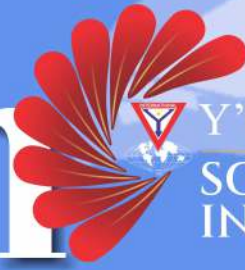


# Bulletin



Y's Men International  
SOUTH CENTRAL  
INDIA REGION

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THE SMALLEST ACT  
OF KINDNESS  
IS WORTH  
MORE THAN  
THE GRANDEST  
INTENTION. – Oscar Wilde

## FROM MY PERSPECTIVE LAST 2 YEARS OF MY YMI LEADERSHIP LIFE

The last two years of my YMI leadership life reminds me of the following two stanzas from Walt Whitman's poem "O Captain! My Captain".

*O Captain! My Captain! Our fearful trip is done,  
The ship has weathered every rack, the prize we sought is won,  
The port is near, the bells I hear, the people all exulting,  
While follow eyes the steady keel, the vessel grim and daring;  
O Captain! My Captain! Rise up and hear the bells;  
Rise up—for you the flag is flung—for you the bugle trills,  
For you bouquets and ribboned wreaths—for you the shores a-crowding,  
For you they call, the swaying mass, their eager faces turning;*



Our Region is comparable to a sailboat and our Region charted its course on 16th July 2022 with the flagging off by our then IP Ysm. HRM. Dr. K.C. Samuel. I consider myself fortunate that I could be the charter RD of our Region. The first year of our sailing under my Captaincy was through choppy and stormy waters and our Region has proved that it is seaworthy in its trial run itself. On this maiden voyage, I feel extremely happy that I could successfully bring our boat safely back to the dock. "Yes, our South Central India Region has weathered every storm, the prize we sought is won". This was possible only because of the efficient crew on board, my Regional Team especially the Engine room crew - my cabinet and few other leaders. So, I dedicate the first stanza of the above poem to my crew, who have been with me through thick and thin.

Unlike the Captain in the poem, I know that for me there will be no flags flung, there will be no bugle trills, no bouquets or ribboned wreath. When I dock my ship, there will not be any crowd waiting for me on the shore. Doesn't matter. My inner satisfaction is that I questioned every wrong and rode every storm and I could steer our boat through the choppy waters successfully, and dock it safely. That's more than enough for me.

So, in retrospect, I feel that I have done my bit with utmost sincerity and honest intentions. I request all our members in SCIR to remember that since most of my sails were damaged in the storm, I had a serious handicap to steer the ship. But I have no doubt that Ysm. Thomas J Biju will be able to deploy his leadership skills as required for each year and future-proof our Region against all odds, handholding it to a path of growth. Next year, it is his turn to take our Region for a one-year long voyage to his marked destination. I am sure he will unfurl and fold up the sails as required and steer the boat through every storm so that the boat will reach its ultimate port in good shape. I hope that he will strive to reinforce the camaraderie among the members and put in place a Regional leadership plan for the next five years. I wish Ysm. Thomas J Biju all the best for a wonderful Y's Year ahead.

On May 30th 1882, Frederick Douglass, an abolitionist, delivered an address on Decoration Day in Rochester, New York. He said that unquestionably the condition of the freedmen is not what it ought to be, but the cause of their affliction is not to be found in their present freedom, but in their former slavery. It does not belong to the present, but to the past. They were emancipated under unfavorable conditions. They were literally turned loose, hungry and naked under the open sky. Those who now carp at their destitution and speak of them with contempt should judge them leniently and measure their progress not from the heights to which they may in time attain, but from the depths from which they have come.

So, before I conclude, I have a request that when you judge my Captaincy of our infant Region, please judge me from the backdrop of the choppy waters I had to sail through. At this juncture let me quote a beautiful poem, which I love to recite for you all.

*"What you spend years building, someone could destroy overnight;  
Build anyway.  
The good you do today, people will often forget tomorrow;  
Do good anyway.  
Give the world the best you have, and it may never be enough;  
Give the world the best you've got anyway.  
You see, in the final analysis, it is between you and your God;  
It was never between you and them anyway."*

So I feel I have done whatever I could, Any Way.

Aristotle once said, "There is only one way to avoid criticism - do nothing, say nothing and be nothing." Do you want to "be nothing?" Think!!!

Similarly, another great thinker Confucius once said, "The man who asks a question is a fool for a minute. The man who does not ask is a fool for life." I would prefer to be the former. In your case, you decide.

Before I conclude, I thank you all for giving me an opportunity to Captain our Region and for the trust reposed in me. I thank you all for the unstinted support you extended to me throughout last two years.

Ysm. M. J. Mathews  
RD - SCIR 2022-23



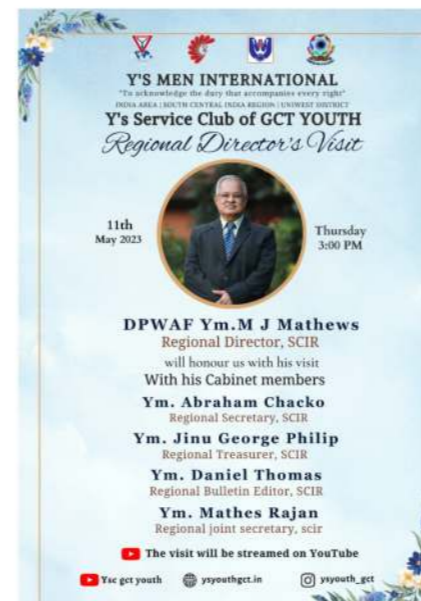
### RD's Visits



Visit to GCT Youth



Visit to Coonoor Club



Visit to Mettupalayam Royals

## THE POST-TRUTH SOCIETY

Post-truth is an attempt to compel someone to believe in something whether evidence exists for it or not. One memorable example- Donald Trump claiming his inauguration crowd was larger than Obama's crowd even though photographic evidence indicated otherwise.

### Post-truth v/s Lying

Lying is when you try to convince someone to believe in something untrue; at least, a modicum of respect to the person you are speaking with, because you recognize their right to withhold their cognitive consent, i.e., to say - you are lying, or I don't believe you. But post-truth is much more insidious. It's when what's said is beyond lying. For instance, a person says I am going to tell you what is true, whether you believe it or not. It's a tactic that's used by authoritarians and wannabe authoritarians and is about dominance and power. It means that someone can tell you what's true and it becomes your reality.

### So, are we living in a Post-Truth Society?

Yes, we are in a post-truth society though there has been some real confusion on this point.

You cannot say that nobody cares about the truth; there are people who engage in this tactic, political subordination of reality, and pay no price whatsoever and are not accountable for doing this. Truth is under threat, and people who employ it as a tactic for authoritarian use, exist and pay no price for using it.

There are five roots of Post-Truth. One is Science denial- for sixty years, the cigarette companies banded together to deny the truth about cigarettes and cancer. That denial provided the blueprint for years of Science denial about evolution, climate change, etc.

Other factors like Cognitive bias are exacerbated by the decline of traditional media and the rise of social media. Our brain pathways tell us to look for confirmation on the internet, but not on main News channels, and we find someone who agrees with us - that's all the confirmation we need.

Although this is controversial with some people, we believe the claim that objective truth doesn't exist, and that any truth claim is a grab for power. For instance, to say that there is no water crisis in Kerala when in fact, there is a water crisis. It's the idea that everything is all a narrative and that there is no truth.

### People are confused about truth or the facts.

A common person has a very good understanding of what are the facts, truth, and reality. People have a radical misunderstanding of how we condition beliefs based on evidence or build justifications based on data or probability. The so-called "evening" TV discussions on Political or Social matters are no better than the PT era we are going through. Traditionally, journalists were concerned about being accused of political bias. They wanted to tell both sides. But always at the end of the discussions we see some post-truth - a final conclusive statement which the Journalist or favouritism of the Media Agency come up with, that may be far away from truth.

### Y's dom and Post-Truth Era

We are also no better in the Truth v/s Post-Truth. Many recent activities, realities and facts are far from the original truths, morals, visions and beliefs, on which Paul William Alexander tried to build the Y's dom Organisation. Maybe a thorough relook into the post-truth era in Y's dom will help to rejuvenate and bring back the good old days of Y's dom.

### Ysm. Abraham Chacko

Regional Secretary 2022-23



IF YOU TELL THE TRUTH,  
YOU DON'T HAVE TO  
REMEMBER ANYTHING.

~ Mark Twain

## MESSAGE FROM THE REGIONAL TREASURER

Dear friends,

It's a great pleasure and honour for me to have this opportunity to send you all a message on this bulletin edition for the SCIR 4th Regional Council. I would like to thank all the District Governors for making this Y's Year a fruitful one for SCIR.

We had the 1st Regional Youth Camp conducted at TGI Star Holiday Resorts (Yercaud), which saw many of our Y's Youth from all the 4 districts of SCIR participating and making it a grand success.

We also had the SCIR Family Fest held at Yercaud which saw a great participation from all the families from all the 4 Districts. The Family Fest was a grand success with many cultural programmes being conducted and making it a memorable one for all of us.

With regards to payment, we are happy to have received all the Regional dues from all the clubs on time. We are also grateful to all the clubs of the 4 Districts to have supported us in contributing towards the International projects and Endowment Funds.

Overall, it was an eventful Y's Year and we are happy that all the clubs from our 4 Districts came forward to actively participate in each of the events and support our Region to make it a grand success.

My thanks to the leadership of our Regional Director who stood firm and led us through many challenges during the year. Lastly, I would like to convey my best wishes to our RDE Ysm Thomas J Biju and his cabinet for a great Y's Year ahead.

Thanking You,

Your Regional Treasurer

Ysm Jinu George



## Meetings & Programmes



Charter Meeting of Metro Club



Charter Meeting of Bangalore Club



District-2 Convention and Installation



DG visit to Madiwala Club

Y'S MEN INTERNATIONAL - SOUTH CENTRAL INDIA REGION

DISTRICT WISE PAYMENT 2022-23

As on 01-05-2023

DISTRICT-I																					
CLUB NAME	Memb As on 31st Aug 2022	Memb As on 31st Mar 2023	Ys Men	Spouse	Ys Person	Ys YOUTH	Ys Menette	1ST SEM. Paid	2ND SEM. Paid	CON FEE	RBM	PWAF/DPWAF	HRM	ASF	BHF	RDTF	TOF	YES	Initiation Fee	INT Menettes FEE	
1 Ys Menettes Club of Hosur							19	NA	NA												3040
2 Ys Men Club of Bangalore Cantonment	19	19	17	2				33900	34950	100										100	
3 Ys Men Club of Bangalore Bourdillon	12	12	10	2				21300	21300	100				240	240		1,200	240			
4 Ys Men Club of Hosur	39	25	25					75000	48750	100											
5 Ys Men Club of Bangalore Indiranagar	29	34	19	15				46050	50550	100										75	
6 Ys Men Club of Bangalore Peenya	16	18	16	2				29100	33000	100											
7 Ys Men Club of Bangalore Jayanagar	22	15	15					42900	29250												
8 Ys Men Club of Bangalore Madivala	21	17	17					36750	33150	100											
9 Ys Men Club of Chennai Socialites	15	7	7					29250	13650	100											
10 Ys Men Club of Hosur Vibrant	15	20	13	7				28200	31650												
11 Ys Men Club of Emerald		6	4	2				4800	4800	100											
12 Ys Menettes Club of Bangalore Indiranagar							14	NA	NA												2240
13 Ys Menettes Club of Bangalore Jayanagar							22	NA	NA												3520
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>188</b>	<b>173</b>	<b>143</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>3,47,250</b>	<b>3,01,050</b>	<b>800</b>				<b>240</b>	<b>240</b>		<b>1,200</b>	<b>240</b>		<b>175</b>	<b>8800</b>
<b>Total</b>																					<b>6,59,995</b>

DISTRICT-II																					
CLUB NAME	Memb As on 31st Aug 2022	Memb As on 31st Mar 2023	Ys Men	Spouse	Ys Person	Ys YOUTH	Ys Menette	1ST SEM. Paid	2ND SEM. Paid	CON FEE	RBM	PWAF/DPWAF	HRM	ASF	BHF	RDTF	TOF	YES	Initiation Fee	INT Menettes FEE	
1 Ys Menettes Club Of Bangalore							16	NA	NA												2560
2 Ys Men Club of Bangalore IT Corridor	17	3	3					33150	5850												
3 Ys Men Club of Bangalore Metro	18	15	15					35100	29250												
4 Ys Men Club of Bangalore New City	16	5	5					28050	9750												
5 Ys Men Club of Bangalore Downtown	23	20	20					44850	39000												
6 Ys Men Club of Bangalore East Emerald	15							29250													
7 Ys Men Club of Bangalore Millennium	20	20	20					39000	39000												
8 Ys Men Club of Bangalore	18	18	18					35100	35100	100											
9 Ys Men Club of Bangalore Titans	6	5	5					11700	9750												
10 Ys Men Club of Bangalore Pioneer	9	6	6					17550	11700	100											
11 Ys Men Club of Mumbai	16	16	15			1		30150	30150			9600									
12 Ys Men Club of Mumbai North	15							29250													
13 Ys Service Club of New City Youth		10				10		9000													
14 Ys Men Club of Bangalore Green Aster	15	9	9					29250	17550												
15 Ys Men Club of Nagpur Orange City	18	18	10	8				26700	26700												
16 Ys Men Club of Gonikoppa		16	16					31200													
17 Ys Menettes Club of New City							13	NA	NA												2,080
<b>Total</b>	<b>206</b>	<b>161</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>4,29,300</b>	<b>2,53,800</b>	<b>200</b>									<b>4,000</b>	<b>4,640</b>	
<b>Total</b>																					<b>7,01,540</b>

DISTRICT -3																					
CLUB NAME	Memb As on 31st Aug 2022	Memb As on 31st Mar 2023	Ys Men	Spouse	Ys Person	Ys YOUTH	Ys Menette	1ST SEM. Paid	2ND SEM. Paid	CON FEE	RBM	PWAF/DPWAF	HRM	ASF	BHF	RDTF	TOF	YES	Initiation Fee	INT Menettes FEE	
1 Ys Menettes Club Coonor							19	NA	NA		640			160	100		1,000	100			3040
2 Ys Service Club of GCT Youth	16	5				5		14400	4500												
3 Ys Men Club Of Gobi Galaxy	25	15	8	7				48750	21900												
4 Ys Men Club of Mettupalayam Royal	25	18	16	2				45600	33000	100											
5 Ys Men Club of Coonor	28	21	20			1		55500	39900												
6 Ys Woman Club of Gobi Glitters	15	6			2	4		18750	7500	100								950			
7 Ys Men Club of Tirupur Knit City	21	15	8	7				40950	21900												
8 Ys Men Club of Coimbatore Smart City	15	5	5					16650	9750												
9 Ys Service Club of Pollachi Youth	16	5				5		14400	4500												
10 Ys Men Club of Pudukkottai Pearls	5	5				5		4500	4500												
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>166</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>2,59,500</b>	<b>1,47,450</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>640</b>				<b>160</b>	<b>100</b>			<b>1,950</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>3,040</b>
<b>Total</b>																					<b>4,13,140</b>

DISTRICT -4																					
CLUB NAME	Memb As on 31st Aug 2022	Memb As on 31st Mar 2023	Ys Men	Spouse	Ys Person	Ys YOUTH	Ys Menette	1ST SEM. Paid	2ND SEM. Paid	CON FEE	RBM	PWAF/DPWAF	HRM	ASF	BHF	RDTF	TOF	YES	Initiation Fee	INT Menettes FEE	
1 Ys Men Club of Sivakasi	16	16	12	4				29100	27000	100											
2 Ys Men Club of Virudhunagar	26	30	26	3	1			47550	53350	100											
3 Ys Men Club of Madurai Mangayakarasi	5							9750													
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>		<b>86,400</b>	<b>82,350</b>	<b>200</b>											
<b>Total</b>																					<b>1,68,950</b>

3rd Regional Council at Virudhunagar



## Club Projects and Programs



Feeding the poor at Tiruppur - Every Sunday



Feeding the poor at Coonoor - Every Tuesday

This poem is about a big characteristic in our life with an ironically small spelling-ego. It influences our lives, our moods and most importantly our relationship with people around us. The poem explains how vanities and ego are wasted and the cause for most misunderstandings. Sadly, too much of this ego is seen in our movement recently. Instead, in the little time we have here, we should look to bury our egos and try to laugh more, help one another, nurture our planet and be of service as much as possible.

Cheers  
Danny, RBE



## Vanities

*The priest stood by the grave of the great thinker and said  
'Oh wise man why do you gloat in your wisdom, if this is your end ?'  
Will your knowledge carry you past the dark's eventual embrace,  
For the foolish and the wise the grave accepts without a name.  
Will the reason that has been your god, now show its face,  
For the vanity of understanding, in death, an earthy silence claims.*

*Then the priest stood by the grave of beauty and in a loud voice said  
'If this is your end, oh beauty, what will you mirror when you're dead ?'  
Just as the vines of Charm is deceptive and Beauty is as fleetly,  
The pleasure of a youthful reflection is slowly cracked and worn.  
When time's laugh lines wrinkle, and ages the youth of its vanity,  
Then petals and thorns of the rose forever embrace on cold stone.*

*And coming to the grave of wealth the priest looked down and said,  
'If this is your end oh riches, of what purpose beyond a Will being read ?'  
How effortlessly the earth puts a shroud over your great authority,  
When Your own kingdom bids you farewell and crowns another.  
When the vanity of your wealth is silenced for all eternity,  
Can all the gold hoarded over the years buy you another summer ?*

*Finally the priest stood by the grave of a little child and said,  
'Oh grave what reason do you have for this, so tiny a bed ?'  
Here wisdom's reason still has not cast a doubt  
Here beauty's reflection this little face untempt  
Here wealth's unending greed no claim sought out  
Here lies innocence untouched by vanity... He wept.*