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Director's Note

October is a month of festivals and events. They are celebrated with full enthusiasm and joy across the country. Each feast and Jayanthi has got its own importance in the lives of people.

October 1st is celebrated as International Day of the Elder Person. This day is marked to remember our elders who played a major role in our upbringing. On 2nd October we celebrate the jaynthi of Mahathma Gandhi, who is the Father of our nation, through his life of sacrifice and path of ahimsa brought fourth freedom to our nation. On 11th October we celebrate the International Day of the Girl child. This year's theme for this day was "Girl Force: Unscripted and Unstoppable". Girl Child is a gift to the family and her smile is a joy to all. Girl force has power and it can change the society. We need to empower our girl children with knowledge and power. We need to bring awareness to the society to treat our girl children with equal dignity and honour.

No girl child should be deprived of her freedom and the right to reach the light of success. They should be treated with equal dignity and honour with our boys.

If our girl children are empowered with knowledge, education and rights they will shine like the stars of the sky. If we teach them to be united to fight for their rights, they will be unstoppable. Through our various programmes of DBCLM, we empower our girl children to be aware of their rights and duties, own up their every action to become good citizens of our nation. Our educational method makes them skillful and fight for their rights. Education and acquiring knowledge is power. This power makes them feel proud and become equal before all.

The efforts of DB-CLM to empower the women folk



does not stop with providing education and supporting the girl children alone. The centre animates a number of women through SHGs and other training programmes conducted in various villages under different projects. Some of these SHG members have already received training in capacity building, Production Methods and Marketing Strategies. Now they are in the process of registering with the government department and availing various schemes to support themeselves to become financially independent. DB-CLM recognizes the role of women in promoting a child friendly nation and empowers girl children to become such change-makers in the society. Fr. Cyril Sagayaraj Sdb

Director

Skills for Life



Skills for Life project, supported by BREADS, Bangalore has successfully completed training the second batch in IT Enabled Services. As the job placement

process is going on for those 02 batches who finished their three-month course, the third batch has started their classes on September 02, 2019. The batch has 36 students from the poor families in and around Davangere. They will undergo training in Basic Computers, Tally, Spoken English and Life Skill for the next three months. Once the course is completed they all will be placed in different companies to make a living of their own.

Warm Welcome & Best of Luck to the new Batch!!

DBCLM Goes English Speaking Campus

A three-month long Spoken English coaching for satff by Fr. Devikanth Vivek, SDB, Director of Don Bosco Sujyothi, Alurhatti

Networking with like-minded people and documentation have

become very important in social work today. While attending some state level and national level meetings the staff and the management felt the need of being proficient in English as the common language for many such meetings is English. Responding positively to the request of the staff members,



Spoken English Class for the staff is conducted for an hour every day from September to November. The staff members are eager to learn and attend the class daily without fail.



Teachers' Day

Teachers' Day was organized with a small gathering followed by a few party games organized for the RBC teachers and other staff by the students of Skills for Life project. Both staff and students attended the programme with much enthusiasm.

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DBCLM at Divisional Level Workshop of CRT

Mr. Vasanth Kumar and Mr. Harshad Ali with two boys attended the Divisional Level Workshop on preparing a report on child rights organized by Karnataka Child Rights Observatory of Child Rights Trust, Bangalore.

Child Rights Education and Action Movement (CREAM)

Orientation for Old CRC Members
(Phase 1): 04

Orientation for Old CRC Members
(Phase 2): 04

Training for Children (Phase 1): 00

Training for Children (Phase 2): 02

Training for Children (Phase 3): 07

CRC Follow-up Meeting: 02

CPC Follow up Meeting: 00

Parents' Meeting: 00

Advocacy: 06

- O1 Conducted 25 programmes in 23 institutions.
- 02 Attended by 899 boys and 936 girls.
- O3 Covered a wide range of topics like child rights, human rights, child marriage, child labour, child abuse, protection against abuses, protection mechanisms, etc.
- O4 Effective advocacy intervensions for awareness on foster care, completing school building work faster, arranging a parents meeting and bringing school dropouts back to school

kudôs!



Childline: 24-hour helpline for Children

Reached out to 3080 people through Awareness Programmes, Day and Night Reachout Programmes, Nomadic Group Visit, Open House, Stall Awareness Programmes, International Deworming Day Celebration and phone calls received in childline helpline no 1098 and other interventions.

DBCLM reached out to 502 boys, 419 girls and 2159 adults through 11 Awareness Sessions conducted at different institutions for students, teachers, staff and SHG members on Childline and its services, child marriage, child abuse,

protection against abuses, protection mechanism, online safety, POCSO, health and hygiene, etc.There was a Night Outreach to old bus stand, Lawyer road, Jayadeva circle, Shivappa circle, KTJ Nagar, Bhagathsingh Nagar, etc wherein the team came

in contact with 315 people. Through 17 Day Outreach programmes Childline Davangere reached out to 528 people. The Open House of this month had 6 boys, 23 girls and 25 adults. There were also 02 cases of intervention registered at the end of the open house. Through the 03 Stall Awareness Programmes the project reached out to 30 boys, 20 girls and

1170 adults in the city. The team also visited a nomadic group staying at Yaravanagathihalli and met 25 adults. In collaboration with the Health Department Childline had the celebration of International Deworming Day at the same place.



Just a Call away...

Reached out to 89 children (58 boys and 31 girls) through a total of 89 calls to 1098, including the 02 calls from outreach programmes

The 89 calls childline received this month called for effective intervension on issues like Begging Children (8), transport facility to reach school (1), Getting the Cast Certificate (1), Child Labour (2), Child Marriage (8), Education related (13), Emotional Abuse (1), Family Related issues (1), Medical Help (13), Missing Case (7), Physical Abuse (4), Schoolarship (2), School Dropout (20), Shelter (5), Sponsorship (2), and Trafficking (1).



At Campus Placement Drive

09 students who underwent three months training in ITES at DBCLM participated in Campus Placement Drive 2019 organized by BREADS at Bangalore. Out of these 09 participated 06 were selected and placed in different companies in Bangalore.

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Awareness Rally

The staff and students of DBCLM participated in an awareness rally organized at Davangere railway station. It was a campaign to conscientize people on not using single use plastic and swach bharath abhiyan promoted by the Central Government.





Empowering the Community

05 new CRCs, 01 training programme each for Grama Panchayath Members and Asha Workers, reaching out to 431 people

Five Child Rights Club Formation programmes were conducted by the CS Project in August in different schools of the project area. The training could reach out to 170 boys and 169 girls. There was also 01 training for Grama Panchayath Members and 03 trainings for Asha Workers in which 33 Gram Panchayath members and 59 asha workers of the project area participated. These programmes covered a series of topics like child rights, child abuse, child protection mechanism, child labour, child marriage, etc. to make them aware of the injustice done to children.

Making them think...

A class each on sharing and truth for 20 children of the Residential Bridge Course in two groups

The children had two classes in four weeks in Thinking Through Philosophy project. They are already divided into 02 different groups and classes are taken for them separately. They had an input session on sharing first and then another on truth. These topics were discussed in detail in the groups and some questions like 'why do people do not share', is it possible to say the truth all the time, etc. were asked and responses were





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Friends, who helped us in September

Mr. Albert Dominic

Ms. Ann Mariya George

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Everyone Counted...

29 child-missing cases, 19 traced children, 01 home placement, 11 unaccompanied children in the childcare homes and 02 awareness programmes

According to the data of MCB, Davangere had 45 child-missing cases. Out of these 45 misssing children 02 boys and 10 girls were traced later with the help of the police department and MCB network. In September 08 (04 boys & 04 girls) cases of childmissing were registered and 07 (03 boys & 04 girls) of them were traced later. Now there are 11 boys and 18 girls to be traced in Davangere.

The month of August had 10 children who had noone to take care of them in the childcare institutions of Davangere. In September 01 more girl was admitted and there are 11 of them in such

institutions.

The coordinator conducted an awareness programme each in Harihara and Davangere on information related to MCB and its services, Childcare, child abuse, child protection mechanism, etc reaching out to 380 boys and 327 girls.





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International Deworming Day

Don Bosco Childline Collab in collaboration with the Health Department organized International Deworming Day at the anganwadi of Yarawanagathihalli. Apart from the Childline team and health department staff 35 boys, 25 girls and 24 adults participated in the programme.

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DBCLM at CRT State Level Consultation Meeting

Mr. Vasanth Kumar from CREAM project of DBCLM attended the state level Child Rights Convension Meeting of the Child Rights Clubs Members and those working towards the effective implementation of child rights.

RBC (Residential Bridge Course)!!



Fourteen more students, who are identified by the field staff as school dropouts, are admitted to the Residential Bridge Course of DBCLM this month. Out of this 14,08 are boys and 06 are girls belonging to the age group of 09-14. They will undergo an year of intense training and will be admitted to

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the regular schools in the coming year. 05 children (04 boys and 01 girl) were referred to Government Homes and another girl was placed back at home with her parents during this month. The students at the centre attend classes regularly and participates in various other extra curricular activies.



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