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THE DISTRICT UPDATES

REDS Ranchi



Bro. Pratap Guria assists Most Rev. Felix Toppo for the distribution of the school supplies to the children.

Most Rev. Felix Toppo, the Archbishop of Ranchi, and Most Rev. Theodore Mascarenhas, the auxiliary bishop of Ranchi, visited REDS Ranchi centers on September 1. They gifted the children in the slum with school supplies along with sweets that might help them with their education. They distributed school supplies to 503 children who are assisted by the REDS' programs.

Teachers' Day

In India, September 5 is celebrated as Teachers' Day to honour all teachers for their selfless service to the development of society. September 5 is the birthday of Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan, a scholar and former President of India, who was also a committed teacher. The students of our educational institutions across the District paid tribute to the Brothers and the teachers for their many contributions.

Prabhat Tara High School, Singhpur

On September 5, the students of Prabhat Tara High/Middle School, Singhpur, took the Brothers and teachers in procession for a



Bro. Vijay Minj and Bro. Sanjay Ekka lead a procession for the teachers' day celebration.

cultural program. The students performed various cultural programs and made their teachers happy and proud with their stage shows. The students were treated to refreshments and a midday meal. The Catholic students were invited for a special service on the same day to pray for the Brothers and the teachers.

St. Joseph's School, Budakata



A group picture of the teachers and Brothers.

On September 5, the students at St. Joseph's School, Budakata, organized grand cultural programs for the Brothers and the teachers. Bro. Sukrit Tirkey, Fr. Nittamaria Varaprasad, and Bro. Darwin Joseph were invited as special guests for the day. The students welcomed the Brothers and guests with the local traditional custom and then began a devotional hymn to praise God, followed by various songs,



speeches, and dances from each class. A student from the ninth grade expressed her gratitude to the Brothers and teachers for their selfless service for their better future. The Brothers and teachers also acknowledged the students' gratitude and appreciation.

Roman Catholic Upper Primary Middle School



Bro. Sudhir Soreng and the students sing a song in honour of the District Councillors' visit to the school.

On September 5, the students hosted an impressive celebration to honour and entertain the Brothers and teachers on Teachers' Day with various cultural programs. Students expressed their gratitude to the Brothers and teachers for their selfless service for their better future. The Brothers and teachers likewise acknowledged the students' gratitude and appreciation. The students organized a good lunch for everyone in the school. After lunch, they had a tribal dance, which included the students, teachers, as well as the Brothers. Their dance ended as the sun set in the sky of Budakata.

U.D. Deepahalli Program



The UD Deepahalli students perform a dance.

The students in the University of Dayton Deephali Program also organized a special cultural program to pay tribute to their teachers. Their cultural program brought happiness to their teachers who were energized by the gratitude expressed by their students.

Jacob Gapp School



Bro. Antony Xavier handover a certificate to a student.

Jacob Gapp School organized a wonderful celebration to honor the Teachers' Day. The day began with cultural program at 10:30 in the morning. The students were given the opportunity to participate in speeches, fancy dress competitions, quiz competitions, and drawing competitions. The best performers received prizes and achievement certificates from the Brothers. In the afternoon various sport activities were conducted for the teachers and students. Overall, it was a wonderful day for both teachers and students at Jacob Gapp School.

Chaminade Training Institute



Bro. Lucian Tigga, Fr. Sudhir Kujur and Bro. Tony Nesam with the graduates.

On September 7, Chaminade Training Institute organized a graduation ceremony for the seventeen students who had completed their computer courses there. Fr. Sudhir Kujur and Bro. Lucian Tigga were the special guests at the graduation ceremony, and they were also present in the community as part of the Council's annual visit.

Chaminade School



A group picture of the competition winners with the teachers, Brothers and the Assistant parish priest. of Infant Jesus.

On September 12, the students of St. Chaminade School participated in a cluster-level competition on the arts and literature. The students from St. Chaminade School performed well and won many prizes: three first prizes, eight second prizes, and six third prizes. Bro. John Paul, the principal, and the Brothers from the Infant Nilaya community distributed the awards.

Counselling Program



A group pictures of counselling program participants.

From August 19-September 4, Frs. Renny Markose and Santhosh Savarimuthu attended a training workshop about basic skills and counselling in Atma-Darshan Centre for

Spirituality and Counselling, Mumbai. The course lasted two weeks, and consisted of various topics about counselling and spiritual direction. The course was an enriching experience for them, and they hope to utilize the skills in their future ministry within the District.

Blessed Chaminade Parish



Fr. James Dungdung and Fr. Santosh Tudu with the Krush Veer children.

Fr. James Dungdung, the parish priest, reports that the parish organized a special Mass for the children who are part of the Krush Veer (Warriors of the Cross) program in honor of the Exultation of the Cross on September 18. Two hundred children participated. Fr. James and Bro. George Majhi conducted a month-long preparation in order for the children to be part of the Krush Veer program.

FMI & SM Administration meeting



The FMI and the SM District administrators.

On September 18, the SM and the FMI District administrators came together for a joint Council meeting in Nirmal Deep. This meeting was an opportunity for the FMI and the SM administrations to get together after a two-

year break due to the pandemic. The meeting was fruitful, and it opened up a better collaboration in the future.

REDS Ranchi



Fr. James Dungdung shares in his insights with the parents.

On September 11, REDS Ranchi organized a day guardian workshop for the parents. The topics of the workshop were 'Raise yourself before you raise your children' and 'Challenges of family and inner joy.' 575 parents benefited from this workshop, which included presentations by Fr. Birendra Kullu and Fr. James Dungdung.

REDS Panta



On September 29, the Sisters of the Apostolic Carmel, Patna, distributed food provisions to fifty REDS children in honour of the bicentennial of the birth of their foundress, Venerable Mother Veronica of the Passion.

Council's Community Visits

From September 3-26, the District's council members visited the communities and the ministries across the District, receiving full

cooperation and fraternal support from the Brothers during the visitations. The District Council members are extremely grateful to the Directors and Brothers for the warm hospitality and kindness that was shown to them during the visitations.

Prayer Requests

Kindly pray for our Brothers and Sisters who are in the process of healing and for their speedy recovery from physical or psychological illness.

Mr. Celestine Tigga, brother-in-law of Bro. Sukrit Tirkey, has passed away at the age of 80. Let us extend our deepest condolences to Bro. Sukrit's family and pray that Almighty God may grant eternal rest to the departed soul.

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

- 12 Lakra, Rajesh Kumar
- 21 Kumar, Vickey
- 23 Lugun, Marianus
- 24 Soreng, Sudhir

