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MAJOR EVENTS IN SEPTEMBER

- BOSCO PLUS Training
- Meeting of Principals and Rectors of Vocational training Centres
- TOT for DB Tech staff at Kerala
- Social awareness programmes in various technical institutes
- Life Skill training at Don Bosco Mampetta

UPCOMING EVENTS IN OCTOBER

- Concluding and Certification of BOSCO Plus
- Staff Training at FCDP under DBAI project
- SHG Leaders Training at Bidar under DBAI project
- Social Awareness Programme in All Technical Training Centres
- Placement meet of LIST project

From the Director's Desk...

"36,00,000 children labour in the state of Karnataka" was the heading of a report carried by the Deccan Chronicle (13, June 2012) as 12 June is the World Day Against Child Labour. Karnataka figures among the five worst states in all the three age groups (10-14, 14-18 and 10-18) of child labour, according to an analysis done by Child Rights and You (CRY). The state also has the seventh largest child labour presence in India. According to a study conducted by Don Bosco in the city of Mysore in Karnataka, there are around 2,00,000 children working in the district of Mysore and 2286 in the city of Mysore. The children continue to be robbed of an education and their dreams, sometimes at the risk of ruining their health.

The Union Cabinet's green light to the amendments in the existing law against child labour is encouraging. When it comes into force, all forms of child labour under the age of 14 years will be banned, the employment of children in the 14-18 age group in hazardous occupations will be prohibited and child labour will become a cognisable offence. But it will be a great challenge for the government to assess the real magnitude, to ascertain enforceability and to devise appropriate rehabilitative measures. Don Bosco has initiated its intervention on behalf

of child labourers and children who dropped out of school in the city of Mysore in the year 2005. Over the past years, Don Bosco has rescued and rehabilitated more than thousand children in the city of Mysore. In this edition of "A SLICE", we look at the major interventions of Don Bosco Makkalaya in the city of Mysore.

With Best Wishes,

Fr Joy Nedumparambil sdb



News...



ITES domain Trainees of Davangere attended the Exposure program at SECRO BPO Company

The business process outsourcing (BPO) centers are not the forte of urban India alone. Through the BPO sector, the government aims to create 1 lakh jobs in next five years in rural Karnataka and arrest the migration to urban areas... [more...](#)



Mr. Luke Peter and Ms. Johanna from ETM Belgium visited Mysore project

Mr. Luke Peter and Ms. Johanna from Belgium had a project visit to Mysore Makkalaya. The partners were very happy about the quantum of work that is been done through their intervention and were satisfied to see the long term... [More...](#)



Meeting cum workshop for the Rectors and Principals of Technical Institutions of Bangalore Province

The Rectors and Principals of the Don Bosco institutes of Bangalore Province gathered on 1st & 2nd September, 2012 for a two day meeting cum workshop at Don Bosco Provincial House, Bangalore with an aim of reviewing and rejuvenating skill training and technical education in the province ... [More...](#)



Education Secretary (Karnataka) Visits Don Bosco, Gulbarga

G. Kumar Naik IAS (Secretary to Government, Education Department – Primary & Secondary Education, Karnataka) visited Don Bosco PYaR, Gulbarga on 27 August 2012. "You are doing a noble endeavour and we will support you all the way", said Mr. Kumar Naik ... [More...](#)



Zonal Youth Meet at Don Bosco, Bidar

Bidar, the Crown of Karnataka, hosted the Zonal Bosco Youth Meet on 29 August 2012 in which about 170 Bosco youth from Yadgir, Deodurga, Gulbarga and Bidar took part ... [More...](#)



Skill Training at Don Bosco Makkalalaya, Mysore- Batch Inauguration

The dream of promoting the youth to strengthen the deprived families and communities was actualized at Don Bosco Makkalaya by initiating BREADS & LIST skill training and job placement program ... [More...](#)



Don Bosco Makkalalaya Mysore - enabling community-empowering children and youth

Don Bosco Makkalalaya (DBM) is a community Based project initiated by the Mysore Don Bosco Society and supported by BREADS. The project focus on the integral development of the child labourers and school dropouts from the streets and slums of Mysore city through community participation and preventive actions . DBM has been reaching out to over 600 children/youth on a daily basis.

In 2005, Don Bosco Mysore made a study on the condition of the marginalized children in Mysore. DBM came across thousands of child labourers and school dropouts in the slums of Mysore city. In 2006 they initiated a program for child labourers and school dropouts from a rented house officially known as **Don Bosco Makkalalaya**. It was launched as a community-based program run with the collaboration of all those interested in the welfare of marginalized children. Ever since, the program has been evolving and

growing serving over 600 less privileged children on a daily basis. By now DBM has placed nearly 1000 school dropouts back into regular schools.

Presently DBM has been running 10 Foundation Schools in 10 slums, 6 Bridge schools in 6 slums, 4 centres for class X program (SSLC) under the Karnataka State Open School, and Pre-University Course (PUC) for those who could not get admission in regular colleges. The following

are the major programmes of Don Bosco Makkalaya



DB Makkalaya- Reach out	
Category	Numbers
Slums/outskirt villages	19
Child Labourers and school dropouts	3000
Street Children	400
Youth	200
Women	1000



Motto

Placing the lamp on the lamp stand. The lamp stands for the child labourers and school dropouts in Mysore.

Vision

Promotion of a movement of child labourers and dropouts through special education and community based programmes ensuring human rights and child rights paving the way for a proactive and preventive culture leading to sustainable development in the society

Approaches and Features

- A venture in which duties and responsibilities towards children

are emphasized to be carried out by families and the community

- Community leaders who support and supervise the programme on a daily basis
- Teachers and "Bare foot counselors/Mediators" from the same community
- Creating common platforms for the coming together of marginalized children and community leaders
- Empowering the community through empowering the children
- Measuring the growth of the children and the impact on the community

- Inculcating love for marginalized children leading to structural changes in the family



THE STORY OF FISSA BANU

Fissa Banu is a Muslim girl who stopped her studies at VIII standard. Her family was in financial crisis and they could not send her to school. Now she is 18 years. She came to know about the SSLC program for dropouts. Don Bosco gave a bus-pass to attend the classes. With in a short time, she picked her interest in studies. She secured distinction in the SSLC examination of May 2012. She has become a role model for other school dropouts.



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Major Programmes

Transit Home for urban deprived Children

the Sarva Shiksha Abiyan (SSA) Department of Karnataka Government asked Don Bosco to start a residential Transit Home for urban deprived children between the age 6-14. The Government has provided the building facilities and the running costs. At present, there are 50 boys in this Home. Children who have not been to school are prepared at this home and gradually admitted to regular schools. It is a joint venture of the Government of Karnataka and Don Bosco.

Rainbow Schools

Rainbow schools are started for the school dropouts and those children who are irregular to school. Presently DBM has initiated Rainbow schools in 13 slums and a total of 260 children are attending these schools.

Bridge Schools- for early school dropouts

Bridge Schools are for school dropouts above 15 years who intend to do their SSLC. Within one year these students are prepared to join the SSLC program. Presently there are 5 Bridge Schools catering to 100 students.

Open School

DBM had very encouraging results in X standard exam (SSLC)

through open school for the school dropouts every year. This year Out of 41 students appeared for SSLC, one student got Distinction, 7 First Classes, and 7 Second Classes. For the next academic year, we have registered 92 students in SSLC. The SSLC program is going on in 5 centers in the community.

Other programmes

- Short term Skill Training and Job Placement for poor youth
- Counseling and guidance
- Human Right Education and child right clubs
- Children's bank
- Support systems and life skill trainings
- Vocational training