



## THE DISTRICT OF INDIA

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### THE DISTRICT UPDATES

#### The District Directory



(Front row from the left) Fr. Santosh Tudu, Bro. Sanjay Ekka, Fr. Sudhir Kujur, Bro. Delmar Jorn (Second row from the left) Frs. Martin Solma, Xavierraj, Bros. Arockia Doss, Marianus Bilung and Dennis Schmitz.

From November 5-10, the District Directory committee came together in Ranchi to finalize the District Directory. The newly worked District Directory will be sent to the communities for feedback. In January there will be a day of extended Chapter to discuss these policies and add their suggestions to the District Directory. There may be another District Chapter meeting to endorse the Directory, which will then be submitted to the Provincial Administration.

#### Annual Sports Day

St. Joseph Chaminade Academy celebrated its second annual sports day, "Aventura 2018," on November 3. Fr. Nittamaria Varapasad, the SM principal of St. Chaminade School, Bangalore, was the chief guest of the day. Bro. Saju Chittadiyil gave the welcome speech, sharing with the children and their parents that sports, with teammates or individually, are a great activity for children that provides a variety of benefits other than physical exercise.



Fr. Nittamaria Varapasad lights the sports day torch. Bros. Saju Chittadiyil, John Paul and the teachers assist him to begin the sport day.

Participation in sports activities will enhance self-esteem and confidence in students. It can motivate children to excel in co-curriculars and enhance social skills.



The Children perform a group play.

Participation also can teach children to benefit from goal setting and practice. Various competitions were conducted for the children and their parents.



## REDS Patna



Fr Jose T., SJ, the Rector of XTITI and Fr. Santosh Tudu distribute sweets to the children.

REDS Patna celebrated Children's Day on November 11. About one hundred and fifty children participated.

## Maria Nivas Community, Budakata



Maria Nivas Community Brothers organized a hockey tournament for the school children on November 14. Fr. Sudhir Kujur along with Bro. Lalit Dhanwar awarded trophies to the winners of the tournament.

## R C Middle School, Roro

The girls' hockey team of R C Middle School, Roro, Binda, won a deanery-level hockey tournament on November 12. They were awarded a goat as their winning prize.



Bro. Dilip Tirkey (in the middle) with the players.

The boys' hockey team were the runners-up of their tournament. Let us congratulate Bro. Dillp Tirkey, the coach, and the players for their remarkable accomplishment.

## Formation Council Meeting



(Front row from the left) Bros. Oscar Kerketta, Dennis Schmitz, Basant Kujur, Frs. Chinnaiah Polishetty, Mariandu Belevendiran, Martin Solma, (Second row from the left) Frs. Jinu Muthukattil and James Dungdung.

The District Formation Council members, along with Fr. Marty Solma and Bro. Dennis Schmitz, met together in Ranchi on November 12 and 13. This meeting gave an opportunity for participants to share their involvement in various formation communities and their efforts to recruit new vocations. This meeting hopes to energize our efforts to implement our new Formation Guide into our formation program.

## Workshop



On November 19-20, Fr. Sudhir Kujur attended a two-day workshop on Fund Raising and Indigenous Resource Mobilization in Delhi.



### St. Chaminade School



Mrs. Joyce (Class teacher) Bro. Lucian Tigga and Fr. Nittamaria Varapasad with the children.

Fr. Nittamaria Varapasad, the headmaster, and Bro. Peterpaul organized a prize distribution ceremony on November 17. This ceremony was held to congratulate the children who successfully participated in the school's annual sports meet. The guests of honour were Fr. Alban Zeo, the assistant parish priest of Infant Jesus, Fr. Jinu Muthukattil, Bro. Luican Tigga and Bro. Darwin Joseph along with some local representatives. The guests of honour distributed the prizes to the children. It was joyous occasion for the children and their parents.

### Catholic Theological Union (CTU), Chicago



Bro. Dennis Bautista and Fr. Arul Raj study at CTU.

### Ranchi REDS Children's Day Celebration

REDS (Ragpickers Education & Development Scheme) Ranchi continues to be a leader in bringing changes into the lives of many



The children perform a cultural program during the Annual Day celebration.

children and their parents in the Ranchi area. During the last twenty years, it has strived to be a lighthouse for many poor children. On November 18, Ranchi REDS celebrated its 21st Annual Children's Day at Prabhat Tara School, Dhurwa.



Bro. Paulus Lakra, Commandant of C.R.P.F Dhurwa, Mr.Kailash Arya, the chief guest and Bro. Sanjay Ekka.

Commandant of C.R.P.F Dhurwa, Mr.Kailash Arya, the chief guest, encouraged the children to make use of the opportunities that are given by the REDS. About 1250 children from the twelve REDS centres participated in the program and brought immense joy to the participants through their various cultural programs.

## Bangalore REDS Children's Day Celebration



Fr. Sudhir Kujur (in the middle) and Bro. Arokia Doss with the children and their parents.

REDS Bengaluru held its Children's Day celebration on November 25. The chief guests were Mr. N.A. Haris, MLA; Shanthi Nagar, Fr. Sudhir Kujur, Mr. Anslem Rosario, and Mr. Bosco Anthony. The special invitees distributed prizes to the children. The children from the REDS centres performed various cultural shows, which were followed by a meal for all the children and their parents. About 1000 children and their parents participated in the children's day celebration.

## Diwali



Brothers at Deepahalli lighted lamps around the chapel during the festival of Diwali.

## Prayers Requests

Mr. Joseph, uncle of Fr. Varghese Manooparampil, passed away. Kindly remember Fr. Varghese and his family members in your prayers.

Mrs. Clementina Lakra, mother of Vijay Minj, passed away. Kindly keep Bro. Vijay Minj and his family members in your prayers.

Mr. Mangra Kachhap, cook of the Singhpur Marianist Community, passed away. Kindly remember his two younger sisters in your prayers.

Please pray for the mothers of Bros. Lucian Tigga, Dulare Lal Lucas, Kerobim Xalxo, Praveen Kumar, Josephraj, and Dillip Kumar Majhi, all of whom are ill.

Please pray for the Brothers who celebrate their birthdays during the month of December:

02 Suman Dungdung  
03 Lalit Dhanwar  
14 Sanjay Ekka  
15 George Soreng  
20 Augustus Surin and Kuldeep Kujur

