

On 25 May 1947, at the age of twenty, Bhagawan Sri Sathya Sai Baba wrote a letter in reply to his brother's concerns outlining His mission and stating the purpose of His birth. Below is an excerpt from that historic letter written in Telugu script:



I have a Task: To faster all mankind and ensure for all of them lives full of bliss.

I have a Vow: To lead all who stray away from

the straight path again into goodness and save them.

I am attached to a Work that I love:

To remove the sufferings of the poor and grant them what they lack,

I have a reason to be proud, for I rescue all who worship and adore me.

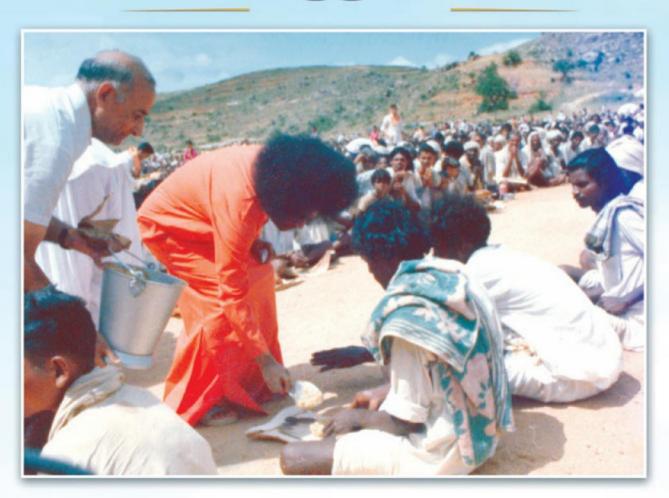
I have my definition of the Devotion I expect: Those devoted to me have to treat joy and grief, gain and loss, with equal fortilude.

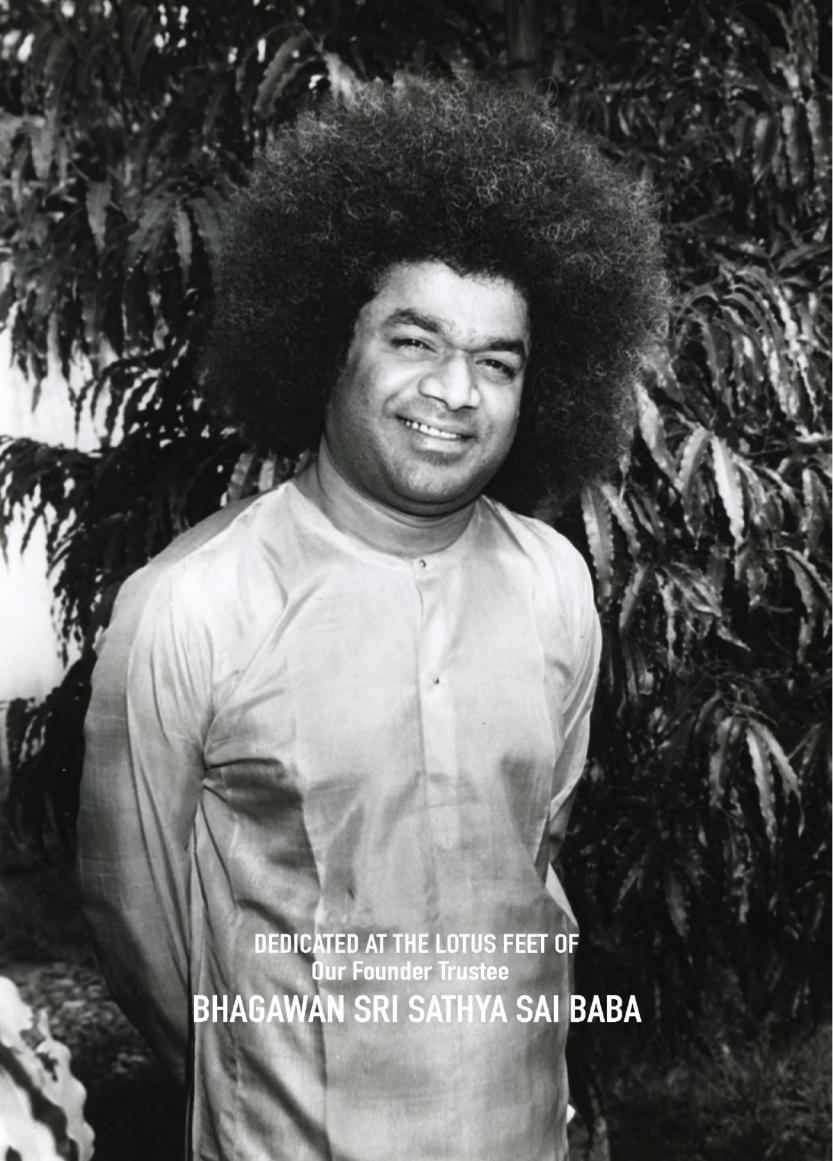
This means that I will never give up those who attach themselves to me.

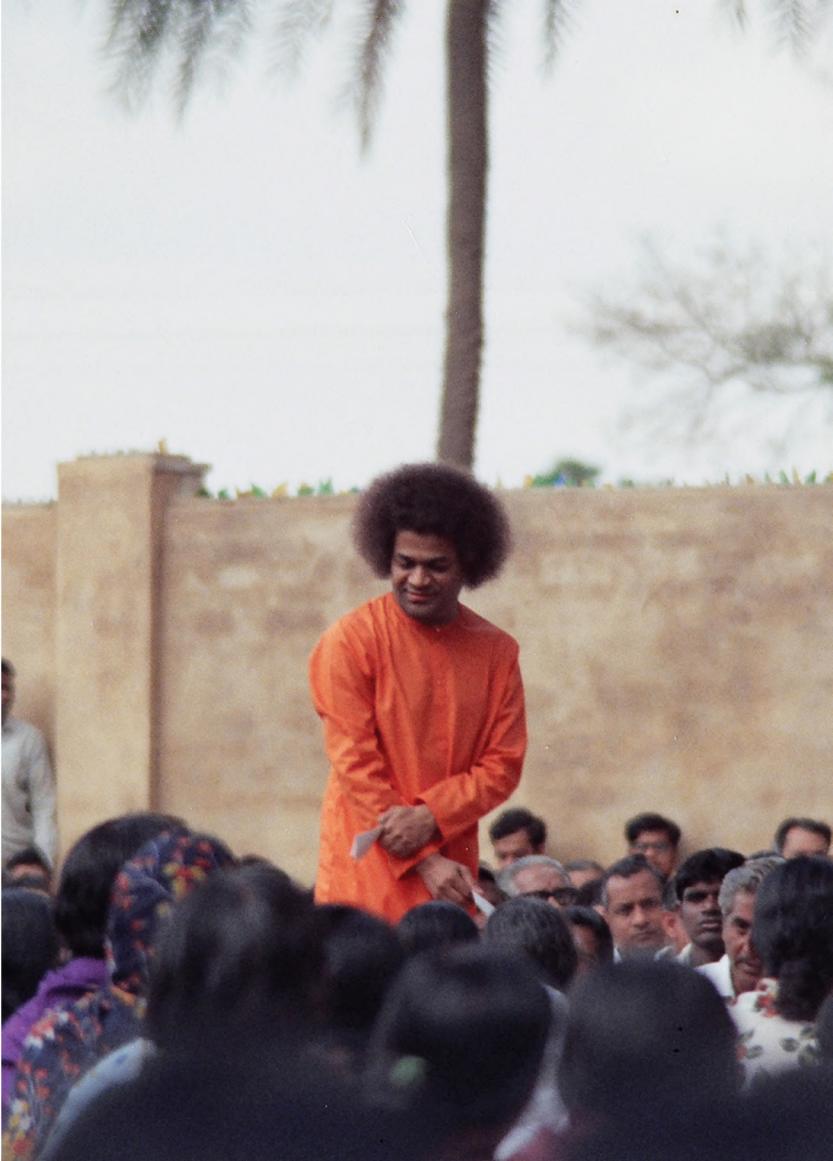
I will not give up my Missian, nor my Determination.

I know I will carry them out











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## SRI SATHYA SAI CENTRAL TRUST BOARD OF TRUSTEES

| No. | Name                                       | Background  |  |
|-----|--|---|--|
| 01  | Sri T.K.K. Bhagavat                        | Former Chairman of Indian Overseas Bank,<br>Former Advisor, International Monetary Fund   |  |
| 02  | Sri K. Chakravarthi,<br>I.A.S (Retd.)      | Former Collector & District Magistrate of Anantapuram District, Former Finance Secretary (Projects), Govt. of A P, Former Commissioner of Relief, Commissioner of Commercial Taxes, Govt. of A P, Former Registrar of Sri Sathya Sai Institute of Higher Learning |  |
| 03  | Justice A.P. Misra                         | Former Judge of the Supreme Court of India,<br>Former Chairman of Human Rights Commission (Uttar Pradesh),<br>Chairman Legal Education Committee of the Bar Council of India  |  |
| 04  | Dr. Vijay J Kelkar                         | Chairman of India Development Foundation, Former Chairman Finance Commission, Former Secretary, Economic Advisory Council to the Prime Minister of India  |  |
| 05  | Sri G.S.R.C.V. Prasad Rao<br>I.A.S (Retd.) | Former Secretary, Government of Andhra Pradesh,<br>Former Member AP Administrative Tribunal   |  |
| 06  | Dr. V. Mohan                               | Chairman and Chief of Diabetology at Dr. Mohan's<br>Diabetes Specialities Centre,<br>President and Director of Madras Diabetes Research<br>Foundation, Chennai.<br>Awarded Padma Shri by Govt. of India in 2012   |  |
| 07  | Sri. P. Vijay Bhaskar                      | Former Executive Director, Reserve Bank of India  |  |
| 08  | Sri S.S. Naganand                          | Chartered Accountant and Senior Advocate of the High Court<br>of Karnataka and the Supreme Court of India,<br>Former President Karnataka section of the International<br>Commission of Jurists  |  |
| 09  | Sri R. J. Rathnakar                        | Active Social Worker with an MBA from SSSIHL  |  |



### SRI SATHYA SAI MISSION

SSS Water Project, Anantapur Relief Works-Chennai Floods Water Purification Plants in AP Sewage Treatment Plant-Puttaparthi

Sri Sathya Sai Archives

Radio Sai

Sri Sathya Sai Vidya Vahini

SSS Institute of Higher Medical Sciences, Prasanthigram SSS Institute of Higher Medical Sciences, Whitefield SSS General Hospital, Prasanthi Nilayam SSS General Hospital, Whitefield SSS Mobile Hospital, Prasanthi Nilayam

SSS Primary School SSS Higher Secondary School SSS Gurukulam Eng Medium School, Rajahmundry SSS International Centre & School

Smt.Eswaramma Educational Society SSS Institute of Higher Learning- 4 Campuses & SSS Mirpuri College of Music SSSIHL - Centre for Advanced Research SSS Hostels - Schools & SSSIHL Teachers' Training Program by ISSE, Mumbai

Sri Sathya Sai State Trusts SSS Seva Organisation

Prasanthi Council SS International Organisation

Run by SSS Central Trust

Supported by SSS Central Trust

**Guided by SSS Central Trust** 

### **EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS SUPPORTED** DURING THE YEAR:

- Sri Sathya Sai Baba Nursery, Primary and High School, Mysuru, Karnataka
- Prasanthi Vidya Kendra, Bayar, Kasargod, Karnataka
- Sri Sathya Sai Vidya Kendra, Chokkady, Karnataka
- · Sri Sathya Sai Vidya Vihar, Aul, Kendrapara Dist., Odisha



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#### **AUDITOR'S REPORT**

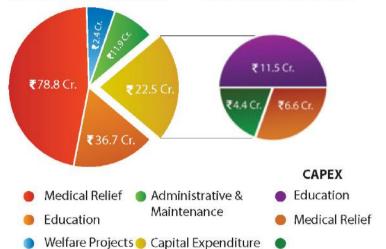
- 1) We have audited the attached Balance Sheet of SRI SATHYA SAI CENTRAL TRUST, PRASANTHI NILAYAM, as at 31st MARCH 2017 and Income & Expenditure Account for the year ended on that date, annexed thereto. These financial statements are the responsibility of the management of the said Trust. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.
- 2) We conducted the audit in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in India. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statements presentation. We believe that our audit provides for a reasonable basis for our opinion.
- 3) We further report that:-
- a) We have obtained all the information and explanations, which to the best of our knowledge and belief were necessary for the purposes of our audit.
- b) In our opinion proper books of account have been kept by the above named Trust so far as appears from our examination of those books and proper returns adequate for the purpose of our audit have been received from units not visited by us.
- c) The Balance Sheet and the Income and Expenditure Account dealt with by this report are in agreement with the books of account.
- d) In our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us, the accounts read with schedules and notes thereon give a true and fair view
  - i) In the case of the Balance Sheet, of the state of affairs of the Trust as at 31st March 2017; and
  - ii) In the case of Income & Expenditure Account, of excess of income over expenditure for the year ended on that date.

Place: PRASANTHI NILAYAM Date: 22<sup>nd</sup> Sept 2017 FOR SIVANANDAM & COMPANY
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Membership No 202128



#### INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT

#### REVENUE EXPENDITURE CAPITAL EXPENDITURE



| TOTAL INCOME        | ₹183.9 Cr. |  |  |  |  |
|---------------------|------------|--|--|--|--|
| TOTAL EXPENDITURE   |            |  |  |  |  |
| REVENUE EXPENDITURE | ₹129.8 Cr. |  |  |  |  |
| Capital Expenditure | ₹22.5 CR   |  |  |  |  |

In addition to the above income, donations of ₹19.8 Cr. towards Corpus fund were received.

#### COMPLIANCE & SOCIAL IMPACT

Our books of accounts are regularly audited by an eminent firm of auditors. Sri Sathya Sai Central Trust has consistently adhered to procedures of regulatory compliance required by various departments of the government. The Trust files income tax returns every year and responds promptly to any follow-up queries by the Income Tax Department. Reports required under Foreign Contribution Regulation Act, 1976 are regularly submitted to the Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India. The Trust has been filing a copy of the annual financial statements along with this statement giving details of additions / deletions to the assets of the Trust, with the Assistant Commissioner of Endowments, Anantapur every year as per subsection 10 of section 43 of the Andhra Pradesh Catholic and Hindu Religious Institutions and Endowments Act, 1987. The Trust has been prompt and timely in its history of compliance.

The value of the drinking water projects executed by the Central Trust and transferred to the Government and public so far, is around Rs. 500 Crore. Previous year, the Trust completed and handed over extension of water supply project covering an additional 138 habitations at a cost of Rs 75 Crores.

The Central Trust as also been offering free medical care to the needy through two General Hospitals, two Super Speciality Hospitals and as part of outreach program operates two Mobile Hospitals. The two Super Speciality Hospitals alone have provided totally free of cost services to the needy, (computed at CGHS rates) equivalent to Rs 77 Crores annually and during the last 5 years it is equivalent to Rs 374 Crores. If the treatment was provided by corporate hospitals of comparable level of sophisticated equipment and medical services provided by these two Super Speciality Hospitals, the savings would be much higher than these figures.

Similarly the Central Trust runs educational institutions from primary and secondary levels to undergraduate and post graduate courses and PhD degrees, providing contemporary quality academic programs with value orientation. This again is totally free to the students. The total number of students studying in all these institutions together exceeds 3,500.



#### HEALTHCARE:

Healing the society starts with healing the individual and this must emanate from a healthy body and an inspired mind. The activities of the Trust in healthcare continued to receive the major focus as in previous years, as the Trust seeks to increase its reach to patients, both in number and dimensions of care.

The Trust runs two super-specialty hospitals, one each at Prasanthigram and Whitefield, Bangalore. It also runs two general hospitals, one at Puttaparthi and another at Whitefield, Bangalore. In addition to tertiary care, the Trust also operates the Sri Sathya Sai Mobile Hospital that travels to the villages surrounding Puttaparthi throughout the year and provides primary and secondary medical care. The Sri Sathya Sai Hospitals perform thousands of advanced surgeries totally free of cost without any discrimination of caste, creed or economic status. They bring smile to the faces of economically distressed section of the masses for whom access to quality healthcare would have otherwise remained a distant dream.



| FY 2016-17                   | SSSIHMS<br>Prasanthigram | SSSIHMS<br>Whitefield |  |
|------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|--|
| OUT-PATIENT<br>Consultations | 193,782                  | 106,784               |  |
| SURGERIES                    | 10,829                   | 7,134                 |  |

Placed in the heart of an arid and rural region, the **Sri Sathya Sai Institute of Higher Medical Sciences**, **Prasanthigram** handled around 190,000 patient visits, averaging to around 600 footfalls per day. A total of around 10,000 surgeries were performed during the year, in the departments of Cardio-thoracic vascular surgery, Urology, Ophthalmology, Orthopaedics, and Plastic Surgery. The hospital's high-end diagnostic services and tertiary care make healthcare accessible to the lower sections of the society, with around 50% of all patients coming from below the poverty line.

The Hospital gratefully reminisced the immense services of Late Dr. H.S. Bhat, a legendary figure and a doyen of Urology in India, and his long association with the Hospital by organizing a one-day Continuing Education programme for doctors on kidney stones. Leading urologists from the country volunteered as resource persons for the programme, which was attended by 135 urologists. The Hospital also conducted a two-day International Orthopaedic Conference on Hip Replacement, which was attended by eminent orthopaedic surgeons from all over the world.



Sri Sathya Sai Institute of Higher Medical Sciences, Whitefield, Bangalore stands as a lifeline of health and a noble exception to the corporate healthcare landscape of Bangalore. With around 1,800 neurosurgeries and 3,700 cardiac surgeries and procedures, the hospital handled around 100,000 outpatient visits during the year.

The nursing college stands out uniquely in its value-oriented courses on holistic health and continues to impart nursing training while assisting in healthcare delivery at the Hospital.

In an effort to mitigate the urban energy crisis, the Hospital made significant strides into power-saving and power generation. A 100 KVA solar power plant was inaugurated in January 2017. The entire lighting in the Hospital was converted to LED reducing the power consumption by 50%. Steps have been initiated to set up 1,000 KWp solar power generation plant in Prasanthigram which is expected to be commissioned during the current financial year.



| FY 2016-17                   | SSSGH<br>Prasanthi<br>Nilayam | SSSGH<br>Whitefield | SSS<br>MOBILE<br>HOSPITAL |
|------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|
| OUT-PATIENT<br>Consultations | 328,891                       | 104,032             | 78,470                    |
| SURGERIES                    | 1,876                         | 1,617               | 189                       |

The Hospital continued its contributions to medical publications and research, with 27 publications in pub-med indexed journals and 12 scientific abstracts accepted by the Radiology Society of North America.

In a move to better align the services rendered to the patients, Sri Sathya Sai General Hospital, Whitefield, Bangalore was relocated into the premises of Sri Sathya Sai Institute of Higher Medical Sciences at Whitefield, Bangalore. The General Hospital operates on a distinct model of medical volunteering where private practitioners from the Bangalore City set aside a day for service at this hospital. With 100,000 patient visits and around 1,600 surgeries in various departments, the General Hospital ably complements the services rendered by the super-specialty hospital. The Hospital's significant focus on Laparoscopic surgery has reduced pre-operative and post-operative stay of the patients in the Hospital, thus helping treat more number of patients. This was extended to Urology and Gynaecology departments this year. Drawing inspiration from Bhagawan's unifying concepts of healthcare, the General Hospital commenced a Wellness Clinic that brings a theraupetic and holistic approach to healthcare, treating the body, mind and spirit.

In addition to providing treatment to the patients that visit the super-specialty hospitals in person, both the hospitals at Prasanthi Gram and Whitefield, Bangalore also provide tele-health services to satellite centres in West Bengal and Odisha, thus reducing the transporation costs and efforts of patients.



**Sri Sathya Sai General Hospital, Prasanthi Nilayam** stands as a 60-year-old, glorious testimony to the power of a simple noble thought; to establish an accessible and affordable hospital for villagers. The Hospital treated over 1,000 patients per day and performed around 3,000 surgeries during the year. Taking Bhagawan's concept of value-based healthcare forward, the Hospital conducted a one-day seminar on Integrative and Holistic Approach to Healthcare.

With around 1,500 child births during the year, the Hospital's continued leadership in Mother-and-Child care was reinforced with a one-day program on 'Basic Newborn Care Resuscitation' in December 2016 and the awareness lectures during the Breast-feeding week in August 2016. The Continuing Medical Education program on diabetes conducted under the guidance of Padma Shri Dr.V.Mohan, a pioneer in diabetic care, in September 2016 was attended by 120 delegates. Another similar program on Community Medicine held in June 2016 highlighted the services of the Hospital to the community.

Sri Sathya Sai Mobile Hospital, Prasanthi Nilayam acts as wings of the Trust's healthcare mission, reaching the treatment to the doorsteps of the poor and needy. Serving a population of 5 lakh villagers in 12 Mandals around Puttaparthi, the multi-specialty mobile hospital provided treatment and medicines to around 1,200 patients a month, through a band of 40 specialist doctors drawn from a pool of 350 voluntary doctors in 12 specialities. It acts as a vehicle of primary healthcare and continuous health assessment, delivering health education at the individual, family, group and community levels and following up on the medical conditions of the patients every month. With a mission to make the Puttaparthi Mandal, a "ZERO CATARACT" zone, the hospital acts as channeling partner for the Ophthalmology Department of Sri Sathya Sai Institute of Higher Medical Sciences, Prasanthigram.







#### **EDUCATION:**

Lighting the lives of people along its journey, the Trust continued to place significant emphasis on expansion of its activities in the field of Education, during the year. The Trust believes in a unique model of education that combines character-building and academics that are equally important for the wholesome transformation of an individual. Taking the distinctive approach to education founded on the bedrock of human values, the educational activities of the Trust are driven towards the three specific outcomes; of being spiritually aware, professionally sound and socially responsible. These outcomes can only be achieved by a Gurukula approach to education in a modern context, which has ethics and morals as the undercurrent in every subject and the teachers and students live and grow together.

The Trust supported **Sri Sathya Sai Institute of Higher Learning** financially during the year. The
Institute carries forward the educational goals of the
Trust in the higher education arena. It has an exceptional student-teacher ratio of 9:1 and almost
one-fifth of the final year postgraduate students
obtained top ranks at national level competitive
examinations during the year. To facilitate wider
exposure to the developments in academia and
industry and enable the exchange of ideas, the Institute conducted over 20 national and international
workshops and conferences during the year.



The Institute witnessed a remarkable upward trend in research with 200 research articles being published by the various departments. With over a hundred research scholars for the first time, the Institute continues to pursue needs-based research that helps in alleviating the problems of the poorer sections of the society. With an eye to establish synergistic partnerships for industry-relevant research, the Institute also partnered with the various Sri Sathya Sai Hospitals in Prasanthi Nilayam and Bangalore for research work related to the medical field.

The impact of the Institute's holistic approach to education can be seen from the fact that, on their own volition, students and teachers of the Institute work with local communities around the campuses throughout the year. Leper colony adoption, Monthly Food distribution to the poor, Visit to homes for the aged are just a few examples of these initiatives. In a true spirit of lateral collaboration with Sri Sathya Sai Institute of Higher Medical Sciences, the students also participated in a domiciliary outreach program of the Hospital. They set out to meet over 200 patients, spread across 15 states, who were treated at the hospital, to assure the families of continued concern and to collect feedback about their experience at the Hospital. A state of art instrument and Research Centre has been set up to facilitate inter-disciplinary Research in several fields of Science, Medicine and Bio-Technology.



Sri Sathya Sai Higher Secondary School, Prasanthi Nilayam has a mission to lay the foundation of noble character in the young minds so that they become ideal leaders who can shape the destiny of a nation. The school ensures a right mix of academics, spirituality, culture, sports and arts. The student-teacher ratio of the school is 11:1.96% of the students who passed out of the school during the year passed with distinction.

Sri Sathya Sai Gurukulam English Medium School at Rajamundhry also takes forward Bhagawan's educational ideals at the school level. The students regularly excel in ICSE sports and games competitions securing 96 medals at local, district, state and national levels. Two students from the school represented the Andhra Pradesh football team at the National ICSE Competitions this year. All the students who appeared for the ICSE, Class X examinations cleared the same with first class this year.

Smt. Eswaramma High School, Prasanthi Nilayam is run by Smt. Eswaramma Education Society. The said school is also run on the principles of Sri Sathya Sai Educare principles with a view to ensure holistic development of the students. The students of school excel on the academic front. One student of Class VI was chosen for special camp held at Bengaluru for two weeks where she was exposed to robotic sciences and DNA finger printing.

Sri Sathya Sai International Centre and School at New Delhi, is involved in the study, promotion and propagation of the importance of practicing human values in daily life. Keeping in tune with the technological trends of the modern times, the Centre runs a uniquely designed online course on human values called 'Discover Yourself'. It is a self-paced learning course anchored in Sri Sathya Sai Baba's philosophy of human values. Around 100 candidates finished the programme successfully this year. The centre also runs a primary school where most of the children are first-generation learners from the underprivileged sections of society.





#### SRI SATHYA SAI VIDYA VAHINI:

This programme seeks to achieve its mission of human values based education to all through its unique IIEP (Inspiring, Insightful, Enjoyable & Participative) learning experience across the four domains of Classroom, Corridor, Campus and Community (4C) model.

The above model is implemented through volunteers, fellowship scholars, teachers and others connected with education. The volunteer base of over 1,000 members, belonging to various professions from teachers to technologists, artists to social workers serving over 100 schools at various levels of engagement and expertise.

During the year 2016-2017, there were 20 fellowship scholars who engaged with various schools to implement the programme. During the year several training workshops for teachers were organized at Prasanthi Nilayam.









#### PROPAGATION OF HUMAN VALUES:

Bhagawan's Message has an equally significant role as was His Mission; truly the two are not distinct; His Mission was a demonstration of His message in action. The Radio Sai Division, now in its 16th year, continued to spread and create awareness about the teachings of Bhagawan Sri Sathya Sai Baba and His philosophy of human values. The languages currently offered by Radio Sai are English, Telugu, Hindi & Kannada.

In addition to web streams that broadcast interviews, discourses and music programmes, the Radio Sai Division has also migrated to video and generation of web video content, and to social media, in tune with the changing times and emerging accessibility through tablets and mobile phones. The Division organized the First International Workshop on disseminating Bhagawan's message through media during February 2017. It was attended by international media experts and a team from the Discovery channel.

Daily live audio streaming of morning & evening Vedam & Bhajan sessions direct from Sai Kulwant Hall (SKH) are provided. Besides audio streaming, all programs including cultural, staged in the SKH are web streamed live, which are seen globally.

Radio Sai also has a large viewer-listener base on its web and social media platforms like Facebook, Twitter and Instagram. The engagement on the Facebook page has gone up over time and the Facebook Live has been particularly popular amongst youth.



International Media Workshop at Prasanthi Nilayam - 18-19 Feb 2017



#### SRI SATHYA SAI ARCHIVES:

Sri Sathya Sai Central Trust has been able to collect a huge volume of photos of Baba, about a thousand audio recordings of his Discourses, over a hundred film reels that offer a vivid picture of Baba's service, several thousand video tapes of all vintage, and, most importantly, thousands of pages of hand-written manuscripts containing His teachings. Indeed, the existence of these unpublished manuscripts became known only after Baba withdrew from His Form. The Trust has just completed building a special building with facilities for hi-tech preservation of all the media-artifacts mentioned above. The storage facility has been designed and built to high international standards.





A special system for manuscript encasement, the first of its kind, has been built to achieve the sealing of original manuscripts penned by Bhagawan Baba in an inert atmosphere. This facility has been successfully tested recently.



#### **EDUCATIONAL CAMPUS AT DHARWAD:**

Post the acquisition of land, Construction of Buildings for School, College and Hostel were completed and inaugurated on 18.01.2017. The Sri Sathya Sai Educational Trust, Karnataka is running College and School on the Sri Sathya Sai Educare principles.

# SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANT FOR VIDYAGIRI, PRASANTHI NILAYAM:

Anantapur is one of the Districts in the Rayalaseema region of the Andhra Pradesh where there is acute shortage of water due to frequent failure of monsoon. Scarcity of water adversely affects the ecological environment. The Trust with an objective to reduce the solid waste pollution and ensure eco-friendly ambience had set up 700 KLD Sewage Treatment Plant which is an alternative method to maintain the ecological balance. This is treating the sewage from the various institutions located at Vidyagiri, Prasanthi Nllayam.



