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Standing Committee of Tamil Speaking People (SCOT)
Project Officer's Report 2026

Another Successful Year of Projects

This year, we continued our mission through focused and impactful initiatives, covering projects delivered between 1 November 2025 and 5 October 2026. Our key project statistics demonstrate this commitment:

- **90% of all project applications were approved.**
- **33% projects** focused on **Education & Empowerment.**
- **66% projects** focused on **Employment & Empowerment.**

These mid-term and short-term projects are carefully selected through our diligent process and implemented in collaboration with local partners in remote, high-need areas.

Our Lasting Impact

For over 49 years, we have been supporting vulnerable Tamil-speaking people. In recent years, we have successfully delivered several projects that have created a long-lasting impact, including:

- Enabling **over 35 students** to enter various universities in Sri Lanka.
- Creating **several employment opportunities** for the community.
- Empowering **over 1,000 families.**

A Heartfelt Thank You

To our incredible community of members, donors, advertisers, and patrons: thank you. Because of you, we have stood by our Tamil-speaking brothers and sisters in the North and East of Sri Lanka during a time of significant economic and global pressure.

Your generosity powered our education, women's empowerment and livelihood projects, creating a tangible buffer against adversity. Even when times were tough, you helped us not only sustain our mission but also respond to emergencies such as the recent floods.

The road ahead promises new tests, but our resolve is stronger than ever. We move forward with an unwavering focus on our vision for the community: **Education, Employment, and Empowerment (the 3E's).**

Below are the detailed project listings.

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No.	Project Name	Location	Focus Area	Key Activities & Impact
1	HUDEC Student Support	Jaffna	Education, Employment	Final-year support completed for 14 university students from remote areas (Malayagam to Vanni), combining undergraduate funding with skills training.
2	Emergency Flood Relief	Mutur, Verugal; East, North & Up-country	Emergency Relief	Dry rations and food packs delivered with local and Rotary partners to over 100 families displaced by the floods.
3	Post-Flood Recovery	Vaharai (Verugal)	Employment	Water pumps, pipes and fencing restored the farming livelihoods of 4 vulnerable families.
4	Smart Board for School	Muthalaikudah	Education	Interactive smart board installed in a peripheral school to bring modern digital learning to its pupils.
5	Thilakavathiyar Illam	Kathiravely, Batticaloa	Education	Tuition support (O/L & A/L) for the girls of this permanent home – 30 girls aged 10–18 – through to Dec 2026.
6	Vivekananda Illam	Valaichchenai	Education	Tuition support (O/L & A/L) for 30 teenage girls, who continue to excel in their studies.
7	Hari Illam	Batticaloa	Education	Tuition support (O/L & A/L) for 30+ boys at the “Best Home in

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				Eastern Sri Lanka”; 25% of eligible boys enter university annually.
8	Women’s Empowerment (HOPE)	Trincomalee	Empowerment	47 local women trained in cake making, tailoring and palmyrah crafts; several have started small businesses.
9	Specialised Education for Disabled Children (HOPE)	Trincomalee	Education, Empowerment	Free daily school transport, band instruments and a chair-hire business for sustainability; ‘We Can Too’ Children’s Day for about 40 special-needs children.
10	Centre for Extra Classes	Eachilampattu, Muthur	Education	Year 5 Scholarship and O/L classes for 100+ students completed for 2025/26.
11	Climate-Smart Spices & Student Support	Kandenuwara, Matale	Education, Employment	Modern spice-cultivation training on 2 acres benefiting 100+ students, plus one-off support for under-privileged students.
12	Food-Testing Lab (VALID Centre)	University of Vavuniya	Employment, Education	Food analyst enabling quality testing for local producers and practical training for students.
13	Kathiresan Memorial Scholarships	Batticaloa	Education	A/L scholarships for 6 students from low-income families.

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14	Child Sponsorship (Sivanarul Hope)	Sri Lanka	Education	Sponsorship of 2 children for their schooling.
15	Agro Well	Palchenai, Vaharai	Employment	Year-round irrigation for 25 acres, supporting 15 farming families through the dry season.
16	Women’s Food Processing Unit	Batticaloa	Employment, Empowerment	Community grinding mill and coconut-oil unit giving immediate employment to 5 households and enabling village-based businesses.
17	Home Gardening & Poultry Expansion	Mannar	Employment, Empowerment	Seedlings and compost for 100 families, creating 4 jobs; poultry expansion across villages near Adampan giving flexible work to 20+ people.

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