Who are we…
A secular collective of human rights defenders, eminent jurists, retired judges, lawyers, academics, writers, thinkers, artists, social workers, and activists representing humanism, culture, creativity and knowledge

What we stand for
We strive to defend life, dignity, liberty and other fundamental rights of all using law and legal systems as therapeutic agents. We adopt a rights-based, victim-centered approach for total healing through legal, social, psychological and emotional reparation.

Our Journey
1991 Launches Legal Aid
1992 Registration of the Society
1993 Jananeethi Publication
1994 Women Empowerment Programmes
1995 Clinical Legal Education
1996 Environmental Advocacy
2000 Helpline for women, children and elderly in distress
2000 First litigation-free village in India
2002 Psycho-Legal Counseling

Our Organizational Mandate
❖ Providing a Helpline for victims of violence, abuse and prejudices.
❖ Enabling the poor to access justice
❖ Building social capital for promoting peace
❖ Promoting justice education and therapeutic jurisprudence
❖ Combating torture, corruption and human trafficking
❖ Advocating for sustainable development and safe environment

Our Domains

Services we provide
❖ Psycho-legal counseling
❖ Helpline to victims of violence, injustice and those in distress
❖ Scrutiny of documents and legal advice
❖ Assisted negotiation and mediation for amicable settlement of disputes
❖ Sensitization seminars and workshops on gender, and child rights
❖ Public meetings/debates on contemporary concerns
❖ Training of para-legal volunteers, service providers etc...
❖ Consultancy services

Core Competencies
❖ Legal aid and assistance
❖ Conflict management & Dispute Resolution
❖ Pedagogies for legal literacy
❖ Facts finding surveys and alternate reports
❖ Campaigns on rights based issues
❖ Public interest litigations
❖ Constructive Engagements & Coalition Building
❖ Research, Documentation & Dissemination

Our Track Record

Disaster management and relief works in Latur in Maharashtra following the devastating earthquake in 1993.
Services for legal reparation and legal aid in Tsunami-hit areas in Kollam and Alappuzha districts in the year 2004
Investigative Research Study Report in 2002 on toxicity of ground water and pollution at Plachimada due to illegal and unscientific operations of Coca Cola company.
Investigative Research Study Report in 2003 on ecological and environmental damages in Vagamon owing to illegal human encroachments.
Investigative Research Study Report in 2010 on air, soil and water pollution at Kathikkoodam by Nitta Gelatin India Limited.
3-year study and reports on the perils of Unethical Clinical Drug Trials in Kerala and to make drug trials clinically safe and ethically sound, conducted during 2009-12 period.

Jananeethi introduced the concept of ‘litigation-free zone’ for the first time in India and proved that it was possible. The first litigation-free village in India made in 2000 in Thichoor village of Varavoor Panchayat in Thrissur district of Kerala.

Jananeethi started negotiated settlement of disputes through mediation and clinical legal counseling as alternate dispute resolution (ADR) in 1992.
Jananeethi introduced sensitization workshops in rural areas through its association with the ICDS network. Women groups on an average of 200 numbers in a year were trained in elementary legal principles so that they could be watchdogs of any untoward incidents on women at home and in society.

Therapeutic Jurisprudence through psycho-legal counseling process was introduced in Kerala by Jananeethi from 2001 when it was unheard of in judicial proceedings. Jananeethi monthly journal in Malayalam was started from 1993, covering topics of socio, political and economic importance judiciously and dispassionately.

Accreditations

Jananeethi is accredited with the Department of Social Justice, Government of Kerala and State Legal Services Authority. It enjoys accreditation of Credibility Alliances, India under its desirable norms.

Jananeethi represents Non-profit organizations/voluntary organizations at many of the district level bodies on recommendation of the District Collector.

Our Roadmap

Sustain core activity of providing legal aid and psycho-legal counseling services, including helpline support to women, children and elderly in distress.

Function as a resource centre for research, intellectual exchanges and dissemination of news and views on human rights, migrant labor, human trafficking, gender justice, environmental justice, sustainable developments, public health and social legislations;

Establish a training centre for para-legal activists, social work students, social activists, service providers and law students with residential facilities for 50 persons at a time;

A short stay home for women and adolescent youth in crisis and victims of violence;

Reclaim the vantage position as an operational hub for human rights defenders, environmental activists and change makers.

Jananeethi is entitled for benefits under section 12 A and 80 G of Income Tax Act 1961 and is registered under section 6(1) (a) of the Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act, 1976 (FCRA Reg. No. 052900324)