

# The Symbioun Community Newsletter

Throughout March & April, Symbioun achieved significant milestones, starting with the steady progress of our Saturday Karate, Yoga, & Music classes for school students. Agricultural efforts at the Mavadivembu Farm scaled impressively, with seedling production growing from 6,000 to 15,000, alongside the harvest of 38kg of vermicompost & 20L of Fish Amino Acid. Simultaneously, the Batti Women's Crafting team successfully entered the digital market on Daraz, generating consistent orders for coconut shell bowls while preparing for a major May exhibition. Our community impact peaked with an April 1st medical camp that provided 68 elders with rare, in-depth health consultations and medication, with long-term follow-up care now established through the Eastern University Medical Faculty.



## COMMUNITY UPDATES

### Mavadivembu Farm Update: Agricultural Innovation

The farm is reaching new heights in production and sustainability:

- **Seedling Success:** We have achieved a massive milestone, growing from 6,000 seedlings in March to 15,000 successfully produced by April. Our reach is expanding beyond local borders; we are now successfully supplying seedling orders to other districts outside of The sale of our natural farming crops has proven to be a major success, reflecting a growing demand for sustainably grown produce.
- **Organic Nutrients:** We harvested 38kg of high-quality vermicompost and have already refilled the beds for the next cycle. Additionally, we have prepared approximately 20L of Fish Amino Acid to boost crop health. For the first time, we have initiated the production of a Moringa leaf solution as part of our liquid fertilizer range, successfully producing an initial 3L batch. After applying this biostimulant on our own farm and witnessing excellent results, we intend to scale up production significantly.
- **Current Harvest:** Our fields are currently flourishing with a new cultivation of long beans.



# Women's Empowerment: Batti Women's Crafting

Our crafting team is turning traditional skills into a digital-age success story:

- **Production Highlights:** Throughout March & April, commencing the 1000 cup project, the team focused on crafting coconut shell bowls, tea cups, decorative fish, and salt cups.
- **Exhibition Success & Momentum:** Building on the momentum of a successful March, our artisans generated significant sales at the Chamber of Women's Economy (CWE) launch on March 6th and the Divisional Secretariat (DS) exhibition on March 11th. These successes have served as the perfect springboard as the team prepares a unique new collection for our upcoming exhibition in May.
- **Upskilling & Professional Growth:** To scale their impact, the team participated in several high-level workshops. The Dilmah MJF Foundation provided essential coaching on business registration and management on March 25th. This was followed by a three-day intensive hosted by the CWE (March 27th-29th), covering regulatory awareness, business coaching, and the cutting-edge use of Digital Media and AI to modernize their craft.
- **Digital Growth:** The team is now officially listed on Daraz, where they have been consistently generating orders—with our handcrafted bowls becoming a customer favorite.



# Holistic Youth Development: Saturday Classes

Our Saturday program continues to be a cornerstone of student growth, offering a unique blend of discipline, wellness, and creativity. Each session begins with a grounded ritual of morning prayers and Yoga, ensuring our students start their day with mental clarity and physical balance. This foundation is followed by specialized Karate classes that instill self-defense skills and discipline, while our Music and Primary Kids' classes provide a vital outlet for creative expression and cultural engagement. Beyond physical activities, we are sharpening young minds through Chess for strategic thinking and ICT workshops to build essential digital literacy. These classes are not just about learning skills; they are about fostering well-rounded individuals who are prepared to lead with both confidence and compassion.



# Community Care: Medical Camp for Elders

On April 1st, in response to a direct request from the Mavadivembu Elder's Committee, we organized a comprehensive medical camp.

- **Impact by the Numbers:** 68 elders participated in the event, receiving expert attention from a premier medical team.
- **Addressing the Need:** Many elders in our community are dependent on their children for transport, making frequent hospital visits difficult. Following our previous meeting where they voiced these challenges, the Symbioun team secured the necessary approvals to bring the care directly to them.
- **Meaningful Connections:** Unlike the hurried environment of a typical hospital, our doctors provided in-depth consultations, listening with intent and prescribing necessary medications. One elder who could not afford their prescription was personally supported by the Symbioun Team.
- **Continued Support:** Follow-up care, health screenings, and medicine requirements will be coordinated by these doctors through the Eastern University Medical Faculty Hospital.

The elders expressed deep appreciation for the care they received, feeling truly 'taken care of' and supported. A special thank you to Mr. Vadivel and everyone who contributed to making this impactful day a reality. Watch our video that covers more on this - <https://youtu.be/WdevXJJyt5E?si=i2wnRp-5PUjzHGQL>





## 💡 Looking Ahead

We are proud of the strides our community is making in agriculture, craft, and education. If you would like to support our initiatives or purchase our products, please reach out!

**Symbioun - Cultivating Change,  
Empowering Communities.**



**We are grateful for the overwhelming support from the community and our dedicated team who have made these programs a reality.**

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