




# 2023-2024 ANNUAL REPORT


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RESEARCH FOUNDATION

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# INTRODUCTION

The Senaapathy Kangayam Cattle Research Foundation (SKCRF) proudly presents the Annual Report for the fiscal year 2023-2024. This year has been a testament to our unwavering commitment to preserving and promoting the Kangayam cattle breed. Building on the successes of previous years, we have continued to expand our research initiatives, conservation efforts, community engagement programs, and sustainable agriculture practices.



Through these diverse activities, SKCRF strives to create a sustainable and prosperous future for the Kangayam cattle breed and the communities that depend on them. Our efforts are guided by a commitment to environmental stewardship, cultural preservation, and the well-being of farmers and their livelihoods.



The Senaapathy Kangayam Cattle Research Foundation (SKCRF) is dedicated to the conservation, protection, and promotion of the Kangayam cattle breed. Our activities encompass a wide range of initiatives aimed at enhancing sustainable agricultural practices, environmental conservation, and community engagement.



# 1. A DAY IN SKCRF

At SKCRF, we offer an immersive program "A Day in SKCRF" for school and college students to spend, a day learning about Kangayam cattle and experiencing the serene lifestyle connected with nature. This hands-on educational experience includes guided tours, interactive sessions with our experts, and practical activities that highlight sustainable farming practices and cattle conservation.

This much sought-after program is popular among students and institutions, providing a unique opportunity to gain a deeper understanding of the importance of preserving Indigenous breeds and living harmoniously with the environment.



The "A Day in SKCRF" program enriches students' education through hands-on experiences with Kangayam cattle and sustainable farming practices. It fosters environmental awareness, teaching the importance of biodiversity and eco-friendly practices. Interaction with local farmers and conservationists provides insights into community-based conservation and rural livelihoods.





## 2. ENVIRONMENTAL INSIGHTS LECTURES

SKCRF collaborated with various organizations to organize online and offline lecture series, on a wide range of environmental topics. These lectures aimed to educate and engage the community, providing insights into critical issues such as sustainable farming, biodiversity conservation, climate change, and eco-friendly practices.



10.02.2024

Combatting Lumpy Skin Disease: Prevention and Mitigation Strategies



21.05.2023

Siragai Viri – சிறகை விரி



03.07.2023

River Restoration: Engaging Civil Society for Conservation



31.03.2024

Coexistence: Managing Farming and Wildlife Interactions



11.03.2023

Waste Management





17.12.2023

**Man Manam**

An Organic Festival at VET Institute of Arts and Science, Erode with more than 500participants



08.06.2024

**World Sea Day Celebrations**

Observed in association with “Vanathukkul Tiruppur” highlighting the degrading role of plastics in seawater



18.12.2023

**Pongalo Pongal**

Pongal celebrations at Kaumaram Sushila International Residential School, Coimbatore with around 200 participants



22.05.2023

**International Day for Biological Diversity**

SKCRF emphasized its commitment to environmental stewardship and encouraged conservation efforts to protect our natural heritage.

19.01.2024

**Samathuva Pongal**

"Samathuva Pongal Festival Celebration" was organized at Valliyarachal village near Vellakoil in Tiruppur District along with the people of the village on behalf of the eco team. It was an unforgettable experience to celebrate Pongal with the public and by distributing prizes to the winners.



# 4. PLANTING FOR THE FUTURE - TREE PLANTATION DRIVE

SKCRF, in collaboration with various partners, organizes tree plantation drive to enhance environmental sustainability and biodiversity. These events involve planting native tree species, promoting reforestation, and raising awareness about the importance of trees in combating climate change.

By engaging community members, especially students, and residents, SKCRF fosters a sense of responsibility towards the environment. The initiative aims to create greener, healthier ecosystems, contributing to the overall well-being of the community and the planet.



**02.03.2023**

**Coimbatore**

A special event dedicated to the plantation of saplings, mentioned in Tamil Sangam literature. This initiative aimed to revive and promote the rich botanical heritage described in ancient Tamil texts.



**12.09.2023**

**Chennai**

Plantation of 1000 saplings in the city limits of Northern Chennai.



**16.09.2023**

**Thiruvallur**

Plantation of 1000 saplings in the district of Thiruvallur. Plantation of 1000 saplings in the district of Thiruvallur.

**02.10.2023**

**Pudukkottai**

An exclusive Pine tree sapling plantation drive aimed to enhance local biodiversity, improve air quality, and promote environmental sustainability.





**25.12.2023**

**Kangayam**

On behalf of the Environmental Wing of the Kazhagam, in order to realize the dream project of the Honble Chief Minister to create 33 of forest cover in Tamil Nadu, saplings and fruit seedlings were distributed in Saraswathipuram and Valliyarachal villages of Kangayam Valliyarachal village in Tiruppur District.



**31.01.2024**

**Trichy**

The tree planting ceremony of the Environmental Team of the Kazhagam was held in a grand manner under the leadership of the Hon'ble Anbil Mahesh Poyyamozhi, Minister for School Education, Trichy South District Secretary. We inaugurated the program to plant about 2000 saplings of two years old.



**06.02.2024**

**Valliyarachal**

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As we conclude this phase of our plantation efforts, SKCRF remains committed to continuing these initiatives, ensuring that our efforts lead to lasting ecological benefits and a healthier planet for future generations. Thank you to all volunteers, partners, and community members for their invaluable support and participation in making these drives a success.





# 5. PUBLIC POLICY ADVOCACY

SKCRF was actively engaged in public policy advocacy to promote sustainable agricultural practices and the conservation of indigenous cattle breeds. By collaborating with government agencies, educational institutions, and non-profit organizations, SKCRF advocated for policies that support environmental stewardship, biodiversity conservation, and rural development.



26.04.2023

Lower Bhavani Channel region - Farmers' discussion with District Collector, Erode along with Minister, Legislative members

**தென்னை தொழிற்சாலை பூங்கா அமைக்க வேண்டும்**

முதல்வருக்கு தீவிரக் கற்றுச்சூழல் அணிமாநில செயலாளர் கோரிக்கை மனு

சோதனை முயற்சியாக முதலில் 4 மாவட்டங்களில் உள்ள நியாய விலைக்கடைகளில் தேய்காய் எண்ணெய் வழங்கப்பட முடிக்கவேண்டுகிறோம். மேலும், இந்த அனைத்து மாவட்டங்களுக்கும் விரிபடுத்தவும் அரசு திட்டமிட்டுள்ளது.

இதன் மூலம் தென்னை விவசாயிகள் மட்டுமன்றி, மரம் ஏறும் தொழிலாளர்கள், தேய்காய் உடைக்கும் கூலித் தொழிலாளர்கள் என பல ஆயிரக்கணக்கானோரின் வாழ்வாதாரம் உறுதிப்படுத்தப்பட்டுள்ளது.

இதற்காக தமிழக முதல்வர் மு.க.ஸ்டாலினுக்கு நன்றி. அதே நேரத்தில், நடவடிக்கை எடுக்குமாறு வேண்டுகிறோம்.

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யாக திருப்பூர் மாவட்டம், காய்க்காய் பகுதியில் இடங்கொடுக்க அல்லது சிப்காட் மூலமாக தென்னைக்கு நிறைபொருட்காட்சி மற்றும் காட்சிப்படுத்தும் கட்டிடம் அமைக்க வேண்டுகிறோம்.

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23.05.2023

Advocacy for Coconut Industrial Park: SKCRF urged the Chief Minister to establish a Coconut Industrial Park to promote the interests and welfare of coconut cultivators to provide a dedicated space for processing, value addition, and marketing of coconut products, thereby enhancing the economic opportunities for farmers.

28.12.2023

Thiru.S.Muthusamy, Minister for Erode District on behalf of the Hon'ble Chief Minister said that the farmers will negotiate with the farmers regarding the construction of concrete floors in the Lower Bhavani Channel, which is the livelihood of the farmers of 4 districts, and they will continue the repair work only in





## 6. OTHERS

● On 11th July 2023, Shri. Karthikeya Siva Senaapathy, the Managing Trustee of SKCRF participated in the Tamil Entrepreneurs Meet of Georgia, Atlanta City, and deliberated opportunities upon

● On 15th October 2023, SKCRF conducted a special lecture at Navarasam Educational Institutions in Erode, focusing on Social Development Indicators. This lecture aimed to educate students and faculty on the importance of various indicators that measure the progress and well-being of communities.



● Release of book on the first war of independence in South Kongu region 10.03.2024 at Udumalpet. This book from the Udumalai Historical Research Centre, Udumalpet covers the anthropological, and historical contributions and wealth of the Kongu region

● Release of the book “Thunderous Run, Bountiful Harvest” by the Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu, Thiru M K Stalin, on 14th March 2023 an insightful book that delves into the dynamic relationship between bull taming and agriculture. It explores the challenges and triumphs of bull-taming practices, emphasizing the importance of successful harvests.

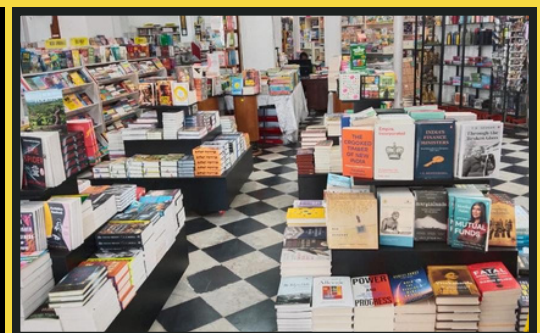


● On 30th January 2024, Karthikeya Siva Senaapathy, the Managing Trustee of SKCRF, was honored with an award by the Chennai Kongu Naadu Trust. This prestigious recognition celebrates his exceptional contributions to the conservation and promotion of the Kangayam cattle breed, as well as his dedicated efforts in sustainable agriculture and environmental conservation.



● Release of the book “Tamilum – Thimilum” on Tamil’s tradition with Bull taming sport by Shri. Karthikeya Siva Senaapathy, the Managing Trustee of SKCRF, authored by T K Gandhirajan and Savithri Tamil Mani on 31st January 2024

● Thiru. Karthikeya Siva Senaapathy, the Managing Trustee of SKCRF, released a book "Thiru Kural 3.0" authored by Chitra Mahesh on 08th August 2023 and delivered a Keynote at the Startup Thiruvizha Conference at Coimbatore on Aug 20th, 2023.





# CONCLUSION

As we conclude this annual report, we are proud to reflect on the significant strides made by the Senaapathy Kangayam Cattle Research Foundation (SKCRF) in conserving the Kangayam cattle breed, promoting sustainable agricultural practices, and fostering environmental stewardship. This year has been marked by numerous achievements and impactful initiatives, all made possible by the unwavering support and dedication of our stakeholders.



"Alone, we can do so little; together, we can do so much." – Helen Keller. This quote embodies the spirit of our collective efforts and the challenges we have overcome. Our journey toward sustainability and conservation is a shared endeavour, and we are deeply grateful to our partners, volunteers, donors, and community members who have stood by us every step of the way.



In the coming years, we will persist in our efforts to enhance environmental sustainability, promote the welfare of our farming communities, and ensure the conservation of our natural heritage. We plan to expand our research and development, increase our conservation efforts, and strengthen our community engagement programs. Our dedication to public policy advocacy will also continue, ensuring that we influence and shape policies that support sustainable practices and environmental conservation.

The Senaapathy Kangayam Cattle Research Foundation (SKCRF) invites you to join us in our mission. Your participation and support are crucial in helping us achieve our goals and create a lasting impact. We offer a variety of programs and initiatives that you can be a part of such as Educational Programs, Conservation Efforts,



Engagement, and Public Policy Advocacy by the following ways and means by joining SKCRF, you become part of a dedicated community working towards a sustainable future. For more information on how you can get involved, please visit our website or contact us directly.



We extend our heartfelt thanks to all our stakeholders for their unwavering support and commitment to our mission. Your contributions have been invaluable, and we look forward to continuing this journey together. Together, we can make a lasting impact and secure a brighter, more sustainable future for our planet and all its inhabitants.

Thank you for your support and commitment.

Yours

**Karthikeya Siva Senaapathy**  
Managing Trustee, SKCRF

