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COUNTRIES	CENTRES/ GROUPS	SSIO MEMBERS	SSE STUDENTS	ISSE	SATHYA SAI SCHOOLS
Benin	1	520			
Botswana	2	217	60		
Cameroon	1	62			
Congo DR	10	90			1
Gabon	1	52			
Ghana	1	92	50		1
Kenya	2	289			2
Madagascar	1	49			1
Malawi	1	8			
Mauritius	98	6,716	1,217	1	1
Morocco	1	21	6		
Nigeria	8	244	11		1
South Africa	120	7,535	1,729	1	3
Tanzania	1	30	20		
Togo	1	28			
Uganda	1	52			
Zambia	2	120	17	1	2
Zimbabwe	2	94			
TOTAL	254	16,219	3,110	3	12



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Benin

More than 130 teachers attended an SSEHV training course organised by the SSIO in February 2019. The SSEHV programme in a partnership school in Abomey has made significant impact on its 128 students.



Botswana

A state-of-the-art medical clinic staffed with 10 doctors provides services such as optometry, ultrasound, dental, and general medical services. The facility is fully automated and serves an average of 72 patients every week. In addition, SSIO volunteers organised a medical and vision camp, serving 530 patients. The volunteers also organised three blood donation camps where 125 people donated blood.



Cameroon

As part of the 93rd Birthday celebrations of Sri Sathya Sai Baba, three medical camps were held during 17th to 23rd November 2018, providing medical services to 65 patients.



Congo DR

Over 100 SSIO members conducted multiple activities at 10 Sathya Sai Centres in Congo DR.



Gabon

SSIO volunteers in Libreville conducted a SSEHV training session for the staff at the children's home (Centre Arc-En-Ciel). The orphanage, adopted by the SSIO of Gabon, conducts value-based programmes for the residents. The trained caregivers reported that the SSEHV training has resulted in a significant improvement in the discipline and behaviour of the children and youth.



Ghana

As part of an ongoing project, SSIO volunteers served hot meals and distributed toiletries and other essential supplies to more than 30 children at the Orthopaedic Centre for Children in Nsawam (a town in the southern coast) on 26th December 2018. Additionally, a session on human values was conducted for the children.

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On 26th March 2019, a member of the International Education Committee held a workshop on value-based education for the teachers of the Sathya Sai School in Old Tafo, Akin Abuakwa. The workshop focused on integrating values in the whole school system.



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Kenya

Medical practitioners and volunteers from the Sathya Sai Centre of Nairobi served 124 patients at a medical camp in Nairobi on 4th November 2018. Patients received preventive screening for hypertension, diabetes and osteoporosis. Medicines and eyeglasses were also distributed.

A team of SSIO doctors examined 120 children at the Sathya Sai School in Kisaju, a rural town with limited access to healthcare. Medical professionals treated various ailments, performed tooth extractions, administered vaccines, dressed wounds and prescribed medicines.

Frequent droughts caused by insufficient rainfall and widespread deforestation motivated 30 YAs to initiate a tree-planting project at the Ontulili Forest in central Kenya. On 7th April 2018, in partnership with the Friends of Environment Conservation Team, the volunteers planted more than 6,650 trees, including several medicinal cultivars.

Commemorating the historic visit to Kenya and Uganda by Sri Sathya Sai Baba in 1968, the SSIO of Kenya hosted a celebration in July 2018. Dr. Narendranath Reddy, Chairman, SSIO accompanied by other senior SSIO leaders attended the Golden Jubilee celebrations and officially inaugurated the secondary school at the Sathya Sai School in Kisaju. On 15th July 2018, Dr. Reddy inaugurated a modern Sathya Sai Health Clinic in Nairobi. On the same day, the senior SSIO leaders served hot meals to 1,200 local destitute children at the Nairobi Sathya Sai Centre.

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The Sathya Sai School in Uthiru in Nairobi has received commendations from the Education Ministry in 2017 and 2018 for maintaining consistently high achievement of its students.



Madagascar

A medical clinic operates weekly, serving 15 patients. The Sathya Sai School de Tana provides values-based integral education.



Mauritius

On 5th August 2018, more than 200 volunteers, including 75 SSE students, took to the streets to advocate for road safety in the town of Quatre Bornes. With increased number of road fatalities, the participants carried posters to encourage safety and precaution on the roads.

The SSIO of Mauritius has adopted the Le Ferme Village and Pamplemousses as part of the 'Global Adoption of 95 Communities' project. Food packets were distributed to 69 families. During Christmas, SSIO members conducted games for the children and distributed gifts.

The Sathya Sai School of Mauritius has provided education founded on human values since its inception in the year 2000. On 6th January 2019, 45 volunteers, including many YAs, cleaned the schoolyard, tended the lawn and assembled new playground equipment for the children in preparation for the upcoming school year.



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Morocco

SSIO volunteers in Morocco developed an active community project with the Tamazouzt School, an SSEHV partnership school in Marrakech. On 13th December 2018, with the support of local authorities, workshops were conducted for the schoolteachers. Medical and dental camps were also organised for 425 children at the school, a follow-up camp served 421 patients.

The SSIO distributed 'Go Green' bags at a public school and in the Sathya Sai Centre in Casablanca.



Nigeria

The country's first 'Walk for Values' was held on 14th March 2019. Eye-catching placards made by more than 155 primary school children and 12 staff members from the Sathya Sai School in Lagos conveyed the message of conservation. The children walked around the densely populated Oroke village, singing values-based songs promoting human values and encouraging everyone to preserve food, water, time, money and energy. Each month, SSIO volunteers distributed over 500 food packets to underprivileged residents in the Sangotedo community in Lagos.



South Africa

The SSIO of South Africa organised a Service and Go Green Conference on 28th October 2018 in Durban. The objectives of the conference were to consolidate the numerous service activities in the country, review progress made at the five communities adopted as part of the 'Global Adoption of 95 Communities' initiative, increase support to three Sathya Sai Schools in South Africa and intensify efforts to implement the Go Green initiative undertaken by the YAs.

Over 300 students and teachers from the Sarasvati Primary School in Tongaat enjoyed an exciting 'Fun Day' organised by SSIO volunteers on 19th January 2019. The children joyfully participated in numerous games, songs, dances and cultural performances. Attendees were served a meal of freshly prepared organic vegetables and stationery was distributed.

More than 9,000 patients received medical attention at six permanent clinics and numerous medical camps organised by the SSIO of South Africa. Additionally, volunteers cared for 96 animals at a unique veterinary camp.

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Tanzania

A follow-up SSEHV teacher training programme was organised on 23rd March 2019 for over 40 public school teachers and the caregivers of the Blind School. The school, which caters to more than 160 children, was adopted by the SSIO of Tanzania in 1975.

Every second Sunday, as part of the 'Food on Wheels' programme, volunteers from the local Sathya Sai Centre at Dar Es Salaam lovingly cook and serve fresh, hot meals to over 200 needy people.



Uganda

Senior SSIO leaders attended a celebration hosted by the SSIO of Uganda in July 2018 to mark the 50th anniversary of the visit of Sri Sathya Sai Baba.

SSIO volunteers organised a Surgical Camp in November 2018 for physically disabled children at Mulago Hospital in Kampala. Surgeons performed 139 surgeries on 84 disabled children at this camp. During March 2019, a second Surgical Camp was organised at the Regional Hospital, wherein 125 surgeries were performed on 107 disabled children.



Zambia

Each month, SSIO volunteers distribute care packets to 36 families in need. Furthermore, the volunteers offered daily lunch to 65 children. To commemorate the birthday of Sri Sathya Sai Baba, the SSIO of Zambia distributed food hampers, school bags and plates to 300 children.



