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General Elections are around the corner in India (April/May 2014). The major political parties are leaving no stone unturned to propagate their agenda and criticise their political opponents. They woo different sections of the society with their vote bank politics and sometimes, playing the caste and religion cards. While preparing their manifesto, their aim is to appease all sections of the society forgetting sometimes the basic issues that people face in their day to day life. What matters most to the common man are employment opportunities, education of their children, electricity, clean drinking water, reasonable prices for grocery and vegetables, decent health facilities, etc.

Recently BREADS partnered with *Wada Na Todo Abhiyan* to do consultations at the constituency and state level, on what the common people wanted to see in the manifestos of major political parties. It was a good attempt to register people's participation in the decision making process of major political parties. Let us hope that in the upcoming General Elections, right persons who can represent the aspirations of a common man get elected.

In this issue of SLICE, we would like to introduce "Don Bosco Boys' Home - Mundackal" and the services that this institution does for the less privileged children from the locality.

Best Wishes,

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### Major Events in February

- 5<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> – DB Tech Training of Trainers Programme in Vaduthala, Kerala
- 8<sup>th</sup> – Ms Daniela Schadt, First Lady of Germany visited BREADS Project
- 8<sup>th</sup> – DB Tech Batch Review, Kerala
- 10<sup>th</sup> – DB Tech Batch Review, Karnataka
- 17<sup>th</sup> – New batches inaugurated in Karnataka
- 17<sup>th</sup> – Ms Andrea Wilmes from Don Bosco Mondo, Germany, visited BREADS
- 14<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> – Constituency level People's Manifesto Meetings in Bangalore, Bellary, Chitradurga, Davangere and Yadgiri
- 20<sup>th</sup> – State People's Manifesto Meeting, Bangalore
- 22<sup>nd</sup> – DB Tech-BREADS Hospitality Programme – III batch graduation & IV batch inauguration
- 3<sup>rd</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> – MBA student interns from NMIMS Mumbai at BREADS
- 28<sup>th</sup> – Tech Mahindra Foundation II batch inauguration in Lingarajapuram



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### Upcoming events in March

- BREADS website revamping
- Launching of Minority Project in Kerala
- Launching of STAR Project in Kerala and Karnataka
- 12<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> – BREADS team outing
- 15<sup>th</sup> – ITI Principles' Meet
- 23<sup>rd</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> – Consultation on Human Resource Management and Organisational Development, Bangalore.
- 27<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup> – Training of Trainers for BPO Trainers, Bangalore.
- 27<sup>th</sup> – BREADS participates in the National Level Consultation on People's Manifesto in Delhi

## News

### The First Lady of Germany visits BOSCO Bangalore



The First Lady of the Federal Republic of Germany, Ms Daniela Schadt, visited Bosco Mane (Bangalore) on 8 February and interacted with children rescued from the streets. She was welcomed by the BOSCO Band following which she visited the CHIDLIN 1098 operated ... [More...](#)

### Signature Campaign against Child Marriages at Bidar Utsav



CREAM team in Bidar organised a mass signature campaign against child marriages at Bidar Utsav, on February 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> 2014. The requisite permissions from the Deputy Commissioner's office gave them the space to put up a stall with posters, banners, disseminating the ill effects of child marriages. [More...](#)

### Salesian Appointed Member of Kerala Child Rights Commission



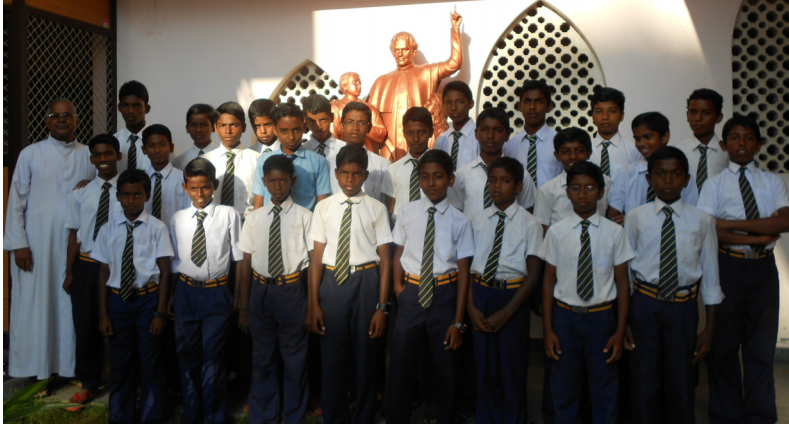
Fr. Philip Parakatt SDB is the first priest to be appointed by the Government of Kerala as a Member of the Kerala Child Rights Commission. The Government of Kerala in its Cabinet Meeting on 23 December had approved the appointment and announced to the media that six members had been selected for the Kerala Child Rights Commission.. [More...](#)

### BREADS-DB Tech Hospitality Programme – Inauguration of batch IV and Convocation of batch III

BREADS Bangalore organized the convocation for III batch Hospitality students and inauguration of the IV batch. Students and parents who had assembled, got to realize the potential of Hospitality sector being in the midst of eminent guests like Ms Andrea Wilmes from Don Bosco Mondo Germany, Rev. Fr. Mondoth Itira... [More...](#)



# Don Bosco Boys' Home, Kollam— *enriching childhood*



Although Kerala bagged the top position in the National Child Rights Index in 2011, there are children out there requiring support from outside to realize their rights and childhood. More apparently, children who cannot receive adequate and timely care from families, need an external anchor, allowing them to grow as

socially conscious and responsible individuals. Don Bosco Boys' Home in Mundackal, Kollam, Kerala, is one such abode for boys in the region who are orphaned/ semi orphaned/ from very poor families that tend to compromise children's right to development, out of lack of choice.

## A centre for learning, growth and value orientation

Don Bosco Boys' Home was inaugurated in September 2005. In the years that followed, it provided an impetus for many young boys, ensuring their good future. At present there are thirty five deserving students in the boarding facility, of whom two are getting some help for education through local sponsorship. Poor boys who have no means to study and yet, have an ardent desire to study are taken into the boarding facility. They attend a regular school four kilometers away from the boarding. The Salesians administering this home,



aim at an all round development of the boys. So far more than 150 students have passed out of this house. Those willing to pursue higher studies are sent to Don Bosco, Monvila. Students are encouraged to participate in sports and arts, some have even qualified for state level sports events. There are five Fathers and two Brothers who run this house, making it live and happening among the local people.



### The story of Gladston

Gladston joined this institution in 2006 in class VII, hailing from a poor family from the town called Karunagappally. His father can't go for work as he is paralyzed and bed ridden. His mother used to work in a nursery school from where she used to get a meager income that was not sufficient to treat her husband and look after the family. He says, "After joining Don Bosco Boys' home I could improve drastically in my studies. When I was at home, it was not possible for me to study well.

But this institution offered me a disciplined way of life. I liked the time table, games and everything in this house. I got a lot of friends. After class 10, I left to Don Bosco Monvila and I have written my plus two exams from here. I have done well. I am planning to join B. Com. Now I am able to stand in front of the public and speak. I am really grateful to Don Bosco".