



Social Capital

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1. Mass cleaning of Teerthams

Agni Teertham:

On 9th July 2019, conducted mass cleaning of Agni Teertham. This is the place where thousands of pilgrims do their Tarpanam on a daily basis. On New moon and Full moon day lakhs of pilgrims do religious rituals at Agni Teertham. It is a place which throws challenge for Waste Management both in land and water. Hence every month a mass cleaning campaign with the support of local stakeholders is organised. On 9th July 2019. Following teams volunteered for the campaign

1. Yathirai Paniyalar Sangam (20 Members Participated)
2. Taminadu Brahmins Association, Rameswaram (40 Members Participated)
3. Boys Higher Secondary School, Rameswaram (NCC & Scout) (110 students Participated)
4. Hotel Daiwik (20 Employees Participated)
5. St. Joseph Matriculation School, Rameswaram (70 NSS Students Participated)

5 tons of wastes mainly cloths recovered during the campaign.



Agni Teertham Cleaning is on ...



Agni Teertham Cleaning

Hanuman Kundam

On 16 July 2019, a mass cleaning programme with the support of Tamilnadu Maruthuvar sangam was organized at Hanuman Kundam. It was a half day hard work in the morning which cleared half Ton of grass and other wastes in the kundam. Around 35 members participated.



Sugreeva Teertham

Massive cleaning work was taken up in Sugreeva Teertham for three days in evening hours from July 16 to 18, 2019. About 30 members of Tamilnadu Brahmins Association, Rameswaram supported the programme. 2 Tons of waste was cleared



Arichalmunai Cleaning

Arichalmunai located before Dhanushkodi which is the tip of the Indian Border to Sri Lanka. Cleaning programme was carried out at this place on 23 July 2019 with the help of 25 volunteers.



Ramar Teertham

Cleaning of Ramar Teertham was taken up on 24 and 25, July 2019. Again local volunteers from SPA school staff and Tamilnadu Brahmins association, Rameswaram in this massive cleaning. One ton of waste from the Teertham was disposed by the team of 28 members.



Mangala Teertham

On 30 July 2019 cleaning work was taken up in Mangala Teertham. Local volunteers around 15 members supported the activity. Teertha Pooja was conducted after the cleaning.



Teertha Pooja in Mangala Teertham

2. Teertha Mitra Meeting

Teertha Mitra Meeting was conducted on July 6, 2019. It started with formal Prayer. Following major points discussed:

1. Regular cleaning of the Teertha.
2. Teertha Cleaning plan evolved for the month of July 2019
3. Hello Rameswaram Contacts to be shared
4. Formats for Hello Rameswaram distributed
5. Teertha cleaning with the support of salaried staff to be explored

3. Teertha Poojas

Pournami Pooja organized at Kapi Teertham (30 nos.) and Agni Teertham (120 nos) participated.



Agni Teertham Deepa Worship



Kapi Teertham Pournami Worship

