



Landscaping and Beautification

By
Green Rameswaram Trust



“Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam” – Special Plantation drive Programme

1.Programme for school children:

Venue: Vivekananda Vidyalaya Matric.Hr.Sec.School, Rameswaram

Date: 14th December 2024

Programme Schedule

- Prayer** : Vivekananda Vidyalaya Mat.Hr. Sec School Students
- Welcome Address** : V.Saraswathi (Green Rameswaram)
- Objective of the programme:** Dr.N. Padma Kumar, Assistant Advisor (Botany) Rtd. NMPB-New Delhi
- Presidential address** : Dr.U.M.Chandrashekara, Deputy Director, NMPB-RCFC (SR), KFRI.
- Benedictions** :
1) Swami Purushotamananda, Vivekananda Vidyalaya.
2) P. Selva Kumar, Chief Manager, SBI Rameswaram.
3) Shri.J. Sethu Murugan, Maruthuva Sangam, Rameswaram.
4) Shri.Vincent Edward Jeyaraj
5) Shri. Sudalai, Seva Bharathi
- Competitions conducted** :
1)Essay writing – Green Rameswaram
2)Drawing- Green Rameswaram- Your Vision
3)Quiz- Plants and Biodiversity



Students engrossed in drawing competition



Quiz competition



Essay competition

Valedictory Function:

- As part of the programme, the valedictory function began with a cultural performance, 'Villu Pattu,' by No.1 PU Middle School, Rameswaram."
- The following dignitaries were present:
 - 1) Mr. Jaffar , *Thasildhar-Rameswaram*
 - 2) Mr. Sheik Saleem- *Dr.APJ International Foundation*
 - 3) Mr.Uthara Pandi- *Sub-Inspector, Rameswaram*
 - 4) Mr. Suresh Kumar – *Principal, Vivekananda Vidyalaya*
 - 5) Mr. Selva Kumar – *Chief Manager, SBI Rameswaram*
- 130 Students and 30 parents actively participated in the programme. They listened to the speeches as well as songs related to Green Rameswaram.
- At the end of the programme, saplings were distributed to the participating students.



Dr.N. Padma Kumar, Assistant Advisor (Botany) Rtd. NMPB-New Delhi addressing the participants



All the participants posing for the photograph in-front of the school

- Prize distribution to the winners of the competition and certificate to all the participants.
Following are the details

Drawing

1st Prize – R.Varshan (Amirtha Vidyalaya Hr.Sec.Schol, Rameswaram) – Rs.1000/-

2nd Prize **R.Yazhini** (Vivekananda Vidyalaya Mat.Hr.sec School) – Rs.500/-

Consolation Prizes

1. N.Kavin (Amirtha vidyalaya Mat. Hr.Sec.School) – Rs.250/-
2. M.Reshma (Vivekananda Vidyalaya Mat.Hr.Sec.School) Rs.250/-
3. N.Nambu Siddesh (Amirtha Vidyalaya Hr.Sec.School) Rs.250/-



Essay Writing

1st Prize – S.Jemuna (No.1 PU School, Rameswaram) – Rs.1000/-

2nd Prize – S.Monish (Amirtha Vidyalaya Hr.Sec.School) – Rs.500/-

3rd Prize – C. Habi Safia (Vivekananda Vidyalaya Mat. Hr. Sec. School) Rs.250/-

Quiz – 6th Standard

1st Prize- Alfia B & Dhuvaniya B (Parvadhavarthini Hr.sec School) – Rs.1000/-

2nd Prize – Rithika K & Sadhana M (Parvadhavarthini Hr.sec School) – Rs.500/-

7th Standard – All Vivekananda Vidyalaya Mat.HR.sec school

1st Prize – Madhavi Sree, Hafi Safia, Yazhini R, Kanishka – Rs.1000/-

2nd Prize – Kanishka, Joshna, Mishba , Akshaya – Rs.500/-

3rd Prize – Shaminisri , Annapoorani , Mahisha sri, Dhanu Sri – Rs.250/-

8th Standard

1st Prize- No.1 PUM School

Nivya, Divya , Yazhini – Rs.1000/-

2nd Prize – Govt. Boys Hr.Sec School

G.Senthur, Nandha Kishor, Bhuvensh – Rs.500/-

3rd Prize- Parvadhavarthini Hr.secSchool

Samudhra M, Dabiksha R. – Rs.250/-

- As a continuation of the programme, the team visited Brahma and Virega Teertham to inspect Palmyra Seed Plantation.



Dr.N. Padma Kumar and Dr.U.M.Chandrashekara, Deputy Director, at Teertham site



Sis. V.Saraswathi explaining the work of Revival and Renovation of Teerthams at Rameswaram and plantation of trees to change the Eco-system

2.Programme for local stakeholders

Date: 15/12/2024

- The officers introduced the theme of the program *Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam* to the participants, while the participants shared insights about the local traditional practice of “*Mullaipaari*” and its cultural significance.
- The importance of *Teertham* was also discussed among the participants. Following the program, pooja rituals were performed at *Bhima Teertham*.
- As a continuation of the program, a tree plantation drive was conducted at Bhima Teertham.



Officials of National Medicinal Plant Board, Kerala interacting with the local stakeholders



Pooja rituals were performed at Bhima Teertham



*Plantation drive as a part of “Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam” at Bhima Teertham
With a hope that it will turn into a Micro Forest*



For the successful execution of the *Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam* plantation drive, active participation and enthusiasm was witnessed from all participants at Bhima Teertham

- As a continuation of the program, a tree plantation drive was also conducted at *Arjuna Teertham*



Plantation drive by the official



Participants preparing the ground for plantation



A memento was presented to Sis.Saraswathi of Green Rameswaram project, in recognition of the successful execution of the project



Group photo outside the proposed Micro forest at Arjuna Teertham



The team also visited Shimma and Chidambara Teertham where plantation will be carried out

At the conclusion of the Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam plantation drive, saplings were distributed to the participants.

