MADURAI MULTIPURPOSE SOCIAL SERVICE SOCIETY ACTIVITIES REPORT OF MMSSS FOR THE YEAR 2022 – 2023

Madurai Multipurpose Social Service Society has stepped into its 55th Year of service to identify and uplift the downtrodden, economically marginalized people of our target area belonging to our Catholic Archdiocese of Madurai. I am happy to present the development and Rights-based activities report for the financial year April 2022 to March 2023 to the committee. The impacts created through economic and rights-based activities have brought a remarkable change among the target People. I assure you that in the future, the Vision and Mission of the Society will be realized through the Economic and Scientific intervention of the target community.

Through Peoples Organization:

Madurai Multipurpose Social Service Society has broadened its activities for the upliftment of the community, comprising 4 Regional Offices, at Aruppukottai, in Virudhunagar District, Theni and Palayam in Theni District, Nilakkottai and Kodaikanal in Dindigul District, with a total number of 345 selected Villages in 9 Regions functioning. We have a predictable number of 311 Women's Groups and 05 Small and Marginal Farmers groups, of which 4265 are women and 96 are men. The Dalit Christians consist of 3324, and the other 1303 are non-Dalit Christians and other Communities.

During this Financial year 2022 – 2023, the total savings amount from 4361 members has accumulated to the tune of Rs. 68,80,800/- (Rupees Sixty-Eight Lakh, Eighty Thousand and Eight Hundred Only). This amount is being revolved as internal lending among the group members. Through the members' savings, a total number of 1172 members have availed a loan amount of Rs. 1,27,84,000/- to start any small entrepreneurial business for their livelihood and economic development activities. The members also utilize this Loan amount for their children's Education, Housing, Medical, Agriculture, Rearing of Cow / Goat, Petty shops, Vegetable vending, Sale of clothes, Tea shops and hotels, Chicken/Mutton/fish vending, Fancy stores, Homemade Chocolates and Handmade Napkins etc.

Objective: "In Solidarity with the Oppressed...."

Activity Report of the Madurai Multipurpose Social Service Society for the progress of economically, educationally, and socially backward people for the financial year 2022-2023.

1. Self Help Groups:

There are 311 Women and 5 Small farmer groups in 224 areas, which come under the Four Districts of Madurai, Theni, Virudhunagar, and Dindigul, with 4265 women and 96 men, out of which 3324 members are from the Dalit population.

2. Savings and Credit of the Groups:

The annual savings of these 4361 members are Rs. 68,80,800/-. From this amount, 1,172 members have availed of a loan amount of Rs. 1,27,84,000/—for Education, Marriage, Housing, Medical, Agriculture, milk animal rearing, Petty Shop, Vegetable vending, Textile business, Tea shop, Goat and chicken butchery, Fancy shop, Homemade chocolate, and Handmade napkins.

3. Credit Unions:

Credit Unions are the **Economic Dream of Target People** promoted with a **Vision** of "**People's Money - for the People**" thereby encouraging the people for economically self-reliant. The scheme is operational as 21 Credit Union in 160 areas at Theni, Palayam, Kodaikanal, Bathlagundu (Arul Nagar), and Arupkkottai. It is a collective achievement of 237 groups and 265 members who have attained economic improvement by availing loans of Rs 14,61,000 through the Credit Union for activities in Education, Medical expenses, Small Income-generating activities, and Agriculture.

4. Government Schemes:

The Training on Awareness, Capacity Building, Skill Development Networking, and Linkages provided by MMSSS to the Group members helped them to acquire knowledge on availing the State and Central Government Projects. The central and state governments are implementing several schemes to promote the common progress of the people. Several schemes exist in the fields of Agriculture, Health, Education, and Social welfare development. Our Field workers are given Training and Orientation on these schemes and deliver their efforts in identifying the deserving beneficiaries to avail of these schemes and benefits through proper channels there by the beneficiaries not misguided by the middlemen and brokers. Consequently, a total number of 743 members in 102 groups have received the following assistance for economic development through the Social Welfare Department for Women's Welfare and from the Unorganized Workers Welfare Board with an amount worth Rs.37,51,000/- (Rupees Thirty-Seven Lakhs and Fifty-One Thousand Only)

5. Bank Linkage:

A total number of 313 beneficiaries in 54 Villages in three Districts were provided with direct Credit of Rs. 1,30,14,000 (One Crore Thirty lakh and Fourteen Thousand) through the Central, State, and Private Banks. Beneficiaries are utilizing these loans properly for their livelihood income-generating activities and promptly making the Repayments.

6. Kolping India:

"Kolping India" is a Registered Charitable Trust, having its National Office in Chennai. Since its inception during the Year 1962, Kolping India has grown into a life-supporting Organization for Women's Empowerment thereby promoting the concept of Self-Help Groups. Kolping India has redefined the "Self Help" approach in adapting "Savings, Crédit, Inter-lending, and Revolving fund management in its true spirit with strong Women's Self-Help Groups in the Four States of South India.

Madurai Multipurpose Social Service Society has been an implementing Partner of Kolping India's activities since October 1988, started in Madurai, Theni, and extended its activities to Kodaikanal, Bathalagundu, Virudhunagar, and Srivilliputhur. There are 78 Women Kolping Groups and 4 Men's Groups functioning with 1042 members under 07 Federations. Kolping India is a membership-based Organization, and these group members are entitled to pay an Annual Membership subscription fee of Rs. 100/- every year.

Activities Implemented:

On 27th October 2022, Madurai Kolping Region, in collaboration with Periyakulam Jayaraj Annapackyam College for Girls, celebrated World Nature Conservation Day with the theme "Activities to conserve Natural Resources". Following this, an Awareness Campaign was also conducted to highlight the importance of cleanliness in Public Places.

The "Kolping World Day of Prayer" was held at Infant Jesus Stadium of Jayaraj Annapakyam Women's College, and a cleanliness drive was held at Periyakulam New Ground at Theertha Tank area. The event was presided over by Rev. Fr. Gabriel, the Secretary and treasurer of MMSSS, and Rev Sr. Jesu Rani, Principal of Jayaraj Annapackyam Women's College. Mr. Saravanakumar, Honorable Member of the Legislative Assembly of Periyakulam Constituency, highlighted the importance of protecting Natural Resources and flagged off the Cleanliness drive. The students of Jayaraj Annapakyam Women's College and members of the Kolping family jointly undertook the cleanliness drive. Followed by this tree-sapling planting ceremony was held at the park with the participation of the Environmentalists and Social activists.

Formation of New Kolping Groups – 2022 - 2023

Kolping India works to organize individuals into groups and empower them through capacitating in Leadership and Skill Training and practice Savings and Credits, revolving fund management for their self-sustenance and economic development.

- Identifying the right person (Men & women)
- Orientation to the Community & Selection of Members.
- Formation of Groups & Representative.
- Trainings on Book Keeping & Record Maintenance.
- Practice the Habit of Savings, Credit & Revolving Fund Management.
- Regular monthly meetings, recording the proceedings, & Maintaining Bank Accounts
- Data collection of Members and Yearly Membership Subscription

Training on Capacity Building and Skill Development:

On Economic Development:

- Training on Income Generating Activities and EDP Entrepreneurship
- Individual Income Generation Scheme & Collective Income Generation Program
- Milch Animal Rearing and availing of Bank Linkages and Credits.

Rights Based:

- Strengthening the Diocesan Level Federation
- Training on the identification of need-based problems.
- Organic Agriculture Practice & Safeguard of Land and Water Resources
- Health / Hygiene and Open defecation & Solid Waste Management
- Housing Loan / Construction of Household Individual Toilets.
- Support for Technical Training & Education.

Spiritual Based:

- Practicing to Start and conclude the Kolping meeting with Prayer
- Mobilize local resources to support the communities affected by Natural disasters and Calamities.
- Celebrate Kolping Day "World Day of Prayer" on October 27th of every Year.
- Support the needy and deserving Children for Education and the Aged in Hospitals

The trainings are conducted by the Secretary and Treasurer of MMSSS, Kolping Coordinator, Monitoring Team Members, External Resource Persons, and Experts from other like-minded NGOs.

Caritas India: "Ezhuvom Iyakkam" Cancer Care Campaign:

Incidence of Cancer among women is found to be increasing as more cases are coming to light, and Caritas India came up with the slogan "Ezhuvom Iyakkam." The Cancer Care Campaign and awareness programs were conducted in 80 villages of the Four Districts. The Cancer patients were identified through Individual meetings, House visits, Group meetings, and a Cancer Awareness Rally. Mass awareness on Cancer care was conducted for the students of R C Schools at Palanganatham, Samayanallur, Silukkuvarpatty, and Kodaikanal for the adolescent Boys and Girls separately with the professionals in identifying Cancer.

A special awareness and Cancer screening camp was also conducted for the SHG Members at De Nobili Matric High, Madurai, Chinnamanur, and Packiapuram. The program was implemented in partnership with other Organizations such as Educational Institutions, Hospitals, and Women's Self-help Groups. 35 Cancer Patients were identified in Madurai, Aruppukotati, and Theni. Nutritious food pocket worth Rs. 1000/- containing Health mix powder, Chickpeas, Moonk Dhal, Cashew, and Badam nuts.

Awareness Programs on Cancer:

- Awareness programs were conducted for 150 Self-help Group members of Palayam, Theni, Kodaikanal, Arul Nagar, and Aruppukottai on the ill effects of Shewing Tobacco and Smoking that causes cancer on the 4th, 6th, 12th, 20th, and 22nd of April 2022.
- A Cancer Awareness Camp was conducted to clarify the Root causes, Symptoms, procedures for Self-Screening, prevention methods, and advanced treatment available in the Government Hospitals were explained to 40 participants at Kodaikanal on 20th May 2022 by a Government Doctor.
- A Cancer Care Campaign was organized for the workers of NREGS (National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme) at Podampatti in Aruppukottai for 72 Women on 26th May 2022.
- An Awareness Rally was organized on 21st June 2022 at Kodaikanal with the participation of 55
 Women Representatives of the SHGs demonstrating the ill effects of Chewing Tobacco, smoking, consuming alcohol, and Adolescent boys/girls hooked to Drug abuse.
- A Cancer Screening Camp was conducted at Arul Nagar on 16th July 2022 for 25 SHG members with the support of the Primary Health Center of Ammayanayakkanur, and 04 of the participants were referred for further investigations.

Cancer Care Campaign - Zonal level Volunteer Meeting:

Caritas India - Cancer Care Campaign Zonal Level Volunteer Meeting was held at the MMSSS Central Office on 25th August 2022 with 28 Participants for the DSSS Partners of Madurai, Dindigul, and Sivaganga Districts in the presence of Dr. John Arockiaraj and Mr. Rajbharath of MSSS. The Chief Coordinator, Mr. Justin, warmly welcomed Dr. John Arockia Raj and the participants. Fr. Rajan, the Assistant Secretary of MMSSS, explained the history of MMSSS and the implementation of the first and second phases of the Ezhuvom Iyyakkam – Cancer Care Campaign.

In his opening speech, he explained the 4 Ps in Social work, which are Person, Problem, Place, and Process, which are very important in identifying the right people to bring awareness to any program. Every year, February 4th is commemorated as World Cancer Day, and there are many advertisements in the media to eradicate Cancer, but there are no other Organizations to ban tobacco products. This is a message to be conveyed to the young generation who are highly influenced and addicted to the use of tobacco and related products.

Dr. John Arockiaraj gave a short introduction about this meeting which was conducted in a participatory approach by sharing their expectations and contribution. Volunteers are involved in creating awareness, providing guidance/counseling, and mobilizing resources. He elaborated on the types of cancer. He highlighted the ill effects on women taking Birth control pills, irregular menstruation cycle, and evading breastfeeding are also major causes of Breast and Ovarian cancer.

The Diocese-level inauguration of 'Ezhuvom Iyyakkam' Cancer Care Campaign Phase III was Held on 21st January 2023 at St. Joseph's High School, Samaya Nallur with the participation of 49 SHG Members. Rev. Fr. Paul Britto, Parish Priest and the Principal of the School briefed about the purpose of the program. Doctor Dr. Ushadevi, MBBS, a former student of this school explained the basic information that causes cancer, precautionary measures, and the advanced treatments available in Government Hospitals treatment. Rev. Fr. G. Fr. Gabriel, Secretary and Treasurer briefed about World Religions Day and the implementation of the 3rd Phase of Cancer Care Campaign.

World Leprosy Day and Awareness Program:

This program was conducted at MMSSS Arul Nagar Office on 28th January 2023 with the participation of 46 SHG members. Mr. Sahay Raj, a retired Health Inspector shared his experience in identifying and rescuing people affected by leprosy. Explaining the causes for leprosy, people who consider the symptoms of leprosy to be similar to snake bites or insect bites are still under a misconception. In such cases of any abnormal symptoms in the Fingers of the hands and feet, he advised the participants to visit the nearest Primary Health Center or Government Hospital.

Awareness Rally on World Cancer Day:

This was observed on 5th February 2023 at the RC Church, Campus Uthamapalayam, with the theme "Uniting Our Voices and Taking Action". As Caritas India's executive director said in his letter, "The impact of cancer across the Country is discussed on the basis that together, 'We can make real progress in reducing the Impact of Cancer." A public meeting and awareness rally was held with the Participation of 300 people. Worldwide Cancer Day is celebrated every year on the 4th of February to promote ongoing cancer awareness and eradicate the deadly disease from society. Sr. Arul Selvi explained the Causes of cancer, Types of cancer, Basic symptoms, the correct period for self-examination, prevention methods, the effects of chewing tobacco, intake of alcohol, and consumption of fast food. She advised the gathering to visit any Primary Health Centers and get checked if they sensed any abnormal symptoms in the breast and abdomen. Instead of going to private Hospitals, Government hospitals have better early treatment and government-funded schemes for cancer patients. Following this, an awareness rally was flagged off from the Church Campus by the Deputy Superintendent of Police and the Town Panchayat President of Uthamapalayam, and went through the main Streets carrying awareness flags and placards.

TASOSS:

Nandikundu Village in Virudhunagar District, Kundalpatti Village in Dindigul District, and Lakshminayakkanpatti, Silamarathupatti, and Pallikottaipatti Villages in Theni District have been selected for a project to affirm the dignity of displaced migrants in the second phase. The project involves collecting data on migrant families and providing training on skill-based activities. The training was held on June 22nd and 25th, 2022, for 31 women from displaced families in Pallikottaipatti and Lakshminayakkanpatti. Ms. Jeeva, the resource person, explained that there are 29 departments in the State Government, including the Social Welfare Department, Minority Welfare Department, and TADCO.

On 9th July 2022, the Inauguration of the Tailoring Institute was held at Palayam in Theni District, with 06 New sewing machines purchased to provide training. 19 girls from Pallikottaipatti and Lakshminayakkanpatti have enrolled to learn sewing. The event was sponsored by TASOSS as part of rehabilitating the Migrants.

On 06 Sep 2022, Assistant Director of TASOSS, Fr Arockiasamy, and the Coordinator of the Migrants project, Mrs.Geeta, conducted a field study of the Migrant project with the participation of 45 Women from Lakshminayakkanpatti, Pallikottai, and Silamarathupatti Villages. They also visited Silamarathupatti village to see the living conditions of the people and had discussions about their Children's education, Employment opportunities, and Welfare schemes from the Government.

Issue of Tailoring Certificates:

On 25th November 2022, the issuing of Certificates for those who have completed the Tailoring courses at Palayam as part of Upholding the Displaced Migrant in the presence of Fr. Albert Thambidhurai, the Director of TASOSS.

On 25th November 2022, a new Tailoring Institute was inaugurated at the Arulnagar Regional Office under the TASOSS Migrant Empowerment Project. The Center was Blessed and inaugurated by Rev. Fr. Albert Thambidhurai, Director of TASOSS, and Rev. Fr. Gabriel briefed about the purpose of starting a Tailoring center for the welfare of the displaced migrant families.

Don Bosco Tech Society – Skill Development Center, Sivakasi:

This Skill Training Program is supported by Don Bosco under the Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) initiative of Accenture. Identify the Youths who have completed 10th standard and above in the age group of 18 – 30 years, from the marginalized community. They are provided with three months of intensive training in Sales Associates, Domestic Data Entry Operator with Communicative English and Life Skill Training, and provide a Central Government Certificate to the successful trainees and identify a suitable placement for them. At least 80 jobs are provided for each phase. Communication Skills, English, English Conversation, Life Skills, Employability, and Work Placement Training are provided. From 2021, Domestic Data Entry Operator, CRM Domestic Non-Voice by three well-trained Instructors.

Name of the Center	Training Offered	Students (B)	Students (G)	Total	Dalit	Others
Sivakasi	Domestic Data Entry Operator CRM Domestic Non-Voice	52	128	180	132	48

Child Line India Foundation – 1098:

ChildLine -1098 is India's first 24-hour, free emergency Toll-Free number to access the service for children in need of distress and assistance. It is supported by the Ministry of Women & Child Welfare from the Government of India. It not only responds to the emergency needs of children but also links them to services for their short & long-term care and rehabilitation, and reaches out to the children till the age of 18. But our special focus is on all children in need of care and protection, especially the more vulnerable sections. "Childline's role is limited to direct visitation of the child in a quasi-judicial setting before the Child Welfare Committee (CWC). Thus, since 2011, Our Society has been working in partnership with the Childline India Foundation. The Childline 1098 project is being implemented in 186 areas, including one Municipality, and 16 panchayats in Aruppukkottai and Kariyapatti Blocks.

OPEN House Activities:

- Dr. Ambedkar's Birthday was celebrated on 14th April 2022 under the Chairmanship of the Kariyapatti Municipal Council.
- District-level Child Protection Committee meeting was held on the 19th of May and 29th of June 2022 at Kariyapatti
- A survey on Child labor and children begging in Street and Commercial establishments was conducted on 26th April and 26th of June 2022 at Aruppukottai Areas.
- An awareness rally was held on 11th June 2022 against the use of plastic bags and their ill effects at Mallankinaru Municipality.
- On 15th August 2022, the problems faced by the Female children were discussed in the Gram Shaba meeting held at Thiruvindalpuram Panchayat, and notebooks were distributed to 15 female students.

Reception Home:

• The Children's Reception Home has been functioning at Gandhi Nagar, Virudhunagar the District headquarters through Social Welfare Board and supported by CWC – Child Welfare Committee for the past 23 years. The inmates admitted here are given psycho-social counseling, health care with food, and accommodation are provided with love, care, and protection. Madurai Multipurpose Social Service Society has associated itself with the Social Welfare Department and has been maintaining this Center since 09.02.1998 with financial support from the Government of Tamil Nadu, and the Home is maintained by Six Staff members.

Meetings on House Management:

- These meetings are held once in three months and are attended by Center staff, members of the Child Welfare Committee, and the District Child Protection Committee to discuss the house development, requirements, processes to be adjusted or followed, and verification of Registers maintained. Other Departments in the State and District-level committees like Inspection Committees, Court Inspection Committees, Medical Inspection Committees, and Association Secretaries also make visits to the Home to conduct periodical inspections.
- The District Child Welfare Committee has supplied 20 Steel Cots, Mattresses, and pillows for the use of the inmates in the Home.
- A Health examination was conducted for the inmates of the Home on the 21st of April and 4th of May 2022 by the Team headed by Dr. Mohanarangam.
- An Inspection was carried out by the Child Welfare Committee on the 12th & 20th of May 2022.
- On the 25th of May 2022, DMCHO Researchers created awareness about the effects of Adolescent fertility among girls.
- On the 2nd and 18th of May 2022 and on the 18th of July 2022, the Secretary of MMSSS visited the house, sharing the experiences of the Inmates.
- During the short stay at Home, the Inmates are motivated by providing Life skill Education, cultivating virtues, drawing, Poetry & Essay writing, Health education, Reading, Physical Exercising, Yoga, Playing, Skills training, Sewing, Embroidery, and making of Doormats.

Special days celebrated respectively:

- New Year January 01
- Republic Day January 26
- World Book Day April 23
- Labor Day May 1
- Education Day (Kamaraj's birthday) 15th July
- Independence Day 15th August
- National Sports Day 29th August
- Teacher's Day September 5
- World Literacy Day September 8
- Diwali October 24
- Children's Day November 14
- Human Rights Day December 10 & Christmas December 25

Domestic Service Center:

For the family's economic requirements, the Women who are Widows, deserted, and isolated in Society are forced to work as housemaids, actively and skillfully through the exercises of Cooking, Housekeeping, Laundry, Character description, Caring for children, Aging, and the sick. Such exercises are given in Relationship Development Training, Inclusion in the Welfare Board, and arranging for Government welfare schemes. Also, based on the expectations of domestic requirements, those who require maids for domestic work, energetic and capable maids are employed on a contract basis based on their qualifications and experiences. Fixing wages, ensuring job security, opening a Bank account, and arranging transportation facilities are arranged in consultation with the Employer. In addition to this, monthly meetings are conducted with the Employer for feedback or any other complaints and suggestions about the employees/maids.

Share Life:

Distress Relief and Financial Assistance: Every year on Maundy Thursday, a special offering is collected from all the Parishes to support and alleviate Hunger and Disease. Through this, further support is provided for Education, Medical, and other need-based requirements. This year, an amount of Rs. 1940257 was received as a Contribution from the Archdiocese of Madurai.

S.No.	Details	Beneficiaries	Amount
1	Medical Assistance	76	567150
2	Educational Support	137	867500
3	Marriage Assistance	3	23000
4	Renovation of Houses	3	27500
5	Livelihood Activities	21	124000
6	Others	1	8000
7	Administrative Expenses		35330
8	Balance at Bank		287777
	Total	241	1940257

Moondraidappu Agriculture Farm:

With the Guidance and consultation of Dr. Devaraj, Professor of Agriculture, who visited the Farm for the verification of the soil fertility and plans to cultivate the crops accordingly, like rain-fed and short-term yielding. He also suggested plowing the areas between lemon, guava, and Coconut plants and filling them over with Organic and Vermicompost that were planted in the past years. There is also a shed for rearing Country chickens, goats, and cows. A new deep borewell was dug and fixed with a submersible motor, and there is enough water for the cultivation activities. The entire farm and building complex have been cleaned and are under periodical maintenance with the renewed three-phase electrical connection.

This year, 250 new saplings of Mango, Papaya, Pomegranate, Sapota, Gooseberry, Banana, Lemon, and Guava have been planted intermittently in the existing farm areas, well-taken care and giving good yield. 16 goats have been purchased as part of the development of an integrated agriculture farm and an existing pond has been de-silted near the bore well to augment the groundwater. During the rainy season, there is a good amount of water stored that is used to quench the thirst of the cattle.

Special Days:

The 132nd Birth Anniversary of Dr. Ambedhkar and the launch of "*Samuga Vizhigal*" (Quarterly Magazine) were held on 15.04.2023 at Chinnamanur with the participation of 189 SHG Members, presided over by Fr. Rajan, the Assistant Secretary of MMSSS. Theni District Coordinator Mr. Eliyas Raja welcomed the gathering, and Rev. Fr. Eddy Dharmanath, Parish Priest of Chinnamanur, released the magazine and shared a few words about Dr. Ambedkar. Mr. Bharathan explained Dr. Ambedkar's knowledge and contribution to the Society, whereas Fr. Rajan compared Ambedkar with Jesus by sharing common visions and goals. The program came to an end with an awareness song by Mrs. Eswari and a vote of thanks by the Theni Regional Coordinator, Ms. Esther Rani.

General and Governing Body Meetings of the Society:

The General and Governing Body meetings were held on 30th June 2023 at the Central Office to take stock of the Society's activities in the presence of the President of the Society, Most Rev. Dr. Anthony Pappusamy, along with the VG, Secretary, and the Board members.

Field visits:

- On the 8th of April and 20th of May, the Secretary and Treasurer made visits to Theni District and held discussions with the Staff at Theni Regional Office. The discussion was in detail on the functioning of the groups, strengthening the Federations, and Identification of new areas. He suggested that a field Staff member has to look after 15 villages and 30 Groups and speed up the program activities at the district level.
- On the 7th of June, he reviewed the activities of the groups in Srivilliputhur areas along with the Assistant Secretary and the Field Staff. He had discussions with 12 Representatives of the Groups and recommended maintaining the Records and Accounts properly for the well-functioning of the Groups.
- Educational Development Day was Celebrated on July 11th at Virudhunagar R.C. School.

Conclusion:

At this moment of the journey, MMSSS has completed its Golden Jubilee, and is entering into its 55th year, and we are continuously focusing on the slogan "To Find an Equal Society in the Company of the Oppressed". Madurai Multipurpose Social Service Society is rooting out its branches of services in quite a few innovative activities with the help of "Modern Science and Technology" as per the needs of the time and tide. Through its wide range of activities, the Madurai Multipurpose Social Service Society will "continue the journey towards achieving an Equal Society" over time for the sustainability and progress of the Society.
