SOME INFORMATION ON DISABILITY

- ✓ 2 % of any population is disabled.
- ✓ In Kanyakumari district mental disabilities out number all the other disabilities.
- ✓ We do not have the exact statistics on disabilities in our district (now the identification survey work is going on.)
- ✓ KARD has identified 450 Mentally Disabled Children in Nagercoil Municipal area itself through door to door survey.
- ✓ Only 149 children are attending SPASTI
- ✓ We provide special education to these children.
- ✓ We concentrate on developing Activities of Daily Living skills eating, dressing, toiletting, bathing etc., through Special Education
- ✓ We get very little co-operation from the parents and from the general public.
- ✓ Parents are giving least priority to their disabled children especially Mentally Disabled Children.
- ✓ The attitude of the general public towards the disabled and that too towards the mentally disabled is very poor
- ✓ Many parents are not willing to send their children out from their houses to special schools.
- ✓ They have developed inferiority complex for having a disabled child and hence hide themselves away from the social gatherings like functions and feasts.

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