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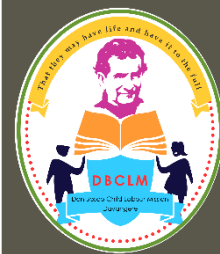
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*Giving them life, life in its fullness.... Since 1996*

# Suddipatra



## Director Speaks >>>

The month of February has a few special days. We compassionately remember our brothers and sisters who combat the deadly disease of cancer on 4<sup>th</sup>. We celebrate the International Development Work Day on 7<sup>th</sup>, World Day of the Sick on 11<sup>th</sup> and World Day of Social Justice on 20<sup>th</sup>. These celebrations make us feel that we are humans and vulnerable and as a community we need to own up our own brothers and sisters who suffer. Today what the world lacks is a compassionate heart that promotes concern, love, peace and joy. As a community we need to promote development and contribute our time and energy to have a welfare society. All should be treated equally before law and social justice. Social action should be the hallmark of our human life. In this regard DBCLM proudly presents the social actions that are oriented towards eradicating social evils such as poverty, unemployment, child labour, illiteracy, ill health and social injustice. DBCLM promote, social justice, good health and a loving, healthy, compassionate society. May this edition of Suddipatra makes you a compassionate person who loves the humanity.

Fr. Cyril Sagayaraj Sdb,  
Director



## Preventing Child Marriages

### Six Child Marriage Attempts in One Month!

Child marriages do take place in some rural areas of Davangere even today. In the month of January 2020 DBCLM could prevent six possible child marriages through a combined effect of Childline, Child Development Project Officer (CDPO) and the police department.

On January 19<sup>th</sup> Childline Coordinator, ASI and PSI from the nearby police station and the Anganwadi supervisor reached Mandakkibhatti area of Davangere.

They verified the documents and convinced the people concerned not to go ahead with the marriage.

On January 21<sup>st</sup> a childline team member and the PDO established that the girl is minor by verifying the documents and prevented the marriage being planned at Bada village of Davangere taluk.

On January 23<sup>rd</sup> a childline team member, CDPO and a policeman from the nearby police station reached a village in Mudha Hadadi panchayath limits and took necessary actions to prevent a possible child marriage.

On 27<sup>th</sup> the coordinator and a team member of Childline accompanied by the

high school Head Master, PDO and two police Constables went to Hiretaglere in Davangere could make the people aware of the consequences of child marriage and prevented it.

On January 29<sup>th</sup> a Childline team member reached Anjaneya temple, Kokkanur temple, in Harihara taluk of Davangere district at night and discouraged the people concerned from entering into a child marriage.

The DCPO himself called the coordinator of childline and ACDPO and went to Gandhi Nagar to verify the documents related to a mass marriage organized on January 30<sup>th</sup> at Sri Guru Ramadasa Swamy Trust. On finding that one of the brides is a minor they convinced the office bearers and other people concerned the consequences of child marriage and discouraged it.

A well co-ordinated  
effort of Childline,  
DCPO, Police and  
DBCLM, Davangere  
in time

From Our Shelter Homes

# January: Month Dedicated to Don Bosco

*Don Bosco the founder of Don Bosco works all over the world is specially remembered and the feast is celebrated with different programmes in Don Bosco institutions. It was the same with DBCLM too.*



included football and cricket at Sujyothi and football, throw ball, bucketball, balloon game, straw game, brinjal game, water bottle game, blanket volleyball, leg cricket, glass game, etc for at Suprabha.

## Special Games

Children at both Don Bosco Suprabha and Sujyothi had different games organized. They were divided into different groups and games were conducted between them and the winners were awarded with points. Games

## Special Programmes

In addition to the special games conducted singing competition, night olympics, drawing competition, Bosco nite, etc. were also conducted and children very actively participated in it



## Don Bosco Feast

The feast day celebration started with a prayer service and dinner for the religious friends of DBCLM on 30<sup>th</sup> evening. The celebration on 31<sup>st</sup> had a prayer service for the staff and children followed by cultural programme by the children in front of the invited guests and a sumptuous meal for all on 31st. The celebration ended with the feast day mass and procession in the evening.



Dental Students Celebrating Birthday with us

## Nomadic Group Visit

# Outreach Visit to the Brick Making Units

*As part of the usual programme Childline Collab team from DBCLM Davangere made an outreach visit to the brick making units at Gutturu in Harihara taluk of Davangere on January 28 to identify vulnerable children especially child labourers. During the visit they could meet 45 migrant families from 6 districts of Karnataka working in these units.*

## Friend of Don Bosco!

*You can be a friend of our little Don Boscos (FDB) by pledging a regular contribution by way of cash/ kind/ service*

Friends who helped us in this month

Mr. Albert Dominic  
Dr. Ashwin Abraham  
Dr. Hridya Philip

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<http://www.dbclm.org/frienddbc.php>

They belonged to Davangere (4), Haveri (4), Ballari (1), Vijayapura (30), Kalaburgi (5) and Yadagiri (1) districts. There were 78 Children (45 boys & 33 girls) within the age group of one to 16 years with these families. The data show that four boys and two girls each belong to the families of Davangere and Haveri, two boys and one girl to Ballari, 31 boys and 19 girls to Vijayapura, five boys and five girls to Kalaburgi and one boy and 2 girls to Yadagiri.





# Educate to Cultivate Organic (ECO) Clubs

*After CREAM, aided and supported by BREADS Bangalore, a project that aims at forming ECO clubs in schools that will motivate the students to engage in organic farming and will sow the seeds of environmental conservation.*



After the successful completion of CREAM, DBCLM is venturing into Educate to Cultivate Organic Clubs Project aided by BREADS Bangalore. Each ECO club is designed to have 50 members and after the school hours they will spend some time in agricultural activities especially in bringing up a vegetable garden that can provide for the midday meals. This will also work as a model for the villagers to imitate and implem

ent in their own field for organic farming.

After an initial survey and verification of the spot government schools of Hosakadlebalu, Kenchanahalli, Kondajji, Anagodu, and Kadajji villages were selected for the implementation of the project.

The first club was formed and inaugurated at GHPS Hosakadlebalu on January 24, 2020 after an orientation and training on the objectives of the project. PDO, SDMC president and members, school teachers, parents and 120 students were present for the programme.

Followed by this one club each was formed in GMHPS, Kenchanahalli in Harihara taluk, of Davanagere on January 27 and in GMHPS, Kondajji in Harihara taluk of Davanagere on January 28, 2020. On a convenient day in February GUHPS Anagodu, GHPS Kadajji and GHPS Mellakatte.

**For more information go to  
[www.dbclmdavanagere.org](http://www.dbclmdavanagere.org)**

## from the visitors' diary

*It was indeed a very happy moment to spend some time with these little children. We thank God for giving us this opportunity to spend some time. We wish all good fortunes to these kids of Jesus and let God give them all happiness in their life.*

Ankita, Bapuji Dental College



## Welcome

*A warm welcome to Fr Xavier Edayodil, the new Director at Don Bosco Sujyothi, Alurhatti. We are sure your love for the poor and abandoned will bear much fruit in the centre. We wish you a very fruitful and satisfying ministry with us.*

## News & Events

### National Youth Day...

Don Bosco Child Labour Mission (DBCLM) Davangere organized Nation Youth Day celebration at Government Boys School... [More+](#)

### Raid in Davangere...

On request of District Child Protection Unit (DCPU) Davangere three staff from the Open Shelter project of DBCLM... [More+](#)

### Parents Meet 2020...

The parents meet of the academic year of 2019-2020 of the RBC students of DBCLM Davangere was held on January 18 2020... [More+](#)

### Back to School...

Encouraged by the support of the public and teachers of the local schools during the field visit to identify school... [More+](#)



# Agent of Change...

DBCLM functions as an agent of change through the social activists of different projects, community workers/ tuition teachers of 25 villages and most importantly through children who are members of Child Rights Clubs and Educate to Cultivate Organic Clubs in three taluks of Davangere and one taluk of Ballari districts.



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DBCLM starts its intervention for change in the society with awareness programmes under different projects. These programmes cover a variety of topics such as childline and its services, toll free no 1098 and how it functions, issues of child marriage, child labour, child abuses including physical, verbal, sexual, mental abuses, etc, child protection, protection mechanism, online safety, school dropouts, unaccompanied children, parenthood and their responsibilities, child rights, human rights, demanding their rights, etc. They visited 41 schools, two colleges and two other institutions with awareness programmes and 24 outreach programmes were conducted at different streets and public places of Davangere. The open house was conducted at Kabburu for an awareness among the people and to find out and address the various issues faced by children of the locality. National youth day was celebrated with 250 children in a high school. It was an encouraging achievement for the community worker at Muchanuru when she was able to get wheelchairs for two needy people of the village. The table below is a statistical presentation of the reach out of DBCLM in January.

Sl No	Name of the Program	No of Programs	Participants			
			Boys	Girls	Adults	Total
1.	Awareness Programmes	24	902	694	848	2444
2.	Evening Tuition	25	500	500	-	1000
3.	Follow Up & Strengthening Programmes	18	198	183	-	381
4.	Formation & Strengthening of Self Help Groups	2	-	-	53	53
5.	Open House	1	12	18	78	108
6.	Outreach Progmmes	24	398	291	701	1390
7.	Training & Formation of Educate to Cultivate Organic Clubs	3	88	67	-	155
8.	Training for Children	3	99	76	-	175
9.	Training for School Development & Monitoring Committee	2	-	-	41	41
10.	Other Programmes	2	250		2	252
	<b>Total</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>2447</b>	<b>1829</b>	<b>1723</b>	<b>5999</b>

## Beneficiaries

No	Paiculars	No
1.	Counselling	2
2.	Home Placement	12
3.	Institutional Placement	2
4.	Educational Intervention	6
5.	Medical Intervention	23
6.	Prevention: Begging / School Dropouts / Single Parent	16
7.	Prevention: Child Abuses	9
8.	Prevention: Child Labour	4
9.	Prevention: Child Marriage	6
10.	Prevention: Trafficking / Kidnapping / Missing	6
11.	RBC Admission	1
12.	Scholarship / Sponsorship	3
13.	Other Interventions	1
	<b>Total</b>	<b>91</b>

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