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THE PALAN PROJECT

The word '*Palan*' means to yield fruit.
The NCEASL launched its sustainable
initiative to educate and equip pastors
on home gardening.



As part of the project, the pastors were also encouraged to share these resources with their church communities and initiate home gardening practices. The NCEASL was thereby able to support them with a variety of vegetable seeds which were distributed to over 2000 families through the pastors.



Supported
2000
families

Our Goal
is to support
5000
families to initiate
sustainable home
gardening

Mobilising prayer >>>

A prayer session was held on the 28th of May led by Pastor Vernon Perera, Pastor Niranjan George and Dr. Anketell. Eighteen prayer warriors came together to pray for the country and the Church.

Join us for a time of



Prayer

On Thursday the 28th of May from 10 AM - 11 AM

Zoom Link attached below

Prayer Sessions led by:
DR. ARUL ANKETELL
REV. VERNON PERERA
REV. GEORGE NIRANJAN

Will be conducted in
 Sinhala, Tamil & English



The NCEASL in partnership with Trans World Radio (TWR) Lanka has launched a **Certificate Course in Theology & Mission** in Sinhala. Participants can follow the course by tuning in to FM 94.3 or 94.5. **For more details contact 071-4577634**

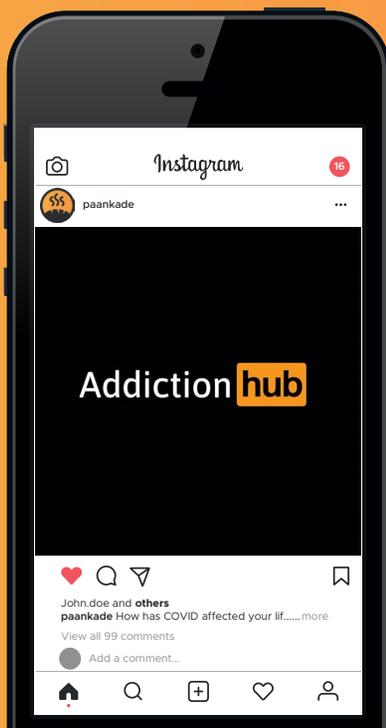


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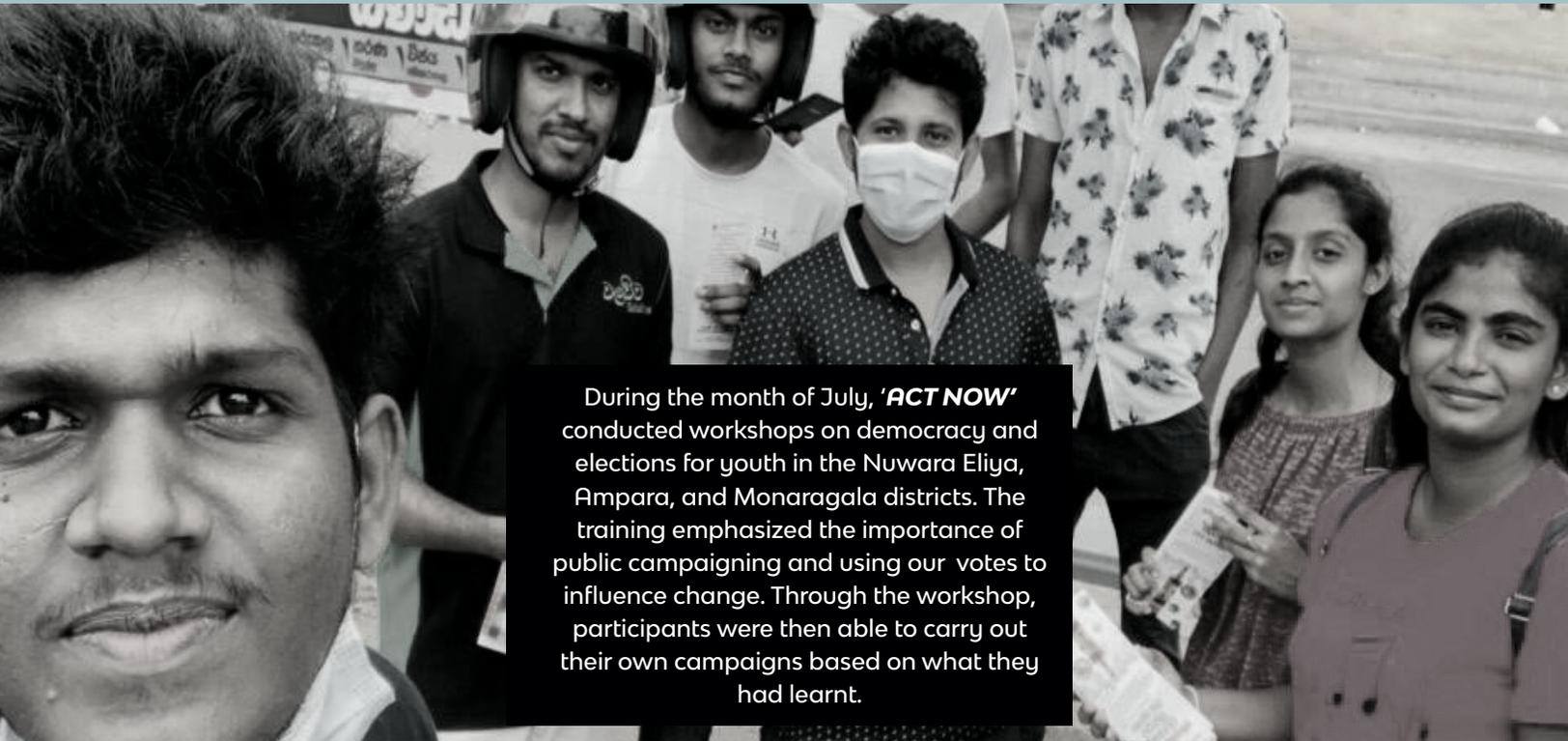




Paan Kade, an Instagram page initiated by the Youth Evangelical Alliance (YEA), is dedicated to engaging young people with the issues of today. They published a blog series that focused on the negative impacts of the pornography industry, which featured people speaking out against its exploitative nature. Further, issues of tracking and abuse that have emerged in its wake were addressed. The YEA also sought to engage in discussing the addictive effects and its impact on relationships.



The Religious Liberty Commission (RLC) launched a report under the title '**Religious Freedom Violations in Sri Lanka**'. The report highlights the Rights to Information Law, to assess the responses of Law Enforcement Authorities and the Judiciary. As part of the launch, the RLC published an online campaign promoting the report on social media, highlighting the importance placed on the freedom of thought, conscience and religion as enshrined in the Constitution.



During the month of July, '**ACT NOW**' conducted workshops on democracy and elections for youth in the Nuwara Eliya, Ampara, and Monaragala districts. The training emphasized the importance of public campaigning and using our votes to influence change. Through the workshop, participants were then able to carry out their own campaigns based on what they had learnt.



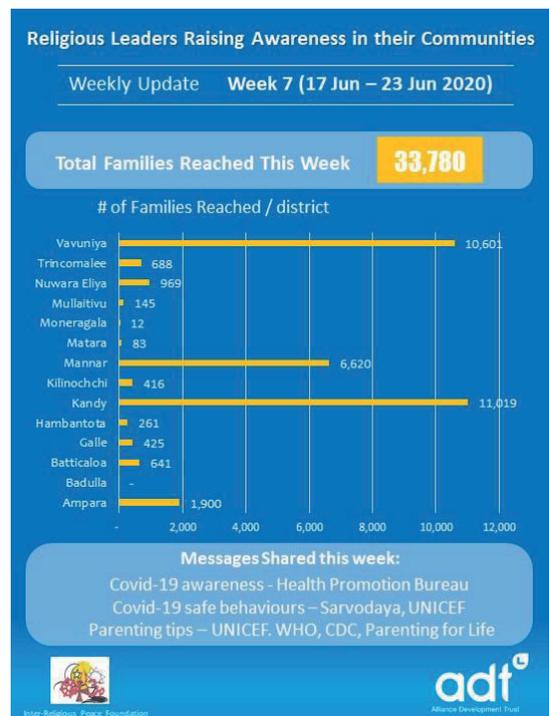
Webinars

The NCEASL conducted a series of webinars (a total of nine webinars) covering Digital Citizenship, Fake News, and Online Harassment. Each session was conducted in both Sinhala and Tamil, and live-streamed through the MinorMatters Facebook page. **The recorded webinars have reached over 3000+ views** on Facebook.

Since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic, people affected by leprosy have been hit badly losing means to purchase daily essentials. The Alliance Development Trust (ADT) responded to this need by offering to support 271 people affected by leprosy with vouchers for a period of three months. These vouchers were handed over to the Anti-Leprosy Campaign at the Annual Review meeting in Anuradhapura. The vouchers are being distributed through the Public Health Inspector (PHI) network.

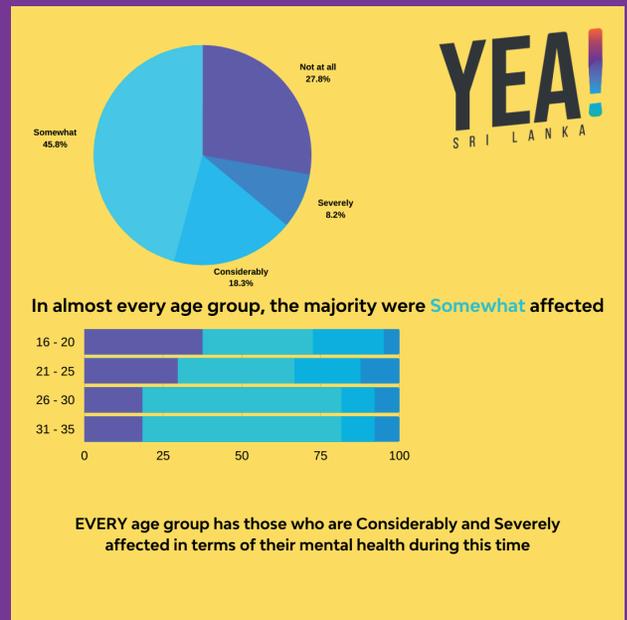


The **ADT** circulated the 7th series of COVID-19 health awareness messages, which reached over **33,780** families.



The ADT conducted interfaith meetings in Hambantota, Kandy, Galle and Nuwara Eliya with the interfaith leaders and PHIs on raising awareness on COVID-19 and leprosy amongst villages in the area. We also distributed hand sanitizers and face masks to the interfaith leaders in Galle and provided more Personal Protective Equipment (PPEs).

The YEA conducted a survey investigating *“The Impacts of COVID-19 on Young People”* and published the results of the survey on its online platforms. The results showed evidence of significant impact on the mental health and financial status of young people. The YEA then continued to share resources that were available for online counselling.



- Psychosocial activities for 09 children of the Badowita Children’s Club.
- Provided nutritional packs to three needy families.



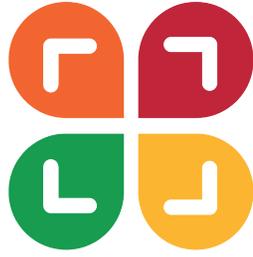
A Monitoring Team was formed in Vavuniya with the coordination of the Regional Directorate of Health Services (RDHS) and the Local Inter-Religious Council (LIRC). The main objective of this team is to prevent COVID-19 by promoting health practices at religious places in the Vavuniya District.

FOLLOWING
CHRIST
IN THE CRISIS

The **YEA** released a toolkit on how Christian youth could respond to the COVID-19 crisis. The toolkit aims to encourage them to get involved with issues that have emerged amid the pandemic. This document highlights ten specific issues and includes Biblical responses to each situation.



The Evangelical Psychologists in Spain published 'Survival Manual in Times of Crisis', a reflection on how we could cope and deal with stress and complex situations. The Missions translated the text into Tamil and Sinhala which is now available on the NCEASL Issuu page.



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