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CASE STUDY

Introduction

This chapter deals with the origin and functions of the orphanage homes which are selected for study and also it presents a certain selected inmates of orphanage homes and institutions in the form of case study. This case study views and supplements the empirical data taken for the research purpose. The main objective of submitting the case study is to give clear picture of the interesting cases of inmates with various type of prevailing conditions and about their behaviour in different situations.

Case study is a method of study that deals with indepth rather than breadth. The case study places more emphasis on the full analysis of a limited number of events. Thus this case study is essentially an intensive investigation of the particular limit under consideration. The object of the case study method is to locate the factors that account for the behaviour pattern of the given limit as an integrated totality.
According to H. Odum, “The case study method is a technique which of individual factor whether it be an institution or just an episode in the life of an individual or a group is analysed in its relationship to any other in the group”. Thus, a fairly exhaustive study of a person has done, what he thinks he does and had done and what he expects to do and or group is called a life or case history.

Burgers has used the words the “social microscope” for the case study method.

PROFILE OF THE ORPHANAGE HOMES

Madurai district

1. Boy’s town - Thiramamgalam

It was started by Dr. Christopher Daniel from London, at Thirumangalam in 1962 with a small group of orphan children. It has perfect records on admission and out going of orphan children from the beginning till date. The main objective of the home is to rehabilitate the orphan children and also the semi-orphan children. The funds are coming from the various foreign countries. The funds from local and state government are given to them through proper channel. In 1970, it has started on L.T.I. technical course institution for the welfare of the inmates in the home. The main reason to have an L.T.I is to make the inmates learn job-oriented courses. The record of the home on December 2001 shows that 235
girls and 850 boys are settled safely and positively in their life. At present 163 inmates are residing in this home. It follows the dormitory type of accommodation.

2. Boys town-Sholavandan

This was setup by Dr. M. Sebastin Joe in 1966 at Oothu under Nagamalai Hills near Sholavandan. Till now he is the president of this boys town, who nurtured it stage by stage with the singular mission expanding the “knowledge base” towards constructive academic and research orientation to fulfil the social purpose. The aim of the home is to give shelter to the poor children and to the orphan children, and also concentrating on the welfare of the suppressed women. This home also has perfect record in all aspects from 1968 upto the present date.

It have a separate lathe for welding mechanical work and many other job oriented courses to train the inmates in the home. They are teaching all types of technical courses in order to enable the pupils to earn after finishing the X and XII standard. Even now more than 50 boys are staying in the home and working in Madurai on daily wages or for monthly salary in lathe works. At present 154 orphan inmates are residing in this home peacefully. It has dormitory type of accommodation. It receives funds from the foreign donars year wise and monthly wise and it also receives the fund from both state and central government through proper channel.
3. **Amma Illam - B. B. Kulam**, Madurai,

   It was formed by Palaniappa Trust in 1965 by Sri. Palaniappa who was a business man and interested in social work for the welfare of the destitute children in Madurai. The objective of the home is to work for the welfare of the aged people and to safeguard the life of the orphan children. Housing type of accommodation is followed in this home. Each home has separate mother. Inside the home, they have institutions, for job oriented courses like tailoring, weaving, binding the books, welding, mechanical works and painting etc., According to the home record of the 2001 December there are four doctors, twenty three engineers and twelve lawyers brought up by this home. More than a thousand orphan children are brought up by this home and they lead a prestigious life. At present 158 inmates are living in this home. This home is economically fully adopted by Grace Kennet foundation in all aspects and also they are getting the funds from foreign donars, moreover State and Central Government are also providing fund through Social Welfare Board.

**Dindigul district**

1. **Good -Will Children’s home - Pattiveeranpatti**

   This home was founded by Ayyanna Nadar and his Association Members, with the help of Prof. John Fredirick from Germany in 1972. The objective of the home is to rehabilitate the
orphan children, poor children and family-counselling facilities are provided to broken families. It has followed the Housing type of accommodation. Each house has separate mother to look after the children. It has a higher secondary school on its own. Even now the surplus funds are flowing from West Germany for the welfare of the orphan inmates. It has perfect records in all aspects of the home since 1973. It has more than 200 acre of agricultural land. In this land the inmates who are interested they can work during their holidays. Their salary will be deposited in their account, which can be drawn by the inmates at the end of the year. Orphan children are motivated by the scheme earn while learn. This is fully adopted by the Nadars Association through Mercantile Bank and also they are receiving funds from the State and Central government through proper channel.

2. Boys town - Batlagundu

This home was started near Batlagundu by father Milton Fernandez from France in 1970. The aim of the organisation is to render service to the poor people in an around the Batlagundu in all aspects and to rehabilitate orphan children. Centre for family counselling is also available in this home which is very much helpful to the society. This home follows the Dormitory type of accommodation. It has perfect record till the date from the beginning stage. It diverts the student towards the I.T.I works on its own expenditure to the Dindigul institution with the help of
TELIC. It also has more than fifty acres of land, which is fully maintained and agricultured by the inmates of the home. The salary will be given to the inmates at the end of the year. After finishing tenth standard, the interested inmates are given training in driving and necessary steps have been taken in driving license for them to become a driver. At present 153 inmates residing in this orphanage. The record of the home reveals that more than two hundred inmates are settled safely by the arrangement taken from this home.

3. **Kasturibha Children’s home - Gandhigram.**

It was founded by Mrs. Soundram Ramachandran in 1947. It comes under the control of Gandhigram Trust. The aim of the trust is to rehabilitate destitute children and women. It has followed the dormitory type of accommodation method. Perfect records are seen in all aspects of the home. It gets surplus funds from foreign and local donars. More number of orphans have been adopted in this home for the past ten years. It has its own Higher Secondary School. It has various type of job oriented sector for the promotion of home and to give training to orphan inmates. More than two thousand orphan inmates have been brought up to a better position by this home. It motivates interested inmates, to earn while learn in various types of sectors like binding sections, mechanical section and weaving. At presents 234 inmates are residing in this orphanage. In this home each child is adopted economically
through proper financial assistants by foreign donars. The donars visits the organisation once in an year to assess the adopted child. They are receiving funds from the State and Central Government through proper channel.

4. **Little Flower Orphanage home - Oddanchatram**

   This home was started by Dr. Cheriyan in 1974 at Ambilikkai near Oddanchatram. It renders free medical services to poor people and rehabilitating the destitute groups like orphan children, widows and aged people. It has followed the dormitory type of accommodation. It has Higher Secondary School on its own. It gives importance to the inmates to learn job-oriented courses like I.T.I, Polytechnic and other diploma courses. It has perfect record in all aspects. It has separate nursing course institution in which brilliant girl inmates are admitted at free cost, as it owned by same administration. It has more than a hundred acre agricultural lands. The interested inmates can do agricultural work, they are paid in the form of dresses and other valuable products at the end of the year. It has a separate hospital, which specialises in cancer and many numbers of orphan inmates are working as a staff nurses comes under a permanent staff category. The interested inmates can work in the hospital in the evening time from 5.30 p.m. to 9.30 p.m. At present 152 inmates are residing there peacefully.
S. Thamaraikodi is a fourteen year old girl, from Oochapatti, Usilampatti Taluk, Madurai District. She has been in this home for the past ten years. Both the father and mother were murdered in a caste clash in 1992. After the death of her parents, she was looked after by her uncle for one year, and then she was admitted by him in this orphanage. She ranks first to fifth in her studies. She has some anxiety features like sleep walking and nightmare. Her ambition is to become a scientist in future. She is interested in sports especially in volleyball, she has participated in the district level championship in the school level inter-zone tournament. She is having future plan to became a State Level Volleyball Player (Boys Town-Thurumangalam)

Case-2

C. Tamil Selvi is a sixteen year old girl from Vadamadurai. She joined the orphanage home before six years. Both the parents expired when she was eight years old. Her grandfather admitted her in the home after the death of her grandmother. She is interested in sports like volleyball and badminton. She is below average in education, gets 30th rank in the class among forty-five students in the ninth standard. She had faced harmless eve teasing on the way to the school. She is fully satisfied inside the home in all aspects. Her ambition is to become a doctor and to provide medical services to her grand father and her friends. (Boys Town-Thirumangalam).
Case-3

N. Shanthi, a fourteen year old girl from Melakkal, joined the home about ten years back at the age of four years. Her father died in a cause of prolonged cancer disease before nine years. She is the third girl child of her family. After the death of her father she was brought up by her grand-father and grand mother. But they are financially unable to look after her family members. Then she was admitted by her uncle in this orphanage home. She always stood in first five ranks in her studies. Once in a month her mother visits here to see her. Her main aim is to become a good teacher, besides this she wishes to do a social service. She is very much happy about that the normal students in the school maintain cordial relationship with her and also the orphanage home take special care for her educational development. Certainly, she will achieve her ambition with the full support of this orphanage home.

(Boys Town - Sholavandan)

Case-4

N. Malarselvi is a fourteen year old girl from Natham. She is admitted by her distant relatives. Her parents died before twelve years. She joined the home before ten years at the age of five, and she was looked after by her grandmother. She is good at her studies and interested in extracurricular activities like weaving,
tailoring and binding the books etc., She wants to become a business woman especially in the field of ready made dress making. She has some aggressive conduct disorder like short temper and stubbornness also she has abdominal pain once or twice in a month. She is honoured by Madurai Lions Club with Junior Best Tailoring Award in February 2001 at Madurai. (Boys Town - Sholavandan)

Case-5

A. Kamaladevi has completed thirteen years. She has been in this home since past seven years. Her father died by chronic diseases due to alcoholic addiction before eight years. Her mother admitted her in the home and married another man within a short period after the death her husband. Occasionally she comes to home to see her with her husband for thrice in a year. She feels very much about the character of her mother. She is studying sixth standard and good at her studies. She treated by the member of staffs, very cruel except the father of the home. Once she is punished for not doing any mistake. Her ambition is to become a doctor in future to give medical treatment to the drunkard peoples like her father. (Amma Illam-Madurai)
Case-6

M. Ravichandran has been in this home since birth. He is a fifteen year old boy. He doesn’t know his parents, his native place. He was admitted through the Dean of government Hospitals in Madurai. Now he is studying in tenth standard. He is average in his studies. Occasionally the warden punishes him for his mischievous and notorious behaviour (which is harmless). His ambition is to become an electronic engineer in future, as he always stood first in Mathematics in his class. He has participated in the senior level, State Level Championship in football tournament on behalf of Madurai District at Chennai in December 2000. He is very much depressed about being an orphan (Amma Illam-Madurai)

Case-7

V. Premalatha from Ottupatti, has completed fourteen years. She joined the home before six years, studying eight standard, who is normal level in her studies. Depression has seen in her presentation. Her mother is a divorcee, as her husband is a drunkard. She is been admitted by her father in the home before six years. Once or twice in a month he comes here to see his daughter. Her interest is mostly in dancing and singing and she likes to participate in state level film festival programmes. She has been disturbed on eve-teasing on the way to her school. Her ambition is to become a famous doctor. (Good-Will Children Home-Pattiveeranpatti).
Case-8

R, Kavitha, a twelve years old girl from Batlagundu, joined the home about five year’s back at the age of seven. Both the parents had died in an accident before eight years. She is the only girl child of her parents and after the death of her parents, she has been looked after by her aunt for seven years. Then she is been admitted by her uncle in this orphanage home. She always stood in the first three ranks in her studies. Her ambitions is to become a great and famous Carnatic singer. She worries very much about that the normal students in the school deliberately avoiding her in all events, though she is brilliant and clever in all aspects including sports and games. (Good-Will Children Home - Pattiveeranpatti).

Case-9

R. Rajeswari a twelve year old girl from checkanoorani about four years back at the age of seven. Her father and mother had died in a fire accident before six years. She has one younger brother who is studying third standard staying with the grandmother. Grandmother was unable to provide food and other basic facilities to both the children, so she makes arrangement to admit her in the orphanage home and have the small boy with her. She usually goes to her grandmother house once in a yearly. She is average in her studies. She is not satisfied with the food given to
her in the home. She is interested in games and wants to become an international player like our Indian cricket player. She is very much depressed, for being an orphan. (Boys Town - Batlagundu)

**Case-10**

A. Amul Rajan from Athoor, has completed fifteen years. He joined the home before seven years is studying ninth standard, who is average in his studies. Pathetic features are seen in his presentation. His parents committed suicide due to poverty. He is much depressed of the sudden demise of his parents. He is interested in electrical work, such as wiring and fitting, even for the home electrical work he is an assistant to the electrician. He is interested in doing Electrical I.T.I to become an electrician, which is enough for his survival in this world normally and peacefully in future which is his ambition. (Boys Town - Batlagundu)

**Case-11**

S. Gunasekar eleven years old boy came from Nilakottai about six years back, at the age of five. His father and mother had died in an accident before six years. He has an elder brother who is working in tannery, living with his grand father. After the death of his parents his grandfather was unable to provide food and other basic facilities to him and his elder brother, Gunasekar was
admitted in the Gandhigram children’s home through the NGO. He usually goes to his brother’s house during holidays, in the mean period nobody comes to see him in the home. He is average in his education and aims to become an Athlete and a gold medal list in Olympic to represent India. His ambition is to become a Police Inspector in future to eradicate arrack selling and to punish the sellers. He felt that, the normal students in the school avoids and hesitates to have friendship with him. (Kasturiba Children’s Home - Gandhigram)

**Case-12**

B. Nireshkumar has completed thirteen years. He has been in this home for the past three years. Both the father and mother died due to chronic diseases (cancer) before four years. He is the only son for his parents. His grandmother kept with her for one year, as she is very old and weak she is unable to look after him, she made arrangement to admit him in this home. From Oddanchatram once in monthly she comes here to see her grandson. He is studying eighth standard and gets first rank in his class. Physically he is weak and atleast once in a month he is affected by cold and fever. His ambition is to become a play back singer in the film industry or a manager in bank to prove his efficiency. (Kasturibha Children’s Home ~ Gandhigram)
Case-13

S. Babu has been in this home since the age of three. His mother expired due to some disease, father married another woman and went to Delhi leaving him in this home before eleven years. Now he is studying ninth standard. He is average in his studies. Though his relatives live within two kilometers from the home, nobody comes to see him in the home. He wishes to become a businessman and also a social worker, wishes to sponsor homes like this. Sometimes he is punished by the member of staff of home for his notorious and trauancy or like quarrelling with senior and junior inmates of the home. His ambition is to start business, by availing loan from banks, to do export and import the electronic products all over the world. (Little Flower Orphanage Home, Ambilikkai - Oddanchatram)

Case-14

K. Manjula is thirteen year old girl from old Ayyakkodi, Palani Taluk. She joined the orphanage before four years. Her mother expired five years ago when she is nine years old due to chronic disease. Her father is a drunkard, who is a daily coolie in the Palani Vegetable market. After the death of his wife he is unable to take care of his two children. She had a younger brother
who is ten years old, residing in the same orphanage. She is interested in Bharatanatiyam, but she has no way to learn the Bharathanatiyam. She is average in her studies, studying eight standard. She suffers from harmless eve teasing on the way to the school. She is not satisfied with the home in all aspects. (Little Flower Orphanage Home, Ambilikkai - Oddanchatram.)