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## PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- CHILDREN'S HOME
- GAW 2020
- COVID RELIEF WORK
- OUR CYCLISTS

## DIRECTORS' NOTE

As we bid goodbye to 2020, it is time to take a moment to look back in gratitude for what has been until now and look forward with expectation for what we hope for in the days to come.

You would certainly agree that 2020 has indeed been a year of many unprecedented challenges. However, on hindsight, we cannot ignore the fact that it has also been a year of many new learnings and blessings: we are still alive, we have been able to sustain ourselves and our families, no matter how difficult it might have been, leading us to the conclusion that a moment of crisis is a moment of grace and an opportunity for spiritual growth as well.

The COVID-19 Pandemic has brought out the best in everyone and taught us the importance of faith, resilience and teamwork in the face of challenges. It gave us the opportunity to shed our illusion of personal invincibility and recognize and submit to God as the One who alone has the ultimate control over our lives. It also taught us that, no amount of wealth, position or power can guarantee anything or add true value to our life, and that, to survive, we need one another. We may not be out of the woods yet, and the road ahead may still be arduous. However, with the blessings of Jesus and the intercession of Mary and Joseph, I am confident that everyone will continue to rise to the occasion and exhibit utmost courage and determination in meeting challenges and accomplishing personal and collective goals.

CDEW Society gratefully acknowledges your constant support of friendship and prayers, which we wish to nurture even more in the days ahead. While wishing you and your loved ones a meaningful celebration of New Year, we do sincerely hope that 2021 will prove to be a year of blessings for everyone in all respects.

*Sr. Rosy Lopez.*





## NAVAJEEVANA CHAMRAJPET, BANGALORE



During the corona break out most of our children went home. As a whole the situations were very critical – uncertainty of contagious sickness, fear of death, doubting the neighbor, constrained movements, controlled travels. By all these the low strata people were hit very badly. No work, no food, no place to stay and children were back to our Homes. In our Homes they were taken care of, seen to their needs, well protected.

Higher class children were given regular online classes from their schools and follow up was done. They also had classes in extracurricular activities like learning stitching, card making, and garland making, craft works.. Their time was chalked out in such a way that they could involve in many activities, learning communicative English, Mathematics, Basics of computer etc and they learnt their lessons. The children were provided individual and group counseling facilities as per the needs. We also visited their families. Most of the mothers are the supporting members of the family. They go for the house keeping in the nearby flats and homes. Due to the COVID 19 no one was allowed to enter any flats or homes. Due to this situation they lost their jobs and had nothing to give to their children and for themselves. Hence we provided food kits and sanitary items to these families of our children a good number of times.

The support we received from Azim Premji Philanthropic Initiatives was a blessing from the Almighty God that we could take care of children and reach out to their parents.

*Sr. Anna Thayyil*

## NAVAJEEVANA SECUNDERABAD

### COVID - 19: AN OPPORTUNITY TO LEARN AND EXCEL



**“Everything in life without expectation is either blessing or blessing in disguise”** says Joel Fotinos. The season of pandemic became a source to sharpen the young brains of the children of Auxilium Navajeevana Secunderabad in multiple ways. Online classes became the channel of such blessings. Sr. Mary V.J the superior of the community facilitated this great opportunity for the Girls in our HOMES and the sisters

coordinated the whole program. The holidays were made use in learning various soft skills, combined with the motivational sessions and inspirational classes the girls.



**Special Tuition**



**Computer class**

### Extra curricular activities



**Mat making**



**Yoga Class**





Franklin Templeton Investments (FTI) Company has taken lead in organizing the webinars for all.

Joy of learning is expressed by every girl who attended this session which dealt on various topics namely Human rights, optimism, attitude, goal setting and media and its effects. This session have brought lot of intellectual and personality development in our girls. Though education centres were closed education remained open for many young especially of Secunderabad Navajeevana centres. The community extended warm welcome following all the protocols of the pandemic to all the resource persons who made possible this learning process of the young girls. Besides this empowerment classes' children were also taught various skills in games both indoor and outdoor. Mr. Prasad of International Association of Lion's Club of Secunderabad conducted Student talent Enhancement Program which brought out hidden talents of children through various activities and exercises. The personal hygiene classes for teenage girls taken by Dr. Divya, medical camp and distribution of essential first aid kits, Human rights and women's role in society and family, Gender equality and importance of girl child, Physical exercises and yoga classes etc. helped the young to remain fit during pandemic.

The pandemic time brought in the great opportunity for the Navajeevan Secunderabad. The girls along with the whole community expressed thanks to every resource person and appreciate their generous contribution of time and talents to empower the children.

*Sr. Balarani*

## **PRATHYASHA BHAVAN PALLURUTHY**

### **The craft work and flower making**

In this day and age, people resort to technology in order to keep their children entertained and occupied, completely forgetting the benefits of craft work and flower making. True, technology is very useful, and children should be introduced to it, but it should never come at the expense of using their imagination and making things with their own hands. The craftwork go beyond simply allowing the children to express themselves in a more creative way. It improves their coordination and fine motor skills. Craft work usually requires children to use both hands in a certain manner, which can help them develop fine motor skills and bilateral coordination. For example, drawing dots and lines, cutting with scissors, and even simply tearing a piece of paper are all quite demanding tasks in terms of dexterity – and children enjoy doing them. This can help them develop faster and become more skilled in their other daily activities.





Children in general are visual about everything that happens around them, and they generally absorb a lot of information every day. However **our Children of Home of Hope Palluruthy** are naturally comfortable with expressing themselves in words and through other activities such as going to school, meeting their friends and chatting about everything under the sky. But with lock down they are in a new situation of, no school, no exams and they are given marks by internals which will impact even their career in the future. **At this hour of need for something different and new our dear Directress of CDEW Rev. Sr. Rosy Lopez's suggestion and the micro project came as a boon to us sisters who take care as well as to the children themselves.**

Being with the children all through the day we realized that some children look for different, more visual ways to express their emotions and thoughts and the craft work and flower making gave them what they needed. It is a safe environment that they can control and shape in any way they want by using any materials they like. Sr. Aayila Catherine and Ms. Anie one of the Staff members of the Home of Hope were ready with their expertise in this field. Thus the children got a better insight into how they feel or what they are thinking by the encouragement they received to participate in crafts activities. They came to know that there are no limits to their imagination. There are many materials, colours, shapes, and activities they could choose, which allows them to explore different options and pick those that they find the most enjoyable.

Children experienced lot of self-fulfilment as they portrayed and exhibited the fruits of their activities and decorated the Chapel, Parlour and their living places with it, it also helped them socialize, created a common ground for all the children who had different interests or simply haven't become aware of their talents yet. Most of them loved creating things with their hands, and see what other children have created. When it comes to creativity, it doesn't matter how old they are the only thing that matters is what they can make. And since children are naturally curious, they gladly approach another child if they like what that child has done. Thus there is better relationship among themselves, joy and serenity in our Home of Hope at this pandemic times.

*Sr. Rosily J*

## **AUXILIUM GRAMA VIKAS CENTRE HASSAN**

### **An Art Mastered by Hassan Children**







The Waus... oohs... Super... Fantastic.... These expressions from all over we received, seeing the beautiful work of our children made them feel proud of themselves, for having mastered an art of Jewellery making along with Card making and garland preparation with pearls. It was a ten full days training, sponsored through CDEW Society.

Sr. Pramila Sundari volunteered to help our children in hand works like crafts, who spared no sacrifice to come all the way from Nandigama in Andhra Pradesh. Sr. Pramila Sundari Pulapati, who is a good educationist, saw to it that they mastered the art in its perfection and the silence and order which they maintained was nothing but superb. Apart from mastering this craft, they learned many lessons for life. There was always excitement to learn new things and to see their own work in its perfection. They are already few takers of their work. Now the order has come from America, the volunteers who visit our centre every year to purchase all that they have prepared. The community and children thank Sr. Rosy Lopez who financed this activity. The learning was really profitable during this time of pandemic.



*Sr. Bridget*

## COVID RELIEF WORK IN COLLABORATION WITH TECH MAHINDRA



CDEW Society distributed provisions kits to 500 families of Avalahalli, Bandapura, Kondaspra, Kaverinagar and Ulsoor with the support of TECH Mahindra and 200 food kits with the support of Sr. Brigit Beir, the Missionprocure of Germany. Sr. Agnes Fernandez, Sr. Venila, FIDES Staff and all the sisters of the community joined hands in identifying the needy families and distributed it to the villages on 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> of December 2020. CDEW acknowledges and appreciates the efforts taken by the donors and volunteers to reach out the most needy people as we enter into a New Year





## GREEN ACTION WEEK (GAW) 2020

We face a crisis of unsustainable consumption. It is a system which is not natural but has been created by people and too much stress is being put on the planet— our common **HOME**. The culture of consumerism increases the production and use of resources. Many people do not have equal access to the goods and services needed for a decent life. Therefore all over the world communities are demonstrating alternative methods to live in balance between people and planet.

GAW is a global campaign which promotes ‘Sharing Community’ method to promote sustainable consumption. When people collaborate and share goods and services, it brings communities closer together and brings social benefits that reduce our environmental impact at the same time. This campaign was meant to promote ethical consumption “Better and more with less”. Consumerism leads to increase in production and unlimited use of natural resources which cannot be retrieved by the nature and also increase pollution and wastes. So, it is our responsibility to create awareness among the people to protect and nurture nature.

As part of GAW Campaign CDEW organised stakeholder meeting on 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2020, conducted cycle rally and distributed 40 kitchen compost bins to women for household waste management.

CDEW Society collaborates with CUTS International to propagate the message of *SHARING* since 2019.



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**CYCLE RALLY**

