



# JOSSINE REACH

## Village Placement Programme (VPP)

### St. Joseph's College (Autonomous) Irinjalakuda

(NAAC accredited with A++ Grade)

St. Joseph's College always strives to uplift the community encircled by its institutional development. Setting the main goal as 'women empowerment', it also aids in societal advancement. The college is committed to carving out a generation that will take an active role in social activities, serving the needs of the community in every crisis. Hence, the college initiated a platform called '**Jossine Reach**' that aims to make remarkable contributions to society through supporting, assisting, and uplifting vulnerable groups. It is a social service wing of St. Joseph's College that is committed to addressing the problems and needs of marginalised sections of society despite their caste, creed, community, and gender and also looks forward to ensuring sustainable development. The 'Jossine Reach' has been addressing the needs and living conditions of women and men, rebuilding and protecting what's left of natural resources and the biodiversity within our ecosystems, providing

community health support throughout pandemic situations through various activities, supporting affected people from natural calamities like floods and landslides, and focusing on the common good by providing conscientization and training for capacity building.

### **The Major Intervention Areas of Jossine's Reach are:**

- Environmental Protection and Conservation
- Gender Sensitization and Mainstreaming
- Community Health
- Disaster Response and Pandemic Mitigation
- Civic Responsibility
- Conscientization and capacity building



### **Village Placement Programme (VPP)**

The present generations of students are increasingly unaware of the local rural realities of their surroundings as rapid urbanization has been occurring in India. To address this issue 'Jossine Reach' is initiating a Village Placement Programme (VPP) for all students of the college.





**The Key Principles for Village Placements are as follows:**

- Mutual learning and respect
- Linkage with local institutions
- Social responsibility
- Participatory teaching, learning, and research
- Preservation of the proud cultural heritage



**Forms of Village Engagement**

- Linking learning with community service
- Linking research with community knowledge
- Knowledge sharing and knowledge mobilization
- Social innovations by students
- Undertake household surveys
- Prepare reports for development activities
- Undertake Shramdhan activities every day during their stay in the villages
- Conduct medical, health care, and literacy campaigns
- To understand the causes of rural distress and poverty and explore solutions for the same
- To apply classroom knowledge to field realities and thereby improve the quality of learning
- To impart skill enhancement through capacity development training programmes





## Learning Outcomes of Village Placement Programme (VPP)

**After completing the Village Placement Programme, students will be able to:**

- **Gain an understanding of rural life, culture, and social realities.**
- **Develop a sense of empathy and bonds of mutuality with the local community.**
- **Appreciate the significant contributions of local communities to Indian society and economy.**
- **Learn to value the local knowledge and wisdom of the community.**
- **Identify opportunities for contributing to the community's socio-economic improvements.**

**Please note:**

Duration of VPP: 3-5 days (residential)

All students must participate before completing their programme. Certificate will be issued by the concerned institution (College Principal, NGO, and GO).

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