

## EVENTS

### February 2017

- ☞ Mr. Cees Tompot from YOAJANA visited BREADS
- ☞ Mr. Roland Strux and Ms. Betina Beate from Don Bosco Mondo, Germany, visited BREADS and other projects
- ☞ BREADS celebrated its 22<sup>nd</sup> anniversary
- ☞ Fr. Winfried Karbach, Rev. Fr. Ralf Plogmann and team from St. Boniface Parish, Wirges, Germany visited BREADS
- ☞ BREADS participated in the 10<sup>th</sup> National Convention of DB Tech India.
- ☞ BREADS participated in the BOSCONET CSR Meet in Delhi
- ☞ DB Tech Karnataka Batch review at DBSM

### March 2017

- ☞ BREADS received the Pascal Chavez award for CREAM – the most innovative Salesian Project in South Asia
- ☞ Women's Day celebrations at Don Bosco Centers
- ☞ Ms. Hannah from JEW Austria visits BREADS' projects
- ☞ Inauguration of a residential home for rescued child labourers in Yadagiri

## DIRECTOR'S NOTE

We are very happy and excited that BREADS received the “Pascal Chavez Award 2016” for innovative Salesian Ministry in South Asia for the CREAM (Child Rights Education and Action Movement) project. The purpose of the award is to give visibility, stimulate innovation in the Salesian Youth Ministry and to propagate best practices and innovative models of ministry in the South Asia Region. BREADS has already shared its experience of the CREAM project with the YaR (Young at Risk) forum India for possible adaptation and replication. BREADS is looking into the possibilities of translating the training modules on child rights from Kannada to English. We congratulate all the ten project directors, coordinators, social activists and tuition teachers (170 staff) of Don Bosco projects and the BREADS team for their passion and commitment to upholding the rights of children. We also remember with gratitude BMZ and Don Bosco Mondo, Germany for their support and partnership.

In this issue of Slice, we look at the results of the first batch of DB BEST Academy Bangalore.

*With best wishes,*

*Fr. Joy Nedumparambil SDB  
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## NEWS



### 'Pascual Chavez Award'

**BREADS- Child Rights Education and Action Movement (CREAM) received the award for innovative Salesian Ministry in South Asia.**

### ARALALI BALYA BELAGALI BHAVISHYA – Child Rights Campaign Kalaburagi District

Arali Balya Belagali Bhavishya was a three months district level child rights campaign against violation of child right and child abuse. Don Bosco CREAM, Kalaburagi played a major role along with other NGOs and government departments in spreading awareness... [more](#)



### DB Tech Review Meeting – Bangalore Province

Review meeting was conducted by Don Bosco Tech, Bangalore Province for the region of Karnataka on 6 and 7 February 2017 in Don Bosco Skill Mission (DBSM), Bangalore. 40 Trainers from 15 Centres of Don Bosco Tech from Karnataka attended the... [more](#)





Students at DB BEST had classes on related subjects by guest lecturers, providing better exposure on the subjects from experts and experienced people in the particular industry/ service sector. Few topics were F&B practicals, Marketing skills and product presentations, attending calls effectively and responding politely at BPOs. Students also had opportunities to enhance and exhibit their talents through extra-curricular activities.

The campus interviews started from February 15<sup>th</sup> 2017. As of 9<sup>th</sup> March, 43 students are already placed in jobs and 10 students have decided to continue their studies. Wangs Kitchen, TAJ (apprenticeship), Solitaire, Career Point Associates, Orion East Mall, Hotel Park, Burger King, Kaatizone, James Kitchen, Cinopolis, OXFAM, Agies, AXA Business Solution, Gemhson's Kitchen, Lovedale Foundation, IP Tech World Solution are some of companies who have absorbed the trained students. Interviews continue until the next batch of training begins. DB BEST Academy is looking forward to the next batch of trainees, expected to start by 15<sup>th</sup> March, 2017.

DB BEST Academy, the skill training center of BREADS Bangalore has successfully completed its first batch of training in three skill domains: Hospitality, BPO and Retail Management. A multipronged approach was adopted for the training in which the students were trained in domain-specific skills as well as life skills, spoken English and computer skills. Every Saturday, the classes were handled by the external resource persons from different industries.

The project helped us realize the dream of 82 less-privileged youth who are either dropouts or unable to continue their higher studies due to economic hardship. The first batch of skill training started on November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2016 and completed on February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017. In three months, 82 students  $\frac{3}{4}$  62 boys and 20 girls  $\frac{3}{4}$  completed their skill training in the following domains:

Domain	No. of Trainees		
	Total	Girls	Boys
Hospitality	30	10	20
BPO	27	7	20
Retail Management	25	3	22

### Extra Curricular Activities

- ◆ New Year celebrations
- ◆ Tally class for Retail Management students
- ◆ Meditation day
- ◆ Ethnic day
- ◆ Funding agency visit - Deutsche Bank
- ◆ Sports day
- ◆ Parents meetings
- ◆ Field visit
- ◆ Talent day on 30<sup>th</sup> Jan 2017

**Nazarath Mary** hails from a poor family at Lingarajapuram, Bangalore. Her family considered her a burden since she had to be married off soon. It did not damage her spirit and instead she went on to prove that she could be a great blessing to the family. As she was looking for opportunities, she received leaflets on free training at DB BEST Academy. She took up the hospitality management domain for skill training. Nazarath, slightly nervous in the beginning, soon gained confidence and acquired skills in the area of hospitality management. Currently she is successfully and happily employed at Cinopolis, Orion mall, Bengaluru, as cashier and chef, drawing a salary of Rs. 8700 along with incentives.



**Anil Naik**, 19 years old, from a remote village at Davangere had completed his SSLC years back. Disheartened due to consecutive failures in PUC and the financial crisis in the family, he felt aimless for 2 years. Fr. Cyril SDB, Director Don Bosco, Davangere advised him to join the skill training at DB BEST Academy Bangalore. He joined the hotel management stream and it proved to be a turning point in his life. With his regular, hardworking and sincere efforts he soon picked up hotel management skills along with communication skills and personality development. Currently, he is successfully placed in Hotel Solitaire for a salary of 12,000/ per month through campus recruitment. He is happy that he made the decision to join DB BEST Academy and is grateful to the Salesian fathers for their support.



