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QUARTER 3

(1 JUL TO 30 SEP 2025)

HIGHLIGHTS

This quarter, RAHAMA directly reached more than **2,500 people** in Northern Sri Lanka.

Together, we helped:

- **285 parents, teachers, students, preschool teachers** gain knowledge on child rights and protection
- **135 parents and students** benefit from heightened awareness on drugs and alcohol prevention
- **394 farmers** receive agricultural support and technical guideline for climate adaptation
- **83 SMEs** gain knowledge on value addition and marketing and receive registration support
- **19 IDP families** (till Q3 of FY25) find access to shelter, sanitation, water and home gardening
- **139 youth** continue vocational training and receive knowledge on NVQ level courses and RPL
- **39 CSO members and community leaders** seek capacity development and receive awareness
- **36 preschool teachers** participate mental health awareness session
- **63 duty bearers** involve in an assessment and **298 villagers** seek access to directly make complaint on requirement
- **50 police officers** in Women and Child Desk gain knowledge and complaint handling skill
- **1 Divisional Secretariat** receive support to garbage collection ad environmental protection

PROTECTING CHILDREN FROM VIOLENCE



At an awareness raising session at Kilinochchi Central College, law enforcement officers shared the experiences in handling child-related cases, providing students with a better understanding of the protection systems available in Police.



At the Thunukkai Divisional Secretary, an awareness program to strengthen Village Child Development Committees (VCDC) was held on 19.08.2025 at secretariat's conference hall.



In total, 47 preschools took part, with about 125 children and 55 teachers in varying sports and games were organized, helping the children improve their physical skills, teamwork, and social interaction in a joyful environment.



RECOVERY AND HUMANITARIAN ACTION MANAGEMENT AGENCY (RAHAMA)

RAHAMA continued efforts to uplift the war-torn population in Northern Sri Lanka to rebuild livelihoods and bring about an alcohol-free, resilient, child-friendly, gender sensitive region towards mainstream development. We focus on resettlement, economic activity, food security, disaster recovery, land rights, migration and human trafficking victims, women leadership, etc.

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PROTECTING SOCIETY FROM DRUGS & ALCOHOL



An Awareness Session on Alcohol, Drugs, and Tobacco was conducted at Kumulamunai Government Tamil Mixed School with the participation of 30 parents



An awareness session was conducted at Kn/ Nachchikkuda Government Muslim Mixed School, highlighting the harmful effects of alcohol, drugs, and tobacco on health, lifestyles, and family happiness. A total of 35 participants including 14 male, 18 female, and 3 facilitators with the support of teachers and school principal

GOOD HELPER- PRESCHOOL TEACHERS



RAHAMA, in collaboration with the General Hospital Mental Health Unit (Senior Psychiatrist), the Department of Education Preschool Unit, Vavuniya North, conducted a Mental Health Manual Training for preschool teachers at the Puliyankulam Zonal Education Department. A total of 36 preschool teachers participated in the training

RESELIENCE THROUGH WOMEN & YOUTH EMPOWERMENT



On 10th September 2025, at Karachchi, RAHAMA conducted a productive session to support 30 Micro, Small, and Medium Enterprise (MSME) members in registering their businesses. 30 participants took part in the session aimed at guiding entrepreneurs through the business registration process



On 10th September 2025, a Value Addition capacity building session was conducted in Oddusuddan, Mullaitivu District, for Palmyra producers. The session focused on improving knowledge and practices in quality standards, production, marketing, and bottling techniques. A total of 29 women from the New Palmyra Producer Group actively participated and gained valuable insights to enhance their products and expand their market opportunities. The session was facilitated by the Palmyra Research Centre and the Palmyra Development Board



As part of RAHAMA's Vocational Training Linkages for Youth initiative, the NVQ Level 4 Certificate Course in Tailoring and Fashion Design is being conducted in Poonakary to support young women with skills for sustainable income.

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VILLAGE LEVEL ASSESSMENT



On 26th August 2025, a comprehensive field assessment was conducted in Therankandal village under the Thunukkai Divisional secretariat to identify the real issues faced by the community and explore practical solutions. The assessment involved 63 government officers, including Assistant Divisional Secretary), 5 RAHAMA staff, 7 boundary partner members.



Structured household visits were carried out across 298 families, with 254 interviews completed. Key issues identified included illegal alcohol production and consumption, domestic violence, early marriages, unwanted pregnancies, cohabitation without legal documentation, family breakdowns due to labor migration, and three suicide cases reported in the last eight months

BI-ANNUAL REVIEW



Between 11 and 13 of July, RAHAMA conducted a comprehensive three-day progress review for its staff and boundary partners aimed at revisiting the achievements of the first half of the year 2025

RAHAMA'S BOUNDARY PARTNERS

Olirum Vaalvu-Thunukkai
Kalvi Panpaattu malachi Koodam - Poonakary
Women Society of Manthai East
Working Women Society - Katchilaimadu
Women Social Economic Empowerment and Educational Development Society - North
Women Social Economic Empowerment and Educational Development Society - South
Kalaimahal Community Centre

FARMERS UNITE TO FARM AGAIN & FOOD FOR WORK



2 Farmer's Societies in Aninchiyankulam and Therankandal involved got together to restore 2 irrigation canals of Sokkan and Karambikkulam on 18. and 05 of July 2025 respectively to increase paddy cultivation. As part of this initiative, local farming families who contributed their labour received dry food rations Food for Work program

FRESH WATER FISH HARVESTING INCREASES FOOD SECURITY



Siratikkulam fishermen harvested the fish and contributed to food security on 09.09.2025. In collaboration with Manthai East Divisional Secretariat and with financial support of RAHAMA, the Sirattikulam Farmers' Society distributed fish fingerlings in 2024.