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It is a privilege and honour that BREADS has been asked to lead and organize consultations in Karnataka on the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) – post 2015. Since they were first adopted, the Millennium Development Goals have raised awareness and shaped a broad vision that remains the overarching framework for the development activities of the United Nations. But the progress tends to bypass those who are lowest on the economic ladder or are otherwise disadvantaged because of their sex, age, disability or ethnicity. Disparities between urban and rural areas are also pronounced and daunting (*Millennium Development Goals Report 2011, United Nations, pg.5*). Achieving the goals will require equitable and inclusive economic growth that reaches everyone and that will enable all people, especially the poor and marginalized, to benefit from economic opportunities. Let us hope that the consultations that are being organized worldwide to listen to people's voices may form the foundation for the way ahead after 2015.



Best Regards,
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Mr. Dan Pearson from CFCA Cansas, USA visit BREADS Projects and interacts with CFCA Sponsored Children at Don Bosco Lingarajapuram.



DB Tech Alumni meet and Inauguration of Hospitality Training at Provincial House Bangalore

Major Events in May

- 14th – Advocacy Coalition meeting at Akshara Foundation
- 17th – I plan meet for MDGs post 2015 Consultation
- 19th – DB Tech Alumni Meet, DB Provincial House, Bangalore
- Inauguration of Hospitality Course at BREADS, at DB Provincial House, Bangalore
- 23rd – Dan Pearson from CFCA visited BREADS
- 25th – FGD planning meeting at BOSCO
- First round of discussion on Raichur consultation with Raghavendra Bhat, Unicef
- 27th – Facilitators' Meet on Focus Group Discussions

Upcoming Events in June

- 5th – I plan meet for the Consultation on "Children and Health" in Raichur
- 7th& 8th – CREAM ToT programme on Human Rights Education
- 10th – II plan meet for MDGs post 2015 Consultation
- 17th – Consultation on "Children: Governance and Equity" in Bangalore
- 22nd – Consultation on "Children: Education" in Davangere

BREADS leads Consultations on Millennium Development Goals in Karnataka

BREADS has got the opportunity to organize Regional Consultations to augur people's voices in the context of Millennium Development Goals (MDGs).

As we all know, MDGs is a set of 8 targets (with specified indicators) that were developed as an overarching agenda to arrest poverty in the world. With 2015 being the target set to achieve these goals, it is now time to review the reach, relevance and the need to rework on the framework to guide the process post 2015. The Consultation is an effort to bring together people's voices and identify their priorities.

In the said context, BREADS is organizing three consultations in Karnataka, with CHILDREN as the over arching theme. Each consultation focuses on a specific theme concerning children. The details are given below

Bangalore – Children: Governance and Equity

Davangere – Children and Education

Deodurga – Children and Health

Bangalore Consultation

The I plan meet organized on 17th May at BREADS was attended by 8 leading NGOs working on child rights. It was decided that the members will divide themselves into three groups, based on themes and organize FGDs with their respective stake holders.

Here are the details:

Group I – Right to Development (Education, ECCD, Right to play) – Akshara Foundation, Centre for Budget and Policy Studies, Dream a Dream

Group II – Care and Protection – BREADS, BOSCO, Everychild

Group III – Health, Hygiene, Water, Sanitation – Child Rights Trust, Save the Children

The sub themes to be focused around these issues are environment, decentralization, participation, finance, access to services, inclusion, accountability and rights from service providers' and users' point of view.

A facilitators' meet was also arranged on 27th May, at CRT, with Dr Padmini, Founder Trustee, CRT as the Resource Person to guide the members in organizing the FGDs at their levels. The group members are working on their FGDs now. The II plan meet is scheduled for 10th June 2013 at BREADS. And the date for final consultation is finalized at 17th June 2013 (venue – EDC, SJP campus, Seshadri road)

Davangere Consultation

Don Bosco Child Labour Mission (DBCLM) has taken the lead to organize the consultation in Davangere. The I plan meet was organized by DBCLM at its premises on 31st May. Representatives from 8 organisations participated and decided on the design of the consultation. Here again they were divided into three groups to thoroughly study the chosen themes accordingly.

Group I – Common System of Education (Universal Education) – NE-SAR, SWARDA, DBCLM

Group II – RTE (Education as a Right) – AID, GUREE, PEOPLE

Group III – Governance in Education – Spoorthi, Adarsha

These topics will be studied according to current reality, challenges and future directions. The members will then come on 16th June for the II plan meet to decide other details involved in organizing the consultation. The date of the consultation for this district has been finalized at 22nd June 2013.

Raichur Consultation

UNICEF has taken the lead to organize the consultation in Raichur. The I plan meet is scheduled for 5th June 2013.



First Plan Meet at BREADS Bangalore on 17th May 2013

Summer camps at Don Bosco Projects

Summer camps at Don Bosco institutions are a much awaited programme every year for organisers and children in the locality, for all the enthusiasm it creates. Every detail of the camps is planned ahead to make sure that children find these days very educative and entertaining.

This year too summer camps were a hit. There was emphasis around the concepts of Child Rights and RTE in the context of inroads made by project CREAM in the districts. Games, dance/singing/fancy dress/quiz/skit/ story telling competitions were there in almost all the districts giving the children an opportunity to explore new ideas and mediums. Regular classes on academic subjects like Maths, English and Science were also organized during the day time to supplement their learning needs. In some of the dis-



tricts the children were also taken to picnics. A range of topics were covered during the day time, to hone the children's personality and decision making skills. Some of them are listed below:

- Soft skills –group dynamics, communication skills, leadership, motivation, respect
- Mass Communication
- Child Rights – Child Line, RTE, Issues affecting children (labour, marriage, trafficking, drop out from school), concept of child rights, Child Rights Clubs.
- Environment and Ecology
- Health and Hygiene
- Good Samaritan, Value of life & Action songs



The children actively participated in all the activities making it a task to handle their excitement. The participants in these camps included school children, children from homes, drop outs and child labourers. The children also owed to make sure that their friends in school did not drop out, and if they did, they were convinced about their ability to bring their friends back to school. They all understood that education is their right.

In Davangere, Yadagiri and Gulbarga, the team had organized a CRC empowerment camp for the CRC leaders and members, reaching out to 767 children. These camps focused exclusively on orienting the participants on their roles as CRC members/ leaders, and enhance their skills to approach incidents of child rights violations in their places.



The following table gives the details of Summer camps

| District | No of children | Details |
|------------------|----------------|--|
| Karnataka | | |
| Bangalore | 44 | Children from BOSCO and state home |
| Bidar | 75 | School children and child labourers |
| Chitradurga | 934 | School children, drop outs, children from homes |
| Davangere | 100 | CRC leaders and members |
| Deodurga | 615 | School children and drop outs |
| Gulbarga | 647 | CRC leaders and members |
| Hospet | 70 | School children, tuition children from Kasturba schools |
| Yadgiri | 260 | School children and drop outs, CRC leaders |
| Kerala | | |
| Chullikkara | 123 | School children, Tribal children |
| Trivandrum | 95 | Slum children, School children, and children from home (BOSCO Nivas) |

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