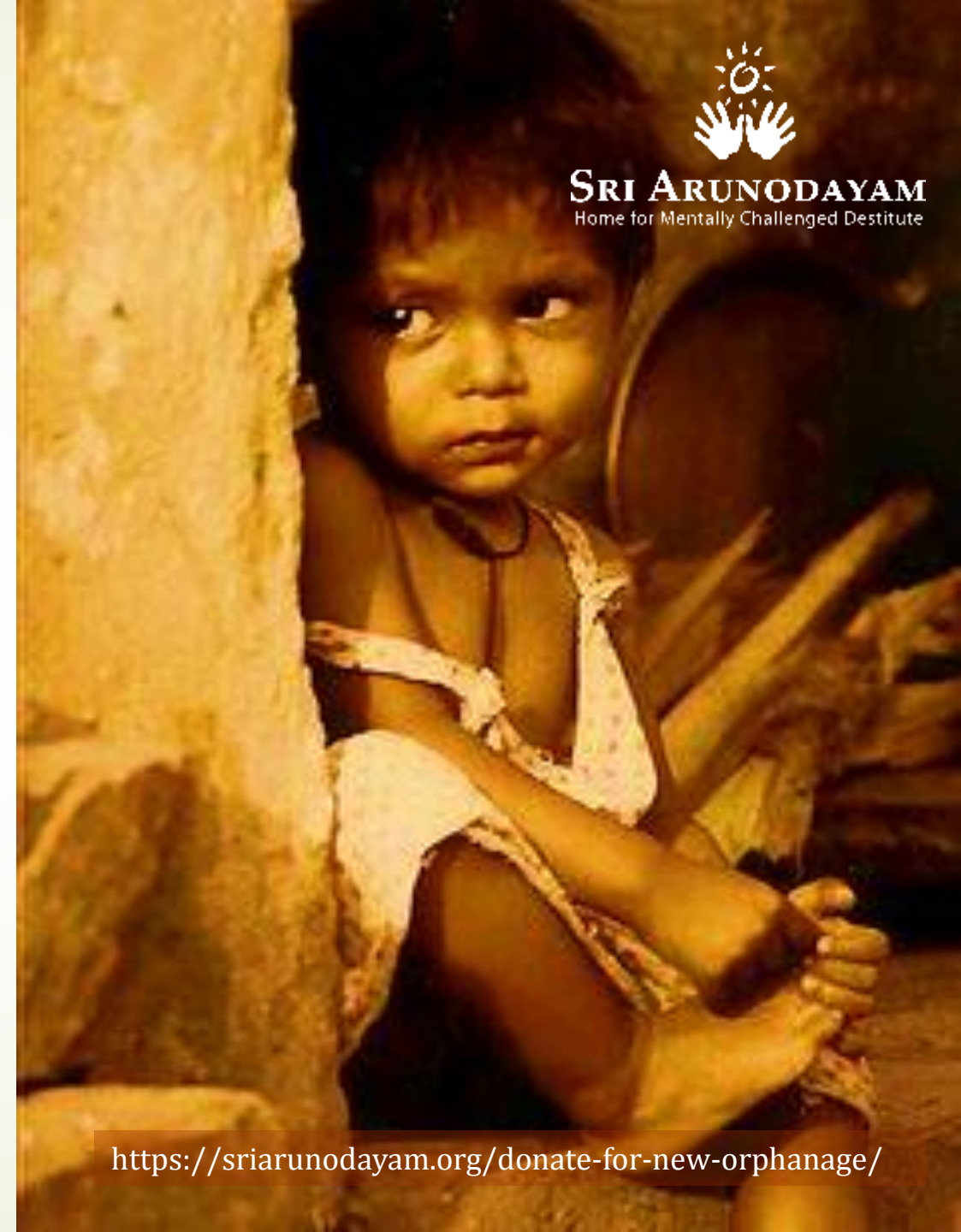


HELP US BUILD A
NEW HOME
for
100

Abandoned Intellectually Disabled Girls



SRI ARUNODAYAM
Home for Mentally Challenged Destitute



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Some Facts



- According to [UN Enable](#), around **10%** of the world's populations, **650 million people**, live with disabilities. Women and girls with disabilities are particularly at risk of abuse.
- Children with disabilities are at a **1.7 times greater risk** of being **subjected to some form of violence**.
- **90%** of children with disabilities worldwide do not attend school.
- According to [CRIN](#) **over 150 million children** worldwide have a disability.
- **50%** of children with a **hearing impairment** and **60%** of those with an **intellectual impairment** are **sexually abused**.
- Some suspect that children with disabilities are being purposely weeded out. There are many **medical professionals who kill children with disabilities and write them off as mercy killings!**
- Children with disabilities face **discrimination not only in services but also in the justice system** as they are not considered credible witnesses.

INDIA

- Estimates say that India has **12 million children living with disabilities**.
- Children with disabilities come under the purview of the Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment. Some of the issues are dealt with by the Health ministry. But **no single ministry has been assigned the protection of these children**, which leads to varying data about occurrence of disability amongst children.
- **Only 1%** of children with disabilities have access to school.
- **1/3** of most disabilities are preventable!
- **Under-nutrition** is a severe problem with children who suffer with cerebral palsy.
- **90%** of children with disabilities **will not survive past the age of 20!**



With a **growing percentage of abandoned intellectually challenged children** in India, duty bearers including our Government, Non Government Organisations, local communities and global citizens, have the **responsibility of protecting the rights of every child** as defined by National Policies and the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child.

Although there are several well-established national frameworks to protect the rights of such children in our country (*Juvenile Justice Act, 2015; Ministry of Women and Child Development; Integrated Child Development Scheme; Protection of Child Rights Act, 2005*), they have limited impact at the local level.



Our Goal

Although we cannot save all the abandoned intellectually challenged children in India - or even in our own State of Tamil Nadu, we want to save at least **100** more than we have today!

A lack of infrastructure prevented us from taking in more children in the past. But we can do something to remedy this today. **Slide 9** onwards illustrates how.

About Us

- A home for abandoned intellectually challenged children, based in Chennai.
- Founded in 2002; Recognized as a Reception Unit by the Government of Tamil Nadu in 2008.
- Recipient of the prestigious International World of Children ® Award in 2016 for heroic work with children.

The Challenge

- Parents abandon children due to extreme poverty, social stigma and a lack of awareness and access to resources.
- Children abandoned in public places - hospitals, bus, railway stations, and even in dustbins!
- No prevailing moral sense and utter disregard for the rights of a child, even as society is projected as advanced and highly spiritual.
- Child Welfare Committees (CWC), the Police, and India's ChildLine rescue and send children to us for nurturing, restoration and rehabilitation.

The Solution

- We are one of very few homes harbouring abandoned intellectually challenged children.
- Most homes are Day Care centers funded by parents.
- Sri Arunodayam is sole/official guardian providing free life-long care - food, shelter, medical aid, special education, physiotherapy and vocational training to these children.
- Try to give them what they lost – a home and a family.

Our Impact

- Our foundation is built on **humanitarian values** that **uphold the dignity and rights of children**.
- Offer abandoned intellectually challenged children the **same opportunities** that normal children receive, so that they may experience content and purposeful lives.
- **Rehabilitation** programs make them more **self-reliant** – gives them confidence to become productive members of society.

What We Do



WE NURTURE

The children have endured rejection and unimaginable hardships. Some have even been abused. Most arrive in bad shape and need immediate medical aid.

At our home they are treated, comforted, nurtured and loved. When ready to interact, we move them to the next phase of rehabilitation.



WE REHABILITATE

Rehabilitation work is ongoing. On recovery, physiotherapists, speech therapists and special educators begin to coach them and place them in Early Intervention, Pre-Primary and Primary, or Vocational programs.

Through Prayatna - our vocational training unit, children above 18 years of age are provided training in vocational careers.



WE RESTORE

We believe that a family set-up is the best environment for a child. Therefore, we make every attempt to trace a child's family and try and reunite them. For parents who abandoned their children on account of poverty but are willing to be reunited, we provide counsel and help them get financial aid from the Government.

Our legal department has helped reunite 82 children with their families.

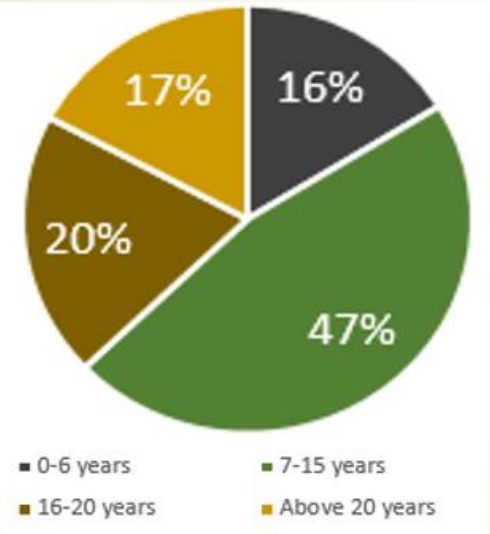
Our Children

Since 2003

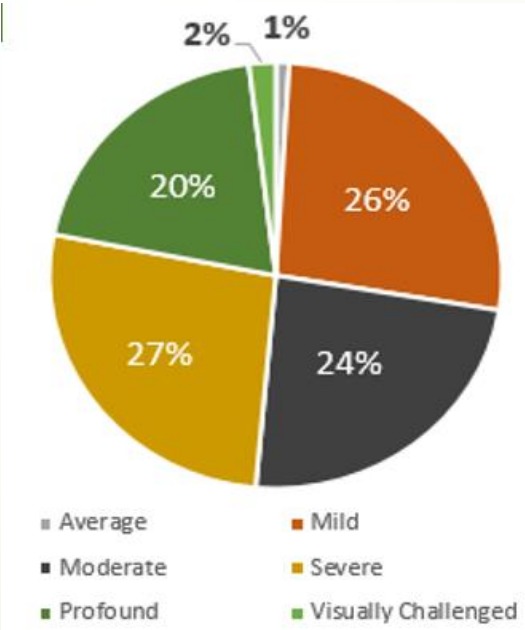
342 children rescued
82 reunited with their families
56 transferred to other homes
94 passed away
115 currently with us



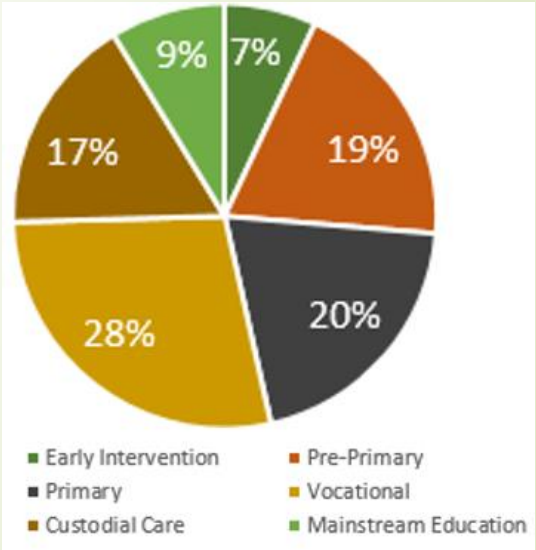
Age Group



Disability Level



Programs



Existing Infrastructure



Girls
Home

- 3000 sq. ft. rented home housing 35 girls, for which we pay a monthly rent of INR 30,000/-
- Age groups: 4 months - 15 years
- Medical unit, physiotherapy, and special education rooms, but we are unable to provide more services due to a lack of space.
- Mini kitchen, bathrooms, washing area, etc.
- Status: **Reached capacity**



Boys
Home

- 7000 sq. ft. home housing 80 boys
- Age groups: 4 - 40 years
- Fully furnished - medical unit, physiotherapy, special education and vocational training rooms.
- Centralised kitchen, store room, dining room, bathrooms, laundry area, etc.
- Status: **Reached capacity**



CAN WE REST WHEN SHE'S OUT THERE ALL ALONE?

Let's build a safe and loving home for her.

This little girl you see in the banner is **Angel**. She is intellectually challenged and lives with hydrocephalus - a dangerous condition in which fluid accumulates in the brain, enlarging the head and sometimes causing brain damage. Angel was abandoned in a city hospital in Chennai by her teenage, single mother when she was just 3 months old!

Angel is one of the lucky few who are rescued and taken off our dangerous streets each day by a network of child rescue organizations. But not all are as fortunate as she was to make it to a home like ours. (The recent shocking horror stories from Bihar's homes for orphans reveal the hellish condition in which India's forgotten children live!). Many abandoned children are quickly taken off the radar by unscrupulous trafficking gangs and are never heard of again!

Our country has become dangerous for a female child. Incidences of abuse and violence against women, girls and even infants have increased manifold – one can then imagine the fate of abandoned intellectually challenged girls! Against a backdrop of extreme ideologies, community and sectarian hate crimes, intolerance and the exploitation of the poor, the oppression of the girl child (or any child for that matter) cannot be overstated!



Our Plan

Sri Arunodayam owns a plot of land on the shore of a lake in Kolathur, Chennai which is large enough for a building that can accommodate 100 children.

The new home will be fully furnished with special education class rooms, physiotherapy rooms, a medical unit, a vocational training center, dormitories, restrooms, pantry and dining rooms.

A little garden will provide a refreshing recreation space for the girls.

MISSION

Construct a new home for the life-long care, protection and rehabilitation of **100** abandoned intellectually challenged little girls.

WHY INVEST IN OUR PROJECT?

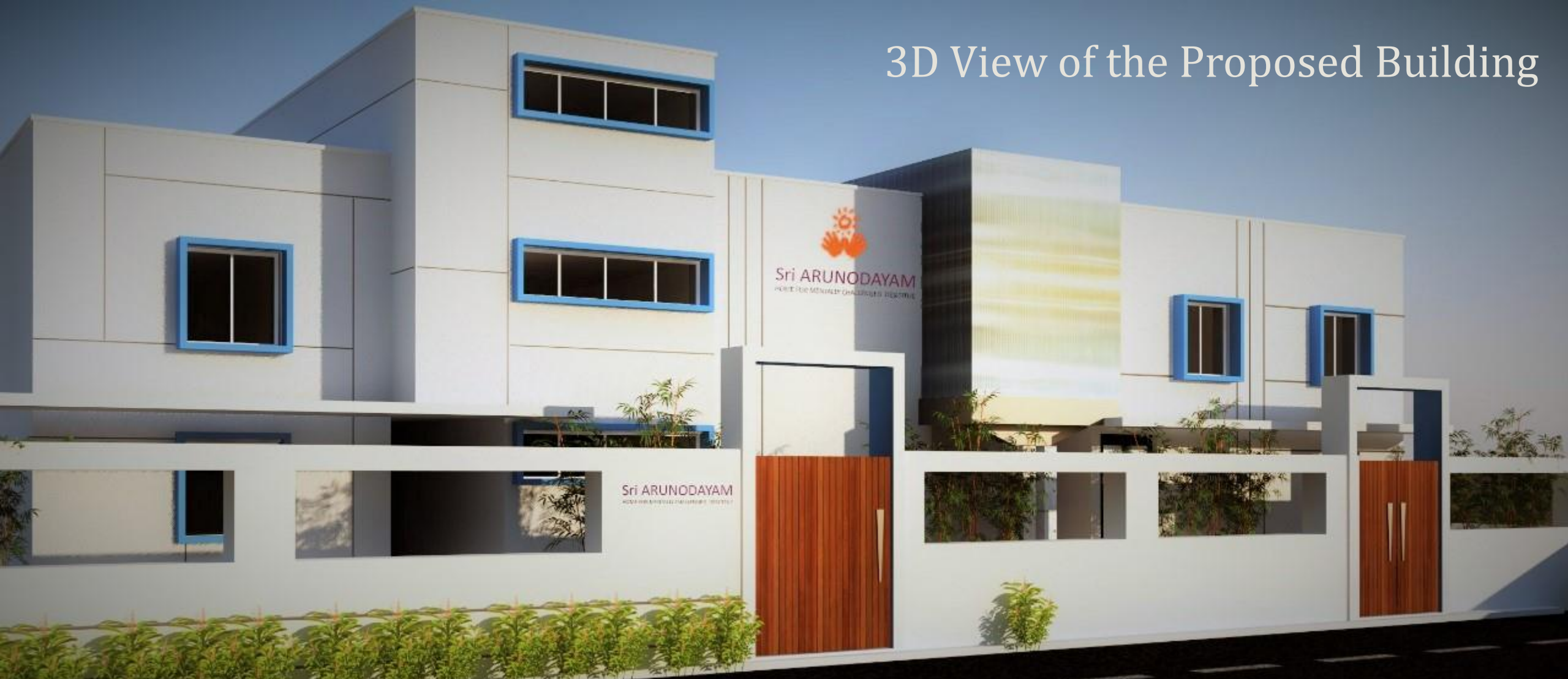
There are very few homes for such girls today because looking after them is hugely challenging on several fronts. Not many want to assume this life-long responsibility.

But, we do! Our heart is in the right place – bolstered by a strong vision and mission to rescue and rehabilitate as many such children as we can.

But we've reached full capacity and it pains us to turn new admissions away.
Please fund this worthy cause!

Building Blueprint

3D View of the Proposed Building



Total Sq. Ft. – 10,000; Floors – Ground + 1

*5 Dormitories, 1 Dressing Room, 2 Classrooms,
1 Physiotherapy Room, 1 Vocational Center,
1 Medical Center, 1 First Aid Room, 1 Kitchen/Pantry,
10 Bathrooms/Bathing Rooms*

BUILD 1 HOME | SAVE 100 LIVES

Project Cost

TOTAL CONSTRUCTION COST

INR 2 Crores 50 Lakhs

TOTAL SQ.FT.

10,000

PER SQ.FT. COST

INR 2,500/-



Donation Options

Rs. 3,77,500/-

First Aid Room - 151 sq.ft.

Rs. 5,27,500/-

Store Room - 211 sq.ft.

Rs. 5,27,500/-

Laundry Room - 211 sq.ft.

Rs. 6,77,500/-

Physiotherapy Room - 271 sq.ft.

Rs. 6,95,000/-

Girls Dressing Room - 278 sq.ft.

Rs. 8,75,000/-

Special Education Room – 350 sq.ft.

Rs. 8,75,000/-

Vocational Training Room – 350 sq.ft.

Rs. 8,75,000/-

Dormitory (Infirmary) – 350 sq.ft.

Rs. 8,75,000/-

Dormitory (Bedridden) – 350 sq.ft.

Rs. 8,75,000/-

Dormitory (Toddlers) – 350 sq.ft.

Rs. 11,02,500/-

Spl. Education/Vocational – 441 sq.ft.

Rs. 12,92,500/-

Toilets/Bathing Rooms (6 each) – 517 sq.ft.

Rs. 23,60,000/-

Medical Center – 944 sq.ft.

Rs. 23,60,000/-

Dormitory (Teenagers) – 944 sq.ft.

Rs. 24,30,000/-

Large Dining Room – 972 sq.ft.

Rs. 25,30,000/-

Dormitory (General) – 1012 sq.ft.

Rs. 10,000/-

25 bags of cement at Rs. 400/-

Rs. 25,800/-

1 load of (3000) bricks

Rs. 48,500/-

1 Truckload of sand

SPONSOR
A ROOM

BUILDING MATERIALS

Your name will be displayed on
a plaque at the entrance of
the building.

(Donations of INR 1 lakh and above)



Ways to Donate

<https://sriarunodayam.org/donate/>

Donation Guidelines

[All donations are tax exempted under 80G]

- Cheques must be made in favor of: “**Sri Arunodayam Charitable Trust**”
- To donate by Wire Transfer (either Domestic or International) get account details at:
<https://sriarunodayam.org/donate/>
- To donate online via a secure EazyPay server, visit our project page:
<https://sriarunodayam.org/donate-for-new-orphanage/>
- Sri Arunodayam Charitable Trust is authorized by the Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India to receive overseas contributions under FCRA



Our Promise

At all times, Sri Arunodayam's Board of Trustees will be accountable for this project and will submit periodic reports on its progress.

Our Invitation

Please visit our homes and the new site, and witness for yourself what service to abandoned intellectually challenged children is all about.

Long-Term Impact on Project Beneficiaries

In accordance with

- (1) Our vision and mission statements,
- (2) Juvenile Justice (Care And Protection Of Children) Act, 2015,
- (3) Rights Of Persons With Disabilities Act, 2016,
- (4) UN Charter of the Convention on the Rights of the Child,
- (5) UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD),

this project will provide vulnerable children in our care, with the right to:

- The best (1) healthcare, (2) nutritious food, and (3) rehabilitation programs for their physical, mental, emotional and psychological wellbeing
- A safe haven that upholds and protects them and their rights
- An officially recognized personal identity by our Government
- Special education and training in an environment where they can grow and reach their fullest potential
- Be mainstreamed according to their capability
- Have opinions that will be respectfully considered by the organisation and its staff
- Participate in making decisions that affect their wellbeing, as they mature
- Be protected and get legal help and fair treatment in the justice system
- Economic support, and life skills and vocational training
- Work, be safe, and be paid fairly as they grow up.
- Protection from any kind of exploitation from the working community into which they might be placed

Our Credentials

- All donations are tax exempted under 80G, 12AA, FCRA 2010.
- **Unique IDs:**
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- GuideStar 484

- Registered under the National Trust Act 2000
- Registered under the Persons with Disabilities Act 1995
- Registered with Credibility Alliance, Mumbai
- Recognized by the Government of Tamil Nadu in 2008 as a Reception Unit for destitute intellectually challenged children under the age of 10
- Recognized under the Juvenile Justice Amendment Act 2006
- Declared a Fit Institution in 2005 by the Child Welfare Committee, Chennai, Government of Tamil Nadu
- The Home's Kitchen is certified under the Food Safety & Standards Act, 2006 by the Tamil Nadu Government
- Certified GuideStar India member (GSN: 484)
- Certified top-ranked, vetted organization by GlobalGiving Foundation, USA
- Certified GiveIndia Foundation Partner
- Winner of the prestigious World of Children® International Award 2016 - considered to be the 'Nobel Prize' for heroic work with children. Sri Arunodayam's Founder was the only Indian among 5 honorees from across the globe to receive this award. He was chosen from among thousands of applications worldwide.

For more info, visit: <https://sriarunodayam.org/world-children-award/>



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