

ATCHAYA

On 14th November 2024, Smile distributed 14 laptops worth ₹3,00,000 to students from Tamil Nadu Government schools at the Directorate of School Education, Nungambakkam, in the presence of Mr. Sudhan IAS, Member Secretary, School Education. The beneficiaries, enrolled in central universities across India, are predominantly first-generation graduates supported by the Government of Tamil Nadu. Mr. Sudhan IAS appreciated Smile's efforts in promoting rural education, and Smile also presented the PDC book for potential implementation in government schools.



PUNNAGAI PAALAM

Three tuition centers in Cheyyar currently support 94 children with 6 teachers. To optimize learning outcomes, a redesign is being planned to focus on high school and higher secondary students (9th–12th). For students up to 8th grade, the emphasis will shift to science and mathematics, handled by subject specialists. Additionally, a special tuition center is proposed for students above 11th standard to provide advanced academic support.

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In November 2024, scholarships were awarded to three deserving students: Dharshan, pursuing MBBS at Dharmapuri Government Medical College, and Sakthivel and Balaji, both enrolled in arts colleges. These scholarships reflect Smile's commitment to empowering students through education.

SMILE WELFARE FOUNDATION

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NETWORKING

Collaboration with Madras Christian College

Smile partnered with the Department of Social Work at MCC, securing intern support and access to their facilities for events. Starting December 2024, MCC students will join Smile as placement trainees, strengthening this valuable partnership.

SRI ARUNGARAIAMMAM SCHOOL UDUMALAIPETTAI

On 20th November 2024, visited Sri Arungaraiamman School in Udumalaipettai to assess its operations and explore collaboration opportunities. The school is run by IRTT Alumni. The school serves 170 students from low-income rural families, with only 80 students able to pay tuition fees. Despite financial constraints, the school provides quality education and extracurricular coaching in yoga and sports. Smile proposed to introduce PDC sessions, and potential support for students through the Sadhana scholarship program from the region. The visit also highlighted the need for guidance and counseling services to support students' educational and personal development.

