

WeKare Changemaker, **Kannan P.**

His WeKare journey started as a facilitator because he had worked as an Administrator (ICRES). For Kannan, it all started when he visited a school under the Capgemini's Smart Class Initiative program. He noticed that the program covered around 300+ students that time, where barely anyone had good uniforms. This instance emotionally inclined him towards CSR activities and inspired him to work for the betterment for our society.

He has been actively involved in many CSR activities like school visit program, stationery and grocery collection, distribution drive for Enlight students, Gaja Cyclone Relief, tree plantation drive, WeKare Carnival, Daan Utsav along with a sports event on the Independence Day for the students of our adopted schools.

Amongst the various work that he has taken, one of the satisfying moments for him has been to coordinate the activity of distribution of notebooks, stationeries and guides to Enlight students. Later, he also organized a collection drive for 210 students which included contributions from 14 BPO Engagements.

His motivation to help children continued and to boost their confidence, he arranged for a specific area at office premise to encourage them to perform various activities like singing, dancing etc. along with his Capgemini colleagues. His regular involvement with CSR activities has made a significant difference in many lives.

Due to these contributions, he was recognized as a "Change Maker" and received an award from Dayakar Reddy, Head CHO, ICRES and CRES APAC. Kannan mentions that he still remembers Dayakar words – "Do Things Passionately".

He says, "Our time is the most valuable asset for many people. It will be great supporting and spending time for the needy people. I have also experienced the meaning of satisfaction after involving myself in CSR activities."

S. Harinarayanan, Center Head, Salem and Trichy, talks highly about **Kannan** by saying he is an energy powerhouse for the Trichy center bringing a lot of vigor to whatever he does. He brings the same energy to CSR work too. Despite being pulled in various directions in his day job, he gives his best to CSR initiatives.