

Assist Resettlement & Renaissance

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Pre-School Projects by Assist Resettlement & Renaissance in Vanni

Aranery Pre-School, Puthukudiyiruppu

Araneri Pre-School was operating in a tent (please see photos below). This school was one of the top priorities, as there was not even a decent temporary shelter similar to the shelters that were built by some NGOs for other schools in the area following resettlement. There are nearly 25 kids learning at this pre-school. This number would increase if this pre-school had a decent and permanent building to house the children. There is one trained teacher and a support staff, who help to run this pre-school.



Aranery Pre-School operating under a tent in the past

Mullaithivu District Educational Development Trust Fund approached Assist RR last year and made a request to construct a building for this pre-school. The cost of building a new structure (45ft x 25ft) for the school was estimated to be around Rs 1,380,000. The estimate is for providing a classroom, store, office, toilets, and a washing area.

Assist RR agreed that there was a need to assist this school to have a building and made an appeal to its supporters for funds. Assist RR also made a presentation to Tamil Forum Malaysia, who agreed to fund 60% of the cost of this project. Another two anonymous donors from Malaysia donated Rs 376,000 and Rs 37,000 respectively. The rest was funded by Assist RR.

The project was commenced in March and was completed at the end of May. It was declared open by Mullaithivu GA, Mr Vethanayagan on 04 June 2014. Please see photos below.



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Aranery Pre-School opening ceremony on 04 June 2014

Assist RR would like to express its gratitude to Tamil Forum Malaysia and two other Malaysian Tamil Diaspora donors for their generous support towards constructing the building for the pre-school. Assist RR also would like to thank them on behalf of the people of Puthukudiyoruppu. Assist RR would like to point out that this is the third school building funded by Malaysian Tamil Diaspora in Mullaithivu.

It should be noted that there are no playground equipment at any of the schools that Assist RR visited and built. Since there are still schools without proper shelters, no one including our charity could even think about spending money on playground equipment. Pre-Schools do ask for this but Assist RR is keen to concentrate on providing roofs over heads than luxuries at present.