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As you know, from 29th November till 11th December 2015, more than 190 countries meet in Paris for an annual conference which, this time, is expected to deliver a global agreement to fight climate change. India, the fourth largest emitter of greenhouse gases, is likely to play an important role. On 29th November, action/2015 in 160 countries organized Global Climate March, demonstrating that tackling climate change is important to all of us and calling on leaders to accelerate progress in the fight against climate change. 400,000 people were expected to march in Paris alone. In Karnataka, BREADS has taken the lead in organizing the Climate March at the state level function in Mysore in collaboration with Don Bosco Makkalalaya. In this issue of SLICE we will focus on this campaign.

BREADS would like congratulate BOSCO Bangalore, our partner, for winning the most prestigious "Child Welfare - 2014" award from the Central Government of India.

Wish you all a Happy Christmas and a Blessed Year 2016!

Fr Joy Nedumparambil SDB

Executive Director—BREADS Bangalore

Events in November 2015

- Political Job Fair at Mandya
- Fr Provincial visited BREADS
- DB ACTION Meet held in Chennai
- Mr Christian Osterhaus from DB Mondo visited BREADS

Events in December 2015

- CREAM Project External Evaluation in 10 districts in Karnataka
- DB Action, SHG Project—Staff Training
- Deutsche Bank Team visited BREADS
- ITC Project implementation in 7 centers
- Certificate Validation at Sindhi Academy
- Christmas Celebration at BREADS on 23rd

News



BOSCO bags National Award

BOSCO (Bangalore Onivvara Seva Coota) has won the national award for 'Child Welfare -2014', for the services rendered in the field of welfare of children. The award which consists of a citation and a cash prize of Rs. 3 lakhs was presented to BOSCO by the honourable president of India, Mr. Pranab Mukharjee at a function held at the Rastrapathi Bhavan on 14 November, 2015, the Children's Day. Fr. Mathew Thomas, the Executive Director of BOSCO received the award on behalf of the organization. This award instituted by the Government of India...[More](#)

Visit by Mr.Christian Osterhaus from DB Mondo, Germany



Action/2015 UNITES PEOPLE FOR A SAFER PLANET KARNATAKA STATE LEVEL CLIMATE MARCH



Children's Day 2015 - Celebration for a Cause



"Children's Day" for the year 2015 was celebrated by all Don Bosco Projects with themes on child rights, climate change and environment protection. Don Bosco Projects celebrated Children's Day by organising a campaign named

"Climate Walks" with rallies, public meetings and did a signature campaign to raise the concerns of children for the UN Climate Change Conference (COP 21 in Paris). Lots of activities, games and fun were also part of the celebrations. BREADS took the lead in organizing this in Karnataka.

There were a total of **6725** children who participated in the Climate Walks and programs to create awareness on the COP 21 in 10 districts of Karnataka. There were 9 programmes that were organized as part of children's day celebrations and **one state level program in Mysore** exclusively to mark the occasion of COP 21 in Paris.

District Level Participation

District	Partners	No. of Children
Bangalore	BOSCO	600
Ramnagara	Don Bosco Yva-Marg	100
Mysore	Don Bosco Mak-kalalaya	730
Chitradurga	Don Bosco CHITRA	950
Davangere	Don Bosco Child Labour Mission	345
Bellary	Don Bosco Hospet	1000
Raichur	Don Bosco Sa-majaSeva Kendra	750
Yadgiri	Don Bosco Centre for Social Action	1500
Gulbarga	Don Bosco PYaR	250
Bidar	Don Bosco	500
Kochi	Don Bosco Pal-luruthy	850
Trivandrum	Bosco Nivas	1000
Pavur	Don Bosco Man-jeshwar	84
Total		8659

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As part of the action/ 2015 Global Climate March to highlight UN Climate change conference (COP 21 in Paris) organized by, UN Framework convention on Climate change (UNFCCC), the Karnataka State Climate March took place on 28th November 2015.

The highlights of the program were:

- Climate March participated by 730 Children and Youth:** The children and youth joined the march with band, decorated horses, banners and placards with the themes of ending poverty, ending inequality and preventing climate change.
- Signature Campaign:** About 730 children wrote their names and signed a letter, addressed to Mr. Prakash Javadekar, Honorable Minister of State (I/C) for Forest, Environment and Climate Change.
- Public meeting attended by Dignitaries:** Presentations were done by four experts who gave important information on the consequences of Climate Change, how to fight Climate Change and establish a better world for All. The meeting was attended by Fr. Staney D'Almeda, Director, Organisation for the Development of People (ODP), Prof. VK Jose- Professor Teressian College and Fr. Paul, Director of Prabhodana Institute. About 12 children and youth spoke on what they could do to combat Climate Change. The program was followed by a small cultural program on the theme of climate Change.



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Wish you all

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year



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