

STEPS AHEAD

A MONTHLY NEWSLETTER FROM



I am happy to report the May '23 month updates in 5th edition of our monthly newsletter - 'STEPS AHEAD'.

Freedom Trust celebrated Annual gathering 'MILAN' on Sun, 28th May 23 at Alumni Club - Chennai. It was a great success with 150+ participants joining us for an evening of music, art and of the year that went by.

We had a wonderful music concert presented by our 'Pearls' (visually challenged students who are supported by Freedom Trust's – Shishu Punarjanmam program) who excelled in singing. We also witnessed the talent of national-award winning artists with hearing and speech impairments.

The welcome address by our Trustee Mr. Sankaran was followed by Dr Sunder's (Founder and Managing Trustee - Freedom Trust) presentation on the review of activities and achievement including distributing 1800 appliances and prosthetic limbs across India during the financial year 2022-23.

The annual report for FY 22-23 was unveiled by our special guests for the evening - Sri. Harish Lakshman (Vice Chairman, The RANE Group) and Dr. Bhooma Parthasarathy, (Trustee - Director, Thirumalai Charity Trust) The Chief Guests presented SEVA RATNA AWARD to Dr. Sriprakash, Dr S S Subramanian, Sri. Padmanathan & Sri. Hidhayathulla.

After the vote of thanks by Ravi Ayyangar- Advisor, our 'Pearls' rendered a scintillating light music program. The program was put together by Mrs. Usha Bharadwaj, one of the pillars of the Trust, who had put in a lot of effort towards training the 'Pearls' and organising the program. The Master of ceremonies was Mrs. Sukanya Sreenivas, who did a wonderful job in keeping the audience informed and entertained.

You may view the photos from our official website from the following link:

<https://www.freedomtrustchennai.org/Milan2023.php>

We thank all our donors, patrons and well-wishers for the whole hearted support to Freedom Trust!



ACTIVITIES OF THE MONTH

On 5th May '23, a Walk India distribution camp was held at Freedom Trust Office, Chennai sponsored by Mr. Hariharan & M/s Viswajayam Foundation to distribute 2 limbs to 2 young kids.

Thanks to Mr. Sekar of Viswajayam Foundation and Dr Sunder and Usha Bhardwaj of Freedom Trust to attend the camp.



On 6th May '23, a Walk India assessment camp was held at Korattur, Chennai sponsored by Rotary Club of Canada with 72 beneficiaries assessed.

Thanks to Dr Nagabooshanam who helped with local support and Dr Sunder and Sankaran of Freedom Trust to attend the camp.



On 12th May '23, a GVP distribution camp was held at Freedom Trust Office, Chennai sponsored by Mr. Gopal Wadhvani to distribute 2 appliances.

Thanks Dr Sunder of Freedom Trust to distribute the limbs.



On 21st May '23, a GVP distribution camp was held at Nadupazhani, Achirupakkam town near Chennai sponsored by individual donors (S. Hariharan, N.L. Raja Veena, R. Ram, Dr. Vijay Vishwanathan, Jayalakshmi Sekar, S V Sankaran, Rtn Parthasarathy).

Thanks to Dr Sunder, Usha Bhardwaj, Dr Siva subramanyam, R Ram and Jayalakshmi Sekar to attend the camp and distribute 52 appliances to 46 beneficiaries





On On 23rd May '23, a Walk India distribution camp was held at Kanchipuram sponsored by Iljin Automotive Pvt.Ltd

Thanks to Team Iljin led by Mr Ravi, Mr C. S. Rajan & D. S. Ravichandran who not only sponsored for the camp but also made all the local arrangements.

Sankaran and Ravi & Sumathy of Freedom Trust attended the camp and distribute 149 appliances to 118 beneficiaries.



On 25th and 31st May '23, Walk India assessment camps were held at Korattur, Chennai and Thiruvallur. Both the camps are sponsored by Rotary Club of Canada for the total 31 limbs which will be distributed in June month. Thanks Mr Srinivasan (DDRO) and Freedom Trust field officer Abhilash for organizing/supporting the camps.



UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

- 2nd June: Walk India assessment at Rayachoti, Andhra – Kaleesuvari Foundation
- 6th June: Walk India assessment at Vellore – Thirumalai Chemicals Ltd
- 09th June: Walk India assessment at Mysore – Kaleesuvari Foundation
- 15th June: Walk India distribution at Korattur Chennai – Rotary Club of Canada
- 18th June: GVP assessment at Kallidaikurichi, Tirunelveli – Hariharan
- 23rd & 24th June: Walk India assessment at Hosur – Hapag-Lloyd