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From the Director's Desk...



New Year Greetings from BREADS Bangalore!

May this year bring you good health and happiness in your life. The month of December has been very busy for all us at BREADS as we had to meet the deadlines to send the various reports to all our agencies. We were also blessed to have the visit of Fr Clemens Schliermann, the Director of Don Bosco Missions, Germany. We are indeed indebted to Don Bosco Missions and Don Bosco Mondo from Germany for their partnership in reaching out to the less privileged through rights based projects. After having visited nine of our projects, Fr Clemens was impressed by our multi-dimensional approach to the various problems faced by children and young people.

As we look back to the year 2013, our hearts are filled with gratitude to God, our Donor Agencies and well-wishers who have supported our endeavours. The project implementing partners have extended wonderful support to BREADS and they have made their best efforts to implement the projects as per objectives and time lines. Let us continue to work together to ensure our children a life in its fullness.

Wishing you all a great year ahead,

Fr Joy Nedumparambil sdb
Executive Director



Fr Clemens Schliermann, Director, Don Bosco Missions, Germany

Major events in December

- 1-4 – Fr Clemens Schliermann from Don Bosco Missions Germany visited BREADS projects in North Karnataka
- 4 – Foundation Stone laid for DBPA Hospet
- 4 – Fr Jeelson represented BREADS at the DB Tech Regional Coordinators' Meet in Delhi
- 5 – Fr. Clemens Schliermann visited BREADS
- 8 – Inaugurated the New Child Labour Rehabilitation Centre in Gulbarga
- 20 – Christmas celebrations at BREADS Bangalore
- 21 – Christmas celebrations at Don Bosco Provincial House, Bangalore

UPCOMING EVENTS IN January

- 1 – Lucky Draw for 'Donate and Win'
- 1- Block placement of social work students from DB college Angadikadavu
- 5- Project Monitoring visits begin
- 20 – Meeting with Mr Muralidharan, CII Convenor, Karnataka
- 31 – Feast of Don Bosco

News...



Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Germany visits BREADS' project

Michael Steiner, Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Germany to the Republic of India visited one of BREADS' projects in Bangalore – BOSCO Mane, on 11th December 2013, to assess the feasibility of First Lady of Germany visiting our projects in February 2014.



INAUGURATION AND BLESSING OF DON BOSCO REHABILITATION CENTRE, BABLAD

Don Bosco Rehabilitation Centre for child labourers and school dropouts at Bablad was blessed and inaugurated by Rev. Robert Miranda, Bishop, Gulbarga, on 08 December 2013. Speaking on the occasion, he said that needy children and people should avail the facilities and services provided by NGOs and become self reliant and successful.. [More...](#)



Health Awareness and Medical Camp in Ramnagara District

Don Bosco Ajjanahalli, in collaboration with BREADS Bangalore and Shantha Jeeva Jyothi (an NGO working in Magadi Taluk, Ramnagara) organized two Health Awareness programmes and a Medical Camp in November, in Manjanbele and Agalahalli villages. [More...](#)



Foundation stone laid for a new technical school in Hospet

Don Bosco Professional Academy – a new technical school in Hospet had its foundation stone blessed by Fr Clemens Schliermann, Director, Don Bosco Missions, Germany and laid by Fr George Mathew sdb, Economist – Bangalore Province on 4th December 2013. [More...](#)



BREADS INAUGURATES KARNATAKA STATE NETWORK OF CHILD RIGHTS CLUBS

BREADS organized the inauguration of State Network of Child Rights Clubs under project CREAM – Child Rights Education and Action Movement on 29th and 30th November 2013. [More...](#)

CREAM Network— *enhancing collaboration towards action on Child rights*



Project CREAM (Child Rights Education and Action Movement) was launched with the desire to demonstrate the effectiveness of community level platforms created to ensure children's right to participate, which can then play an active role in protection and promotion of child rights in that respective community. Working with children trained and engaged in the activities of Child Rights Clubs at the school level opened new opportunities to assess their involvement in protecting their rights. It was then time for children from different districts to come together on one stage and mutually share their excitement, experiences, successes and struggles. In so doing, CREAM worked on bringing the children that we work with, together on a single platform at 3 levels – district, region and state.

This networking effort intended to help children understand the challenges and issues faced by children like them in different regions and explore options based on each others' experiences. During October and November, district level CRC networks were inaugurated in all the CREAM districts. Alongside, 3 regional level networks

were also established to ensure adequate representation of all the districts where the project is operational.

South region – comprising the districts of Bangalore, Mysore and Ramnagara

North region – comprising the districts of Bidar, Gulbarga, Deodurga and Yadgiri

Central region – comprising the districts of Bellary, Chitradurga and Davangere

In the last week of November 2013, BREADS organized the inauguration of Karnataka State Network of CRCs, in the presence of eminent guests like Mr C G Hungund – Member, Karnataka State Human Rights Commission, Fr Edward Thomas – Member, Karnataka State Commission for Protection of Child Rights, Fr Puthenpurayil Kuriakose – CREAM Director, Davangere and Member of Child Welfare Committee, Davangere, Fr Koonan Thomas, Vice Provincial and Director – Youth Services, Bangalore Province and Fr Joy Nedumparambil – Executive Director, BREADS Bangalore.

Involvement of teachers in all these network meetings was very encouraging and appreciative. Their insights along with children's presentations and instant debates, helped us identify issues that children wanted to campaign for. Child marriages and out of school children were the issues chosen for campaign in 2014. The children decided to organize 4 events at the district level (in 10 districts), 2 events at the regional levels and 1 mass campaign at the State Level in 2014, marking the 2nd anniversary of the project.

These networks have begun to give children's voices that identity which they have so long been denied.



OFFICE BEARERS OF KARNATAKA STATE NETWORK OF CRCs

Sl No	Name	Class	District	Position
1	Bharath Kumar	VIII	Bangalore	President
2	Spoorthi	X	Davangere	Vice President
3	Devika	VII	Mysore	Member
4	Harshitha	VI	Ramnagara	Member
5	Manjunath G J	VII	Chitradurga	Member
6	Merlin	V	Bidar	Member
7	Mariyappa	IX	Raichur	Member
8	Panduranga	VIII	Bellary	Member
9	Shivashankar	VII	Gulbarga	Member
10	Suhas	IX	Yadgiri	Member

