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From the Director's Desk...



"Govt must not spend on weddings", said Spoorthi from Davangere, the Vice President of the Karnataka State Network for Child Rights Clubs under the CREAM (Child Rights Education and Action Movement) project. She participated in the State Level Child Rights Meet (Children's Parliament), which was organized by Karnataka Child Rights Observatory, a consortium of non-governmental organizations on 22nd November 2013.

She said there is no need for the government to spend on *Shaadi Bhagya* scheme under which financial assistance is given to women from certain sections of the society; instead she wanted the money to be spent on educating girls. In this meet 65 children aged between 9 and 18 from 29 districts of Karnataka raised issues concerning children to the Minister for Primary and Secondary Education, Kimmane Ratnakar and to other members of Legislative Assembly. Their grievances consisted of a wide range of issues ranging from health, education, sanitation to poor infrastructure in schools. It is a new beginning. It is time for change. And through participating in forums like this, children, especially girls are able to articulate their rights and voice their concerns.

In this issue of SLICE we would like to update you the children's day celebrations in our various projects. Wish you all a meaningful celebration of Christmas and invite you to think of those children who may not have Christmas this year.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year 2014!

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Major events in November

- 7-8 – BREADS staff participated in the Workshop on UN Mechanisms
- 15 – Fr Maria Arokiam Kanaga, Regional Councillor for South Asia visited BREADS
- 15 – Representatives from German Government visited BREADS
- 16 – South Regional CRC Network Meeting
- 15-16 – DB Tech ToT for Karnataka Staff
- 19 – District CRC Network Meeting, Yadgiri
- 20 – DB Tech North East Alumni Meet
- 23 – North Regional CRC Network Meeting
- 23 – BREADS-DB Tech Hospitality Prog – Inauguration of batch III and Convocation for batch II
- 29-30 – Inauguration of State Network of CRCs under project CREAM

UPCOMING EVENTS IN December

- 1-4 – Fr Clemens Schliermann from Don Bosco Missions Germany visits BREADS projects in North Karnataka
- 4 – Laying of Foundation Stone, DBPA Hospet
- 4 – Fr Jeason represents BREADS at the DB Tech Regional Coordinators' Meet in Delhi
- 5 – Fr. Clemens Schliermann visits BREADS
- 8 – Inauguration of New Child Labour Rehabilitation Centre in Gulbarga
- 21 – Christmas Celebrations at BREADS

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BREADS-DB Tech Hospitality Program – Inauguration & Graduation

BREADS organized the inauguration of III batch for Hospitality Course and the convocation of II batch students on 23rd November 2013, at Don Bosco Provincial House, Bangalore. Fr Jeason, Regional Coordinator – DB Tech welcomed the chief guest – Ms Felicita Shanthy, Manager – HR, Vivanta by Taj and other guests of honour – Mr Edwin, Learning & Development Centre, Taj and Ms Antoinette Lopez, Corporate Citizenship Team, Accenture... [More](#)



CREAM – South Region Federation of Child Rights Clubs Formed

BREADS Bangalore has envisaged the creation of district, regional and state level federation of Child Rights Clubs (CRCs) under project CREAM to present a collective platform for the children to realise their right to participation. South region federation of child rights clubs (CRCs) under project CREAM – 'Child Rights Education and Action Movement' was inaugurated on 16th November 2013, at BOSCO Bangalore... [More](#)



BREADS – DB Tech organise workshop for Karnataka DB Tech Trainers

BREADS and DB Tech organized a training programme for the trainers of Formal and Non Formal skill training centres of Karnataka at BREADS Bangalore on 15th & 16th of November, 2013. There were 28 participants from 7 Don Bosco Vocational Training Institutes. A team of resource persons from Quest Alliance animated the session on Life Skills & Facilitation... [More](#)



Representatives from German Government visit BREADS

Mr Heiko Warnken, Head of the Economic Cooperation & Development, Embassy of Federal Republic of Germany, New Delhi and Mr David Tantow, Officer, South Asia Division, Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development visited BREADS on 15th November 2013... [More](#)



BREADS-DB Tech and Tech Mahindra Foundation Join Hands in Skilling India

Skill training has become imperative with the increasing need of skilled personnel in the job market. It is appropriate that two like-minded organizations with a vision of 'Skilling India' have joined hands in this great venture. BREADS-DB TECH & Tech Mahindra Foundation have launched the ITES-Tally training program at Don Bosco, Lingarajpuram... [More](#)

Children's Day Celebrations— *Celebrating childhood*



"Children need love, especially when they do not deserve it" said Harold Hulbert. True in every sense. Children's Day, celebrated on November 14th in India presents another occasion for Don Bosco centres to bring together those children whose childhood is deprived of necessities like fun, play, games, etc and recast the positivity in coming together with peers, rather than opting to confine oneself.

Programmes

Projects/Districts	Activities	Children's Participation
Bosco Bangalore	Keerthi Chakra award given to 2 street children who are now doing good in academics – inspiring many others like them. Awards also given to child friendly HMs, Teachers, members from civil society, RPF and group foster parents	500 street, unprivileged and slum children
Don Bosco Hospet , Bellary	Games and cultural programmes organized. Children of SHG members who topped in PUC and class X examinations were given cash prizes and certificates.	1500 children from the tuition centres, including children of SHG members
Don Bosco Bidar	Poster making competition on Child Rights, Fancy dress competition, Dance programmes focusing on the theme 'dreams' and a public rally on Child Rights were organized.	650 children from the 26 tuition centres
Don Bosco Chitradurga	'Protection is my right' was the theme chosen. Children divided into 3 groups and addressed by resource persons on pertaining concerns. Dances and skits were also put up by children, showcasing child rights from their perspectives.	550 children from 25 villages
Don Bosco Child Labour Mission Davangere	'Protect children from sexual abuse' was the theme chosen.	1000 children from the neighboring colonies, & 120 children from the centre
Don Bosco Deodurga, Raichur	Chance games, dance programmes were organized.	700 children from 19 tuition centres
Don Bosco Gulbarga	Resource sessions on 'Protection of children from sexual abuse' and 'POCSO Act 2012' were organized.	170 child labourers, street children and school dropouts from 15 neighboring villages
Don Bosco Mysore	Speech, skits and dance programmes were put up by the children.	60 Children from Good Shepherd Colony
Don Bosco Yadgir	Dropouts were gathered at the tuition centres, group photograph taken and pasted on a banner created to make the public understand the gravity of the issue of school dropouts. 20 different chance games were conducted and prizes distributed to winners.	741 school dropouts from 30 villages
Don Bosco Chullikara	Sports and cultural events were organized. A seminar on 'Health and Hygiene' was presented by a representative from the Health Department.	37 boarders from the centre
Don Bosco Boys Home Thope, Kollam	Children's day celebrations were organized jointly with other orphanages. After a rally on child rights by the children, painting competition and dance programme was organized.	27 children
Don Bosco Snehabhavan Pallurthy	'Greener Kerala' was the theme chosen to emphasise environment protection. 25 chance games, singing-dance-drawing-skit competitions were held and prizes were given to all the participants.	1000 children from the colonies, villages and centres.



In all 7091 children were educated on specific themes through games, skits, cultural programmes – giving them all an open floor to realize the spirit of participation and winning.



MERRY CHRISTMAS



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