

# SHANTHI NIKETHAN CHARITABLE SOCIETY



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## 1. Introduction

- Name of the Society: Shanthi Nikethan Charitable Society
- Year of Establishment :1979

Brief background of the Society: Shanthi Nikethan Charitable Society is the social outreach wing of the MCBS Fathers in Shimoga city. Established in 1989, the society has been working for the social Upliftment of people in Shimoga district without considering caste, religion, or social status.

Over the years, the society has rendered valuable service in various fields such as healthcare, women empowerment programmes, tuition centres, hostels for orphans and semi-orphans, agricultural development programmes, and the promotion of quality education. Through its dedicated initiatives, the society continues to contribute significantly to the welfare and holistic development of the community.

- **Number of Institutions under the Society:**
  - o Pre University Colleges (PUC):1
  - o ICSE Board Schools – (High Schools, Hr. Pry & Nursery Schools):1
  - o State Syllabus Schools – (High Schools, Hr. Pry & Nursery Schools): 3

## 2. Vision and Mission

The Society was created by the MCBS Fathers as their official social-service handle in Karnataka, with the aim of responding systematically to the needs of local communities in and around Shimoga. Its mission emphasizes faith-in-action: combining spiritual values with practical programs in education, character formation, and service to the poor and marginalized.

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Shanthi Nikethan Charitable Society (SNCS), the social service organization of the Missionary Congregation of the Blessed Sacrament (MCBS) Fathers in Karnataka, continued its mission of serving humanity during the year 2025–26. Established in 1979, the Society has been committed to the holistic development of the people of Shivamogga District without discrimination based on caste, creed, religion, or social status. Through various educational, social, healthcare, and community development initiatives, SNCS strives to empower individuals and build a just and compassionate society.

Vision : To build a society founded on human dignity, justice, peace, and sustainable development.

Mission : To empower the poor and marginalized through education, healthcare, women empowerment, social welfare programmes, and community development initiatives.

## Major Activities during 2025–26

### 1. Educational Development

Education continued to be the primary focus of SNCS. Through its educational institutions, including St. Joseph's Aksharadhama ICSE School, St. Joseph's Aksharadhama PU College, Santhom School, and Sanjose Kannada Medium School, the Society provided quality education to students from diverse socio-economic backgrounds.

#### Key achievements included:

- Academic support for economically disadvantaged students.
- Scholarship assistance for deserving students.
- Promotion of digital learning and skill-based education.
- Organization of leadership, cultural, sports, and value-education programmes.
- Career guidance and motivational sessions for senior students.

### 2. Women Empowerment Programmes

SNCS continued its commitment to empowering women through:

- Self-Help Group (SHG) promotion and support.
- Leadership and entrepreneurship training.
- Awareness programmes on health, legal rights, and financial literacy.
- Skill development activities to improve livelihood opportunities.

### 3. Healthcare Services

Healthcare initiatives focused on improving the well-being of rural and marginalized communities through:

- Medical assistance programmes.
- Health awareness campaigns.
- Free health check-up camps.
- Support for elderly and vulnerable individuals requiring medical care.

### 4. Social Welfare and Community Development

The Society actively engaged in social development activities, including:

- Assistance to poor and needy families.
- Support for orphaned and semi-orphaned children.
- Community outreach programmes in rural areas.
- Relief assistance to families facing emergencies and hardships.

### 5. Youth Development

Special attention was given to the development of young people through:

- Leadership formation programmes.
- Personality development workshops.
- Career guidance and counselling sessions.
- Sports and cultural activities promoting teamwork and discipline.

### 6. Environmental Initiatives

In response to growing environmental concerns, SNCS organized:

- Tree plantation drives.
- Environmental awareness programmes in schools.
- Clean campus and clean community campaigns.
- Activities promoting sustainable living and conservation of natural resources.

### 7. Value Education and Character Formation

The Society continued to emphasize character formation through:

- Moral and value education programmes.
- Spiritual and motivational sessions.
- Community service initiatives involving students and youth.
- Programmes fostering social responsibility and citizenship.

### Challenges and Future Directions

While significant progress was achieved during the year, challenges such as economic disparities, educational inequalities, healthcare accessibility, and environmental concerns remain. SNCS remains committed to strengthening its programmes and expanding its outreach to serve more beneficiaries in the coming years.

### Acknowledgements

The Society expresses its sincere gratitude to all benefactors, well-wishers, volunteers, staff members, parents, students, and MCBS Fathers whose generous support and dedicated service made the activities of 2025–26 successful.

Together, we continue our mission of building a society rooted in compassion, justice, and human dignity.

### Conclusion

The year 2025–26 was marked by meaningful service and community engagement. Through education, healthcare, social welfare, women empowerment, and environmental initiatives, Shanthi Nikethan Charitable Society continued to touch lives and bring positive transformation to society. With renewed commitment, the Society looks forward to serving the community with greater dedication in the years ahead.