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Events in December

- International Human Rights Day on 10
- Christmas Celebration at BREADS on 23

Events in January 2015

- Inauguration DBPA Hospet on 17th January
- Fr Joyce, the New Provincial assumes office on 27th
- Training on RTE (Right To Education) Act on 29 & 30
- FEAST of St. John Bosco on 31

From the Director's Desk

Dear Friends,

New Year Greetings from BREADS Bangalore!

The name "Gulbarga" is no more. The city is now called as "Kalaburagi". Historical evidences recovered during excavation or otherwise found in the district and elsewhere prove that Gulbarga district was originally known as Kalaburagi. There is a mention of the word 'Kalambarige' in the Chinamullu stone inscriptions of 12th and 13th centuries, which can be related to Kalaburagi and the same word finds a place in the inscription the same period found in Bidar district too. It may take a while for people and the system to get used to this not so easy name to pronounce.

Recently we have a completed a project implemented by Don Bosco PYaR at Kalaburagi. Hearty Congratulations to Fr Jaimon and Fr Prasad who spearhead the projects at Kalaburagi. In this issue of SLICE, we shall look at the impact of this project.

With Best Wishes,

Fr Joy Nedumparambil SDB Executive Director

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News



Don Bosco PYaR Celebrates Human Rights Day

The celebration of the International Human Rights Day not only created awareness about the basic human rights as per the Universal Declaration of Human Rights by the UN but also included brief sessions on human rights, child rights and awareness on POCSO (Protection of Children from Sexual Offenses) Act 2012....More



Human Rights Day Celebration-Davangere

Fr. Kuriakose (in the middle) with the other participants of the program celebrated and inaugurated the Human Rights Day on 10th December 2014 at Don Bosco Child Labor Mission, Davangere organized by the self-help groups. He worried about how an individual's rights are still being violated on issues like caste, life security, morality and property, even when we claim our society to be civilized....More



DON BOSCO YUVA MARG INAUGURATED

On 27th November, 2014, Don Bosco Yuva Marg was blessed and inaugurated at Ramanagara Town in the presence of Children, Neighbours, Officials from various Government Departments, Salesians and Politicians. Yuva Marg is intended to be the extension centre of Don Bosco Ajjanahalli for carrying out its outreach programmes ...More

Child Labour Elimination through Community Empowerment at Kalaburagi



"I wanted to play, laugh and scream but I ended up giving up my dreams..."

Shaping those lost children's dream again, DB PYaR Kalaburagi has implemented a project named "Child Labour Elimination Program through Community Empowerment" with the support of BREADS. The Project, aimed at eliminating the menace of child labour and street children was initiated in November 2010 in 20 rural villages and one urban slum at Gulbarga district. Over the three years the project had accomplished significant results which changed the lives of marginalized community especially of the women and children.

Reaching out to the villages, street presence, community empowerment, orientation, cultural programs, training the teachers and supplementary education (evening tuition classes in rural villages) were some of the activities programmed to achieve the goal.

Other than these activities, the staff gifted with innovative ideas brought out some distinctively planned ideas like Street Day School to reach to those children who could not reach schools and helped the physically challenged children with entitlements from the government. Envisaging the idea of community being obliged and responsible towards their own chil-









dren by empowering them, SHGs, child rights clubs were formed and children's special *gram sabha* was organized. Surely the effective and result oriented project has also brought out some fruitful impact in the society.

Impact of the Project

| Children Benefited | 2000+ |
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| Child labourers/School dropouts Rescued and Reenrolled in schools | 252 |
| Mainstreamed through DB Residential Bridge School | 186 |
| Entitlements availed for the physically challenged children | 37 |
| Reach out through supplementary education– Evening Tuition classes in rural villages | 950+ |
| Number of villages reached out | 20 |

The formed and empowered civil society and community groups in the villages such as SDMCs, Youth Groups, SHGs, Task Forces and child rights clubs, etc enabled in creating a safer and increasingly child-friendly environment in the slums and villages, cultivated saving habits among the women and prevented child labour on a large extent







