COVID-19 - VIRTUAL ACTIVITY REPORT
40 days report (March 26, 2020 to May 4, 2020)

To keep people engaged and enriched, Youth for Seva hosted 8 Facebook live sessions. The varied topics of FB sessions helped YFS volunteers and the general public to remove negativity, stay motivated, utilise this opportunity to serve people in need and to get tips to survive in post-Covid19 world. List included speakers from different sectors of the society like educationist Shri Gururaj Karajagi, social worker Smt Swathi Ram and Professor R Vaidhyanathan with topics covering wide-ranging issues such as message of DVG (Kannada poet and philosopher) for social workers, managing large events like Kumbhamela and after effects of Covid-19.

As we all know children are powerhouses of energy and wants to engage themselves in some activity. Due to sudden closure of schools and restriction on their movements to play outside, children would become restless affecting their behaviour. It would be difficult for the parents to manage 'in-house' activities of children productively. With a purpose of keeping children creatively busy and to ensure that they gain some knowledge as well, YFS started a virtual summer camp on our Facebook where children get opportunity to learn, experiment new things and enjoy the summer camp along with their parents and virtual friends!! About 200+ children participated in this program and in many sessions even the parents participated. Children thoroughly enjoyed activities such as puppetry, drawing, clay art, learning Samskritam, etc.

A click from our FB live session "Beautiful Mind" by Dr Gururaj Karajagi

"It is really very well done. I am simply amazed with so many families and all are attentive. They participated so well. Shows you all have reached new high on taking camps on virtual grounds also".

Jagadeesh Maiya - President YFS
A. Youth make up a significant part of our population and they are the drivers of the economy engine. However, one big fallout of Covid-19 is a drastic reduction in job opportunities for youth. Hence, to support youth to successfully manage post-Covid situation, an online program "Employability enrichment program", was conducted where around 200 youths were engaged 2 hours daily (for one week) and V. Aswatha Ramaiah provide useful tips on skill set required for increasing chances of employability, how to write a resume, importance of public speaking, etc. These useful information helped participants to face these uncertain times with hope and confidence.

The committed volunteers and full-time office bearers of YFS took this opportunity to contribute their time for COVID relief activity across Delhi, Meerut, Bengaluru & Tumkur via phone support. In association with Seva Bharathi, Tejasvi Surya Covid Taskforce and individual requests, YFS helped 47,017 across the country. This only reinforced the thought leader position YFS holds in the social sector.

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