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ANNUAL REPORT 2017-18

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PRESENTATION

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Executive Director, BOSCO Bangalore

“Coming together is a beginning, keeping together is progress, working together is success”

This Annual Report 2017-18 is an amalgamation of the ideals on which BOSCO works in the true spirit of Don Bosco. It's a synthesis of interventions, achievements, milestones, a quaint perception of life, a commendable avenue of affirmation of the path chosen for the upliftment of the marginalised youth and children.

It gives me immense pleasure to present before you the accomplishments of BOSCO during the year 2017-2018, where children from the streets and in other dangerous situations were rescued, rehabilitated and re-united with their families.

We are living in an era of rapid growth and change. Greater emphasis has to be laid on the building, moulding of personalities of children, making them self-reliant and competent. We, at BOSCO receive the at risk young, provide them a haven, a home to nest, look into their needs, accompany them back to their homes, educate them, train them in various skills, empower them, job place them, thus enabling them to pursue their goals which act as fuel in the furnace of achievers, thus building a strong fortress of motivating force around them that cannot be penetrated by negative influences.

If we work on marble, it will perish, if we work upon brass, time will efface it, if we rear monuments, they will crumble into dust, but if we work upon the innocent minds of children with values and principles – we engrave on these impressionable minds something that will brighten the whole universe.

At BOSCO, not only are children moulded into respectable members of the mainstream society vide the tuition centres in areas, communities and slums, but also empowered with their rights, urged to practise advocacy on violation of their rights viz: child labour, child marriage. Adolescent girls meetings, children's collectives, caring communities, mothers and youth groups, child rights clubs help in resolving the issues in the communities, with the assistance of task force, the stake holders, Corporators, area leaders, etc.

Railway Childline celebrated its second anniversary, intensifying its rescue operations. While ARSP widened its



horizons, extending its services across other stations like Bidadi, Yelahanka, and Kengeri from 17th October 2017. Azeem Premji Philanthropic Initiative, an initiative of Azeem Premji foundation, started its services at Bangalore City Railway Station under the patronage of BOSCO CHILDLINE, from April 2018.

Our Shelter Homes for boys and girls at BOSCO Mane, Vikas, Vatsalya Bhavan and Rainbow Home, Skill training centres at BOSCO Sumanahalli and Yuvakendra, Open shelter at Yuvodaya, Nivas and Nilaya have been offering yeomen service, protection to the children under their care.

The year that was, was a year of achievements, success, accolades and acclaims, all possible due to the unstinted and indefatigable efforts, dedication and commitment of the 154 Personnel of BOSCO, under the committed leadership of the Directors, who worked unitedly strategizing, implementing and executing plans to reach milestones and fetch laurels.

After care and Foster care for children are two important programmes that BOSCO worked on to support the Government of Karnataka for their effective implementation in the state. In the coming year too, BOSCO will advocate for after care and foster care with much dedication.

The Lord Almighty has been bounteous and copious in showering His blessings on us at BOSCO. We hope and pray that He continues to shower His blessings in the year to come too.

Message of FR. PROVINCIAL



My dear Fr. Mathew Thomas and the family of BOSCO,

Affectionate and prayerful greetings as we bring out another annual report of BOSCO.

"I have come to give life, life in all its fullness" (Jn 10/10).

BOSCO Bengaluru has been translating life, giving way of life to thousands of youth for several years now. I take this opportunity to congratulate and thank all the Fathers, Brothers and members of the staff for their dedicated service involving deeper planning, discussion, sharing, and above all love for the lesser privileged ones who live a life of sacrifice.

We are all inspired by the vision, and the person himself, Saint Don Bosco who lived his testimony of faith by transforming challenging experiences into occasions of service in favour of the poor and abandoned youngsters. He gave them hope, a reason to live and a way to live it meaningfully. "For you I study, for you I work, for you I am ready to spend the whole of my life" thus deposed the Saint, Don Bosco.

'Protecting Children from Violence'; is the theme that guides the interventions of BOSCO in a special way for the next year. The theme of non-violence is not in any way strange to us Indians, as the Father of our Nation Mahatma Gandhi led the freedom struggle with non-violence. There are five ways in which a person can do harm to the other... physical, mental and emotional torture, blemishing one's good name, contempt for the 'Guru' or disrespecting and indifference to others. If and when we are true to the spirit of considering every human being and individual as brother and sister in whose well-being and prosperity alone lies one's happiness; can we stay away from harming anyone.

But, when we look at our life realistically, it is our common experience; we find difficulty in accepting that life at times is hard. This can make us violent and lose peace. How does one become non-violent and pursue what makes for peace and mutual building up.

First of all we need to accept that peace is the result of a struggle and does not come just by chance. There is a struggle between what is acceptable and non-acceptable. One man's poison can be another man's food; therefore we need to learn to choose, also it is true to say that 'politeness is the ability to choose among your thoughts, as it leads us to the third reality towards building peace, and as eternal vigilance is the price of peace, we need to be vigilant.

The human mind has the capacity to deny the veracity of what it knows to be right just by a matter of choice, according to situations and convenience. The mind can refuse ascent to the thing which the intellect knows to be right. In the book, 'On Being Good' the author says with insight, "Happy are the rulers whose subjects do not think. The Nazis thought, but Hitler coloured their thinking." What colours our thinking will affect our pattern of behaviour and the way we act and that in turn will affect the health of the society.

The educational environment in Don Bosco is coloured by goodness of heart and mind that helps towards doing good, looking good, feeling good, and above all being good. What colours our thinking influences the way we act. Don Bosco once said, "If one is to do good, he must have a little courage, be ready for sacrifice, deal affably with all and never slight anybody."

Finally non-violence leading to peace and harmony is a matter of co-responsibility which involves being a positive presence, offering timely support, also living with a spirit of healthy interdependence; it is the responsibility of everyone, the children and the grownups alike.

There was a little grape stem. This stem was so glad to be alive. She absorbed water and manure from the ground and grew up well, grew up slowly and could manage on her own. One day the wind was very cruel, the rain harsh and the snow was not one bit understanding towards her. The little stem drooped, weak and suffering. It would be so easy to stop trying to grow and to live. The stem was poor and the winter turned harsh wearing out the stem. One day the stem heard a cry; it was another stem calling out. "Here reach out, hang on to me." First she was hesitant what did this mean? She had always managed well, all on her own, yet very cautiously she reached out towards the other stem. The other stem said, "See I can help you. Just wind your tendrils about me. I will help you lift your head."

Accepting the help, she could stand straight again. The wind and the rain and the snow came, but the grape stem was clinging to many other stems and it could stand. They stood strongly united towards each other and in their strength they could smile and grow. One day the little stem looked down and saw a tiny stem swaying frightened in the wind. The stem said, "reach out to me, hang on, I will help you", and the little stem reached up to the grape stem and all the stems grew together. Leaves sprouted, flowers bloomed, and the vines bore grapes, feeding many in their life.

May BOSCO continue to be a healthy presence to the young in whom all of us rejoice, as they form a very important part of the society.

Yours affectionately in Don Bosco,

Fr. Joyce Thonykuzhiyil SDB
(Provincial)



H.D. KUMARASWAMY
CHIEF MINISTER

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VIDHANA SOUDHA
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Date : 13-07-2018

MESSAGE

It is heartening to know that BOSCO, which accompanies the young at risk in their struggles and journeys from the margins to the centre of society, is coming up with the Annual Report 2017-18.

BOSCO with its motto, "that they may have life in all its fullness" has reached out to the deprived, marginalised and vulnerable children/youth and made efforts to make their life better.

I hope that with many more such endeavours. BOSCO protects the interest of such children and brings light in their life.


(H. D. KUMARASWAMY)

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Date : 17.7.2018

MESSAGE

Bangalore Oniyavara Seva Coota (BOSCO) is an NGO which rescues and rehabilitates the children on the streets and missing children for the past thirty seven years. It is working in co-ordination with the Government in taking care of children in need of care and protection. This organization is also known for the protection of children and their rights, rescuing from human trafficking, child labour, begging and other anti-social activities through CHILDLINE, MISSING CHILD BUREAU & SJPU.

I am very glad to know that this organization is bringing out its Annual Report for the year 2017-18. I wish that this organization may always remain a home to the homeless children, a beacon of hope to the children without hope and a faithful friend and guide to those not having any sense of direction and purpose in life.

(T. Suneel Kumar, IPS)
Commissioner of Police,
Bengaluru City.



12 June 2018

To,
Bosco Mane
242,4th Main Rd, 2nd Cross,
Chamarajpet,
Bengaluru,
Karnataka 560018


Sir/Madam,

We truly appreciate your dedication and the valuable role you play in for the upliftment of economically unstable children.

It is indeed through the hard work of people like you and your organization that we could change a life of a child in need and which leads us to build the bright future of India's next generation.

Thank you for your continuing support.

Yours Sincerely,


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St. Joseph's High School
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DON BOSCO OUR INSPIRATION

PROFILE *Of* BOSCO

Bangalore Oniyavara Seva Coota, commonly known as BOSCO, is a registered Non-Profit Charitable Organization under the society's Registration Act of 1960. It was established in 1980 by the Salesians of Don Bosco (SDB).

VISION

BOSCO aspires for a society that unreservedly cares for its children/youth through preventive and promotional approaches besides standing up for their well-being.

MISSION

BOSCO accompanies the young at risk in their struggles and journeys from the margins to the main stream of society such that they become integrated individuals and responsible citizens.

BOSCO reaches out

to the deprived, marginalized and vulnerable children/youth such as children on the streets, child laborers, runaways, trafficked, abandoned and orphaned children, victims of all kinds of abuses, rag pickers, child beggars, etc.

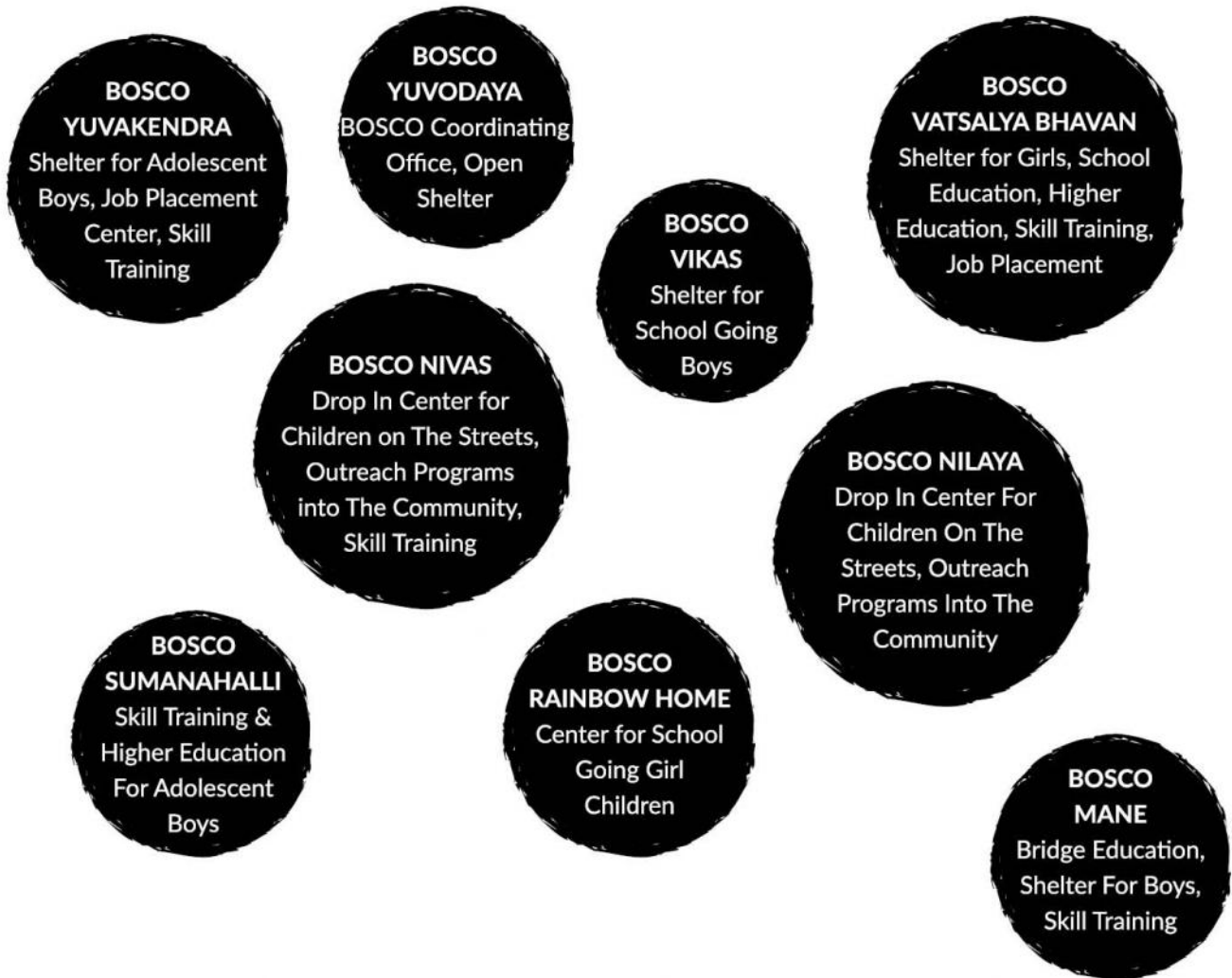
BOSCO lives by its motto,

"That they may have life.... life in all its fullness". In keeping with the motto, following are the services and programmes rendered by BOSCO for the Young at Risk:

- | 24*7 Street Presence | Child Rescue Booths | CHILDLINE | Counseling
- | Special Juvenile Police Unit Missing | Child Bureau | Child Safety Net
- | Community Development | Child Rights Campaigns and Awareness Creation
- | Child Rights Clubs | Foster Care | Shelter Homes for Children
- | Skill Training | Education | Health Care | Job Placement
- | Room Placement | Home Placement | Advocacy
- | Research, Documentation and Publication |.



CENTRES OF BOSCO



AREAS OF BOSCO

BUS STATIONS

1. Majestic Bus Station
2. KSRTC Bus Station
3. Shivajinagar Bus Station
4. KR Market Bus Station
5. Kalasipalya Bus Station
6. Satellite Bus Station

K R. MARKET AREA

1. Ramanna Garden I
2. Ramanna Garden II
3. Vyayamshaale
4. Rajgopal Garden
5. Vinobhanagar
6. Cement Huts
7. Gurrappa Garden
8. Jolly Moholla
9. Bakshi Garden

SHIVAJINAGAR AREA

1. Ambedjkar Huts
2. Mackan Compound
3. Nehrupuram

MYSORE ROAD

1. Janata Colony
2. JJR Nagar
3. Padarayanapura
4. Azadnagar
5. Flower Garden
6. Bhangi Colony
7. Cheluvadipalya
8. Velmurugapura

MAGADI ROAD

1. K.P. Agrahara
2. Nagammanagar
3. Bhuvaneshwarinagar
4. Gopalpura
5. Mayuri Circle
6. Manjunathnagar
7. KeshavnagarBande

SUMANAHALLI

1. DevarajUrs Slum
2. Nagarbhavi Slum

RAILWAY STATIONS

1. City Railway Station
2. Cantonment Railway Station
3. East Railway Station
4. Kengeri Railway Station
5. Krishanrajapuram Railway Station
6. Yelahanka Railway Station
7. Bidadi Railway Station



STREET PRESENCE

Many children take to the streets lured by the prospects of a good job or to lead an independent life, when they may fall into the traps of crooked and shady elements ruling the streets as a result bringing an abrupt halt to their childhood and innocence. Therefore, it is BOSCO's devoted agenda to extend its round the clock presence through various services such as rescue operations, counseling, medical assistance, providing food and shelter, organizing orientation camps and awareness programmes.

RESCUE

Many children who find it hard to adjust or deal with personal issues tend to run away to big cities with the hope of leading a better life. Here, they become prey to human predators such as child traffickers, criminals and abusers, and here acts BOSCO with its mission to contact them before they are preyed upon. It is the collective effort of BOSCO to apply the best strategy in accordance with the circumstances and ensure that quick action is taken; thus attempting to decrease the intensity of the problem. BOSCO's rescue operations take place in railway platforms, bus terminals, factories, hotels, parks, public places, etc. BOSCO's important components such as CHILDLINE, SJPU, Child Safety Net etc., collaborate with Police and other Government Departments in crucial intervention for mass rescue operations and prevention of child right violations.



Statistics of Children Rescued/Supported with services by BOSCO during June 2017-May 2018

Contact Point	Boys	Girls	Total
BOSCO Mane	17	00	17
BOSCO Sumanahalli	30	00	30
BOSCO Nilaya	61	25	86
BOSCO Nivas	72	19	91
BOSCO Yuvakendra	18	00	18
Railway Station	2024	203	2227
Bus Stand (BMTC and KSRTC)	1205	113	1318
BOSCO Yuvodaya	15	00	15
CHILDLINE	132	73	205
SJPU	309	124	433
BOSCO Vatsalya Bhavan	00	61	61
ARSP	855	69	924
CSN	113	19	132
BOSCO Rainbow home	00	08	08
Services Provided	980	141	1121
Grand Total	5831	855	6686

Action Taken

No. of times	Boys	Girls	Total
Referred to BOSCO Centers	194	43	237
Home Placement	3790	566	4356
Government organization/NGO's	775	91	866
Dead	01	00	01
Referred to Back to police	04	08	12
Replacement to School	07	00	07
Replacement to Hostels	21	00	21
Counseled and Sent/ Went off	59	06	65
Grand total	4851	714	5565

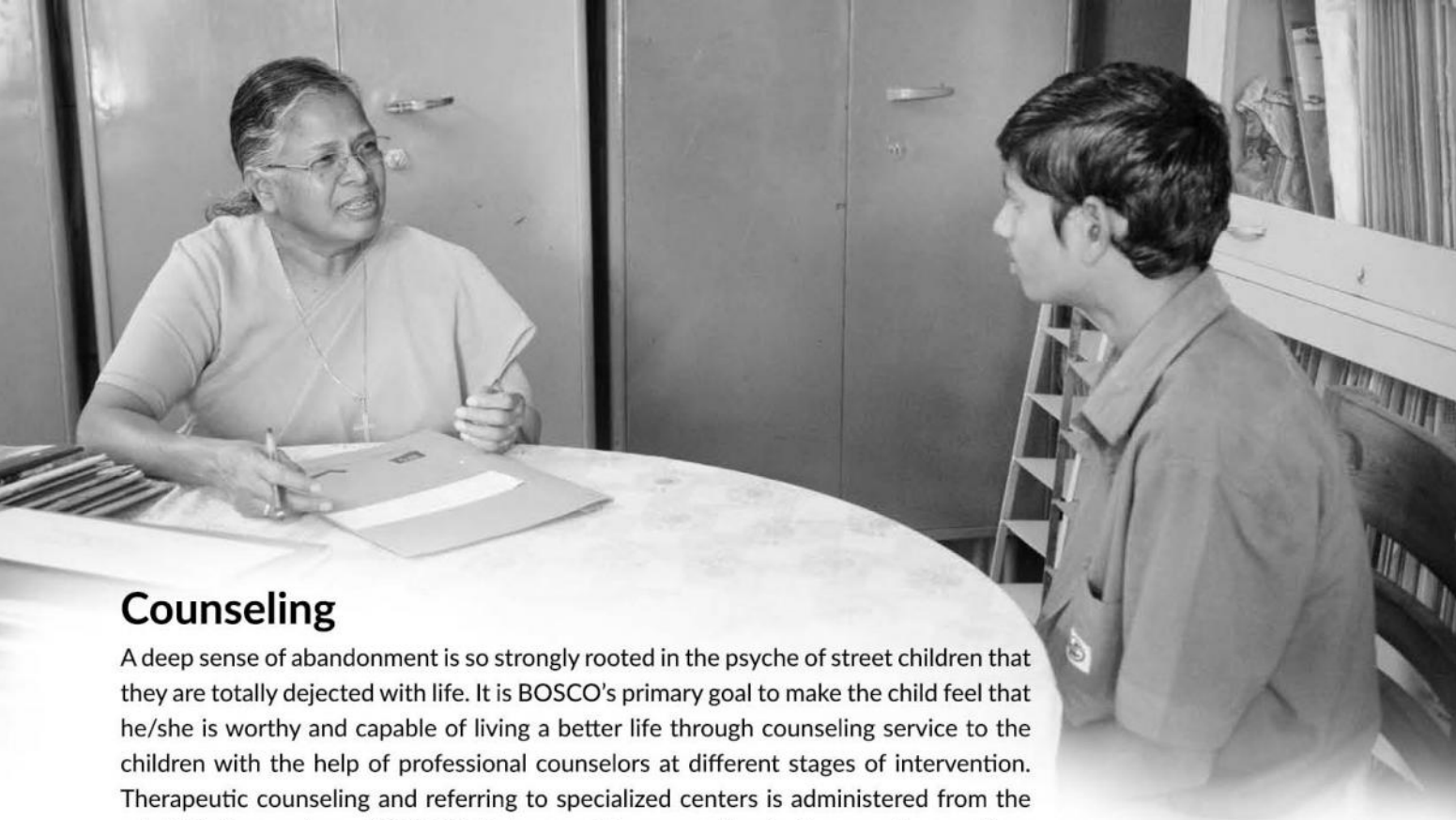
Mr. Shivaraju N, Coordinator, MCB Karnataka

You feel satisfied when your work helps people to stay together or stay in family. It is the responsibility given by my organisation and I feel proud of the same. And being a social worker it's great to work with missing children. I may not be involved directly with a child and its family, but my staff and colleagues do, but I will surely back them with the strategies which they can use to trace a child or home place a child. I literally fly when I hear that the child is traced or home placed by our team. May God give the strength to the parents of missing child and take care of an unaccompanied child, without them reaching unsafe hands.

THE 2017-18 ANNUAL REPORT TEAM



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Counseling

A deep sense of abandonment is so strongly rooted in the psyche of street children that they are totally dejected with life. It is BOSCO's primary goal to make the child feel that he/she is worthy and capable of living a better life through counseling service to the children with the help of professional counselors at different stages of intervention. Therapeutic counseling and referring to specialized centers is administered from the rehabilitation centers of BOSCO. It also provides counseling to the parents, guardians and legal custodians of the rescued children.

Health Care

Knowing that a child in the street lives in extremely unhygienic conditions and consequently becomes vulnerable to a variety of diseases and parasitic infestations, BOSCO makes remarkable medical interventions. The Health Care Department of BOSCO takes care of the medical services for the rehabilitation centers, slum communities and its operational areas. Besides direct interventions, many health awareness programmes and medical camps are also conducted.



Statistics of Medical Care Provided in 2017-18

Type of Cases	Numbers
In Patient	28
Out Patient	624
Other Medical Care	1435
Total	2087

Mrs. Sandhya (Mother)

I am Jyothi's mother. We are from a middle class family. I lost my husband 7 years back due to heart attack. I was not having anybody to support me in my bad times. I brought up my children with my own efforts. I have two children, one daughter and one son. My daughter named JYOTHI is 10 years old and my son JOYEL is 7 years. I am working in a thread factory. I admitted my daughter to BOSCO VATS-ALYA BHAVAN in 2014 when she was in 1st STD, and BOSCO helped me in a noble way which gave my child a good future. During these four years BOSCO helped my daughter to study well and she was also happy to stay in BOSCO. It also provided shelter, good education and medical facility for my daughter. We are always thankful to BOSCO for guiding my child and moulding her in a good way to lead a better life and study well.

Non-Formal Education

The children rescued by BOSCO are often school drop-outs or have never been to school. The organization's priority is to prepare these children for formal education provided they possess the aptitude and interest in studies. Thus, classes are organized in different BOSCO shelter homes which prepare them for schooling. BOSCO also organizes classes for children beyond school age, to prepare them for open school exams in 10th standard and to take up jobs according to the skills that they are trained in.



Formal Education

BOSCO believes in educating children who have the least chances of attaining regular schooling, who require immense motivation, love and support from the educator. Children who land on the streets usually have less interest in studies and often drop out. BOSCO, with its innovative strategies motivates the children to study and attend regular classes. Its centers such as BOSCO Vikas, BOSCO

Rainbow Home and BOSCO Vatsalya Bhavan are dedicated to making the children develop greater interest in their studies, while BOSCO Sumanahalli is dedicated to providing higher education to its resident pupils.



Statistics of School/College Going Children in 2017-18

Standard/PUC/ Diploma/Degree	BOSCO Mane	BOSCO Vikas	BOSCO Rainbow Home	BOSCO Vatsalya Bhavan	BOSCO Summanahalli	BOSCO Nilaya	BOSCO Nivas	BOSCO Yuvakendra	Foster Care Programme	TOTAL
LKG/UKG/ Bridge Course	46	-	-	-	-	06	06	06	-	64
I	-	-	02	02	-	13	12	03	-	32
II	-	-	04	03	-	11	16	08	-	42
III	-	-	06	04	-	31	14	07	1	62
IV	-	-	06	02	-	26	18	08	1	61
V	-	10	18	05	-	26	17	07	-	83
VI	-	4	15	05	-	23	21	08	-	76
VII	-	13	04	03	-	22	17	13	1	73
VIII	-	7	08	05	-	05	18	06	3	49
IX	-	5	09	05	-	05	12	02	1	39
X	-	5	07	04	-	05	9	06	1	37
PUC 1	-	-	02	04	2	-	-	-	1	9
PUC 2	-	-	-	05	8	-	-	-	2	15
Diploma 1	-	-	-	01	2	-	-	-	-	3
Diploma 2	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
ITI	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	01	-	2
Tata Strive Training Programme	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	02	-	2
D.C -1	-	-	-	02	-	-	-	-	-	2
D.C -2	-	-	-	02	4	-	-	-	-	6
D.C -3	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	3
TOTAL	46	44	81	52	24	174	162	77	12	672

Bridge Education

Children rescued from the streets and vulnerable pockets of Bangalore, either orphaned or unable to return to their homes, are admitted to BOSCO centers. Here, skill training, non-formal education, creative learning, therapeutic counseling, mentoring, craft, play, art, etc. are provided to eliminate the deep rooted negative impact of street life or the problems faced by them at home due to unavoidable circumstances. The bridge schooling Programme enrolls children in schools and focuses on their overall development and reintegration into mainstream society.



Vocational Training

BOSCO runs its own skill training center for boys at BOSCO Sumanahalli, on the outskirts of Bangalore city. It is equipped with the latest machineries, qualified and experienced staffs to promote work culture in the youth, thereby enabling them join the mainstream of society. Youth are trained in carpentry, electrical, two wheeler mechanics, bakery, book binding and welding. Apart from the above mentioned trades, tailoring units are also functioning at BOSCO Nivas and BOSCO Vatsalya Bhavan along with Beautician course being offered at BOSCO Vatsalya Bhavan.

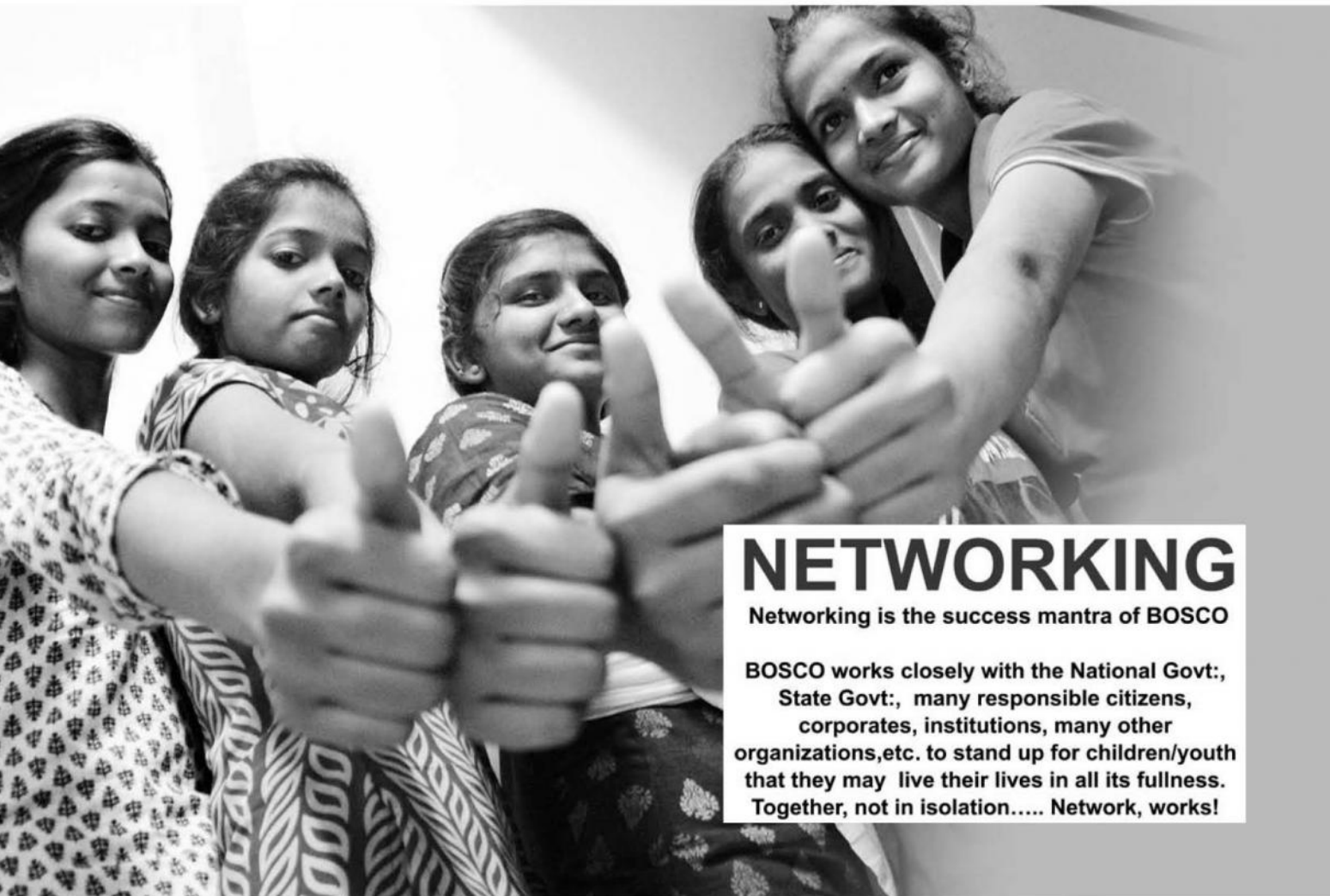


While BOSCO Sumanahalli provides computer education to the youth in basics, Microsoft Office, internet and Tally,- BOSCO Mane provides computer training to youths focused on training for a job. Computer education is a four month course, and during the last one year, 3 batches completed their course in Basic, Tally and Vocational training. Among the students, who were above 18, 48 got placed in companies such as Deenys Gift Shop, Uma Shankar & Co, Heera Travels, Lawyer's office, Lakshmi Mudralaya, Vodaphone, Global Logistics Services, Ashwini Electronics, Asian Paints, Tata Motors, Sampanth Income Tax Expert, Amazon, Dominos, Mehul Pharma, Sudarshan Silks and Harsha enterprises.

Statistics of Youth Enrolled for Training in 2017-18

Types of Trade	Number of Children
Welding (BOSCO Sumanahalli)	08
Two Wheeler Mechanic (BOSCO Sumanahalli)	23
Book Binding (BOSCO Sumanahalli)	04
Bakery (BOSCO Sumanahalli)	16
Carpentry (BOSCO Sumanahalli)	06
Electrician (BOSCO Sumanahalli)	00
Tailoring (BOSCO Vatsalya Bhavan)	75
Tailoring (BOSCO Nivas)	30
Beautician Course (BOSCO Vatsalya Bhavan)	90
Computer Education (BOSCO Mane)	156
Computer Education (BOSCO Sumanahalli)	76
Total	484





NETWORKING

Networking is the success mantra of BOSCO

BOSCO works closely with the National Govt., State Govt., many responsible citizens, corporates, institutions, many other organizations, etc. to stand up for children/youth that they may live their lives in all its fullness. Together, not in isolation..... Network, works!

CREAM

BOSCO works closely with children in schools and slum communities through the CREAM project to provide them with a platform to share ideas and empower them to address their own protection issues. The child rights club acts as a powerful medium for bringing about transformation in society. Through their timely intervention, many child marriages were stopped, child laborers were rescued and children re-enrolled in schools. Club members meet monthly with their animator and discuss current child-related issues, particularly those pertaining to their studies and respective schools.



Job Placement

Most youths come to the city in search of jobs. After being counseled at BOSCO Yuvodaya they are sent to BOSCO Yuvakendra, where they are assisted and guided in finding suitable employment. Youth who have undergone skill training at BOSCO's various vocational skill training centers are placed in jobs like welding, carpentry, computer data entry, electricians, mechanics, screen printing, bakery, tailoring, sales, etc. BOSCO is in constant contact with a number of employers who understand the situation and background of these youth and are ready to extend cooperation and offer them jobs.

Statistics of Youth Placed in Jobs in 2017-18

Sl. No.	Type of Job	Number of Job Placed Youth
1	Printing Press	08
2	Two Wheeler Mechanics	06
3	Office Assistant and Hospitality	55
4	Eateries	06
5	Semi-Skilled Jobs	120
6	Others	----
	Total	195



Home Placement

Home placement is one of the major activities of BOSCO. BOSCO Yuvodaya acts as a transit home for close to 30 children daily who are rescued from the railway stations, bus stands and other contact points in the streets of Bangalore. The children brought to the center are counseled and encouraged to return back home. BOSCO's main aim is to reunite the children with their parents, as it believes that family is the most suitable place for a child to grow up. This home placement usually includes calling the parents or close relatives and handing over the child to them, and sometimes the staff accompanies the child back home. During the year a total of 4356 children were home placed from BOSCO.

Room Placement

Mainstreaming youths, aged 18-25, by leading them back to society as economically independent young adults is our ultimate goal. BOSCO helps youngsters in hiring rooms or renting a place along with other boys. They are equipped to pay for the accommodation. The purpose of room placement is to prep the youth for the metamorphosis from a cocooned life of institutionalized care to rooms where they have to manage on their own, facing the stark realities of life. BOSCO staff does regular follow up visits and arranges Past-Pupils get together. This year, BOSCO placed one new youth and followed up with 6 youth.

Deepa S. is a student of B Com final year. She was very much interested in taking up computer courses but could not because of the financial constraints. To her luck, she happened to meet a longtime friend of hers who suggested her about BOSCO and the vocational courses that are provided by BOSCO for the youth of underprivileged communities.

Through her friend's help she came to BOSCO and enrolled herself for the Basic and Tally courses. She was happy learning these courses free of cost. It was not just the computer course; but was also made to undergo spoken English and life skill classes to help her communicate effectively and refine her life skills and personality.

Having completed the course, she has been awarded a certificate. In appreciation of the opportunity provided to her she states, 'This certificate is a life saver and will help me in fetching a job. I thank BOSCO for all the support they have given me and in shaping my life. If I had done this course elsewhere, I would had to part with a huge sum my heartfelt gratitude to BOSCO and its staff.'

SLUM/COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

As a rights-based organization, BOSCO concentrates its effort on the holistic development of slum communities to promote child protection with the support of CRY. BOSCO team works closely with slum communities, especially women and children, on various issues such as health, shelter, food, education and women empowerment.

In 2017-18, BOSCO team worked closely with various slum communities and ensured the following:.....

- » Birth registration of 80 new born babies and immunization of 225 children.
- » The pulse Polio Drive benefitted thousands of children
- » 1032 malnourished children were identified, referred to Anganwadis and NRCs.
- » 7 Health Camps were conducted in slums benefitting a total of 741 people.
- » Supported 4222 families to get Aadhar cards, Ration cards, and Voter ID cards.

School and Tuition Centers

During the scholastic year, there were 380 new enrollments and re-enrollments from slum communities. About 410 children from the areas where BOSCO works were given tuitions who proved to be eager learners. BOSCO team worked with 12 ICDS (Anganwadi) centers and 60 schools in 21 wards, out of which 55 schools are run by the government and five, private schools in the urban slums of Bangalore during the year.

Statistics of Children Attending Tuition Centers (2017-18)

Sl. No	Place Name	Number of children		
		Boys	Girls	Total
1	Ramanna Garden	17	17	34
2	Y M Shala	14	12	26
3	Vinobanagar	11	23	34
4	Rajgopal	11	22	33
5	Nilaya	22	21	43
6	Devaraj Urs Slum	30	20	50
7	Ambedkar Huts	14	26	40
8	Nehrupuram	27	28	55
9	Mackan Compound	29	38	67
10	Magadi Road	40	34	74



Kavya (inmate)

I would like to say heartfelt thanks to BOSCO for giving shelter and good food to children like me. I have only my mom and my sister. My mother is sick but still she is working in garment industry for our wellbeing. Before I came to BOSCO I was not interested in my studies, in other activities or to know more about life. After coming here I learned many new things and I got good education with all facilities. In BOSCO I got to know many people with different characters and different habits, therefore, I learned new habits myself. I also attended many life skill sessions. These sessions made me more confident, I got clear plans for my future and I set new goals for myself. After attending life skill classes I take more responsibilities for myself and my life. People in BOSCO hope that I can be a good sports player in the future. For this I am grateful to BOSCO.

Advocacy with Slum Board and Other Departments



BOSCO is directly involved with the communities, especially slums, to ensure that their basic rights are protected. It conducts various field visits to study the communities in crisis and advocate for their essential needs. BOSCO's strategy of conducting awareness programmes for the well-being of the slum community involves spreading awareness about child rights, health care, women empowerment, etc. and ground level work.

Women Empowerment

Women have a major role to play in any society. Very often it is the women who run the family with their meager income, shouldering the burden of sick parents and young children since the men are alcoholics, have deserted the families or are no more. Against this socio-economic background, BOSCO started intervention among women in slum communities. The major objective of BOSCO is to empower women to educate their children and through them bring about transformation which will enable them to lead respectful lives in society. BOSCO has strengthened Mother's groups across 12 ICDS centers through 25 sessions. A total of 401 mothers were capacitated on emergent literacy and maths.



Networking with the Government and Other Stakeholders



Stakeholders can affect or be affected by the Organization's actions, objectives and policies. Major stakeholders range from the common man on the street to Government officials such as Police, RPF, GRPF, Railway and Bus Stand officials, AHTU, child rights clubs, NGOs, school teachers, parents, SDMC members, local leaders of the ward, etc. They also include the duty bearers such as CWOs, DCPO, CWC, JJB, Railway Officials, KSRTC, BBMP officials, officials from the Departments which includes WCD, ICPS, labor departments, Education Departments and Health Departments, Law Enforcement and Legal System, etc.

IN COLLABORATION WITH GOVERNMENT AND OTHERS...

Statistics of Call and Intervention Cases (2017-18)

TYPES OF CALLS	No. of Calls
Medical Help	19
Shelter	77
Protection from abuse	935
Parents asking help (Missing)	176
Emotional support and guidance	37
Info. and Referral to Services	208
Info. about CHILDLINE	254
Sponsorship	7
Admin	4
Follow-up	2599
Total	4316

CHILDLINE

CHILDLINE is a 24*7 free emergency telephone help-line service for children in distress. It is a project of the Ministry of Women and Child Development and works in partnership with NGOs, Government and Corporate Sector. BOSCO is a collaborative organization of CHILDLINE. BOSCO CHILDLINE has been committed to responding to CHILDLINE calls on a 24/7 basis and intervening in crisis situations since 2002. It identifies high risk areas where the number of vulnerable children is high and reaches out to them. CHILDLINE intervenes in cases of child labor, child marriage, abandoned children, sexually abused children, children subjected to corporal punishment, school dropouts, and begging children, etc.



CHILDLINE Cases Handled in the year 2017-18

Type of cases	CCC	Outreach	CSN	Police	Referred by other Centers/Volunteers	Total
Child labour	208	7	15	-	-	230
Domestic child labour	21			-	-	21
Begging/Rag picking	213	14	6	-	-	233
Child Marriage	27	5	-	1	-	33
Shelter	70	7	-	-	-	77
Runaway/Found	53	7	-	8	1	69
ESG	33	4	-	-	-	37
Physical/Sexual/Emotional/Sexual harassment	165	2	-	-	-	167
Street child	18	4	3	2	3	30
School dropout	63	4	-	1	--	68
Education related	88	-	-	-	-	88
Missing	40	-	2	-	-	42
Medical help	19	-	-	-	-	19
Family related	18	3	-	-	-	21
Neglected child	5	-	-	-	-	5
Adoption/Illegal Adoption/ Sold child	11	1	-	-	-	12
Corporal Punishment	16	-	-	-	-	16
Drug addiction	7	-	-	-	-	7
Sponsorship	7	-	-	-	-	7
Trafficking/Kidnapping	7	-	-	-	-	7
Conflict with law	4	-	-	-	-	4
Surrendered baby	2	1	-	-	-	3
Birth Certificate	1	-	-	-	-	1
Mentally ill child	4	-	-	-	-	4
Prostitution	1	-	-	-	-	1
Eloping	1	-	-	-	-	1
Abandoned Baby	1	1	-	-	-	2
Total	1103	60	26	12	4	1205

Timely Rescue...

Shruti (Name Changed) 15 years hails from Bangalore. She is a 9th standard school dropout. She was staying in one of the hostels in, Nelamangala. Her father is a coolie while her mother a house wife. Her mother married another man and was staying in one of the slums in Bangalore. She had five children from the first husband and three children from the second husband. Thus, unable to take care of children, she placed some children in hostel, some with her mother and some were with her. Likewise Shruti was also placed in a hostel, but unable to bear the hostel fees, she was forcibly brought home and not allowed to study. Shruti's mother had borrowed some money from the prospective groom selected for Shruti, and thus, in turn, Shruti was forced into marriage with him much against her wish.

CHILDLINE received a call regarding her marriage in one of the temples in Bangalore on June 28, 2017. Responding to the call, BOSCO CHILDLINE team went to the temple. The Temple In-Charge said that there was no marriage scheduled for the day at the temple. When enquired, the caller informed that the marriage is in the same temple. Team waited at the spot for more than three hours but could not find any signs of anyone solemnizing a marriage. Hence the team contacted the caller for further information. The caller informed that the girl was taken away by her mother to another place to get her married in their house to a 36-year-old man, who was already married and father of two children. With the help of the caller and Police, BOSCO CHILDLINE team rescued the girl from the spot and stopped the marriage. After counselling, Shruti was produced before Child Welfare Committee for further care and protection.

Railway CHILDLINE



From the time of inception of BOSCO, railway station is the core rescue area. Railway CHILDLINE is a project jointly initiated by the Department of Women and Child Development and Indian Railways in 2015. Its aims to rescue children from the railway station and the surrounding areas provide counseling to the children and reintegrate them with their family members. The procedure, from rescue through reintegration, involves several stages such as collecting details of the children, producing the children before Child Health Group (CHG), sending them to the open shelter and finally producing them before Child Welfare Committee (CWC). Bangalore Railway CHILDLINE has also collaborated with the Azim Premji Philanthropic Initiatives (APPI) since April 2018.

Statistics of Children Rescued by BOSCO Railway CHILDLINE during June 2017-May 2018

Age group	Fresh		Repeat		Total
	B	G	B	G	
Below 18	1906	175	22	3	2106
Above 18	111	26	0	0	137
Service Done	208	10	0	0	218
Total	2225	211	22	3	2461

BOSCO Railway CHILDLINE rescued three children from city railway station found begging, named Pramila aged 14 years, Saraswathi aged 12 years and Devi aged 11 years. 3 of them belong to the Adivasi community and are basically from Ramanagara. Parents are working in Ramanagara and the kids are school drop outs.

3 shabbily dressed children were found begging at the railway station, and appeared to have gone for days without food. These children were brought to the office, made to feel comfortable and safe. During the initial counseling they revealed that they came to Bangalore to go to Tamilnadu to see their brother but were found begging in the moving train. It had been 3 days since they left home. They had no contact details of the parents. The children were escorted to BOSCO Vatsalya Bhavan for follow up.

From BVB children were produced before CWC who ordered to transfer the children to Ramanagar CWC which the staff from BVB did.

PUBLICATIONS OF BOSCO



- Glow in the Horizon
- Madilu Serida Hoogalu (Kannada)
- Buddhivantha
- Foster Family-Renewed Hope and a New Life
- Working with Children at Risk
- Street Presence
- Contemporary Perspective of Children in Conflict with Law
- Quest for Change - A Glance at the Reality of Runaway Children



Foster Care

Foster care refers to a temporary arrangement for children who are in a difficult period in their lives such as orphans/semi-orphans and children who do not have a family of their own. These children are placed in a home, individually or in a group, of foster parents certified by the State. BOSCO Foster Care works in collaboration with various Government Departments, Government Homes and other NGOs. The activities of BOSCO Foster Care include identifying the potential foster parents, counseling them, identifying and preparing children for going into Foster Care, visiting homes of the potential foster parents, and visiting children at school to ensure their well-being and growth as well as maintaining systematic documentation. Five children were placed in Individual Foster Care, and seven children were placed in Group Foster Care during the year.

From Footpath to Path of Love

Appu (alias Syed Ayyub), a 10-year-old boy, hails from Bangalore. His father Babu (Pasha) and his mother Selvy are economically poor and were living on the pavement. The family used to live in a shack on the pavement and picked rags for a living, and earn a living of minimum of Rs. 200/- per day.

The parents of Appu were alcoholics and were unable to provide the required care and protection for him and his younger sister. The boy was placed with a wealthy family at Shivajinagar, Bangalore for a time. However, the family began to mistreat the child. They used to beat him and scold him. Appu's father never visited him after leaving him in the house and the boy began to feel lonely.

One day, the boy ran away from the house when he was sent to the market to buy vegetables and groceries, but he didn't know how to reach his parents. He had very little money and didn't know any work apart from what his parents were doing. Hence, he began to roam around the city engaging in begging and rag picking.

The staff of BOSCO met Appu and rescued him. When asked, he expressed his willingness to pursue education. He was enrolled to bridge school through SSA project. BOSCO's team made efforts to find Appu's parents, but to no avail.

In the meantime, Chand Pasha, a businessman, and his wife Shabana approached foster care team asking for a boy child below 10 years, for adoption. A detailed investigation and assessment of the family was done. The couple had three biological children, two girls and one boy.

After all the legal process through Child Welfare Committee Bangalore, Appu was given for foster care. Now Appu is showing tremendous improvement in his studies and expressed his thanks to the BOSCO team. Through continuous monitoring and follow-up, BOSCO found Appu and his foster family have a loving and longing relationship.

BOSCO Yuvodaya Shelter Home

BOSCO Yuvodaya serves as a day-night shelter home for the children on the street and young at risk. BOSCO Yuvodaya also acts as a transit home for around 30 children on a daily basis, those rescued from the Railway station, Bus stand and the various contact points at the streets of Bangalore. The children who are brought here from all over the city especially from Railway stations, Bus stand, Police, Public etc, are counseled and their problems addressed. Families are traced through police or with the help of MCB, Anganwadis, Panchayat, etc. and these children are encouraged to return back to their homes.

BOSCO Yuvodaya Shelter Home caters to children in need of care and protection like beggars, street and working children, rag pickers, orphaned, deserted and trafficked children, particularly those without a home and family ties, since they are vulnerable to abuse and exploitation, and children of sex workers and pavement dwellers. The project provides shelter, nutrition, health-care, sanitation and hygiene, safe drinking water, education and recreational facilities, protection against abuse and exploitation, enrolment in schools, vocational training and placement, health services, reducing drug, substance abuse and HIV/AIDS among street children.

BOSCO Yuvodaya was able to rescue and rehabilitate 3684 children, including 61 girls, from Railway station, Bus station and various parts of Bangalore city.



ECCE

Early Childhood Care and Education (ECCE) is a project which aims to improve the quality and learning environment of children belonging to primary schools as well as ICDS (Anganwadi) centers. The objective of the Programme is to create child-friendly learning environments for supporting children's education in the slums of Bangalore Urban. In this Programme children were supported in 12 ICDS (Anganwadi) centers and 60 schools in 21 wards, out of which 55 schools are run by the government and five, private schools in the urban slums of Bangalore.



Child Safety Net (CSN)

The objective of Child Safety Net is round the clock care and protection to children at risk through the physical presence of the street educators/field animators in the most vulnerable pockets of Bangalore city patrolling in rescue vehicles. It focuses on rescue of vulnerable children as well as increasing public awareness. It also creates awareness and advocacy with various Government Departments and formation of caring communities. The CSN team attended 133 cases of child labor, conducted 321 public awareness and door to door awareness programmes, 13 community awareness programs and 54 school awareness programmes and enrolled 187 children in different schools in Bangalore.



Ajay and Vijay, brothers born to Govindaswami and Rani are 10 years and 13 years old respectively. They are born and brought up in Yeshwanthpur, Bangalore. Ajay is studying in 4thstd and Vijay is studying in 5th standard in BMC hostel, Yeshwanthpur. Mother works in a garment factory. They lost their father in a road accident recently. Unable to bear the pain of losing their father, both of them ran away from the hostel to be with their mother. Finding it difficult to make both ends meet, the mother sent them to their uncle in Laggere, Bangalore. Both the mother and the boys were not serious about education. However, their uncle wanted the children to go to school but was unable to send them because of lack of knowledge about the procedures of enrolling them into school coupled with extreme poverty.

On a regular visit to Laggere slum, BOSCO Child Safety Net (CSN) team found the two boys playing in the ground during the schools hours. Upon enquiring, the team got to know the situation. The CSN team motivated the children, uncle, and mother and made them aware about the importance of education, child rights, and took them to the Government Primary School in Laggere along with their uncle. They met the Headmistress and explained her about the background of the children. The HM was very happy to admit the children in school and children also were happy to go to school. But later during the follow up visits, it was learnt that the children were very irregular to school and the mother also was not serious about them going to school regularly.

Hence the CSN team with the permission of the mother and the uncle referred the boys to BOSCO Mane where the children would be safe and secure and at the same time be regular to their school.

Missing Child Bureau

BOSCO functions as the State Nodal Agency for the Missing Child Bureau (MCB) of the state of Karnataka. It works in collaboration with the Department of Women and Child Development and police in collecting and sharing information about missing and unaccompanied children by using the latest technologies and strategies. MCB uses a web based technology (Child MISS) to track and trace missing children. It also collaborates with NGOs in all the districts of the state of Karnataka who carry out missing complaint registration and other related work.



Missing Complaints and Traced Children in Karnataka (2017-18)

Missing Child Complaints	Number of Complaints
Total Missing Complaints	2377
Missing Complaints Solved/Traced Children	1911
Yet to be solved Missing complaints	466

Unaccompanied Children Contacted and Home Placed in Karnataka (2017-18)

Unaccompanied children Details	Number of Children
Total unaccompanied children	1654
Still Unaccompanied	343
Made accompanied	1311
Run Away	000

Child MISS

Child MISS is software cum web portal tool to assist documentation of both quantitative and qualitative data to create a database for the organization. It is networked with Home link, and the team focuses on documenting the information of vulnerable children of its networking partners. The Child MISS Programme supports its partners to collect the data in systematic formats based on the JJ Act. The use of Child MISS reduces re-typing the reports and helps download them in formats such as CVS, Excel, Word, PDF, etc. The option of online editing and modification enables regular updating of information and makes it accessible and secured for online use and viewing, maintaining the data bank in the cloud without the use of system space.

Shobha proudly says "I work in Vodafone office which fetches me Rs.8000/- per month. This was because I was able to complete my Computer course in BOSCO. I am ever grateful to BOSCO".

Muttu Raj Ningappa Ganiger called as Muttu Raj is a 17 years old boy from Nilagunda village Badami taluk of Bagalkot district. He left his home and reached Bangalore on March 4th, 2017 and was found by BOSCO staff. The boy was in BOSCO Yuvodaya for two weeks and post counseling he was sent to Yuvakendra on April 7, 2017. After deeper counseling and motivation, the boy desired to do his Bakery Training at Sumanahalli and was sent to BOSCO life skill training center on 9th May 2017. The boy started his training course in Bakery trade.

Since Muttu Raj left home in the month of March his mother thought her son would return back home because he has left home twice earlier to return back home. His mother panicked because Muttu Raj did not turn up since three months, hence approached the MISSING CHILD BUREAU DISTRICT CELL BAGALKOT, following which the MCBDC Coordinator, Bagalkot, enquired of MCBDC, Bangalore. As per verification, it was found that the boy is doing his training at BOSCO Life Skill Training Center, Sumanahalli. This has brought awareness among people about MCB. With the permission of his mother, the boy is continuing the training at BOSCO Life Skill Training Center.



Special Juvenile Police Unit

BOSCO through Special Juvenile Police Unit (SJPU) has been assisting the police in handling cases in Bangalore's South and West Divisions, covering 35 police stations. The primary objective of SJPU is to create a child friendly approach while dealing with the children involved in criminal offences and thereby ensuring their rights are not breached at any stage of the legal procedure. BOSCO SJPU conducts public awareness programmes to prevent crimes by children. These programmes include special training for police officials and counseling sessions for children charged with criminal offences and their parents. All serious cases are referred to Observation Home for further intervention by Juvenile Justice Board. BOSCO SJPU networks with various Government Departments and other NGOs.

Statistics of Cases Attended in 2017-18

Types of Cases	South Division	West Division	Total
Serious Cases	81	67	148
Non- Serious Cases	57	65	122
Care and protection	26	43	69
POCSO	49	45	94
Total	213	220	433
Male/Female			
Male	152	157	309
Female	61	63	124

Action Taken

Types of Action	South Division	West Division	Total
Observation Home	81	67	148
Referred CHG	29	22	51
Direct Home Placement	46	66	112
DHP & PD	53	61	114
AHP	Nil	01	01
Death	01	Nil	01
Total	213	220	433

Psychosocial Interventions at the Government-run Juvenile Homes

BOSCO works with children in need of care and protection and with children in Government Homes. As per the Juvenile Justice Act, children are grouped under two broad categories; namely, children in need of care and protection and children who come into conflict with the law. Once children are placed in the Government children's home, periodic follow up is done by BOSCO.

Special counseling sessions are planned for the needy to guide them towards needed changes in life. BOSCO also organizes cultural events and awareness programmes for these children. BOSCO staff takes initiative in motivating children and youth for doing skill training and encourages them to continue with their academics.

Youth Parliament

Youth parliament is a meeting of all the residents of the centers where leadership is taken by the youth themselves. In the meeting the office bearers are elected. The meeting usually takes place once a month and all the members attempt to address the matters concerning the center and their life there. It is a platform for the residents to express their views and opinions freely to make a necessary transformation in their lives. It also inculcates in them a sense of ownership and a sense of belonging. During the year 12 meetings were conducted in Yuvakendra, Vatsalya Bhavan and Rainbow Home centers each.



Beating Odds All the Way

Vinod Kumar hails from Bannimantapa, Mysore. He lost both his parents at a very young age. Ever since the demise of his parents, he was raised by Munirathna, his maternal grandmother who is a vegetable vendor at K.R. Market, Bangalore. Formerly Vinod used to stay with his granny on one of the pavements at K.R. Market. Although there was no one else except his grandmother to look after his welfare, he pursued his studies with passion and determination. When he was studying in standard nine in December 2016, Vinod Kumar got acquainted with BOSCO Nilaya. He began frequenting the center to attend the free remedial classes conducted in the evening. After a month when he shared his plight, Fr. Regi Jacob, Director, BOSCO Nilaya, he agreed to help him with academic expenses and accommodation. Thus, Vinod became an inmate at BOSCO Nilaya. He completed his SSLC at BBMP High School, Ganganagar, R. T Nagar, with 78.9%. Vinod Kumar aspires to become an IPS officer in the future.

Besides pursuing his education, he helps children with remedial teaching at the center. He is the Leader of Child Rights Club (Nehru Makala Sangha), Jolly Mohalla, Bangalore. He participated in Karnataka State 10th Child Rights Parliament in November, 2017 and was a student representative to evaluate child related issues with State level authorities and dignitaries. He won 2nd Rank at State Level, Siri Kannada Examination in November, 2017. He has won 2nd Place, State Level, Hindi Secondary Examination. He has been selected for the Quiz competition at Hyderabad organized by ISRO on World Science Day. The

Competition dates are yet to be announced. He won 2nd Place in Mathematics activities organized at Tata Institute, Bangalore on National Mathematics Day December 22, 2017. He won 1st Place, Qualifier level in Essay writing Competition organized by LIC in 2017.

Pradeep (Group Foster Care placement) says,

I am very glad to say that BOSCO has given me a good Group Foster Care family & siblings from other families. I am very happy that I am older than other children & I have the responsibility to take care of others as my brothers. Parents take care of me with love, which I didn't get from my relatives so far. I am very thankful to BOSCO & my foster parents for giving me an opportunity to live in family environment.

MAJOR EVENTS AND PROGRAMS DURING 2017 -2018

Campaigns

World Day against Child Labor observed

BOSCO, Bangalore observed 'World Day Against Child Labor' at Bangalore City Railway Station, BMTc Bus Stand, Majestic, Gandhi Bazaar and M.G. Road areas and Orion, Gopalan, Mantri and Garuda Malls, on June 13, 2017. Fr. Mathew Thomas, Executive Director, BOSCO, Bangalore, said that the most effective way to fight child labor is to ensure that every child is benefitting from mainstream schools and education system. At Basavangudi, Rajshekar, the Child Welfare Officer and Sub Inspector, Basavangudi Police Station, Bangalore, were present for the Programme.

The guests exhorted the people gathered to join hands in protecting children from child labor. The program focused on the theme, 'Stop Child Labor'. Children from BOSCO, Bangalore who are now studying in various mainstream schools, staff and volunteers reached out to strategic locations and vulnerable areas in the city and spread the word through a mime based on the theme of the day. At every location, general public were invited to pledge their support for the campaign by attesting their signature against the slogan, 'Stop Child Labor'. Twenty-six children from BOSCO Bangalore participated in the awareness Programme.



Awareness Programme on Independence Day

BOSCO, Bangalore, organized an awareness campaign with the theme, 'Caring for the Earth' on August 15, 2017. The team reached out to Sumanahalli Signal, Vijayanagar Bus Stand, KR Market and Satellite Bus stand areas, Bangalore, with a theme-based dance.

"Everyone needs to make efforts in conserving the earth", said M Kumar, PSI, Kalasipalya Police Station, and Bangalore. The team had to repeat the performances in several areas owing to the demand of the general public. The team of children from BOSCO Vatsalya Bhavan, a rehabilitation center of the organization, reached out to over six hundred people in the city.



Independence Day Celebration at BOSCO Bangalore



BOSCO, Bangalore, organized Independence Day celebration at BOSCO Life Skill Training Centre, Sumanahalli, Bangalore, on August 15, 2017. This year's Independence Day celebration at BOSCO was based on the theme, "Caring for the Earth".

Fr. Mathew Thomas, Executive Director, BOSCO, Bangalore, in his introductory words exhorted everyone to conserve the Earth and make it a more livable place for our children. Addressing the gathering, Chief Guest BN Mohan Kumar, Corporator, Malgala,

Bangalore, appreciated the services rendered by the organization for the underprivileged children. Mr. Mahadevaiah, PSI, Kamakshipalya Police Station, Bangalore, instructed everyone to make efforts to protect the earth and make the society child friendly. Mr. Amarnath, Ward President, Malgala, Bangalore, Fr. Lindo Francis, Director, Sumanahalli Society, Mr. Biju Thomas, Director, ECHO Special Home and Mr. Melwin from Australia were present for the Programme.

Children from Jyothi Seva, School for Special Children, Bangalore performed theme-based dances. Over five hundred children from the various centers of BOSCO and localities of service participated in the event. Fr. Regi Jacob, Director, BOSCO Nilaya welcomed the gathering, while Fr. Prasad, Director, BOSCO Sumanahalli, proposed the vote of thanks.

Ms. Renuka N (Staff)

I joined BOSCO Vatsalya Bhavan on 4th October 2017. Since then everyday has been a special day for me working with the children. I feel I am living a complete life working for and with the children. My journey so far is so satisfying, especially when I see smiles on the faces of children.

So I would like to say, thank you BOSCO for giving me such an opportunity.

International Girl Child's Day Celebrated



BOSCO Bangalore and Rainbow Homes organized International Girl Child Day at BOSCO Rainbow Home, Wilson Garden, and Bangalore on October 11, 2017. The celebration, based on the theme, 'Girl's Safety - Nation's Safety', began with a rally from Lalbagh Gate to Rainbow Home, Wilson Garden, Bangalore.

Chandrakala M B, Inspector, Traffic Police Station, Wilson Garden, Bangalore, flagged off the rally by releasing balloons into the air. Speaking at the valedictory Programme, chief guest, Vasanth Ravi Chandra, Former Corporator, Hombegowda Nagar, said 'you all look like rainbows -let your colors glow ever brighter!' Lakshmi-

kanthamma, ICPS, Bangalore, motivated the girls by mentioning that they are no less than the boys as they possess immense potentials to become great and every girl child should receive education. She invited everyone to join hands to prevent Child marriage.

Fr. Mathew Thomas, Executive Director, BOSCO, Bangalore, Fr. Edward Thomas, Convener, Rainbow Home, Mr. Rahim, Director, Need Based India and Mr. Raju, State Coordinator, Rainbow Home spoke on the occasion. MS. Malini, Ms. Naina Enfold Agency, Ms. Rose Mary, Catapult Learning Solutions, Ms. Manjula, Sammaan Organization, Bangalore, Mr. Mahadev, Snehaghar Rainbow Home were the resource persons for the programme. Over five hundred children participated in the programme.

Rector Major celebrates Children's Day at BOSCO Bangalore

BOSCO organized Children's Day celebration at BOSCO Mane, Chamarajpet, Bangalore, on November 7, 2017.

The celebration was based on the theme, 'Save Earth - Save Children'. Suresh Heblkar, Film Maker, Director, Actor, Kannada Film Industry and Environmentalist spoke on the theme 'Save Earth - Save Children'. He gave a message on environmental conservation through activities to create an eco-conscious culture which will help protect and improve existing ecological and environmental conditions in both urban and rural areas. Fr. Mathew Thomas, Executive Director, BOSCO Bangalore in



his introductory words said that the need of the hour is to protect children by conserving the earth, the place of their residence. A Kannada educational science doc-

umentary on the big bang theory, origin of solar system and life on earth - 'Bhoomi Huttiddu Hege' was screened,

followed by a quiz competition for the children. Rev. Fr. Angel Fernandez Artime, Rector Major of the Salesians of Don Bosco, Italy, advised the children to be enthusiastic about their life. Thematic cultural programmes by children and an entertainment program by Siddu and Team held the children spell bound. Children and stakeholders who have played key roles in the protection and promotion of child rights at the centers and areas of BOSCO were awarded with the Pratibha Puraskara and Makala Mitra

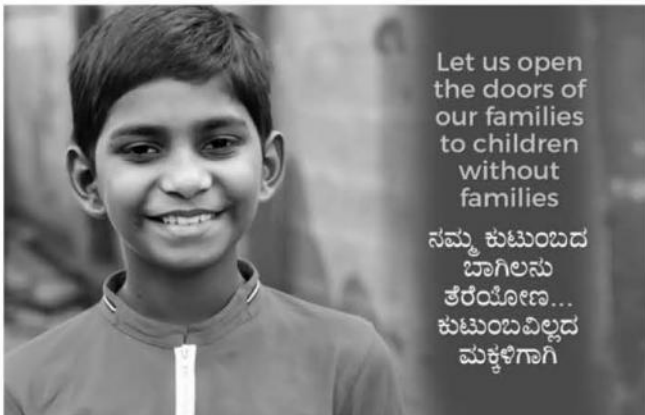
Awards, respectively. Over five hundred children from the various centers of BOSCO and localities of service participated in the event.



Child Rights Week

A press meet was organized at BOSCO Mane, Chamarajpet, Bangalore, on November 13, 2017. Addressing the media persons, Vasudev Sharma, Executive Director, Child Rights Trust, Bangalore, spoke about the services rendered by CHILDLINE and presented the statistics. The inauguration of CHILDLINE Se Dosti programme cum Child Rights quiz was held at the office of Radio Active, Jain University, JC Road, Bangalore, on November 14, 2017.

On November 14, children's day programme was celebrated at Jolly Mohalla tuition centers. Fr. Regi, Director, BOSCO Nilaya delivered the speech on importance of children's day and inaugurated child rights week. BOSCO Railway CHILDLINE and ARSP teams, organized awareness programme for commuters in trains by travelling with the passengers from Bangalore to Mandya on November 15, 2017 about CHILDLINE and its activities. CREAM, NIVAS and CSN programmes conducted community and public awareness on Online Safety and Drug Abuse, sports and essay competitions. The week long programme also included Silent Rally, Street Play, White Campaign on Prevention of Child Marriage, Task Force Training, Suraksha Bandhan, Flash Mob and Candle Light Procession.



World Day of the Poor

This half-day gathering was organized for underprivileged people and urban poor living on the streets of K.R. Market, Kalasipalya, Bakshi Garden, Cottonpet, and Jolly Mohalla at BOSCO Nilaya on December 15, 2017. After the morning meeting, staff members gathered the underprivileged people residing on the streets and motivated them to come to BOSCO Nilaya. They were welcomed with facilities to take a bath, change clothes and watch television.

Mr. Ramaswamy, Coordinator, CREAM and ECCE programs, welcomed the gathering and introduced them to BOSCO and its activities in Bangalore. A motivational video was shown in which values like humanity, care and concern and being independent in the society, etc were highlighted. Children from BOSCO Mane and BOSCO Vatsalya Bhavan performed cultural programmes to entertain the gathering. Addressing the group, Fr. Regi Jacob, Director, BOSCO Nilaya, inquired about the problems and the difficulties they face in their everyday life on the street. He exhorted them to enroll their children in schools. The program concluded with the distribution of blankets and food. Twenty-seven underprivileged people from the streets attended the program.



CRP's impression –After awareness in the school at Yarabnagar, the concerned CRP felt that the team is doing a wonderful job and he said that a Headmasters training for three days could be held soon. He said that he would get permission to conduct awareness during their meetings where more than 300 Headmasters would be present.



Shale Kade Nanna Nade School Enrolment Campaign

BOSCO, Bangalore, organized 'Shale Kade Nanna Nade' (SKNN) from 21st May to 26th May 2018 in support to the initiative taken by Karnataka State Commission for Protection of Child Rights (KSCPCR) and Department of Public Instruction (DPI). Four different teams from BOSCO namely Child Safety Network (CSN), Child Rights Education and Action Movement (CREAM), BOSCO Nilaya and BOSCO Nivas were into the campaign in different areas of Bangalore.

Inauguration of the week-long enrolment and re-enrolment awareness campaign was organized by Nivas, Nilaya, CREAM and Child Safety Net Programs of BOSCO in collaboration with Adjacent Railway Station Programme (ARSP), Foster Care, Railway CHILDLINE, BOSCO CHILDLINE, Bus Stand Teams, BOSCO Nilaya, BOSCO Nivas and BOSCO Sumanahalli.

The campaign was flagged off by taking a solemn pledge to identify and bring back drop outs from areas and communities into mainstream schools, as responsible child right club members from schools and communities. Armed with a banner on SKNN, placards, Flex boards displaying

slogans on the importance of education, admitting children into schools, education of the girl child and eradicating child labor. Children marched through the various areas and communities along with the Government school teachers and HMs, Local Leaders, KSCPCR Members and BOSCO Staff. Awareness was given about the importance of education, admitting children into schools, education of girl child and eradication of child labour, and utilization of the facilities provided at the government schools.

As an outcome of the six-day long campaign several people from the general public have approached community mobilizers to enroll their kids into Government Schools. Nearly hundred dropouts and child labourers were identified from the areas of Shivajinagar, K R Market, Mysore Road and Sumanahalli. The out of school children who were identified, are being followed up for re-enrolment and re-integration. During the span of six days of the campaign, over three thousand people pledged their support for the cause of enrolling and re-enrolling the school drop outs.

BOSCO and YaR Forum

Headquartered in Delhi, Don BOSCO National Forum for the Young at Risk, commonly called YaR is a National Network of Don BOSCO organizations in India committed to the care and protection of children/youth who are at risk such as street and vagrant children, runaways, unaccompanied children, child laborers, school dropouts, children of migrant manual laborers, refugees, etc. BOSCO is an active member of the YaR network.

Don BOSCO YaR Forum has developed a new web portal, CHILD MISS (Management Information System and

Services) to implement the concept of child care and protection system. BOSCO, Bangalore has been appointed as the Nodal Agency by Don BOSCO YaR network in implementing the Child MISS program in Karnataka and Kerala.

BOSCO is a part of another National YaR network programme called Participatory Action Research (PAR). This is a training and research programme to support YaR centers to be effective in caring for children with behavioural difficulties.

Holiday Camp at BOSCO Nilaya

BOSCO Nilaya, Bangalore organized a holiday camp for the children of Ramanna Garden, Vinobanagar, Vyayamashala, Jolly Mohalla and Bakshi Garden from October 16 to October 18, 2017. Ramaswamy, Coordinator, CREAM, BOSCO Bangalore delivered the keynote address. Addressing the group, Fr. Mathew Thomas, Executive Director, BOSCO Bangalore, instructed every child to reap maximum benefits from the camp. Sessions of first day were facilitated by Fr. Regi Jacob, Director, BOSCO Nilaya and team, Bangalore. The topics were goal setting, unity, honesty, leadership qualities and team building. On the second day, Fr. Prasad, Director, BOSCO Sumanahalli and team conducted sessions on communication skills and team spirit. Over 100 children participated in the camp.



Camps

SUMMER THRILL 2017

BOSCO, Bangalore organized a Summer Camp for the children of BOSCO Rainbow Home and BOSCO Vatsalya Bhavan at Don BOSCO KGF from April 19, 2017 to May 8, 2017. Sessions of first four days were facilitated by 'Dream a Dream' team, Bangalore. The topics, understand one, learn from each other and build leadership in the community, were explored through interactive, brainstorming activities. Sports day, one of the major events of the camp was inaugurated by Fr. Joseph Elevelanal SDB, Rector, Don BOSCO, KGF. Inaugurating the sports meet, he stated that team spirit and sportsmanship are essential for success in life. Children visited Kotilingeshwera temple, a famous pilgrim center near KGF.



Sessions on personality development, life skills, POCSO Act 2012, role plays on child marriage, child abuse and other social issues, an exhibition to show case the children's talents, timely evaluations, language skills, youth parliament, cooking and classes on health and hygiene were highlights of the camp. Resource persons of the camp were, Shivamallu, Coordinator, Foster Care Program, BOSCO, Bangalore, Sr. Jacintha, Member, CWC, Bangalore, Jimmy M. Cherian, President, Creative

Futures, Bangalore, Fr. Prasad SDB, Director, BOSCO, Sumanahalli, Bangalore and Sandhya, Bangalore. Salesian Clerics, David, Austin, Nobel and Abhilash, Mary Shamala, Counsellor, Rainbow Home, Ajanta and Jyothi, Coordinators, Vatsalya Bhavan were present for the camp.

Summer Camp at BOSCO Nilaya



BOSCO Nilaya organized a five-day summer camp at the center from April 17-21, 2018. Inauguration of the Camp was organized by the dignitaries on the dais by lighting the lamp and watering the plants as a symbol of Godliness. The activities included screening of motivational videos on CHILDLINE and Leadership, party games, magic show, mime show, yoga classes, and sessions on life skills, menstrual hygiene, nutrition, child protection, crafts, songs and dance. Voter's Campaign, exposure visit to the nearby Police station and Post office for the participants of the camp were held. One hundred and thirty-one children participated in the camp.

Summer Camp at BOSCO Nivas

Summer Camp for the children of Ambedkar Huts, Mackan Compound and Nehrupuram, Shivajinagar, Bangalore was held for ten days at St. Xavier School and Coles Park, Bangalore respectively from April 12 to 21, 2018. Sr. Silvy, Director, BOSCO Yuvakendra, Fr. Regi Jacob, Director, BOSCO Nivas, Pushpa, Coordinator, CRY Project, BOSCO Bangalore, Sr. Alphonsa and Ramaswamy, Coordinator, CREAM Project, BOSCO, Bangalore, inaugurated the programme.



Fr. Regi, Director, BOSCO Nilaya, Fr. Prasad, Director, BOSCO Sumanahalli, Bangalore, Brothers Franco and John Prajwal and project staff were the resource persons for the programme. 'Aana Pana' meditation class was conducted by Varsha, Sharada and Harshita, 'Vipasana' team, Bangalore. Self-defence sessions were facilitated by Manjunath, Karate Instructor. Priya, Enfold Proactive Health Trust, Bangalore spoke on food habits, nutrition, health and hygiene. Fr. Joshy, Principal, Don BOSCO B.Ed. College, Yadgir spoke about goals and motivation to the children. Fr. Rubin Mathew, Director, BOSCO Yuvodaya and Ms. Darshana, Alternative Law Forum, Bangalore along with Fr. Regi Jacob, Director, and BOSCO Nivas were present for the concluding programme. Eighty-two children from Ambedkar Huts, Mackan Compound and Nehrupuram participated in the camp.

MISSING CHILD BUREAU

MISSING CHILD BUREAU, an innovative programme of BOSCO is now a Government project of the State of Karnataka. BOSCO is appointed by the State Government as its Nodal Agency. MCB brings together data about missing children in the State and search, track and restore them back to their homes.

Trainings and Workshops



SJPU Training Programmes for Police Officers, July 1, 2017



RPF Police Officer Training Programme on February 27, 2018



Child Rights Clubs Trainings, October 06 & 07, 2017



Life Skills Training at BOSCO Vikas, July 23, 2017



Induction Training for Staff, August 19, 2017



Training on Still Photography and Videography, August 20, 2017

Trainings and Workshops



Training on Foster care, December 26, 2017



Training on Child Protection Policy at Rainbow Home, Dec.21, 2017



Training on Street Presence and Initial Contact, Dec. 07, 2017



First Aid Training Programme for BOSCO Staff, Feb. 23, 2017



Training for Community Leaders, March 24, 2018 at Nilaya



Training Programme for CWC Members, March 14, 2018

FOCUS GROUP DISCUSSIONS/ CONSULTATIONS

Focus Group Discussion Organized at BOSCO Mane

Special Juvenile Police Unit (SJPU), BOSCO, Bangalore organized Focus Group Discussions with parents of children in conflict with law at BOSCO Mane, Bangalore on May 28, 2017, September 24, 2017 and April 29, 2018. Fr. Binny, Director, BOSCO Mane, Bangalore and Fr. John M A, Director, SJPU, Bangalore, inaugurated the programme and spoke about the importance of child rearing and providing a good family environment to the children. Fr. Edward, Director, Missing Child Bureau (MCB) Project, BOSCO, Bangalore, said "Nobody is born good or bad. It is the circumstances and the company that makes them good or bad. As parents we have to see that our children are protected from the negative influences." Addressing the group, Mr. Ashok, Lawyer, Juvenile Justice Board introduced

the new Juvenile Justice Act, 2015 and explained in detail about Child Protection. Addressing the group, Mr. Shamed Pasha, ACP, V.V. Puram, Chamarajpet Sub-division, Bangalore, exhorted the parents to be vigilant about the whereabouts of their children, keep a track of their activities in order to prevent them from getting into criminal activities.



Consultation Workshops on Foster Care Organized by Foster Care Program



A half-day Consultation workshop on Foster Care was organized by Foster Care Program, BOSCO, Bangalore for the NGOs of Bangalore Urban at BOSCO Mane, Chamarajpet, Bangalore on September 23, 2017, and a one day workshop were organized for the NGOs of various districts of Karnataka at BOSCO Yuvodaya, Gandhinagar, Bangalore, on October 27, 2017. Fr. Mathew Thomas, Executive Director, BOSCO, Bangalore, said that the workshops were organized at a significant time when children are cared for and protected through the efficient implementation of the Integrated Child Protection Scheme (ICPS). He also appreciated the national guidelines provided by the Central Government. He stressed the need for convergence of the Government structures and NGOs and of the need to have networking. Fr. Joy Nedumparambil, Executive Director, BREADS, Bangalore, said that capacity building of NGOs, Government officials and community regarding Foster Care programme and its implementation is the need of the hour. Speaking on the occasion, Fr. Binny K., Director, BOSCO Mane, said that while implementing the program, the focus should be in the best interests of the child.

Consultation Meeting Organized by CREAM

CREAM, BOSCO, Bangalore, organized consultation meeting for NGO personnel, at BOSCO Yuvodaya on April 21, 2018. Fr. Mathew Thomas, Executive Director, BOSCO, Bangalore, emphasized on the concerted efforts of the NGOs to bring an end to the practice of Child Marriage. A presentation on CREAM and its impact was shown and briefed by Mr. Ramaswamy. Child-related issues were

discussed in detail, problems were analyzed, suggestions and success stories were agreed upon to be put into practice. Seventeen representatives from NGOs, Sparsh Trust, APSA, Need Base India, BOSCO Foster Care, CHILDLINE, Education Rights Trust, SICHREM, Child Rights Trust, Sathi, BREADS and member of KSCPCR were part of the Consultation Meeting.



Diwali Celebrations

Diwali and the first anniversary of BOSCO Nilaya were celebrated on October 18, 2018. Over one hundred children participated in the programme. Fr. Regi Jacob, Director, BOSCO Nilaya welcomed the gathering and delivered the keynote address. Addressing the gathering, Mr. Nijalingappa, Sub Inspector, Cottonpet Police Station, Bangalore stressed the importance of education of vulnerable children and appreciated the services rendered by BOSCO. Fr. Rubin Mathew, Director, BOSCO Yuvodaya said 'Lamp is a person, oil is love and light is a relationship. We should maintain our heart like a lit lamp.'

Fr. John M.A, Administrator, BOSCO Mane, Fr. Prasad, Director, BOSCO Sumanahalli, Mr. Suresh Kumar, Police, Cottonpet Police Station, Bangalore, Mr. Josey, HR Manager, BOSCO, Mr. Prashant Murthy, Coordinator BOSCO Nivas, Sr. Leena, Coordinator, BOSCO Rainbow Home and Nilaya staff were present for the programme.

Christmas Celebrations

BOSCO management and staff celebrated Christmas at BOSCO Mane, Chamarajpet, Bangalore, on December 16, 2017. The programme was inaugurated by Fr. Mathew Thomas, Executive Director, BOSCO, Bangalore, placing the statue of baby Jesus in the manger. Addressing the gathering, he exhorted everyone to follow the ideology of Jesus who believed that one has to go beyond ego-centrism and individual self and help and serve others in need. He said that the staff are friends of God and are here with a purpose of protecting the rights of the children so that they can lead meaningful and successful lives. The programme included carols, dances, sharing gifts and wishing good will to each other.



Women's Day Celebration

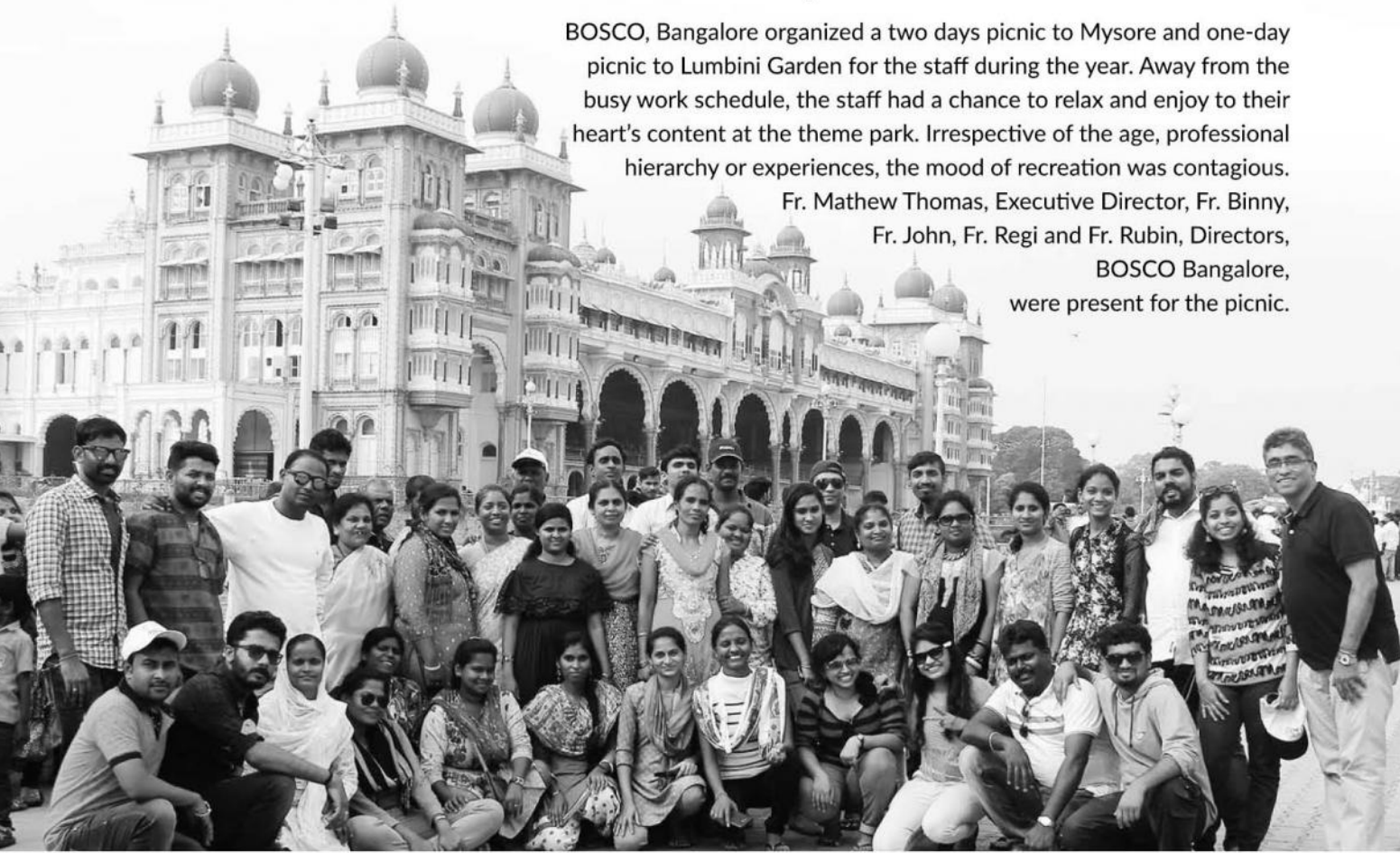
BOSCO CREAM Project organized International Women's Day for the members of Srushti Self Help Group (SHG) and Sadhana Mahila Sanga, at BOSCO Nilaya on March 8, 2018. In the keynote address, Fr. Regi Jacob, Director BOSCO Nilaya, said, "Everyone should join hands to protect women and promote gender equality". In her inaugural address, Ma-

larvizhi Balachandar, Programme Officer, Action Aid, said, "Men and women are equal. Mutual respect and understanding are essential in every society". Addressing the group, Fr. Mathew Thomas, Executive Director, BOSCO Bangalore, said that women's contributions to the society are remarkable. Everyday should be celebrated as women's day. Ms. Sharanamma, Police Constable, Cottonpet, Bangalore, said, "Police is your friend in need. There is a wing for women assistance in every police station. So approach this wing for assistance at any time". The event included cultural programs by children, competitions and party games. Fr. Rubin Mathew, Director, BOSCO Yuvodaya and Mr. Ramaswamy, Coordinator, CREAM were present for the programme. One hundred and thirty-seven SHG members participated in the programme.

Staff Picnic to Mysore and Lumbini Garden

BOSCO, Bangalore organized a two days picnic to Mysore and one-day picnic to Lumbini Garden for the staff during the year. Away from the busy work schedule, the staff had a chance to relax and enjoy to their heart's content at the theme park. Irrespective of the age, professional hierarchy or experiences, the mood of recreation was contagious.

Fr. Mathew Thomas, Executive Director, Fr. Binny, Fr. John, Fr. Regi and Fr. Rubin, Directors, BOSCO Bangalore, were present for the picnic.



BOSCO STATISTICS OVER THE YEARS!

Year	No. of Children		Total Number	Home Placement	Room Placement	Job Placement	Sent to Other Institutions (including BOSCO-Centers)		Vocational Training	Health Care	
	Old	Fresh					BOSCO	OI		IP & OP	OMC
1980-2005	18847	34781	53628	19398	407	2148	6705	669	2390	5164	32591
2005-06	871	3392	4263	1928	98	109	770	342	239	30	1127
2006-07	761	4277	5038	2312	22	134	2289	540	222	331	1127
2007-08	663	3892	4555	2200	43	90	2184	834	131	367	1607
2008-09	691	5922	6613	3527	30	141	2368	843	128	167	1281
2009-10	521	6445	6966	4083	27	85	2677	939	137	352	1068
2010-11	208	7186	7394	5070	18	115	3208	153	174	359	1699
2011-12	374	6932	7306	5176	26	140	3041	1228	182	393	3574
2012-13	218	5310	5528	4027	36	42	1433	1024	171	412	1886
2013-14	317	6167	6484	4862	18	17	1426	1290	187	585	5449
2014-15	295	7318	7613	5603	16	108	765	1016	121	713	2741
2015-16	295	6644	6939	5248	10	66	316	1953	119	795	1662
2016-17	298	6856	7154	5495	03	154	69	1192	375	741	1456
2017-18	064	6622	6686	4356	01	195	237	0866	252	652	1435
Total	24433	111744	136177	73285	755	3544	27488	12889	4828	11061	59063

OTHER EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

Woman and Child Welfare Committee Visit BOSCO

Members of Karnataka State Woman and Child Welfare Committee visited BOSCO Mane and BOSCO Vatsalya Bhavan, Bangalore on July 12, 2017. The team of officials' included. N. A. Harris, MLA, Shantinagar Constituency, Bangalore, Ms. Jayamma, MLC, Mr. Appaji Gowda, MLA, Bhadravathi, Ms. Deepa, Director, DWCD, Bangalore, Ms. K. A. Sarojamma, Joint Director, DWCD, Bangalore, Ms. Laxmikantamma, Deputy Director, DWCD, Bangalore and Ms. Narmada Anand, Project Director, ICPS, Bangalore. Fr. Mathew Thomas, Executive Director, BOSCO, Bangalore, introduced BOSCO and its mission, vision, programmes and activities to the group through a presentation. Mr. N.A. Harris, MLA opined that BOSCO should be associated with the Government programme of combat-



ing the problem of drugs and substance abuse among the children and youth in Bangalore. The officials applauded the efforts of BOSCO in protecting and promoting the rights of children and youth.

Our Priority is Children: Mr. Mariswamy

Ward Sabha cum children's Open House programme was organized by CREAM Project, BOSCO Bangalore, in collaboration with CHILDLINE, Special Juvenile Police Unit (SJPU) and Foster Care at BBMP Girls High School, Jagajeevan Ram Nagar, Bangalore on September 21, 2017.



Speaking on the occasion, Mr. Y Mariswamy, member, Karnataka State Commission for Protection of Child Rights (KSCPCR), said, "Children are our priority. It is the bounden duty of the government and civil society to cre-

ate a child-friendly society". He exhorted the concerned authority to look into the issues raised by children with immediate effect.

The programme, organized to provide a platform for children to express their views and concerns, had many child leaders pointing out infrastructural deficiencies in the schools, water and sanitation issues, alcoholism, hooliganism and littering of waste in the school surroundings. Mr. Keshav Murthy, Corporator, Ward 137, Bangalore, Narasimhamurthy, ASI, JJR Nagar, Bangalore, Ms. Zabeen Taj, CRP, Padarayanapura Cluster, Ramaswamy, Coordinator, CREAM, Fr. Regi Jacob, Director, BOSCO Nilaya, Fr. Prasad, Director, BOSCO CHILDLINE, Mr. Shivamallu, member, CWC, Bangalore and Mr. Basavaraj PN, Coordinator, Special Juvenile Police Unit (SJPU) spoke on the occasion. Child Representatives, Baby Padma R, GKMPs, Master Sachin S, GKHPs, Ms. Seema Altaf Khan, Corporator, Ward 136, Mr. Ziyayulla Sherif, President, SDMC, Faruke Nagar, Fr. Jinu Mathew, Programme Manager, BREADS, Bangalore, Mr. Azir Rahman Khan, Vice President SDMC, Mr. Iliaz Pasha, President, SDMC, GUHPS, Padarayanapura, were present for the programme. Over sixty members of Child Rights Clubs (CRC) from six schools in the area participated in the programme.

BOSCO Railway CHILDLINE Turns Two

Bangalore Railway CHILDLINE (BRCL), BOSCO organized Second Annual Review Meeting to mark the completion of two years of implementation of the project, at Station Director's office, Bangalore City Railway Station, on August 1, 2017. Ms. Aparna Garg, Additional Division Railway Manager, SBC, Bangalore, Mr. Santosh Hegde, Station Director, SBC, Bangalore, Mr. M.T. Umesh, ASC, RPF, Bangalore, Mr. Chengappa, Inspector, RPF, Mr. Umesh G, Deputy Station Master, Bangalore, Bylanjaneya, Child Welfare Officer, GRP, Bangalore and Fr. Rubin Mathew, Director, BOSCO, Bangalore, were present for the programme.



Welcoming the guests, Fr. Rubin shared about the future plan for dealing with the issue of child labor and run-away children at the grassroots level. Mr. Deepak Boniface, Coordinator, BRCL, BOSCO, enumerated the activities of BRCL through a presentation and said that during the pre-

vious year the team had rescued 1,740 children, of which 530 were referred to Child Care Institutions through CWC. Mr. Santosh Hegde, Station Director, SBC, Bangalore,

said, "BOSCO CHILDLINE is working for the protection of children in KSR, Bangalore City Railway Station. We assure them of our support and collaboration." He stated that the BRCL has been taken as a model across other states. Around thirty five RPF, GRP, Railway Officials and other stakeholders were present at the Review Meeting.

CHILDLINE Bangalore organized NGOs networking meeting at BOSCO Mane, Chamarajpet, Bangalore, on January 12, 2018. Ms. Meena Jain, Former Chairperson, CWC, Bangalore facilitated the discussion. The objective of the meeting was to discuss convergence plans for lines of collaboration between NGOs. The need to specify the role of CHILDLINE in JJ Act Rules, the real challenges faced during rescue operations, the need to increase advocacy and collaboration with the government were discussed. Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for CHILDLINE, Bangalore was discussed and suggestions were incorporated into the draft. Mr. Vasudeva Sharma, Executive Director, Ms. Vishala, APSA, Bangalore, Nagamani, Coordinator, CHILDLINE, Bangalore, Fr. Rubin, Director, Railway CHILDLINE, Fr. Prasad SDB, Director, CHILDLINE BOSCO, Bangalore and forty-four representatives from nineteen NGOs participated in the programme.

Networking Meeting Organized



Cluster Level Networking Meeting for SDMC

Early Childhood Care and Education (ECCE) and Child Rights Education and Action Movement (CREAM) jointly organized a Cluster level networking meeting for School Development and Monitoring Committee (SDMC) at Govt. Urdu Model Primary Boys' School, Barlane, Good shed Road, Bangalore on January 10, 2018.

Mr. Santhosh More, Mantra for Change, Bangalore, said, "A Cluster Resource Person (CRP) has a vital role to play in the empowerment of the Headmasters and SDMC in every school". Dr. Yousuf Aslam Khan, State President, SDMC State Level Federation, said "Teaching is a divine profession. It is the duty of every teacher to consolidate resources and impart high quality education to the children".

Ms. Jabeen Taj, CRP, Urdu School, Padarayanapura briefed about the roles and responsibilities of SDMCs and the need to ensure optimum involvement of NGOs that render services for Children: Mr. BS Ziaulla, Pres-



ident, SDMC, Farukhiya Nagar, Bangalore, said that the primary duty of the teachers is to concentrate on the quality of education provided and no other clerical works. Mr. Ramaswamy, Coordinator, CREAM & ECCE, BOSCO, Bangalore, said that teachers should make efforts to inculcate social responsibility among the students. Mr. Shivamallu, Foster Care, BOSCO, Bangalore, spoke about the goals and objectives of Foster Care and about the services rendered by BOSCO, Bangalore. Mr. Sayed Sajid, Education Coordinator, Bangalore, Fr. Reji Jacob SDB, Director, BOSCO Nilaya, project staff and over thirty school Headmasters and SDMC members participated in the programme.

BOSCO National Inter-Collegiate Annual Essay Competition

BOSCO Bangalore organized a two-month long National Level Inter-Collegiate Annual Essay Competition on the theme 'Child is not a problem; child has problems', that concluded on January 27, 2018. The countrywide competition had student participants from various academic streams such as Social Work, Sociology, Media, Economics, Engineering, Law and Psychology, from various colleges/universities. The topics for the essays were issues concerning children such as 'Child Abuse, the reasons for occurrence and how it could be eradicated', and 'How Caregivers/ Parents become the indirect targets of child rights violation'. The essays were evaluated by a Panel of three members which included Fr. Previnth Joe Tony Kristu Jayanti College, Bangalore, Dr. Maya M., Professor of Christ University, Bangalore and Ms. Ann Tharakan, Lecturer of Mount Carmel College, Bangalore. The first prize was awarded to Ms. Ridhi Shetty, National Academy of



Legal Studies and Research (NALSAR), Hyderabad, second prize was awarded to Ms.Mansi Tejpal, Tata Institute of Social Sciences (TISS), Hyderabad and Ms.Rose Mary Thomas, Don BOSCO College, Wayanad, Kerala bagged the third prize.

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I thank BOSCO & Foster care team for giving me good parents, if I had not come to BOSCO, I would have gone on a different path. Foster care team has put in so much effort in placing me into a good family. I am very thankful for my foster parents, siblings & relatives for taking care of me & am also happy to continue my studies.

Convergence Meeting

A convergence meeting for like-minded people from government and non-government organizations was organized at BOSCO Nivas, Shivajinagar, Bangalore, to address the issue of child labor prevalent in the area on April 5, 2018. The meeting was held to arrive at a plan of action to enroll the children employed in various establishments in Shivajinagar area back to schools. Fr. Mathew Thomas, Executive Director, BOSCO Bangalore, in his keynote address invited everyone present to be a community that cares, understands and leads in bringing about a change in the lives of the children. Mr. Mariswamy, Member, KSCP-CR, Bangalore, stated that the 'focus should be on children as we work with the poor and marginalized sections of society. Networking with the community, holding a dialogue, involving the political machinery and above all an inclusive approach should be adopted'. Fr. Regi Jacob, Director Nilaya



and Nivas, Fr. Prasad SDB, Director, BOSCO CHILDLINE, Nagamani, Nodal coordinator, Ms. Vishalakshi, CHILDLINE Coordinator, APSA CHILDLINE, Ms. Gunasheela, Ms. Radha, APSA CHILDLINE, Mr. Basavaraju PN, Coordinator, SJPU, BOSCO, Mr. Shivamallu, Coordinator, BOSCO Foster Care Program, Mr. Ramaswamy, Coordinator, CREAM, BOSCO Bangalore, Ms. Jyothi, ASI, Broadway Police,

Ward 92 representatives, Caring Community members, Motor Parts Gujri and staff of Nivas and Nilaya were present for the meeting.

Research and Documentation

BOSCO's National Research and Documentation (BNRD) was instituted to take up systematic data collection, scientific documentation and research and publications of the materials of BOSCO. Reports and photos of the activities and events from all the centers, areas and programmes are collected periodically and maintained in BNRD. The department also has well maintained information on Child data of the last three decades.

BNRD manages the BOSCO website, updates and uploads reports on social media, coordinates the publication of newsletters, annual report and research conducted by BOSCO. It has a library where books, journals, research papers, case studies and other private circulations on child related articles are maintained for reference.

Volunteering

Through its department of Human Resource, BOSCO, Bangalore has taken up a 'Volunteer Management' programme where it receives volunteers from corporates, educational institutions, religious institutions and foreign countries. During the reporting period BOSCO's Human Resource department provided opportunities to 258 volunteers to get involved in BOSCO's activities. These volunteers were involved in early intervention surveys, street presence programmes, public awareness programmes, fund-raising, research and other support programmes. BOSCO would like to thank the schools, colleges, religious congregations and individual volunteers for teaming up with us for the cause of the well being of children/youth.

Ms. Barbara (Volunteer): My Work with BOSCO Bangalore started with the celebration of Independence-Day on August 15th 2017. This already gave me an amazing cultural experience because of the grand celebration. One main thing I learned about India: people celebrate greatly. And they usually do it a lot more colourfully and louder than they would in my home, in Austria. I was able to see the world from a different perspective and I want to thank everyone who showed me a glimpse of "their" India. Every person's view on things is unique and every person has their own story. It is great to work with children because they give you back a lot. Thank you every one.

BOSCO Bangalore

on a day to day basis reaches out to children/youth on the streets, begging children, abandoned children, children in conflict with law, physically challenged, out of school children, child marriage, children under substance abuse, child labour, missing and runaway children, migrant children, victims of abuse, orphans, trafficked and unaccompanied children.

**In the year 2017-18,
6686 at risk children/youth were rescued and rehabilitated from the city of Bangalore**



BOSCO implements Childline Project of the Government of India in the City of Bangalore and in the Bangalore City Railway Station

"I called CHILDLINE and complained about School Dropout Children in our school. The Rescue team visited the children's family who were migrants from North Karnataka. Doing different activities like door to door awareness and Open House programmes, the Childline team re-enrolled them to school. I extend my support to the team whenever they require support," said **Head Master, Govt. School, Uttarhalli, Bangalore.**

During the Open house, **Aruna** (name changed) expressed that she had telephoned 1098 after the school awareness and complained about her alcoholic father who was physically harassing her. He was forcing all his young children and his wife to go for work. The call was made at 10.45 pm. CHILDLINE team, along with the police reached to the aid of the child. She said that she is now able to continue her studies because of the intervention from BOSCO Childline.

Ms. Nandini N (Asst Coordinator, Foster Care): I am proud to share my experience of working with BOSCO Foster Care Program. I feel happy to see the smiles on the faces of the children when they are placed with the foster parents. BOSCO is doing a wonderful job and I am happy to be a part of this endeavour.

9 campaigns in a year to promote child/youth welfare

Anti- child labour day
Independence day
Children's day
Child Rights Week
Girl Child day
YaR Day
Missing child day
Human Rights day
Shale kade Nanna nade



Mr. Sharuk (Make a Difference): Something that we at MAD hold very dear is a sense of care and this is echoed profoundly by the BOSCO institution. This sense of care is exemplified by them in how much support they provide the children with, from emotional to helping them pick up skills like painting, singing, dancing and so many more. It's also evident their willingness to open up to us about how the children are feeling and seeking feedback from us so that we can support them in the best way possible. It is incredible how they have been nothing but encouraging of anything we tried to put together for the children, whether it is celebrating festivals with them or conducting developmental session at the shelter, they welcomed everything with utmost positivity. It has been absolutely delightful working with BOSCO last year and we look forward to many more years of collaboration



10 SKILL TRAINING PROGRAMMES
AT BOSCO FOR AFTER CARE AND REHABILITATION OF THE YOUNG

Printing, Computer, Tailoring, Driving, Welding, Electricals, Two Wheeler Mechanism, Bakery, Carpentry and Beautician Course

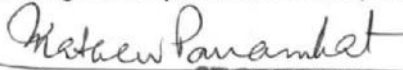
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS

BANGALORE ONIYAVARA SEVA COOTA (BOSCO)
 BOSCO Yuvakendra, D 12, 1st Street, Magadi Road, Bangalore- 560 023
 Consolidated Society Account

Receipt and Payment account for the year 31.03.2018

Particulars	Receipts	Payments
Foreign Contribution	2,688,796.58	
Local Contribution	7,070,767.01	
Projects Grants	47,352,867.00	
Governments Grants	3,499,905.00	
Bank interest	350,798.00	
Street Presence: Child Assistance and Rescue		3,043,447.00
CHILDLINE (1098) Services		3,069,702.45
Vocational Training to the Underprivileged Youth, Job Placement, After Care Programme		2,109,183.00
Community Involvement		2,158,135.00
Awareness Creation on Child Rights in the School/Colleges/Public Places, Etc		300,796.00
Higher Education of the Rescued children		1,633,725.00
Maintenance		5,974,587.56
Health Care		1,215,310.00
Staff Salary, Capacity Building and Welfare		17,974,129.50
Piloting Alternative Form of Child Care in India		3,193,839.00
Picnic, Sports, Entertainment and Functions etc		2,046,317.00
Food for children		6,756,043.28
Travel and Conveyance		895,046.91
Clothes for children		264,613.00
Family Reunification and Follow up		1,639,150.00
Opening/Closing Balance	15,535,435.24	24,224,544.13
Grand Total	76,498,568.83	76,498,568.83

For Bangalore Oniyavara Seva Coota (BOSCO)


 Secretary **SECRETARY**
 Bangalore BANGALORE ONIYAVARA SEVA COOTA: BOSCO
 Date: 25.09.2018 23, 1st Cross, Magadi Road,
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Riding High

There are many a rags-to riches stories in history about the champs who have scaled Himalayan heights through sheer hard work, perseverance and persistence. The story of Ruben is a fable of someone who displayed the grit to reach his goal. He doesn't remember anything about his family.

Ruben was rescued from the street by sisters from the congregation of Salesian Missionaries of Mary Immaculate (SMMI). He did his schooling up to 7th std at (SMMI) convent school in Hassan. Later on as the boy expressed his desire to do vocational training, he was given admission in BOSCO, Sumanahalli.

After the training he was job-placed and worked for 6 months before returning to BOSCO Sumanahalli to prepare for KOS Exams. He wrote Exams and completed his SSLC in 2011. He continued his studies in regular college and completed his PUC in the year 2013. He joined Govt. First Grade College, Vijayanagar and successfully completed B.A in 2016. On completing his studies, he joined as Store Manager in Track and Trail LIVEN-UP Concept Cycle Store on Malgala Ring Road, Bangalore.

He developed interest in cycling as he used to travel daily from Sumanahalli to Magadi Road to pursue PUC and Graduation.



Achievements

- » Won 4th place for cycling (Bangalore to Krishnagiri, Tamil Nadu, 200 Kms), awarded Bronze Medal in September 2016.
- » Won 2nd place for cycling (Bangalore to Vellore, Tamil Nadu 400 Kms), awarded Silver Medal. December 2016.
- » Won Third place for cycling (Bangalore to Yercaud and Yelgiri, 600 Kms) on May 18, 2017.
- » Won 6th place for cycling (Bangalore to Hassan, 400Km) on July 22, 2017.



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AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS 2017-18



Mother Teresa Memorial National Award 2017

The News Paper Association of Karnataka in collaboration with BNM Institute of Technology, Bangalore, honored BOSCO, Bangalore with 'Mother Teresa Memorial National Award 2017', during the award ceremony at BNM Institute of Technology, Bangalore, on June 1, 2017. The award was handed over to Fr. Mathew Thomas, Executive Director, BOSCO, Bangalore by Justice P. Viswanathan Shetty, Honorable Lokayukta, Karnataka State. He opined that BOSCO is rendering yeomen services in the field of care and protection of children. Ms. Bharathi Vishnuvardhan, Cine Actress and noted philanthropist applauded the efforts and contributions of BOSCO in creating a child-friendly society.



Bengaluru NGO's Leadership Award, 2017

BOSCO, Bangalore received NGO's Leadership Award 2017 at Vivanta by Taj, Yeshwanthpur, Bangalore on September 20, 2017. The programme, organized by World CSR Day Organization, in collaboration with Amway, Blue Dart, ABMSS, World Federation of CSR professionals and Thought Leaders, is an initiative to enhance dialogue and cooperation between non-governmental organizations and institutions.

The award was presented to BOSCO along with other NGOs in recognition of the outstanding services towards making a difference in the lives of underprivileged children. The award citation was handed over to Fr. Rubin Mathew, Director, BOSCO Yuvodaya, Bangalore.

Outstanding Home link Node Award

BOSCO, Bangalore received 'Outstanding Homelink Node Award' during the 12th Annual National Seminar of Youth at Risk (YAR) on the Theme "Restorative Justice and Children" held at Don BOSCO Institute, Guwahati on 18th and 19th September 2017. "Through its exceptional implementation, BOSCO, Bangalore proved that the documentation tool can work wonders for an organization and for the cause of the children at risk" remarked the award committee. Fr. Mathew Thomas, Executive Director received the Award on behalf of BOSCO, Bangalore.



SI No.	AWARDS/RECOGNITIONS	Year
01	Rotary Community Service Award: Fr. Varghese Pallipuram, the Executive Director of BOSCO, has been honored in August 1990, for his noble work by Rotary Bangalore	1990
02	Special Police Officer's Badge: The Special Police Officer's badge (1992) to 5 staff members of BOSCO and appointment of an A.C.P. at Police Commissioner's office and Sub Inspectors (1991) in all the police stations to deal with cases pertaining to street children, as a result of BOSCO's collaboration with the Police Department	1992
03	Bheedhi Bhagya Award: Fr. George Kolassany was honored with the Bheedhi Bhagya award by the Karnataka Government in 1992	1992
04	Bravery Award: Master Santhosh received the Bravery Award in 1994 from Mr. KurshidAlam Khan, the Honorable Governor of Karnataka	1994
05	Rotary Community Service Award: Fr. Varghese Pallipuram, the Executive Director, has been honored in August 1998, for his noble work by Rotary Bangalore Vijayanagar with a Community Service Award and a Citation	1998
06	MakalaKalyanaRajyaPrashasthi Award: The State Award, MakkalaKalyanaRajyaPrashasthi, was received from the Women and Child Welfare Department of Karnataka for being the best NGO in the State for child welfare activities	2000
07	Best Child Artist Award: BOSCO child Manjunath received the Best Child Artist Award (2001)	2001
08	MakalaMitra Award: BOSCO received the MakalaMitra Award from the Women and Child Welfare Department of Karnataka for the year 2004 and 2005	2004 and 2005
09	KempeGowda Award: The Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Pallike (BBMP) recognized BOSCO for its immense service towards street children and child laborers in the Bangalore Metro, by awarding the KempeGowda Award to the Institute	2007
10	Rotary award: for the Service of Excellence	2009
11	KempeGowda Award: For Best Social Worker	2011
12	Special Recognition: from Department of Women and Child Development for initiating begging child survey and rescue mission in collaboration with Police Department and networking NGOs	2012
13	Namma Bengaluru Award (Finalist)	2012
14	Global Achievers Foundation Award 2013 for the outstanding achievements, services and contributions.	2013
15	Best National Child Welfare Organization Award by the Ministry of Women and Child Development, Government of India	2015

BOSCO Boys Bag Medals in Taekwondo Competition

Vijay S, one of the students of BOSCO Vikas bagged the Gold Medal in the 17 kgs category in Taekwondo competitions organized by Karnataka Taekwondo Association at Shimoga on June 29, 2017. Srikanth V, from Foster Care, bagged Silver Medal in the 22 kgs category. We congratulate the winners.



Children open up about ways to fight sexual exploitation

TAMS NEWS NETWORK
 Bengaluru: Chandana, Priya and Rachel are 17-year-old girls from a slum in Nagur and they all face the same fate. As soon as they step out, they are surrounded by men. They even throw stones to catch their attention. There are so many of them, they say. "As soon as they step out, they are surrounded by men. They even throw stones to catch their attention. There are so many of them, they say." says Rachel. Sixty boys and girls from a slum in Nagur (Chandana, Priya and Rachel) attended a consultation on child abuse at Bosco Home Child Care Centre on Tuesday. It was held as part of a national awareness program launched by World Vision, an international organization, in New Delhi. The children were divided into groups, the children were

Creating awareness



Students of Bosco Home children's home performing a mime to mark the World Day Against Child Labour, in Bengaluru on Tuesday. **SAMPATH KUMAR C.P.**

THE TIMES OF INDIA, BANGALORE
 MAY 15, 2018
Bosco Home helps kids achieve their pot of gold
 The Home's Director, Bosco Home, says that the children are achieving their dreams through the support of the organization.

ಬಾಸ್ಕೋ ಮನೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಪರಿಸರ ದಿನಾಚರಣೆ
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Newborn abandoned at Jnanabharathi
BENGALURU
 Members of BOSCO Childline rescued a newborn who was found abandoned near a bush in Bangalore University's Jnanabharathi campus on Mysuru Road on Tuesday. A

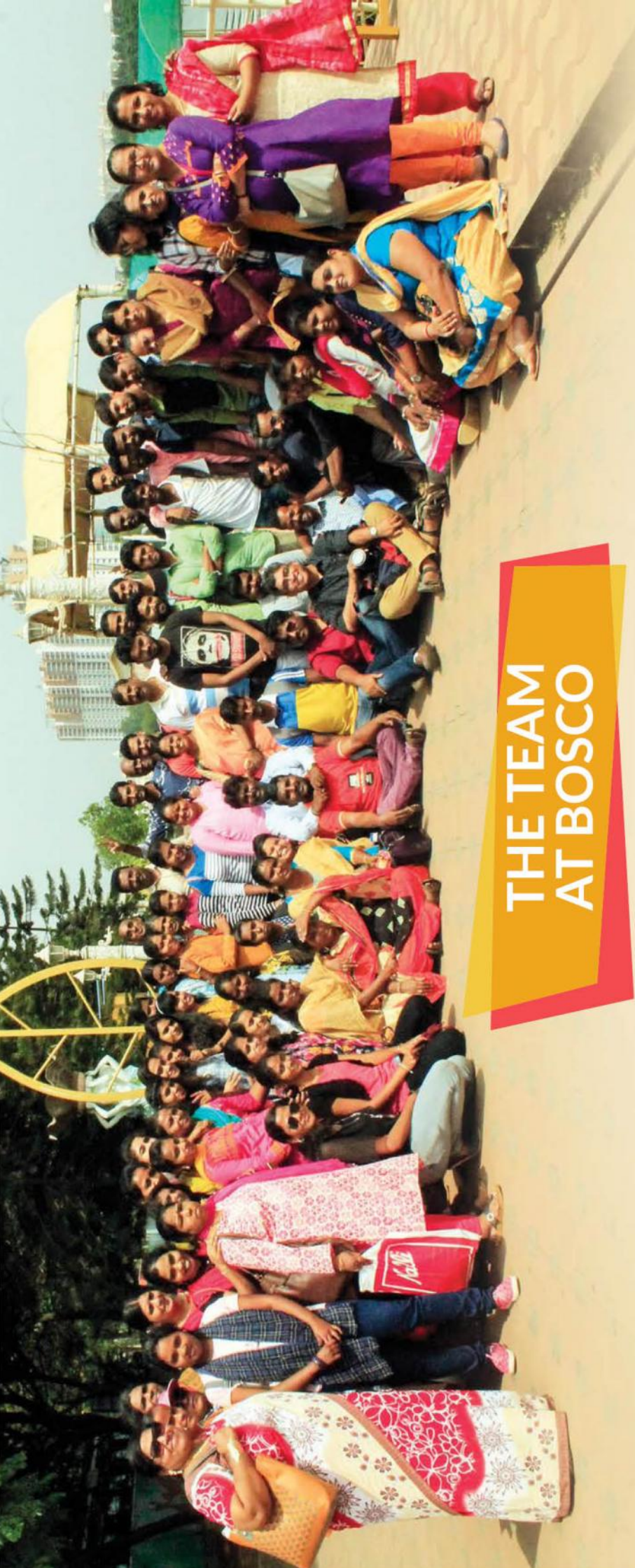
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ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಬಿಬಿ
 Children from Bosco Home and other NGOs participated in a protest to raise awareness about child labor.

Care of footpath: Vegetable vendor scores 79% in SSLC
This teenager, who sold veggies in KR Market, has fought all odds to emerge as an achiever
Achievements GALORE
Sridevi S
 Vinod is the leader of Child Rights Club (Nehru Mahila Sangha) in the city. He participated in Karnataka State 10th Child Rights Parliament in November 2017 and was the elected representative to evaluate child-related issues with State-level authorities and dignitaries. He secured 2nd rank at State-Level Kannada Examination in November 2017. He has won 2nd place in the State-Level Hindi Secondary Examination. He has been selected for a Quiz competition to be held at the Parliament organized by the State Government. The competition date is yet to be announced. He has won 2nd place in the Mathematics activities organized at Tata Institute of Fundamental Research on National Mathematics Day December 22, 2017. He has won 1st place in the qualifier level in essay writing competition organized by LIC in 2017.

Brought from Assam to work at juice centre, 3 minor girls rescued
BENGALURU: Three underage girls brought from Assam to work at a juice centre in Bengaluru have been rescued by the activists of a non-governmental organisation. Rangaswamy R and other members of the nonprofit BOSCO told the police that they became suspicious after spotting the girls, aged around 15, getting off the Guwahati Express at the Bengaluru Cantonment railway station on Friday. The girls were accompanied by a man, who later identified himself as Rajesh Kumar Kam (27). According to Rangaswamy, he closely observed the girls' body language and suspected that they had been trafficked. The BOSCO team confronted the four-member group. Kam claimed that he was the caretaker of the girls and that they had come to Bengaluru for sightseeing. But when the girls were taken separately and questioned, they said they were high school students and were sent by their parents with Kam to work in Bengaluru. The NGO team then approached the Bengaluru Cantonment railway police and filed a complaint. The police booked Kam under the Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act. Further inquiries revealed the girls belonged to poor families and that Kam had promised their parents that he would take care of them and improve their living condition. Kam told the BOSCO team he planned to place the girls at a juice centre, but refused to specify where it was located. The team suspected the girls had been trafficked and produced them before the Child Welfare Committee (CWC), which, in turn, sent them to the state-run home for girls for rehabilitation. CWC members later contacted the girls' parents, who confirmed they had willingly sent them with Kam, but refused to come to Bengaluru to depose before the committee. **DH News Service**

BOSCO IN NEWS

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THE TEAM AT BOSCO

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