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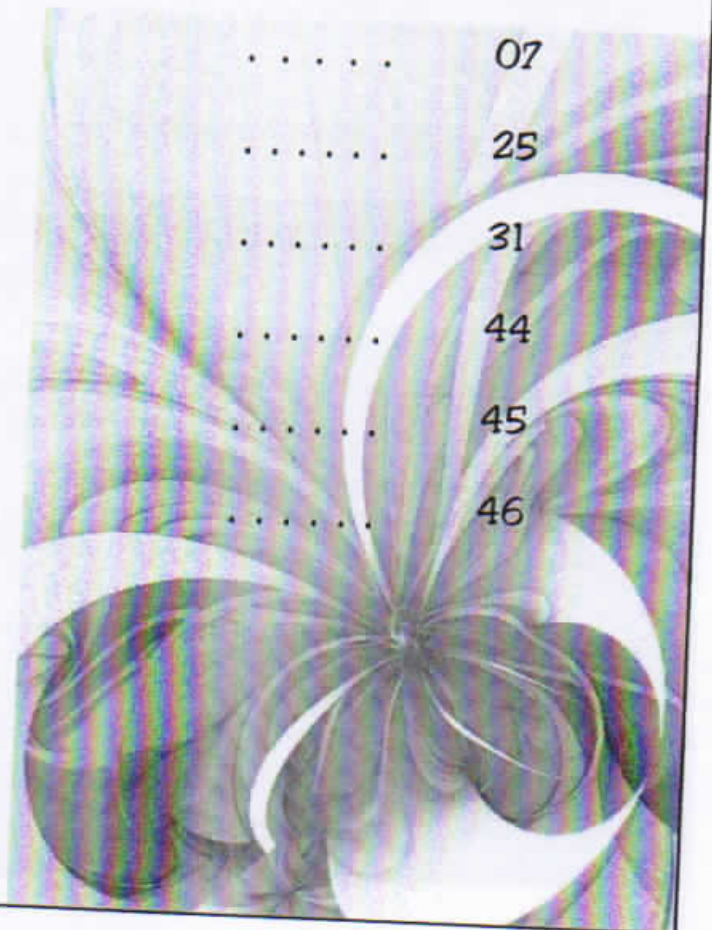
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VISION

Penetrate the world of the underprivileged, especially those children involved in waste recycling in the cities of Bangalore and Ranchi.

REDS seeks to enlighten them with an intervention process aimed at holistic development, ensuring successful integration and participation in the mainstream of society.

APPROACH

PREVENTION

Play Schools:
pre-school education,
health care,
mother & child care

Formal Education:
encouraging continuous
primary education,
education sponsorship,
hostel referrals, retention
programs,
health awareness, coaching
classes,
family involvement

Women's Empowerment:
Self Help Groups,
Income generation - home
based,
to support child's education,
awareness of social issues &
personal health, advocacy

Skill Training:
Tailoring, embroidery,
knitting,
health care, job placement,
life education

REINTEGRATION

Street Presence:
Area visits, counseling,
rehabilitation,
home visiting,
advocacy

Day Care Centers:
Health & Hygiene,
nutrition,
counseling, non-formal
education,
hostel referrals,
child-to-child programs,
awareness on social,
health &
developmental issues

Skill Training:
Carpentry, welding,
tailoring,
non-formal education

INCOME GENERATION

Solid Waste

Management:
community partnerships,
legitimization of
informal waste
work, staff empowerment,
health awareness

A Key Note from the

Chief Manager's Desk

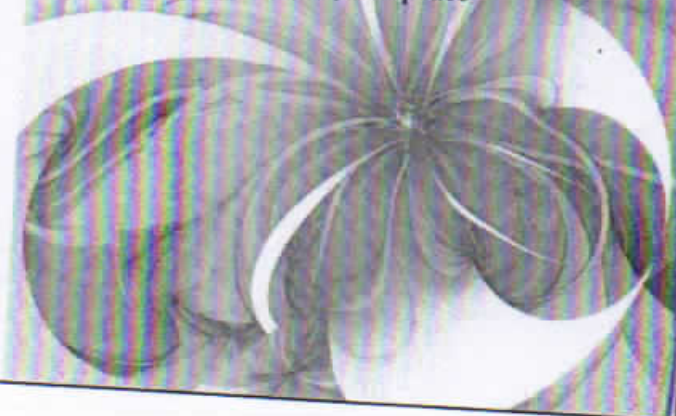


As it is noted for being amongst the fastest growing cities in the globe, Bangalore is also noted for the alarming increase in the number of its waste-pickers. With reference to P.55, Table III.7, UNESCO New Delhi report, the study on a Situational Analysis of Education of Street and Working Children in India in the year 2000 estimated Child workers 56,944 in Bengaluru alone. It is also our estimation conservatively that 9 to 12 children were adding daily to the magnitude of the number. REDS, the undertaking of the Marianist Trust, identifies with the plight of this group and has been responding to their welfare needs more than two decades in both micro and macro levels. By engaging with this work in Bengaluru and in Ranchi (Jharkhand), REDS offers preventive measures that safeguard the rights of the waste-managing children such that they are not forced into living on streets in an unhealthy environment. REDS facilitates opportunities to those children Formal Education with the help of regular schools, otherwise deprived of formal education. REDS provides rehabilitative services that facilitate marketable trade- skill-training and equip them for better and alternate job opportunities that reinstate recognition and dignity.

This small but significant intervention has been possible only with the kind support of like-minded men and women, individually as well as collectively. I, the Chief Manager of the Marianist Trust, owe my gratitude to all the men and women of goodwill regardless of their social and economic standings, and commend them for their contribution to our endeavors. I am deeply indebted to The Marianist Provincial Administration of the Province of the United States, Fondazione P. Alessi Fratelli Domenticati Onlus, and the Bosch Indian foundation who have been the major benefactors in this venture. My sincere thanks to all other fund-raisers of this cause the Marianist Communities around the world and various government and non-government agencies for their support. Together with all the program coordinators and staff of REDS, and the waste-managing families and their children who are ministered daily, I assure you of our sincere prayers and wish you prosperity, joy and peace

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'A. Surin'.

Bro. Augustus Surin, SM
Chief Managing Trustee
Marianist Trust



From the Executive Director's office

Dear Friends of REDS,

"Empowering the Marginalized to Reach for a Better Life"

It is my great pleasure to write a few words in this annual report of 2013-2014. REDS' main goal is to maintain a Significant Street Presence to Engage the Marginalized, Enhance the Effectiveness of the Play School Program, Meet the Educational and Personal Needs of School Dropouts, Assist Women to Achieve Financial Sustainability through Tailoring Skills, Empower Economically Deprived Women through Self- Help Groups, Assist Those who's Livelihood Depends on Waste Management, to Labor with Dignity in a Safe, Profitable and Eco-Friendly Manner, Maintain a State-of-the-Art Computer Training Program, Promote Good Study Habits for Children in Formal Education and Develop a Governing Structure for REDS that Includes Government Recognition.

Each of the REDS programs, Bangalore, Ranchi and Deepahalli have lots of success stories to write. REDS Deepahalli continually has a maximum number of students in all the skill and vocational training center. REDS Ranchi expanded and developed in many areas working with many generous people. REDS Bangalore continues to evaluate the progress of the daily activities, which led us to recruit new staff and implementation of a team work and service to the marginalized people.

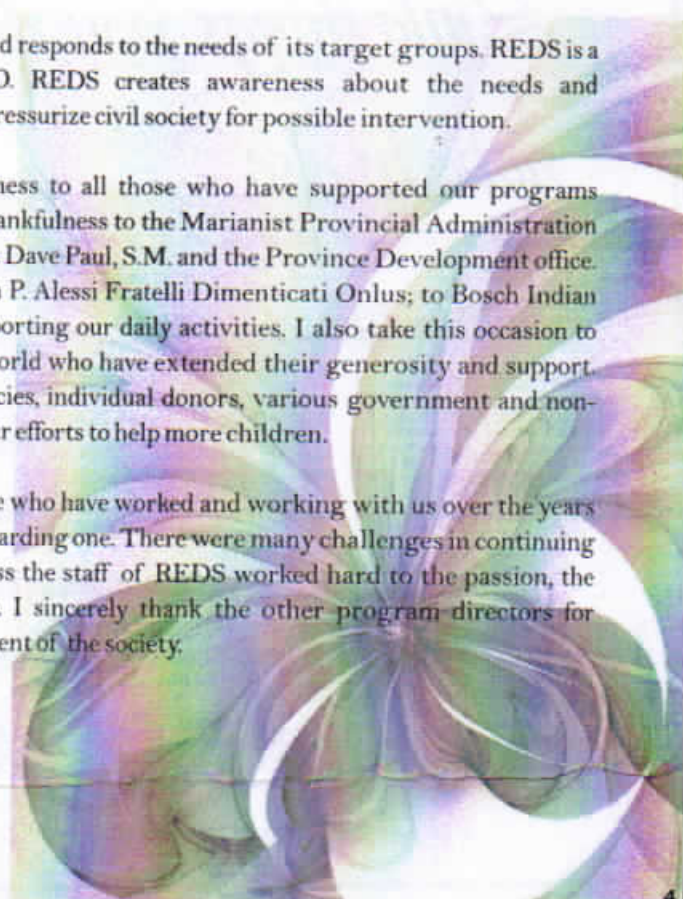
REDS continues its expansion in different areas and responds to the needs of its target groups. REDS is a nationally and internationally recognized NGO. REDS creates awareness about the needs and requirements of street and working children and pressurize civil society for possible intervention.

In this endeavor, REDS is indebted its gratefulness to all those who have supported our programs financially and in many other ways. My Special thankfulness to the Marianist Provincial Administration of the Province of the United States along with Fr. Dave Paul, S.M. and the Province Development office. I extend my deep thanks to the Italian Foundation P. Alessi Fratelli Dimenticati Onlus; to Bosch Indian foundation; and to other foundations that are supporting our daily activities. I also take this occasion to thank all the Marianist communities around the world who have extended their generosity and support. My cordial appreciation goes to the funding agencies, individual donors, various government and non-governmental agencies that have supported us in our efforts to help more children.

I would like to recognize and be grateful to all those who have worked and working with us over the years and in particular during last year, a difficult and rewarding one. There were many challenges in continuing our mission and ministry in few areas. Nevertheless the staff of REDS worked hard to the passion, the spirit and love for the poor-like Jesus and Mary. I sincerely thank the other program directors for collaborating and working together for the betterment of the society.

With gratefulness

Bro. P. Antony Xavier, S.M.





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REDS PROFILE

- 1979** REDS was initiated by Inter-religious Dialogue Group
- 1984** Definite form for REDS with support of Bangalore Multi-purpose Social Service Society (BMSS)
- 1992** The Marianist Trust, a registered charitable trust of the Society of Mary took over REDS from BMSS
- 1995** REDS Solid Waste Management Program initiated
- 1997** REDS Ranchi was established
Day Care Centers established
- 1998** REDS Skill Training Center was established at Deepahalli, Bengaluru
- 2000** Play Schools were initiated
Self Help Groups were initiated
- 2003** Tuition Centers started
- 2005** Tailoring Units for women began
- 2008** Computer Centers established in Ranchi
- 2009** Partnering with BOSCH India Foundation set up Plumbing unit at REDS-STC Deepahalli, Bangalore
- 2010** Utility block at REDS-STC inaugurated
REDS Human Resource Centre set at L. R. Nagar, Bangalore
Skill Training Centre at Singhpur, Ranchi inaugurated
- 2011** Infant Nilaya, REDS Building at Bangalore inaugurated
Computer Centre for adolescent boys and girls established in partner with BOSCH India Foundation in Bangalore



Operational goals

REDS organizes itself in such a way as to make the best use of available management skills, technology and resources that regards a top most priority. To empower the poor and vulnerable to become contributing citizens of the global community, it provides educational activities, skills training, and self-help programs so that the disadvantaged, especially women and children, can live with dignity and purpose. It strives to help the poor to use their human gifts to develop core competencies in order to participate successfully in the mainstream of society. In the Marianist tradition, REDS works for peace, justice, and the holistic development of the marginalized.

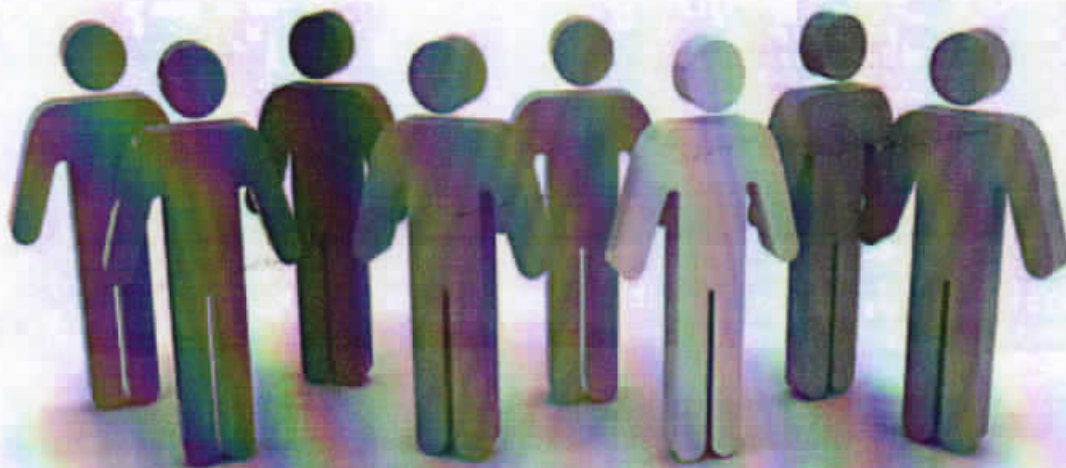
REDS strives to accomplish its main objectives during 2013-14 and the years to follow. **Enterprise** Children's Learning Experiences; **bring** many more school-dropouts into our program to **participate**, provide evening study opportunities at our centers for school going children under our care, providing young people basic computer literacy, upgrade Tailoring units with power-machines, engage the parents who are rag pickers, improve the quality of Waste-Management Enterprise, increase the current Savings and Micro-Loan Program to effect, provide ongoing Staff Development to improve Staff Effectiveness and to broaden and strengthen Programs are the major objective of REDS.

Street Presence

Mrs. Shasikala is our staff in charge of the Street Presence program. She moves from one area to another looking for Rag picking families, boys and girls and motivates them. The little children are placed in the play schools, young boy to REDS Skill Training Centre (STC) at Deepahalli. Young girls are placed at different hostels for formal and non-formal educations. The women are motivated to join the tailoring centers and self help groups.

1. Chitra, a 7 year old girl, hail from Ambedkar Nagar, was found roaming in street. Mrs. Shasikala contacted her and learnt that her father is in jail and her mother was a domestic help. Her mother wanted her to be placed in a hostel and School but unable to do so due to her financial constraint and utter poverty. Mrs. Shasikala was impressed with her interest to educate the child helped placing in Sneha Nilaya hostel through REDS support.

2. Veronica was 6 yrs from L. R. Nagar, he father was got affair with women and her run away with somebody, her grandmother look after her, due to financial problem her grandmother want her to join in a hostel for her future. Mrs. Shasikala look interest on her and join her in Sneha Nilaya hostel through REDS support.



DAY CARE CENTERS

This year the Day Care Centre focused on to expand the sports programs by purchasing additional sports equipment, to introduce the use of audio/video programs, to provide field experiences to museums, zoos, and historical places, to provide training programs four times a year for the staff, to create opportunities for dropouts to mingle with children in formal education or training and to motivate children to reenter formal education or begin a skill training program.

In all the three Day care centers of REDS there were 86 children enrolled and passed out the classes, out of which 45 of them were boys and 42 were Girls.

i. 1, Main Road, L.R. Nagar,

Boys: 11 Girls: 08 Passed out 19

ii. D.J. Halli

Boys: 12 Girls: 15 Passed out: 27

ii. Mysore Road

Boys: 22 Girls: 18 Passed out 40



TAILORING UNITS

There are 5 tailoring units operated in different parts of Bengaluru. 151 girls and married women were admitted in the program out of which 28 of them dropped out for some reason or the other. 4 young girls and 59 married women completed the training.

i. 14th Cross, L.R. Nagar

Girls: 08 Married women: 08 Passed out: 16

ii. D.J. Halli

Girls: 19 Married women: 02 Passed out: 21

iii. Parvathinagar, Hosur

Girls: 16 Married women: 18 Passed out: 34

iv. Ramnagar, Hosur

Girls: 11 Married women: 18 Passed out: 29

v. S.R. Garden

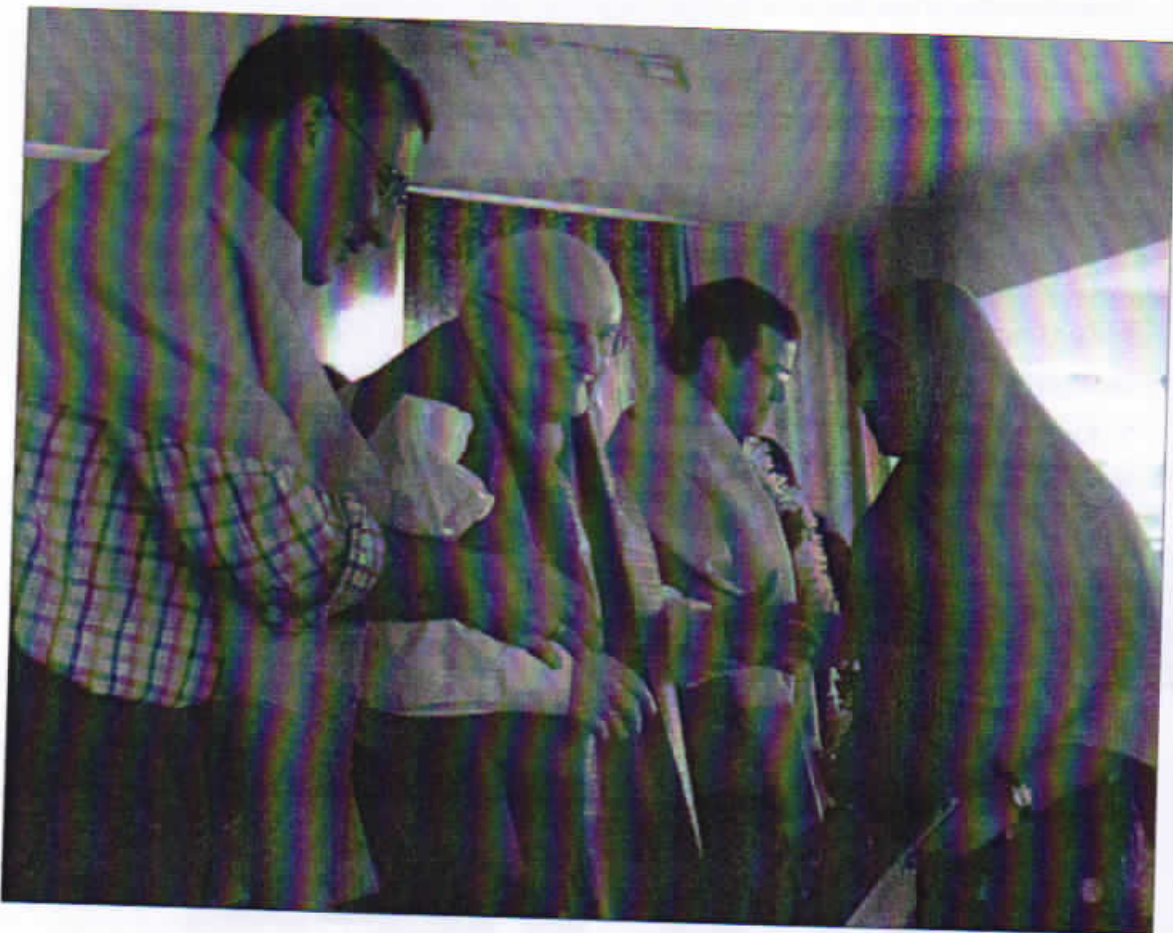
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CASE PROFILE

Sunitha is a 16 year old girl from Mayabazaar lives with her younger brother in her maternal aunt's place. Her father killed her mother and serves in jail for many years now. She felt her brother's future and her own left uncertain. It was then one of her neighbors informed her about the free tailoring course for girls in REDS. She joined tailoring course, learned faster than many of her group. Now she is earning and supporting herself financially.

Sunitha then motivated her brother to join the Skill training Program with free boarding and lodging facilities at REDS STC. She expressed her gratitude towards REDS for all the help and support for her and her brother to take up the challenges with courage.



Savitha was born in a poor family. Her parents couldn't afford to educate her. She was given in marriage at an early age. Her in-law's family was a joint family. Her husband, a daily laborer, found it hard to meet both the ends. Consequently their being poor affected negatively the children's studies. So Savitha decided to take up responsibilities. Through one of her relatives she came to L. R. Nagar Tailoring Centre of REDS and learned tailoring free of cost. Now she is a professional tailor at the neighborhood. She earns fairly a good wage daily and thus helps her family.

SELF HELP GROUP

There are 14 Self Help Groups operating in L.R. Nagar. 103 Women benefit out of this program

SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT

This program has helped the waste recyclers who are involved, given an opportunity to strengthen its partnership with the community and the concerned government offices.

COMPUTER CENTRE

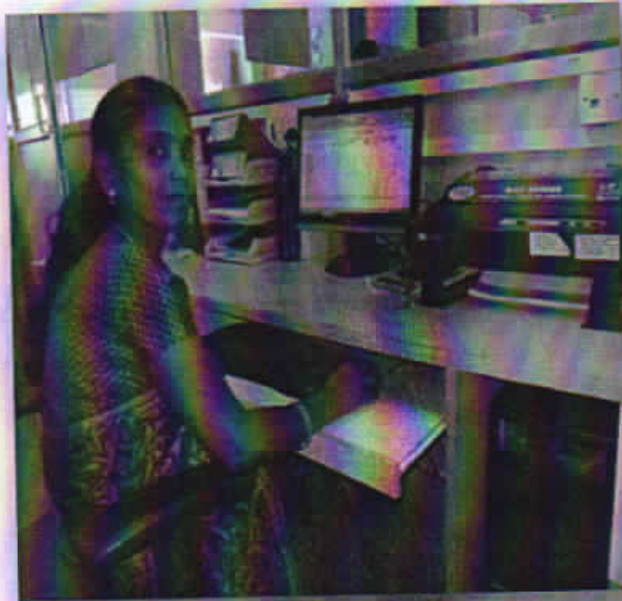
REDS Computer unit runs its basic course in 14th Cross, L.R. Nagar in Bengaluru. This year REDS Computer Unit conducted 3months course in 4 batches. Each batch was divided in to two groups according to the availability of the students and computers.

1. June August 2013	Male, Female ratio=10:31	Total =41
2. Sept.-Nov. 2013	Male, Female ratio=	Total = 44
3. Dec.-Feb. 2014	Male, Female ration=	Total =43
4. March-May 2014	Male, Female ration=	Total =40



CASE PROFILE

1. Reeta is a handicapped girl from Ambedkar Nagar. She had lost her father many years ago but is taken care by her widowed mother Shanta educated her to ninth standard. Shanta found hard to care for Reeta and two other siblings with a little earning as a house keep.



Reeta learned computer with the REDS computer centre and found a job after six months of completing the course as a nurse cum infirmarian in a private school-hostel. Her earning helps her mother to run the family in a descent manner now.

2. Yuvarani, in the inset, is a woman from L.R Nagar, tenth class passed, is a mother of 2 children. Her husband is an auto-driver whose earning was difficult to meet both the ends. She was introduced to REDs computer centre by her neighbor who herself had been

graduated from the centre. After completing the course, she got the certificate got a job in Print Express Company in Koramangala, Bengaluru as a stock in charge of the company. Now Yuvarani is getting a fair salary, runs her family with the financial support her husband. Now she is ready to learn more new courses in computers to better her future opportunity in the job market.

3. Kuppuswamy.P has been employed in Hard Rock Café, St. Mark's Road, Bengaluru for sixteen years as Chef. He is 38 years of age. He is coming for computer class to improve his computer knowledge. He wants to learn MS word to type recipe, to improve they typing speed and to send the mail, because in his work other chef will bring their own recipe list in laptop showing that they getting more salary if he informed his new recipe orally that they will not listen so to learn in computer, he came for computer class, after coming for class now he improve his typing also. In his family total 6 members 4 children they are studying in school.

4. Lucas is working in Big Brew Sky as a manager in Sarjapura Road, for a period of 18 years. He is 38 of age now. He has wife and 3 children to feed. He is coming to the REDS computer centre to learn 'Excel' hoping to earn a better salary. Learning basics in computer would help him practically to type customer details and to send the format to his manger and owner online with attachment.

PLAY SCHOOLS

CASE PROFILE:

Harshitha is from Ambedkar Nagar dumb bit, lives with her parents. Her mother came to know about REDS play school. Mrs. Fathima Veronica, the staff of Play School, looked interested on her and teaches her separately with care and love. Now she is learning the name of common articles and things by identifying in the pictures. She is regular to the school and studies very well. Her parents express that they are ever grateful to REDS.

Sl.No.	Name	Teachers name	Boys	Girls	Total
1	Play School No. 1	Mrs.Kani Mozhi	17	18	35
2	Play School No. 2	Mrs. Amalaporvamaray	20	25	45
3	Play School No. 3	Mrs. Iswaya	16	11	27
4	Play School No. 4	Mrs. Sagayarani	25	9	34
5	Play School No. 5	Mrs. Then Mozhi	17	21	38
6	Play School No. 6	Mrs. Fathima Veronica	25	19	44
7	Play School No. 7	Ms.Sumaiya	18	13	31
8	Play School No. 8	Mrs.Devi	18	19	37
9	Play School No. 9	Mrs.Kamurunisha	22	19	41
10	Play School No. 10	Ms.Suganthi	21	17	38
11	Play School No. 11	Ms. Fathima Banu	10	10	20
12	Play School No. 12	Miss. Balghis Banu	10	10	20
13	Play School No. 13	Mrs.Bhagya	28	20	48
14	Play School No. 14	Mrs.Kumudha	20	15	35
15	Play School No.5	Mrs. Hemalatha	15	18	33
		Total	257	231	486

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i.	1 st Main road, L.R. Nagar Boys: 10	Girls: 8	Passed out: 18
ii.	19 th Cross, L.R. Nagar Boys: 14	Girls: 16	Passed out: 30
iii.	1 st Main road, L.R. Nagar Boys: 5	Girls: 10	Passed out: 15
iv.	14 th Cross, L.R. Nagar Boys: 4	Girls: 11	Passed out: 15
v.	1 st Cross, L.R. Nagar Boys: 6	Girls: 2	Passed out: 8
vi.	Ambedkar Nagar Boys: 6	Girls: 14	Passed out: 20
vii.	Rajendra Nagar Boys: 5	Girls: 5	Passed out: 10
viii.	Bagalur Layout Boys: 9	Girls: 6	Passed out: 15
ix.	Mysore Road Boys: 22	Girls: 6	Passed out: 28
x.	S.R. Garden Boys: 3	Girls: 7	Passed out: 10
xi.	Parvathi Nagar, Hosur Boys: 11	Girls: 11	Passed out: 22
xii.	Ram Nagar, Hosur Boys: 7	Girls: 3	Passed out: 10
xiii.	D.J. Halli Girls: 8	Boys: 12	Passed out: 20
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This year 70 students were tutored in REDS tuition centers located in three cross roads in L. R. Nagar, Bengaluru. They are regular students of public and private school in the near vicinity. 30 boys and 40 girls reported the tuition classes were very helpful in passing in their concerned classes.

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iii.	19 th Cross, L.R. Nagar:		
	Boys: 14	Girls: 6	Total: 20

COLOURFULL EVENTS

Happy Children's Day



CHILDREN'S DAY CELEBRATIONS

Children's Day was celebrated on 20th November, at Corporation Pre-University College, Town by REDS, Bengaluru. Children from REDS Bangalore, Hosur as well as the Skill Center participated as 'Makkala Habbha'. It was a day of fun and frolic for the children as an attempt to give them a glimpse of childhood. The day began with registration of the parents with their parents and fans followed by good breakfast. Over a thousand and five hundred children were enrolled.

Dignitaries and special guests of honor were Mr. Lokesh Naik Councilor (Shanthi nagar A.P. Constitution), Mr. Manju Vice President of Youth Congress, Ms. Jessy Fenn from Bangalore, Mr. Gaurav from Round Table Conference, Mr. Ashvin Gururaj from Interface Direct. A lamp was lit and a dance at the stage as the celebration formally kicked off. Brothers Antony Xanthi and Raj Mohan welcomed all in the dais, the children of the day and their fans and viewers. Guest of honor gave away certificates to the graduates of REDS Computer REDS Unit.

On behalf of the dignitaries Mr. Lokesh Naik, the Chief Guest, addressed the congregation and said that he was pleased to be with the program of REDS. He thanked the management for the opportunity. Mr. Antony Raj thanked the chief guest and those present.

A fabulous cultural program was presented by children's group of L.R. Nagar, Hosur, D. and Bagalur layout. Sumptuous meal was shared with the children at 2 o'clock. At last a waiting orchestra was played. The children thoroughly enjoyed singing and dancing with the music of local hit songs, mad up the day to climax. Children were sent back home at 4.30 with snacks and tea.

A special thanks to Ebenezer International School that sponsored the buses to transport the children for the day.

REDS BANGALORE



Play-School Children' performance on the stage





Rock band at its magical wand



SPECIAL EVENTS

PLAY SCHOOL EXAMINATION

As usual this year also we had Play School Examination and exams were held for 10 days (from 20th to 29th March). About 314 children from Play School wrote the exam, first two day English and Number writing third day General knowledge and from fourth day oral of respectively subjects were conducted, while on the last day some of games was conducted, given sweets and gifts to the children who were participated in the games.



PLAY SCHOOL GRADUATION DAY

Play Schools Graduation days was held different days at centre L. R. Nagar, D. J. Halli, Mysore Road and Hosur. About 311 student had graduation for the day, the Guest for the day was Bro. Antony Xavier, Fr. Prasad, Bro. Prince Bro. Jerin had given marks cards along with gifts, children and parents were very happy to receive the same. Some of the parents shared by saying they were ever grateful REDS that provided education at free of cost.



SPECIAL EVENTS

TAILORING UNIT EXAMINATION

Tailoring Units No. 1 (L. R. Nagar) No. 3 (ParvathinagarHosur) and No.5 (S. R. Garden) Examination was held for a week (from 28th April to 3rd May). About 70 girls had the exam, the first day will be embroidery exam, second day will be drafting and paper cutting, and third day will be cutting and stitching. The girls had their examination very well



TAILORING GRADUATION PROGRAM

L.R. Nagar and S. R. Garden Tailoring Unit Graduation day was held on 13th May at Infpa. The Inaugural event began with Rev. Bro. Raj Mohan's welcoming the chief guest Stander, Bro. Paulus, Bro. Antony Xavier- Executive Director and other staffs Mrs. M. Santhosh Mary Mrs. Shanthi were also presents in graduation day and the lighting of the guests and tailoring- trainees. The Speech by the Guests and Trainee shared one year tailoring. At last certificates and set of tailoring instruments were given to the trainees. concluded with snacks.

Ramnagar , Tailoring unit graduation day was conducted on 8th February, about 23 presented for the day, The Inaugural event began with Rev. Bro. Raj Mohan welcoming guests, Ramnagar Councilor Mr. Nataraj, Lion's Club member Mr. Madesh, Rev. Bro. A Executive Director, REDS Bangalore. Lighting the lamp by the guests and Tailoring Unit, set of tailoring insatrumnts were issued by the chief guest to the students and followed by the guests. Tailoring girls were enjoyed the graduation day and sharing their one year at the tailoring centre.

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TAILORING PICNIC

On 11th January a picnic was arranged for Tailoring Units No. 1 & 5 to Sangam. About 45 trainees enjoyed playing in the water. The day was relaxing, and enjoyable. The lunch was shared with their trainers and trainee.



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COMPUTER UNIT GRADUATION DAY

Computer Unit Graduation days was held on 5th July at Infant Nilaya Hall, about 43 students were the presented for the day, the Guests for the day were Bro. Antony Xavier - Executive Director, Dr. Jessy Fenn from Bosch (I) Foundation, Bro. Prasad, Bro. Raj Mohan and Mrs. Manjula and Computer instructors were also present at graduation day. Dr. Jessy Fenn asked question about computer course to the students and the speech how computer was important in coming generation. The computer certificates were distributed. The program concluded with delicious snacks.



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SELF HELP GROUP PICNIC

On 20th March a picnic was arranged for Raghavendra group (12 members) to Mysore. They were relieved from the daily routine work and family stress and the day was relaxing and enjoyable. They shared their lunch with their animator Mrs. Madhurani.



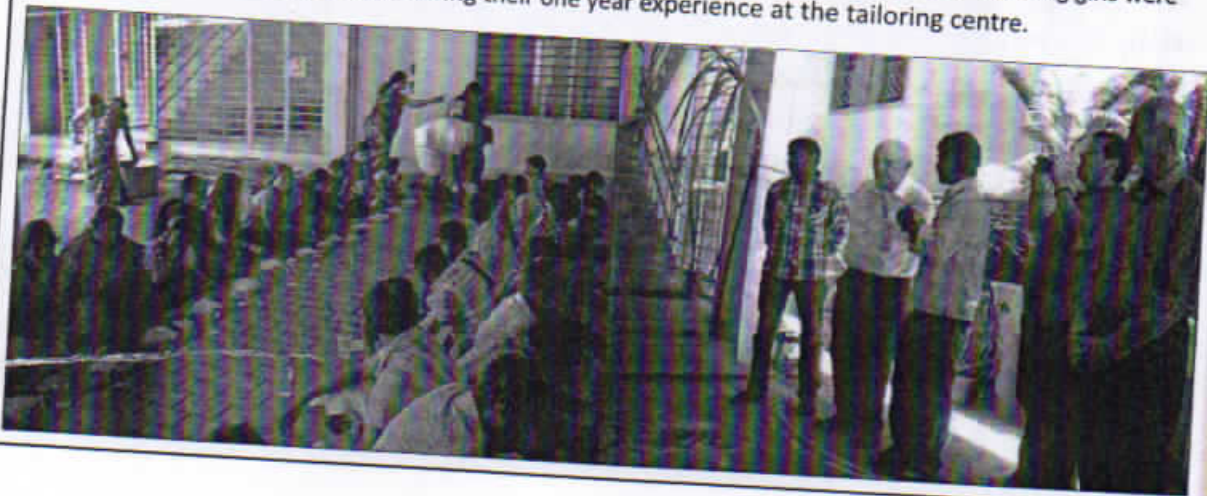
CHRISTMAS GATHERING

Christmas was a time of joy and sharing. On 22nd December a get-together was organized for the REDS Staff. Bro. Raj Mohan said to introduce family member to the other staff and game was conducted for staff and their children, at last the Christmas Message and distributed gifts to the staff and a day ended with lunch.

PONGAL CELEBRATION

On 18th January, Pongal celebration was organized at Infant Nilaya. Pongal is celebrated throughout India. The sweet PongCenter and Computer Unit teachers participated. The staff gathered, displayed beautiful Rangolies in front the office and made sweet Pongal in a mud pot, in the tradition of Indian culture. The Pongal message and wishes was delivered by the Marianist brothers. The staff and their children participated in this occasion. The day ended with lunch and

On other hand D. J. Halli, Tailoring unit graduation day was conducted on the same day, about 23 student were presented for the day, The Inaugural event began with Rev. Bro. Raj Mohan welcoming the chief guests, Rev. Fr. Kip Stander, Rev. Fr. David Flaming, Rev. Fr. Francisco Canseco, Rev. Bro. Basant Kujur, Rev. Bro. Francisco Gonazalez, Bro. Paulus, Rev. Bro. Antony Xavier Executive Director, REDS Bangalore. Lighting the lamp by the guests and Tailoring Unit certificates, set of tailoring instruments were issued by the chief guest to the students and followed speech by the guests. Tailoring girls were enjoyed the graduation day and sharing their one year experience at the tailoring centre.



WOMEN'S DAY CELEBRATION

Women's Day was celebrated on 6th March at REDS Office, Infant Nilaya and Austin Town, for about 70 women participated in the Women's Day Program and SHG Animator Mrs. Madhurani, Mrs. Manjula, Mrs. Shanthi, Mrs. Santhosh Mary Mrs. Shasikala and other staff took part in the program, resource person for a day was Ms. Deepa Majoskar Architect, Mr. Antony from Digital Infotech solutions had gave speech on health hygiene and other social problem and games like musical chairs, Bindhi sticking, Lemon & spoon, Candle lighting and Rangolies was conducted for the member and enjoyed playing games by the members, at last distributed prizes who have won the games. The program concluded with lunch.



SUMMER CAMP 2014

The REDS Summer Camp was held at the REDS Skill Training Center. Boys from L. R. Nagar, areas that REDS Bangalore works were gathered for the 5 days residential program from 16th May to 20th May 2014. Twenty boys (ragpickers and dropouts) participated in the program. All were between the ages of 12-16. The purpose of the camp was to change the children's mindsets. The inauguration for the Summer Camp was held on first day, Sr. Celine and Bro. Raj Mohan gave aware of summer camp rule and regulation, The program begun with lighting up a Lamp, boys introduced themselves to each other, they had games. On 2nd day Shasikala explain about T.B., Cancer, Alcohol, the environment and health, also spoke to the children and gave advice about society and how to interact with society properly. On 3rd day, they taught the boys vegetable curving. On Last day of a camp, they had exhibited their drawing other material and Fr. Xavier Raj was made judge for the day. Staffs and boys thanked Bro. Antony Xavier, Bro. Raj Mohan, Bro. Britto and REDS staffs for conducting summer camp.

Staff workshop

On 15th May, the REDS staff of Bangalore and Deepahalli participated in a workshop. The main theme of the workshop was on the History of REDS. REDS programs, community and enhancing communication skills, the workshop started with warm-up games with staff. Bro. Raj Mohan conducted the workshop. He explained briefly about each program of REDS and the Staff thanked him for coming and dedicating his precious time to them.



Carpentry

3 boys are currently undergoing training.

I am David Kumar. I am fourteen years old. My father died three months ago. My mother is a daily laborer in land work. I was raised in a good catholic family. I have one older sister and she is studying in college. My sister is doing her studies through my uncle's support. While I was studying 11th standard, I lost my father. After my father's death, I was unable to continue to my studies because of lack money. I am very interested in going to school. During this period of time, I had no hope for the future. I spent my time worthlessly. At that point fortunately, I got an opportunity to join the REDS- STC through my parish priest. Here at REDS-STC I begun my life in learning carpentry which laid a strong foundation and hope for my future. I have been learning skills efficiently; I am also learning to write and read in Tamil by the help of the Marianist brothers. Here, I am not only learning skills but I am also well- looked after and taught discipline and the value of life. I feel that I have somebody to care for me. I am so thankful to God and the REDS for giving me this new life to stand on my own.



I am Lukas from Krishnagiri. I am the only son in my family. I have my mother and she is a daily laborer. My father died when I was too young. I have no memories of my father. I have two siblings, one elder sister and one younger sister. My elder sister is going to be married and my younger sister is studying at school. I have completed 9th standard' after that, I was unable to continue to study because my sister's marriage and a lack of money. My younger sister is studying by the help of my uncle. I have lived in very difficult circumstances. I still feel uncomfortable in looking back at my past life. I had a big responsibility to take care of my family because I am the male child. At this point, I received a message about the REDS-STC by my uncle's daughter who is learning tailoring at REDS-STC tailoring center in Hosur. Through her I joined REDS-STC at Deepahalli. I came here and stayed for few weeks and I loved all of them. I decided to stay here. I am feeling very happy because of the support and encouragement of the staff which I am very enthusiastic and loving. Now I am learning carpentry and also encouraged to learn to write and read Tamil. Even though I lost my father but still I get the fatherly love from the staff here. The Brothers and the staff at the STC are looking after me very well. There was no moment that I felt the loss of my father. I am so indebted to God for bringing me here and giving me such a wonderful life.

Plumber

My name is sathish from L.R.Nager slum area. My father is working as a laborer in Building contract. My mother is a domestic worker. I have one younger brother and sister. I am the eldest son in my family. I have studied up to eighth standard. Then I am stopped going to school because of my brother. My younger brother is Very wicked and notorious. Whatever my mother earns and keeps for family expense, he loots and spends the money uselessly and places the blame on me as if I have stolen the money. It happened on many occasions. Therefore, my parents decided to put him in a hostel but he wasn't willing to go. Many days passed by, then one day my father met one of the REDS Staff Mrs. Shasikala, and explained to her about my brother. They brought him to Deepahalli. My brother was not willing to stay here because he needed someone to be with him and to help him. Therefore, I also joined here. In the beginning, I did not like to be here but then I was loved by all. I decided to stay here and I joined in learning tailoring. After few months I changed my unit and joined plumbing. I have now completed my training. Now I am learning an electrical course. I have been here almost for two years. I have been looked after very well and also, I have learned many skills which can improve my knowledge and studies. I love REDSSTC and their works. Thank you all for giving this new life.

My name is Dillip Kumar from Mysore Road. My father is a bus- driver and my mother is working in a beauty parlor. I have my younger brother who is studying in 8th standard. I studied up to 8th standard, and then I dropped out because of my lack of interest in studies. I was forced to continue my studies and I was admitted to a hostel. I hated studying and ran away from the school. My parents got tired of forcing me to study. I spent a few months rooming with my friends and became involved in bad habits. Sometimes, I won't go home I would just stay in the street corners. Many months were passed then I was asked to join REDS-STC by my uncle' son who studied here and was working in a company. Through him, I joined here and continued my life. In the beginning I found it difficult to stay here and ran away many times. When I came back here, I begun learn some skills. Now, I have completed the plumbing course. I am very to go to my village, because the people respect me very well. The people who once called me rowdy and a thief now are astound to see me and that I am studying and have learned how to behave and respect others. Whenever I go to my house, many people ask me to take their sons to REDS. My parent is also very happy to see me. Now I am learning an electrical work in REDS. I hope next year I will get a good job and help my parents and my brother. I am very grateful to God for giving this wonderful life through REDS-STC.

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FORMAL EDUCATION

I am Kumar from the L.R.Nager slum area. My father left the family and went away. My mother is a domestic worker. I have two sisters, one older and younger. They are studying in a hostel. I grew up in poor circumstances where I couldn't find anything to enhance my life except in joining rag picking work. I did this work for a year. I had many friends who urged me to use all the wages I got for drink and drugs. The days were passed meaninglessly. Whatever I earned I spent for my friends in ignorance. Later I came to know the value of money. During this period of time, I could earn money but I couldn't stop using drugs and smoking pipes, I became addicted to that. One day, I met one of the REDS staff, Mrs. Shasikala, and then, I joined the REDS-STC. I was asked to choose a unit to learn some skills. I expressed my wish to the director of REDS that I would like to go to school when I joined. I studied hard and also changed my personality. Through the help and the encourage of the staff and the Brothers I completed my eighth standard. Now I am very happy here and having such good friends and the Brothers who are looking after me like my parents. I am very grateful to God for giving this REDS-STC.

I am Naveen Kumar from L.R.Nager koramangala Bangalore. I have my parents. My father is auto- driver and my mother does the domestic work. I have my siblings' one younger sister and one younger brother. My sister is studying 3rd standard and my brother is not studying, he is at home. My father has two wives, therefore, he did not take care of us well. I am the eldest son in my family and I was left in the street where I was doing rag picking work for few months. In this time of bitterness I met one of the REDS Staff Mrs. Rani. Through her, I joined here. I was very happy here because I had good friends. The staff and the Brothers took care of me very well. I expressed my desire to study so they sent me to school then I completed my studies up to 8th standard. Now I am working in a private company and getting sufficient salary to live and to help my siblings. I thank God for bringing me here and showing me great love and care through the people with whom I live. God has given me this good future, Thanks to the Brothers and the REDS Staff.



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Welding

WELDING UNIT BOY'S BACKGROUND

I am Vignesh from Austin town. I belong to a poor family. I have my father and mother. My father has two wives and my mother is the second wife for him. Now my father is helpless in my family due to his poor health condition. My father had a stroke and the left side of his body parts is not functioning well. My mother is a domestic worker. I have one younger sister and two younger brothers. I am the first son in my family. I was not interested in going to school. I spent my time in the slums and involved in many illegal works such as stealing. I grew up in a bad surrounding so I cultivated bad habits such as using drugs and smoking pipes. At this time I have joined the REDS-STC at Deepahalli in the year 2010. In the beginning, I was not interested in learning anything here. I wanted to run away from here and join my friends. But it continued for more than one and half years. After that I had much counseling with the welding instructor and the Brothers. I found something good in myself, then I begun to learn welding and the lathe. During this course of time I really was able to change myself and able to think of my family condition and the future life of my siblings. Unless I work and earn money who will look after my family? I was inspired by the boys with whom I stayed. They are also like me coming from poor family backgrounds. I have almost spent my four years in REDS-STC. Two years ago, I begun only to understand the reality of human life and then I worked hard in learning skills. I became a good student and I was able to do grill designs, making windows, benches, desks, and so forth. Now I have got a good job in a welding workshop nearby my home town. My parents are very happy to see me. I always think and pray for the Brothers and the teachers who helped me to find good qualities in myself and saw me as a good person in the society where I now live. I give a big thanks to all of you.

My name is Ranjith from Mysore road. My father is a daily laborer and an alcoholic. He spends whatever he earns on drink and drugs. My mother is working in a hotel whatever she earns; she uses that money to take care of the family. I have two siblings, one elder brother and one elder sister. My brother is a daily laborer and my sister is working in a garment company. I live with my parents and siblings. I was studying at the local school. I used to leave the classes and go out stealing with my friends. Finally, I lost my interest in studies and dropped out of school after completing my 7th standard. My mother came to know about me and put me in a hostel but I ran away from there. I was in my house doing nothing. I have been involved in illegal acts such as stealing. One day, my mother met one of the REDS boys who stay in my village through him; I joined the REDS-STC. I came here along with him and I liked the place and decided to stay here. I was asked to select skill training then I chose welding and lathe. I have been here almost seven months here. I feel very happy and I have set a goal to become a good welder. I am still working on achieving my goal. The life that I live here really is giving me a good motivation and support. Truly, I enjoy being here because it is like living in a big family. I would like to get a good job after completing my training. I am very grateful to REDS-STC for helping me to recognize my vocation in my life.

PLUMBING UNIT BOYS

S N	NAME	FATHER NAME	MOTHER NAME	HOME TOWN
1	SURYA	-----	-----	AUSTIN TOWN
2	SANTHOSH	PRAKASH	GUNASUNDARI	L.R.NAGAR
3	MARTIN	BALRAJ	LAXMI	VIVEK NAGAR
4	SATHISH	KUMAR	GAURI	L.R.NAGAR
5	KIRAN	CHANNA REDDY	PUSHPA	SAMPANGEE NAGAR
6	ALLAVU THEEV	LAXMAN	NURI	AUSTIN TOWN
7	DILLIP	ANAND	GEETHA	KATHRAKUP PA

WELDING UNIT BOYS

S N	NAME	FATHER NAME	MOTHER NAME	HOME TOWN
1	VIGNESH	NAGARAJ	VASATHA	AUSTIN TOWN
2	ARAVIND	BABU	JACINTHA	PUDHUPETT AI
3	MICHEAL	-----	-----	DEEPAHALLI
4	ARJUN	SEENA	MURUGAM A	SHESHATHI PURAM
5	RANJITH	ELUMALAI	PUSHPA	ULLAL UPPA NAGAR
6	SANJAY	LAZER	DEEPA	KAVALPAIS ANDRA
7	SATHISH	VENKTESH	KALAIVANI	L.R.NAGER
8	NAVEEN	MAARI	SARASVATHI	SHESHATHI PURAM

CARPENTRY UNIT BOYS

S N	NAME	FATHER NAME	MOTHER NAME	HOME TOWN
1	DAVID	MATHALAIMUTHU	REETHAMMA	SOLAIPURAM
2	SUDEEP	SANKAR	POTTAMMA	JESSMILLA ROAD
3	LUKAS	ANTHONY SAMU	GNAMARY	KEMPATHUPALLI

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HISTORY

Marianist brothers were guided and motivated by the then General superior Fr. Davide F. to take up a ministry for rag pickers & coal pickers of Ranchi city; therefore, survey was done by Bro. Victor Raj, S.M. during 1995 to 1996. REDS was officially started on 1997 with the blessing of Rev. Arch bishop Talesphore P. Toppo DD. Since then it has traveled a long way supporting rag picker and coal picker families to provide better education to their children and have brought socio-economic changes in their lives too. Knowing the good work being done by Marianist, His Excellence extended his support to REDS.

VISION

The REDS is recognized as one of the most effective intervention schemes in Ranchi. It insures that marginalized and vulnerable children and their parents are successfully integrated into the mainstream of the society.

MISSION

To empower the poor and vulnerable to be contributing citizens of the global community, the Ragpickers Education and Development Scheme assists in placing and supporting children in formal education and motivating them to complete their studies. It also provides skills training, and self help programs so the disadvantaged, especially children and their parents, can live in dignity and with purpose. Thus, it assists people to use their human gifts to develop job skills and/or academic competencies to participate successfully in the mainstream of society. In the Marianist tradition, REDS stands for peace and justice and works towards holistic development of marginalized people.

If the only tool you have is a hammer, you tend to see every problem as a nail. Abraham Maslow

SURVEY

It is a primary method of coming to know about the family. We try to get first hand information through survey and then second hand data is gathered from the households located in the same locality. Only if data of both the findings are the same, families are connected to REDS; otherwise, we wait for six months to one year to validate the findings. Since our staffs are in the field every day, it is very easy to find out the authenticity of the survey. We support only those families, which come under our mission and vision. Children and parents of rag picking, coal picking, rickshaw puller, widow, and widower families are given support by the organization.

ADMISSION TO NON-FORMAL EDUCATION

Admission to Non-formal Education Unit. A child above four years of age is admitted in the non-formal education unit. We prepare a child at least for two years, once a child is ready to be enrolled in the formal school, we enrolled him/her in the private schools.

Program focuses on providing educational opportunities to children, who have never been to school or dropped out of school. Through the non-formal education children are motivated and counseled, which enables us to mainstream them in the society. Initially, children come only for having food but eventually end up being regular.

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Slum Based Non formal Students' Strength

Sl.no	Center Name	Male	Female	Total
1.	Tokitoli	25	28	53
2	Khadgarha	18	27	45
3	Chutia	4	14	18
4	Pahari	19	13	32
5	Hatma	26	20	46
6	Irgutoli	18	21	39
7	Doranda	30	7	30
8	Argora	15	19	34
9	Mosibari	24	15	39
10	Hatia	22	17	39
11	Hindperhi	11	12	23
		Total =405		

Age Group of Non -Formal students

Centre age Group	4-	5-	6-7	7-8	8-9	9-10	10-11	11-12	Total
Tokitali	5	15	6	15	7	3	1	1	53
Khadgarha	2	6	16	12	5	3	1	1	45
Chutia	-	6	10	2	-	-	-	1	18
Pahari	3	7	4	10	5	2	1	-	31
Hatma	1	9	10	11	3	3	3	6	46
Irgutoli	5	9	5	5	10	2	1	2	39
Doranda	-	8	8	9	3	2	1	6	37
Argora	1	9	3	2	8	8	3	-	34
Mosibari	-	7	11	8	5	3	3	3	40
Hatia	-	13	14	10	1	1	-	-	39
Hindpri	3	8	4	5	2	-	-	1	23
Total	20	97	91	89	49	27	13	20	405

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Non-Formal Students (Occupation)

Sl.No	Centers	Only Study	Study+Rag +Coal Picking	Study Mailservant	Total
1	Tokitali	6	26	21	53
2.	Khadgarha	1	28	16	45
3.	Chutia	3	15	-	18
4.	Argora	24	7	3	34
5.	Mosibari	25	4	11	40
6.	Doranda	15	11	11	37
7.	Hatia	17	22	-	39
8.	Hindpirhi	2	21	1	23
9.	Pahari	-	18	13	31
10.	Irgutoli	39	-	-	39
11.	Hatma	27	19	-	46
Total = 405					

Number of non- formal students admitted in formal school in 2014

Sl.No	Name of centre	Number of students	Male	Female
1.	Tokitali	4	2	2
2.	Khadgarha	5		
3.	Chutia	3	1	2
4.	Pahari	2	2	-
5.	Hatma	3		
6.	Irgutoli	-		
7.	Doranda	5		
8.	Argora	5		
9.	Mosibari	10	9	1
10.	Hatia	12	7	5
11.	Hindpri	3		
Total = 54				

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CENTRE BASE STRENGTH OF FORMAL SCHOOL STUDENTS:-

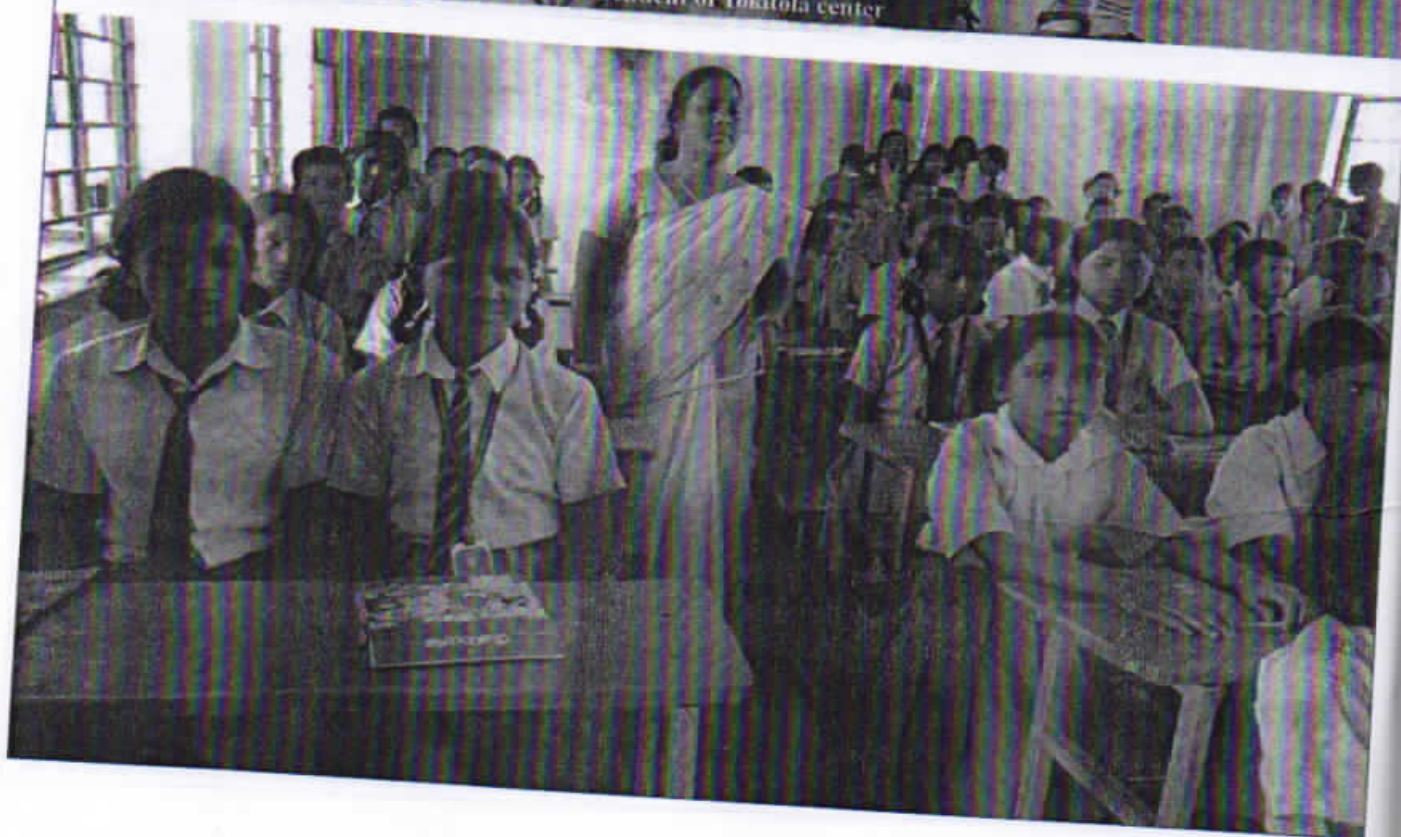
SL.No	Name of the centres	Number of students			
		T.G	N.G	Dropout	Total
1.	Tokitali	57	19	8	84
2.	Khadgarha	30	3	14	47
3.	Chutia	19	3	9	31
4.	Pahari	14	20	4	38
5.	Hatma	12	3	20	35
6.	Irgutoli	19	-	3	22
7.	Doranda	14	29	16	59
8.	Argora	24	3		27
9.	Mosibari	34	19	12	65
10.	Hatia	75	10	12	97
11.	Hindpri	6	-	-	6
	Total	304	109	98	511



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Student of Tokitola center



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HOSTEL STUDENT

Those children who have economically poor background or those children who have orphan that case we consider for giving them hostel facilities .

Name of Hostel	Number of Students	
	Male	Female
Singhpur	20	
Bahya		10
Total = 30		

For the academic year 2014-15, we enrolled four male children in Singhpur hostel



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NUTRITION

The motto of the organization is - none of children connected to REDS should go hungry. We make sure that each child gets a meal each day. Every day, we feed nine hundred to twelve hundred children. Number varies each day because some children show up only when they are around. Most of the children go to pick waste and if they come back early, come to the centre only to have food but eventually become regular students.

GUARDIANS MEETING

Monthly guardians meeting are organized in all the eleven slums. So far 522 parents participated in the meetings. It is a means to keep them up to date with the events of the schools and to build rapport with them so that we can understand them in a better way. The agenda of the meetings were Education, Saving, Health & Hygiene.

RECORD OF THE MEETING FOR THE YEAR 2013-14:-

Sl. No.	Name of the centres	Male	Female	Total
1.	Chutia	10	28	38
2.	Khadgarha	10	45	55
3.	Pahari	12	19	31
4.	Hatma	9	32	41
5.	Irgutoli	7	11	18
6.	Hindpiri	6	17	23
7.	Mousibari	20	69	89
8.	Hatia	19	54	73
9.	Doranda	1	35	36
10.	Argora	Nil	24	24
11.	Tokitoli	25	69	94
				Total = 522

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COUNSELING:-

Individual counseling is basically a collaborative effort between an individual and our counselor. Our goal is to provide collaborative supportive to short out individual problems. Slum dwellers have individual, family and more of social problems. Due to social pressure, ratio of school dropout is rather high each year; however, we are trying to minimize it through counseling.

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MEDICAL & MEDICATION

We thank school managing committee of St. Anthony school, Doranda for giving medicine, cloths, busses for Annual Day and for organizing health check-up camp for 374 REDS children.

EYE CHECKUP:-

During health check-up camp Sangeeta Mrdha and Roshan Mrdha from Hatia , Khushboo Kumari, Babli kumara and Vim Malar from Mosibari were found that their eyes have some defects. On 13/2/2014 ,they were taken to Dr.S.Kumar a child specialist and then to the Dr. Neeraja Singh an Eye Specialists. Some of the children got medicines and others got spectacles.



A.N.M Nurse giving Vitamine A medicine

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VOCATIONAL TRAINING



DRESS MAKING UNIT - There are ten members working hard to fulfilling the need of their family. Some are married women and some are student. They are very happy to work. All are hard-working and self dependent. All belong to rag picking and coal picking families.

SELF HELP GROUPS

- Motivate parents for regular saving.
- Report writing
- Monthly meeting & Collection.
- Loan transaction.
- Maintaining bank account.

Total strength of SGH members is 141. We organize monthly meeting in every eleven centers. The main agenda of the meeting is children, family affairs and savings. Groups have saving account in bank. And they are saving money in to the Bank regularly

<u>SL.no</u>	<u>Center Name</u>	<u>Number of SHGs</u>
1.	Doranda	3
2.	Mosibari	3
3.	Chutia	1
4.	Tokitoli	4
5.	Khadgarha	1
6.	Hatia	2
Total Group - 14		

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ANNUAL DAY

On 9th February 2014 , we celebrated 16th REDS Annual day, at SOosph's Girls' School, Samlong. The Rector Rev.Fr.Dr.J.P.Pintoo StAlberts College, Director Sr.Rosita SRA of Chabij. Mr. Kulbushan Dundung, the ward commissioner from Tokitoli lowadhi were the chief guests for the day. We also had Sr.Mary Magdali Bage, the principal of St.Joseph School, the Marianist Sister and Brothers from novitiate and other communities as well. Kids from all the eleven centers enthusiastically participated in the programs. All of them performed excellent programs, best students award was given to children of non-formal and formal

LOCAL INSTITUTIONAL SUPPORT



Extracurricular Activates:- St. Albert College, Ranchi organized a day seminar for students. It was a moment of learning with fun.

THANK YOU

VOLUNTEERS & VISITORS

*We have accomplished much
because of the help and support of others.
Our sincere thanks to all those who have come
here to be part of the program, spend time with the
children and help us rebuild their lives.....*



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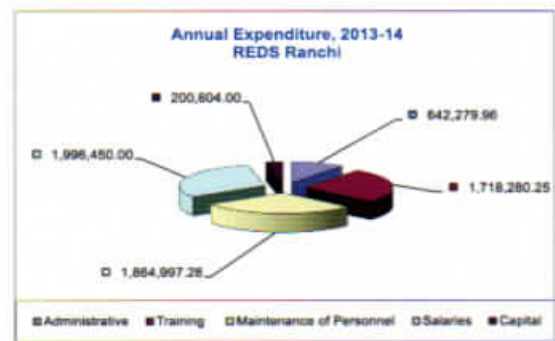
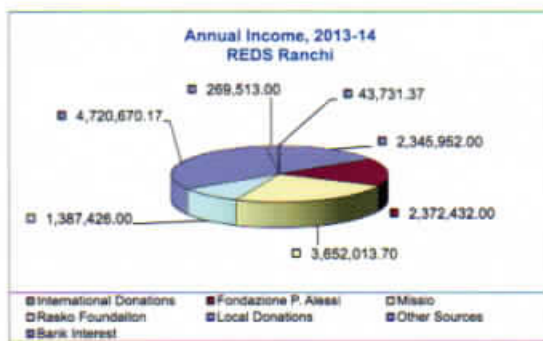
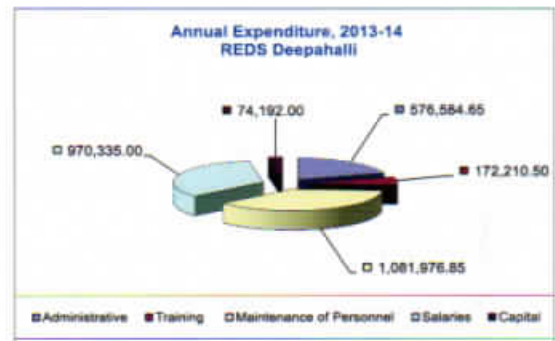
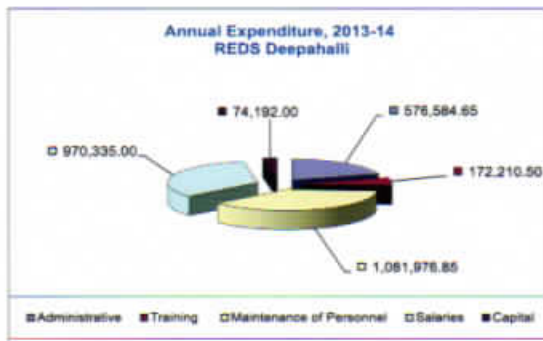
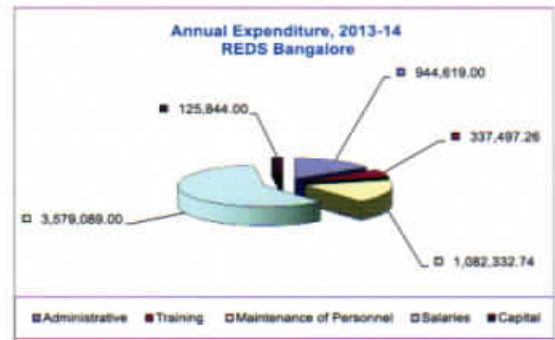
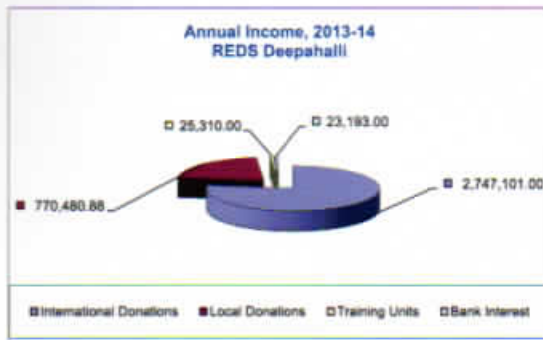
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ShankerNersare
Anjai Stao
Bablu
Sewane
Jasphin Sister
Ward Cammisner (Katatoli)
AnilTigga
SeemaKujur
Sir.FaguOraon
RCMiddle School (Hindpiri)
Carmal School
TabsumNigarParishad
St. Joseph M School ,Samlong
BidyaShadan(Fr.Denice)
St.Francis School, Samlong
Dr.EstelaBaxla,Samlong
Carmel sisters
St.Terician Convent, Lowadhi
Anita Sinha
Kulbhuson Dungdung (World
Camissner)
Gearge Chanshan
Partha
NirmalaLakra
Neraj Lakra
BinodKispotta(A.S.I)
RosaliyaToppo
Shailbala Lakra
Q.N.Boy
Anna Motors
NiranjanP.Lakra
PawanKachhap
Suman Lakra
Naraya&Alsociales
Mr.ParweshKachhap
Fr.Fulgems Kerketta
Deepali Kachhap
Oblale Sisters of Nazareth
MonikaTigga
AshaToppo
Clarlian House
AreekRunda
Pawan Topno
BaseelKindo
St.Anthony School,Doranda



REDS FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

Income and Expenditure as on 31st March 2014

All Sums are in Rupees



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