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# SMILE

SUPPORT FOR MARGINALISED INDIVIDUALS FOR LIVELIHOOD AND ENTERPRISE  
(COMPREHENSIVE REHABILITATION OF PERSONS ENGAGED IN THE ACT OF BEGGING)

## Success Stories



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## भिक्षावृत्ति मुक्त भारत

### VISION

Reintegration of persons engaged in the act of begging in the mainstream society to lead a life with dignity and self confidence

### MISSION

To make identified urban spaces, mainly religious cities, tourist places and historical cities, free from beggary.

**These inspiring success stories of those once caught in the cycle of beggary** illustrate the profound power of compassion and determination. These journeys of change are brought about through three primary paths of rehabilitation: a) the heartfelt repatriation of individuals to their families, rekindling the warmth of home and belonging, b) the nurturing care provided in various homes—be it an old age home, a sanctuary for those battling mental health challenges, or a loving children's home, and c) the empowerment of these individuals through livelihood generation, enabling them to craft a fresh, hopeful chapter in their lives. **The following success stories beautifully showcase all three approaches, revealing the resilience and renewed purpose of the rescued individuals.**

## **Sunil Mahawar: From Addiction to a New Life**



### **Background**

**Sunil Mahavar**, a 33-year-old graduate, once managed a business in the bustling vegetable market of Indore. His life took a drastic turn in 2012 when he tried alcohol for the first time at a friend's wedding. This initial experience sparked the beginning of a severe addiction, leading him down a dark path of substance abuse. Over time, Sunil's dependence expanded to include bidi, cigarettes, and increasingly potent drugs like charas, ganja, powder, and syrup. These destructive habits eroded his life, causing the disintegration of his marriage and the loss of his family's support.

As his addiction worsened, Sunil's situation became dire. He sold his mother's jewelry to fuel his addiction and, despite his family's attempts to help, he escaped from rehab centers in Indore and Sehore twice. His violent behavior led his family to confine him to his room. In a desperate bid to satiate his cravings, Sunil resorted to catching lizards, burning them, and consuming their ashes. Eventually, Sunil left home and found himself begging on the streets.

### **Rescue and Rehabilitation**

On March 12, 2024, Sunil's life took a turn for the better when he was rescued from the footpath of Chimanbagh, Indore by "Sanstha PRAWES" and taken to their beggar rehabilitation center.

The organization implemented a comprehensive and compassionate approach to his recovery:

1. **Medical Treatment:** After rescue, he was taken to the hospital and got a Blood test, Sputum test, HIV, Urin,

Shoulder X-ray, Eye checkup and Surgery of his fractured shoulder. Sunil was given a specialized mixture of sesame, flaxseed, and fennel, with a small amount of tobacco thrice a day on the advice of a BHMS doctor, designed to mitigate his addiction. This treatment began to show positive results within 15 days, allowing for a gradual reduction in medication.

2. **Holistic Healing:** Beyond physical treatment, PRAWES focused on Sunil's mental and spiritual well-being. The center introduced him to activities to foster a positive outlook on life. The activities included Yoga/Meditation Sessions, Games and Sports, Dance and Movement, Art and Crafts, Music and Performance, Gardening, Cooking and Baking, Fitness and Exercise, Social and Recreational Activities, Mindfulness and Relaxation.
3. **Personal Growth:** Experienced counselors provided continuous support, helping Sunil gain insight into his condition and encouraging his progress. First counseling session was taken on 12-03-24. Total 20 sessions were conducted of 45 min to 1 hour duration. This reflection helped him understand the depth of his struggles and the potential for recovery. Efforts to build his self-confidence and mental resilience were integral to his healing process.
4. **Livelihood generation:** Sunil Mahavar underwent 18 days of skill development as a Sewing Machine Operator at the rehabilitation center, conducted by PRAWES' in-house trainers. He was subsequently hired by Trends Apparel Pvt. Ltd. as an operator and cutting master. The company also provided him with an additional two weeks of training
5. **Access to entitlements:** The organization facilitated Sunil by obtaining a Samagra ID, opening a bank account for him, and providing vocational training. Furthermore, efforts are being made to link him with additional government schemes to improve his quality of life.

### **A New Beginning**

Sunil's transformation over the past two and a half months has been remarkable. He now works as a supervisor in the cutting and stitching department of a reputable garment manufacturing company in Indore. His new lifestyle is a testament to his dedication to change. His family, deeply moved by his recovery, has welcomed him back with open arms, and he now lives with them in respect and harmony.

Sunil has distanced himself from former friends who were part of his addiction and now actively advocates against substance abuse and begging. His story stands as a powerful example of how, with the right support and commitment, one can overcome the ravages of addiction and rebuild a life of dignity and purpose.

Rehabilitation Milestones					
Rapport building	Personal healing activities	Vocational /Skill training	Placements	Family Tracing	Shift to own house from the rehabilitation centre.
1st Month	2nd Month	3rd Month	4th Month	5th Month	6th Month
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Sunil Mahavar's journey from despair to hope highlights the transformative power of dedicated intervention and compassionate care. Through the Smile scheme and the unwavering efforts of the PRAWES team, Sunil has embraced a future filled with self-discipline and optimism, moving forward with renewed strength and hope.

# Jyoti Prajapati- A Beacon of Hope Amidst Darkness

## Background

Jyoti Prajapati's life is a poignant testament to resilience and self-worth in the face of relentless adversity. Born into poverty at the age of 30, Jyoti's early years were marked by hardship. Her marriage to Dinesh Rathore, from the small village of Raj Ganj Mandi near Tikamgarh, began with promise but quickly descended into turmoil. Dinesh's battle with alcohol addiction and antisocial behavior brought severe strain to their lives, and Jyoti endured physical abuse that further compounded her suffering.

In an act of profound bravery, Jyoti chose to separate from her husband and raise her children—Pooja, 13, and Golu, 7—on her own. This decision set her on a turbulent path filled with numerous challenges. A temporary refuge was provided by a friend of her husband, but this arrangement was unsustainable. Jyoti soon entered into a relationship with Om Prakash, a fellow villager, without formal marriage. Unfortunately, Om Prakash's own struggles with alcohol and violence exacerbated their difficulties. The family relocated to Gwalior, but the harsh conditions continued, and the children's education suffered.



Faced with mounting despair, Jyoti moved to Bhopal, seeking to improve their lives through small ventures like selling bangles and bindis. However, her situation worsened as she fell victim to exploitation by a man named Kayyum, who threatened her children to manipulate her. One tragic night, Golu went missing at the Bhopal railway station, intensifying Jyoti's agony. Jyoti moved to Indore with Pooja. She was not able to get any work hence they started begging outside ganpati temple.

## Rescue and Rehabilitation

On February 28, 2024, Jyoti and her daughter Pooja were rescued by the "Sanstha PRAWES" organization, part of the SMILE Scheme. Jyoti was admitted to the Beggar Rehabilitation Center in Pardesipura. There, Jyoti received continuous counseling, and her daughter was brought in from the Child Welfare Committee to provide emotional support.

- 1. Intervention with her child:** Pooja was placed in a child protection home, Pooja's education was initiated, integrating her into the school system and offering her developmental opportunities.
- 2. Holistic healing:** Jyoti's transformation began with regular participation in yoga, meditation, music, and other activities designed to enhance her well-being and personality. The supportive environment and positive reinforcement played a crucial role in her recovery.
- 3. Livelihood intervention:** By May 6, 2024, Jyoti had secured a position as a canteen helper at IMPETUS, a

software company, earning a monthly salary of 9,000 rupees. This job marked a significant milestone in her journey towards regaining self-respect. Jyoti underwent 15 days of skill training in Operation and Management at the rehabilitation center of PRAWES, conducted by a skilled trainer. She was subsequently selected by IMPETUS for the canteen helper role and received an additional week of training from the company. Although she had also received training in handicraft, cooking, and incense stick making, she chose to pursue work in the canteen.

**4. Access to entitlement:** A bank account has been opened in her name, and she is in the process of registering for an Ayushman Bharat card and a Ration card. Additionally, efforts are underway to connect her with further government schemes to enhance her quality of life.

### A New Beginning

Jyoti now plans to rent a room for herself and her children and is committed to continuing Pooja's education. Jyoti expresses heartfelt gratitude to Honorable Prime Minister Narendra Modi for the "Beggar-Free India" campaign, which played a significant role in her transformation.

Jyoti Prajapati's story is a beacon of hope, illustrating how determination, courage, and the right support can lead to a brighter future. Her journey demonstrates that even in the darkest moments, with resilience and assistance, a new light can emerge, guiding one toward a path of self-respect and success.

Rehabilitation Milestones					
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Rapport building	1st Month	2nd Month	3rd Month	4th Month	5th Month
6th Month					

### Implementation Agency: Sanstha PRAVES



Ms. Rupali Jain, leads as President of the Param Pujya Rakshak Adinath Welfare and Education Society (Sanstha PRAVES), spearheading projects like Women Empowerment, the Clean India Mission, and the SMILE Beggary-Scheme. After her career with Oracle, she shifted her focus to social work, founding Sanstha PRAVES in 2014, empowering over 16,000 women through self-help groups.

Sanstha PRAVES's mission is to rescue people engaged in the act of beggary and reintegrating them into society as part of the Prime Minister's "Beggary-Free Campaign".

# The Story of Raju and Rajan

## Background

Raju and Rajan, two brothers in their 50s and 60s, worked as cobblers. Raju, the elder brother, had developed cataracts and was partially blind. This left him entirely dependent on his younger brother, Rajan, for even the most basic daily tasks. Due to Raju's condition and his growing anxiety and fear of interacting with others, the brothers were forced to give up their work. Gradually, they found themselves without any means of support and were pushed into a life of begging on the streets.



## Rescue and Rehabilitation

In February 2024, both brothers were rescued and brought to Udayam. The social workers and counselors at the facility immediately began working with them, offering motivation and psychological support.

**1. Medical Treatment:** The first priority was to address Raju's deteriorating vision, so they arranged for a hospital visit. However, the brothers were so overwhelmed with fear that they ran away from the hospital during their first visit.

Undeterred, the team at Udayam continued to provide counseling and reassured the brothers, frequently taking them back to the doctor for cataract treatment. Over time, Raju agreed to undergo surgery, although both brothers remained incredibly anxious—especially Rajan, who was even more nervous than his elder brother.

After four months of continuous support and encouragement, on July 3, 2024, the brothers were finally admitted to Kozhikode Medical College Hospital for Raju's surgery. Thanks to the compassion and professionalism of the Ophthalmology Department, Raju successfully underwent the procedure. Their journey from the streets to receiving proper medical care was made possible by the relentless dedication of the Udayam team.

**2. Holistic Healing:** They have undergone 5-6 counseling sessions, focusing on overall well-being, including addressing medical check-ups. These sessions have also aimed to encourage them to stop begging and explore opportunities to join the organization for better stability and growth.

**3. Livelihood Generation:** There are plans to provide cobbler work equipment to help them establish a steady

income. Until they start earning well, they will continue to stay with the organization, allowing them time to save and eventually secure their own place to live.

**4. Access to Entitlements:** The process for obtaining voter ID and Aadhaar is still ongoing, and while health insurance is not necessary due to free healthcare provided by the hospital, continued support is being offered to ensure they have access to their rights and services.

## *A New Beginning*

Currently residing in a shelter home, the individual has undergone one successful eye surgery and is awaiting another. He has reached a stage where he no longer requires assistance for daily activities and is capable of living independently. Additionally, he has received free spectacles. The organization remains committed to providing cobbler equipment, allowing them to start their work again, save money and transition to self-sufficiency in the near future.

Rehabilitation Milestones						
Rapport building	Personal healing activities	Vocational /Skill training	Placements	Family Tracing	Shift to own house from the rehabilitation centre.	
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**Implementation Agency: UDAYAM CHARITABLE SOCIETY,  
Kozhikode, Kerala**

Udayam Charitable Society (UCS) is an organization under the Kozhikode district administration working to comprehensively rehabilitate the homeless (rough sleepers/destitute/street dwellers/persons engaged in the act of begging, etc.) The district administration started the “Udayam Project” to cater to the various needs of people experiencing homelessness. Shri. Seeram Sambashiva Rao IAS (Former Kozhikode District collector), the founder of the Udayam Project.



# Jayalakshmi's Journey from Homelessness to Healing



streets, disconnected from her former life.

## Background

Life can be especially challenging for a woman facing homelessness, and Jayalakshmi's story is a testament to that struggle. Jayalakshmi, 45, was born in Sri Lanka and moved to Tamil Nadu with her parents, Mr. Kaliappan and Mrs. Saraswathi, during her childhood. They settled in Pollachi, hoping for a better future. Sadly, Jayalakshmi lost her parents at a young age, leaving her to navigate life on her own. She later moved to Chennai, where she found work as a sanitation worker at Malar Hospital. Eventually, she married Krishnaraj, and the couple had a child. Unfortunately, their child was born with a congenital heart defect, commonly referred to as a "blue baby," and tragically did not survive. The loss of her child deeply impacted Jayalakshmi, leading to the onset of mental illness. Over time, she left her home and began wandering the

## Rescue and Rehabilitation

Recently, Jayalakshmi was reported wandering around Erode, Pallipalayam, and Tiruchengode. Our team reached out to her, providing new clothes, food, and immediate care.



**1. Medical Treatment:** She was then taken to the Atchayam Rehabilitation Centre, where she received medical attention. Jayalakshmi's mental health was assessed by District Mental Health Psychiatrist Dr. Anantha Kumar, and under the guidance of Differently Abled Welfare Officer Mr. Srinivasan, her path to recovery was set in motion. After spending two days at our rehabilitation center, she was admitted to the Ecomwell Home for the Mentally Ill in Tharamangalam, Salem District, on June 8.

**2. Holistic Healing:** She received medical attention for her mental health condition, along with food, shelter, and care.

**3. Personal Growth:** Through her work, Jayalakshmi has gained a renewed sense of purpose and fulfillment. Her ability to care for and support children with special needs reflects her emotional stability and growth in compassion and responsibility.

**4. Livelihood generation:** She received training on care of children with special needs from the Ecomwell Home.

She now works as a trainer at a school for special children, where she takes care of their health and well-being.

Rehabilitation Milestones					
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<b>Rapport building</b>	<b>Personal healing activities</b>	<b>Vocational /Skill training</b>	<b>Placements</b>	<b>Family Tracing</b>	<b>Shift to own house from the rehabilitation centre.</b>
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### A New Beginning

Since her rehabilitation, Jayalakshmi has made remarkable progress. She now works at a school for special children, where she takes care of their health and well-being, demonstrating a renewed sense of purpose and stability. She was also reintegrated with one of her relatives.

## Mohan's Transformation from Turmoil to Stability

### Background



Mohan, a 45-year-old man, had been struggling with severe mental health issues for the past five years, wandering the Kodumudi area. His condition led to erratic behavior, including frequent outbursts during which he would physically assault family members and destroy household items. Mohan had also developed a habit of consuming bidis and tobacco, which further worsened his condition. Residents reported that Mohan had developed a habit of consuming bidis and tobacco, which compounded his difficulties.

His behavior caused significant distress in the community. Due to his disruptive actions, the villagers took drastic measures and restrained him using large iron chains on his hands and feet, confining him to a secure location.

Recognizing the severity of his situation, the Atchayam Trust team intervened. We visited Mohan, assessed his condition, and provided him with the appropriate advice and care. We facilitated his rehabilitation process, offering him the necessary support and treatment to address his mental health issues.

### Rescue and Rehabilitation

Recognizing the severity of the situation, the Atchayam Trust team stepped in to help. We visited Mohan, assessed his condition, and provided immediate care and counseling.

**1. Medical Treatment:** We facilitated his rehabilitation, offering the necessary support and treatment to address his mental health issues.

**2. Livelihood generation:** Today, Mohan is employed as a watchman, allowing him to contribute positively to society while maintaining his recovery.

### A New Beginning



Through the Trust's efforts, Mohan made remarkable progress. He transitioned from a state of distress to one of stability and purpose. His journey from turmoil to a renewed sense of purpose is a powerful example of how compassionate intervention and dedicated support can transform lives. As a result of our efforts, Mohan has made remarkable progress. He has transitioned from a state of distress to a more stable and productive life. Currently, *Mohan is employed as a watchman, a role that allows him to contribute positively to society while maintaining his recovery.* His journey from turmoil to a renewed sense of purpose is a testament to the impact of compassionate intervention and dedicated support.

Rehabilitation Milestones					
Rapport building	Personal healing activities	Vocational /Skill training	Placements	Family Tracing	Shift to own house from the rehabilitation centre.
1st Month	2nd Month	3rd Month	4th Month	5th Month	6th Month

### Implementation Agency: ATCHAYAM TRUST, ERODE

ATCHAYAM TRUST at Erode, Tamilnadu is a registered (Reg.No-10/2014) NGO established in the year 2014 by Mr.P.NAVEENKUMAR M.E, a National Youth awardee and Chief Minister's State Youth awardee as conferred by Gov. of India and Gov. of Tamilnadu respectively. Atchayam Trust is committed towards effective socio economic transformation by achieving its ultimate vision, 'Create a Beggar Free India', with a strong belief that socio



economic transformation is rooted in inclusive growth and gender equality.

# Monika: From Despair to Determination, A Single Mother's Fight

## Background

Monika Modi was born into a poor farmer's family and married Sanjay Modi at a very young age. Together, they had three children: Rohit, Shiva, and Sumi. Life was difficult for Monika, as her husband struggled with addiction to alcohol and drugs. Eventually, Sanjay abandoned her and their children, remarrying another woman, leaving Monika to fend for herself and her three kids. Despite pressure from her family to remarry, she refused, choosing instead to raise her children on her own. With no stable employment opportunities, Monika turned to begging in nearby villages to support her family.

## Rescue and Rehabilitation:

On March 20, 2024, Monika and her children were rescued by the "Dhamma Aid Foundation," under the SMILE Scheme. They were taken to the Dhamma Shelter Home in Namsai, where Monika received ongoing counseling while staying with her children.

**1. Recuperation:** Monika's transformation began through meditation, yoga, counseling, and skill training. The love and support she received from the institution were pivotal in her recovery and personal growth. These interventions not only helped her heal emotionally but also equipped her with new skills to build a better future.

**2. Livelihood Intervention:** Monika received training in handicrafts, gardening, and cooking, ultimately choosing to work in the restaurant sector. On August 1, 2024, she secured a position as a restaurant helper at Tai Hut Restaurant in Namsai, earning a monthly salary of ₹6,000.

**3. Access To Entitlements:** The organization was successful in facilitating Monika and her children in obtaining their birth certificates, and work is underway to generate their Aadhar cards, create a bank account, and secure a ration card. Efforts are also being made to connect her with additional government schemes aimed at improving her quality of life.

## A New Beginning

Now residing in the shelter home, Monika is content with her new job and plans to rent a room for her family. Her children are enrolled in school, and she is deeply grateful to the government for the "Viksha Vriti Mukt Bharat" campaign, which has transformed her life.

Rehabilitation Milestones						
Rapport building	Personal healing activities	Vocational /Skill training	Placements	Family Tracing	Shift to own house from the rehabilitation centre.	
1st Month	2nd Month	3rd Month	4th Month	5th Month	6th Month	
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# The Story of “KALPANA MURA” from Tea Garden to Family Reunion

## Background

Kalpana Mura was born and brought up in Duliajan, Assam. She was married to Laju Mura at early age by her family. Her husband worked in a tea garden and so was she. Later, the family of two became four, welcoming their son and daughter to this world. Later, both the husband and wife got into substance abuse. They quarreled and their family condition deteriorated. She became mentally unstable and one day she ran away from home and found herself in Namsai, Arunachal Pradesh. She had no clue how she came to Arunachal Pradesh. Having no job and being mentally unstable, she started begging.



**1. Rescue and Rehabilitation:** On May 14, 2024, Kalpana Mura was rescued by members and volunteers of the Dhamma Aid Foundation as part of the SMILE Beggary Scheme. She was admitted to the Dhamma Shelter Home in Namsai, where she received counseling and medication.

**2. Recuperation:** Initially, it was challenging to manage Kalpana due to her unstable mental condition. However, with consistent love, care, and support, she gradually regained her mental stability. She began participating in prayers, meditation, and exercise, which helped her recovery.

**3. Skill Development:** Having previously worked in a tea garden, Kalpana had a natural interest in gardening. She received training in planting flowers and vegetables, which brought her joy. She also started helping with cooking and other kitchen tasks.

## A New Beginning

Once she had fully recovered, Kalpana expressed a desire to return to her family. She felt grateful to the Dhamma Aid Foundation and the SMILE Scheme for rescuing her. With assistance from the Namsai District Administration, her family was located.

On September 11, 2024, Kalpana was reunited with her family. She was overjoyed to be back with her loved

Rehabilitation Milestones					
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ones. The Dhamma Aid Foundation continues to stay in touch with her, regularly checking on her well-being

## **Implementation Agency: DHAMMA AID FOUNDATION, Namsai (Arunachal Pradesh)**

Venerable Panyajota Thero, leads as a director of Dhamma Aid Foundation. The Dhamma Aid Foundation was established in the year 2018 under the blessings of Most Venerable Indavansa Mahathera (Sangha Nayaka of Arunachal Pradesh Bhikkhu Sangha), the founder president of Dhamma Aid Foundation, Kaisu. The main objective of the organization is to put into practice the Buddha's teachings through various humanitarian services. Since the Foundation has started, it has accomplished a lot of different programmes like Women and child development programme, running of De- addiction program, free medical camp, Shelter home for needy people, SMILE-Beggary Scheme and many more.

### **From Trauma to Triumph: Girija's Journey of Healing and Renewal**

**Background** - Girija grew up with her husband, children, and siblings. As a child, she was hyperactive, but



her condition went unrecognized. She endured immense trauma during her childhood, which eventually led to Borderline Personality Disorder. Girija exhibited symptoms such as compulsive behavior, impulsivity, hostility, irritability, self-destructiveness, social isolation, mood swings, and anxiety. Her family, believing she was mentally ill, subjected her to exorcisms and various rituals, which only worsened her trauma. Her education was cut short, and she fell in love, only to face further mental and physical abuse in the relationship. Ultimately, she was abandoned by everyone, a victim of undiagnosed mental illness.

**Rescue and Rehabilitation:** We encountered Girija

at a critical point in her life. A woman was attempting to take her to North India, planning to exploit her for begging. With the help of NSS volunteers and the cooperation of the police, we rescued Girija from the hands of the mafia. After a counseling session, she agreed to come with us.

**1. Intervention with Her Sister:** Through the police and the help of locals from her hometown, we located Girija's sister, who came to the SMILE home and identified her.

**2. Holistic Healing:** Girija remains at the SMILE home, where her transformation began through counseling and group activities. She participates in daily evening group sessions and skill training, such as making paper bags. These structured activities helped her regain her health and mental stability.

**3. Livelihood Intervention:** In April 2024, Girija began working as a warden at a hostel within an amusement theme park. This marked a new chapter in her life, providing her with a sense of purpose and independence.

**4. Access to Entitlements:** The process of obtaining her voter ID and Aadhaar card is ongoing. Although she doesn't require health insurance due to a free health card from the hospital, efforts are underway to open a bank account for her.

## A New Beginning

Girija's health and mental state have significantly improved. Her demeanor now reflects the confidence and

Rehabilitation Milestones					
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1st Month	2nd Month	3rd Month	4th Month	5th Month	6th Month

responsibility of a warden, signaling her progress and resilience.

## Implementation Agency: Galaxy - Thiruvananthapuram

### Thimmamma's Life Story

#### BACKGROUND

**Early Life and Marriage:** Thimmamma grew up in Mysore, where she was married to Mahadevappa at a young age. She worked as a household worker in other people's homes, while her husband worked as a laborer. Together, they had a daughter.

**Loss and Struggles:** When her daughter was 12, tragedy struck as her husband passed away, leaving Thimmamma to face significant financial difficulties. Despite the hardships, she managed to arrange her daughter's marriage.

**Daughter's Return:** Eight years into her daughter's marriage, a misunderstanding with her son-in-law caused her daughter to return to Thimmamma's home. This event deeply affected Thimmamma's mental state, and she began leaving her house at night, wandering the streets. Even when she returned home, she couldn't stay indoors and continued to roam outside. Her daughter warned her repeatedly, but Thimmamma persisted in escaping to wander at night.

#### Rescue and Rehabilitation

On September 23, 2024, Thimmamma was found begging and wandering by the police in Kumbarakoppalu and brought to the Metagahalli Police Station. ASI helped arrange for her admission to the Deepashri Rehabilitation Centre. During the police inquiry, Thimmamma stated that she had no other relatives. As a result, she was admitted to the center under the supervision of Suma, associated with case number 434.

**1. Admission to Deepashri Rehabilitation Centre:** The police issued a permission letter to the Deepashri Rehabilitation Centre to provide food and shelter for Thimmamma. She arrived at the center at around 10:50 PM on September 23, 2024. Upon her arrival, she was suffering from lower back pain and pain in her legs and was using a walker for support. The center provided her with medical treatment and counseling.



**2. Family Reconnection:** During a conversation with Thimmamma, the staff discovered that she had a granddaughter. After counseling her, they contacted her daughter, Kaveramma. Kaveramma visited the center and took Thimmamma back home. The Deepashri Rehabilitation Centre handed Thimmamma over to her daughter and informed the local police station of the reunion.

Rehabilitation Milestones					
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## Implementation Agency: CAD MS TRUST



Care At Door Medical Service ( CAD MS ) Trust is a NGO established in Vijayanagar Bangalore for the well-being of Senior citizens /elderly ,Bedridden, palliative ,Disabled, Alcohol and Drugs Addiction through different innovative projects focusing on Geriatric care - Old-age homes ,Rehabilitation - Disabled -Dementia Center, Health Education , Health Camps, Community Research .

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