

EVENTS

June 2017

- ☞ CREAM project monitoring visits by the BREADS team
- ☞ International Day against Child Labour – 12th June
- ☞ Arrival of volunteers from Netherlands and USA
- ☞ DB Tech state-level meeting at Don Bosco Vaduthala

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- ☞ Monitoring visits by BREADS team
- ☞ DB Tech state-level meeting in Bangalore
- ☞ Arrival of volunteers from Malta
- ☞ BREADS staff outing
- ☞ New batch of skill training at DB BEST academy

DIRECTOR'S NOTE

As per the National Census 2011, there are close to 10.1 million child labourers in India, in the age group of 5 to 14 years. About 1.4 million child labourers in India in the age group of 7-14 years can't write their names, analysis of Census data, reveals. This means one in three child labourers in the said age group are illiterate. This is the grim reality of children who work for more than six months in a year. A shocking 2 million of these marginal workers have compromised their education as well. We are approaching 8th Anniversary of Right to Free and Compulsory Education and it is crucial that state reviews its strategies in order to reverse this trend.

In this issue of SLICE we focus on the world day against child labour commemorated across our projects.

With best wishes,

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NEWS

'Shaale Kade Nanna Nade' (My Walk Towards School) Campaign in Ramnagara

'Shaale Kade Namma Nade' is an awareness campaign launched by the Karnataka State Commission for Protection of Child Rights (KSCPCR); it joins hands with concerned Government departments, organizations and like-minded groups to enroll the children to mainstream education... [more](#)



One Day Workshop in Chitradurga

Chitra Don Bosco, Chitradurga organized a one day workshop at district level under the CREAM project with the focus to eradicate child marriage. The workshop was organised in collaboration with Department of Women and Child Development, Chitradurga. In India, every year... [more](#)



Exposure Visit to JSW Steel by Don Bosco Chitradurga - (Skill- Drill- Bill- Chill)

On 17/06/2017 Chitra Don Bosco, Chitradurga organized an exposure visit to JSW Steel Ltd, Toranagallu, Bellary district for the members of Self Help Groups as part of SHG/ IGP Project. The objective was to encourage women to learn, observe and understand the functioning and management... [more](#)



Stakeholders' Consultancy Workshop on Labour Migration to Kerala

Department of Labour and Skill, Government of Kerala and International Labour Organisation organized the Stakeholders' Consultancy Workshop on Labour Migration to Kerala on June 07th 2017 at Trivandrum. The dignitaries present were- Shri. T.P Ramakrishnan, Hon'ble... [more](#)



World Day Against Child Labour- 2017

In conflicts and disasters, protect children from child labour



The issue of child labour is not a new concept in the Indian context and has evolved over time with its negative impact. Since independence, India has grown financially, scientifically and technologically; however, the issue of child labour remained one of the unresolved problems. Studies reveal that poverty, unemployment and migration are the prime reasons for child labour in India. Every year, millions of children around the world are deprived of their childhood and pushed to work under hideous and hazardous situations; thereby denying their basic right to live a dignified life, right to education and right to be free from any form of exploitation. Though there are laws banning child labour, yet children continue to be exploited as cheap labour. The implementation of these laws on the ground is a major failure on the part of the government and concerned

authorities, who are responsible for creating a protective environment for children.

International Labour Organization (ILO) launched the World Day Against Child Labour (WDACL) in 2002 to raise awareness and to eradicate child labour worldwide. Since then, June 12th is globally observed as World Day Against Child Labour. The theme for WDACL 2017 is “In conflicts and disasters, protect children from child labour”.

Anti-Child Labour Day in the Districts

District	Participants	Activities
BOSCO Bangalore	Child Welfare Officer, Police officials, children	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ BOSCO, Bangalore observed ‘World Day Against Child Labour’ at the Bangalore City railway station, BMTC bus stand, Majestic, Gandhi Bazaar, M.G. Road areas, Orion, G opalan, Mantri and Garuda malls. The program focused on the theme, ‘Stop Child Labour’ through mime performances and signature campaigns.
Don Bosco Bidar	1000 participants, District Commissioner (DC), Child Labour Officer, CHILDLINE, Dept. of Women & Child Development (DWCD, Panchayat officers, NGOs, Child Welfare Committee (CWC), social activists	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Awareness rally at the district level; an oath was taken to discourage child labour in the district. ◆ Organized bike and cycle rally at the taluk level with placards and slogans against employing children. ◆ Awareness spread among shops and hotel owners, who signed their agreement not to employ children.
Don Bosco Chitradurga	600 participants, DC, Deputy Director Of Public Instructions (DDPI), District Judge, Block Education Officer (BEO), Tahsildar, District child labour officer, teachers, CWC members	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Rally and signature campaign at the district level. ◆ Held public gathering and children marched to different locations to motivate people stop child labour.



Terense Loyd’s childhood was different from his friends. The responsibility of his family consisting of mother and four siblings landed on his shoulders at a very young age. At the age of 13, he stopped his education to support his mother and family. He tried all possible ways to support his family—working in a factory, welding, painting or working as a driver. While he was working in a convent, one of the sisters inspired him to continue his education and referred him to Don Bosco Makkalalaya, Mysore. It was a turning point in his life. He decided to pursue his education and wrote the SSLC exam in 2011, after a gap of eight years and passed with a second class. Later, he successfully completed PUC and began to pursue Bachelor of Arts at the Karnataka State Open University (KSOU) Mysore. Currently he works as a driver, community organizer and social activist under the CREAM project at Don Bosco Makkalalaya.

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Don Bosco Davangere	850 participants, BEO, Inspector General Police (IG), Asst. Labour Officer, School Development and Monitoring Committee (SDMC), teachers, social activists	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Organized a massive rally at the district level, conducted a signature campaign and handed it over to the DC. ◆ Posters about child labour were posted at government offices and shops. In the public gathering, an oath was taken against child labour.
Don Bosco Hospet	1400 participants, SDMC, parents, youth, teachers, social activists, panchayat officials, CHILDLINE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Initiated rallies and awareness at different taluks and villages, with slogans and placards. ◆ Massive awareness was created to discourage child labour.
Don Bosco Mysore	800 participants, BEO, Gram Panchayath members, Tahsildar, labour inspector, parents, teachers.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Tahsildar inaugurated the rally at T. Narsipura taluk, which was taken out around the city. The participants were motivated and asked to notify the authorities about child labour cases in and around the city. ◆ Children with placards and posters rallied to different streets.
Don Bosco Raichur	900 participants, Tahsildar, civil court judge, BEO, Child Development Protection Officer (CDPO), municipality officers, teachers, parents, youth.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Rally was conducted at the district level; memorandum was submitted to the DC to establish a CHILDLINE (1098) in Raichur. ◆ Rally was organized at the village level and students spoke about the implications of child labour to spread awareness.
Don Bosco Yadgiri	1500 participants, District Child Protection Officer (DCPO), DC, Special Juvenile Police Unit (SJPU), Childline, District Labour Officer, parents, teachers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ The function was inaugurated by the deputy commissioner followed by a rally and public gathering. ◆ Signature campaign was conducted at the bus stand, railway station, market, colleges and schools, and handed over to the DC's office by the child rights clubs. ◆ Press meeting, public announcements throughout the city and villages, distribution of pamphlets and posters to government offices. ◆ An essay competition was conducted for children.
Don Bosco Ramnagara	700 participants, District Judge, Asst. District Commissioner, District Child Labour Officer, parents, teachers, community leaders.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Held a public gathering in which, the District Judge encouraged everyone to fight against child labour. ◆ Rallies were organized at taluk and village level by children to spread awareness about child labour. Placards, songs, slogans were an integral part of the gathering and rally.
Don Bosco Gulbarga	500 participants, DC, District Civil Judge, BEO, National Child Labour Project (NCLP) staff, CWC members, DCPO, CDPO, SDMC, SHG members, Anganwadi staff, teachers, parents, youth.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Organized a rally and extensive awareness campaigns at the district level. ◆ A one-day workshop was organized with various stakeholders and the public, regarding the eradication of child labour in the district. ◆ DB Gulbarga was part of the All India radio discussion on anti-child labour day.

