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On 7<sup>th</sup> August 2015, the E-version of "The Hindu", a leading daily in India carried this news, "City police rescue 165 children" referring to the city of Bangalore. Among the children included 25 infants. There was a move earlier by the government and civil society groups to create awareness against using children for begging and discouraging the public from giving money to begging children. It created a flutter for some days but the city moved

back to its begging ways.

BREADS supports BOSCO's initiative to create a child friendly city in Bangalore through a project called "child safety net". It was a challenge for BOSCO, the leading NGO working for children in the city of Bangalore to respond to all the genuine calls by children or on behalf of children for rescue and protection. Now with this new project the reach has widened and more calls are attended on time. In this July issue of SLICE we will talk about this new project.

With Best Wishes,

#### Fr Joy Nedumparambil SDB

Executive Director

#### Events in July 2015

- TOT for NSQF Trainers
- New Batches of DB Tech Training in Karnataka State
- Blessing the Foundation stone for the BREADS' Skill Training Centre at Lingarajapuram

#### Events in August 2015

- Visit by DAAV Team—Belgium
- Individual Social Responsibility Awareness Campaign in Schools at Bangalore
- DB Tech Batch review in Karnataka
- launching of DDUGKY skill training program at Kerala
- Inauguration of BREADS and Sindhi Skill Training Academy

#### News

#### DB Tech Kerala: Batch Review Held at Don Bosco, Vaduthala



The Batch Review for the DB Tech centres of Kerala was held in Don Bosco, Vaduthala, Kochi on 6&7 July, 2015. The reviewing panel consisted of Miss. Amulya Tirkey (Manager: Operations of Corporate Projects, Delhi), Fr. Arul Maran (Director, Don Bosco Skill Mission (DBSM), Bangalore), Miss Priyanka (M&E, from DBSM, Bangalore), Fr. Jeeson N (Province Co-ordinator, Bangalore Province) and the State co-ordinators Mr. Shonit and Ratheesh. Fifteen centres were reviewed with regard to the operations... More

#### Blessing of the Foundation Stone for BREADS Skill Training Centre



The foundation stone for the BREADS Skill Training Centre was blessed by Fr Joyce Thonikuzhiyil, the Salesian Provincial of Don Bosco Bangalore. On completion, the skill training centre located close to Don Bosco Church at Lingarajapuram will conduct skill training for the marginalized and unemployed youth from the area and offer temporary accommodation for trainees coming from the rural areas of Karnataka and Kerala in search of jobs and interviews... More

#### Get set, Ready, Go - Kudumbasree-DDU- GKY Project in Kerala



The Training of Trainers of the newly recruited Trainers for the implementation of the Kudumbasree-DDU-GKY Project in Kerala was held in Don Bosco Skill Mission (DBSM), Bangalore from 23 June to 27 June 2015. A total of forty Trainers participated in the training. The training was imparted by the Learning and Development department of Don Bosco Tech. Fr. Arul Maran (Director, DBSM), Fr. Ramesh Cherian (Asst. Director, DBSM), Fr. Jeeson Nelluvelil ( Province Co-ordinator, DB Tech Operations)... More

#### Non formal skill training for marginalized young women inaugurated at Gulbarga



Non formal skill training for marginalized young women was inaugurated at Don Bosco, Bablad, Gulbarga on July 13, 2015. "The skill training programme is a launching pad for the marginalized young women in the district to become earning members and self reliant individuals in the society", said Basavaraj Varavatti, DCPO, Gulbarga. Speaking on the occasion, Pappamma Habalkar, CDPO, Gulbarga Rural...

# **Child Safety Net**

# Contributing build a child friendly city



Thousands of children land in Bangalore city and subsequently end up living on the streets, subjected to exploitations like trafficking, kidnap, begging, sexual abuse, harassment and child labour. These stark realities put an end to the bright future of the child and they are forced to take up a painful life at a very tender age with no fault of theirs. Many children get into antisocial activities either willingly or unwillingly in order to survive on the streets. Alongside there is the existence of the vulnerability due to abusers on the streets who move around the city to take away these children and use them for monetary benefits or personal gratification.

BREADS supports BOSCO Bangalore in this initiative called **'Child Safety Net'** for immediate rescue and rehabilitation of children found in the streets of Bangalore city. Child Safety Net is working as a "watch dog" at different strategic locations in Bangalore for the protection child rights. With a set of dedicated staff round the clock (24x7) and by community of vigilant groups, care and protection to

children at risk are being provided. Through the physical presence of the street educators/field animators in the most vulnerable pockets and through patrolling on a rescue vehicle, children are being rescued and rehabilitated. The rescue vehicle deployed 24x7 on the streets has increased the prompt action against child rights violations.

The rescue team comprises of three squads: one at the rail-way station consisting 2 social workers, second at the bus stations (includes main and satellite bus stations) consisting 4 social workers and third is a team patrolling on rescue vehicle. Street Educators will monitor the inflow of children to the transit points and protect children before streets get to



them. Calls received on 24/7 child help line will be responded to promptly ensuring safety and security to the vulnerable children.

Awareness on child rights is being created among the various stakeholders and communities of vigilant groups are also formed in many strategic locations.



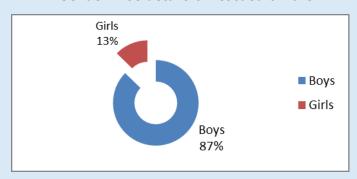


## Reach out and Achievements of Child Safety Net from January to June 2015

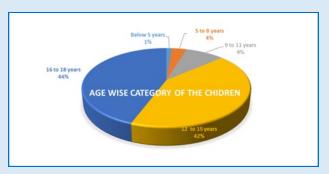
Children rescued (Jan to June 2015)

Months	Railway Station	Bus Stand	Market	Patrolling Vehicles
Jan	281	134	28	111
Feb	331	141	91	97
March	555	162	56	138
April	385	270	53	135
May	345	186	59	98
June	476	222	59	117
Total	2373	1115	346	696

#### Gender wise details of rescued children



#### Age wise category of rescued children



## Rehabilitation Status

Rehabilitation status	January	February	March	April	May	June	Total
Present (All BOSCO Centers )	21	34	45	55	14	67	236
Home Placement	399	436	703	596	571	605	3310
Government organization/CWC/ institutions	58	89	103	135	39	139	563
Counseled and Sent	76	101	60	57	64	63	421
Grand Total	554	660	911	843	688	874	4530





