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WALK BESIDE ME
IN MY DIGITAL
JOURNEY



WALKING BESIDE THEM: A DON BOSCO RESPONSE TO THE DIGITAL JOURNEY

“Walk Beside Me in my Digital Journey” is more than a campaign theme. It is an invitation to rediscover what it means to be present to young people in a rapidly changing world. Today’s children and adolescents are growing up in a digital environment that is as real and influential as the physical world around them. Their classrooms, friendships, dreams, questions, struggles and even their vulnerabilities increasingly find expression online.

For Don Bosco, young people were never meant to walk alone. He believed that education begins with presence—with being close enough to know a young person, to understand their world, to earn their trust and to guide them with love. In the digital age, this Salesian spirit of accompaniment acquires a new meaning: if young people are present online, we too must learn to be present there—not as controllers, but as companions.

The digital world offers enormous possibilities. A child can access knowledge with a few clicks, learn new skills, discover talents, connect with people across the world and dream beyond the limitations of their circumstances. For children and young people at risk, technology can open doors to education, employment, creativity and social participation that may otherwise remain closed.

But the same digital spaces can also expose children to cyberbullying, online exploitation, grooming, harmful content, misinformation, privacy violations and other forms of abuse. Those who are already vulnerable in the physical world can become even more vulnerable online. Behind every screen is a child with hopes, fears, curiosity and a deep need for belonging.

This is why our response cannot simply be to tell young people what not to do. The Preventive System of Don Bosco offers a powerful framework for this mission.

To walk beside a child is to accompany, not to control.
It is to guide, not to dictate.
It is to listen, not merely to instruct.
It is to protect, while empowering the child to grow.

For those working with Young at Risk, digital accompaniment is therefore an essential dimension of child protection. We must ensure that children are not only digitally connected but also digitally safe, informed and empowered. Digital literacy must include understanding privacy, consent, online relationships, cyberbullying, responsible communication, digital footprints and how to seek help when something goes wrong.

May we, inspired by Don Bosco, continue to be a listening ear, a guiding hand, a safe space and a source of hope for every young person entrusted to our care.

Let us not merely teach children how to navigate the digital world.
Let us walk beside them until they discover how to navigate it with confidence, wisdom, dignity and hope.

Because every child deserves not only a safe digital journey, but someone who walks beside them.

FR. KJ JOSEPH SDB

Street Presence



BOSCO Nivas

BOSCO Nivas team conducted an awareness programme at Shivajinagar Broadway Police Station for 65 police officers and Home Guards on August 25, 2026.

BOSCO Nilaya

A food festival was organized to foster unity, friendship, and a sense of belonging among the Aari Work trainees by the Bosco Nilaya team on August 5, 2026.



Majestic Area

The KSR Child Helpline Team conducted a Moving Train Passengers Awareness programme on the Brindavan Express on August 29, 2026, distributing 109 pamphlets to passengers.



Gandhi Nagar Area

An awareness programme for the Auto Drivers was organized at Hanumanthaiah Road, Gandhinagar on August 21, 2026



Magadi Road

The Outreach Team organized a Value Education session on moral values, ethical living, and honesty, integrity, and responsibilities for the BBMP Study Centre children on August 11, 2026.

Components



CSN

On August 28, 2026, the CSN team identified a child in need of care, protection, and based on the instructions of CWC North, the child was admitted to Bale Mane Trust for care and education.

Foster Care

A visit was made to the Government Primary School in Sampangiram Nagar regarding the school follow-up of a Foster Care boy identified under the Kinship scheme on August 28, 2026.





Health Care Programme

A General health check-up was organised at BOSCO Nivas on August 29, 2026, in collaboration with Dr. Abraham for the community people of Shivaji Nagar.

Family Restoration and Aftercare

Distribution of Ration kits to the families of the children restored to their families during the parents' Meeting at BOSCO Mane on August 8, 2026.



Migrants' Help Desk

The Migrants' Help Desk Team distributed solar lamps to 281 migrant families of six communities during August 2026.

Juvenile Advocacy

Juvenile Advocacy team participated in the 80th Year Independence Day at the Observation Home





RMT

Bishop Cotton Boys High School children visited BOSCO Sumanahalli on August 8, 2026, to interact with the children associated with it.

Human Resource Management

An Orientation and Exposure Visit was conducted for the students of Don Bosco College, Mannuthy, Thrissur, on 14th August 2026 at BOSCO Yuvodaya, Bangalore.



CHILD CARE INSTITUTIONS

BOSCO Mane and BOSCO Vikas

BOSCO Mane and Vikas participated and performed in the Independence Day celebrations organized by Hotel Taj West End, Bengaluru.



BOSCO Rainbow Home

BOSCO Rainbow Home children visited Hotel Taj on August 31, 2026. 20 children were engaged in craft activity songs, dance and games.



BOSCO Vatsalya Bhavan

Vatsalya Bhavan celebrated Varamahalakshmi Festival with the centre children.



BOSCO Sumanahalli

Life Skill Session on Teamwork was conducted for the trainees of the centre on August 23, 2026.



BOSCO Yuvakendra

The youth of BOSCO Yuvakendra were taken for an outing to Lulu Mall on August 15, 2026.



BOSCO Yuvodaya

Children engaged in a drawing activity at the Reception Unit.



Parents' Meeting – Kadapa Swamy Math Study Centre

- 1 August 2026.
- Focused on: strengthening parental involvement in education, regular attendance, discipline, and academic progress.
- 31 parents participated.



Orientation Programme



- 1 August 2026
- 40 students from St. Joseph's Kristu Jayanti College, Bengaluru; St. Albert's College, Kerala; and Sri Krishnadevaraya University, Ballari.
- Fr. Varghese Pallipuram, Executive Director, introduced participants to BOSCO's history, vision, mission, and key programmes for children in difficult circumstances.

Exposure Visit to Raja Market for Aari Work Trainees



- 3 August 2026
- 10 Aari Work trainees from BOSCO Yuvaspandana.
- Trainees gained practical exposure to the local market and Aari work materials.

VISIT OF BCD TRAVEL COMPANY TO BOSCO



- 6 August 2026
- The volunteers interacted with the children, learning about their experiences, interests, and aspirations while fostering a warm and friendly atmosphere.
- Fr. Varghese Pallipuram, Executive Director, along with BOSCO staff, welcomed and interacted with the team.

PARENTS' MEETING FOR RESTORATION CHILDREN AND DISTRIBUTION OF RATION KITS

- 8 August 2026
- 14 children and their parents participated.
- Fr. K. J. Joseph and Mr. Balraj provided guidance on government welfare schemes, Ration Cards, and SIR.
- Ration kits were distributed to participating families.



Dental Health Check-up



- 8 August 2026
- 49 girls underwent dental examinations with volunteer dentist Dr. Neha Thomas.
- Children requiring further care were identified for follow-up treatment.

Visit of French Child-Rights Advocates to BOSCO Yuvakendra

- 11 August 2026
- BOSCO Yuvakendra welcomed Mr. Cedric Foussard, researcher and child-rights lawyer from France.
- Children learned about child-rights advocacy and shared their experiences and perspectives.



International Youth Day

- 12 August 2026
- Celebrated across BOSCO Centres and the Observation Home under the theme “Different Contexts, Common Aspirations.”
- Children and youth shared their aspirations, goals, interests, and challenges, highlighting education, employment, equality, and opportunities.





Independence Day Celebrations at BOSCO

- 15 August 2026
- The 80th Independence Day was celebrated across BOSCO Centres, St. Xavier's School, and Observation Home, Madiwala.
- Flag hoisting, cultural programmes, competitions, and sports activities promoted patriotism, teamwork, and discipline.





Don Bosco's 211th Birth Anniversary Celebration



- BOSCO Centres celebrated the 211th birth anniversary of St. John Bosco, Patron Saint of Youth.
- Children actively participated in the celebrations, honouring Don Bosco's enduring legacy.

STAKEHOLDERS' MEETING



- 29 August 2026
- Stakeholders from NGOs, trade unions, and other organisations met at BOSCO Mane.
- Discussions focused on migrant dignity, key challenges, and coordinated support, with a core team formed for continued collaboration

AWARENESS PROGRAMME FOR GRP POLICE AT KSR RAILWAY STATION



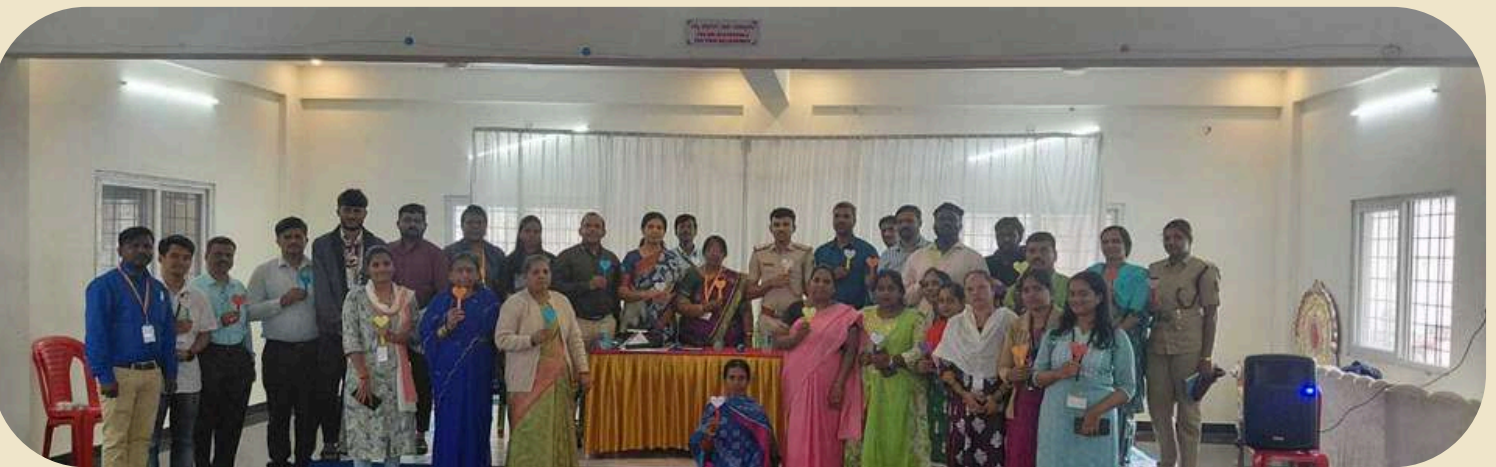
- 17 August 2026
- 25 GRP personnel participated.
- The session focused on child protection, vulnerabilities, and BOSCO's role in rescue, rehabilitation, and restoration.
- Participants expressed interest in strengthening child protection mechanisms.

MEETING WITH DCPO, UNIT STAFF, CWC MEMBERS, CCI'S STAFF, PDO'S AND STAKEHOLDERS



- 13 August – Shivamogga | 20 August – Raichur
- Stakeholders from the JJB, CWC, DCPU, and Department of Women and Child Development participated.
- 95 participants attended in Shivamogga and 116 in Raichur.
- The meetings strengthened coordination for foster care and child protection; 11 children were placed in Shivamogga.

FORMATION OF COMMUNITY CARING GROUP (CCG)



- 24 August 2026 – Rasaldhar Street
- Government officials, police, health workers, teachers, and community leaders participated.
- Discussions focused on the 8 Pillars of Child Protection, school reintegration, tuition support, parent motivation, and community awareness.

NATIONAL YAR DAY CAMPAIGN



- 29 August 2026
- The 2026–27 campaign was launched under the theme “Walk Beside Me in My Digital Journey.”

- The launch featured cultural performances, a video presentation, campaign poster launch, and a Digital Citizenship pledge.
- Awareness activities across BOSCO Centres promoted responsible digital citizenship and safe digital engagement.



Walk beside me in my digital journey

NATIONAL YAR DAY

30 AUGUST 2026

NATIONAL YAR CAMPAIGN

29 AUGUST 2026 - 28 AUGUST 2027

-  # WalkWithMeOnline
-  # DigitalSafetyTogether
-  # GuideMeGrowMe



GUIDANCE



EMPATHY



SAFETY

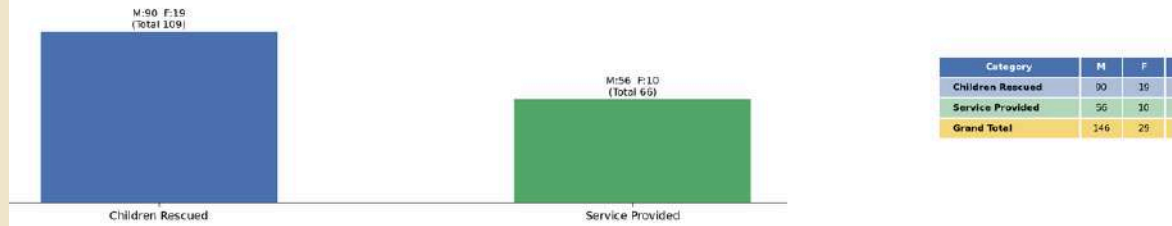


TRUST

Together, we build a safe digital future for every young person

BOSCO HOMELINK — Monthly Report, August 2026

Overview: Rescued vs Service Provided (Total: 175)

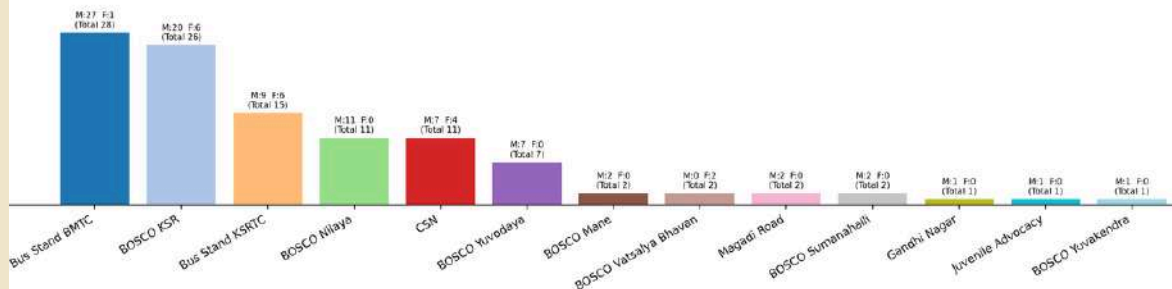


New Children by Contact Point — Share of Total (109)

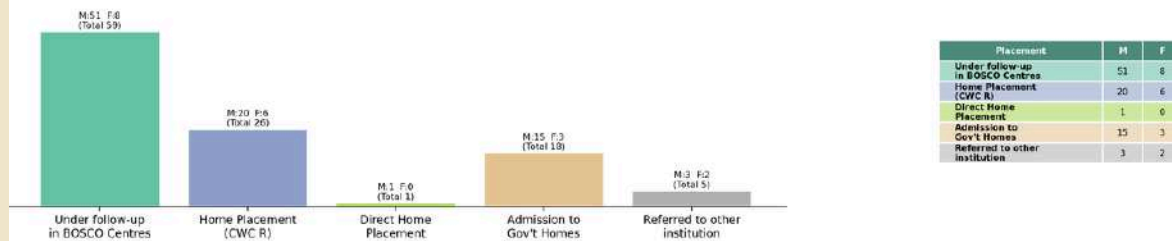


Contact Point	M	F	Total
Bus Stand BMT	27	1	28
BOSCO KSR	20	6	26
Bus Stand KSKTC	9	6	15
BOSCO Nilaya	11	0	11
CSN	7	4	11
BOSCO Yuvodaya	7	0	7
BOSCO Mane	2	0	2
BOSCO Vatsalya Bhavan	0	2	2
Magadi Road	2	0	2
BOSCO Sumanahalli	2	0	2
Gandhi Nagar	1	0	1
Juvenile Advocacy	1	0	1
BOSCO Yuvakendra	1	0	1

New Children by Contact Point — Totals with Male / Female Counts (Total: 109)



Final Action Taken (Total: 109)



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