



Kudumbashree's Enterprises by Transgenders bringing a social change



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Transgenders are facing many social issues. Kudumbashree is striving to help the transgender community to live a new life of their own by offering them better livelihood opportunities. We are providing them training, support and all possible handholding to start and sustain own micro enterprises.

Lakshya fruits and juice corner functioning at Ernakulam Civil Station (Collectorate) premises under the leadership of Amritha Sumith is one such enterprise supported by Kudumbashree. Amritha is earning more than Rs 12,000 as monthly income from this new initiative. 'Srushty',



‘Varangi’, micro enterprises that lend ornaments and costumes to for dance programmes functioning in Pandalam and Kodumann of Pathanamthitta district, ‘Vibha’ functioning in the same sector in Malappuram, ‘Mudra’ Dance School in Idukki, ‘Sanio’ makeup centre, ‘Dhwani’, ‘Friends’ and ‘Bharathakala’ bale troupes in Alappuzha etc are the transgender groups we have supported until now. A total of 22 transgender micro enterprises have been launched so far through kudumbashree.

Micro enterprises by Transgender groups (or individuals) have now become integral part of the food festivals and trade fairs organised by Kudumbashree. By offering them relentless support and by helping them identify market for their products, we are endeavoring to lead them to a state of social integration so as to attain a better and respected position in the society.

Out of these 22 Micro Enterprises, 12 are individual units and 10 are group enterprises. Through these, 42 people have entered into this new sector of self employment through enterprises. We are planning to create more opportunities Transgender’s.

