NITT celebration HumaNITTy - DaanUtsav- the festival of Joy of Giving Week

Daan Utsav also known as The Joy of Giving Week, is a "festival of philanthropy" that aims to become a part of the Indian ethos, with the week being celebrated every year covering Gandhi Jayanti by engaging people through "acts of giving" - money, time, resources and skills - spanning the corporate, NGO and government sectors, schools, colleges and the general public. This initiative was supported by many NGOs and Corporates.

HumaNITTy is the Daan Utsav initiative of NIT Trichy. Through this initiative all the staff, students and alumni contribute a lot to the needy, orphanages, old age homes. Students raise funds for the same through movie screening, flash mobs and donations by staff, students and alumni.

This year HumaNITTy is driven by the Social Council. The members of the Social Council and the various Social Responsibility clubs actively took part in all the philanthropic works including visits to orphanages, old age homes, government schools and provided them groceries, and fulfilled some of their needs.

SARATHY DIWAS, an event which conveys our gratitude towards bus drivers and conductors for their routine service, was held on October 2nd (Day 1). Around 300 bus drivers and conductors whose buses passed through NIT Trichy, received kits containing biscuits, sweets, towels, small diaries and combs that will be useful for their mundane work.

On Day 2 (October 3rd), we visited VALLUVAR ORPHANAGE in the morning and THERASA KARUNALAYAM in the evening. At Valluvar Orphanage almost 400 kids and at Theresa Karunalayam approximately 25 girls were benefitted by us. We made them happy by giving them groceries, notebooks, stationery items and fulfilling some of their wishes. We engaged them in events and games, and danced with them.

On Day 3 (October 4th), we visited TRUWDES OLDAGE HOME. We visited TRUWDES around 6 in the evening and we were welcomed by a bunch of energetic people whose enthusiasm overshadowed their age. The visit was marked by a singing and dancing session wherein everyone danced to the tunes of the elderly. We bid farewell to the Home after delivering grocery items for their daily needs, which included rice, tamarind, dal, tea powder etc.

On Day 4 (October 5th), we visited KINDERGARTEN SCHOOLS at Thirunedungulam and Thuvakudi in the morning, and LOUBRA BLIND HOME in the evening. We made visits to the
schools earlier to collect the students’ wishes and based on the collected wishes many toys, chocolates, colour pencils were distributed to the kids of both the schools. Around 300 members of Loubra blind home were benefited by our contributions which included groceries, cots, mixers and we are planning to provide materials for construction in the future.

On Day 5 (October 6th), we visited MANAYERIPATTI MUDHIYOR MARUVAZHUVU ILLAM in the morning and MALARCHI HOME in the evening. We distributed clothes and daily requirements such as soaps and antiseptic lotion to around 60 old people at Manayeripatti. At Malarchi home, a cheque worth Rs. 10000 was given by the EEE Association for the benefit of the mentally challenged kids there. Sweets were distributed, and the kids were engaged in fun activities.

On Day 6 (October 7th), we invited kids from government schools and orphanages to our college. We conducted many events for them, distributed them goodies and provided them with refreshments. We call this as GALA FOR KIDS. Around 400 kids participated in GALA FOR KIDS. Our Alumni came down to college in large numbers to enjoy with the kids. At the end of the day all the kids left with smiles on their faces.

On day 7th ( 8TH October 2018 ) We visited two schools in Thuvakudi locality in the morning, THUVAKUDI MIDDLE SCHOOL and THUVAKUDI MALAI SCHOOL where we distributed chairs and fans for the betterment of the school kids. Moreover, the volunteers had a good time interacting with the kids, played games, sang songs along with them. We visited ST.ANTONY’S OLD AGE HOME, Kattur in the evening. We distributed them groceries, and mosquito nets. The evening ended with a joyous melange’ of music, songs and dance.

A lot many people were benefitted by the funds collected in the college. This event wouldn’t have been successful without the help of alumni who contributed a lot, faculty members who guided us, students who spent day and night to make this edition of HumaNITTy a great success.

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