Welcome to our 2nd quarterly newsletter of the year. In the first few months of 2021, we celebrated International Women’s Day and World TB Day within our community. Moreover, we held multiple safe community events for the Transgender Community to increase STI and HIV testing. Lastly, our intern office team has returned to our Virudhunagar Office. So overall an exciting start to the new year!

COVID-19
The spread of COVID-19 is currently rapidly increasing throughout India, including Tamil Nadu. In the next couple of months, the insecurity within our regions will most likely increase. At Blossom Trust, we will continue to commit to our projects and communities through awareness-raising and the provision of supplies. We can use all of your support during these difficult times, especially for our Dayspring Home Project. Within the Dayspring, we work hard to keep the kids safe within Dayspring and provide education from home with our creche teacher. If you would like to support our kids during these more difficult times, your donation would go towards the continuity of the education and their nutritious meals. Follow the link below to donate!

International Women’s Day
On March 8, during International Women’s Day, we celebrated the power of our women, their resilience and their incredible contribution to the community.
During this event, we visited Puthupatt and Mavade in the Virudhunagar District. The women are part of the Self-Help Groups under our Poomalai Women’s Collective. We had discussions about what it means to be a woman in rural India, our accomplishments and what the future might look like. Integrating these discussions within the community does not only acknowledge the generations of women that have strenuously advocated and worked for the equal right of women but reinforces the importance of gender equality. Gender equality is not only essential for the livelihood of women but it’s vital for the thriving of communities, economies, quality healthcare and accessibility to education. We hope that by continuing to raise awareness, empowering others to have their voice, collectively we can all support the way towards creating an inclusive world.

TG Project Chengalpattu
One of the ongoing projects of Blossom Trust is our Targeted Intervention project running from our Chengalpattu office.
Under this project, we closely work together with Peer Educators as community advocates. These TG community members play a pivotal role in the outreach and the connection of the local communities. In February we hosted several small-scale community events to create a platform for communication and feedback on the project in which they spoke about ongoing struggles engaging in new professions such as agriculture when trying to move away from the informal sector. Furthermore, all the TG present at the community event had the opportunity to be tested free of cost for STI and HIV at the local clinic. It was a day which we concluded in some dancing and singing together with some amazing biryani.

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