Dr. B.S. Abdur Rahman www.bsabdurrahman.in A Visionary with a Mission

A descendant of the legendary philanthropist Seethakathi, Dr.B.S Abdur Rahman was born in Kilakarai in 1927 in the Ramanathapuram District of Tamil Nadu. He is a well-known personality in the field of Social Works, Education, Business, etc. Besides his business activities, he concentrates on the upliftment of the economically weaker sections and minorities through Education, Employment, Health facilities and Rural Development.



Educational Trust & Institutions:-

A firm believer in helping to educate the poor and the deprived, Abdur Rahman has been determinedly establishing a widespread network of education institutions which provide numerous opportunities for the needy. Founder of Seethakathi Trust, Est. 1967 and All India Islamic Foundation (AIIF) Est.1979. A total of 12 Educational Institutions comprising of a leading Engineering University, a Women's College, an Arabic college for men, 2 boys schools, 3 girls schools, a women nursing college, a teachers training institute, B.Ed college for women and 2 hospitals and orphanages in both urban and rural areas in the State of Tamil Nadu. A few among from the above Trusts is listed below:-

Higher Education:-

Chancellor of B.S Abdur Rahman University, Chennai <u>www.bsauniv.ac.in</u> providing World-Class Technical Education, offering 12 UG, 19 PG and 18 Ph.D programmes. The student and faculty strengths are 5656 and 338 respectively with 85 Ph.D holders.

Founder of Thassim Beevi Abdul Kader College for Women, Kilakarai, Tamil Nadu <u>www.thassim.in.</u> The College offers 12 UG Programs, 5 PG Programs and about 10 Career Oriented Programmes.

Schools / Training Institutes:-

The Schools and Training Institutions founded by Dr. B.S. Abdur Rahman include Crescent Residential Boys Matriculation School at Chennai, Crescent Matriculation School for Girls in Chennai, Madurai and Nagore. Also a B.Ed College, a Teacher Training Institute and a Nursing Centre for Women at Madurai.

Healthcare:-

Founded a 60 bed Yousuf Zulaikha Hospital at Kilakarai and a 150 bed Crescent Hospital at Madurai

Orphanages:

Al Mumin Orphanages for Boys & Girls in various locations of Tamil Nadu like Ottapidram, Tanjore, Kilakarai and Thiruvithancode.

Educational Centres:-

Established Crescent IAS and Career Guidance Academy in 1994 for IAS, IPS, other Professional Courses Entrance Examination Training. Also had established Islamic Studies & Cultural Centre at Chennai.

Social Works:-

Founder of B.S Abdur Rahman Zakaat Fund Foundation (Est. 2007) <u>www.bsazakaat.org</u> which provides Educational grants for Zakaat eligible students. INR 70 Mn worth scholarship been disbursed for about 5800 students in the last 5 years. Through this foundation, B.S. Abdur Rahman maintains the magnificence and munificence of Zakat, a pillar of Islam, which ensures means of subsistence for the poor Muslims.

Self Help is the best help, as the saying goes. To realize the significance of the saying and for attaining the utmost benefit, he founded 4M Trust <u>www.4mtrust.org</u> in 2005 with the principle objective of helping people below poverty line. This Trust is in the vanguard of promoting 1017 Self-Help Groups (SHGs) and it accounts for the sustenance of about 17093 women. The key here is to promote Financial Inclusion through the model of SHGs.As of date, disbursed INR 213 Mn through Nationalised Banks at PLR between 11 to 12%. Moreover, availed INR 23 million @ 4% interest from Urban Cooperative Banks through Tamil Nadu Minorities Economic Development Corporation Limited (TAMCO) and Tamil Nadu Backward Classes Economic Development Training Programmes to improve self-development, vocation skills and other income generation training programmes.

Various Other NGOs / Trust managed by Abdul Rahman are Yousuf Zulaikha, Est.1993, Chennai towards Education, Healthcare, Women Empowerment.

United Economic Forum (UEF) Charitable Trust, Established 1994 has Children's Homes, homes for destitutes and Senior Citizens.

Seethakathi NGO, Est. 2002 in Kilakarai has promoted 1076 SHGs, sustenance to about 18,544 women in rural areas, disbursing a loan amount of INR 64 Mn,

Business:-

Founding Vice-Chairman of Dubai based ETA - Ascon-Star Group <u>www.etaascon.com</u> and a renowned Indian entrepreneur in UAE. ETA Group with a turnover of US\$ 5.5 billion has 12 business verticals employing around 50,000 people.

With his visionary zeal and entrepreneurial spirit, B.S. Abdur Rahman has been the guiding force behind many Companies in India, among which the most important is the Buhari Group <u>www.buhariholding.com</u> – The Indian Multinational. The Prominent Companies and establishments under Buhari Group include East Coast Construction Ltd. (ECCI) <u>www.ecciltd.com</u> 50 years in the field of construction, Coal & Oil <u>www.coalandoil.com</u> and many other automobile dealership companies.

Awards:-

In recognition of his services in the field of Education, Aligarh Muslim University students union conferred in the Honorary Life Membership in the presence of Prof. Fariqui, Vice Chancellor and Prof. Abdul Hasan Siddique, the Pro. Vice Chancellor of the University.

Sathyabama University <u>www.sathyabamauniversity.ac.in</u> awarded Honorary Doctorate in recognition of his contribution to Women Education specially Minority Community in the field of Education.