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Introduction

The Lanka Jathika Sarvodaya Shamadana Sangamaya was founded in 1985 by Dr. A.T. Ariyaratne to uplift the poorest in the country. Sarvodaya has an integrated strategy which includes the development of social, cultural, moral, spiritual, political and economic dimensions. In 1974, Suwasetha Services Unit of Sarvodaya was established. Sarvodaya Suwasetha Sewa Society Limited (Suwasetha) was founded in 1984 and is the legally independent social service organization within Sarvodaya. Its aim is to protect all minority groups in the society and among them, persons and children with disabilities.

Background

Suwasetha Community Based Rehabilitation Programme is functioning in the Districts of Kalutara and Galle with the provision of physical and mental health services to the disabled persons. The recipients of mental health services and senior citizens are also included in this programme. In addition, this proposal includes teenage mothers, abandoned children, widows and divorced persons in Sri Lanka, which is considered as a vulnerable group.

General objectives

To uplift the quality of life of the vulnerable persons and their families by providing livelihood facilities
CASE STUDY

Galkissage Somapala

1. INTRODUCTION

Name: Yasawathie Gamage
Date of birth: 28.03 1948
Age: 67 years.
Address: Kurunduwatte, Warakagoda, Naboda.
Disability: Mobility impairment (Arthritis).
Care-giver’s name: Galkissage Somapala (Husband)
Suwasetha Registration
Date: 08.07.2014
KOOK No.: KOOK No. 4.1
Grama Niladari Division: Warakagoda
Divisional Secretariat: Madurawela
District: Kalutara

2. FAMILY BACKGROUND

Yasawathie Gamage: She was identified by Suwasetha CBR Manager at a field visit. She is suffering from acute Arthritis and is unable to walk. She uses a wheel chair. Her Mother lives with her. Her husband sells sweep tickets.

3. INTERVENTION OF SARVODAYA SUWASETHA

Sarvodaya Suwasetha made a contribution of Rs. 7,000/- to improve her husband’s self-employment project by funding the purchase of additional sweep tickets.

4. RESULT

Galkissage Somapala maintains his Wife and her Mother and provides them with their required medical facilities. His income has increased with the additional sweep tickets and has made life easy for him.
CASE STUDY
K.A. Bimal Jayasanka

1. INTRODUCTION

Name: K.A. Bimal Jayasanka
Date of birth: 10.03.1972
Age: 43 years.
Address: Mahakosgahamulla, Yatadolawatte, Matugama
Disability: Mobility Impairment
Care-giver’s name: His Wife – W.D. Rupika Nilanthi.
Suwasetha Registered
Date: 22.03.2015
KOOK No.: KOOK No. 4.2
Grama Niladari Division: Yatadolawatte.
Divisional Secretariat: Matugama.
District: Kalutara.

2. FAMILY BACKGROUND

K.A. Bimal Jayasanka: He was identified by Suwasetha CBR Manager at a field visit. At that time, he had met with an accident. He had an injury in his leg and speech impairment. His Wife, W.D. Rupika Nilanthi, is employed in a Garment Factory.

3. INTERVENTION OF THE GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS

Bimal is employed as a photo-copy machine operator at the Divisional Secretariat, Matugama. The Social Services Department pays him Rs. 3000/- per month. He followed a course in producing soap and washing powder at the Vidatha Resource Centre.

4. INTERVENTION OF SARVODAYA SUWASETHA

Sarvodaya Suwasetha made a contribution of Rs. 10,000/- to purchase requirements for his project of making soap and washing powder. The market available to him covers the areas of Pelawatte, Bellana, Horana and Matugama. His project functions successfully. He is now thinking of a supplementary craft diversifying his project by turning out spoons from coconut shells.

5. RESULTS

His income has improved through this project and he is independent. He lives a comfortable life with his Wife.
CASE STUDY

Susantha Kumara Weragoda

1. INTRODUCTION

Susantha carrying requirements for his Bookshop

Name : Susantha Kumara Weragoda
Date of birth : 19.02.1976
Age : 39 years.
Address : Sirisumana Mawatha, Yala, Anguruwathota.
Disability : Mental retardation.
Care-giver’s name : W. Jayasena - Father
Suwasetha Registered Date : 06.03.2015
KOOK No. : KOOK No. 4.3
Grama Niladari Division : Yala
Divisional Secretariat : Madurawela
District : Kalutara

2. FAMILY BACKGROUND

Susantha Kumara Weragoda: During the field visit of Manager CBR, he identified Susantha who was in need of assistance for his Self-employment project, Sales Centre for school requirements. His Father is a retired employee of Ceylon Government Railways. The Mother is a house-wife. The Sales Centre has been functioning for the last 3 years. Susantha is ambitious of expanding his project. He has obtained Vocational Training at the Sarvodaya Special Education Centre at Warakagoda.

3. INTERVENTION OF THE GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS

Susantha was referred by the Social Services Department Madurawala for vocational training at Vidatha Resource Centre, where he learnt to make candle sticks, incense sticks, sandals and carpets.

4. INTERVENTION OF SARVODAYA SUWASETHA

Sarvodaya Suwasetha made a contribution of Rs. 8,000/- for Susantha to improve his project, by purchasing school books etc., for his Centre, to uplift his living standard.

5. RESULTS

Enhanced his self-employment project of the Book Centre with additional customers from the village. His income has increased and his savings have been invested. He lives an independent life.

Susantha attending to sales at his Bookshop
CASE STUDY

Kadiralalage Gedera Priyadarshana Bandara

1. INTRODUCTION

Name: Kadiralalage Gedera Priyadarshana Bandara
Date of birth: 05.0.1990
Age: 25 years.
Address: Delgahawatte, Dombagoda.
Disability: Mental retardation
Care-giver’s name: Father: Wijeratne Banda
Suwasetha Registered Date: 27.05.2015
KOOK No.: KOOK No. 4.4
Grama Niladari Division: 649A, Dombagoda
Divisional Secretariat: Millaniya
District: Kalutara

2. FAMILY BACKGROUND

Priyadarshana Bandara: He was identified by Suwasetha CBR Manager at a field visit. His Father has a business of framing pictures at his home for the past 15 years. Priyadarshana assists the Father and the mother in their work.

3. INTERVENTION OF THE GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS

Priyadarshana receives a small monthly allowance from the Social Services Department, Millaniya.

4. INTERVENTION OF SARVODAYA SUWASETHA

Sarvodaya Suwasetha made a contribution of Rs. 15,000/- to improve the Father’s business of framing pictures at his home.

5. RESULTS

With Suwasetha’s contribution he purchased picture frames and his business was enhanced to give a better income. His popularity has spread around the area.

Mother purchasing items for the Project from funds given by Suwasetha
CASE STUDY

Singappuli Hewage Kelum Priyanath

1. INTRODUCTION

Name: Singappuli Hewage Kelum Priyanath  
Date of birth: 08.03 1992  
Age: 23 years.  
Address: No. 110, Kurunduhatte, Ballanthudawa, Bandarawela.  
Disability: Mental retardation  
Care-giver’s name: Grand Father: S. Hemadasa.

Suwasetha Registered  
Date: 17.02.2015  
KOOK No.: KOOK No. 4.5  
Grama Niladari Division: 655A, Ballanthudawa.  
Divisional Secretariat: Millaniya  
District: Kalutara

The disabled brothers helping the Grandfather

2. FAMILY BACKGROUND

Kelum Priyanath: He was identified by Suwasetha CBR Manager at a field visit. His Father has left the family. His Mother has left for foreign employment, but she does not send any money for the children. Kelum has 2 brothers, one of whom is also mentally retarded, and the other attends school. The mentally retarded boys are also suffering from Fits. All 3 children are under the care and protection of the Grand Mother and Grand Father. The Grand Father is turning out cement flower pots as a business to maintain the family. The 2 boys at home help the Grand Father in his business. He takes the flower pots in a hand cart for sale.

3. INTERVENTION OF THE GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS

Kelum Priyanath receives a monthly allowance of Rs. 3,000/- from the Social Services Department, Millaniya.

4. INTERVENTION OF SARVODAYA SUWASETHA

Sarvodaya Suwasetha made a contribution of Rs. 15,000/- to improve the Grand Father’s business of turning cement flower pots for sale.

5. RESULT

With his income, he maintains his family, including the medical requirements of the 2 grandchildren. His sale of flower pots has increased in his area with a better income.

Finished Flower Pots
1. **INTRODUCTION**

Name: Shiromi Dammika  
Date of birth: 15.07.1970  
Age: 45 years.  
Address: C/o. M.K. Ranjith, near Pahiyangala Temple, Yatagampitiya, Bulathsinhala.  
Disability: Mental retardation.  
Care-giver’s name: Mother – J.A. Shanthi Suwasetha Registered Date: 15.05.2015  
KOOK No.: KOOK No. 4.6  
Grama Niladari Division: 823A Niggaha.  
Divisional Secretariat: Bulathsinhala  
District: Kalutara

2. **FAMILY BACKGROUND**

Shiromi Dammika: During the field visit of Manager CBR he identified Shiromi Dammika who was in need of assistance to construct a house to live with her Mother. Her Father had died and she is living with her Mother. The Mother is a house-wife. After the Father’s death, there had been some land problem and they had to give up their house. Now they are living with her Mother’s sister, Aunt.

3. **INTERVENTION OF THE GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS**

Shiromi Dammika’s Mother is a Volunteer and participates at events of the Divisional Secretariat, Bulathsinhala. The CBR Manager through the support of the Grama Niladari, Niggaha and other Government Officials, referred her to the National Housing Authority to obtain a house. However, she was not successful. On 12.10.2014 she was referred to Sarvodaya Suwasetha by the Social Development Officer.

Shiromi Dammika gets a monthly allowance of Rs. 3,000/- from Social Services Department, payable to disabled persons. In addition, she gets a Samurdi Allowance of Rs. 1,500/- payable to low-income group persons.

A Toilet has been constructed by the Provincial Housing Department at a total cost of Rs. 37,500/-. 

4. **COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION**

With the intervention of the Grama Niladari, the community extended their support towards the construction by clearing the land using an Excavator.

5. **INTERVENTION OF SARVODAYA SUWASETHA**

Sarvodaya Suwasetha made a contribution of Rs. 50,000/- towards the construction of the house. Sarvodaya Officers offered their advice and services for the preliminary negotiations with Government officials.
6. PRESENT STATUS OF THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE HOUSE

Land has been cleared, prepared and preliminary requirements purchased for construction work to commence, with the support of the Grama Niladari, Government Officers and CBR Officers.

7. FAMILY PARTICIPATION

A small plot of land adjacent to the house where they are living has been donated by the Aunt, for the construction of the house.

8. RESULT

With the support of Government Officials, Suwasetha Officers and the Community, the house has been constructed with walls up to the roof.

First visit to the house by Suwasetha Officers

Toilet constructed by Gov
CASE STUDY

Manohari Chandrakanthi

1. INTRODUCTION

Sales outlet of packets of chillie powder & condiments

Name: Manohari Chandrakanthi
Date of birth: 21.01.1989
Age: 26 years.
Address: Egoda Naravila, Mathugama.
Disability: Recipient of mental health services
Care-giver’s name: Mother: M.D. Samarawathie
Suwasetha Registered Date: 04.03.2015
KOOK No.: KOOK No. 4.7
Grama Niladari Division: 803, Naravila
Divisional Secretariat: Mathugama
District: Kalutara

2. FAMILY BACKGROUND

Manohari Chandrakanthi: She was identified by Suwasetha CBR Manager at a field visit. At that time, he was employed at a garment factory. She is married and has a 4 year old child, Methula Sithum Meth. Her husband has left the family. She is now living with her Mother.

INTERVENTION OF THE GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS

Manohari receives a monthly allowance of Rs. 3000/- from the Social Services Department, Mathugama.

3. INTERVENTION OF SARVODAYA SUWASETHA

Sarvodaya Suwasetha made a contribution of Rs. 10,000/- to improve her business of grinding and preparing packets of chillie powder and condiments for sale. She learnt this trade from a friend who taught her to carry on her business successfully.

4. RESULT

Her Sales Outlet has enhanced and she gets a better income from sales as seen in the picture.

Present Sales Outlet with Chandrakanthi and her daughter
CASE STUDY

Harankahadeniya Gedara Rukmani Shanthi

1. INTRODUCTION

Name: Rukmani Shanthi
Date of birth: 12.03.1988
Age: 27 years.
Address: 280/1A, Kurunduwatte, Polegoda, Mahagama.

Needy girl: She grew up at Sarvodaya Suwasetha Norton Bridge Home in Kandy.

Care-giver’s name: P.G. Saman Kumara
Husband.

Suwasetha Registered Date: 15.05.2015
KOOK No.: KOOK No. 4.9
Grama Niladari Division: 819F Polegoda
Divisional Secretariat: Bulathsinhala
District: Kalutara

2. FAMILY BACKGROUND

Rukmani Shanthi: During a field visit, the Manager CBR identified this family. After the death of her mother, she was handed over by the Father to Sarvodaya Suwasetha Norton Bridge Home in Kandy for care and protection. When she reached 18 years of age, she was handed back to her Father. After his death, she married P.G. Saman Kumara, who works as a Labourer. They have 3 children, aged 9, 7 & 2½ years; 2 children are attending Mahagama Junior School. They live on rent at Polegoda; they have no house of their own.

3. INTERVENTION OF THE GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS

The CBR Manager discussed with Development Officers of the Divisional Secretariat Bulathsinhala, with a view to obtaining a plot of land for this family. The Housing Development Authority allocated a plot of land at Yataganpitiya, which was unsuitable for construction as it was marshy land. Thereafter, an application was submitted to the Lands Branch of the Divisional Secretariat through the Polegoda West Grama Niladari, who forwarded the Application to the Social Development Officer and Lands Officer, and finally to the Divisional Secretary for approval. They were successful in obtaining 5 perches of land at Polegoda.

The Samurdhi Niladari has approved a payment of Rs. 3,500/- p.m. for this family.

4. COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION

Rs. 9,500/- was given to the family by philanthropists of the area for the purchase of cement, bricks and sand required for the construction of the house. In addition, 4 bags of cement had been gifted to them.

A personal contribution of Rs. 12,150/- was given by the Development Officer of Polegoda towards the construction of the house.
The community arranged a shramadana for land clearing and preparation for construction work to commence.

5. INTERVENTION OF SARVODAYA SUWASETHA

Sarvodaya Suwasetha made a contribution of Rs. 50,000/- towards the construction of the house. Sarvodaya Officers offered their advice and services for the preliminary negotiations with Government officials.

6. PRESENT STATUS OF THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE HOUSE

Land cleared and prepared for construction; work to commence. Foundation laid and the walls have gone up halfway.

7. FAMILY PARTICIPATION

The family members assist in the on-going construction work of the house.

8. RESULT

With the support of Government officials, Suwasetha Officers and the Community the walls of the house are being constructed.

Before – Old house

Foundation laid
CASE STUDY

Mrs. P.K. Chadralatha

1. INTRODUCTION

Name : Padmasiri Sarath Mahavithane
Date of birth : 30.11.1950
Age : 64 years.
Address : Sarnapium Manhandiya, Omaththa, Agalawatte.
Disability : Multiple Disabilities. (He is unable to perform any daily living activities, he is totally dependable.)
Care-giver’s name : Wife – P.K. Chandralatha.
Suwasetha Registered
Date : 14.11.2014
KOOK No. : KOOK No. 4.10
Grama Niladari Division : 826, Omaththa.
Divisional Secretariat : Agalawatte.
District : Kalutara.

2. FAMILY BACKGROUND

Padmasiri Sarath Mahavithane: He was identified by Suwasetha Field Officers. At that time, it was reported that he is unable to do anything on his own – totally dependent. Just two months after their marriage he has had an accident and injured his head resulting in some form of paralysis. As such, his wife, P.K. Chadralatha started a self-employment project of sewing garments for the villagers. Through her income she maintained the family.

3. INTERVENTION OF THE GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS

The Social Services Department, Agalawatte, had given Padmasiri a wheelchair and an air mattress.

4. INTERVENTION OF SARVODAYA SUWASETHA

Suwasetha Field Officers together with Officers of the Elders’ Committee helped him to improve his daily living activities through mobility training. Sarvodaya Suwasetha made a contribution of Rs. 40,000/- to P.K. Chadralatha, his wife, to purchase 2 sewing machines to improve her self-employment - sewing project, including bridal attire.

5. RESULTS

Chadralatha’s business of sewing garments is well reputed in her community and she earns a good income. She is a successful seamstress and she is in a position to give more care for her husband and provide his medical requirements.
1. **INTRODUCTION**

Name: Warnakulasuriyage Swarnalatha Peiris  
Date of birth: 31.03.1991  
Age: 24 years  
Address: No. 44, Morapitiya Sub-Post Office, Moratuwa.  
Needy Lady: Teenage Mother from Sarvodaya Ma Sevana Teenage Mothers Home.  
Care-giver’s name: Husband: Diyagama Liyanage Amila, who is short of vision in the right eye. He works as a labourer.  
Suwasetha Registered: Date: 14.05.2015  
KOOK No. : KOOK No. 4.11  
Grama Niladari Division: Morapitiya.  
Divisional Secretariat: Palindanuwara.  
District: Kalutara.

2. **FAMILY BACKGROUND**

W. Swarnalatha Peiris: She was referred by the Probation Department to Sarvodaya Suwasetha Teenage Mothers Home at the age of 12 years and she gave birth to a baby boy. The child grew up at another Child Development Centre. Swarnalatha obtained vocational training at Ma Sevana and later transferred to Suwasetha Vocational Training Centre to follow lessons in dress-making and training on Juki machines. Later, Suwasetha found a partner for her and gave her in marriage at a simple ceremony held at Suwasetha Headquarters. The couple has been blessed with a baby girl, Kavitha Devmini. She has her own small business of sewing clothes for women and children.

3. **INTERVENTION OF SARVODAYA SUWASETHA**

Sarvodaya Suwasetha made a contribution of Rs. 12,000/- to improve her business. As a wedding present, Suwasetha gave her a sewing machine. Also, presented her with all her bridal attire, She continues her business successfully.

4. **RESULTS**

She has improved her business of sewing ladies garments, children’s clothes, pillow cases etc., which supplements her income to a better living and is now in a position to save a little money for an emergency. She is reputedly known in the village as a good seamstress and gets many orders.
1. INTRODUCTION

Name: Palika Upsarani  
Date of birth: 22.08.1982  
Age: 33 years.  
Address: No. 160/1P Newdava Road, Aluthgoda.  
Disability: Mobility impairment.  
Care-giver’s name: Husband: W. Manjula Fernando.  
Suwasetha Registered Date: 14.05.2015  
KOOK No.: KOOK No. 4.12  
Grama Niladari Division: Aluthgoda.  
Divisional Secretariat: Bandaragama  
District: Kalutara

2. FAMILY BACKGROUND

Palika Upsarani: She was born on 22.8.1982 and on 1.9.82 her unwed Mother handed her over to the Sarvodaya Suwasetha Nutrition Centre at Moratuwa. After the Mother left her, she had never visited her. There is no information about her Father. She had a defect from her birth in one of her legs. When she was 5 years old, she was transferred to Bataganwila Girls Home to pursue her education. She studied up to the General Certificate of Education (Ordinary Level) Examination. From the year 2003 to 2010 she was transferred to follow a course in sewing at the Vocational Training Institute for disabled women at Kalutara. After completing the course, she was transferred to Norton Bridge Child Development Centre as a Sewing Instructress. She worked there up to the time of the closure of the Centre and was transferred to the Suwasetha Nutrition Centre, Moratuwa as an Assistant Matron. Suwasetha found her a partner, W. Manjula Fernando, who does wood carving and carpentry. He too, has a defect in one of his legs. At a simple ceremony organized by Suwasetha, they were married on 11th July, 2013. They have been blessed with a baby boy, Hasith Laksara.

3. INTERVENTION OF SARVODAYA SUWASETHA

Sarvodaya Suwasetha made a contribution of Rs. 12,000/- to purchase the necessary equipment to improve his project.

4. RESULT

His wood carving has improved considerably to attract tourists. He earns better income.
CASE STUDY

Sunethra Wickrematilleke

1. INTRODUCTION

Name: Sunethra Wickrematilleke
Date of birth: 22.10.1978
Age: 37 years.
Address: No. 266, Pahala Andaluwa, Embilipitiya
Needy person: Grew up as a child at the Sarvodaya Nutrition Centre at Moratuwa
Care-giver’s name: Husband: Dileep Roshan Weerawardena
Suwasetha Registered Date: 6.8.2015
KOOK No.: KOOK No. 4.13
Grama Niladari Division: Aandaluwa
Divisional Secretariat: Embilipitiya
District: Uda Walawe

2. FAMILY BACKGROUND

Sunethra Wickrematilleke: She was identified by Suwasetha CBR Manager. They have 2 children, Milini Rasanjali Weerawardena and Lasindu Lakshan Weerawardena, both attending School at Uda Walawe.

3. INTERVENTION OF SARVODAYA SUWASETHA

Sarvodaya Suwasetha made a contribution of Rs. 10,000/- for Sunethra to improve her project of making ‘Bites’ (Chips and sweets). The project is functioning satisfactorily.

4. RESULTS

She is deriving a supplementary income for the family with the sale of her ‘bites’.
1. **INTRODUCTION**

- **Name**: Wewalwala Hewage Dayawathie
- **Date of birth**: 18.08.1947
- **Age**: 67 years.
- **Address**: Uduvilawatte Hiriymalkumbura Yakkalamulla.
- **Disability**: Mobility impairment. (Caused by an accident on 6.9.2010 and her right leg has been amputated. A Jaipur leg has been fixed.)
- **Care-giver’s name**: She is living with her Son who is married.
- **Suwasetha Registered Date**: 14.05.2015
- **KOOK No.**: KOOK No. 4.14
- **Graman Niladari Division**: Hiriymalkumbura 180C.
- **Divisional Secretariat**: Yakkalamulla.
- **District**: Galle.

2. **FAMILY BACKGROUND**

Wewalwala Hewage Dayawathie: She was identified by Suwasetha Field Officers in year 2014. She is a widow with a Son and a Daughter. In the year 1970 she had followed training at the Small Industries Training Institute on weaving of mats, etc. In the year 1973 she had commenced her own self-employment project on weaving of different items made out of reeds. In the year 1988 she had followed a training course in sewing at the National Crafts Council. Subsequently, she had commenced a Training Course in sewing and weaving to the women in the village. Her pair of crutches had been gifted by the residents of the village. In the year 2010, she had met with an accident and her right leg above the knee had been amputated.

3. **INTERVENTION OF THE GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS**

The Social Services Department, Yakkalamulla, had given her a wheel chair and had arranged for the payment of Rs. 500/- per month from Samurdhi Fund. A Politician of the village had paid for her Jaipur leg.

4. **INTERVENTION OF SARVODAYA SUWASETHA**

Sarvodaya Suwasetha made a contribution of Rs. 11,500/- and with the advice of the CBR Field Officer, she improved her self-employment project. Presently, the project is functioning successfully.

5. **RESULTS**

Through the income she earns, she purchases her medical requirements and invests the balance in enhancing her business activities. She does not depend on her children and manages independently. In fact, she supports her children, when required.
1. INTRODUCTION

Name: Vennappuli Arachchige Indrani
Date of birth: 18.04.1960
Age: 55 years.
Address: “Kethmina-Piyasa”, Kandapahala Handiya, Thallalla South, Gandara.
Disability: Mobility Impairment (Left Foot, 3 toes have been amputated and she is wearing special pair of shoes.
Care-giver’s name: Nephew, Tamara Ruwanjith. (Indrani is unmarried).

Suwasetha Registered
Date: 06.08.2015
COOK No.: COOK No. 4.15
Grama Niladari Division: Thallalla.
Divisional Secretariat: Devinuwara
District: Matara.

2. FAMILY BACKGROUND

V.A. Indrani: She was identified by Suwasetha CBR Manager at a field visit. Three toes in her left foot have been amputated and she is wearing special pair of shoes. Indrani is a single woman.

3. INTERVENTION OF THE GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS

Indrani receives a monthly allowance of Rs. 3000/- from the Social Services Department, Gandara.

4. INTERVENTION OF SARVODAYA SUWASETHA

Sarvodaya Suwasetha made a contribution of Rs. 8,000/- to purchase requirements for her project of turning out carpets for sale. Her hand-made productions made out of thread, are being marketed to wholesale establishments and in the sales outlet at her residence.

5. RESULT

She is self-employed and turns out cloth carpets for sale. With Suwasetha’s contribution she has enhanced her business by purchasing additional raw material and is independent in life.

Making cloth carpets

CASE STUDY
Bridget Fernando

1. **INTRODUCTION**

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2. **FAMILY BACKGROUND**

Bridget Fernando: She was identified by a Suwasetha Field Officer during a field visit. Her husband had expired. She has a daughter, Thanusha Sandaruwani and a son, Thasitha Dilhara, both studying at Madakumbura School (Vidyalaya) she manages the School canteen.

3. **INTERVENTION OF THE GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS**

She gets a monthly allowance of Rs. 3000/- and Widow’s allowance from the Social Services Department, Karandeniya.

4. **INTERVENTION OF SARVODAYA SUWASETHA**

Sarvodaya Suwasetha made a contribution of Rs. 5,000/- to improve the quality of her food supplied to the School Canteen.

5. **RESULTS**

The economic situation of the family has improved when compared with the past. The single mother is now in a position to live without falling into debt. She has the opportunity of enhancing the educational facilities of her children.

*Purchasing groceries from a shop*  *selling food items at the School Canteen*
Surangi Dinusha Wanniarachchy

1. INTRODUCTION

Name: Surangi Dinusha Wanniarachchy
Date of birth: 04.09.1979
Age: 36 years.
Address: Surangi Communication,
         Udugama Road, Nakiyadeniya.
Disability: Mobility impairment.
Care-giver’s name: Father – P. Wanniarachchy

Suwasetha Registered
Date: 09.11.2013
KOOK No.: KOOK No. 4.18
Grama Niladari Division: 179A Nakiyadeniya.
Divisional Secretariat: Yakkalamulla
District: Galle

2. FAMILY BACKGROUND

Surangi Dinusha Wanniarachchy: She is unmarried and lives with her parents. She has one brother who is married with 2 children. A CBR Field Officer had identified her during a visit and found that she is self-employed with a Sales Outlet for clothes. She is ambitious in improving her self-employment project. Her Father is P. Wanniarachchi. Her Mother, Leela Wanniarachchi is a housewife, who is an active Member of the Sarvodaya Shramadana Society and United Elders Committee at Nakiyadeniya. She was identified through the volunteering activities of her Mother.

INTERVENTION OF THE GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS

She has no support from any Government Officers.

3. INTERVENTION OF SARVODAYA SUWASETHA

The Transition in the East Alliance (TEA) Programme conducted activities for strengthening of Community-Based Organisations at Nakiyadeniya from year 2013. Through this programme, Surangi Dinusha was allocated a sum of Rs. 15,000/- to improve her Sales Outlet enabling her to be self-sufficient. Also, she was given mobility training by the Suwasetha Field Officers.

RESULT

She continues with the sale of ready made garments for women and children successfully. She has added costume jewellery, perfumes and slippers to her sale of clothing and hopes to widen the range of items for sale in the future.
CASE STUDY

Maddegodage Wimalasena

1. INTRODUCTION

Name: Maddegodage Wimalasena
Date of birth: 30.03.1942
Age: 73 years.
Address: Bogahagodalla 6th Mile Post, Magedara.
Disability: Polio victim, mobility impaired.
Care-giver’s name: M.G. Amaradasa, Brother.
Suwasetha Registered Date: 14.05.2015
KOOK No.: KOOK No. 4.1.9
Grama Niladari Division: Magedara East.
Divisional Secretariat: Yakkalamulla.
District: Galle

2. FAMILY BACKGROUND

Maddegodage Wimalasena: He was identified by a Suwasetha CBR Field Officer. He has suffered from an attack of polio and his movements are limited. He is a single person and lives with his Brother’s family. He has a bicycle repair shop in the same premises he lives. Also, he turns out coconut shell spoons and ekel brooms for sale.

3. INTERVENTION OF THE GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS

He does not get any allowances from the Government.

4. INTERVENTION OF SARVODAYA SUWASETHA

Sarvodaya Suwasetha made a contribution of Rs. 10,000/- for Wimalasena to improve his project by purchasing parts for bicycles. The project is functioning satisfactorily.

5. RESULT

Wimalasena lives an independent life. His income has increased by repairing bicycles, selling coconut shell spoons and ekel brooms.
1. INTRODUCTION

Name: U.L.L. Ruby Victoria
Date of birth: 06.04 1972
Age: 43 years.
Address: Keravaliyaddde, Bopitiya, Mathugama
Disability: Daughter, Nimesha Priyanthi, suffering from fits.
Care-giver’s name: Mother: U.L.L. Ruby Victoria
Suwasetha Registered

Date: 07.03.2015
KOOK No.: KOOK No. 4.17
Grama Niladari Division: 802, Bopitiya West.
Divisional Secretariat: Mathugama
District: Kalutara

2. FAMILY BACKGROUND

Nimesha Priyanthi: She is the daughter of R.L. Thilak Priyantha, Father, and U.L.L. Ruby Victoria, Mother. They have 3 children, the eldest girl is married, Nimesha does not attend School, and the youngest girl is attending School.

3. INTERVENTION OF THE GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS

Nimesha Priyanthi receives a monthly allowance of Rs. 3,000/- from the Social Services Department, Mathugama. The Father has had training in making of shoes at Vidatha Resource Centre, Mathugama. He has his own business of making slippers at his residence.

4. INTERVENTION OF SARVODAYA SUWASETHA

Sarvodaya Suwasetha made a contribution of Rs. 10,000/- to improve his business of making slippers. Nimesha Priyanthi joins the Father. He sells the slippers at the weekly fair and Mathugama area.

5. RESULTS

The production of slippers has increased and a better income is derived. The purchase of medicine for Nimesha is possible now.
The finished products

Nimesha receives our contribution of Rs 10,000.00
**CASE STUDY**

**Weerakankanige Hemachandra Perera**

1. **INTRODUCTION**

   *Perera has gone to work in a house*

   **Name**: Weerakankanige Hemachandra Perera
   
   **Date of birth**: 23.07.1960
   
   **Age**: 55 years.
   
   **Address**: Egodawatte, Bellana.
   
   **Disability**: Mobility Impairment
   
   **Care-giver’s name**: He has brothers, but he lives alone.
   
   **Suwasetha -Registration**
   
   **Date**: 04.06.2015
   
   **KOOK No.**: KOOK No. 4.20
   
   **Grama Niladari Division**: 834, Bellana.
   
   **Divisional Secretariat**: Palindanuwara.
   
   **District**: Kalutara.

2. **FAMILY BACKGROUND**

   **Weerakankanige Hemachandra Perera**: He was identified by Suwasetha CBR Manager at a Seminar organized by the Divisional Secretariat, Palindanuwara for disabled persons about 15 years ago. As a self-employment project, he is engaged in weaving rattan chairs in houses. He lives alone on his own.

3. **INTERVENTION OF THE GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS**

   The Social Services Department, Palindanuwara, gives him an allowance of Rs. 3000/- per month and he gets Rs. 895/- monthly from the Samurdhi Fund.

4. **INTERVENTION OF SARVODAYA SUWASETHA**

   Sarvodaya Suwasetha made a contribution of Rs. 5,000/- to purchase requirements for his project. His skills are marketed in areas of Pelawatte, Bellana, Horana and Matugama. He is now thinking of expanding his project by turning out spoons from coconut shells.

5. **RESULTS**

   Perera visits houses to weave rattan chairs. His income has increased with Suwasetha’s contribution to purchase rattan. He earns his living.
Challenges:

Chandra Liyanage from Yakkalamulla whom we selected as a potential beneficiary for self-employment does not want to set up a self employment unit for him and we have replaced him with Hemachandra Perera.

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