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**Social Initiative for Growth,
Hope and Transformation (SIGHT, Wayanad)**

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It gives me immense joy to present the Annual Report of Social Initiative for Growth, Hope and Transformation (SIGHT), Wayanad for the year 2024–2025. This year has been one of profound learning, resilience, and renewed commitment to our shared mission of empowering communities at the margins.

Our partnerships have been the cornerstone of this year's success. Together with government departments, Don Bosco institutions, BREADS Bangalore, and dedicated volunteers, we have reached thousands of children, youth, and families through initiatives in education, livelihood, legal awareness, social inclusion, and disaster response. Each effort, small or large, has carried the same intent to restore dignity, nurture potential, and build pathways toward self-reliance.

As we move forward, our vision remains rooted in compassion and guided by purpose. The journey ahead demands continued creativity, collaboration, and commitment. We draw strength from the communities we serve. The growth and well-being of the communities we serve have been our strength and inspiration.

I extend my heartfelt gratitude to our partners, well-wishers, volunteers, and team members for their unwavering support. Together, we continue to make hope visible and transformation tangible in the lives we touch.

With gratitude and hope,
Jenson V. J.
Director, SIGHT Wayanad

MESSAGE

FROM THE DIRECTOR





ABOUT US

Social Initiative for Growth, Hope and Transformation (SIGHT), Wayanad is a non-profit organization committed to advancing human dignity, social inclusion, and sustainable development among the most vulnerable communities especially in Wayanad, Kerala. Established with the vision of building a just and compassionate society, SIGHT focuses its efforts on empowering marginalized groups especially tribal communities, women, children, the elderly, and persons with disabilities through education, skill development, health, and community-based interventions.

Rooted in the principles of participation, equity, and transformation, SIGHT Wayanad works in close collaboration with government departments, educational institutions, and civil society partners. Its programmes integrate relief, rehabilitation, and long-term capacity building, ensuring that immediate needs are met while sustainable pathways to empowerment are created.

OUR VISION MISSION & VALUES



Vision: To create a society where every individual thrives with dignity, equality, and opportunity through sustainable development, empowered education, and holistic well-being.

Mission: To develop and implement programs that address the specific needs of underprivileged communities; promoting socio-economic development, enhancing education and healthcare, ensuring environmental sustainability, and preserving cultural diversity and heritage.

Our Values

- ♦ **Equity and Inclusion** – Ensuring that every individual has equal opportunity and access.
- ♦ **Sustainability** – Promoting long-term, environmentally responsible growth.
- ♦ **Integrity and Transparency** – Maintaining accountability in all actions.
- ♦ **Collaboration and Solidarity** – Working collectively for lasting social change



SECTORS OF INTERVENTION

- ◆ **Education** : Breaking Barriers - Building Leaders
- ◆ **Counselling** : Listening with Compassion - Guiding with Care
- ◆ **Skill Development** : Empowering Youth - Unlocking Potential
- ◆ **Women Empowerment** : Educate, Empower, Elevate
- ◆ **Community Development** : Fostering a Brighter Future for Generations to Come

| SECTOR | FOCUS | KEY OUTCOMES |
|-----------------------|---|---|
| Education | Access and empowerment of marginalized students | 400+ students |
| Counselling | Emotional well-being and resilience | 150+ beneficiaries |
| Skill development | Livelihood through training and placement | 50 youths Trained (100% placement Assistance) |
| Women empowerment | Leadership, and self-reliance | Capacity building initiatives |
| Community development | Inclusion, care, and solidarity | District wide outreach programmes |

PROGRAMMES AND EVENTS

GOTHRAKIRANAM – PSC COACHING FOR TRIBAL FUTURES

8th December 2024

The Gothrakiranam initiative was launched by SIGHT Wayanad in partnership with the Excise Department to support tribal youth in Wayanad on 8 December 2024. The program offered free PSC coaching to 57 students, helping them gain the knowledge and confidence needed to succeed in competitive exams. In line with the National Education Policy 2020, Gothrakiranam promotes equal access to quality education for marginalized communities. The event, inaugurated by Minister O.R. Kelu, brought together officials, educators, and community leaders who highlighted the power of education to uplift and transform lives.





Event Highlights

- ◆ Launch: 8 December 2024
- ◆ Location: Mananthavady
- ◆ Organizers: SIGHT Wayanad & Excise Department
- ◆ Beneficiaries: 57 tribal students
- ◆ Focus: Free PSC coaching

| Key message | Impact |
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| <p>Education is the most powerful tool for empowerment and social transformation</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Strengthened confidence and knowledge among tribal youth ◆ Created pathways to stable careers ◆ Fostered community collaboration for inclusive development |

Santa Eve 2k24 - A handholding program for landslide survivors 20th December 2024

Santa Eve 2k24 brought together 457 individuals from 150 families affected by the Mundakkai landslide, offering a space for healing and community bonding. The event featured Tree Thambola, a Santa Dance, and carol performances, creating an atmosphere of joy and togetherness. A motivational address by Dr. Jose Koyickal SDB, the chief Guest, highlighted the ongoing support from Don Bosco institutions and partners, reinforcing hope among participants. Survivors shared stories, reconnected with neighbours, and reflected on their experiences.

The celebration lifted spirits, strengthened social bonds, and showcased the resilience and courage of the community. Santa Eve 2k24 stood as a symbol of hope, unity, and the power of compassion in overcoming adversity.

Event Highlights

- ◆ **Community Healing Gathering:** Brought together hundreds of individuals and families affected by the Mundakkai landslide for a shared moment of joy and connection.
- ◆ **Engaging Activities:** Featured interactive and uplifting activities such as Tree Thambola, Santa Dance, and carol performances by students.
- ◆ **Inspirational Address:** Included a motivational message emphasizing continued solidarity, compassion, and the ongoing support from Don Bosco institutions and partners.
- ◆ **Spirit of Celebration:** Created a festive, inclusive environment that encouraged laughter, music, and togetherness among survivors.





Key Impact

- ◆ **Emotional Rehabilitation:** Provided a safe space for survivors to express emotions, share experiences, and begin healing from trauma.
- ◆ **Community Reconnection:** Helped rebuild social bonds and trust among neighbours and friends who had been separated or isolated since the disaster.
- ◆ **Restoration of Hope:** Reinforced resilience and optimism, reminding survivors that they are not alone in their recovery journey.
- ◆ **Empowerment through Solidarity:** Strengthened the sense of collective strength and mutual support within the affected community.
- ◆ **Symbol of Renewal:** Transformed a time of sorrow into one of hope and unity, demonstrating the power of compassion in rebuilding lives.

WE4YOU - A relief drive in support of landslide survivors

23rd December 2024

The We4You Post-Disaster Relief Distribution organized by SIGHT Wayanad, BREADS Bangalore and Don Bosco College supported 39 families affected by the landslides in Mundakkai, Wayanad. The initiative provided food, clothing,

and household essentials for landslide survivors. The relief reached multiple locations, including Karappuzha, Nedumbala, Meppadi, Mukkilpidiya, Muttill, Kalpetta, Kamblakkad, and Kaniyambetta. Volunteers from diverse backgrounds ensured smooth distribution and community engagement. The drive underscored compassion, solidarity, and resilience in the ongoing recovery of Wayanad.

| Aspect | Details |
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| Organisers and partners | SIGHT Wayanad, BREADS Bangalore, Social work department of Don Bosco College (Sultan Bathery). |
| Locations covered | Karappuzha, Nedumbala, Meppadi, Mukkilpidiya, Muttill, Kalpetta, Kamblakkad, Kaniyambetta |
| Beneficiaries | 39 families selected through a comprehensive needs assessment. |
| Significance | Highlighted community resilience, and reinforced the importance of collective support during crisis. |



Mobility Aid Drive - Empowering Movement, Embracing Dignity

4th January 2025

In a heartfelt effort to promote inclusivity and independence among differently abled individuals, SIGHT Wayanad, in collaboration with the Department of Social Work, Don Bosco College, Sulthan Bathery, distributed wheelchairs and walking sticks to students and residents of Mananthavady Municipality on 4 January 2025. The event, inaugurated by Ms. C.K. Ratnavally, Chairperson of the Municipality, brought together community leaders including Mr. Jacob Sebastian, Vice Chairman, and Dr.

Shajan Noronha SDB, Principal, Don Bosco College. The initiative, presented as New Year gifts, symbolized compassion, solidarity, and hope while addressing a crucial need for mobility and dignity among the differently abled. Speakers emphasized the importance of inclusivity, community support, and awareness, with residents widely appreciating the gesture as a meaningful step toward building a more accessible and equitable society in Wayanad.



Key Impact

- ◆ Enhanced mobility, independence, and dignity for differently abled beneficiaries.
- ◆ Strengthened community awareness on inclusivity and collective responsibility.
- ◆ Fostered collaboration between civil society, educational institutions, and local governance.
- ◆ Reinforced SIGHT Wayanad's ongoing mission to support marginalized and differently abled populations.
- ◆ Widely appreciated by local residents as a meaningful, hopeful step toward a more inclusive and accessible Wayanad.



Important Messages

- ♦ **Ms. Ratnavally** (Chairperson, Mananthavady Municipality) : “Today, we are not just giving away wheelchairs and walking sticks; we are empowering individuals to regain their freedom and improve their quality of life. Every small step we take towards inclusivity counts.”
- ♦ **Mr. Jacob Sebastian** (Vice Chairman, Municipality) : “A gesture of community participation in building an inclusive society.”
- ♦ **Dr. Shajan Noronha SDB** (Principal, Don Bosco College) : “We must foster an environment where disabled individuals feel valued and supported.”

Riding for responsibility - safety in gear campaign

15th January 2025

On January 15, 2025, SIGHT Wayanad, in collaboration with Don Bosco College, the Police Department, and the Motor Vehicle Department, organized “Safety in Gear” to promote road safety awareness. The event aligned with the National Road Safety Policy, emphasizing citizen participation and responsible driving. Mr. Taposh Basumatary IPS, District Police Chief, and Mr. Sumesh P. R, RTO Wayanad, inaugurated the program. A bike rally from Kolagapara Kavala to Don Bosco College highlighted messages of safe driving, helmet use, and adherence to traffic rules. Drawing wide public attention, the campaign inspired community

engagement and reinforced the importance of safety and accountability on roads in Wayanad.

Key Highlights

- ◆ **National Framework** : The initiative aligns with the Government of India's National Road Safety Policy, which emphasizes awareness, enforcement, and citizen participation.
- ◆ **Organizers** : SIGHT Wayanad, in collaboration with Don Bosco College, the Police Department, and the Motor Vehicle Department.
- ◆ **Objective** : To promote road safety awareness among students and the general public, encouraging safe driving habits and responsible road behavior.
- ◆ **Flag-off Ceremony** : Led by Mr. Taposh Basumatary IPS, District Police Chief, and Mr. Sumesh P. R, Regional Transport Officer (RTO), Wayanad.
- ◆ **Major Highlight** : A bike rally from Kolagapara Kavala to Don Bosco College, featuring students and volunteers spreading messages of helmet use, safe driving, and traffic rule compliance.
- ◆ **Public Impact** : The rally captured public attention, serving as a symbol of road responsibility and community engagement.
- ◆ **Outcome** : "Safety in Gear" reflected how local action and collaboration can effectively advance national road safety goals, fostering a culture of responsibility and awareness in Wayanad.



SODASHI 3.0: A FEST OF CULTURE, WISDOM, AND YOUTHFUL ENERGY

22nd January 2025

In tune with the vision of the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 to revive and integrate the Indian Knowledge System (IKS), Don Bosco College, Sulthan Bathery, in collaboration with SIGHT Wayanad, hosted the vibrant inter-collegiate fest Sodashi 3.0 on January 22, 2025. Blending culture, intellect, and creativity, the event became a celebration of India's timeless wisdom and youthful energy. The fest was inaugurated by Malayalam film actress Ms. Vincy Alosious, whose inspiring address set the tone for the day. The highlight was the engaging panel discussion on "Unveiling the Richness of Indian Knowledge System", featuring Ms. Vincy Alosious, Prof. C. Rajendran, Mr. Shibu C.V., and Ms. Samshad Marakkar. Energetic performances and spirited competitions filled the campus with colour and enthusiasm, with SIGHT Wayanad honouring winners through cash awards. Sodashi 3.0 stood out as a celebration of learning, creativity, and cultural pride—truly bringing the spirit of NEP 2020 to life.





Key Highlights

- ◆ **Organizers** : Don Bosco College, Sulthan Bathery, in collaboration with SIGHT Wayanad.
- ◆ **Objective** : Focused on integrating the Indian Knowledge System (IKS) in line with the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020, promoting holistic and culturally rooted learning.
- ◆ **Activities** : Included cultural performances and inter-collegiate competitions with active participation from colleges across the region.
- ◆ **Recognition & Awards** : SIGHT Wayanad sponsored cash prizes to winners, promoting excellence.
- ◆ **Outcome** : The event was a resounding success, fostering wisdom, creativity, cultural pride, and community engagement among youth, aligning with the ideals of NEP 2020.

Important Guests

- ◆ **Chief Guest** : Malayalam film actress Ms. Vincy Alosious, who delivered an inspiring inaugural address.
- ◆ **Panel Discussion** : Titled “Unveiling the Richness of Indian Knowledge System”, featuring
 - ◆ Ms. Vincy Alosious
 - ◆ Prof. C. Rajendran (Retd. Professor & former Dean, University of Calicut)
 - ◆ Mr. Shibu C.V. (Journalist, Wayanad Vision)
 - ◆ Ms. Samshad Marakkar (President, Wayanad District Panchayat)

TOUR CHALLENGE – LEARNING BEYOND WALLS

19th February 2025

Aligned with Kerala’s focus on inclusive, child-centered education, GLPS Kallumukku School launched the “Tour Challenge” to provide joyful learning experiences for its students, particularly those from tribal communities. With 47 students enrolled (44 from tribal backgrounds), the school partnered with SIGHT Wayanad to organize a one-day educational and recreational trip to Vythiri Park, Wayanad, on February 19, 2024. 33 students joined the outing, accompanied by teachers, enjoying exploration, learning, and fun—many for the first time. The initiative created cherished memories, boosted student motivation, and encouraged better attendance and engagement. The Tour Challenge highlighted the impact of community support in promoting holistic development among marginalized children, reflecting Kerala’s commitment to inclusive education.

SNEHATHEERAM – SOCIAL WORK DAY CELEBRATION WITH SENIOR CITIZENS

21st March 2025

Kerala, with one of the highest proportions of elderly citizens in India, faces a growing need for the care, dignity, and social inclusion of senior citizens, particularly in Wayanad. In this context, SIGHT Wayanad, in collaboration with





the Department of Social Work at Don Bosco College, Sulthan Bathery, organized “Snehatheeram” on March 21, 2025, to observe Social Work Day. The event inaugurated by Dr. Antony John, President, SIGHT, was dedicated to honouring and uplifting senior citizens, fostering intergenerational connections and celebrating their invaluable contributions.

| Aspect | Details |
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| Organizers | SIGHT Wayanad in collaboration with Department of Social Work, Don Bosco College, Sulthan Bathery |
| Importance | Intergenerational initiatives help ensure the well-being of older adults and strengthen community bonds. |
| Participants | Senior citizens from old age homes- Residents of Sulthan Bathery Municipality- Students and volunteers |
| Activities | Engaging activities, meaningful conversations, joyful moments, and thoughtful gifts |
| Outcome | Celebrated senior citizens’ contributions; fostered intergenerational connection; reinforced Kerala’s commitment to inclusive social development |

PSC RANK BOOK DISTRIBUTION

11th May 2025

The Gothrakiranam programme, launched in December 2024 by SIGHT Wayanad and the Excise Department, provided free PSC coaching books for tribal youth, aiming to empower marginalized students for careers in public service. On May 11, 2025, 48 students from the Paniya Unnathi community celebrated the completion of the six-month coaching program at the PSC Rank Book Distribution Ceremony. The event, inaugurated by Mr. Justin Baby, Block Panchayat President, highlighted the role of education in promoting social mobility, while Mr. K. S. Shaji, Joint Excise Commissioner, distributed preparatory books to the students. Other dignitaries, including the Assistant Commissioner of Excise and SIGHT Wayanad team members, applauded the students' achievements. The programme marked a milestone for the Paniya community, fostering ambition, resilience, and meaningful participation in mainstream opportunities.

| Aspect | Details |
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| Objective | Provide free PSC coaching books for tribal youth and empower marginalized students for public service careers |
| Collaborators | SIGHT Wayanad, Excise Department |
| Target group | Tribal youth, specifically the Paniya Unnathi community |





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| Participants | 48 students |
| Key dignitaries | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mr. Justin Baby, President of Block Panchayat (inaugurated) - Mr. K. S. Shaji, Joint Excise Commissioner (distributed books) - Assistant Commissioner of Excise - SIGHT Wayanad team members |
| Significance | Showcased resilience, determination, and transformative power of education; milestone for the Paniya community |
| Impact | Fosters ambition, empowerment, dignity; strengthens pathways toward mainstream opportunities and brighter future |

UNNATHI SANGAMAM - LEGAL EMPOWERMENT FOR MARGINALIZED COMMUNITIES

6th May 2025

The Unnathi Sangamam marked a landmark outreach initiative held in Wayanad on 6 May, 2025. It aimed at promoting legal empowerment and access to justice for tribal and marginalized communities. This was organized jointly by the Kerala Legal Services Authority, District Legal Services Authority (DLSA) Wayanad and SIGHT Wayanad under the Gothravardhan Scheme of KeLSA. The event featured the Hon'ble Chief Justice of Kerala, Mr. Nitin Jamdar, Along with other eminent judicial and administrative dignitaries. Through insightful sessions and addresses,

the programme underscored the importance of collaborative action between the judiciary, government, and civil society. By bridging the gap between vulnerable groups and the legal system, Unnathi Sangamam reaffirmed the commitment to a just and inclusive society in Wayanad.

| Aspect | Details |
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| Purpose | Landmark outreach event promoting legal empowerment and access to justice for tribal and marginalized communities in Wayanad. |
| Organizers | Kerala Legal Services Authority (KeLSA), District Legal Services Authority (DLSA), Wayanad & SIGHT Wayanad |
| Guests | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Chief Guest: Mr. Nitin Jamdar (Hon'ble Chief Justice of Kerala) ◆ Justice Murali Purushothaman (Judge, High Court of Kerala) ◆ Justice C. Pradeep Kumar (Judge, High Court of Kerala & member, Gothravardhan Steering Committee) ◆ Mr. Ayoobkhan E. (Principal District and Sessions Judge, Wayanad) ◆ Ms. Megashree D. R. (District Collector, Wayanad) ◆ Mr. Taposh Basumatary (District Police Chief, Wayanad) |





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| <p>Highlights</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none">◆ Emphasized inclusive legal empowerment and grassroots access to Justice◆ Called for collaboration among the Judiciary, administration, and civil society◆ Featured interactive sessions and addresses on right awareness and legal literacy.◆ Reinforced the judiciary's commitment to justice, equity and social inclusion. |
| <p>Outcome</p> | <p>Strengthened the bridge between marginalized communities and the legal system fostering awareness, empowerment and active citizenship.</p> |



EMPOWERING EDUCATION : NOTEBOOK DONATION DRIVE

26th May & 5th June 2025

The Notebook Donation Drive 2025, held on 26th May and 5th June 2025, was a joint initiative of SIGHT Wayanad, the District Child Protection Unit, Wayanad, and the Department of Social Work, Don Bosco College. Conducted at Holy Infant Mary's Girls Home (Vythiri), Thejus Home (Bathery), and GHSS Kalloor, the drive aimed to support underprivileged children by distributing essential learning materials such as notebooks, school bags, water bottles, umbrellas, and stationery kits worth ₹1,00,000. Distinguished guests, including Ms. Karthika Anna Thomas (DCPO), Rev. Dr. Shajan Noronha (Principal), and other dignitaries, graced the event. The initiative, coordinated by Social Work faculty and students, not only eased material hardships for beneficiaries but also fostered a spirit of empathy, service, and community partnership—underscoring the shared commitment to empowering education for all.

| Aspect | Details |
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| Organizers | Jointly organized by SIGHT Wayanad, District Child Protection Unit (DCPU), Wayanad, and the Department of Social Work, Don Bosco College. |





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| Purpose | To provide essential educational supplies—notebooks, school bags, water bottles, umbrellas, and stationery kits—to children from underprivileged backgrounds. |
| Value of Contributions | Donations worth ₹1,00,000. |
| Impact | Benefited economically disadvantaged children and inspired student volunteers to engage in community service and social development. |
| Distinguished Guests | Ms. Karthika Anna Thomas (DCPO), Rev. Dr. Shajan Noronha (Principal), Ms. Sherin Baby (HoD, Social Work), Mr. Jenson V. J. (Director, SIGHT Wayanad), Mr. Antony P. P. (Vice Principal), Mr. Biju T. T. (PRO). |
| Outcome | Strengthened partnerships between educational institutions, civil society organizations, and local communities, while promoting empathy, service, and community solidarity. |

CHOOSE LIFE, CHOOSE HOPE – ANTI-DRUG CAMPAIGN

25th June 2025

SIGHT Wayanad, in collaboration with DLSA Wayanad, the Excise Department, and Don Bosco College Sulthan Bathery, organized the anti-drug campaign “Choose Life, Choose Hope” to mark the International Day Against Drug Abuse. The campaign featured a musical drama titled NOVU, written and directed by Dr. Shajan Noronha, which engaged students across seven educational institutions in Sulthan Bathery Taluk. The initiative was inaugurated by Municipal Chairman Mr. T.K. Ramesh, and included an anti-drug pledge led by Civil Excise Officer Mr. Nicholas Jose. Felicitations were offered by Mr. Aneesh Chacko (DLSA) and Ms. Sreeja Janardhanan Nair (TLSC & Civil Judge). The performance encouraged student reflection, discussion, and awareness of the legal and social consequences of drug abuse.

| Aspects | Details |
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| Occasion | International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking. |
| Organizers | Don Bosco College, Sulthan Bathery; DLSA Wayanad; Excise Dept. Wayanad; SIGHT Wayanad. |





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| Main activity | Musical drama NOVU (written & directed by Dr. Shajan Noronha) |
| Inauguration | Sulthan Bathery Municipality compound; presided by Mr. T.K. Ramesh. |
| Pledge | Anti-drug pledge administered by Mr. Nicholas Jose. |
| Felicitations | Mr. Aneesh Chacko (DLSA), Ms. Sreeja Janardhanan Nair (TLSC & Civil Judge). |
| Target Audience | Students & teachers of 7 schools in Sulthan Bathery Taluk. |
| Impact | Promoted reflection, discussion, and awareness of drug abuse consequences. |

Extended outreach :

Following the success of the initial campaign, NOVU was staged at Kerala Veterinary and Animal Sciences University, Pookode, on 2nd July 2025, in a special collaboration between SIGHT Wayanad and the Excise Department Wayanad. The performance brought the anti-drug message to university students, captivating both students and faculty with its powerful and realistic portrayal of the consequences of addiction., captivating both students and faculty with its powerful and realistic portrayal of the consequences of addiction.



UNITED AGAINST DRUGS – INTERNATIONAL DAY OBSERVANCE

26th June 2026

On 26 June 2025, Wayanad observed the International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking at Don Bosco College, Sulthan Bathery, under the Nasha Mukta Bharat Abhiyan (NMBA). With Kerala’s rapidly urbanising landscape and a vibrant youth population, rising substance abuse has become a pressing social challenge. Organised by the District Social Justice Office and SIGHT Wayanad, in collaboration with Shreyas, Smart Serenity, and Community Radio Mattoli, the event brought together around 250 participants, including students, government staff, and civil society leaders. The programme featured the NMBA pledge, awareness sessions on the psychological and social impacts of drug abuse, recognition of winners from short film and reels competitions, and a lively cultural segment of theme dances, musical drama, and Nadan Pattu performances—demonstrating how coordinated action across institutions and youth can collectively advance the vision of a drug-free society.

| Aspects | Details |
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| Occasion | International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking. |
| Organizers and Collaborators | Organised by District Social Justice Office & SIGHT Wayanad; collaborated with Shreyas, Smart Serenity, Community Radio Mattoli. |

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| Participants | Inaugurated by Sri Aneesh Chacko (Sub-Judge, District Legal Services Authority); keynote by Mr. Shaji A.J., Deputy Excise Commissioner, who administered the NMBA pledge. Chaired by Dr. Shajan Norohna SDB (Principal); dignitaries present; 250 participants, including students and government staff. |
| Activities | Students received certificates; winners of short film & reels competition honoured; awareness session by Mr. Shaji Vattollipurakkal on psychological & social impacts. |
| Cultural Segment | Theme dances, musical drama, Nadan Pattu performances reinforcing anti-drug messages. |
| Outcome | Showcased multi-stakeholder collaboration, youth engagement, and reinforced commitment to a drug-free society in line with NMBA. |

EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT FOR CHOORALMALA CHILDREN

July 2025

Continuing post-disaster rehabilitation, SIGHT Wayanad provided financial assistance for education to 12 children affected by the Mundakkai-Chooralmala



landslides. The support ensured continuity of education amidst loss and instability, reaffirming the organization’s long-term commitment to child welfare and resilience building.

**SKILL DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVE FOR TRIBAL YOUTH
RETAIL COURSE**

June – August 2025

Addressing youth unemployment, SIGHT Wayanad, Don Bosco Technical Institute, and Kasavu Kendra, Kozhikode launched a three-month Retail and Sales Management training for 50 tribal youth. All participants secured jobs upon completion, marking a 100% placement rate. The programme combined life skills, customer service, and digital literacy, aligning with the Skill India Mission. It demonstrated the success of community-industry partnerships in enabling sustainable livelihoods and self-reliance among tribal youth.

ONAKKOOT 2K25 – ONAM CELEBRATION FOR CHILDREN IN CARE

28th August 2025

Organised by SIGHT Wayanad with the District Administration, DCPU, Indel Money, and Don Bosco College, the event brought together around 500 participants, including 400 children from care homes. Filled with traditional performances, games, and festive joy, the celebration reflected Kerala’s spirit of inclusivity, cultural pride, and compassion, ensuring every child felt valued and connected.





| Aspects | Details |
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| Organizers | Jointly organised by SIGHT Wayanad, in collaboration with District Administration Wayanad, District Child Protection Unit (DCPU), Indel Money Limited, and Don Bosco College. |
| Participants | Nearly 500 participants, including around 400 children from various care homes, along with staff, volunteers, and student supporters. |
| Guests | Ms. Meghashree D. R., IAS (District Collector, Wayanad), Ms. Devaky K. (Additional District Magistrate), Ms. Archana P. P., IAS (Assistant Collector), Dr. Shajan Noronha SDB (Principal, Don Bosco College), Adv. Thanu Jagatheesh (CWC Member), Ms. Karthika Anna Thomas (DCPO), Mr. Umesh Mohanan (ED & CEO, Indel Money). |
| Programme Highlights | Featured traditional Onam cultural performances, games, and interactive sessions fostering joy, inclusion, and cultural pride. |
| Message / Impact | Beyond celebration, it reflected Kerala's inclusive social ethos—promoting child welfare, cultural heritage, and compassion. Reaffirmed the vision of a society where every child feels valued, connected, and celebrated. |



IMPACT SUMMARY

- **Education & Skills**

- » 57 tribal youth enrolled for free PSC coaching (Gothrakiranam); 48 Paniya students completed the 6-month course and received rank books.
- » 50 tribal youth completed a 12-week Retail & Sales programme with **100% placement** through Kasavu Kendra.
- » Educational continuity support for **12** children affected by landslides.
- » Experiential learning tour for **33** tribal students (GLPS Kallumukku).
- » Notebook Donation Drive (multi-site), valued ₹ **1,00,000**, supplied essential learning materials for 135 students.

- **Protection, Inclusion & Accessibility**

- » **Mobility Aid Drive:** wheelchairs and walking sticks distributed to differently abled residents/students in Mananthavady Municipality.

- » **Snehatheeram:** Social Work Day observance fostering intergenerational solidarity with senior citizens.
- » **Onakkoot 2K25 (Onam for Children in Care):** nearly **500** participants, including **400** children from district child care institutions.
- **Justice & Civic Awareness**
 - » **Unnathi Sangamam** under KeLSA's Gothravardhan Scheme: high-level legal outreach for tribal/marginalized communities.
 - » **Road Safety—Safety in Gear:** district-level awareness with youth-led rally alongside enforcement agencies.
- **Prevention & Youth Engagement**
 - » **Choose Life, Choose Hope** anti-drug campaign using the musical drama NOVU: reached **8,000+** students/teachers across 7 institutions in one day, with an additional university performance.
 - » **International Day Against Drug Abuse** observance (NMBA): **250** participants; pledge, expert sessions, and youth media showcases.
- **Disaster Response & Recovery**
 - » **Santa Eve 2K24:** community-healing celebration for **457 individuals** from **150 families** affected by the landslide.
 - » **We4You Relief Drive:** needs-assessed distribution to **39 families** across 8 locations; materials.
- **Partnerships that Made It Possible**
 - » Strong collaboration with Kerala Legal Services Authority (KeLSA), District Administration & line departments (Excise, Social Justice, DCPU/DLSA), Don Bosco Institutions, BREADS Bangalore, Community Radio Mattoli, Smart Serenity, and private sector partners

TESTIMONIALS.....



Volunteering with SIGHT Wayanad for the PSC coaching course for tribal students was a truly rewarding experience. I had the privilege of working with 57 bright and motivated students mainly from the Paniya tribal community. Seeing their dedication was inspiring. We weren't just teaching subjects; we were helping them build confidence and open doors to a future with more opportunities. The progress they made was a testament to their hard work and the NGO's commitment. It was more than just a coaching class, it was a community of hope and growth. I am so grateful to have been a part of it.

**(Jithin UK, Excise Inspector
Janamaithry Excise Squad, Mananthavady)**



My time with SIGHT Wayanad was a journey of understanding and connection. I spent a month in Sultan Bathery working with various community members to help implement holistic development programs. The community-first approach was evident in everything we did. From collaborating on initiatives to simply listening to people's stories, I learned more than I could have imagined. SIGHT isn't about imposing solutions; it's about walking alongside the community and empowering them to find their own path forward. This experience has fundamentally changed my perspective on social work and community building.

(Bista Thomas, Intern)

The 'Onakkoot 2K25' event was a beautiful, joyful experience to be a part of. Seeing the excitement on the faces of children from various care homes was unforgettable. I was involved in the behind-the-scenes work coordinating logistics and helping with the day's activities. It was

a lot of hard work, but the atmosphere of togetherness and the commitment of everyone involved, from the NGO staff to the other volunteers, made it so fulfilling. I was proud to contribute to an organization that puts such a strong emphasis on the well-being and happiness of marginalized children.



(Johnson Ambat
General Manager (Rtd),
Reliance Communications Ltd.)

My fieldwork with SIGHT Wayanad, in collaboration with the MSW department at Don Bosco College Sulthan Bathery, culminated in an experience I will never forget. Participating in 'Santa Eve 2K24' for the survivors of the Choorlamala and Mundakkai landslides reinforced my understanding of social work. More than just providing logistics, engaging with the resilient families and seeing the children's smiles was incredibly moving. This experience profoundly taught me that true social work lies in offering both practical and profound emotional support during crisis.



(Malavika Suresh
MSW Student)

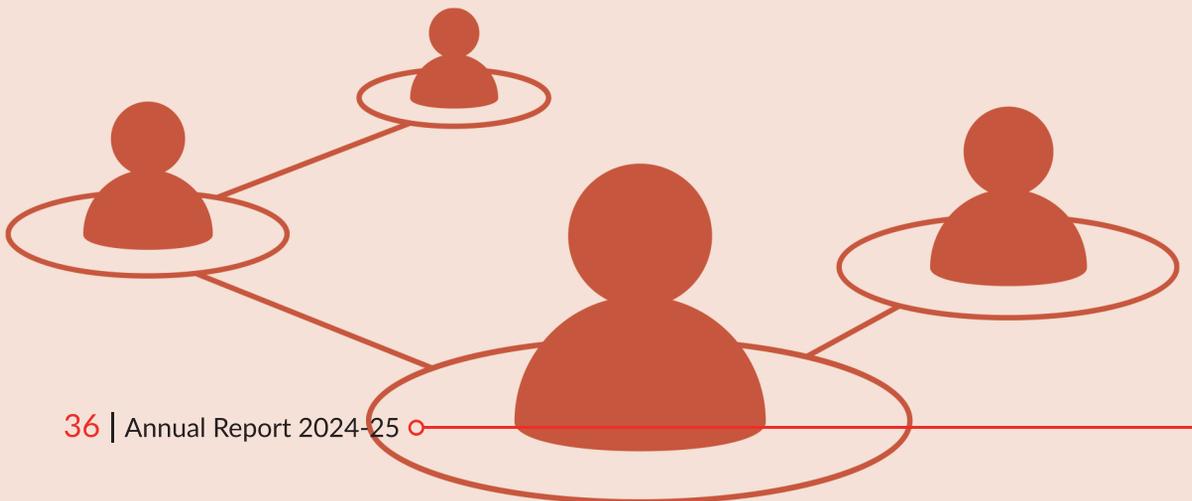
I want to thank SIGHT Wayanad for the excellent PSC coaching provided to tribal students. As a beneficiary of this program, I can say it has been a game-changer for me and my community. The training was incredibly valuable, and the instructors were very dedicated. It not only improved my knowledge but also boosted my confidence to appear for the PSC exams.



Akhil Krishna

PARTNERSHIPS AND COLLABORATIONS

- ◆ BREADS (Bangalore Rural Educational and Development Society)
- ◆ District Administration Wayanad,
- ◆ District Child Protection Unit (DCPU), Wayanad
- ◆ District Legal Services Authority (DLSA) Wayanad
- ◆ District Social Justice Office, Wayanad
- ◆ Don Bosco College, Sulthan Bathery
- ◆ GLPS Kallumukku School, Noolpuzha, Sulthan Bathery Block, Wayanad District
- ◆ High Court, Kerala
- ◆ Holy Infant Mary's Girls Home, Vythiri Block, Wayanad District
- ◆ Indel Money Limited
- ◆ Kasavu Kendra, Kozhikode
- ◆ Kerala Legal Services Authority (KeLSA)
- ◆ Kerala Police, Mananthvady, Wayanad
- ◆ Kerala State Excise Department - Mananthavady, Wayanad
- ◆ Kerala Veterinary and Animal Sciences University, Pookode
- ◆ Mananthavady Block Panchyat
- ◆ Mananthavady Municipality
- ◆ Motor Vehicle Department, Government of Kerala
- ◆ Shreyas, Organisation for Sustainable Development & Justice, Sulthan Bathery
- ◆ Social Work Department, Don Bosco College, Sulthan Bathery
- ◆ Sub-Regional Transport Office, Mananthavady
- ◆ Social Justice Department, Wayanad
- ◆ General Education Department, Wayanad



STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS

| SOCIAL INITIATIVE FOR GROWTH, HOPE AND TRANSFORMATION (SIGHT) | | |
|--|--|---|
| SULTHAN BATHERY, WAYANAD, 673 592 | | |
| INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FROM 30 SEPTEMBER 2024 (DATE OF INCEPTION) TO 31 MARCH 2025 | | |
| INCOME | SCH | 30-09-2024 to 31-03-2025 |
| Donations and Contributions | 2 | 10,84,402.00 |
| TOTAL | | 10,84,402.00 |
| EXPENSES | SCH | 30-09-2024 to 31-03-2025 |
| Charity and Donations | 3 | 56,510.00 |
| General and Administrative Expenses | 4 | 15,553.00 |
| Project and Programme Expenses | 5 | 9,69,722.00 |
| TOTAL | | 10,41,785.00 |
| Excess of Income over Expenditure | | 42,617.00 |
| TOTAL | | 10,84,402.00 |
| As per our report of even date | | |
| For M. Thomas & Co. Chartered Accountants Firm Registration No. 0044085 | | For Social Initiative for Growth, Hope and Transformation (SIGHT) |
|  A. Rozario Partner Membership No. 021230 UDIN: 25021230BMNARH2431 Place: Kochi Date: 30.05.2025 |  |  President |
| |  |  Secretary |



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