

## Report for the Month of January, 2020

### 1. Central Office

- (i) **Kala Sibiram**, a residential winter camp was organized at Kalakshetra Foundation from 7<sup>th</sup> January to 14<sup>th</sup> January 2020. Dance students from various parts of India and abroad took part in the camp. In all we had 35 participants. They were trained by Kalakshetra senior teachers and scholars. Daily programs started at 6 AM with Yoga sessions and the programs ended 4.30 pm followed by presentation/performance. Other than dance sessions, the junior participants were introduced to the world of Kalamkari, Pottery, Storytelling, Bhajans, Slokas and Heritage. The senior participants had experienced Laya, Abhinaya, Art and Heritage classes in addition to dance sessions. The week-long camp included guided tour to Mylapore Kapaleeswarar temple on one evening and a full day guided tour to Mamallapuram & Dhakshinachitra. The camp ended with performance by all the participants.

Kalakshetra Foundation had earned a revenue of about **Rs.16 Lakhs** as fees from the participants.

### (ii) **Indo-Korean Ceramic Residency and Exhibition**

Inko Centre in association with Clayarch Gimhae Museum-Korea, Kalakshetra Foundation and Dakshinachitra organized 'Earth Matters- Edition 3' on 19<sup>th</sup> January 2020 at Visual Art Department, Kalakshetra Foundation. This is a unique Indo-Korean ceramic residency project which has brought together 8 ceramic artists - 4 each from India and Korea. The residency is for five weeks.

- (iii) **Sexual harassment:** A complaint was received with regard to sexual harassment and it was examined by the Internal Complaints Committee on 10th January 2020.

- (iv) **Capital works:** The following works were awarded during January 2019

Name of work	Value
Providing shed for the newly purchased electronic kiln, steel work for the newly erected wood kiln structure bracing work at ceramic section/ visual arts units in Kalakshetra Foundation	Rs.1,09,622/-
Providing and laying Electrical cable and electrical works at ceramic section	Rs. 75,000/-

### 2. Rukmini Devi College of Fine Arts

- Existing prospectus has been revived and updated for the next Academic year 2020- 2021.
- Republic Day was celebrated at BASS School; students from RDCFA also participated in the cultural programmes on 26.01.2020.

- Workshop by Shri Jacob Boehme was conducted on "Memory in movement workshop" on Saturday, the 31<sup>st</sup> January 2020 for the second-year dance students.

### 3. Craft Education and Research Centre

#### I. Production for the month of January 2020

S.No.	Block Printing Section	No of items
1	Cotton Saree (H)	22
2	Dupatta (V)	5
3	T.Cloth (B)	2
4	Stole	23
5	D.Bedsheet	2
6	Blouse	9
7	Towel	57
8	Lungi	1
9	Dress material	14.55 mt
10	Saree (Ch)	1

S.No	Hand Painting Section	No of Items
1	Wall Panel	14
2	Saree (Handloom)	6
3	Dupatta Viole	6
4	Stole	1

S.No	Handloom Products	No of items
1	Silk Saris	6
2	Cotton Korvai Saris	16
3	Cotton Saree	40

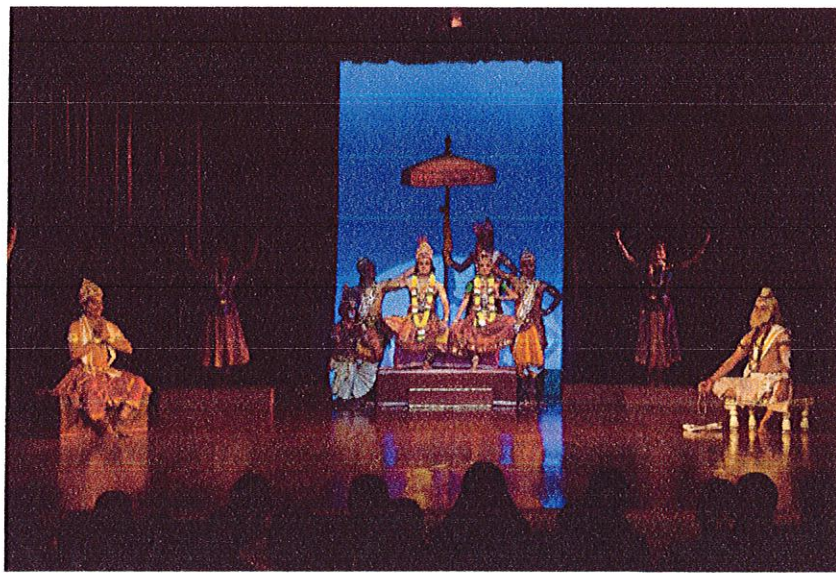
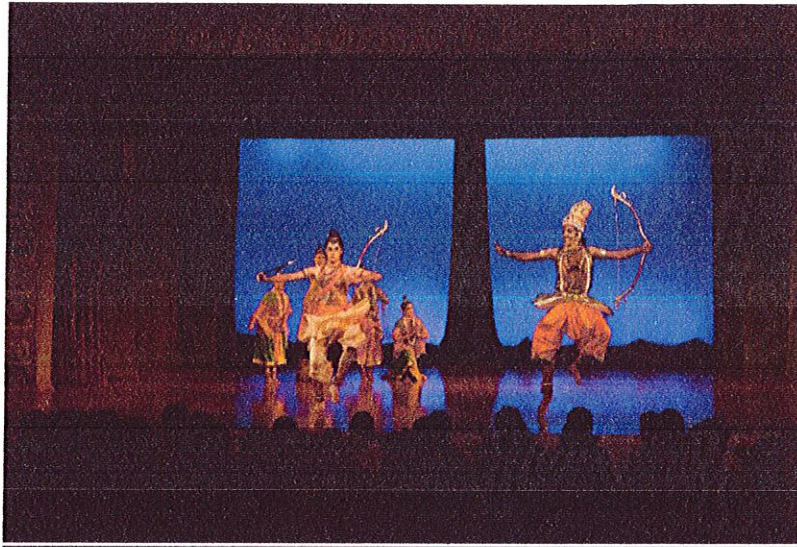
#### II. Sales

S.No	Kalamkari Unit	Amount
1	Kalamkari Sales	267706
2	Visitor's fees	3500
3	Job Order	8240
4	<b>CERC Weaving</b>	308668
	Total	588114

#### 4. Theatre

- The 66<sup>th</sup> Annual Art Festival which was started on 20<sup>th</sup> December 2019 ended on 1<sup>st</sup> January 2020 with a dance drama - Maha Pattabhishekam. Ticket sales for the 13 day festival was more than Rs.16 Lakh.

##### Scenes from Maha Pattabhishekam



- Kalakshetra Foundation has performed Shanti sutra on 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2020 at Manajakudi for AIM FOE SEVA.

- Kalakshetra Foundation has performed variety dance performance on 15<sup>th</sup> January 2020 at Chennai for Indian coast guard on the occasion of Joint Exercise with Japan Coast Guard.
- Kalakshetra Foundation has performed variety dance performance on 26<sup>th</sup> at Raj Bhavan, Chennai for the Republic day celebrations organized by South zone.

5. **Archives**

- 50 hours of video programming available for viewing
- 1000 GB (1TB) of data backed up on archival optical discs
- 750 images processed for viewing and utilisation
- 15 visitors from public utilised the archives
- 437 files in system tagged for retrieval

6. **Museum**

- Selected around 20 sarees of Smt. Rukmini Devi for the saree revival project that will happen at Craft Education and Research Centre, Kalakshetra Foundation.

7. **Outreach**

- Photo-shoot and videography content for Kala Sibiram was shot and updated regularly on various social media sites.
- Updated Cultural ministry's weekly social media reports
- Kala Samvridhi program to provide opportunity to the students and alumni of Kalakshetra Foundation was organized on 31<sup>st</sup> January 2020 in collaboration with Annajothi. The artists showcased are - Carnatic Vocal by T Parthasarathi and Bharatanatyam by Kailashnathan P K
- Created more than 75 posts on various online platforms – Facebook, Instagram and Twitter

8. **Besant Arundale Senior Secondary School**

- On 25<sup>th</sup> January our Principal and schoolteachers were deputed to participate in a workshop on “Hubs of learning”.
- As a part of Celebrations of Mahatma Gandhiji's 150<sup>th</sup> year, 7<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> Class students participated in INTACH Essay and drawing competitions.
- On 26<sup>th</sup> January our 71<sup>st</sup> Republic Day was Celebrated in the school premises which was attended by students and staff of all constituent units of Kalakshetra Foundation. Shri Nellai Muthu, a Retired Scientist of ISRO hoisted the National Flag as Chief Guest.

9. **Besant Theosophical Higher Secondary School**

- On 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2020 Student Police Cadet Project was held in the School. Road safety awareness program was held. Students staged a drama about Road safety.
- On 30<sup>th</sup> January 2020 oath on eradication of untouchability was taken.

