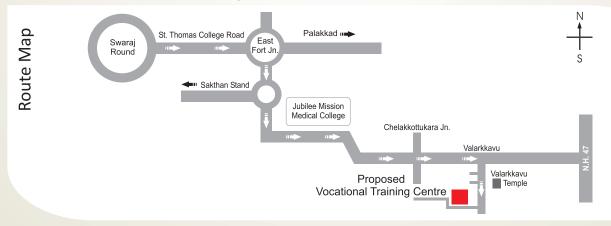


## **The Project**

This dream project is a three storeyed building with a total built up area of 3500 Sq.Ft. in own land, within 3-4 km vicinity of Thrissur city. Ground floor is dedicated to common training, social skill enhancement and seminars on autism and related topics. First floor is earmarked for vocational training of autistic individuals in their functional savant skill areas. Second floor houses emergency rehabilitation needs of autistic persons left unattended by ill health or demise of their parents/guardian.



### **The Cost**

Cost of land - INR 21 Lakhs (Approximate)
Cost of building per sq. ft. - INR 2000 (Approximate)



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# AUTISM SOCIETY THRISSUR

(Reg.No.107/08)



## **About Autism**

Autism is a disorder found among children in their early developmental stages. This causes inadequacy in effective communication, socialization, interpersonal relations etc. The above situation makes the person dependent on others even for carrying out his/her personal needs.

Autism is known as a 'spectrum disorder,' because the severity of symptoms ranges from a mild learning and social disability to a severe impairment, with multiple problems and highly unusual behavior. The disorder may occur alone, or with accompanying problems such as mental retardation or seizures. According to a WHO report, 20 out of 10,000 people are autistic or have autistic symptoms.

The exact cause of autism is not yet known. However, autism is a very active area of research. No proven medicine has so far been invented to take care of this disorder. As of now there is no cure for autism, but early diagnosis and intervention can be of great help. Emphasis is more on the effective training / education, which can make up this deficiency to the tune of 70-80% or even more.

## **About Autism Society, Thrissur**

Autism Society, Thrissur, is a registered (Reg No.107/08) charitable Organization of parents and well-wishers of autistic persons.

The Society exists to improve the lives of all persons affected with autism and to protect their legal rights and social security. The society also acts in the role of an active change agent in the socio - economic life of autism-affected families.

The Society has well defined short term and long term goals to be implemented in a phased manner.

Phase-I Addressing the immediate training needsPhase-II Developing vocational training facilitiesPhase-III Full fledged rehabilitation

The Society is marching forward to accomplish the objectives under the patronage of Mon. **Dr. Francis Alappat**, prominent social figure and former Director and CEO of Jubilee Mission Medical College and Research Institute, Thrissur.



## Phase-I

The Society has been instrumental in starting a training centre in the Government sector to materialize its objectives envisaged in Phase-I. This training centre, which offers free training for school going autistic children from urban area, is gaining momentum with the active support and participation of the Society.



### Phase - II & III

Autism society is planning to implement the second phase of its vision which caters to the vocational training needs of children who leave their school, having received the initial training.

This Phase also encompasses emergency rehabilitation requirements arising out of situations which lead to desolation and destitution of autistic persons.