

Loyola Extension Services,

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INTRODUCTION

Loyola Extension Services (LES) was established in 1986, as a Centre of Outreach of Loyola College of Social Sciences, Trivandrum. The ultimate objective of LES is to function as a field laboratory where the classroom concepts and theories of social sciences can be field-tested. Further, LES extends its services and activities to the following areas.

- To enable individuals, groups and social work organisations to be more efficient and effective in their respective fields of involvement.
- To undertake Training, Research and Consultancy services on areas of current social significance.
- To provide counselling services and legal guidance on family welfare, legal adoption and rehabilitation programmes.
- To involve itself in field level action research, social action and development programmes.
- To generate, collect, retain, interpret, publish and disseminate information, education and communication (IEC) materials.
- To create, develop, and sustain inter organizational linkages and networking systems among interested NGOs and voluntary organisations.
- To involve itself in the implementation and management of anti-poverty programmes and empowerment initiatives.
- To play an active advocacy role on social issues and development endeavours, especially of the marginalised.

FORMATION/TRAINING

LES is an accredited Training Institute, recognised by the Central and State Governments, and UNICEF. LES designs and conducts purpose-specific training programmes for professional and para professional social workers, Governmental and non-governmental officials, elected representatives of local bodies and social animators. In all its training programmes LES tries to integrate modern training and learning methodologies with appropriate educational tools, aids and equipments. Following are the major areas of training offered by the LES.

Major areas of Training

1. **Poverty Alleviation/Eradication:** Rethinking of development perspectives, Community Organisation, Community Development, Self-reliance Vs. Self-sufficiency, Community Based Organisations (CBOs), Community Convergence Action, etc.

2. **Women Empowerment:** Women's Emancipation, Women in Development, Gender and Sex Roles, Gender Issues, Women and Law, etc.
3. **Self-Help Group System:** Concept and Theory of Self Help Group (SHG) System, Resource Mobilisation, Thrift and Credit, Linkages with Banks, Community Financial Management etc.
4. **Project Design, Planning and Management:** Need Assessment, Feasibility Study, Project Designing, Project Planning, Project Proposal Writing, Project Implementation, Developing indicators, Management Information System, Project Monitoring and Evaluation, Report Writing etc.
5. **Leadership Development:** Personality Development, Leadership, Team Building and Team work, Communication, Decision-making, Conflict Management, Time and Stress Management, Developing Situational Leadership Theory etc.
6. **Counselling:** Counselling methods, Skills and practices, Rational Emotive Behaviour Therapy (REBT), Transactional Analysis (TA), Relaxation Therapy, etc.
7. **Participatory Rural/Urban Appraisal:** Participation, Participatory Learning and Action, Collecting Data vs Generating Data, Methods and Techniques for Generating Data, Social Analysis, Participatory Evaluation etc.
8. **Organisation Development:** Elements of an Organisation, Starting of an organisation, Resource Mobilisation, Human Resource Development and Personnel Management, Budgeting, Accounting, Office Procedures etc.
9. **Awareness Camps:** HIV/AIDS and STD; Health and Hygiene, Gender Sensitisation, Human Rights, Consumer Rights, Legal Literacy, Aging and Retirement Planning, Rights of the Child, Environmental issues, Globalization, Privatisation, Advocacy etc.
10. **Training of Trainers (TOT):** Training Need Assessment, Training Planning, Preparation of Training Modules, Training Strategy, Participatory Training Methodology, Preparing Training Aids etc.

RESEARCH

Research is an integral part of the services of LES. Under this head, various types of Social Surveys, Research on Social Issues, Action Research, Feasibility Studies, Project Evaluations, etc. are undertaken by LES, for the Central and State Governments, Donor Agencies, National and International Non-Governmental Organisations, Social Action Groups, etc. participatory Research/Evaluation methodology is very much used and the "stake-holder" concept is held very dear. Following are some of the Research/Evaluation projects undertaken by LES in various issues.

Child Welfare

- ❖ Street children in Kerala
- ❖ Special Home for boys, Thiruvananthapuram (for UNICEF)

- ❖ Children at work, Thiruvananthapuram (for ILO)
- ❖ Girl Children in Prostitution, in Kerala (for Kerala Women's Commission)
- ❖ Schools in Doldrums, Alappuzha (for WIN Society)

Welfare of Women

- ❖ Socio-economic condition of working women in Cashew Industry, Kollam (for Royal Danish Embassy)
- ❖ Women in Power – Study of Urban Women Councillors, Kerala (for UNICEF).

Health

- ❖ Situational analysis of Sexual Health among Slum Dwellers in Kerala (for SMA)

Participatory Project Evaluation

- ❖ Kattappana Integrated Development Project, Idukki (for CEVA)
- ❖ Trichur Integrated Development Project, Trichur (for CEVA)
- ❖ Impact of UBSP in Valiathura and Chala wards of Thiruvananthapuram Corporation
- ❖ Fishermen Community Development Programme, Quilon (for CEBEMO)
- ❖ Kuttanad Integrated Development Programme, Alappuzha (for CEVA and Karl Kubel Stiftung, Germany)
- ❖ Kottar Integrated Fishermen Development Programme, Kanyakumari, Tamil Nadu (for CEVA and Karl Kubel Stiftung, Germany)

Government Programmes

- ❖ Solid Waste Management in Thiruvananthapuram (for Thiruvananthapuram Corporation and World Bank)
- ❖ Benchmark Survey of 16 UBSP Towns in Kerala (for UNICEF and Govt. of Kerala)
- ❖ Role, Functions and Effectiveness of TOCs in UBSP Towns in Kerala (for UNICEF)
- ❖ Evaluation of NRY Programme in Kerala (for Government of Kerala)
- ❖ Rural Water Supply & Environmental Sanitation (GOK, World Bank)
- ❖ Tribal Development Plan (Govt. of Kerala and the World Bank)

CONSULTANCIES

LES is fully geared up to provide consultancy services to Governmental as well as Non-Governmental Organisations, Institutions and Agencies. Some of the thrust areas are:

- Child Labour
- Counselling
- Disability Management
- Empowerment of Women
- Gender Studies
- Gerontology
- Hospital Administration
- Labour Welfare

- Leadership
- Organisation Behaviour and Development
- Community Development
- Rehabilitation of Mentally Retarded
- Tribal Studies
- Human Resource Development
- Feasibility Studies
- Project Design, Planning and Management
- Management Information System
- Evaluation

FIELD INTERVENTION

Besides providing facilitating guidance and support to field level action groups throughout Kerala, LES has a field laboratory in the heart of Thiruvananthapuram. This was the Area Development society (ADS), consisting of 14 Neighbourhood (NHGs) of 340 poor women in Pattom and Kesavadasapuram wards of Thiruvananthapuram Corporation, where we experimented with the participatory process of enabling and empowering the poor women to be self reliant. This experiment provides ample learning opportunity to the trainers and the trainees of LES. After 15 years of our involvement none of them are poor.

Community Organisation – Women’s Empowerment Cell

Awareness programmes, Thrift, Credit Services, Self Employment/Income Generation Programme, Human Resource Development, Organisation Development and Development of Infrastructure are the major activities of this cell.

COUNSELLING

Loyola Family Counselling Centre (LFCC) provides counselling to individuals and families in situational and developmental crisis. Unresolved personal problems and crisis management compels clients to come in contact with the counselling centre. The counsellors provide free counselling services using current, reliable and practical techniques. LFCC functions with partial financial assistance from Central Social Welfare Board. It has direct linkage with the Family Court of Thiruvananthapuram and Kerala Women’s Commission.

LFCC also provides consultancy services on medical and legal matters, family welfare, etc. Its services are extended to the neighbouring communities, institutions and agencies. Legal literacy campaign and pre-marital counselling are the other two areas where LFCC is involved.

Loyola Student Counselling Centre (LSCC) is a centre primarily devoted to providing counselling services to the school children, college students in Trivandrum. There are also training programmes for teachers with a view to equip them with basic counselling skills.

ADOPTION CO-ORDINATING AGENCY (ACA)

ACA for Adoption was set up by the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, Government of India in different States with the aim of encouraging in-country adoption. The Thiruvananthapuram

chapter of ACA operates from LES. It provides information and guidance to prospective adoptive families relating to legal adoption and placing suitable children in their families.

CHILDLINE NODEL AGENCY

The childline is the latest addition in 2000 to the social labs of Loyola which functions as the nodal agency in Thiruvananthapuram district, focusing of the relief and rehabilitation of children in distress. Any child in distress or anyone aware of the distressing situation of any child in the district can avail the free telephone service round the clock (day and night) by dialing 1098. It is a project of the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment in partnership with the State Government, NGOs, Corporate sectors and concerned individuals.

Street children, child labourers, children who have been abused, child victims of flesh trade, disabled children, children in institutions, child drug addicts, children affected by HIV/AIDS, children affected by conflict or disasters and children whose families are in crisis are the ones who come within the ambit of its services.

PHYSICAL INFRASTRUCTURE

Hostel

Residential facilities are available within the campus to accommodate comfortably up to eighty participants at a time. Separate lodging facilities are available for men and women. The hostels are located in a peaceful location with good ventilation and basic infrastructure and safe drinking water.

Training Centre

LES has spacious, well-ventilated and furnished classrooms to accommodate more than 60 trainees/participants at a time. It has separate conference halls and workroom to conduct practical sessions, demonstrations etc.

The training centre is equipped with Television, Fax and photocopying machine, computers and printer, slide projector, LCD projector, Over Head Projector, black/white board and flannel board. In case of power failure, generator is available in reserve to supplement electricity. Furnished office rooms and facilities are available to the use of training staff and officials.

A public telephone booth with STD/ISD facilities is placed at the training centre for facilitating communication to outside.

Recreational and other Facilities

LES Campus is a dream location situated just outside the city of Thiruvananthapuram, in a clean, large, lush green and beautiful campus of Loyola. It has play grounds, indoor games and television and internet facilities. In addition, magazines, Daily newspaper of local and English are also available to the trainees.

LES has its own bus in addition to the public transport for the conveyance to the town or field area. Independent kitchen, canteen and catering facilities are available in the LES.

DETAILS OF RESEARCH STUDIES

SI No	Particulars	Year	For whom
01	Kattappana Integrated Development Project - Evaluation	1991	CEVA & Karl Kubel Stiftung, Germany
02	Trichur Integrated Development Project - Evaluation	1992	CEVA & Karl Kubel Stiftung, Germany
03	Solid waste Management in Thiruvananthapuram - Evaluation	1993	Thiruvananthapuram Corporation and World Bank
04	Report on Solid Waste Management in Thiruvananthapuram City - Survey	1993	Thiruvananthapuram Corporation and Govt. of Kerala
05	Nehru Rozgar Yojana in Kerala - Evaluation	1993	Govt. of Kerala
06	Benchmark Survey of 16 Towns as part of UBSP Programme -Survey	1993	Government of Kerala and UNICEF
07	“VVK” and “Jana Jagruthy” NGO in Alappuzha - Evaluation	1993	AMA and Fr. Aloysius Fernandez
08	Loyola social Welfare and Charitable Society, Poovar - Evaluation	1993	Society of Jesus, Kerala Province & Fr. K J Jose S J
09	Fishermen Community Development Programme, Kollam - Evaluation	1995	CEBEMO
10	Role, Functions and Effectiveness of TOCs in UBSP Towns in Kerala - Evaluation	1996	UNICEF
11	Children at Work - Child Labour in Trivandrum City – Research study	1996	International Labour Organisation and Govt. of Kerala
12	Girl Children in Prostitution in Kerala – Research Study	1997	Kerala Women’s Commission
13	Kuttanad Rehabilitation Project - A mid-term Evaluation	1997	CEVA & Karl Kubel Stiftung, Germany
14	Women in Power – Study of Urban Women Councilors in Kerala – Research	1997	UNICEF
15	Schools in Doldrums in Ernakulam and Alappuzha – Research	1998	WIN Society, Alappuzha
16	Kottar Integrated Fishermen Development Programme, Kanyakumari, Tamil Nadu - Evaluation	1999	CEVA & Karl Kubel Stiftung, Germany
17	Economic Profile of Commercial Sex Workers in Kerala – Research Study	1999	Association of Professional Social Workers in Kerala (APSWIK)
18	Tribal development Plan – Needs Assessment Study	2000	Government of Kerala & World Bank
19	Need Assessment Study for Capacity Building to KRWSA – Need Assessment Study	2000	World Bank & Govt. of Kerala
20	Development Induced Displacement in Kerala - Research	2000	ISI, New Delhi & Govt. of India
21	Situational Analysis of Sexual Health Among Slum Dwellers in Kerala – Research Study	2000	State Management Agency (SMA) & Govt. of Kerala.
22	Towards Comprehensive HRD Plan for the Decentralized Plan for DPCP - Nepal –	2000	His Majesty’s Government of Nepal, And UNICEF,

	Feasibility Study		
23	Empowering Women: a study of Self-Help Groups of WIN Society, Alappuzha – Evaluation	2001	WIN Center, Alappuzha & Sophia College, Tokyo.
24	“Malayora Samagra Vikasanam Mukundapuram (MaSaViM)” of AVARD, Chalakudy - Evaluation	2001	CEVA & Karl Kubel Stiftung, Germany
25	Rural water supply and Environmental Sanitation – Needs Assessment	2001	Government of Kerala & World Bank
26	Nirmala ITC, Pariyaram, run by the Jesuits – Evaluation	2001	Society of Jesus, Kerala Province
27	Pious – X ITC, Edathwa, run by the Jesuits – Evaluation	2001	Society of Jesus, Kerala Province
28	Tribal Unity for Development Initiatives (TUDI), Pariyaram – Evaluation	2002	Society of Jesus, Kerala Province
29	The Impact of UBSP in Valiyathura and Chala Wards of TVPM Corporation - Evaluation	2002	Loyola and UNICEF
30	Arogya Swayam Sahaya Sanghm (ASWASAM) - Evaluation	2003	Community Medicine Department, Medical College, Thiruvananthapuram
31	Socio-Economic Study of Thiruvananthapuram and Kollam Corporations - Evaluation	2004	Kerala Sustainable Urban Development Project
32	Comparative Study of SHGs of NGOs and GONGO - Research	2004	Ministry of HRD, Department of Women Child Development – New Delhi
33	Housing and Empowerment and Life Promotion 2000 (HELP-2000) - Evaluation	2004	Sreyas Vanitha Samaja (SVS) Changanassery and Manos Unidas, Madrid
34	Empowering Panchayat- An action Research Report	2004-2006	Funded by Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation
35	Watershed Development Project - An Action Research Report	2006-2007	Funded by Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation
36	Kerala State Transport Project (KSTP) – NGO Consultant – Research Report	2003-2007	Govt. of Kerala & World Bank
37	Preparation of District Perspective Plan for Thiruvananthapuram District under NREGA – Expert Agency Report	2008-2009	Central Govt. & Govt. of Kerala
38	Cheru Resmi Center, Valiyathura by ICM Congregation - Evaluation	2009	ICM Congregation, Tamil Nadu

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