## Sakshi Excellence Awards 2018

## CATEGORY: YOUNG ACHIEVER OF THE YEAR-SOCIAL SERVICE

Name of the Winner: MR. SHAIK MOHAMMED AREEFUDDIN

Age: 24 Years | Organisation: Yuva Care Welfare Society | Established: 01.04. 2016

Place: Giddalur, Prakasam District

## **PROFILE:**

Shaik Areefuddin hails from a very backward western part of Prakasam district. His father is a teacher and mother, a home maker.

During his school days, Areefuddin would reach out to the needy, the elderly and orphans in his neighourhood and help them. He completed his M. Tech from Guntur and Yuva Care Welfare Society all by himself, fired by a zeal to serve society. The organisation now has more than 1000 volunteers in both the Telugu states.

## **ACTIVITIES AND ACHIEVEMENTS:**

- Youth Empowerment: Youth Service Center provides placement to unemployed youth.
- Food bank: Under this project Areefuddin and his team members have been collecting surplus food and distributing it to more than 200 families in rural areas. During 2018, more than 2500 kgs of surplus food was collected from different functions and events through this initiative and distributed to the needy.
- Aanaluguru: The aim of this project is to conduct last rites for the unclaimed dead and orphans.
- Aasara : This project attends to victims of fire accidents. Asara also reached out to destitute women and supported them for three months by giving them monthly provisions.
- Sahara: The Sahara Welfare Society at Ongole has been raising funds for the School for the blind through various events.
- Jai Jawan Jai Kisan: Areefuddin and his team members have been supporting the families of eight soldiers who sacrificed their lives for our country from Giddalur and surrounding areas.
- Blood Bank: Under this project more 350 blood donations have been conducted and more than 300 lives saved over one year.