



KESST **Annual Report**

2020-21

**Empowering
underprivileged children
with education,
to enable a life of dignity.**

Education is the surest form of empowerment.

Support for Education and Basic Quality of Life:

In the financial year 2020-21, KESST has incurred an expenditure of Rs 11,89,577 to support 89 children, of which 51 are girls, in various stages of education and financial destitution.

Sainik School Coaching (for academic session 2021-22):

With schools being closed no formal coaching could be conducted. However, paid coaching for nine children was facilitated by arranging for teachers and class rooms in Kodava Samaja's Triveni School, Virajpet. The exam was rescheduled on account of the pandemic and conducted on 7th Feb 2021. For the first time the exam was conducted by the National Testing Agency (NTA). The spread of awareness and interest in admissions to Sainik School has been very encouraging. However, parents and children have to commence preparation for the entrance exam well in advance, even two years, to be able to get listed in the merit list (top 90 for boys and top 10 for girls in Class VI, and top 15 for boys in Class IX). The cut off marks for medical for general category children for Class 6 was 205-225 and for Class 9 was 290-310.

Awareness for Career Options in Defence:

A webinar for career options in the defence was conducted under the aegis of SMS College, Arameri (Virajpet) on 24 December 2020. A workshop was also conducted at Oceanic College of Education, Bangalore, on 20 Feb 2021. Post the webinar and workshop many children reached out for personal clarifications.

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Recruitment under Army Sports Quota at Artillery Centre, Hyderabad with special emphasis for 37 Field Regiment (Coorg) on 7-8 Dec 2020:

In conjunction with 37 Field Regiment (Coorg), KESST organised screening, coaching for physical tests, diet and documentation for a group of candidates on 10 Nov 2020. Serving officers from Kodagu took keen interest in coordinating and following up various aspects and support to KESST. KESST arranged for a KSRTC bus to transport the candidates and some guardians and also made arrangements for stay at Hyderabad. Many candidates became ineligible due to last minute revisions in age eligibility and validity of sports achievement certificates. Three candidates were shortlisted and have to appear in the written exam.

Coaching for written entrance exam for Army Jawan entrance:

Army written entrance exam was scheduled for 28 Feb 2021. Coaching classes for candidates appearing for Army Jawan written exam (after clearing physical and medical tests) was conducted from 15 Jan to 15 Feb 2021 at Gonikoppal at Lions School premises (28 candidates) and weekend classes at Anugra College premises in Kushalnagar from 03 Nov 2019 to 21 Feb 2021 (23 candidates). Unfortunately the test was cancelled at the last moment and fresh dates are awaited.

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Opening of KESST Office at Virajpet on 1st Nov 2020:

Thanks to Kodava Samaja Virajpet, KESST opened its office in the old Kodava Samaja office building, adjoining Triveni School, on 1st Nov 2020. The office is open from 10am to 5pm from Monday to Saturday, and will be closed on Sundays and state government holidays.

Exemption under Section 80G of Income Tax Act:

Your contributions, however small, would go a long way in assisting KESST to support children in the programs listed above.

**Kodagu Educational & Social Service Trust
(www.kodagueducation.com)**

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