**Brief Profile of KANTHI SAMSTHA, Andhra Pradesh!**

**KANTHI means Light SAMSTHA means a Society was registered under the Societies Registration Act, 1860, with Registration No.454 of 1991. The Samstha is also obtained Registration under section 12 A of the I.T. Act, 1961 (PAN No.AATK4191N), and also registered u/s 6(1) (a) of the FC(R) Act, 1976 with Registration No.010260229 for undertaking Economic, Educational & Social Nature of activities. The Ministry of Home Affairs, FCRA Division New Delhi has granted the Renewal of FC Registration to Kanthi Samstha up to 31st, October, 2021. KS also obtained UNIQUE ID NO: AP/2009/0001943 by registering in the NGO Partnership Portal/Darpan hosted by “NITI AYOG”, Government of India, New Delhi and UNIQUE CODE: APKR00008502 in “the Central Public Financial Management Systems (PFMS).**

**The logic behind the caption ‘KANTHI SAMSTHA’ is literally to fill light in the hearts of suppressed.**

Ever since the inception of Kanthi Samstha has been adopting need based strategies working towards Social Inclusion and Gender Justice.

It has focused on effective service delivery of Government Line Departments in realizing rights, entitlements, development welfare and wellbeing of the most marginalized in Krishna & Guntur Districts.

It is also specialized in addressing the issues of disaster management and Building the resilience of coastal communities and more specifically the most vulnerable Yanadi communities, who have been neglected since generations by the society due to their ignorance, illiteracy, culture of silence/ isolation and who are considered as the lowest strata of the caste hierarchy in the project area.

The KS is also focusing on education of the first generation of Yanadi children in the slums of Vijayawada.

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