

AUSTRALIAN TAMIL MANAGEMENT SERVICE



Auspicious & Ceremonial Opening of the Sangarathai-Thunaivi Community Development Secretariat





Jaffna Government Agent Mr.K.Ganesh Opened the Community Development Secretariat.

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SERIAL	ACTIVITIES	
NO.	SOCIAL MOBILIZATION	TOTAL COS
2	MICRO CREDIT / INCOME	1.104.000.0
	GENERATION ACTIVITIES	
3	YOUTH ASSISTANCE ENVIRONMENT	452.460.0
5	NUTRITION	300,120.0
6	INFRASTRUCTURE	
6.1	VILLAGE DEVELOPMENT SEERETARIAT	1.916.675.0
62	RURAL ROAD 25km	814.425.0
6.3	ELECTRICITY	1.020,510.0
64	TOILETS 154 NOS	1.244.551.0
	SUB TOTAL	7.154.991.0
	PROJECT TOTAL COST	957,63.5 8.112,154.5
ATEOF COMMENCEMENT: 25.04-2005 DATE OF COMPLETION: 24-10-201 FUNDING AGENCY: ASIAN DEVELOPMENT BANK		
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The Conflict Affected Area Rehabilitation Project commenced in April 2005 and has successfully progressed to the stage of being more or less managed by the local folks under the leadership of Government

Authorities. It is a Build Operate and Transfer (BOT) project and the opening of Development Secretariat on September 2008, celebrated the completion of the Transfer. Government representatives joined the local folks in praying at the Vairavar-Kali temple whose owners donated Land for the building of the Development Secretariat and also for a pathway from the main road not only to access the Secretariat but also to enable electricity and running water facilities for the folks of that area. Most households have invested in electricity facilities and funds are being sought to complete the electricity facility for the folks on one side of the Community Secretariat. Most of that land is owned by Adaikalam Thottam Kanthaswami Temple and we have applied officially to obtain their no objection certificate to the installation of posts to extend the facility to this part of the community.

Running water facilities have now been completed by the owners of Vairavar-Kali temple, to help the folks without their own wells.





- (1) Mrs. Saroja Maruthalingam who worked tirelessly at the community level, provided able leadership at the activity level. Mrs. Saroja Maruthalingam paid tribute to all those who provided the resources to help the Community.
- (2) Pivotal to the success of the project is the enthusiastic, tenacious and dynamic management of Mrs. Ponmalar Rajeswaran who faced challenges in various forms and shapes and won them all. Those wins are now owned in common by all investors. Mrs Ponmalar Rajeswaran was traditionally honoured and in the picture (6) below Mrs Ponmalar Rajeswaran is seen sharing her glory with Mrs. Saroja Maruthalingam.
- (3) Mrs. Gaja Lakshmi Paramasivam confirmed the conclusion by Mrs Ponmalar Rajeswaran that the community was weakened by internal conflicts. Mrs.Paramasivam concluded that as per her assessment there was 35% alienation factor and urged the community to use it constructively to establish Objective measures and Equal Opportunity principles to evaluate and transact rather than assume commonness that does not exist.
- (4) Mrs. T.Babu, Divisional Secretary, Valigamam West, who is highly respected for her dedicated and honest service to the Public, honoured Mrs. Paramasivam on behalf of the people ((5) below). Mrs. Babu emphasized the need for following Due Process and stated that personalities may change but the positions and their responsibilities continue and hence the need to do the right thing by the position. Our feedback indicated that this was very well received by the local leaders.

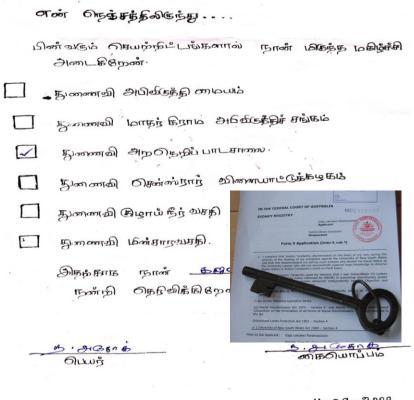




Local folks happily participated in the celebrations and many took the opportunity to express specific appreciation to the person through whom they primarily related to the development work. We felt that it was an opportunity for them to self assess and know the value of the development work.



Water and Electricity facilities have boosted the morale of local folks and we look forward to more and more progressive celebrations through which we improve our internal management and external integration.



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