

Pandiammal (age 22) lives 8km from Natham. There are 4 in her family. Her parents were farmers but due to acute water shortage and no rain they can no longer pay their bank loan so they send her elder brother to work as a labourer in a Soap Company in Pondicherry. Pandiammal isn't able to continue her high school due to her family financial crises so she started to work in mango garden where she plucks the mango and cleans the weeds receiving mini pay. In this situation she meets Lakshmi (our old tailoring trainee) and wishes to join our tailoring. Now she completes her 6 months course and received course completion certificate with the gift of a sewing machine from us.

When the sewing machine arrived at her home, her neighbours and family were so surprised and happy to see her development. Now she got Shirt order from Local garment supplier. To make one shirt she charge 32 rupees and per day she make 7 to 8 shirts. She now has a proper secure income so as her parents start looking for a man to marry her they hope her new Tailoring skills will stop the man asking too high a dowry to marry her. She thanks FPSI for changing her "hard job into smart job".