

**Project Work Report of Anweshi Women's Counseling
Centre**

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April 1, 2022, to March 31, 2023

**Anweshi women's counselling centre
Kuthiravattam PO
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INTRODUCTION

Anweshi, established in 1993, is a women's organisation operating in Kozhikode. It is the largest women's organisation in the area. The primary aim of Anweshi is to empower women to face discrimination and violence in the family, workplace, and public spaces with courage and self-confidence.

Since 2008, Anweshi has been a service provider under the Kerala Women and Child Department, according to the legal act protecting women from domestic violence. Anweshi holds an A grade status from the Kerala Women Commission and received accreditation from the Kerala Social Justice Department in 2016.

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COUNSELLING

Anweshi provides counselling services to women who come with complaints, offering them mental support and working to resolve their issues by communicating with the involved parties. Women approach Anweshi with a variety of problems, and the organisation provides emotional support, suggestions, and assistance to help resolve these issues effectively.

The majority of complaints are related to domestic violence. Anweshi receives complaints from women, and the community workers visit the homes of the opposing parties to gather information, and invite them to Anweshi for counselling. Typically, three or four counselling sessions are required to address each complaint. If the issue is not resolved through counselling, it is referred to the legal aid cell for legal support. Cases involving mental health issues or drug addictions are referred to appropriate treatment centres. Various institutions, including the medical college, protection office, Boomika Centre, MHAT, panchayats, police stations, women's cells, and family courts, send cases to Anweshi.

From April 1, 2022, to March 31, 2023, the handling of complaints by Anweshi is outlined below.

Column - 1

Month	New cases	Follow up	Settled	Consultation
April	13	17	3	12
May	22	20	8	13
June	10	16	3	11
July	08	6	2	9
August	19	15	6	12
September	16	22	3	10
October	12	18	7	14
November	12	22	2	7
December	10	21	4	11
January	15	15	2	9
February	11	20	4	12
March	21	22	5	10
Total	169	214	49	130

From April 1, 2022, to March 31, 2023, Anweshi received the following types of complaints:

Column 2

Month	Domestic violence	property discrimination	Sexual exploitation/violence	Death/suicide/murder	Other
April	08	3	–	–	02
May	17	3	–	–	02
June	09	--	–	–	01
July	08	–	–	–	–
August	17	–	–	–	01
September	15	01	–	–	–
October	12	01	–	–	–
November	11	–	–	–	01
December	09	01	–	–	–
January	12	01	–	–	02
February	09	02	–	–	–
March	17	–	02	01	01
Total	144	12	02	01	10

Important cases came to Anweshi during this period has been described below

CASE - 1

A 62-year-old woman approached Anweshi with a complaint about her husband. They have been married for 35 years and have two daughters, both of whom are married. The woman and her husband were in love before they got married. Some

time after their marriage, issues began to arise. Her husband, who has a short temper, would become violent during conflicts. He was an alcoholic but later joined Alcoholics Anonymous and stopped drinking. However, he continued to harm his wife and would sometimes throw her out of their home. Additionally, the husband took 46.5 lakhs rupees given by the woman's father. Despite these challenges, the woman sacrificed for the well-being of her children and family life.

The woman approached Anweshi when she could no longer bear the issues of ageing and the health problems caused by her husband's violence. Anweshi workers visited the husband's house, gathered detailed information, and asked him to come to the Anweshi office. He complied and spoke with a counsellor. Both the husband and wife were called in for joint counselling sessions. The husband agreed to work on his short temper. They were referred to MHAT for detailed treatment and counselling due to their mental stress. With expert treatment and counselling, their problems were settled, and they are now living cordially together.

CASE - 2

The woman approached Anweshi with issues in her life. She has been married for nine years, and they have three children. Their marriage was arranged with the approval of both families. After their marriage, they moved to a rental house due to problems at the husband's home. The husband then went to Karnataka for his job. After he went to Karnataka for a job, her husband's behaviour changed dramatically. He began using and selling alcohol, marijuana, and other substances, which led to him being jailed for nine months. When drunk, he would attack her with a knife and other tools. On one occasion, he beat her so severely that she lost hearing in her left ear. He subjected their children to the same violent behaviour, torturing them as well. He would call them to wake them up and prevent them from sleeping, using threats to keep them awake. Fearing for her life and the safety of her children, she approached Anweshi for help, realising that continuing to live with her husband posed a serious threat to them all.

Anweshi workers visited the other party's home to gather information and asked him to come to the Anweshi office. He complied and spoke with the counsellor. He claimed that his wife was suspicious, which often led to conflicts when they

communicated. He also denied that her hearing loss was due to his actions, stating she had pre existing hearing issues, and denied using intoxicating substances, attributing his jail time to vehicle-related cases.

Anweshi provided continuous counselling for both of them. As they were both in the early stages of depression, they were referred to the psychological aid cell of Anweshi, “ MHAT”, for further treatment and counselling. After receiving treatment, their issues were settled to some extent, and they started living together on better terms.

CASE - 3

A 33-year-old woman, three months pregnant, came to Anweshi with a complaint against her husband, who was not allowing her to live in their house. She had previously filed a complaint with the police, but her husband's mother obtained an injunction order from the court, claiming the house belonged to her. This prevented the woman from living there, so she sought help from Anweshi.

Anweshi community workers visited the husband's home and asked him to come to the Anweshi office. He complied and spoke with the counsellor, stating that he couldn't allow her back into the house because he doubted the paternity of the twins she was carrying. He insisted that if a genetic test proved the children were his, he would only take custody of the kids and not accept her as his wife. The woman could not accept this decision, fearing he wouldn't care for the children properly and acknowledging that she couldn't look after two kids on her own. In this situation, she agreed to give the children up for adoption. Anweshi arranged for her to stay at their short stay home and provided treatment and counselling through MHAT (their psychological aid cell) due to the psychological issues she was facing. After the delivery, Anweshi workers coordinated with the Child Welfare Committee regarding the adoption of the kids. Following her discharge from the hospital, they accompanied her to St. Vincent's Home to finalise the adoption and ensured that all necessary arrangements were made.

Additionally, Anweshi negotiated a settlement with her husband, securing 2 lakhs as settlement money for her. They also retrieved her scooter from him. An

agreement was drawn up and signed by both parties in the presence of witnesses, thus settling the issue.

CASE - 4

A man approached Anweshi with a family issue involving his wife and three children. He works in concrete-related jobs, while his wife is a maid. They lived harmoniously until three years ago when issues arose due to his excessive alcohol use and his wife's suspicions. Three months ago, his wife left with their first two children and went to her parents' house.

In response, Anweshi workers visited their home to gather information and invited the wife to the office for counselling. She explained that she left because of his alcohol use, frequent quarrels, his threats of suicide, and his habit of leaving the house at night. Anweshi provided counselling for both of them. He agreed to stop using alcohol, and she was willing to return if he did.

He was sent to Mochana De-Addiction Centre at Kuthiravattam attached to the government mental hospital for treatment and counselling. As his alcohol use decreased and his behaviour improved, his wife returned, and they are now living together without any problems.

CASE - 5

A 32-year-old woman came to Anweshi with a complaint about her husband's use of alcohol and related issues. They have been married for six years and have a one-and-a-half-year-old daughter. Problems began shortly after their marriage due to his drinking, but they have worsened over the past three years. He drinks regularly, attacks her in front of his parents, doesn't work for months, and neglects both their child and household expenses. As a result, she had to return to her parents' home multiple times. Despite attempts at reconciliation, the situation would always revert to its previous state, making it impossible for her to continue living with him. Additionally, her gold given during marriage was in his possession.

In this situation, she approached Anweshi. Anweshi workers visited his house to gather information and asked him to come to their office. He complied, and both were given individual and joint counselling sessions. He claimed that he works as a carpenter, but sometimes he doesn't get work due to the nature of his job and expressed a willingness to find other work when necessary. However, he later caused trouble by attacking her at her parents' house.

Anweshi advised her to file a police complaint, and the women's cell provided counselling to both parties. Continuous counselling helped resolve the issue. Although the woman was not interested in returning to his home, she agreed to live with him in a rental house. He arranged for it, and now they are living together cordially.

CASE - 6

A 54-year-old woman came to Anweshi with her sister to sell property in her name, which her brother was refusing to allow. They used to look after the mother and sister until the family property was divided, with her brother using three parts to build a house and care for them. After their mother recently passed away, the woman, who had been married and divorced and was undergoing treatment for mental health issues, sought to sell her 44-cent property valued at 18,70,000 rupees, which was under her brother's control.

Anweshi provided her temporary accommodation in the Short-Stay Home while trying to settle the issue. Community workers visited her brother's house to gather information and invited him to the office, where he explained that they had been living well until another sister intervened, creating problems. He was unwilling to take her back but agreed to transfer the land and money.

To resolve the issue, Anweshi called in the woman's other four brothers and sisters. Another brother agreed to take responsibility for her, and her Rs.18,70,000 rupees were deposited in a fixed deposit account, with the interest intended for her caregiver. The property documents were also transferred to her.

During this process, the brother fell ill, making it impossible for the woman to stay with him. Anweshi then contacted another sister, who agreed to care for her. The woman's money, documents, and ATM card were transferred to this sister. Now, she is living without many issues.

CASE - 7

A 25-year-old woman sent a complaint to Anweshi via email, stating that her parents were keeping her under house arrest because she was in love with a boy from a different caste. They restricted her from using her mobile phone and only allowed her to use the computer in their presence. She was residing in Thrissur and did not provide her exact address, making direct intervention difficult. Anweshi contacted Advocate Rema, a supporter of the organisation, who took charge of the case.

Advocate Rama communicated with the woman and assured her of assistance. Upon learning that her family was coercing her into marrying someone else and subjecting her to torture, Advocate Rama alerted the police. The police summoned both the woman and her family to the station, where they discussed the matter with Advocate Rema present. The police instructed the family to cease the house arrest, returned her phone, and allowed her to resume her job.

With these interventions, the issue was settled for the time being.

CASE - 8

A 23-year-old woman came to Anweshi with a complaint that her husband is an alcohol addict. They had a love marriage and lived without issues for four years. However, problems began when he started drinking and creating conflicts, eventually becoming abusive. Despite her multiple complaints to the police, nothing changed. His continued alcohol use and abuse which forced her to move back to her parents' house. He then started calling her parents and using abusive language, making it impossible for her to live peacefully.

Seeking help, she approached Anweshi. Community workers visited her husband's house, gathered information, and asked him to come to the office. He came and

spoke with the counsellor, claiming that her alleged affair was the real issue, but he expressed a desire to live with her. Joint counselling sessions were held, but she was not willing to reconcile. He eventually accepted her decision, and both agreed to divorce without any dispute. An agreement was drafted based on this decision, and they submitted a mutual petition for divorce in the family court.

CASE - 9

A 35-year-old woman came to Anweshi with family issues. Her marriage, arranged by their parents, has three children. Problems arose after the marriage due to her husband's alcoholism and suspicion. He was unwilling to work regularly and, when he did work, he would spend his earnings on alcohol. Consequently, the woman had to support the family and cover all expenses with her tailoring job. They do not own a house and live in rented accommodations, frequently having to move due to her husband's behaviour. Despite complaints to the police, they received no justice. Her husband also showed no responsibility towards their three daughters and abused her in front of them, affecting their mental well-being.

Seeking help, she approached Anweshi. Based on her complaint, Anweshi workers visited her husband and asked him to come to the office. He admitted to being an alcoholic, accepted his mistakes, and expressed a willingness to change. He claimed that his unemployment was due to COVID-19 and promised not to cause further trouble, stating his desire to live with his family.

Anweshi provided joint counselling for both of them. She agreed to give him one more chance, under the condition that he accept her terms through Anweshi. If he failed, she would pursue a divorce. A written agreement was made in which he promised to stop drinking and take care of the family. Following this, she returned to live with him. Thus the matter was settled on her terms.

Clients Meeting

This meeting includes individuals who have previously filed complaints with Anweshi and have since settled their issues. Participants will share their experiences, discussing the problems they faced and how they were settled. Through this sharing, they can reduce stress and gain the self-confidence needed to face future life challenges.

Psychological Aid Cell

In cooperation with the Mental Health Action Trust (MHAT) located in Puthiyara, Kozhikode, a psychological aid cell began operating at Anweshi on December 16, 2021. Every Thursday, a clinical psychologist, psychiatric social worker, and mental health worker meet with clients to provide support. Psychiatric consultant prescribes medication when necessary.

Many cases at Anweshi involve women experiencing mental pressure due to violence. Counsellors refer these women to the psychological aid cell after assessing their mental health needs. The cell regularly meets with clients, provides ongoing support, and ensures proper follow-up.

Between April 2022 and March 31, 2023, the psychological aid cell provided counselling for 208 cases.

Month	New cases	Settled	Consultation	Follow up
April	2	–	1	15
May	4	–	–	09
June	7	2	3	10
July	4	2	1	10
August	3	1	2	19
September	1	–	–	11
October	2	1	1	14
November	3	–	2	12
December	1	1	1	14
January	4	–	–	20
February	–	–	–	23
March	2	1	1	18
Total	33	08	12	175

Community work

Community work involves community workers actively engaging with both parties, bringing them to Anweshi's office for resolution. They accompany women to police stations, courts, and other government institutions as needed for their complaints. Additionally, they organise seminars, workshops, legal aid classes, and awareness programs to educate and empower the community.

Field visits conducted from April 1, 2022, to March 31, 2023, are detailed below:

Month	Field visit	Police station visit	Organizing
April	16	3	5
May	28	2	6
June	15	2	4
July	13	–	5
August	24	3	6
September	19	2	4
October	18	3	5
November	19	2	4
December	18	3	7
January	20	2	7
February	19	1	5
March	27	2	3
Total	236	25	61

LEGAL AID CELL

Cases that cannot be resolved are referred to the legal aid cell. This cell provides various types of legal assistance to clients. Services include offering legal advice, filing complaints with the police, drafting agreements for cases settled through counselling, sending advocate notices, and filing cases in court.

From April 1, 2022, to March 31, 2023, the legal aid cell provided assistance in 56 cases.

Column 1

Month	Number of cases
April	06
May	11
June	10
July	03
August	02
September	04
October	05
November	05
December	06
January	07
February	07
March	16
Total	82

The method of providing legal assistance from April 1, 2022, to March 31, 2023

Month	Complaint filed in police station	Agreement	Case filing	Affidavit Filed in court	Allowed Case	Closed cases in court	Total
April	–	–	01	02	02	01	06
May	–	–	05	03	03	–	11
June	–	–	05	02	02	01	10
July	–	01	02	–	–	–	03
August	–	–	01	–	–	01	02

September	01	–	01	01	01	–	04
October	–	–	04	01	–	–	05
November	–	–	05	–	–	–	05
December	01	–	04	01	–	–	06
January	–	–	03	03	–	01	07
February	–	–	07	–	–	–	07
March	–	02	08	02	02	02	16
Total	02	03	46	15	10	06	82

Legal Literacy Classes

These classes are offered in both rural and urban areas to enlighten women about their rights and the law. They are conducted through Anganwadis, residents' associations, and Kudumbashree units.

Classes conducted from 2022 april 1st to 2023 march 31

Month	Number	Number of participants
April	06	$34+25+34+27+46+42=208$
May	05	$29+44+54+66+31=224$
June	–	–
July	04	$26+26+46+42=140$
August		–
September	01	42
October	04	$26+33+38+30=127$
November		–
December	04	$38+51+37+32=158$
january	03	$55+46+34=135$
February	04	$37+39+41+60=177$
March		–
Total	31	1211

Legal class held at Kottayithazham on 20-04-2022



Legal class held at Beypore on 27-07-2022



Legal class held at Velliparambu, Peruvayal on 08-01-2023



Legal class held at Perumanna, Thazhiltazham on 30-01-2023



Short Stay home

The Short Stay home provides protection for women and children until their problems are resolved. During their stay, they receive medical and legal assistance. Additionally, they are offered training in tailoring, jewellery making, and crafting to improve their mental well-being.

The number of women and children who stayed at the short stay home from April 1, 2022 to March 31, 2023.

Month	Women	Children	New admission
April	08	–	04
May	13	02	05
June	05	02	–
July	07	02	02
August	10	–	03
September	05	–	–
October	05	–	–
November	06	–	01
December	06	–	–
January	09	02	03
February	03	01	–
March	06	–	03
Total	83	09	21

Health Programme

Anweshi also focuses on the Medical College Hospital, addressing violence against women as a public health issue. It provides mental, social, and legal support to women seeking help at the hospital due to various forms of violence, empowering them to face these challenges.

After COVID-19, visiting the medical college wards became difficult due to restrictions on meeting patients and relatives. To navigate this, Anweshi coordinated with nurses in the surgery ward (burning cases), ENT ward, women's illness ward, and mental health department, asking them to refer victims of violence to Anweshi.

During this period, Anweshi handled and settled 7 cases from the surgery ward (burning cases), 3 cases from the ENT ward, 6 cases from the women's illness ward, and 6 cases from the mental health department.

Adolescent Project

Seminars, discussion classes, camps, and workshops are conducted for mothers, adolescent girls, boys, and teachers on topics such as health, law, personality development, counselling, and gender issues. These activities take place through primary health centres, Anganwadis, clubs, schools, and colleges.

From 2022 april 1 to 2023 march 31, classes are conducted as mentioned below

Month	Number	Number of participants
April	01	25
May	04	$47+31+31+56=165$
June	–	–
July	–	–
August	–	–
September	–	–
October	03	$43+34+31=108$
November	–	–
December	02	$37+38=75$
January	01	28
February	02	$52+23=75$
March	–	–
Total	13	476

Adolescent class held at Eranjikkal on 20-05-2022



Adolescent class held at Vaidyarangadi on 06-10-2022



Adolescent class held on 06-02-2023



Violence-Free Panchayats

As part of the initiative to make selected panchayats in the Kozhikode district violence-free, Anweshi is actively engaging with various stakeholders. The organisation is visiting these panchayats to meet with the panchayat members and presidents, aiming to revitalise the activities of the Jagratha Samithi. The efforts include visiting Anganwadis, police stations, and health centres within the panchayats.

Anweshi is providing assistance to ward members in each ward to combat violence against women. Unresolved issues from each ward are being directed to Anweshi for talking. The primary focus has been on activating the Jagratha Samithi in 8 panchayats from the Kunnamangalam block and 6 panchayats from the Chelannur block.

In April, significant progress was made in the panchayats of Kunnamangalam, Kuruvattur, Chathamangalam, Peruvayal, Perumanna, Mavur, Kodyathur, Karassery, Chelannur, Nenmanda, Thalakkulathur, Kakkodi, Kakkur, and Narikkuni. Classes for Jagratha Samithi members were organised in the 23 wards of the Kunnamangalam and Kuruvattur panchayats.

Classes were organised for Jagratha Samithi members from the 41 wards in the Mavur, Kodyathur, and Karassery panchayats during June, July, and August. In September, October, and November, similar classes were held for members from 45 wards of the Chathamangalam, Peruvayal, and Perumanna panchayats. In January and February, training sessions were conducted for 6 panchayats and 63 wards in the Chelannur block.

In each ward, the sessions included the participation of ward members and Anganwadi teachers as conveners. They noted that Jagratha Samithi meetings were not being conducted regularly due to the absence of reported cases. Therefore, we instructed them to arrange sittings whenever cases arise and to hold regular meetings even if there are no immediate cases to discuss.

As part of Kudumbasree's 25th-anniversary celebration, the secretary participated and delivered a speech about the Jagratha Samithi in the Perumanna, Peruvayal, and Chathamangalam panchayats.

Panchayat visits from 2022 april 1 to 2023 march 31

Month	Panchayat visit	Other institutes(police station, I.C.D.S office, kudumbasree office)
April	2	6
May	3	3
June	4	4
July	6	4
August	5	5
September	3	3
October	8	4
November	7	5
December	6	5
January	4	4
February	3	3
March	2	2
Total	53	48

Jagrata Samiti class held at Perumanpuram on 20-10-2022



Jagrata Samiti class held at Perumanna on 20-11-2022



Jagrata Samiti class held at Kattaangal on 30-01-2023



SEMINAR

Seminars are organised on topics like health, law, personality development, counselling, gender status, women's social security systems, POCSO act and current issues. The seminars are conducted by eminent persons in these fields. In rural and urban areas, the seminars will be conducted for Residence Association members, Kudumbashree Unit, Panchayat members, health workers, ICDS workers, school-college students, parents etc. generally 70-150 people participate in the seminars.

4 seminars, 2 awareness classes and 5 workshops were conducted during the period from 1st April 2022 to 31st March 2023.

1) On 11-10-2022 Seminar was conducted at Perumanna Panchayat Hall for Vigilance Committee members of the wards of Perumanna Panchayat. Perumanna Panchayat ICDS Supervisor Thankamani extended the welcome. Anweshi President K. Ajitha presided. Perumanna Panchayat President Shaji Putthalam inaugurated the seminar. Mr. Abdul Bari, Kozhikode District Officer, Department of Women and Child Development was the chief guest. Vice President of Perumanna Panchayat C. Usha, Chairperson of the Standing Committee on Welfare Perhasan Deepa Kampurath, Chairperson of CDS and others gave their greetings.

Perumanna Panchayat Community Women Facilitator Nisari Nandi gave the vote of thanks.

OISCA International Trainer Shri. Hemapalan took the class. Former CWC member KB Smitha took a class on gender status. Advocate Sajira took a class on Vigilance Committee and Women's Acts. 156 people participated in the seminar.





2) On November 23, 2022, Chathamangalam Gram Panchayat conducted a seminar for the Vigilance Committee members of the wards of Chathamangalam Panchayath at EMS Hall. P. Sreeja, Secretary of the Anweshi extended the welcome. Anweshi President K. Ajitha presided and Chathamangalam Gram Panchayat President Ghafoor inaugurated the seminar. Kozhikode Women and Child Development Department District Officer Mr. Abdul Bari was the chief guest. Chathamangalam Grama Panchayat Welfare Standing Committee Chairperson Reena Mandikavil, ICDS Supervisor Divya etc said Greetings. Chathamangalam Grama Panchayat Community Women Facilitator Anchusha also said thanks.

OISCA International Trainer Mr. Hemapalan took a class on Women's Safety and Empowerment through Vigilance Committees. Former CWC member KB Smitha took a class on gender status. Advocate Sajira took a class on Vigilance Committee and Women's Acts. 103 people participated in the seminar.





3) On 8th March, 2023, a seminar was conducted for the members of Kotuli Neighborhood Residents Association and second year MSW students of Holy Cross Institute of Management & Technology, Kozhikode, at Saroj Bhawan, Muthalakulam, Kozhikode. P. Sreeja, Secretary of the Anweshi, welcomed the guests. Anweshi President K. Ajitha inaugurated the event. Jose Mathew, HOD, Department of Social Work, Holy Cross Institute of Management & Technology, Kozhikode, expressed greetings. Holy Cross Institute of Management & Technology second year MSW student Darshana also expressed vote of thanks.

Advocate Sajira took a class on Vigilance Committee and Women Act. 62 people participated in the seminar.



4) On 23 March 2023, a seminar was conducted for Anganwadi Workers of Kakur and Chelannur Panchayath at Chelannur Block Panchayat Hall. P. Sreeja, Secretary of the Anweshi extended the welcome. Anweshi President K. Ajitha as chairperson, Chelannur Block Panchayat Welfare Standing Committee Chairperson Mrs. C. Sujatha inaugurated the seminar. Chelannur Block Panchayat Member Smt. Sheena, ICDS Supervisor Jyoti and others congratulated. Shriba.EP also thanked.

OISCA International Trainer Mr. Hemapalan conducted a class on Women's Safety and Empowerment through Vigilance Committees. P. Sreeja took a class on the

need and functions of the Vigilance Committee. 55 people participated in the seminar.



Awareness program

1) On 29 October 2022, a cancer awareness program was organised in collaboration with Malabar Hospital, Kozhikode at Tiyyati Kotuli Gurumandir (SNDP) Hall. Anweshi Secretary P. Sreeja extended welcome and Anweshi President K. Ajitha inaugurated the event. Dr. Fabin Feroze, Department of Gynecology, Malabar Hospital conducted the class. 36 people participated in the class. A class was held in detail on early detection of breast cancer, uterine cancer, ovarian cancer etc., and its various stages and treatment.



Workshop

Workshops are organised on topics such as health, law, personality development, counselling, gender status and women's social security systems. The workshop will be conducted as two to three day long residential programs for groups such as community activists, panchayat representatives in rural and urban areas.

35 to 50 people participate. The workshops are led by people who are experts in these fields.

1) On January 17, 2023, Chelannur 8/2 Grama Kendram Hall conducted a one-day workshop for the ward members of Chelannur, Nanmananda and Narikkuni Grama Panchayats and welcome address was given by the Secretary P. Sreeja. Anweshi President K. Ajitha presided and Chelannur Block Panchayat President K.P. Sunil Kumar inaugurated it. Chelannur Grama Panchayat President Mr. Nausheer PP, Nanmanda Gram Panchayat President Manikoth Krishnaveni and Narikkuni Grama Panchayat President Salim Cheruvattakuzhi extended their greetings. EP Sriba gave a vote of thanks.

Chief Facilitator of the Jagrata Samiti, Thiruvananthapuram, Srimati Geetha conducted a class on the importance of 'Jagrata Samiti', Gender Violence, Structure and formation of Jagrata Samiti. In the afternoon future events were planned, a mock presentation on Vigilance Committees and evaluation of the workshop was conducted. 46 members participated.





2) On January 18, 2023, a one-day workshop was conducted for the ward members of Talakulathur, Kakur and Kakoti village panchayats at the Chelannur Block Panchayat Hall. Anweshi Secretary P. Sreeja welcomed the members, the President K. Ajitha and the President of the Chelannur Block Panchayat K.P. Sunil Kumar inaugurated it. Kakur Gram Panchayat President CM Shaji, Thalakulathur Grama Panchayat President Mrs. KT Prameela, Kakkodi Grama Panchayat President K.P. Sheeba also offered their best wishes. C.S. Elizabeth gave a vote of thanks.

Jagrata Samiti Chief Facilitator, Thiruvananthapuram Ms. Geetha conducted a class on the importance of 'Jagrata Samiti', Gender Violence, structure and formation of the Jagrata Samiti. In the afternoon, future events were planned,

mock presentations on Vigilance Committees and evaluation of the workshop were conducted. 43 members participated.



3) Conducted a workshop for 3rd year general nursing students at Govt Nursing College, Kozhikode on 21st February 2023. P. Sreeja, Secretary of Anweshi extended the welcome. Nursing College Principal, Prof. Dr. Geethakumari presided. Kozhikode District Women and Child Development Department Officer Smt. Sabina Begum also inaugurated the workshop. Anweshi President K. Ajitha was the chief guest. College of Nursing Assistant Professor Sajna, Asst. Prof. Smt.

Ranju offered greetings. Student representative Shilpa Sasi also gave a vote of thanks

OISCA International Trainer Mr. Hemapalan took a class on "Service with Smile ". Advocate Sajira also took classes on the POCSO Act and Women's Rights Act. The workshop concluded with the assessment at 4 p.m. 60 students participated.





4) Conducted a workshop for 3rd year B.Sc Nursing students at Govt Nursing College, Kozhikode on 22nd February 2024. P. Sreeja, Secretary of Anweshi extended the welcome. Anweshi President K. Ajitha inaugurated the workshop. Nursing College Principal, Prof. Doctor Geethakumari VP was the president. College of Nursing Assistant Professor Dr. Sajith Kumar and Asst. Prof. Smt. Ranju gave felicitations. The student representative Diya. P also thanked.

OISCA International Trainer Mr. Hemapalan conducted a class on "Service with Smile ". Jagrata Samiti Chief Facilitator, Thiruvananthapuram Shrimati Geetha conducted a class on Gender & Gender Violence. The workshop concluded with evaluation at 4 pm. 94 students participated.





5) On February 23, 2023, a one-day workshop was conducted for Asha workers of Kozhikode Corporation at Saroj Bhavan, Muthalakulam, Kozhikode. P. Sreeja, Secretary of the Anweshi extended the welcome. Anweshi President K. Ajitha inaugurated the event. Jaseela Poolakadav said thanks.

Chief Facilitator of Jagrata Samiti, Thiruvananthapuram Srimati Geetha conducted a class on the importance of 'Jagrata Samiti', Gender Violence, Structure of Jagrata Samiti and its formation. In the afternoon future events were planned, a mock presentation on Vigilance Committees and evaluation of the workshop was conducted. 58 people participated in the workshop.



Women & Children's Home

Since June 2014, the Government has entrusted the management of the Women & Children's Home under the Kerala State Department of Women and Child Development to protect sexually abused girls under the age of 18 who were victims in POCSO act cases. Now the Women & Children's Home is functioning as an

Entry Home. Newly arrived children are sent to homes in other districts considering their mood. Now there are 16 girls under protection.

International Women's Day

On International Women's Day 8 March 2023 at 10 am at Saroj Bhawan, Kotuli Neighborhood Residents Association and Holy Cross Institute of Management & Technology, Kozhikode held a seminar for second year MSW students.

At 5 pm, in collaboration with second year MSW students of Holy Cross Institute of Management & Technology, Kozhikode was performed at Mofusal Bus Stand, Kozhikode, a street play and flash mob dance on contemporary women's issues. Anweshi President K. Ajitha inaugurated the event. Jose Mathew, HOD, Department of Social Work, Holy Cross Institute of Management & Technology, Kozhikode spoke. Holy Cross Institute of Management & Technology second year MSW student Darshana said vote of thanks.







Azadi Break the Curfew Strike- Medical College

On 20-11-2022, Anweshi workers staged a protest and dharna at the Medical College campus in solidarity with the 'Azadi Break the Curfew' agitation by female medical students after the authorities set different timings for male and female students to board the hostels for the medical college students.



Internship

Universities from Kerala, Law College, IMA and A.W.H, DSL University Visakhapatnam, Sanskrit University Tirur, Central University Kasaragod, CMS College of Science & Commerce Coimbatore, University of Calicut Women's Studies, MCT College of Legal Studies Melmuri Malappuram, Ignou University, Holy Cross College Nadakkavu, Rajagiri College of Social Science, Don Bosco Arts & Science College Angatikadav, W.M.O, Arts & Science College Muttill , 15 female students from all over have come for internship at Anweshi this year.

Orientation visit

College and school students who have taken social work as their elective subject in Kerala, visit Anweshi along with department heads to understand the work of Anweshi. Spending a day in the research and understanding the activities of the researcher, the research workers share their working experiences with the children and interact in a way that leads them to social activities. 186 students from 2 schools, 2 colleges and Mhat have come for orientation visit to Anweshi this year.





Women's Library & Reading Room

Anweshi Library Affiliated to the State Library Council, this library has 'B' grade' designation and has membership for women and girls only. Library Council grant and librarian allowance are available. Currently there are 13,412 books. More than 28 periodicals including 7 dailies are published. There are 368 members.

Women Empowerment Seminar, Environment Day, Reading Day, Reading Party, Granth Shala Day Celebration, History Festival and "To Change Superstitions" programs were organised at the library. Also, dance training classes are conducted in the library.



Magazine

Since December 2010, a women's magazine called Anweshi Sanghaditha has been published. This magazine is getting a very good response. It is very helpful for researchers and students at academic level. Due to the spread of Covid, the Sangaditha magazine has been made online from 2020. The April issue was released in August. Urvassi Bhutalia inaugurated the online version on October 2. Now the magazine is published online every month.


