April - June, 2026 Volume.43

DKSHA

Deva Kirubai Social Help Association

"Let Your Light Shine"

Expressions

From the Desk of the Founder & Chief Functionary Officer:

Dear Friends, Partners, and Supporters,

Greetings from DKSHA!

It is with immense gratitude and hope that I welcome you to this edition of DKSHA Expressions. The stories and achievements shared in these pages reflect our collective commitment to ensuring that every child grows up in a safe, loving, and nurturing family environment.

Over the past quarter, DKSHA has continued to make meaningful progress through our Family-Based Alternative Care, Transition Support, Prevention and Gatekeeping, and Community Intervention Programmes. By strengthening vulnerable families, empowering children and young people, promoting education, well-being, and sustainable livelihoods, we are helping build resilient families and stronger communities.

These achievements have been made possible through the unwavering support of our valued partners and well-wishers. I extend my heartfelt appreciation to Miracle Foundation for its continued technical guidance and partnership. My sincere thanks also go to MPT-UK, the OTF-FEO International Assistance Committee, Sulle Orme dei Servi - Italy, and our dedicated Friends Groups, individual sponsors, local sponsors, government departments, Child Care Institutions, community volunteers, and everyone who continues to believe in and support our mission.

Your generosity is creating lasting opportunities for children and families to thrive with dignity, confidence, and hope. Every contribution—whether through funding, expertise, advocacy, or volunteer service—helps us move closer to a future where every child can realise their full potential.

As we look ahead, DKSHA remains committed to innovation, collaboration, and accountability in expanding our impact. Together, we can continue to strengthen families, protect children's rights, and build communities where every child has the opportunity to flourish.

Thank you for your trust, partnership, and unwavering support. Together, we are creating brighter futures and transforming lives—one child, one family, and one community at a time.

With sincere gratitude,
Mr. Isaac
Founder & Chief Functionary Officer
Deva Kirubai Social Help Association (DKSHA)

ACTIVITIES APRIL - JUNE 2026

Activities Summary:

All the activities were implemented under our core program areas:

- **Family-Based Alternative Care -** Strengthening families to ensure children grow up in safe, caring, and supportive family environments, while preventing unnecessary separation from their families.
- **Transition -** Supporting young people transitioning from institutional care to independent living through life skills development, education, employment support, mentoring, and emotional well-being initiatives.
- **Prevention & Gatekeeping -** Preventing family separation by identifying vulnerable children and families, providing timely interventions, facilitating access to government welfare schemes, and strengthening community-based child protection mechanisms.
- **Community Intervention Programs -** Building child-friendly communities through awareness campaigns, stakeholder engagement, children's participation, life skills education, parenting programmes, youth empowerment initiatives, and community-based support systems.

Through these structured interventions, we focused on ensuring the safety, well-being, and holistic development of children, youth, and families, while strengthening community-based support systems. Each initiative is aligned with our organizational goal of Help – Care – Build Up, all our efforts are directed towards creating a safe, supportive, and empowering environment where individuals can grow with dignity and confidence.

Family-Based Alternative Care (F-BAC) Follow-up Visits













During this reporting period, DKSHA carried out 13 follow-up visits to F-BAC children and their families, ensuring continued support and monitoring of their overall well-being.

Strengthened stakeholders' capacity to identify, prevent, and respond to child protection issues effectively.

Quarterly Review Meeting for F-BAC Children and their Parents



During this quarter, DKSHA organized a Quarterly Review Meeting for Family-Based Alternative Care (FBAC) beneficiary children and parents from Trichy and Dindigul. The session was facilitated by Mr. Tony, who led interactive discussions on family strengthening, parenting challenges, and child well-being. Participants actively engaged in the discussions and appreciated the session as a valuable learning experience. A total of 50 children and parents participated.

Strengthened family relationships and enhanced caregivers' capacity to support children's well-being through shared learning, reflection, and positive parenting practices.

Group Counselling Session for F-BAC families and Vulnerable families

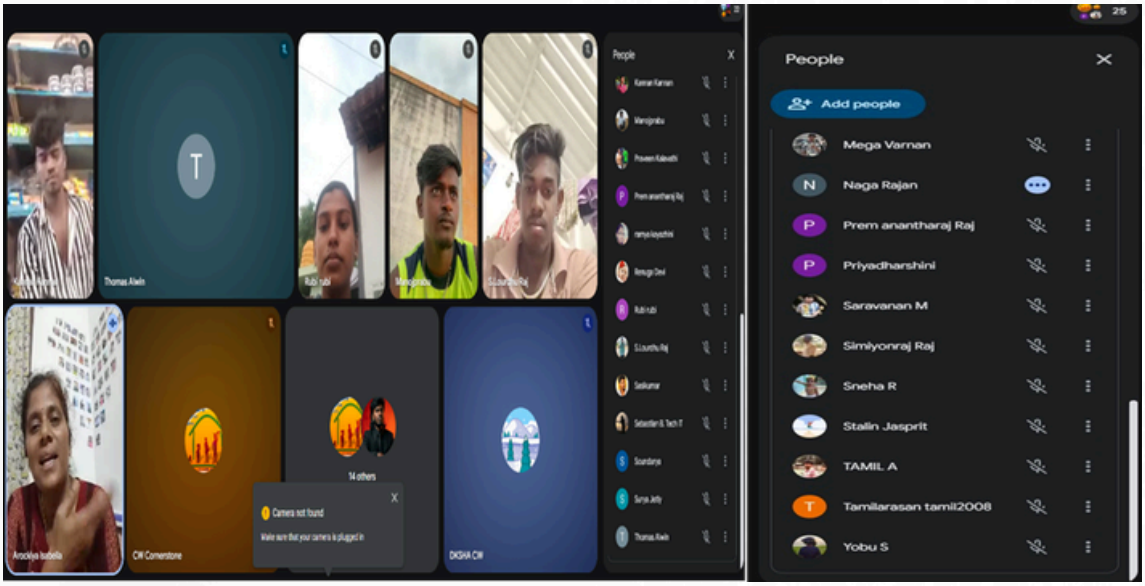


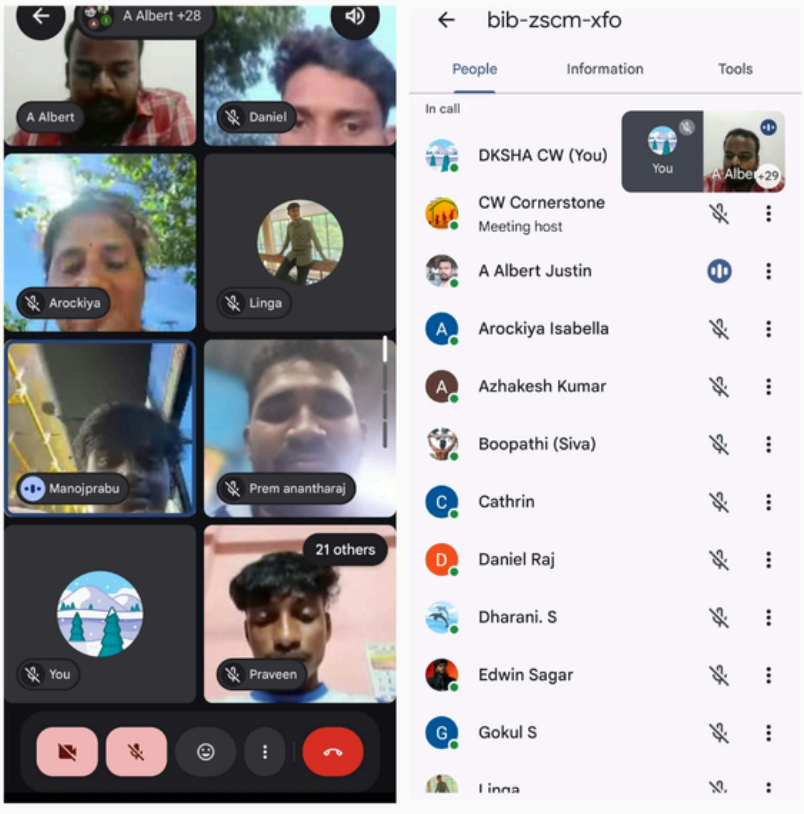
During this quarter, DKSHA organized a Group Counselling Session for Family-Based Alternative Care (FBAC) beneficiary children, parents, and vulnerable families requiring mental health support. The session was facilitated by Mr. Randeep Rajkumar, Clinical Psychologist, Trichy, and covered topics including positive mental health, family relationships, open communication, managing negative emotions, and building a happy family. The programme concluded with an interactive activity on suicide ideation prevention.

Participants actively engaged in the discussions and shared positive feedback on the session. A total of 20 participants, including FBAC beneficiaries and vulnerable families from two Gram Panchayats, attended the programme.

Strengthened participants' mental well-being and family relationships by enhancing emotional awareness, positive communication, and healthy coping strategies.

Care Leavers Network Formation Initiative Meet





During this quarter, DKSHA, under the guidance of Miracle Foundation, in May, conducted two online orientation sessions for former beneficiaries of DKSHA Cornerstone to introduce the Care Leaver Network initiative. A WhatsApp group comprising 50 youth was created, of whom 42 participated in the orientation sessions. The participants expressed keen interest in joining the network, which aims to promote peer support, networking, career development, and continued engagement among care leavers.

On 7 June 2026, Mr. Albert, Youth Lead, Miracle Foundation, provided an overview of the Care Leaver Network and shared the planned activities for the upcoming months.

Strengthened engagement among care leavers by fostering peer connections, leadership opportunities, and continued support for their personal and professional development.

Mentoring Visits to All Child Care Institutions in Trichy District



Case Worker - Transition visits all CCIs in Trichy District



Program officer - Ms.Isabella visiting all CCIs in Trichy District

During this quarter, DKSHA conducted regular follow-up with Child Care Institutions (CCIs) and collected Monitoring & Evaluation (M&E) data on children residing in CCIs and those undergoing family reintegration.

In April and May 2026, mentoring visits were completed in seven CCIs across Trichy District by the Case Worker – Transition, following the agenda developed by the Programme Officer. In June 2026, the Programme Officer and Case Worker – Transition jointly conducted mentoring visits to six CCIs—Vidivelli Integrated CCI, Paavai Boys' CCI, Paavai Girls' CCI, Nagammaiyar CCI, Annai Sathya CCI, and Hope Worldwide CCI. Regular updates and observations from all visits were shared with the District Child Protection Unit (DCPU) and the Child Welfare Committee (CWC).

To strengthen case management, monitor children's progress, improve the quality of care and reintegration support, and enhance coordination with child protection stakeholders.

Working Committee Meetings with DCPU, CWC & State MOU CCI's @ Trichy



- During this quarter, DKSHA conducted two Working Committee Meetings in collaboration with the District Child Protection Unit (DCPU) and the Child Welfare Committee (CWC) to review programme progress and strengthen stakeholder coordination.
-
- On 21 May 2026, the meeting brought together the DCPO, CWC members, and representatives from three CCIs. DKSHA presented the previous year's achievements and the upcoming plans under the Transition, Prevention, and Gatekeeping programmes. And on 29 June 2026, the second meeting was attended by the DCPO, the CWC team, IC & NIC Programme Officers, Social Workers, and representatives from 09 CCIs. Discussions focused on FBAC, Prevention and Gatekeeping interventions, CCI activities, and successful child reintegration stories.

- As part of the Working Committee Meeting, representatives from nine CCIs participated, with eight CCIs delivering presentations on their Family Strengthening (FS) and Family-Based Alternative Care (FBAC) initiatives. They shared their child reintegration efforts (2022–2026), success stories, family preparation processes, pre-family visits, and follow-up practices.

- The presentations provided a valuable platform for peer learning and knowledge sharing. Participants appreciated the opportunity to exchange best practices, and DKSHA encouraged all CCIs to continue strengthening Individual Care Plan (ICP) documentation and post-reintegration follow-up.

To strengthen interdepartmental coordination, promote collaborative planning, and enhance the quality of child protection and family-based care services across the district. Also, to enhance the capacity of CCIs in implementing quality Family Strengthening and Family-Based Alternative Care practices through shared learning and collaboration.

Donating Books & Play Materials to the CWC in Trichy



Based on a request from the Child Welfare Committee (CWC), DKSHA, with the support of Miracle Foundation, provided toys and books to the CWC Office, Trichy, to create a child-friendly environment for children visiting the office. The Chairperson and committee members received the materials and expressed their sincere appreciation to DKSHA and Miracle Foundation for their generous support and commitment to promoting children's well-being.

To create a child-friendly and welcoming environment that promotes children's comfort, engagement, and emotional well-being during their interactions with the Child Welfare Committee.

Program Follow-up visit by TeamMiracle



During the second week of May 2026, State Head Ms. Yamuna visited DKSHA for a three-day programme review and follow-up visit. She reviewed the progress of three Family-Based Alternative Care (FBAC) families to assess family strengthening interventions and child well-being. The remaining two days focused on reviewing the Transition and Prevention programmes, providing technical guidance, and strengthening implementation strategies and future planning.

To strengthen programme implementation through technical guidance, effective monitoring, and strategic planning for improved child and family outcomes.

Group Counselling Session for Children in CCIs



On 7 May 2026, DKSHA organized a Group Counselling Session for students studying in Classes 10, 11, and 12 from Child Care Institutions (CCIs) across Trichy District. The session was facilitated by Dr. Randeep Raj Kumar, Psychologist, Athma Hospital, Trichy. Key topics included self-development, self-awareness, goal setting, identity formation, self-esteem, understanding adolescent risks, risk analysis, and youth well-being.

Strengthened adolescents' self-awareness, emotional well-being, and decision-making skills, enabling them to make positive life choices and work towards their future goals.

Life Skill Education Trainings - CCI level



On 9 May 2026, DKSHA organized a Life Skills Education (LSE) Training for students studying in Classes 10, 11, and 12 from Child Care Institutions (CCIs) across Trichy District. The session was facilitated by Ms. Gayathri, Life Skills Trainer and Development Consultant (Gender Labour Consultant). The training covered effective communication, the four types of communication, managing peer pressure, problem-solving, and financial literacy.

Enhanced adolescents' life skills, communication, problem-solving abilities, and financial awareness, enabling them to make informed decisions and prepare for independent living.

Awareness Campaign Programs for Children in 2 GPs



As part of the Prevention Programme, DKSHA conducted an Awareness Campaign on Mobile Addiction and Substance Abuse for children from two Gram Panchayats. The session was facilitated by Fr. Velankanni (PGDC, MSW), Children's Trainer, Dindigul. Activities included interactive introductions, emotions-sharing exercises, and short videos showcasing the achievements of Children's Parliament members, encouraging leadership, positive behaviour, and active community participation.

Enhanced children's awareness of the risks associated with mobile addiction and substance abuse while strengthening their emotional well-being, leadership skills, and ability to make positive life choices.

Mother's Day Celebrartion

Malaithathampatti



Malaiyadipatti



DKSHA organized Mother's Day Celebrations in Malaithathampatti and Malaiyadipatty villages to strengthen family relationships, promote child participation, and recognize the vital role of mothers in child development. A total of 11 mothers and 17 children participated in Malaithathampatti, while 13 mothers and 23 children attended the celebration in Malaiyadipatty. The celebrations featured interactive activities. Notably, the entire programme was planned and facilitated by the Children's Parliament members, demonstrating their leadership, teamwork, and organizational skills.

Strengthened parent-child relationships, encouraged meaningful child participation, and enhanced children's leadership skills through community-led celebrations.

Life Skill Education Training for Children in Vengaikurichi Panchayat



- During this quarter, DKSHA continued to implement Life Skills Education (LSE) sessions across 10 villages in Vengaikurichi Gram Panchayat, facilitated by Community Volunteer Ms. Josphine.
- April 2026: Sessions on Creative Thinking were conducted in Marachirediyapatty, Vengaikurichi, Vellapoolanpatty, Manjampatty, and Idaiyapattiyanpatty, while Self-Awareness sessions were held in Andigoundampatty, Arunampatty, Pungampady, Vengaikurichi Pudur, and Bommampatty.
- May 2026: The topics were interchanged, with Self-Awareness sessions conducted in Marachirediyapatty, Vengaikurichi, Vellapoolanpatty, Manjampatty, and Idaiyapattiyanpatty, and Creative Thinking sessions held in Andigoundampatty, Arunampatty, Pungampady, Vengaikurichi Pudur, and Bommampatty.
- June 2026: Sessions on Communication and Educational Motivation were conducted across all ten villages, helping children develop emotional resilience, self-confidence, and motivation towards education.

Strengthened children's life skills by enhancing self-awareness, creative thinking, emotional resilience, and motivation, enabling them to make positive decisions and cope effectively with everyday challenges.

Children's Parliament Formation Meetings for Children in Malaiyadipatti Panchayat



- During this quarter, DKSHA continued to strengthen Children's Parliament and community participation initiatives across Malaiyadipatty Gram Panchayat through leadership development, follow-up meetings, and family engagement activities.
- In April 2026, Children's Parliament meetings were conducted in Avarampatti, Malaiyadipatty, Fathima Pudur, and Malaithathampatty. The sessions included orientation on the Children's Parliament, review of previous meetings, and the democratic election of ministers for various portfolios, including Human Rights, Child Welfare, Health, Medicine, Public Welfare & Sports, and External Welfare.
- In May 2026, Mother's Day Celebrations were organized in Malaithathampatty and Malaiyadipatty, with active participation from mothers and children. The celebrations strengthened family relationships through interactive activities and were successfully planned and facilitated by Children's Parliament members. During the month, DKSHA also conducted Life Skills Education (LSE) follow-up visits in Marachirediyapatty and Thulukkampatty. A Children's Parliament meeting at Thulukkampatty reviewed the roles of elected ministers and initiated planning for community-led activities.
- In June 2026, a Children's Parliament meeting was held in Malaiyadipatty, where additional ministers were elected for the Environment, Road, Water, Food, Electricity, Sports, Women's Welfare, and Elderly Welfare departments. The children were oriented on their responsibilities and encouraged to actively contribute to community development.

Strengthened children's leadership, democratic participation, and community engagement while fostering family bonding, teamwork, and a sense of responsibility towards community development.

Intervention Support for the Vulnerable Families



As part of the Prevention and Family Strengthening Programme, DKSHA identified vulnerable families requiring livelihood support through regular follow-up and assessment. During this quarter, one family received goats and another family received a tailoring machine with the support of DKSHA and Miracle Foundation. These livelihood interventions were provided to strengthen family income, improve financial stability, and reduce the risk factors affecting children's well-being.

Strengthened the economic resilience of vulnerable families by enhancing sustainable livelihood opportunities, contributing to improved family well-being and the prevention of child-family separation.

Distribution of School Aid (Bag & Stationary Items) to the children in F-BAC, In Vulnerable Families and Local Hostel children



On 28 June 2026, DKSHA celebrated its Annual Birthday Celebration under the theme "Share with Joy and Prayer with Care," sponsored by St. Mary's Knanaya Catholic Church, CML Unit (Children aged 8–13), Chicago. A total of 126 children—including FBAC beneficiaries from Trichy and Dindigul, children from vulnerable families in two Gram Panchayats, and children from two local hostels—participated in the celebration. The programme included cake cutting, cultural performances, gift distribution (school bags and stationery), and a community lunch.

On 29 June 2026, with support from the Ontario Teachers Federation International Assistance Committee (OTF-FEO), Canada, DKSHA distributed school bags and stationery kits to 55 children attending the DKSHA Evening Study Centre in Malaiyadipatty, benefiting children from vulnerable and economically disadvantaged families.

Promoted children's joy, inclusion, and educational motivation while ensuring vulnerable children had access to essential learning materials for the new academic year.

Community Intervention Programs - Mega Free Eye Camp



During this quarter, DKSHA organized a Mega Free Eye Camp at the DKSHA Campus in collaboration with Aravind Eye Hospital, Madurai. A total of 110 community members benefited from the eye screening, and 21 individuals were identified and referred for cataract surgery. The camp improved access to quality eye care services and promoted awareness of preventive eye health within the community.

Improved access to preventive eye care services through early screening, timely referrals, and increased awareness of eye health among community members.

Health Awareness Program - HIV/AIDS Awareness for the SHG Members



During this quarter, DKSHA conducted two HIV/AIDS Awareness Programmes for Self-Help Group (SHG) members at Kumarampatty and Puthuvadi with the support of the Field Animator. In addition, one Peer Educator Training was organized for adults to strengthen community-based awareness efforts. The sessions focused on HIV/AIDS transmission, prevention, stigma reduction, and the importance of timely testing and treatment.

Enhanced community awareness and strengthened participants' knowledge on HIV/AIDS prevention, early testing, and healthy practices, enabling them to serve as informed advocates within their communities.

Village Women with Goats & Milking Cow under our Livelihood Support Program



Beneficiaries with Goats



Beneficiaries with Milking Cow

Thanks to Sulle Orme dei Servi - Italy, for helping this Project

During this quarter, DKSHA provided loan assistance through the Economic Development Programme (EDP) to four women from economically disadvantaged families for the purchase of goats to strengthen their livelihoods and generate sustainable income. To ensure effective utilization and financial discipline, loan repayments were collected twice a month by the Field Animator through regular follow-up visits.

Enhanced the livelihood opportunities and financial resilience of vulnerable women by supporting income-generating activities and promoting financial responsibility.

Over the past three months, our collective efforts have created meaningful change across communities. Through our focused interventions in child protection, education, youth empowerment, and family strengthening, we have been able to support children, youth, and vulnerable families in building safer and more secure futures.

Our programs have strengthened parenting practices, enhanced children's emotional well-being, empowered youth with life skills, and improved access to essential services and government schemes. These efforts reflect our commitment to holistic development and sustainable impact.

CONNECT WITH US

For partnerships, support, or volunteering opportunities, feel free to reach out:

📧 Email : isaacAtdksha@gmail.com

📱 Phone : +91 9443255318

📍 Address : 8/1345, Mullippadi, Avarampatty (Post), Manapparai (Tk),
Trichy - 621307, Tamil Nadu, India.

Website : https://dksha.org/

Facebook : DKSHA Cornerstone Orphanage