

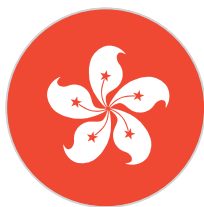


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Panda



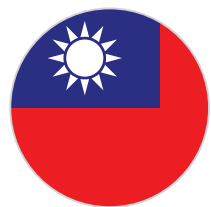
China



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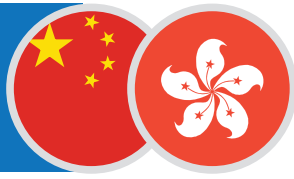
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ZONE 5 HIGHLIGHTS

COUNTRIES	CENTRES/ GROUPS	SSIO MEMBERS	SSE STUDENTS	ISSE	SATHYA SAI SCHOOLS
China	2	35			
Hong Kong	2	545	242	1	
Japan	27	356	30	1	
Taiwan	2	113	69		1
Total	33	1,049	341	2	1



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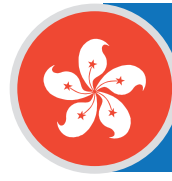
In China, about 100 teachers attended a teacher's training programme in Yangshou on 2nd and 3rd April 2015.

In Hong Kong, on 13th April 2015, an interfaith group held a class at the Sathya Sai Centre to discuss Baba's seminal advice, "There is only one religion, the religion of love."

On 20th June 2015, a second service workshop was held at the Sathya Sai Centre. Short presentations were given on the topics of "Seva as a Sadhana," "Disciplines in Sai Seva," "The Role of Money in Seva," and "Creating Public Awareness of Sai Seva." On 4th September 2015, a first booklet on service was released for public distribution, highlighting the work of the local SSIO.

On 26th September 2015, 95 SSE children along with their parents and 25 teachers distributed food to about 260 people living on the streets.





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On 20th October 2015, in honour of Avatar Declaration Day, the SSIO launched a “Human Values App,” a computer programme featuring values-based stories, posters, quotes, and songs, as resources for parents and children.

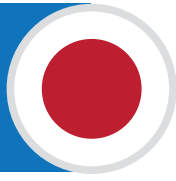
Senior SSE students and teenage Sathya Sai Youth continued their monthly services at the Sharon Lutheran Primary School, where they offered tutoring in English, with a focus on human values, to selected children.

The SSEHV programme in China is conducted by the ISSE of Hong Kong, in partnership with the South China Normal University (SCNU), in four provinces of China. To discuss the potential to expand SSEHV in China, a conference was held in March 2016 at SCNU. About 100 key stakeholders from university faculty education bureaus and schools came together to share experiences of SSEHV and exchange ideas. The conference paved the way to improve and expand the delivery of SSEHV in China.



Hong Kong

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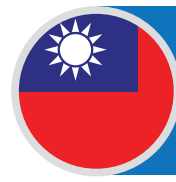


In Japan, on 29th and 30th July 2015, a seventh SSE National Sadhana Camp was held at the Tokyo Sathya Sai Centre.

On 10th September 2015, the 18th typhoon of the 2015 season broke the levees of the Kinu-gawa river and inflicted severe damage to Jousou City and the surrounding areas, flooding many houses. On 19th September 2015, 13 Sathya Sai volunteers cleaned up homes in Jousou City.

From 20th to 22nd September 2015, the ISSE of Japan and the Indian Commerce and Industry Association of Japan held an exhibition on the 1200-year history of Indo-Japanese cooperation. Approximately 300 panels were set up in a public assembly hall at Otsu-city, Shiga Prefecture, in west Japan. The exhibition displayed the history of cultural exchange between India and Japan since the introduction of Buddhism in the 6th century, highlighting the five human values. The Ambassador of India, the Governor of Shiga, the Mayor of Otsu-city, a member of Parliament, and various other distinguished guests graced the opening ceremony.

From 22nd October to 30th November 2015, a Sathya Sai Baba Book Fair was held at a renowned bookstore in Tokyo, celebrating the 90th Birthday of Sathya Sai Baba.



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In Taiwan, SSE volunteers visited a reformatory school for juvenile delinquents in Taoyuan during July and August 2015, where they conducted weekly SSE classes.

As part of the 2015 Serve the Planet project, Sathya Sai students and teachers visited a library to help reorganise the books and clean the book shelves. A group of students, teachers, parents, and volunteers presented songs on human values in front of a coffee shop in a busy locality and in a park.

On 21st November 2015, the SSIO of Taiwan celebrated the 90th Birthday of Sathya Sai Baba and the 19th anniversary of SSEHV in Taiwan, with a programme for the local Chinese population. The event, held in Taipei City, attracted 150 people, including about 100 from the general public. The celebration featured delightful songs and dramas performed by students of the Chinese Educare program, the SSE program, and the Chinese SSEHV program. On 23rd November 2015, Sathya Sai volunteers visited two seniors' homes in Tienmou to distribute cake, fruit, and other food items. They invited the senior citizens to join in singing as well as in uplifting group activities.

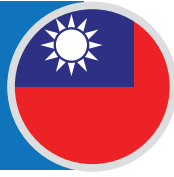


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On 5th and 6th December 2015, an overnight outdoor camp was organised by Chinese SSEHV teachers, parents, students, and SSE volunteers in Taoyuan. Newcomers were invited to join the group. A brief talk was given on the practice of human values. Every student was asked to take one value home and practise it diligently for a month.

To commemorate the Mahasamadhi of Baba, 50 SSEHV volunteers, teachers, parents and students participated in a charity food and crafts bazaar organised by Taipei Happy Mount Home for people with disabilities, and donated the proceeds to the Home.

On 3rd and 17th March 2016, as part of the 2016 Serve the Planet project, themed "Love for Animals," a representative from the local Environment Protection Agency talked about protecting animals, which is the theme for SSEHV classes for 2016





You have immense love for Me. It cannot be described in words. Love others as you love Swami. Give Me your love. Take My love in turn.

–Sathya Sai Baba, 22 November 2003