



## Background of the Tamil Engineers Foundation

Tamil Engineers Foundation was formed in later part of 2007 to collectively participate spiritually and morally for the long lasting peace at our home land. This is a non political, non profit and charity focused organisation. The main objective is to help the needy school/university children, orphanage centres, hospitals and other charity organisations in North and East of Sri-Lanka. Funds raising commences prior to the Thai Pongal Day. Over the past three years Tamil Engineers Foundation has rapidly grown and made significant achievement. This has been a result of continuous support received from our members in Australia and from overseas.

## Year 2010

**Collection:** An amount of \$13,309.00 was received in voluntary contributions throughout 2010.

### 1. Thai Pongal Villa at Sydney Murugan Temple:

Thai Pongal Day is celebrated by the committee each year at Sydney Murugan Temple. Bhajans are performed by the members followed by lunch and evening Prasatham. All food are prepared at temple by Tamil Engineers, their family and friends.



ThaiPongal at Sydney Murugan

**2. Distribution of Exercise Books to Schools in Trincomalee (\$1000):** Approximately 3400 Exercise Books were distributed to war affected and most deserving school kids from various schools, Trinco to Thiriyai and Trinco to Thambalakham. Amount of \$1000 was donated towards this project.

**3. Scholarships to Batticaloa University Students (\$1500):** Scholarships (i.e. Rs2000/each for 12 months) provided to five war affected and most deserving students at Batticaloa University. Amount of \$1500 was donated towards this Scholarship Scheme.



Batticaloa University Scholarships

**4. Scholarships to Jaffna University Students (\$1500):** Scholarships (i.e. Rs2000/each for 12 months) provided to five war affected and most deserving students at Jaffna University. Amount of \$1500 was donated towards this Scholarship Scheme.

**5. Bank Book Distribution to Students at Manipay Ladies College(Rs 50,000):** Bank Books (Rs 5000/each) distributed to 10 IDP students at Manipay Ladies College, who lost their parents during the recent civil unrest. Amount of Rs 50,000 was donated towards this project.



Manipay Ladies College

**6. Donation of New Computer & Printer to Thurkapuram Mahalir Illam at Thellipalli, Jaffna (Rs 83,900):** Two new computers and a printer were donated to Thurkapuram Mahalir Illam at Thellipalli, Jaffna. This Orphanage Centre has taken many children recently who lost their parents during the recent civil unrest. Amount of Rs. 83,900 was donated towards this project.

**7. Bank Book Distribution to Students at Suthumali Sinthmaya Vidyalayam, Jaffna (Rs 50,000) :** Bank Books ( Rs 5000/each) distributed to 10 IDP students at Suthumali Sinthmaya Vidyalayam, Jaffna, who lost their parents during the recent civil unrest. Amount of Rs 50,000 was donated towards this project



Thurkapuram Mahalir Illam, Thellipalai



ThaiPongal at Sydney Murugan



Annai Illam Mannar

**8. Donation to IDP Students at Methodist Girls High School at Trincomalee (Rs 36,700):**

Five IDP girls who need the financial support for their studies were identified by the school. Bank deposits of Rs4,000.00 per student were provided.

One IDP girl identified by the school to support the skill development for employment in the school. Bank deposit Rs5,000.00 was provided.

One bicycle (Rs11, 700.00) was purchased and donated to the school for use by the school students.



Methodist Girls High School

**9. Donation to Annai Saratha Children Home, Samatheevu, Trincomalee (Rs 28,000):** There were 58 IDP Children in the home attending school. Urgent need of Study Tables and Chairs were provided in the amount of Rs28, 000. This home was moved from Muthur area due to the current situation to Sambaltheevu.

**10. Bank Book Distribution to Students at St Joseph's College, Trincomalee (Rs 25,000):** 5 IDP boys who lost their parents and needed the financial support for their studies were identified by the school. Bank deposits of Rs 5, 000.00 per student were provided. Total cost Rs 25,000.



Annai Saratha Illam

**11. Financial Contribution to Annai Illam Orphanage Centre at Mannar (\$2160):** Amount of \$2160.00 was donated to Annai Illam Orphanage Centre at Mannar to financially support the children who lost their parents and single parent families in that area.

**12. Financial Contribution to an Orphanage Centre in Batticaloa**  
A donation of \$1000 was made to Mangaiyarkarassiyar Mahalir Illam orphanage centre in Batticaloa to support the orphans in that centre. There are about 70 children in this orphanage centre and it maintains high standard of education to elevate the kids to achieve university education.



St Josephs College

**Financial Contribution to Orphanage Centres in Vanni Area (\$1500)**

It is proposed to make a donation of \$1500 to Orphanage Centres in Vanni Area shortly to support the children who lost their parents during the recent war.

**2011 University Scholarship Scheme**

Tamil Engineers Foundation has been helping about 15 undergraduate students (5 each in Peradeniya, Batticaloa and Jaffna Universities) with a monthly payment of Rs2000 support for the past and current years. The committee decided to continue the University Scholarship Schemes for another 12 months period. To date, nine members indicated their willingness to become the Co-Sponsors of this scheme. The commitment for the Co-Sponsor is \$20/month for 12 months for Yr-2011 i.e. total \$240. We hope many of you will come forward to sponsor the remaining students to make this scheme self funded.

**Appreciation**

The Committee extend sincere gratitude to everyone who have made generous contributions to date to the Tamil Engineers Foundation to financially help the needy people in our homeland. We have received contributions not only from Australia but also from overseas i.e. Sri Lanka and USA. This shows the tremendous support given to the Foundation. We like to commend our members for their great support and generosity towards helping the needy kids in orphanage centers and school/university children. We hope your support will continue for the years to come.



Mangayarasiyar Mahalir Illam Batticaloa

**Voluntary Contribution for 2011**

The fund raising for 2011 events has now commenced and the committee would appreciate your contributions by 10 January 2011. For more details or to make a contribution, please contact the committee members or access the Tamil Engineers Foundation website [www.tamilengineers.net/](http://www.tamilengineers.net/)