

Do visit our school

We warmly invite you to visit our school, whether at our current rental property or the site under construction. Seeing our facilities firsthand will give you a better understanding of our mission and the positive impact we are making in the community.

To arrange a visit, please contact Mrs. Thankamani at +91 98952 72807. We will be happy to schedule a convenient time for your visit and answer any questions you may have. We look forward to welcoming you and sharing more about our efforts to educate and empower the differently skilled.

Appeal for donations

We are excited to announce the commencement of Phase 1 of our project, which is estimated to cost Rs. 50 Lakhs. This ambitious endeavour aims to create a nurturing and empowering environment for the differently skilled individuals in our community.

We invite you to contribute to this noble cause. Your generous donations will help us make a significant difference in the lives of those we aim to support. Any amount, however small, will be greatly appreciated. Please note that donations can only be accepted from Indian bank accounts.

Bank Details for Donations:

- **Account Name:** The Society to Educate and Empower the Differently Skilled
- **Bank:** Federal Bank
- **Branch:** Vattiyookavu
- **IFSC Code:** FDRL0002204
- **Savings Account Number:** 22040100061621

After making a donation, please send us an email at principal@theseed.co.in with your transaction details. This will allow us to properly account for your contribution and promptly send you a receipt.

SEED

SPECIAL SCHOOL FOR THE DIFFERENTLY ABLED CHILDREN

About SEED

SEED - The Society to Educate and Empower the Differently Skilled, has embarked on an ambitious journey to establish a school specifically designed for children with special needs. 55 cents of land has been acquired at Malamukal, Trivandrum, where the construction of a state-of-the-art educational facility is currently underway.

The new school will provide an inclusive and supportive learning environment tailored to the unique requirements of differently skilled children.

At SEED, we are committed to fostering an environment of growth, empowerment, and excellence, ensuring every child receives the education and support they deserve.

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Promoters aka the brains behind SEED

P. Thankamani

"Thankamani teacher" as she is popularly known as, brings 42 years of extensive experience, with 34 of those years dedicated to working in special schools. In 2005, she was honoured with the Best Teacher Award in the state of Kerala. Her contributions extend to the international stage, having been actively involved with both Special Olympics International and the National Special Olympics.

She further enhanced her expertise through a two-week training program at Northampton University, coupled with hands-on experience at Fairfield Special Needs School in Northamptonshire. Her exemplary service and dedication have earned her numerous Achievement Awards in Kerala.

Sally and TJ Mathew

T J Mathew from Kerala and Late Sally Mathew from San Francisco were working in the United States when they met and got married in 1977. After retirement, they chose Kovalam as their home and immersed themselves in local charity initiatives, with a particular focus on education and special education. They have successfully mobilized support from their extended families to fund a variety of impactful projects, including:

- Renovations at the Rotary Institute in Vazhuthacaud
- Early education classrooms at the National Institute of Speech and Hearing (NISH)
- New blocks at Marion Play Home in Mannanthala, MGM School in Thumpamon, and Don Bosco in Kochi
- A state-of-the-art auditorium at the Bangalore International Centre
- The Kovalam FC Stadium and Kailath Football Hostel in Arumanoor

Their commitment to enhancing educational facilities and opportunities for children, especially those with special needs, has made a significant difference in these communities.

Kunchok Viegas

Kun, as she is widely known, has a profound passion for supporting children who require special care. Over the years, she has dedicated countless hours volunteering as a Special Education teacher at Marion Play Home. Her exceptional commitment and tireless efforts have not gone unnoticed; she was honored with the Volunteer of the Year award by the Kerala State Government. Her work has made a lasting impact on the lives of many children, demonstrating her unwavering dedication to making a difference in her community.

Connell Viegas

Connell spent over 39 years at the forefront of the IT industry, holding leadership roles in both India and the United States. From 2003 to 2022, he served as CEO at RM India, the India Delivery Center for UK-based RM Plc., overseeing operations and strategy in Trivandrum, India, where he grew a team of 1100 IT/ITES professionals. Prior to this, he held leadership positions at Titan Industries and Deutsche Software. He has proven expertise in business and technology strategies, leadership, talent acquisition, project governance, and global business process integration. Since retiring from RM India, Connell has focused on philanthropic activities, actively engaging with charitable organizations to make a positive impact. He also serves on the boards of several IT companies.

Abhayakumar Nalukettil

Abhay hails from a distinguished Kottayam family known for its thatchu shastra tradition. He graduated with a Bachelor of Architecture from Trivandrum in 1995, securing second rank. After a decade abroad practicing architecture, he returned to Kerala, focusing on interior, industrial, and sustainable residential projects. Abhay is also a filmmaker, having directed a documentary on Trivandrum and three short films after studying at Whistling Woods International, Mumbai.

Passionate about running, he founded the Trivandrum Runners Club (TRaCS) and is recognized as one of India's few AIMS-accredited International Marathon Route Designers. Abhay's charitable initiatives include Project Bhoomika, which provided homes to 10 families in Haripad, earning him a national award from HUDCO in 2023/24 for innovative housing solutions.

Adv. Sudha Sudhakaran R

Advocate Sudha Sudhakaran R has been a dedicated legal practitioner for over 20 years, beginning her career in 2004 at the District Government Pleader's Office in Thiruvananthapuram. She now heads her own law firm in Maharani Buildings, Vanchiyoor, and serves as a member and panel lawyer for the Trivandrum District Legal Service Authority.

Sudha has held various key positions, including advocate member in National Lok Adalats and Mega Adalats, where she has successfully settled thousands of cases. She is highly skilled in handling civil and criminal cases across various courts and has provided free legal awareness sessions to prisoners at the Legal Aid Clinic of the District and Central Prison in Poojappura.

Currently, she serves as a legal advisor to several companies, including TKey Education Solutions Pvt. Ltd., a UK-based company in Technopark, TK Resorts Pvt. Ltd., KBR Pvt. Ltd., and the KEY Core Foundation.

Dr. R. Vishwanathan

Dr. R. Vishwanathan, a distinguished civil contractor based in Maruthankuzhi, is renowned for his expertise in constructing exceptional residential properties. His portfolio, however, extends beyond luxury homes to include a variety of significant public structures within the city. Notable among his projects are the Ladies Hostel at the Medical College, the AMA building situated opposite the General Hospital, and the annex to the Public Library. His adeptness in architectural style was recognized with a national Award of Merit for his work on the Public Library annex, which impeccably adhered to the original period design.

In addition to his professional achievements, Dr. Vishwanathan is deeply involved in philanthropic activities. He plays a pivotal role in the Venganoor Panchayath Special School, demonstrating his commitment to community service and support for charitable initiatives.

Current status

In anticipation of the 2024 admissions, the school has already commenced their operations from a temporary rental building, ensuring that students do not miss out on valuable learning opportunities while the permanent campus is being developed.

It is heartening and fulfilling to see the passion and dedication of the teachers AND the enthusiasm from the students and their eagerness to learn.

Proposed layout

The site encompasses an area of approximately 55 cents, featuring a difference in level of 9 meters from the approach road to the highest point. The master plan involves terracing the site into three distinct levels:

1. **Lower Level:** This level, which has direct access from the approach road, is designated for parking facilities. It will provide ample space for vehicles, ensuring convenient entry and exit for staff, students, and visitors.
2. **Middle Level:** The middle terrace will house the administration building. This centrally located structure will be accessible from both the lower and upper levels. The administration building will serve as the heart of the campus, incorporating administrative offices, teaching rooms, a library, and other essential facilities.
3. **Upper Level:** The third level will provide access to the upper part of the administration building. This area will be designated for student hostels, offering residential accommodations for students. The hostels will be integrated with the administration building, ensuring easy access to academic and administrative services.

This terraced design not only optimizes the use of the available land but also creates a functional and aesthetically pleasing campus layout.

