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Dear friends & associates,

We acknowledge your support and encouragement through our endeavor. We have attained innumerable advantage in winning lives from rural areas. Friends from different professions covering doctors, engineers, software professional, entrepreneurs and government servants have been extending their continued support to organize such kind of activities and hopefully continue organizing in years to come. We wish every one, who may directly or indirectly associated with KIRDS, to keep in healthy, wealthy and prosper in their professions in NEW YEAR 2006.

Murahari Ponugoti  
Founder & General Secretary

Monthly review report for December 2005.

### 1st December 2005 - AIDS rally to help create awareness

The spread of AIDS in rural areas has affected cordial family relationships. In this aspect effective AIDS awareness programmes should be conducted regularly to educate the people said Mr.Vijay Kumar, SI from Atmakur. He was speaking after inaugurating the AIDS awareness rally organized by KIRDS HEALTH EXTENTION at Neerukulla on 01.12.2005.

Then the crowd, organized by the Campaign to End AIDS, marched on saying "Prevention is better than curing", "If you have HIV, you need to learn to disclose." Later a rally was taken out in the main streets of the three villages namely Neerukulla, Penchikalpet and Keshvapur. School students situated across three villages, village representatives, youth club members and Sub-Inspector of police from Atmakur were present during the mass rally.

Mr.P.Satyanarayna, organizer from KIRDS, said they are trying to atone for their actions by getting involved in advocacy programs and reaching out to young people who might be making the same mistakes.



### 14th December 2005 - Free cataract screening and operations programme - A helping hand to aged and underprivileged



KIRDS HEALTH EXTENTION has conducted a free camp for screening cataract cases to the aged men and women from rural areas. Public suffering from problems pertaining to eyes were screened and given consultations at free of cost. Villagers from Penchikalpet, Keshwapur and Neerukulla were arrived in large number and attended screening programme. Cataract cases about 21 were selected to entitle for free investigations, surgeries and post-operative medicines with eyeglasses. Mr.Kasinath from Seva Bharathi and Dr.Sharath from Sharath Eye hospital extended their hand to make success of the programme.

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### 25th December 2005 - "Abhaya" Rice distribution to aged and abandoned.

KIRDS SOCIO CONCERN EXTENTION has conducted a rice distribution programme at Penchikalpet village, Warangal district. There are old age people who lost their children and their husband or wife, breathing alone or who does not have any support for their livelihood running hardly their lives. Few of them avail mere pension of Rs.250 per month, but this will not meet their requirements even for medical and daily bread expenses.

KIRDS identified such old abandoned villagers of 12 members to help them supply 10 kg rice per month to continue feed up to one year. December is fourth month in this activity and will continue supplying rice for eight more months. KIRDS acknowledges Sri.Kumara Swamy from Warangal telecom dept, who has been extending his hand to organize this programme.



### 28th December 2005 - "Endearing Chenchu tribe to enrich their lives."

Chenchu palli is a remotely located hamlet 35km away from Chityal mandal, Warangal district. Our journey continued on a tedious curvy and difficult terrain for over half an hour by walk and we reached the Chenchu palli hamlet inhabited basically by chenchu tribe. It was a shock to our team of volunteers visited the village with the help of neighboring villagers.

The people chenchus are if truth be told tribes to call and they look alike Africans, it was hard to find their age due to malnutrition and they do not even take daily meals because of poverty and afraid of common public, government servants to seek support. They merely depend on temporary farming means and hunting. After every harvest season they disappear and appear at new places by making small shelter with leaves and mud. No literate found, hardly one or two may have identity as voters from government.

We have taken statistics of their socio economic conditions to chalk out plans and adapt such real tribe hamlets to bring enrichment and make them mingle with common people. KIRDS recognize efforts of core members from KIRDS and assistance of Sri.Deshini Rajamallu, a Sarpanch from Velishala village, Chityal mandal to reach the hamlet and collect their statistics.

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