs	Amount (INR)	Amount (*USD)
Wages and benefits	6,00,000	7407.5
Insurance	1,00,000	1234.5
Vehicle maintenance	1,00,000	1234.5
Running cost	3,00,000	3703.7
Admin cost	50000	617.3

Note: Recurring cost will be borne by Sai Kirupa School

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Planned Fund Contributions:

Source Contribution	Amount (*USD)
Rotary Tirupur Prime (Host Club)	10000
District 3203 (DDF)	8000
International Partner Clubs	9000
International DDF	5000
Other Contributions	5600
World Fund Match	10400
Total Planned Contributions	48000