



Visions Sri Lanka Leadership Program: Impact Data 2016

Grade 10 Students (2015) - 37 total students

Total Subject Pass/Fail (end of Year 1):

<i>Tamil:</i>	86.5% of students passed (up from 62.2% beforehand)	+24.3% increase
<i>Math:</i>	81.1% of students passed (up from 27.0% beforehand)	+54.1% increase
<i>English:</i>	64.5% of students passed (up from 35.1% beforehand)	+29.4% increase
<i>Science:</i>	89.2% of students passed (up from 43.2% beforehand)	+46.0% increase
<i>History:</i>	89.2% of students passed (up from 67.6% beforehand)	+21.6% increase

Subject Test Scores Improvement (end of Year 1):

<i>Tamil:</i>	83.8% of students improved their test scores from previous year
<i>Math:</i>	83.8% of students improved their test scores from previous year
<i>English:</i>	62.2% of students improved their test scores from previous year
<i>Science:</i>	86.5% of students improved their test scores from previous year
<i>History:</i>	70.3% of students improved their test scores from previous year

Group Average Test Scores (end of Year 1):

	Tamil	Math	English	Science	History
Grade 9 Average	44.9	28.0	33.8	39.7	50.0
Grade 10 Average	57.0	41.1	40.3	50.9	59.4
% Difference	12.1	13.1	6.5	11.2	9.4

*Average group test scores in Math, English, and Science were in the “fail” category prior to the program. Now, group average test scores in all 5 subjects are in the “pass” category.

Other Indicators:

*79.2% (or 19 out of 24 students) who sat for their O/L exams last year passed

*4 youth (2 girls, 2 boys) from the village of Mathurankernikulam (an area deeply affected by war and economic hardship) became the first students ever in their village to pass their O/L exams and move on to their A/L studies

*1 young woman (K. Priyatharshini from Kithul) scored the highest marks in her school

*Student attendance in the Leadership Program trainings has improved to 99%

Student Testimonials:



"My name is Priyatharshini from Kithul. I have studied in the Leadership Program in the 2014-15 session. I am so happy, because I passed my O/L exams. I scored the highest and was ranked first in my school. The reason I was able to achieve this result is because of the Visions classes. In my village, there is no place to have extra classes. The other problem is a lack of teachers in important subjects. Because I was not getting good marks, my school selected me as a student for this program. I have started to study hard since that day. Now I can see the results, not only in my education, but I also received a good character certificate from my school recently. This Leadership Program helped me to develop life skills too. I can still remember my first leadership session - when the session was going on, I could not even introduce myself because I was shy and scared. Now I can respond to journalists and other people when they visit the school and ask questions. I have grown in my education as well as in soft skills. I wish to participate in the Visions programs continuously. Thank you so much, Visions, for supporting me to do well in my studies."

"My name is Shalini from Mathurankenikulam. First, I have to say thanks for everyone at Visions who has helped me to do well in my O/L exams. I did not have any interest in studying before because, although we had a school, we did not have enough teachers to complete our studies. At that time, my school principal told me about the Visions Leadership Program. I was very happy when I heard this information. So I planned to join and study hard. I also wanted to bring honor and prestige to my school. I would like to keep studying with this program because people should know about our school's poor situation and facilities... Thank you, Visions team."



"My name is Sujikaran from Unnichchai. I just qualified to study at the Advance Level. I am so happy to get this result. For many years, no boys in my village passed their Ordinary Level examinations, because our village is very remote and has a lack of teachers. Other reasons for this is that often after age 16, boys get married and go to work to earn money to support their family. Many boys do not like to continue their studies. I took this challenge when I was studying in Grade 10. Now I am able to see the results of these efforts. I want to study my Advance Level and then go to university. I have to change the attitude and culture amongst the boys in my village. If I did not come to the leadership classes, I could not have achieved this success. The Visions team enabled me to achieve this. Thank you, Visions team."