



# January in Focus : Awareness, Achievement and Togetherness

ARUWYE Raises Awareness on Human Trafficking Among Children Trafficking (AHT) Programme that strengthened awareness and collective responsibility, alongside joyful Pongal celebrations, Province-level meetings and gatherings, and the observance of Republic Day, reflecting our cultural and national values. The month also focused on student development through orientation sessions that guided learners towards academic clarity and holistic growth, and concluded meaningfully with a Certificate Ceremony and Alumni Meet, celebrating achievements, reconnecting with alumni, and reinforcing a strong sense of community.

## INM – PROVINCIAL TEAM MEET AT KATPADI

On 3rd January 2026, the meeting was attended by all Provincial Commission members and was presided over by Rev. Sr. D. J. Margaret, Provincial, INM Province, along with the Provincial Council Team. The meeting served as an effective platform to review progress across various commissions, share best practices, address challenges, and plan future strategies. During the meeting, three key topics—International Day of Peace, Strenna 2026, and Volunteerism—were covered by the respective Resource Persons.



## VFX COMPANY VISIT TO KODAMBAKKAM STUDY CENTER

On 9th January 2026, A team from a VFX Company based in Teynampet visited the Kodambakkam Study Center to guide children on abroad education and career opportunities. The team interacted with the children, explained foreign education and visa processes, and answered their questions with interest. As part of their support, the company donated stationery materials, which made the children very happy. The visit motivated the children and encouraged them to dream confidently about their future.



## Educative Committee Meeting at Chetpet

The Educative Committee Meeting was held on 10th January 2026 at Our Lady's School, Chetpet. The meeting was attended by approximately 70 members and was graced by the presence of Sr. Christina (Vice Provincial), Sr. Isabella (Provincial Council Member), Sr. Lidwin (Educative Committee Head), along with other dignitaries.

### Participants actively engaged in the following sessions:

- World Day of Peace by Fr. Philip, Administrator, St. Mary's Cathedral, Broadway
- Strenna Reflection by Fr. William, Principal, Don Bosco School, Aynavaram
- UN-Declared World Day of Women Farmers, highlighting the vital role of women in agriculture and food security

The programme concluded with an interactive afternoon panel discussion, during which participants reflected on key insights gained from the morning sessions.

## NATIONAL ANTI-HUMAN TRAFFICKING DAY – AWARENESS

On 10th January 2026, ARUWYE conducted a National Anti-Human Trafficking Day awareness program for children at the Evening Study Centers to educate them about the risks of human trafficking. Children were explained how false promises such as gifts, jobs, and money can lead to unsafe situations and were advised not to trust strangers. The importance of seeking help from parents, teachers, or trusted adults and using emergency helpline numbers 1098 and 112 was emphasized. The session strengthened children's awareness of personal safety, vigilance, and mutual support.



## **SAMATHUVA PONGAL**

On 13th January 2026 , ARUWYE recently organized a Samathuva Pongal celebration that brought together women from Hindu, Muslim, and Christian communities, celebrating the festival in the true spirit of unity, equality, and harmony. The event was marked by joyous participation from all women, who actively engaged in the cultural festivities, traditional Pongal cooking, games, and performances. The celebration provided an opportunity for women from different religious backgrounds to interact, share experiences, and strengthen communal bonds. The women expressed happiness in celebrating Pongal together, appreciating the inclusive environment that encouraged respect, friendship, and social cohesion. Through this initiative, ARUWYE reinforced its commitment to promoting communal harmony and empowerment of women, creating spaces where cultural diversity is celebrated, and women feel connected, valued, and supported.



## **PONGAL CELEBRATION AT ARUWYE EVENING STUDY CENTERS**



On 14th January 2026, ARUWYE celebrated the Pongal festival across all Evening Study Centers with joyful participation from children and teachers. Together, they prepared and shared Pongal, creating a warm and festive atmosphere. Fun games and interactive activities were organized, and all children participated enthusiastically. The celebration strengthened bonding and helped children understand traditional values, sharing and gratitude



## **PARENTS-TEACHERS MEETING**

On 24th January 2026, ARUWYE conducted a Parents-Teachers Meeting at the Evening Study Centers with active participation from parents and teachers. Key discussions covered Pongal celebrations and holidays, Republic Day, National Girl Child Day, and the International Day of Education. Teachers shared each child's academic progress, attendance, and behavior. The meeting strengthened parent-teacher coordination and supported children's overall





## PROVINCIAL COMMUNITY DAY AT AUXILIUM COLLEGE, KATPADI

On 24th January 2026, the Provincial Community Day was celebrated at Auxilium College. The programme brought together members of the Province in a spirit of unity and fellowship. The event included the formal greeting of the Mother Provincial and was conducted successfully with well-organized cultural performances and a meaningful felicitation programme, fostering a sense of shared joy and community bonding.

## INTERNATIONAL DAY OF EDUCATION

On 24th January 2026, ARUWYE observed the International Day of Education at the Evening Study Centers by conducting awareness sessions for children. The session emphasized the importance of education in shaping a child's future, building a dignified life, and creating equal opportunities. The program motivated students to value learning and dream confidently about their future.

On 13th February 2026, Fr. Maria Packiam S. conducted an Environmental Policy Education session for women and Salesian Sisters, focusing on ecology, environmental policies, and sustainable practices. The interactive session was well received, and participants appreciated its relevance to their daily lives.



## NATIONAL GIRL CHILD DAY – AWARENESS



On 24th January 2026, ARUWYE observed National Girl Child Day across the Evening Study Centers by conducting awareness sessions and a rally. Children were sensitized on girls' rights, education, safety, equality, and the need to end discrimination. A rally with placards helped spread awareness in the community and encouraged support for the girl child. The program reinforced values of dignity, equality, and empowerment among the children.

## REPUBLIC DAY CELEBRATION

On 26th January 2026, ARUWYE celebrated Republic Day across its Evening Study Centers with great enthusiasm and patriotic spirit. Competitions, sports activities, and cultural events were organized, encouraging teamwork and leadership among children. Local community leaders and police officials joined as chief guests, inspiring children about responsibility and service to the nation. The celebration concluded with gift distribution, strengthening patriotism and community bonding.



## CAREER AWARENESS SESSION BY AIRTEL INSPIRES STUDENTS



On 27th Jan 2026, an Orientation Session was conducted by Mr. Sathish Kumar, Manager, Airtel – Velachery Branch, to create awareness about career opportunities in the telecom sector. He explained job openings available for both 12th standard students and graduates, including roles in field executive and store operations. The session was interactive, with students clarifying their doubts and submitting their resumes for further consideration. The orientation was informative and motivating, helping students gain clarity on suitable career pathways.

## CERTIFICATION CEREMONY



Celebrating Growth, Grit and a Remarkable Milestone

On 27th January, we proudly hosted the Certification Ceremony for the 3rd batch of the academic year 2025–2026, a meaningful occasion that also marked the successful completion of our 25th batch—a milestone in our journey of empowering learners with skills and purpose.

23 committed learners completed their 3-month course and were awarded Course Completion Certificates. We are delighted to share that 15 students have been successfully placed in jobs, taking confident steps toward their professional careers. To recognise excellence and dedication, two medals were awarded:

\* Best Academic Performer– Saranya K

\* Attendance & Active Participation – Sanjeevi C

The programme was honoured by the presence of Ms. Theophil Prithika, Project Manager – Fireworks, as the Chief Guest, whose encouragement and insights inspired our learners. The event began with a warm and motivating welcome address by Dr. Sr. Isabella. One of the most impactful moments of the ceremony was the student testimonials, where learners shared their journeys, challenges and the confidence they gained through this programme. This celebration stands as a reflection of commitment, consistent effort and learning with purpose—opening doors to brighter futures.

## ANTI-HUMAN TRAFFICKING (AHT) COMMUNITY AWARENESS

On 28th January 2026, ARUWYE conducted Anti-Human Trafficking (AHT) Community Awareness sessions at Moore and Otteri to educate residents about human trafficking, its types—forced labor, sexual exploitation, child trafficking, and domestic servitude—and preventive measures. Participants were guided on staying alert to suspicious offers, reporting incidents promptly, and spreading awareness among children and neighbors. Women and youth actively engaged in the sessions, noting key helpline numbers such as 1098 (Childline), 181 (Women Helpline), and 112 (Emergency Services). The programme reinforced the importance of community vigilance in building safer and stronger communities.



## ORIENTATION ON HR POLICY AND TIME MANAGEMENT TO ARUWYE STAFF



On 30th January 2026, Mrs. Jyothi Priya, Project Manager, conducted a structured session for the staff of ARUWYE focusing on Time Management and HR Policies. The session emphasized the importance of effective time utilization, prioritization of tasks, punctuality, and maintaining a healthy work-life balance to enhance individual and organizational productivity.

In addition, the Human Resource policies of ARUWYE were disseminated in detail, covering areas such as professional conduct, attendance, leave procedures, reporting structures, and ethical workplace practices. Staff members were encouraged to adhere to organizational guidelines and to align their roles and responsibilities with ARUWYE's mission and values.

## ARUWYE QUEST ALUMNI MEET 2026

The ARUWYE Alumni Meet 2026, held on 31st January 2026 with the theme "Together, We Grow," was a grand success, bringing together 52 participants, including 32 alumni and 20 current learners. The event was graced by Chief Guest Mr. Naresh Kumar, Centre Manager, Tech Mahindra MFT, and Special Chief Guest Ms. Sunita G, Program Associate, Quest Alliance. A meaningful Thumb Impression Ceremony symbolized unity and collective growth. Cultural vibrancy was added by a soulful solo song performed by alumni Saranya K. Alumni shared their experiences, inspiring current learners with real-life career journeys. Mrs. Jyothi Priya, Manager, ARUWYE, addressed the gathering on ongoing activities and future collaboration. The interactive sessions strengthened alumni-learner bonding. Refreshments and lunch



## STUDENT'S ACHIEVEMENT-YERCAUD CENTER

Two students from the Yercaud Study Center achieved outstanding success at the Tamil Nadu-level sports competition. Indhumathi, studying in 12th standard, secured First Prize and received a cash award of ₹6,000. Gowri, also a 12th standard student, won Second Prize and received a cash award of ₹4,000. Their achievement has brought great pride to the study center and serves as strong motivation for other children to actively participate in sports and excel at higher levels



## STUDENT'S ACHIEVEMENT: THIRUKKURAL COMPETITION

One of our study center students, Nithishwari, won third prize in the Thirukkural Oppuvithal competition. She is studying at a Government High School. She was very happy and excited to share her achievement with everyone.



## AHT SURVEY TRAINING AND HOUSEHOLD SURVEY

ARUWYE conducted an AHT Survey Training and Household Survey in its operational areas to identify women's livelihood skills and training needs. One staff member provided orientation to 10 volunteers on human trafficking issues, ethical data collection, and using digital tools to record accurate information. Following the training, volunteers conducted household visits using a structured questionnaire covering socio-economic details, existing skills, and income-generation interests. The survey revealed that many women possess skills in tailoring, handicrafts, food preparation, beautician work, and agriculture but lack proper training and market support. Several women are eager to participate in skill development programs to improve their income and economic independence. The initiative also helped raise awareness about the link between unemployment and human trafficking, empowering women to seek safe and sustainable livelihood opportunities. ARUWYE plans to use the survey findings to design targeted skill training and livelihood programs, ensuring women in vulnerable communities have access to opportunities that enhance their economic and social security.



## LIFE SKILL TRAINING



**Through free skill training in Beautician trades, Jute Bag production, Tailoring and Hand Embroidery, ARUWYE is equipping 70 women to become economically independent and self-reliant**

The UWC skill training programmes in Tailoring and hand embroidery, Jute Bag Making, and Beautician courses have commenced with great enthusiasm and active participation. These courses aim to equip women with practical skills, enabling them to generate sustainable livelihoods and contribute to their families and communities. A total of 70 women have enrolled in these programmes:

- Tailoring and Hand Embroidery: 30 students across 3 batches
- Jute Bag Making: 10 students across 2 batches
- Beautician Training: 30 students across 3 batches

The women participants have shown remarkable eagerness to learn and engage in the sessions, demonstrating their commitment to acquiring skills that can empower them economically. Trainers have provided hands-on guidance, ensuring that the participants gain practical knowledge and confidence in their respective fields.

The programme also emphasizes creating opportunities for women to explore entrepreneurship and small-scale business prospects, thereby promoting self-reliance and skill-based employment. The successful start of these training courses reflects the dedication of both the trainers and the participants toward fostering meaningful development and sustainable livelihoods.

SCAN & PAY

Stay tuned for more updates as ARUWYE continues its mission of empowering children, youth, and women in marginalized communities!

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