'Uyyala Scheme' was initiated by DWCD to reduce the dwindling Sex Ratios in the State of Andhra Pradesh long time back. Jhoolas are supposed to be arranged at prime places where the baby can be left in the jhoola which is later given in adoption to childless couple. But such an innovative Scheme is not being implemented in the State except for few spots. Every day we see in Media many infants being thrown in the dustbins or left un attended on the streets or bus/ railway stations later been eaten by dogs & pigs. Usually girl children are being thrown as they are considered as burden to the family. This is one of the reasons for our dwindling Sex Ratios which reached below 800 per 1000 males in Five Blocks/Mandals in the State of Andhra Pradesh. Hence, there is need for taking up of initiatives which help in improving the Sex Ratios. 'Uyyala Scheme' can be one of them. If implemented in the areas where cases of infanticide have been reported, gives excellent results. This was proved in the State of Tamilnadu, who could utilize the 'Uyyala Scheme' successfully to improve the Sex Ratios in their state.

Ooyala Inauguration at Hanamkonda Bus stand:

Tharuni has taken up campaign against Infanticide in the District of Warangal by taking up the 'Uyyala Scheme' and set up a jhoola in GMH, Hanamkonda on 24th January, 2010 - National Girl Child Day. It created awareness among public through our advocacy campaign in all Maternity Nursing Homes in and around Warangal. Three babies were left in the Uyyala till now and two were given for adoption after shifting to Sisugruha of DWCD in Hanamkonda and one baby died due to illness.

Tharuni's initiative in setting up of the jhoola/ Uyyala in Government Maternity Hospital, Hanamkonda was largely appreciated by many childless couples in the district. We could coordinate with Department of Women & Child Welfare in the district and give the babies who were put in the Uyyala for adoption. Many childless couples call Tharuni office everyday enquiring about babies. There is large need for the babies as many as 160 couples are in the waiting list and we have very few children in Sisugruha for adoption. Similar situation exists in all other districts. But it is heartening to see that many infants are being thrown in dustbins every day. One NGO like Tharuni cannot bring down infanticide in the State. The Government has to take up this issue and see the schemes like 'Uyyala' have to be implemented all over the State.













