



Social Capital
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Regular yogasana classes in the morning and Hindi and English classes in the evening were conducted. Weekly yoga session for Coast guards also continued.

Apart from regular activities following events took place.

1. Sister Niveditha Birthday Celebration

On February 2, 2018 Sister Niveditha's `150th Birthday Celebration was organized at Sri Parvathavarthini Amman Girls Higher Secondary School. During the function, Shri.Sridhar, Coordinator of Green Rameswaram project was felicitated with "WILL Medals of National Records" for writing the longest poem about Rameswaram using Kadaimadaku Technique which is unique in Tamil Literature.



2. Greening DSP Office

On February 03, 2018 we have done the Greening of DSP office at Rameswaram. Around 30 Plant saplings were sponsored by our Green School Teacher Smt.Gopilakshmi Shanmuganathan and with the support of Green Friends we planted the saplings. Shri.Mahesh, DSP, Rameswaram and his colleagues also extended a helping hand in greening their office. Hand in Hand team also stepped in to help our initiative.



Team in Action

3. Visit of Lakshmi College of Education Students

Team of around 83 Students from Lakshmi College of Education, Gandhigram visited Green Rameswaram Project Building on 09 February 2018. They were shown the entire Green Rameswaram Building and explained the Green Rameswaram Project. They joined a mass cleaning campaign at Arichalmunai and cleared a load of waste in a truck. Students enjoyed the campaign.



Mass cleaning at Arichalmunai by Gandhigram students

4. Anna Pooja Function

Anna Pooja by Rural Development Programme of Vivekananda Kendra was held on February 11, 2018. The function was attended by 60 Women participants.



Pooja performance is on ...



Student singing a song during the Anna Pooja



Bhajan singing during Anna Pooja by the participants

5. Visit of Lootel Future

Shri.Yashwant Singh of Lootel visited Rameswaram on February 20, 2018. He surveyed various areas and explored the possibilities of establishing Lootel at Rameswaram. Following were his observations:

- Not interested in going for Community Toilet as cost wise it is high
- Ready to take up the option of individual toilets in Agni Teertham and Bus stand
- Ready to take up the option of Mobile toilets at Arichalmunai



Lootel representative visiting Agni Teertham



Shri. Yashwant from Lootel making the presentation in the Island Development Committee Meeting held on 20th February

6. Visit of CARE Institute students

Around 17 Students from CARE institute of Architecture visited Green Rameswaram Building on February 21, 2018. Students studied the traditional method of construction as well as ‘Green Resilient Rameswaram’ project.



Interaction with the students

