

# Project VAARADHI

*Empowering the Underprivileged through Education*

## An initiative of Padala Charitable Trust

Changing the lives of **11 children** in Gollaprolu Govt. Boys High School

Project Sponsor – Aniseti Papaya Raju, NRI

**Padala Charitable Trust (PCT)** is a non-profit, non-government organization founded and registered in India in 2002. It started off with a primary goal of providing financial help to the economically disabled students who excel in academics and have a strong desire in pursuing higher education, with no bar on their caste, religion or gender. To date, the Trust has awarded **670 scholarships worth Rs. 30,02,926/-** for students under the Educational Scholarship Program. You can watch the [success stories](#) section to see how our scholars have become sponsors by paying it forward. Over last few years PCT has been working on Socially Relevant Initiatives (SRI) to make a bigger impact to the needy around. Project **Vaaradhi** (Adopting Orphans and Semi-Orphans from Govt High Schools), Project **SET** (Motivational and Leadership Training Programme in High Schools), Project **SADGURU** (Honour Role Models in Govt Elementary Schools),

Project **SWECHHA** (Empowering the Adolescent Girls in Menstrual Hygiene) are the major initiatives at PCT which have been making huge difference to the society. More details can be read at our website:

<http://padalacharitabletrust.org>



**Surya Prasad Padala**  
1<sup>st</sup> Aug 2017

## Statistics of Children Identified to be supported in 2017-2018

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FY: Apr 2017 - Mar 2018

DATA BY REGION			LIST OF REGIONS			DATA BY GENDER			
spid	PR	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>REGION</b>	<b>REGION NAME</b>	spid	PR	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
<b>Row Labels</b>	<b>Count of Firstname</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>East Godavari Dist</b>		<b>Row Labels</b>	<b>Count of Firstname</b>	<b>%</b>		
GLP	11	100%	GLP	Gollaprolu	B	11	100%		
Gollaprolu ZP Boys High School	11	100%			<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>100%</b>		
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>11</b>								
DATA BY RESERV. CATEGORY			DATA BY CYCLE Request			DATA BY CLASS			
spid	PR	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	spid	PR	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	spid	PR	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Row Labels</b>	<b>Count of Firstname</b>	<b>%</b>	cycleRSWT	TRUE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>Row Labels</b>	<b>Count of Firstname</b>	<b>%</b>	
BC	1	9%	<b>Row Labels</b>	<b>Count of Firstname</b>		7	10	91%	
OC	9	82%	B	5	9	1	9%		
SC	1	9%	<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>100%</b>		
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>100%</b>							

### Summary of Data By Single Parent / No Parent

Children with Single Mother			Children with Single Father			Children with No Parent Alive		
spid	PR	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	spid	PR	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	spid	PR	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
father	FALSE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	father	TRUE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	father	FALSE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
mother	TRUE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	mother	FALSE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	mother	FALSE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>Row Labels</b>	<b>Count of Firstname</b>		<b>Row Labels</b>	<b>Count of Firstname</b>		<b>Row Labels</b>	<b>Count of Firstname</b>	
B	7		<b>Grand Total</b>			B	3	
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>7</b>					<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>3</b>	
Children with Both Parents Alive			Summary of Data					
spid	PR	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Single Mother	7	64%			
father	TRUE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Single Father	0	0%			
mother	TRUE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No Mother & Father	3	27%			
<b>Row Labels</b>	<b>Count of Firstname</b>		Both Parents Alive	1	9%			
B	1		<b>TOTAL COUNT</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>100%</b>			
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>1</b>							

### List of all 11 Vaaradhi Children

sid	Firstname	Lastname	Class	Gender	Medium	Contact
ST201701	Seshagiri Rao	Burra	7 B	B	EM	97017 12622
ST201701	Satish	Vanapalli	7 B	B	EM	86886 74531 97047 26553
ST201701	Venkata Suryanarayan	Pennada	7 B	B	TM	96664 54642
ST201701	Surya Rao	Yarramsetti	7 B	B	TM	90105 45307
ST201700	Naga Babu	Masiripa	7 B	B	TM	85002 72347
ST201700	Sai Kumar	Kona	7 B	B	EM	96033 75889
ST201700	Sai Srinivasa Ganga Manikanta	Rela	7 B	B	EM	88977 72351
ST201700	Durga Prasad	Karipireddy	7 B	B	EM	76619 44552
ST201700	Lakshmi Durga Prasad	Chintapalli	7 B	B	EM	70366 47893
ST201700	Srinivas	Sana	7 B	B	EM	72878 65248
ST201503	Manikanta	Brahmadepu	9 B	B	TM	99486 25236

### Observations

- Out of 11 boys that were adopted, 10 of them are in 7<sup>th</sup> class
- There are 7 boys from single mother families
- One boy (Sana Srinivas) has both mother and father alive but father abandoned the family and mother runs a small hotel at home. Grandmother also helps them
- There are 5 boys who are in need of bicycles since they walk 2-3 kilometers to school

### Project Vaaradhi – Status of Stages

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#### Stage 1 – Identify Cluster & Select the Children – Complete

##### Cluster – Gollaprolu Boys High School, Gollaprolu Mandal, East Godavari District, AP

This school is selected for Vaaradhi project as suggested by sponsor.

**Selection Process** – The following process was followed while absorbing the children into this project

- **Initial list from School HM** – We requested the Head Mistress to provide the list of all single parent / no-parent children from 7<sup>th</sup> class.
- **Physical Visit Report (PVR)** – Our team members made trips to the houses of each family to personally verify and witness their living conditions. Many a times we come to know of few issues the family/child is facing only during these visits. So, PVR plays a very crucial role in the process.
- **Finalize the List** – Strictly based on the need, we finalize the list and announce in the school. We also request the HM to appoint one of the teachers as a coordinator for this project.

**Here is the template of PVR (Personal Visit Report)****PADALA CHARITABLE TRUST (PCT) - PROJECT VAARADHI – PERSONAL VISIT REPORT (PVR)**

Report Prepared By: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

1) Student Name \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: M/F Category: OC/BC/SC/ST/PHC/EBC*Category information is captured ONLY to help us assist the children with any government schemes/scholarships*2) D.O.B. & Class : \_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_ Medium : Telugu / English

3) AADHAAR Number: \_\_\_\_\_

4) School Name: \_\_\_\_\_

5) Father Name &amp; Occupation : \_\_\_\_\_

6) Mother Name &amp; Occupation : \_\_\_\_\_

7) Postal / Residence Address: \_\_\_\_\_

8) Caretaker / Guardian Name &amp; Relationship : \_\_\_\_\_

9) Caretaker / Guardian occupation &amp; Salary : \_\_\_\_\_

10) If farmer family, Land Owned (Acres / Cents) : \_\_\_\_\_

11) If Business, Type of Business : \_\_\_\_\_

12) Type of accommodation : Own/Rented Type: Hut / Tiled / Pucca (1RM Building)/Shed / Apartment

If rented, amount of rent being paid per month: \_\_\_\_\_

13) Vehicles owned by Family Members : Bike / Bicycle

14) Bicycle need : Yes/No

15) Phones in the house : Mobile : \_\_\_\_\_ Land Line \_\_\_\_\_

16) Brothers / Sisters Names and Details

17) Any Health Issues to the student &amp; family members?

**18) Observations made from the personal visit to house (Write in Telugu or English)**\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature\_\_\_\_\_  
Date**Instructions:** 1) Please verify all information about the applicant 2) Take close up photo of the applicant, his/her family and house

### Stage 2 – Basic Needs at School – Complete

In this stage all the children were issued **Note Books and Stationery Items (Pens, Exam Pad, Geometry Box, School Bag)** etc. This will make them go to the school comfortably without any hesitation and excuse.

This meeting was organized on 5<sup>th</sup> July 2017 in the High School itself. The parents/guardians of all 11 children were invited to the meeting. Measurements were taken for all children by local tailors for daily wear.

### Stage 3 – Basic Needs at Home –In Progress, Tentative in September

In this stage all the children are provided with 2 pairs of clothes to wear at home (daily wear). The cloth is bought from a wholesale shop with a good quality and at discounted price. The local tailors are hired to stitch these clothes at a nominal rate.

Some boys who walk considerable distance to school are provided with **bicycles**. For now, there are 5 boys who are identified with this need.

Few families who find it very difficult to make their ends meet are provided with a nominal amount of Rs. 500/- per month. This amount is kept with the class teacher and spent only for the child for food and other daily requirements.

### Stage 4 – Medical Checkup –In Progress, Tentative in Sep 2017 – Oct 2017

In this stage all the children go through a thorough general medical checkup for blood group, hemoglobin, HIV, height, weight and BMI measurements. Most of the children are identified with **anemia** and few with skin allergy, eye care and dental issues.

Children with anemia are immediately provided with Iron Folic Acid supplements and other vitamins.

Those children who require special care such as eye checkups, ENT, gyneac issues, heart problems are taken to the respective specialist doctors and they will be followed up immediately. In case of any surgeries required, we get them done under NTR Vaidya Seva (Arogya Sri) scheme.

### Stage 5 – Counseling Sessions & Employability Skills – Tentative Aug 2017 –Feb 2018

**Regular Counseling Sessions** –Most of these children with such family backgrounds often suffer with emotional depression or inferiority complex. If we do not take that away from them through constant monitoring and counseling, no matter what we do and how much we spend, it will not serve the purpose. So, we interact with them regularly and offer counseling as needed.

**Employability Skills** – As part of empowering the children, they are trained on Basic Communication (Spoken English, Public Speaking etc.), Remedial Teaching Programme (Read and Write Telugu, Math and English) and Computer Literacy Program (CLP).

The impact of these sessions is priceless since they acquire so much confidence and feel their potential to explore further.

## Medical Checkups

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We have tied up with a local diagnostic lab in Kakinada for checking the blood group and hemoglobin for the children. Our volunteer escorts the lab technician to each school, get the blood sample and carry out the required procedure to find out the blood group and hemoglobin.

The children who are diagnosed with **severe anemia** are immediately provided with **Iron Folic Acid** supplements and other protein powder packets as suggested by doctors.

Here are the doctors and hospitals who are helping us in great deal by screening our children, conducting lab tests and treating with nominal fees.

**General Check Up & Orho - Sai Sudha Hospital, Kakinada (Dr. Ravi Vadrevu)**

**Dental Care - Sridevi Dental Clinic, Kakinada (Dr. Rao Narayana Rao)**

**Eye Care - Sri Kiran Institute of Ophthalmology, Kakinada (Dr. Chandrasekhar)**

**ENT Care - Dhanush E.N.T Clinic, Kakinada (Dr. Ravi Kumar Raju)**

Few children are referred to the specialists such as ENT, Dental, Eye Care, Gynec and Cardiology.

## Remedial Teaching

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For most of the children under Project Vaaradhi, we found the need of remedial teaching as part of improving their academic standards and help them be competent enough. In this programme the children are provided with training on basic math, telugu (read and write) and english (read and write).

We have hired some local graduates for this purpose. We pay an honorarium and also reimburse them the commuting expenses to and from the school campus. We experimented this in 7 high schools last year and we did hear very nice feedback from the teachers about the progress made. The classes happen either pre-school or after school so that the regular routine will not be disturbed.

All the children are provided with snacks(biscuits) during this class. We are also providing study material for each child during this programme.

We are hoping to see some good results by this attempt. Once we evaluate the results, we will think of scaling this programme to other schools as well.

## Documentation on Google Drive

All documentation related to this project is saved under the google drive as shown below.

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/OB4nPvcdoiwMxNFIObI9HRWNxSms>

