



# National Institution for Quality and Reliability

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## 15<sup>th</sup> NIQR National Convention



Amar Seva Sangam is a dedicated service organization founded in the year 1981 by a distinguished and eminent personality Mr. S. Ramakrishnan, with a single minded focus on service culture in the International Year of Disabled to cater to the needs of disability management in rural areas.

Two more eminent personalities Mr S. Sankaranarayanan, a Chartered Accountant by profession, confined to a wheel chair due to muscular dystrophy and Dr S. Sumathi, later got associated with ASSA. Mr.S Sankaranarayanan is the secretary of this great institution.

Initially started as a primary school with mere five students in a thatched shed, named as, Saraswathi Vidyalaya, Amar Seva Sangam has now grown into a huge service organization like a banyan tree.

Commencing with humble beginning, ASSA has grown as one of the most renowned service and rehabilitation institution, spanning more than three and half decades. ASSA has played an excellent role in integrating multi various activities like home for the disabled children, polio detection camps, vocation training camps, computer training centre, village based rehabilitation programmes and village councils.

Spastic Centre which was started in the year 1997 with 13 children, has grown gradually with provision for hostels for disabled youth trainees, advanced IT centre, post acute centre for spinal injuries, hostel for physically challenged girls and garment units.

The Sangamam School for the special children was started in the year 2008, initially for the age group, 6 to 16 years, concentrating on the needs of mentally retarded, Cerebral Palsy and Autism affected children. The school's special activities include attending to mild learning disabilities, profound cognitive impairment, food allergies, terminal illness, occasional panic attacks and serious psychiatric problems. ASSA concentrated on providing training for behaviour modification through special education techniques to attend to their daily needs with more confidence.

ASSA attends to the needs of children with loco motor disability and associated problems. Trained specialists give physiotherapy, play therapy in their medical testing unit. These physically challenged children have brought laurels to their Institutions by winning 11 times in a row in the State level Championship in sports for physically challenged conducted by Tamil Nadu Handicapped Federation Charitable Trust, Chennai.

Yet another milestone for ASSA relate to creation of early intervention centre under the programme of “**Catch Them Young**” to rehabilitate quickly and primarily catering to the needs of children in the age group up to 5 years.

ASSA has an orthotics centre which manufactures, repairs and services, mobility aiding appliances for physically challenged free of cost , not only for their inmates but also outsiders. ASSA has also established a Medical Evaluation Unit which is the nerve centre for all rehabilitation activities, which includes physiotherapy services to the patients with neurological and orthopaedic issues like cerebral palsy and stroke etc.

Special attention is provided by ASSA, through “spinal cord injured post acute care centre” catering to spinal injured patients. Intense follow up is done by the social workers once the patient is discharged by visiting their houses and counselling their family members. A Disabled Youth Trainee Students hostel takes care of vocational training in any chosen discipline of the disabled individual.

ASSA has an exclusive Rehabilitation Centre within the campus providing support services like obtaining scholarships, free bus, free train pass, vocational training artificial limbs, school fees, note books, wheel chairs, job placements and other services to the needy physically challenged children and adults.

We, the members of NIQR, are privileged to present **NIQR-LUCAS TVS AWARD for Outstanding Service Organization - 2016 to Amar Seva Sangam (ASSA)**, on this day, the 11th June 2016 at Chennai.

**S.Rajasekaran**  
Convention Chairman – NIQR

**R.Sivanesan**  
National President – NIQR