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Don Bosco Child Labour Mission

Founded in the year 1996, a forerunner in the field of child rights and child labour eradication, DBCLM Collaborates with Government, Government bodies, civil society and other NGOs. More than 2000 children have been passed through this institution already.

DBCLM reaches out to these needy children through a number of programmes specifically aimed at child labour eradication and community empowerment. The centre has a 24-hour, free, emergency [Childline](#) phone service for children in need of help and assistance. Any child or anyone on behalf of a child can dial to the toll free no 1098 and avail the services for a child. There is an [Open Shelter](#) for Care and Protection of Children (government assisted) programme that offers care and protection to 25 children for nine months before they are home



placed or placed in some other childcare homes.

The centre is also part of a web-based programme called [Missing Child Bureau \(MCB\)](#), that follows up every missing child case and every child in the childcare homes. Details of missing cases are compiled from the whole state and are checked with the data of children in childcare homes to trace the missing children.

[Child Rights Education and Action Movement \(CREAM\)](#) is a programme where in children are educated in child rights, child protection and protection mechanism and are empowered to demand it for themselves and for others through sustainable community structures like Child Rights Clubs, Child Protection Committees, etc. There is another programme [Empowerment of Community for Child Labour Eradication in Jagalur](#) operating with the same idea of CREAM in Jagalur Taluk.



A [Residential Bridge Course \(RBC\)](#) is offered for those school dropouts and potential dropouts brought in by the staff of these programmes and others. After fulfilling legal requirements and counseling of the child and the guardian he/ she is admitted to formal schooling or to the RBC for an intense preparation for formal schooling. Those boys who do not get admission in the hostels stay with us at [Don Bosco Sujyothi, Alurhatti](#) and attend the school nearby.

The centre offers a three-month-long [Skills for Life Training](#) for the poor youth, aged between 18-30, in basic computer with Tally and spoken English to equip them for a job. The [Adult Literacy Programme](#) that ran in three villages is over in June 2019.



Fr. Cyril Sagayaraj Sdb,
Director

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Programmes conducted
in June 2019

1,994

Boys from different
schools attended

2,193

Girls from different
schools participated

Thank You



dear Fr Aloysius Santiago, for your short stay with us as part of the Salesian Community. Your unassuming presence and availability will remain a great inspiration to all of us. We wish you all the very best for all your future endeavours.

dear Br Bijo, thank you for your committed and dedicated service for the past one year. We had a great time working together. It was great seeing you moving around unassumingly. We wish you all the very best for your future especially for your studies.



World Day against Child Labour

Public programme at Bilichodu on 24th bringing together local government bodies, departments, civil society, other NGOs and general public under the patronage of BREADS, Bangalore.

It was coordinated by the CS project. The programme started with a procession by the students and public. President, Vice President and PDO of the Panchayath were the chief guests.

The public programme that followed had a number of guests and all those spoke stressed on the need of protecting child rights and strengthening the means of child protection. All the participants including both children and adult vowed to fight together for the eradication of this social evil. (detailed report http://www.dbclmdavangere.org/news_child_labour19.html)



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Monitoring Visit

BREADS team made a visit to monitor and evaluate the effective implementation of the projects. It included meeting with the staff, verification of the documents and a field visit to a few centres in the project area.

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Skills for Life

The second batch of BREADS supported Skills for Life programme was inaugurated. The batch has 36 youngsters, 21 boys and 15 girls, getting trained in Information Technology Enabled Services (ITES).

Child Rights Education & Action Movement

12 Orientation classes for Old CRCs (Phase 1)

1 Orientation Class for Old CRC (Phase 1)

3 Trainings for Children (Phase 1)

12 School Enrolment Campaigns

4 Trainings for Children (Phase 2)

2 New CRC Formation Trainings

1 Community Leaders Training

10 Evening Tuition Centres

1 World Environment Day

1 CRC Follow-up Training

At a Glance

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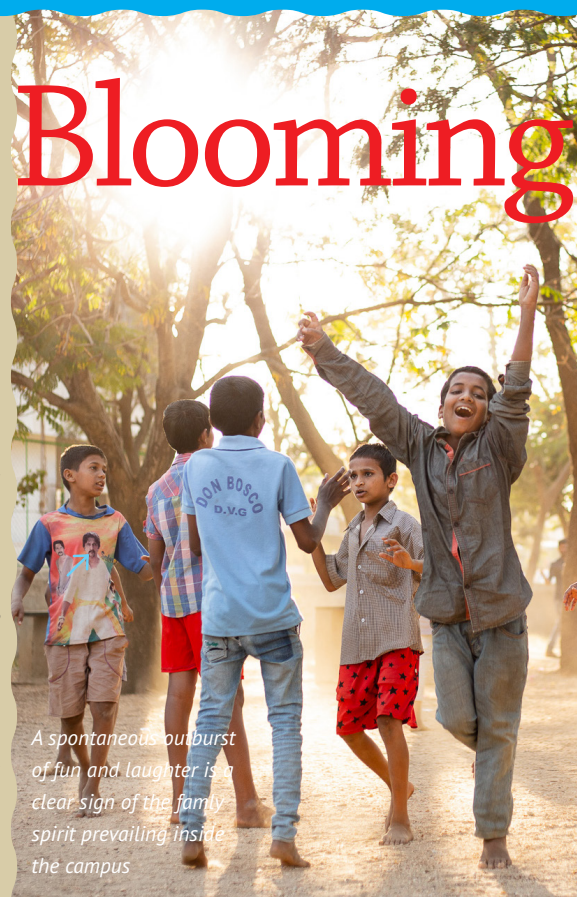
1656 Boys

1570 Girls.

Topics like child rights, child right clubs (CRCs), child protection, protection mechanism, and issues like school dropouts, child labour, child abuse were discussed. Brief orientation was given on ways of curtailing these evils through the CRCs, making use of the services of Childline, Juvenile Justice Board (JJB), Child Welfare Committee (CWC), Special Juvenile Police Unit (SJPU), District Child Protection Unit (DCPU), etc.

Effective **interventions** were made to avail drinking water facility, toilet facility and compound wall for the school.

Blooming



A spontaneous outburst of fun and laughter is a clear sign of the family spirit prevailing inside the campus

Childline: 24-hour Helpline for Children

Reached out to more than 1000 people including 18 nomadic families through stall awareness programme, World Day against Child Labour celebration, day outreach & sticker campaign, visit to the nomadic families, open house and other interventions.

Stall awareness programme was on 5th in P.B. Road Davangere on Ramzan day wherein they could reach out to 350 people. The celebration of **World Day against Child Labour** was in GHPS, Guthery in Harihar on 12th. It was attended by 400 people.



The **day outreach and sticker campaign** was for the community members, shop keepers and auto rikshaw drivers of Harihara on 19th. The **visit to the nomadic families** was made on 19th and they could meet 18 families. There was an **open house** organized on 26th. It was attended by 63 children and a few Self Help Group members.



Just a Call away...

120 cases for intervention including 112 through the calls to 1098 and 8 from outreach visit

120 cases were attended with different interventions like medical (13) shelter (10) protection from abuse (62) sponsorship (18) missing children cases (7) emotional support and guidance (2) and other interventions (8).



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Candle Making Unit

Fr Joy Nedumaparambil sdb, Executive Director of BREADS, Bangalore inaugurated a candle making unit started by one of the Self Help Groups named Sneha in Davangere.

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World Environment

A Short programme was arranged for the RBC Students. 150 plants were brought from the forest department to plant in Don Bosco. Fr Cyril Sagayaraj sdb reminded the students of their responsibility to protect and safeguard the environment.



Protect Our Rights!

A training programme was organised by the CS project in the Grama Panchayath office at Thoranagatte to form a Child Protection Committee (CPC). 41 people from different walks of life attended the meeting. They had serious discussions on the issues like child labour, school dropouts, child abuse, etc. A committee was formed to monitor and curtail such issues in the future.

Evening Tuition

Reaching out to 718 children (325 boys and 393 girls) in 15 villages of Jagalur Taluk in Davangere.

C.S. project aims at eradication of child labour in Jagalur Taluk through empowerment of community. Evening tuition is one of the means used to enter into the community and work towards it. One volunteer from the same village is appointed as the tuition teacher and he/she, apart from managing the tuition, also does some social work in the community.



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to be an FDB?



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Join us in giving them life

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Missing Child Bureau

13 missing children, 12 traced children, 22 unaccompanied children, 4 home placement and 2 awareness programmes

Missing Child Bureau (MCB), a web based missing child tracking service was able to trace 12 missing children (2 boys and 10 girls) and home place 4 boys this month. There are 40 more children (12 boys and 28 girls) to be traced in Davangere alone and another 9 unaccompanied children (2 boys and 7 girls) in Juvenile Justice Homes and NGOs to be home placed.

There were two awareness programmes conducted in Darideepa and

panchalinga (2 NGOs) on MCB and its services. Various topics like child rights, child protection, protection mechanism and issues like child labour, child marriage, school dropouts, etc.



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World Day against Child Labour

A public programme was organized in Bili-chodu, bringing together the department of education, local government bodies, police personnel, civil bodies, other NGOs, general public and students from different schools under the patronage of BREADS, Bangalore.

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Adult Literacy Programme

The fourth and final batch of Adult Literacy Programme (ALP) completed their three-month course by the end of June. During this one year period, the project could reach out to 703 people and teach them to read and write.

RBC (a Bridge to Formal Education)



Out of the 45 students who attended the RBC (Residential Bridge Course) till the end of May, 40 are sent for formal education to different schools and the other five are in the admission process. Out of the 40, 08 are in High School and the other 32 are in the lower classes.

In the meanwhile 18 new children are admitted to the Residential Bridge Course (RBC) out of which 11 are boys and 07 are girls. Field staff continue their field trips identifying the needy ones.



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