

EXAMPLES OF TWINNAGE PROJECTS

SOLAR LAMPS



Many people in NE India have no access to power, often living in remote villages. Now solar lamps have been distributed to families. Unlike hurricane and other fuel lamps, solar lamps, being demonstrated here, need very little maintenance and are topped up solely by exposure to sunlight, of which there is an abundance, even in this area of NE India. These lamps have many uses, including enabling schoolchildren to study at home ... and they are entirely eco-friendly.

BICYCLES

A handover of bicycles by a local SVP Conference, this one in Tamil Nadu, India. Recipients use them to carry a wide variety of goods from vegetables to wickerwork, from clothes to pots and pans, calling in at markets, local streets and houses to sell their goods.



Bicycles are given to schoolchildren who, in some cases, travel up to 15 kms to school each day near Guwahati, in a remote part of NE India. These girls will now be able to continue their education for many more years – hence the smiles.

GOATS



The distribution of goats at the Holy Family Conference, Kalthotty in the Kanjirappally Central Council of Kerala. This Goat Rearing Project enables the families to generate an income from selling the milk in local markets or to a local cooperative. The project is further extended when additional families subsequently benefit from the first offspring of each goat. The Project was paid for by a Conference in Yorkshire.

SEWING MACHINES

Some of the recipients of a Sewing Machine Project in Vallainkani in the Thanjavur Central Council of Tamil Nadu, where the local SVP Conference in India distributed machines to local families. The women learned dressmaking at an SVP training centre. Despite the rise of factory-made garments, there is still a great demand for hand-made garments and so there are opportunities to earn money for family needs.



STREET STALL



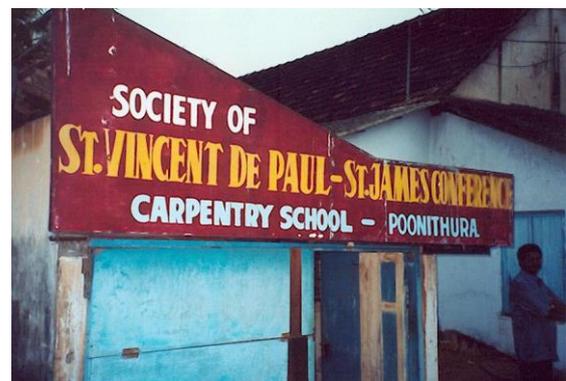
A small loan was made to enable this family to set up a street stall selling fruit and sweets. The loan is repaid with zero interest over a year so another family can benefit.

Trivandrum CC, Kerala

OTHER TYPES of project



Ice-coffin to keep bodies until a funeral can be arranged, Patna CC



An SVP training centre in Tamil Nadu



Distribution of cows, Kerala



Inshore fishing boat, Guntur CC,
Andhra Pradesh



A Gents haircutting saloon in the Verapoly CC, Kerala