

FIDES

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VISION

Fullness of life for all people

MISSION

To ensure united and happy families by promoting health and hygiene, empowering children, young people and women at all levels, and promoting socio economic development

OBJECTIVES:

- To promote education for the less privileged through sponsorship programme.
- To organize and capacitate children, youth and women to realize their basic socio economic development.
- To promote Health and hygiene.
- To offer skill Training for development and self employment.
- To train women for Income generation programmes.
- To promote legal literacy and eco – awareness.
- To empower women through the formation of Self Help groups and Women's rights education.
- To Empower young people with leadership training and value education
- To Promote community health especially in the areas of drug abuse and HIV AIDS
- To ensure health care and quality of life for everyone.
- To instill saving habits.
- To stop infant mortality and illiteracy
- To form healthy individuals especially mothers.
- To stop alcoholism, especially among men.
- To ensure united and happy families.

FOURFOLD STRATEGY OF FIDES:

- Educational development
- Economic growth and development
- Holistic Health Care
- Developing the capacities individual

DISTRIBUTION OF ADOPTION

The sponsored children of FIDES received the educational help from the beginning of June. Students from Kaverinagar and Halasuru villages along with the parents came to Sr. Nancy memorial hall to receive the amount. We also enlighten the students and parents by giving them a formative talk on the importance of education



STAFF PICNIC



On 23rd June, 2015, was a memorable day for the staff of FIDES. They enjoyed their trip to Hogenikal water fall. During this time they could express their happiness and joy in the water and with the nature. It was an occasion to open up their creativity, interaction and relationship building within the group. The group was led by Sr. Celine Maria Selvam, and Sr. Sumi Joseph.

DB TECH NEW BATCH

On 24th June 3rd Batch of DB Tech initiated with 30 students in the absence of trainers Sr.Sumu took charge of them. They are very enthusiastic and promising.

PROVINCE LEVEL YOUTH MEETING

July 10, 11 and 12 we had the province level youth meeting for the youth of Kerala, Karnataka, Andhra, Telangana. The venue was adorned with



around 300 youths. From FIDES 21 youth participated in the Youth meeting. The participants along with sister prepared the exhibition and cultural programs based on the theme

“Dare and dream like Don Bosco”. The FIDES staff helped everywhere to prepare the programs and also to make the event a memorable one. This was appreciated by everyone.



JULY 14TH - SR. NANCY DEATH ANNIVERSARY

All the people from our working area remembered Sr. Nancy Pereira, the founder, of FIDES on the day of her death Anniversary. They paid tribute to her by offering prayers and sacrifices. They decorated the tomb with flowers and many people shared their experience and graces that they





had received through her intercession. Mr. Krishnappa With great gratitude and affection took part in the function as a person who had worked with Sr. Nancy for many years. He sponsored Tiffin for the people of kaverinagar and villages. There were around 400 people who came together to participate the anniversary.

DB TECH STUDENTS COMPETITION



July 15, 2015 DB Tech students of FIDES institution celebrated WORLD YOUTH SKILL DAY. Students had many competitions which were held in Sr. Nancy Memorial hall. In the morning students had a guest lecture by Mr. Devesh a final year engineering student of KVBC College. He gave a speech on the skill each one has in them and how to develop them. Students were inspired by his encouraging words and enjoyed the class.

After the guest lecture painting competition was held in the hall. The theme given to the students was about NATURE. Each one participated in the event and exhibited their talents. After the event the paintings were displayed for the final judgment.

After the lunch break this event was followed by the SPEECH competition. The students were given 3 different topics to speak on. The topics were Population in India, Life in Bangalore and Women

harassment. Each one selected a topic of their choice and spoke on it for 2 to 3 minutes.

The competition continued by the next event that is ESSAY writing. Everyone took active part and wrote the essay on the topic Pollution. Each one expressed their views on the environment pollution and the effects of pollution on the living things.

The students were divided into two groups for the next event DEBATE. Students had a debate on whether college students should use mobiles or not. The event was very interesting because each one had a point to share. Finally the topic was concluded by



saying that using mobile is nothing wrong but depends on how you use it.

The last event for the day was MODEL PREPARATION. Each one displayed their models which were made out of paper, plastic and cardboard. Sisters of the convent also participated in all the events to encourage the students.

OLD AGE HOME FOR MRS.VENKATALAKSHAMAMMA

FIDES arranged to admit Mrs.Venkatalakshamma who had nobody to take care of her to admit her in the home for the aged in Hoskote mission hospital. She is really grateful for having found a shelter for her.

INAUGURATION OF DON BOSCO TECH

3rd Batch Inaugural programme of Don Bosco Tech began with prayer dance invoking God's blessing at 11.15am on 25th of July 2015. Fr. Jeeson, director of D B Tech, Mr. Vincent the co- coordinator of Karnataka, Sr. Anna Chaco the superior of Sacred Heart Convent, Sr. Rosy the director of CDEW,. Mr.Sabin and Mrs.Elsa and sisters



from campus communities and staff of FIDES were present in the programme. Sr. Rosy welcomed the dignitaries and students for the event. All the chief guests inaugurated the programme by lighting the lamp. Fr. Jeeson delivered the inaugural speech



to utilize the opportunities and skills provided by DB Tech with in the period of three months. He also encouraged students to feel more responsible to stand independent. Mr. Vincent explained about three months course content offered by DB Tech like Retail, personality development, basic computer and

Communicative English. Sr. Anna Chacko gave an inspiring speech to the students and how students can come up in life with acquiring more skills.

All the DB Tech students participated in cultural activities like different types of group dance, skit, action song and mime. Programmes were well organized. Everybody appreciated the students' performance. The inaugural programme ended by singing youth Anthem.

CHILDREN'S MEETING, HALASURU

On 25th of July 2015 children's meeting was held at Halasuru for the children in and around Halasuru who are being sponsored. The kids listened to few small moral stories based on Bible. Few general facts were taught along with the good manners and health tips that were provided.

DHEENA BANDHU WOMEN'S COOPERATIVE BOARD MEETING

On the 26th Of July 2015 Dheena Bandhu society held the cooperative society board meeting. They discussed about the loans which were sanctioned retrieved and related issues. Account holder was changed in accordance with the change of the President of the society. They also finalized about the general body meetings.

YOUTH MEETING IN AVALAHALLY, KAVERINAGAR



In the month of July 2015 the youth meetings were held on the 26th in Avalahally and Kaverinagar simultaneously. Br.Imbaraj spoke about goal setting, having an aim in life and how to become a great person in life.

The meeting also decided to keep debates in the upcoming meetings and the topics of interest to be discussed were noted.



WEAK GROUP MEETING

Weak groups of SHGs which included Chethana, Samvridhi and Nirmala groups were gathered on 29th of July 2015. They were allowed to discuss the reasons for the weak functioning of their respective groups and bring ideas to strengthen the groups. Samvridhi group was dissolved due to its weak functioning.

APEX BODY MEETING VILLAGE

On the 1st of August 2015 the monthly apex meeting was held in the village which discussed about the proper functioning of groups, importance of returning the loans taken, and stressed on the responsibility to send the youth for meetings. The meeting also saw the happiness of the villagers when the arrival of doctor was informed.

MEDICAL CAMP



The medical camp was held in three places from 6th to 8th of August 2015. The places included were Halasuru, Kaverinagar and Bandapura. The camp was conducted by FIDES in collaboration with expertise treatments

from Dr. Micheal and Dr. Wesley of USA. The major intentions of the camp included awareness of various known and unknown diseases to the villagers and provide treatment for minor diseases in the area. There were around 250 villagers including the children who turned up for the medical checkup. The initiative was successful with the active involvement of the people gathered.



ADOPTION GIVEN FOR THE POOR NON ADOPTED STUDENTS

Adoption was allotted to 75 kids of Avalahalli, Kaverinagar and Halasuru on 12th and 17th of August 2015. This brought happiness and interest in the students who were struggling to continue their studies due lack of financial support.

INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION



On 15th August D.B. Tech students celebrated the 69th Independence Day in FIDES at Nancy Memorial hall. Sr. Anna graced upon the event by being the chief guest of the program. Fr. Mahimai Das, the sisters'

community, Mr. Devesh, Br. Imba Raj and the 1st and 2nd batch of the D.B.Tech students were invited. The program began at 11.30 am with a prayer dance. Students participated in patriotic dances among other cultural events that filled the day. Fr. Mahimai Das delivered the Independence Day message. Sr. Anna distributed the certificates to the students of 1st and 2nd batch students. The program ended by singing the National Anthem by all the people in the hall.



YOUTH MEETING IN AVALAHALLY, KAVERINAGAR

In the month of August 2015 the youth meetings were on the 16th in Avalahalli and Kaverinagar simultaneously. The meeting witnessed active involvement of the youth and enthusiastic minds as they discussed and planned about the various programs and events for celebrating the culmination of Independence Day and the conclusion of Bicentenary of Don Bosco.

TAKING MRS.VENKATALAKSHAMMA FOR TREATMENT

Mrs.Venkatalakshamma was taken to KIDWAI for the treatment of cancer on 18th of August 2015 and was later taken to an orphanage to have a peaceful and restful retired life rather than being alone.

INDEPENDENCE DAY AND THE CONCLUSION OF BICENTENARY OF DON BOSCO CELEBRATIONS

The 23rd of August 2015 witnessed the grand celebration by the youth of Kaverinagar which was filled with the vibrancy of programs, skit and dances. The youth welcomed Sr.Anna Chacko the chief guest, Sr.Celiene, Sr.Sumi, Sr.Praveena, FIDES and the DB Tech staff. The chief guest Sr.Anna Chacko gave the speech to the gathered. Nearly 200 youths made the celebration complete by their presence. It was a moment where we could present our father and founder Don Bosco.

GUEST LECTURE BY MR. PRASSANA KUMAR

A guest lecture by Mr. Prassana Kumar, asst. manager of DR. Reddy Foundation Bangalore on “CAREER DEVELOPMENT” was delivered on 25th of August 2015 to the DB Tech students. He enlightened and guided the students in various career aspects by which the students can aspire and initiate their career. He shared his industrial experiences and inspired the students to pursue good career development. He asked the students to concentrate on their strength and choose a career in which

they can work with full involvement. The program concluded with an open discussion.

FIELD VISIT TO MORE IN HOSAKOTE



Two teachers accompanied 17 energetic students to more store, a retail sales venture by the Aditya Birla group on the 27th of August 2015. The field visit brought new found enthusiasm in students

to achieve their goals. The students met the executives and system operators, store managers, section in charge and marketing manager during the visit. The students never forgot to learn the best about the store and to note down the drawbacks it had.



APEX BODY MEETING KAVERINAGAR AND FIDES OFFICE

On the 2nd of September 2015 the monthly apex meeting was held in Kaverinagar and village which discussed about the proper functioning of groups, importance of returning the loans taken, and discussed other important issues and programs of the month which needed to be

resolved. Sr. Sumi spoke to them about Dr. A.P.J Abdul Kalam how he became great person in the society and how they can become like him.

JEEVA JYOTHI WOMEN'S MULTIPURPOSE COOPERATIVE SOCIETY BOARD MEETING

Jeeva Jyothi Society held its board meeting on 4th of September 2015 and addressed the various issues like keeping up the time for the meeting, absentees of the meeting, loan repayment, during the meeting. Accounts of the previous month was read and addressed.

WEAK GROUP MEETING

WEAK GROUPS OF SHGS WHICH INCLUDED JEEVA JYOTHI, SNEHA, NANDHINI AND ROJA GROUPS were gathered in Kaverinagar on 6th of September 2015. They were allowed to discuss the reasons for the weak functioning of their respective groups and bring ideas to strengthen the groups. This enabled them to identify their flaws and steps to improve their group were discussed.

FIELD VISIT TO SAFFAL

24 students accompanied by 2 teachers visited SAFFAL, a retail sales company on the 8th of September 2015 to make learning more effective and to gain



practical knowledge on the subject. Students also noted down about the company which benefitted all and the minor drawbacks the company faced.

GUEST LECTURE BY FR. JEESON



A class was conducted by Fr. Jeeson on 11th September of 2015 to the DB Tech students on TEAM MANAGEMENT in the work place. Games with insight were included in the session for better enlighten in the students.

Father gave few

suggestions to the students on how to adjust with different kinds of people in their team. He also took a class on punctuality as it is important to manage time to complete the given



task on time. Father also suggested the students to work hard to get a good job and continue the same in order to remain in the job. He also instilled confidence in the students to face interviews.

YOUTH MEETING, HALASURU

On 12th of September 2015 youth meeting was held at Halasuru for the youth of Halasuru. Br.Imbaraj took an activity based class on how to have an aim in life, how to be a better person to peers and parents.

DB TECH FAREWELL DAY



3rd batch farewell day programme of DB Tech commenced on 13th of September 2015 at 3 pm. Sr. Anna Chacko, the Superior of Sacred Heart Convent, Sr. Rosy the director of CDEW, Sr. Sumi Director of FIDES and sisters, Br. Imbraj, Mr. Jose Paul and staff of FIDES were present in the

programme. Sr. Anna Chacko encouraged the students by her speech and motivated them to come up in lives and to be ready to face the challenges that come. She also congratulated the students for their effort and completion of the course in full swing. The students also witnessed the warm welcome by them through their simple and humble words to the DB Tech and sisters community. Many entertained the gathering with various cultural events. The students shared their experiences in the campus and the difference in their lives before and after coming to DB Tech for three months. They thanked sisters and staff of DB Tech for making their lives more meaningful.

WEAK GROUP MEETING

Weak groups of SHGs which included Swetha, Chethana and Arunodhaya groups were gathered on 13th of September 2015. They were provoked into discussion which let



them to discuss the reasons for the weak functioning of their respective groups and bring ideas to strengthen the groups. This enabled them to identify their flaws and steps to improve their groups were discussed.

CHILDREN'S MEETING, HALASURU

On 25th of September 2015 children's meeting was held at Halasuru for the children in and around Halasuru who are being sponsored. Children enacted a story in the Bible. Children also learnt good manners to be followed on road.

DHEENA BANDHU WOMEN'S COOPERATIVE GENERAL BODY MEETING

On the 27th Of September 2015 Dheena Bandhu society held its general body meeting in Sr. Nancy memorial hall. The meeting was commenced with prayer by the group members. The secretary of the society welcomed the president and all the members. The session included the presentation of the audited report and also discussed on various activities and present status of the society. Since the board members were not regular for the meeting, two new members were selected for the board. The president Sr. Anna Chacko gave them the message by encouraging them to come



for the meetings and also discussed on how to make profit and increase their share. New directors were selected.

YOUTH MEETING KAVERINAGAR

Youth meeting was held in Kaverinagar on 27th of September 2015. The day witnessed the energetic youths listening to talks about national leaders which included Dr. B. R. Ambedkar, Dr. A. P. J. Abdul Kalam and Gandhiji.

APEX BODY MEETING VILLAGE

On the 3rd of October 2015 the monthly apex body meeting was held in the village started with prayer. It discussed the various issues they faced in the group, importance of returning the loans taken and solutions to all issues as much as possible and the pertaining issues were forwarded to meeting.

APEX BODY MEETING KAVERINAGAR

On the 7th of October 2015 the monthly apex meeting was held in Kaverinagar by invoking God. Together with people they discussed about the proper functioning of groups, the various issues they faced in the group and solutions to these issues were discussed and reached a conclusion in terms of resolving the issues.

JEEVA JYOTHI WOMEN'S MULTIPURPOSE COOPERATIVE SOCIETY BOARD MEETING KAVERINAGAR

Jeeva Jyothi Society held its board meeting on 7th of October 2015 in Fides office at KaveriNagar. The meeting began with the invocation from God. Mr. Samuel welcomed the gathering followed by presenting the audited report of 2013-2014. Group discussed various activities of the society like stationary shop, regarding the office building construction in KaveriNagar. There was a discussion on the benefits of becoming the agents for the distribution of ration card since there were 2000 cards held by a lady within the board member. The shop which was indicated in the discussion was not able to afford the income from it because of the high rent, salary and less selling in the shop. The money which was accumulated in the bank without getting interest could be run through society and the society could be lent loan for the needy group. Here both group and society will have the benefits.

YOUTH MEETING HALASURU

Youth meeting was held in Halasuru on 10th of October 2015. The day witnessed the energetic youths lending their ears and minds to Mr. Jose from Kristu Jayanthi College who enlightened them on the different schemes available for youth and women. A debate was also held on love and arranged marriage. The response of the students was really an eye opener for the animators and the leaders. It resulted in the sincere expression of their views about what is happening in the current

situation. Two federation members shared their experience and difficulties they were facing because of the love marriage. They exhorted the youth to concentrate their time and energy for studies. It was really a lesson for the youths to evaluate and choose their future.

STARTING OF 4TH BATCH OF DB TECH IN RETAIL MANAGEMENT

On 12th October 2015 FIDES started the 4th batch of Retail management with 25 students.

APEX BODY AND FEDERATION MEETING AT HALASURU

On the 14th of October 2015 the monthly apex meeting was held in Halasuru which discussed about the proper functioning of groups, the various issues they faced and solutions to these issues were discussed and reached a conclusion in terms of resolving the issues. They also discussed about FIDES Day. In order to strengthen the groups' sr. Sumi will visit the SHG groups in Halasuru. Brief information was given about the programs of the month. Sr. Sumi met the federation members separately to encourage and appreciate them for their support in our work and planned together with them the dates for the upcoming SHG visit.

APPOINTMENT OF NEW STAFF FOR DBTECH IN BPO TRAINING



DB Tech has appointed Miss Jisanamol Shaji on 21st October as a new BPO trainer in our centre. Miss Jisanamol was warm heartily welcomed to FIDES.

YOUTH MEETING KAVERINAGAR

Youth meeting was held in Kaverinagar on 25th of October 2015. The day witnessed the dynamic youths lending their ears and minds to Bro.Imbaraj who enlightened them for having an order in life for everything. Life is not based on the feelings and emotions. If we go by this nobody can achieve anything in life. At the end session was concluded by a debate on love and arranged marriage.

STARTING OF BPO DOMAIN FOR DB TECH STUDENTS

DB Tech was insisting FIDES to start one more domain, we started the new BPO domain with Miss. Jisna as a BPO trainer appointed by DB Tech Delhi office on 11th November 2015. On 11th November 2015, inauguration of BPO Training have started with prayer invoking God's blessing up on the programme, Sr. Rosy centre head spoke to the

students to utilize this occasion as a better opportunity to develop their skills and abilities. Sr. Sumi Joseph in charge of FIDES enforced the students to take an advantage of this training and add extra skill in their life. Students were very happy to get this new training of BPO and thanked all the sisters and DB Tech staff.



BOARD MEETING OF JEEVAJYTHICO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY KAVERINAGAR



A board meeting was conducted on 13th Nov 2015 at Kaverinagar. The Society board meeting was begun with prayer. Sr. Sumi Joseph, the president of the Society welcomed all the Board members. The secretary of the Society presented previous month report and Agenda of the day of meeting. In this meeting, board members mainly discussed about the construction of the Society building and planned in which way they can get the resource to build it. Some of the board members said that to meet local MLA and generous persons of the locality. Finally they discussed about the growth of the society shop and Self Help Groups. Later sister thanked them for their co-operation and collaboration with FIDES.

SHG MEETINGS AT ULSOOR AND KAVERINAGAR

SHG Meetings was conducted at Ulsoor and Kaverinagar 15th and 16th of November 2015 to encourage and strengthen the Self Help groups. Sr. Sumi Josephin- charge of FIDES planned to meet the groups in both places in Ulsoor and Kaverinagar. Sr. Sumi along with the staff checked all the documents and reports. While meeting the group members she discussed about giving importance to God in personal and family life, unity among the group members, increasing the level of savings in every week, regular loan taking and refunding, Education of their children and using economic support given by the generosity of their donors and minutes book keeping etc.. Finally she exhorted that women must come up independently by doing some IGP or finding some job to maintain the family and support for the husband. At the end of the meeting, group's members thanked the sister and FIDES Staff for spending their time with them.

DEATH OF VENKATALAXMAMMA

Venkatalaxmamma was the Cancer patient who was not taken care by the Family members. While sisters were visiting this family they found this lady was having health problems. Sr. Sumi Joseph along with other staff took her to the Kidwai Cancer Hospital and done some tests. Unfortunately the report showed that she had cancer. FIDES took great step to settle her in Hoskote mission hospital old age home. Sisters were visiting her and showing sisterly love and concern towards her. She



was very happy and thankful to God and sisters for all the help done to her. But this happiness did not remain forever; on 20th of November 2015 she passed away. Sisters and some of the staff participated in her funeral and prayed for her soul.

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION AT KRISTUJYOTHI COLLAGE



In the history, this is the first time; SDBs and FMAs had come together and conduct a wonderful Christmas Celebration for the youth on 13th December 2015. The celebration began at 3.00pm with prayer dance. The rector of the Kristu Jyothi Collage

Rev. Fr. Jose Kuttiyanimatil delivered the inaugural speech towards the gathering. He spoke that God did not hide his passion and love towards the human; He came down as a normal child to spread his love and peace to this earth. Sr. Anna Chacko the Superior of Sacred Heart Convent, spoke about “Christmas is a feast of joy to give space to Christ in our hearts and we the children of God and we need to have the sharing mentality towards the less fortunate. Youth from Ulsoor, Kaverinagar and students of DB Tech Avalahalli entertained the gathering by giving the message of Christmas in a creative manner performing colorful programs like dance, songs and skits. Everybody appreciated our programmers. It was very beautiful to work together and have the celebration.

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION AT ULSOOR



It was not decided to celebrate Christmas programme on 19th Dec 2015 in Ulsoor like every year, because the community hall was very dirty and no one is coming forward to clean the hall. But the Apex body discussed with Sr.Sumi Joseph to have a program in their locality. Mr.Manjunatha called some SHG's and made them to clean the hall and the premises in the name of Swacha Bharath. Within three days youth and children worked hard to practice the programmers. The celebration began at 3.30 pm with prayer dance by the youth girls Mr. Manjunatha gave the words of welcome to all the sisters and gatherings. Sr. Anna Chacko, the Superior of SHC, Sr. Mary Manjil, Sr. Cecilia Thomas, Sr. Sumi Joseph and Mr. Richard, the professor and HOD of Kristhu Jayanti Collage were present for the programme. Sr. Anna and Mr. Richard delivered the Christmas Message saying that "The Baby Jesus Born in the manger to show his simplicity and kindness towards human beings. The real celebration is sharing with other needy people that what we have. Because Jesus is the symbol of Love , as Bible says love one another as you love yourself. Youth, children and women put up some cultural programme to share the joy of Christmas through dance, Song and skit. Sr. Sumi wished a happy Christmas and Happy New Year and thanked all the SHG's and youth for their hard work for taking risk and cleaning the hall and conducting the programme. More than 400 people were present for the celebration. Finally cake and sweets were distributed to the gathering and all the people wished Happy Christmas to the sisters and others.

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION VILLAGE SHG'S IN OUR CENTRE AT AVALAHALLI



The Christmas celebration was held on 20th Dec 2015, began with prayer dance at 11.00am. Sr. Anna Chacko the Superior of SHC, Sr. Mary Manjil, Sr. Sumi Joseph and Fr. Praveenth from KJC was invited to deliver the Christmas Massage. He

gave the importance of sharing what we have with the poor families as well as in the Society, especially when the needs arise. Fr. Pravinth Just shared the examples of Chennai, Natural Calamity in which completely destroyed the capital of Tamilnadu in the month of November and December. Sr. Anna Chacko expressed her joy when she meet the women about their unity in coming together and building a loving and caring family. Youth put up some cultural activities. Later Sr. Sumi thanked all the members of the Self Help Groups. More than 140 people participated in the celebration and sweets were distributed to all.

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION AT KAVERINAGAR ON 20TH DECEMBER

Kaverinagar SHG's, NCP children and Youth gathered to celebrate Christmas at FIDES office. The programme started with prayer dance by NCP children, followed by



welcome speech. Sr. Anna Chacko, Sr. Sumi were present for the programme. Youth performed colorful programmes to entertain the crowd. At the end Sr. Anna Chacko shared about the meaning of Christmas.

D. B. TECH CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION



It was really fantastic Christmas programme organized by the DB Tech Staff and students on 21st Dec 2015. The celebration started with Prayer dance by Jisna the BPO Trainer at 3.00pm in Sr. Nancy Memorial hall. Mr. Manjunath welcomed all the dignitaries for the celebration. Rev. Fr. Jeeson, the director of skill training and in charge of D. B. Tech, Sr. Anna Chacko, Superior of SHC, Mr. Richard the professor and HOD of Kristhu Jayanti collage, Mr. Patrick the state co-ordinator of DB Tech, Sr. Cecilia Thomas the Ex. Provincial, Sr. Rosy Centre head and Sr. Sumi Joseph were the guest for the celebration. All the invitees inaugurated the programme by lighting the lamp to invoking showers of blessings on the programme. Rev. Fr. Jeeson gave inaugural speech about meaning of Christmas celebration. He spoke that without caste and creed we need to enjoy the Christmas because Jesus born to show His peace and Love to the entire human beings on the Earth in which will exist forever. Sr. Cecilia Thomas Said that every human beings are brothers and sisters, Jesus is inspiration for us to love one another. Mr. Richard expressed his valuable words toward Students that youth are losing the values and faith on themselves. But

the birth of Jesus is the symbolic of faith, moral and trust. So we need to have his trust in ourselves that everything is possible. All the Students performed colorful programmes by showing their talents in different way through dance, carols, skit etc. At the end all wished happy Christmas and cake was distributed to all the participants.

HALF DAY ANIMATION CLASS FOR THE FDES AND DB TECH STAFF ON CHILD PROTECTION POLICY

Sr. Jacintha Lobo the Chair person of CWC Conducted half day class for the staff about Child protection policy of FMA India on 30th Dec 2015. She explained in detail way importance of having a policy regarding protection of children for the sisters, staff, educating community and all those who connected with our mission, since we are working for the children who are the vulnerable section of the society we need to handle them with care. She explained the matter by using power point. Since lot of atrocities happening in the society for the children we need to take care of them. Finally all the staff thanked Sr. Jacintha for her presentation.



MOTHER PROVINCIAL'S VISIT TO KAVERINAGAR SLUM

Rev. Sr. Crecentia D'Almeda, the Provincial of Sacred Heart Covent Bandapura, made a visit to Kaverinagar on January 4th 2016 to see the people of the working area. All the Self help group members, youth and FIDES staff gathered in the FIDES office. Some members of the SHGs and youth shared about how they received motivation and



guidance from the Salesian sisters and staff. The women expressed that the sponsorship programme and monthly youth meetings have changed their children lives spiritually and educationally. They also mentioned that today most of their children are working in software companies and shopping malls and earning sufficient salary to support themselves and their families. The Society Board members happily



reported that they have received RS.10.00.000, as aid from the MLA Mr. Arvind Limbali for the construction of the Society building. Mother was happy to hear about the growth of the people of Kaverinagar and thanked them for their constant co-operation and collaboration

with FIDES. She requested them to continue in the same spirit and assured her support in the days to come. All who were present thanked the Mother and concluded her visit with prayers.

DON BOSCO'S FEAST



DB tech students performed a programme in Kristu Jyothi College for the First time as part of a drama did a club dance at the request of Fr. Shalbin, on 31st January 2016. Every body appreciated their performance.

VISIT TO LOCAL MLA

The Jeeva Jyoti society, under the guidance of Sr. Sumi, and the staff of FIDES visited Mr Arvind limvabali, MLA of Mahadevpura constituency, to discuss the construction of the FIDES building on 21st January, 2016. Sr. Sumi described the present situation of the society and the need to construct the FIDES Building Mr. Arvind limvabali immediately sanctioned Rs. 10 lakhs for the construction and referred them to the District Commissioner of the area for the further proceedings and assured the full cooperation, the engineers and other concerned persons responsible for the planning and construction of the Society building.

MEDICAL CAMPS IN ULSOOR AND KAVERINAGAR

Medical camps were organized by FIDES for general health screening of the slum dwellers and to raise awareness on the importance of maintaining good health in the of Ulsoor and Kaverinagar on 4th and 5th



February, 2016. Mr. Paul Wilkes send two medical specialists from the United States of America along with Dr. Radika from Columbia Asia to conduct the two days medical camps in both

locations. Around 300 people, including women and children, attended the general health check-up. The doctors gave treatments and medication to the people suffering from common conditions like fever, cold, and for communicable diseases like T.B., Cholera, etc. The doctors also checked the people's blood sugar and blood pressure. The doctors also raised awareness on the importance of eating healthy food and taking proper rest to protect one's immunity.



INAUGURATION OF DON BOSCO TECH

The Inaugural Ceremony of the 5th Batch of Don Bosco Tech was conducted on 17th of February, 2016. Fr. Jeelson (Director of DB Tech),

Mr. Patrick (State Co-coordinator of Karnataka), Sr. Anna Chaco (Superior of Sacred Heart Convent), Sr. Jesintha Lobo (Chair person of CDEW), Sr. Sheela Jacob (Province Economer), Mrs. Catherine (State Finance Person), Sr. Sumi (Director of FIDES) and sisters and staff of FIDES were present for the program. Fr. Jeelson delivered the inaugural speech in which he encouraged the students to utilize the opportunities and skills provided by DB Tech. Mr. Patrick and Sr. Jesintha also addressed the students, highlighting the



various skills they will learn and these can help them succeed in their careers and personal lives. All the DB Tech students participated in cultural activities like different types of group dances, skit, group song and solo songs.

WOMEN'S DAY CELEBRATION

On the occasion of International Women's Day, FIDES arranged a special meeting which was held for the female tailoring students and D.B. Tech students on 8th March, 2016 in one of the classrooms in FIDES. The program started with a prayer song and then the Chief Guest and speaker of the day, Sr. Jacintha Lobo, Chairperson of CWC, was welcomed. Sr. Jacintha then proceeded with the women's day talk where she enlightened the students on their rights as women. Sister gave the students some tips on how they truly be empowered by remembering

that women are equal to men, making use of every opportunity they get, having a positive attitude and by helping their fellow sisters to grow. Sister then quoted examples of some of the great women who made a difference in society like Indira Gandhi and Mother Teresa. Sr. Jacintha concluded her talk by teaching a Kannada song which speaks about how women should stand united. The program ended with Mrs. Prabha, the Teacher of the Tailoring Course, who proposed the Vote of Thanks.