



## Chezhumai

**The best time to plant a tree is twenty years ago. The second best time is now – Plant Trees**

### Green Vision Small Group

This Small Group is doing the tree planting work at Adhilavakkam Village at Placepalayam Center, Thiruvallur District. Their Node Center is at DB Puram. There are more than 5 different species like, Cashew, Guava, Mango, Red Cedar, Teak of trees planted in a huge area of 95 acres. The members of this group have given good spacing in between each trees, so that, all the trees grow well.

## செழுமை

ku' fi s gaḥbraa Vwwf;  
fhykhf , Uej J , UgJ  
tUI' fS fF Kd;  
, uz lhtJ rwej fhyk;  
, ffhyk;- vdnt ku' fs;  
tshgngkh;

fḥhd; tḥ d; rḥW FG

, rḥW FG jḥUtsS th;  
khtl j j py; css  
gns! ghi sak; i kajij  
nrhej mj pythffk;  
fḥkhj j py; ku' fs; gaḥ;  
braJ tshffḥwhhfs;  
, thfsḥd; nehL i kak; oḥp  
gḥk; , thfsḥk; leJ  
bttntW , d ti ffshd  
Kej ḥḥ/ bfhaah/ kh/ rḥtgg[  
nj tj hU kuk/ nj fF  
nghdwi t fi s 95 Vffḥpy;  
gaḥ; braJ tshffḥwhhfs;  
ku' fS fF , i l na eyy  
, i l btsp cssj hy;  
ku' fs; edwhf tshffḥW.

**TIST**  
The International Small  
Group & Tree Planting  
Program



During 13<sup>th</sup> August 2007 quantification, there are 14,540 one year old trees and 13,250 seedlings ready for transplanting during the rainy season. The members of this group take great care of the

13 Mf! I; 2007 y; el ej Matp dgo 14/450 xU tUI ku' fS k; 13/250 tpi j ehwWFS k; ki Hfhyj j py; , I khwW gaphbraa j ahuhf cssJ. , ej FGt p d; m' fjj pdhfs; tpi j ehwWfi s kpf ftdkhf



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fihld; t p d; rjW FG



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fihld; t p d; rjW FG

seedlings. The seedlings are kept in a shed to prevent from direct sun light. Few species of trees are given

tshffpw hfs; T I k; mi kj J tpi j ehwWfi s tshggj hy; Nhp xsp d; neh; j hfFj y;



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support with a stick tied, so that, those trees grow tall and do not spread down on the ground. The members use good water management system to water all the trees and seedlings with the available water. Small Groups who wish to plant Cashew, Guava, Red Cedar and Teak can get advice from the members of this Small Group.

j t p h f f g g L f p w J. rpy , dti f ehwWfi s fkg[ bfhlj J j h' f bratj hy; eyy caukhf tsUk; ku' fsp d; fpi sfs; ji uapy; t p h hky; j t p h f f g g L f p w J. , Uggpy; css efi u i tj J , thfs; ku' fS fFk; tpi j ehwWFS fFk; nji tahd efi u eyyKi wapy; gharRf p w h f s; Kej thp/ bfhaah/ nj tj hU/ nj fF nghdw , dti ffi s gaph; braa t p Ukg h t h h; , ej m' fjj pdhfs p k; mwpt[ ufs; bgwWfbfhssyhk;

## Opinion Poll

TIST had an opinion poll at Semboondy Village. Almost all the Small Groups at Semboondy Village have good opinion about TIST Project. Find below the questionnaire with answer from Sakthi Vinayagar Small Group of Semboondy.

### Questionnaire with answer from Sakthi Vinayagar Small Group of Semboondy

1. Do you believe that the socio-economic situation of the region (where the project activity is implemented) will improve due to the project activity?

Yes, there would be improvement in socio-economic situation and we should also work hard for the same

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fz jgg[ Mai t nkwbfhz IJ. mj py;  
VwFFi wa vyyh rWFFGffS k;  
ol v! o j p l' fi sg; gwwpeyy fUj J  
bfhz Lssdh; rfj p tpdhafh;  
rWFGtpdh; ghj j p braJ bfhLj j  
tpdh-tpi l gotk; f p H  
bfhLffggL LssJ.

rfj p tpdhafh; rWFGtpdh; tpi l fs;

1. ol v! o ephj j p tUk;  
brayghLfs; css , l' fs py;  
r\_f bghUshj hu nkkghL VwgLk;  
vdW ekgf pdwhfsh?

Mk; eprakhf r\_f bghUshj hu  
nkkghL VwgLk; mj wfhf  
ehKk; edwhf ci Hffntz Lk;



Sakthi Vinayagar Small Group / rfj p tpdhafh; rW FG



2. Is the implementation of Reforestation project able to improve the environmental situation in the surrounding area?

Yes, we see our village surrounding have turned green due to planting trees

3. Would you recommend authorities to develop projects of this nature?

Yes, we wish this project develops more and more

4. Do you think "the project activity" will contribute to local employment generation in lower economic sector in the region?

Yes, we also get yield from our trees in addition to the TIST Voucher payment

5. Do you think "the project activity" will contribute to Sustainable Development of the region?

Yes. We have planted long standing trees and TIST has also committed to be with us for decades

6. Any additional comments on the project activity and suggestions to improve Sustainable Development through this project or such projects?

We wish this project grows more and more.

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3. , J nghdw j p l l ' fi s mj pfhhpfs; nkYk; mj pfhpff ntz Lk; vdW epi dffpwfhfsh?

Mk; , JnghdW , dWk; mj pf j p l l ' fS k; brayghLFS k; tu ntz Lk;

4. , ej j p l l ' fS k; brayghLFS k; bghUshj hu epi yary; Fi wthf css gFj pfsy; nti ythaggl VwgLj J k;vdW epi dffpwfhfsh?

Mk; ol v! o apd; ttfrh; ngbkdl; kl Lkpdwp , ej ku' fS k; T Lj y; tUkhdk;bgwW j Ufpuj .

5. , ej j p l l khdJ braygLk; gFj pfsy; epi yahd nkkghL Vwgl thaggsrffpuj vdW epi dffpwfhfsh?

Mk; eh' fs; elz l Maš i l a ku' fi s gahbra;Jssj hy; ol v! o apd; v' fS fF VwggL Lss cwt[ elz l fhyj j puF epi yfFk;

6. , ej j p l l ' fS; nkYk; tshrpai la c' fs; fUj J ffi sak; Mnyhri d fi sak; e' fs; T wyhk;

, Jnghdw j p l l ' fs; edwhf tshrpai l e;J gyd; j untz Lk; vldgnj v' fs;tUggk;



## Useful Trees to Grow

### Wood Apple Tree

Wood apple is an erect, slow-growing tree with a few upward-reaching branches bending outward near the summit where they are subdivided into slender branchlets drooping at the tips. The bark is ridged, fissured and scaly and there are sharp spines. The deciduous, alternate leaves, 3 to 5 in long, dark-green, leathery, often minutely toothed, blunt or notched at the apex, are dotted with oil glands and slightly lemon-scented when crushed. Yellowish green flowers, tinged with red, 1/2 in across, are borne in small, loose, terminal or lateral panicles. The tree is mostly known for its hard woody fruit, size of a tennis ball, round to oval in shape. The pulp is brown, mealy, odorous, resinous, astringent, acid or sweetish, with numerous small, white seeds scattered through it. Wood Apple is famous during the Vinayagar Chaturthi Festival. This hard woody fruit is presented to Lord Ganesa during the Festival.



Wood Apple / t̥y̥hk;gH

t̥shggj wF gaDss ku' fs;

t̥y̥hk;gH kuk;

, ej kuk;neuhf/ tshrr̥p̥y;bkJ thf  
tsUk;j di k bfhz LssJ. f̥i sfs;  
elz L tshe;J/ bkyyp̥a f̥i sfsf  
gh̥e;J bj h' f̥p bfhz oUfFk/  
kuggl i l fodkhft̥k/  
btoggnshLk; brj̥s̥fshf  
fhz ggLk; elz l T w̥p̥a Kl fS k;  
, UfFk/ tUl k;nj hWk;, i ya[̥h̥fFk;  
, dti fi a rhhej , ej kujj̥p̥d;  
, i yfs; 3 Kj y; 5 elz l , Uz l  
gri r epw̥j j̥p̥y nj hy;nghdw/ kG' f̥p̥a  
Ki d bfhz L vdi d Js̥p̥fs;nghdw  
g̥s̥p̥fs; bfhz L eh̥f̥p̥dhy;  
vYk̥p̥ri r kz k; t̥r̥ T oa , i yfshf  
cssJ. k" fs;  
kwWk; gri r fyej  
epwk;bfhz l g̥f̥fs;  
, UfFk; , ej kuk/  
kuffl i l nghdw  
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g̥f̥H̥bgw̥wj hF k/  
, ggHk; bl d̥p̥l ;  
ge;J nghd w  
cUz j l kwWk;  
Kl j l tot̥p̥y;  
, UfFk/ , ggHk;  
gGgg[ epw̥j j̥p̥y/  
ri j ahf kd̥k̥p̥d̥w̥p̥  
, d̥p̥i kahf epi wa  
btsi s epw  
t̥p̥i j fs; bfhz oUfFk; t̥p̥ehaf  
rJh̥j̥j̥p̥rkaj̥j̥p̥y;, ggH' fs;mj̥p̥f̥khf  
nj i tggLk; t̥p̥ehafh̥fF gi l ff  
, ggH' fs;gadgLj̥j̥ggl LtUf̥p̥wJ.

**Pachiamman Small Group – Semboondy Node Center**

Our Small Group is working very well under Semboondy Node Center. Pachiamman Small Group was registered in 2006. This Small Group has planted casuarinas and some Indian Species. This group has about 24,700 trees. This kind of trees can grow well in sandy soil areas. Moreover, we have planned to plant long standing trees. This will be done in the forthcoming rainy season.

All the Small Groups which belong to the Semboondy Node Center are



Pachiamman Small Group / gri rakkd; rW FG

working very well. All the women members participate regularly in the Node Meetings. The benefits of the tree depend on the growth of the trees. The planting of trees contribute much to the improvement of environmental situation and economy of the surrounding areas.

gri rakkd; rW FG - brkgfz o nehL i kak;

v' fs; rW FG brkgfz o nehL i kaj j py; rW gghf braygl Lt Uf pWJ. gri rakkd; rW FG 2006 - y; gj pt [ braaggl J. , fFGt py; rt fF kwWk; , ju , ej pa ku' fs; i tj j snshk; , kk' fsp d; vz z pfj f 24.700 MFk; , kku' fs; tz l y; kz ; kwWk; kz y; gFj pa py; thHf; T oai t. nkYk; elz l fhy kuk; el t [ braa eh' fs; Mhtj nj hL csnskh; , ej tUI ki Hffhy' fsp y; kuffz wfi s el t [ braf nwhk;

brkgfz o nehL i kaj j py; css mi z j j rW FG ffs k; , i z e j rW gghf braygl f pWJ. , ej nehL i kaj j py; khj hej mu T l j j pd; nghJ mi z j j bgz ; cWggz hfS k;



Semboondy Node / brkgfz o nehL

fyj j fbfhz L braygl f pwhhfs; ku' fsp d; tshrrpi ag; bghUj j mj d; gad fs; j Uk; ku' fsp d; gad; vdd vdW ghhj j hy; R wW R(Hi y fhggJ l d; bghUshj uj j j a k; mj pfhpf f yhk; , kkuffz Wfi s tshggj d; \_yk; v' fs; Chpy; css FG ffs; mi z j j k; nrheJ khj enj hUk; Kj yt huk; rd pf f Hi kadW FG ffs py; css eghfs; xdW To ngr thaggsj J ssJ.

All the members of all the Small Groups in our area get together every month on the first Saturday to discuss about our activities. Our trees also help to control the pollution caused from motor vehicles. TIST pays us once in very



Semboondy Women Members /  
brkgfz p bgz ;cWggpdhfs;

three month for the maintenance of the trees. WE grow these trees in the hope of getting good benefit from them after period of twenty years. We are able to make this possible only with the help of our TIST.

**G.Kumaravel, Pachaiamman Small Group, Semboondy**

### Tindivanam Center

Thellar is about 15 km from Vandhavasi. TIST India had a meeting at Thellar on 7th July and 12th August 2007. Few villagers participated in the meeting and came forward and joined in TIST Small Group. 17 New Small Groups were recruited during July-August 2007 at Thellar area.

kwWk; g[ f tz oapdh; VwgLk; khRffi s fl LggLj ;tj wfF eh' fs; tshfFk; kuk; gadgLfµJ. nkYk; , j d;\_ykhf v' fS fF \_dW khj j j µwfF xU Ki w , ej kuffdWfi s ngdµf; fhggj wffhf TIST eµWtdk; mj wfF j Fej Cj µak;j UfµJ. t sheJ kukhfµa gµd;



Semboondy Women Members /  
brkgfz p bgz ;cWggpdhfs;

, UgJ Mz LfS fF gµd; v' fS fF eyy gadj Uk; vdW ekµfi fa[d; ngdµf; fhffµdnwhk; , j wfF KG fhuz k; v' fs; TIST eµW tz kj hd;

, ggofF gri rakkd;µW FG - #µ Fkhunty

j µz ot dk; i kak;

bj sshh; tej thrpµµµeJ Rkhh; 15 fµkµ bj hi ytpµ; cssJ. ol v! p , ej µah bj sshhµ; #µ y 7 kwWk; 12 Mf! I ; 2007y; T I I k; el j j µaJ. rµy fµhk kffs; , j µy; fyeJ bfhz L o#v! p µW FGtµ; nrheJ bfhz lhhfs; Mfnt bj sshhµ; fl ej #µ y - Mf! I ; khj j j µy; 17 g[ µa µW FGffs;nj ht [braaggl I J.



1. Shri Ram Jayam Small Group
2. Krishna Small Group
3. Naval Small Group
4. Jansi Rani Small Group
5. Ellaiamman Small Group
6. Amman Small Group
7. Mahalakshmi Small Group
8. Mullai Small Group
9. Malligai Small Group
10. Roja Small Group
11. Raja Small Group
12. Kalikambal Small Group
13. Nithyashree Small Group
14. Roja Small Group
15. Sivaji Small Group
16. Muthu Small Group
17. Arunachalam Small Group

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5. vyi yakkd; rW FG
6. mkkd; rW FG
7. kfhyI Rk p rW FG
8. Kyi y rW FG
9. kyyi f rW FG
10. nuh#h rW FG
11. uh#h rW FG
12. fhypf hkg h s; rW FG
13. eji a\ thp rW FG
14. nuh#h rW FG
15. rpt h#p rW FG
16. Kj J rW FG
17. mUz hrryk; rW FG



All upcoming new Small Group make sure that your quantifier makes a baseline quantification of your land where you would be planting trees. Baseline quantification should be done before plant trees.

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 ga h braa ngh F k; epy' fi s  
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 bra J bf h s s n t z L k; , e j Mat [  
 ku' fi s ga h bra t j w F K d d j h f n t  
 bra aggl n t z L k;



**Amman Small Group**

mkkd; rjW FG

This Small Group has planted trees under TIST program at Saluki Village, Mel Kodungalur Center. They have two different species like Casuarina and Eucalyptus. During 17th May 2007 Quantification they have 6,240 Casuarina and 3,360 Eucalyptus trees in two different groves. They would be planting yet another species of trees during this rainy season. The members of this group water their trees regularly and weeds are removed whenever required.

, ej rjW FG olv! o epfHtpd; \_ykhf rhYffp fpuhkj j py; ku' fi s gaḥbraJssJ. , j d; i kak; nky; bfhL' fY]h/ , thfs; rtfF kwWk; i j y , dti f ku' fi s gaḥbraJssdh/ 17 nk 2007 Matpd; rkak; 6/240 rtfF ku' fS k; 3/360 i j y ku' fS k; , uz L bttntW epj Jz Lfsy; gaḥbraaggl L , Uej J/ , thfs; btF tpi uty; TLj yhd gy , dti f ku' fi s gaḥbraa cssdh; , ej FGtpd; m' fj j pdhfs; j' fs; ku' fS ff xG' fhf elhggharRtJId; nj i tggLk; rkak; fpi sfi s mfwwp edwhf ftdj Jf;bfhsfpvhhfs;



Amman Small Group  
mkkd; rjW FG;



**Point to Note**

Mel Kodungalur & Vandhavasi Small Node meeting spot is changed. From September 2007, these two Nodes will be organized at the Mel Kodungalur Government School.

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khwɪggl LssJ. brgl kgh; 2007  
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bfhL' fY]h; murh' f gssɪɔy;  
ei lgbgWk;

