



# Zone 4

Philippines



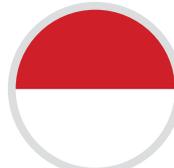
Bhutan



Brunei



Cambodia



Indonesia



Lao PDR



Malaysia



Myanmar



Nepal



Philippines



Singapore



Sri Lanka



Thailand

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COUNTRIES	CENTRES/ GROUPS	SSIO MEMBERS	SSE STUDENTS	ISSE	SATHYA SAI SCHOOLS
Bhutan	2	120			
Brunei	1	90			
Cambodia	1	42	30		
Indonesia	62	4,670	996	1	2
Lao PDR	3	150			1
Malaysia	71	6,428	3,828		1
Myanmar	1	107	1		
Nepal	209	31,610	9,490	1	2
Philippines	3	125	32	1	1
Singapore	19	1,739	678		1
Sri Lanka	79	11,697	1,306	1	1
Thailand	9	288	62	1	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>460</b>	<b>57,066</b>	<b>16,423</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>10</b>



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## Indonesia

In Indonesia, as part of the Serve the Planet global SSIO initiative, volunteers planted more than 1,200 trees.

The SSIO organised a medical camp serving more than 950 patients. About 1,500 volunteers donated more than 480 litres of blood. In addition, 14 wheelchairs were distributed to disabled children.

In September 2016, heavy floods submerged seven sub districts in Garut, West Java. The SSIO humanitarian relief team provided aid to 200 displaced victims in four villages, including the operation of four soup kitchens.

In December 2016, a 6.5 earthquake affected Pidie Jaya, Aceh. In response, Sathya Sai volunteers distributed 250 care packages and counselled hundreds of people, especially traumatised children.

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## Lao PDR

The Sathya Sai School was developed throughout 2016 and as of this writing serves 105 students. The second phase of the school's expansion included a sports complex, a free medical clinic, a kitchen and dining area, and a cultural centre.





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SSIO volunteers also organised a series of blood donation and medical camps across Laos. In three remote villages, a team of health professionals conducted more than 1,100 medical examinations and procedures.

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### **Malaysia**

SSIO members launched a novel public outreach programme, “Parents Helping Parents,” in Kuala Lumpur on 12th March 2017, with 80 parents participating. This inaugural session was followed by a six-week Sathya Sai parent care programme.

In January 2017, SSIO members organised an annual blood donation campaign, resulting in the collection of 1,917 pints of blood.

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### **Nepal**

In 2016, a new building was commissioned for the orphanage managed by the SSIO in Bharatpur (Chitwan), which presently cares for 17 girls. The SSIO also conducted a variety of skill development programmes. Workshops in tailoring, knitting, cleaning, pickling, artistry, and cooking were provided free of charge, and 91 sewing machines were provided to needy ladies.



Nepal

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The SSIO of Nepal undertook massive projects to supply drinking water to isolated villagers who faced an acute shortage of water due to drought. In 2016, four major drinking water projects were completed, in four different villages. Each of these projects benefits about 860 households and more than 1,000 students. In Balkot (Arghakhachi), the task proved exceedingly difficult, with over 28 km of pipeline needed to complete the project. Multiple prior attempts had failed, and the leader of the project, inspired by Sathya Sai Baba, persevered to continue and completed the project. The grateful villagers now sing bhajans regularly and greet each other with “Sai Ram.”

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## Philippines

In the wake of “Super Typhoon” Lawin in October 2016, SSIO volunteers undertook relief efforts in the Province of Isabella and distributed 270 grocery bags to displaced persons.

The Sathya Sai School of Pililla hosted an Annual Quiz Bee Contest, attended by over 100 students representing all private schools in the Province of Rizal. The Sathya Sai students excelled in mathematics, science, general information, social studies, and spelling.





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### Singapore

SSIO members organised a Human Values Drama Festival on 20th July 2016 at the Republic Polytechnic, with participants from 56 secondary schools across Singapore and Taiwan. Approximately 1,500 students participated in the festival, performing before an audience of nearly 30,000 people. The festival was recognised by the government and broadcast on a local television station.

On 14th August 2016, the Sri Sathya Sai Kindergarten joined in the celebrations of Singapore's 51st National Day and its 15th Annual Sports Day. During the event, more than 200 children and parents welcomed the honoured guests and caregivers from the Sunlove Home for the Intellectually Disabled and served them lunch.

The Singapore SSIO also launched a new public outreach initiative, "Honour Our Parents Everyday" (HOPE), to encourage the core family values of love, care, and compassion.



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### **Sri Lanka**

A six-kilometre Walk for Values was organised in Colombo on the morning of 24th April 2016 in observance of Sathya Sai Aradhana Mahotsavam.

The Sathya Sai Village Integrated Programme (SSVIP) expanded to serve nine villages across the northern regions of Sri Lanka. The programme encourages participants to adopt a village and focus on improving the livelihood and welfare of the villagers by providing water pumps for agriculture, and sewing machines and carpentry tools for earning a living. Toilet facilities were constructed to improve the health and hygiene of the villagers.

Heavy flooding forced the evacuation of sizeable townships in 22 of the country's 25 districts. In response, the SSIO provided relief packs of dry rations, toiletries, cooked food, and water to 500 families in the affected regions.

The ladies wing of the SSIO inaugurated a mentorship and support programme for underprivileged pregnant mothers. The "Mother and Child Care Project" sponsored 350 pregnant mothers, providing hospital services and mentoring, along with education on human values.

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### **Thailand**

After the passing of the highly-revered King of Thailand in October 2016, tens of thousands of mourners stood in long queues in gruelling conditions, to pay their respects. The SSIO of Thailand lovingly served refreshments, food, and medicine to more than 6,000 mourners on 27th November 2016.

In February 2017, the SSIO of Thailand introduced the nation's first Sathya Sai Sport Day. More than 180 participants played cricket and soccer, and joined in races.

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