

ALL INDIA DON BOSCO EDUCATION SOCIETY (AIDBES)

All India Don Bosco Education Society (AIDBES) has been registered under the Societies Registration Act, XXI of 1860 with Registration Number S/24921 of 1993 and has been registered as a Society and Approved on 07th October, 1993. The Society has its Statutes and Memorandum of Association and Rules & Regulations approved by the Registrar of Societies, New Delhi. The Society has 80 G Certificate, 12 A Certificates and has PAN Number. The society has been approved by the Salesian Provincial Conference of India (SPCI) in 1993

Aims and Objectives

The aims and objects for which the Society is established are:

- a) To be available, anywhere in India, to the Religious Congregation known as Salesians of Don Bosco.
- b) To provide information and guidance in administrative matters relating to education, and every matter relevant thereto, such as, employment, property, taxes, finances, and the like, for all educational institutions, academic/vocational/formal/non-formal/youth centres etc.
- c) In all matters relating to education to accept in principle the directions of the Catholic Bishops' Conference of India.
- d) To represent as and when required in all or any matter (academic, vocational, professional, social welfare, financial etc...) relating in any manner to the administration of educational institutions before any court of law, before any authority/authorities.
- e) To raise funds and to receive and use any gift, donation, foundation in cash or other moveable and immoveable property of all descriptions and to undertake and carry out the offices, duties and functions of trustees, managers and administrators, solely or jointly with others, in respect of such gifts, donations and foundations whether vested in the Society or otherwise.
- f) To subscribe or give donations to and financially or otherwise to aid any other activity with similar objects.
- g) To do all such other lawful acts and deeds as are essential or conducive to the attainment of the objects of the Society.

Various Activities of All India Don Bosco Education Society (AIDBES)

- **Schools Self Review and Evaluation Process**

The Objective of the SSRE Programme is to understand our Schools' strengths & weaknesses and help them to be standardized at the national level. It is in this context that we are striving to enhance the quality of our educative culture. The Salesian style of education requires an equilibrium and capacity of mental adaptation. The ability to make free choices in the light of genuine internal motives; a sufficient psychological autonomy; experience of freedom without a feeling of negative frustration is a fundamental need. Hence by redefining and restructuring our approach, methodology and our infrastructure, we redefine ourselves and rejuvenate the lives of the young people entrusted to our care. We are planning to do this in three phases.

Firstly by subjecting ourselves and our educational institutions to a comprehensive self-review and a qualitative education by a competent agency that would look into the heart of our educative culture and educative atmosphere on Seven Key Performance Areas keeping the young person as focal point. While we have strived to improve the standard of our schools, we realize that this ongoing process of standardization needs a scientific assessment of what we perceive by quality and what can be rendered as qualitative package enabled through time tested modern educational technology and human science. We have Seven Key Performance areas based on which both review and Assessment take place.

1. Leadership & Management
2. Teaching & Learning
3. The Child
4. The Curriculum
5. Community & Partnerships
6. Infrastructure & Resources
7. The Salesian Way

Secondly, there are many requisites for excelling in the system of Don Bosco. The capacity for true love, openness to others, ability for mutual acceptance and of unconditioned and positive appraisal; kindness, sincerity of mind, constant respect for justice; pleasantness in dealing with others, are also basic requirement for a Salesian Educator. We have about 1000 Salesians and more than 7500 teachers in our Institutions who need this ongoing process of formation. Hence we have developed an all-inclusive Leadership and management training for the Principals and Salesians; and a customized training programme for the teachers.

Third, as part of the process, we have envisaged multiple training programmes for able Salesians and Educator-Collaborators to become qualified assessors who later can help with continual assessment of our institutions.

We have completed the School's Self Review and Evaluation (SSRE) programme in the provinces of Guwahati, Tiruchy and Panjim and also we completed the first Phase of Training on Leadership & Management for the School Leaders in the Province of Guwahati and Tiruchy. For the Panjim Province, we have scheduled the Training programme on 18 to 20 January, 2016.

In 2016 we have plans to carry out this process in the provinces of Dimapur, Chennai and Bangalore and we are planning to do Reviewing and assessing over 250 Don Bosco Schools In India.

- **National Educational Conference of Don Bosco Schools (NECDBS)**

1ST National Educational Conference of Don Bosco School (NECDBS)

It was organized by All India Don Bosco Educational Society (AIDBES) together with the Salesian Province of New Delhi. In the context of ``the Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education Act 2009``, **about 200 Salesian Principals of Don Bosco Schools** and Provincial delegates for School Education, gathered **at Don Bosco Alaknanda, Delhi, from 24th to 26th September 2010** for their first ever National Conference to reflect together on the theme, ``**Challenges and New Frontiers in Education.**``

2nd National Educational Conference of Don Bosco schools (NECDBS)

The 2nd National Educational Conference of Don Bosco Schools (NECDBS) India and General Assembly of Don Bosco Schools India Forum began on **28 September, 2012 at Don Bosco Park Circus, Kolkata**. His Excellency Mr. M.K. Narayanan, the Governor of West Bengal, addressed **160 principals of Salesian Schools from the various Salesian provinces of India**.

3rd National Educational Conference of Don Bosco Schools (NECDBS)

175 Principals of Don Bosco Schools in India gathered for the Third National Educational Conference of Don Bosco Schools (NECDBS) India 2014—organised by the All India Don Bosco Educational Society (AIDBES) in collaboration with the Salesian Province of Mumbai—met from **06 to 09 November 2014, at Don Bosco, Matunga, Mumbai**.

Suggestions from the Provinces for NECDBS

1. NECDBS Administrative body
 - For a tenure of three years
 - An executive Body with offices
 - To have a Registered Body
2. To have more relevant themes and talks with more case studies and at higher level and not to have the basic themes again and again.
3. Counselling and PDC could be set up in our schools.
4. To have Research and Development Centre
5. To have a National Level Magazine
6. To have a National Website for all our Schools
7. To have a RTE- Information Cell
8. To have more initiation Training Programme for New Principals
9. Activities in common to link the Provinces
10. Common Teacher Appraisal
11. National Resource Team (ex: Legal Cell)
12. Common Identity for all our Schools- uniform. Logos
13. Awards for Performance to Schools on criteria pre-established
14. National Educational Policy for all Salesian Schools
15. To have a National Congress for Staff Members
16. To get minority certificate for all our Schools
17. Inter-Cultural Meet for all the students at National level
18. Networking for buying and sharing of resources and knowledge
19. DB IAS Academy
20. On going training of the Alumni
21. Online examination and syllabus on Preventive system
22. Common Catechism and Moral Science, GK and Child Rights Syllabus to be prepared
23. A Series of text books for School children on Don Bosco (1st std to XII std)
24. Bylaws for NECDBS to be framed by a panel of experts
25. Since all Principals are involved directly into Scouting BOSCOREE could be under the umbrella of NECDBS
26. National Don Bosco Anthem in English to be used in all our schools across the country
27. The meeting of Principals to be conducted every two years
28. At least two national competitions to be held- essay writing and General Quiz
29. National Directory of Don Bosco Schools could be posted into the national website.

30. To select the Executive Body during the time of Conference
31. To have a spokesperson at the National level for Schools
32. Set parameters for “Don Bosco Schools” standardization format to be prepared at the national level- taking into account our rural and urban settings
33. Avail certification to teachers who qualify in the “DB way of education.
34. Live in experience to other provinces

- **National Summit on Tech Leap for Rural Schools in India**

Technology is changing the world today. Over the next 10 years every single person will grow up with a mobile phone and have access to lot of information. In such times it is important to bridge the digital divide, so that schools both in rural and non-rural locations have access to identical resources.

In order to facilitate this conversation, All India Don Bosco Education Society (AIDBES) conducted a two day National Education summit in partnership with Zaya Learning Labs on the 4th and 5th of September in the Don Bosco Provincial House, New Delhi. The theme for the summit was “Tech Leap for Rural Schools in India: How Technology can help schools and colleges excel in their pursuit of world class education.” The main speakers for the event were Fr. Maria Charles sdb, Secretary of AIDBES; Ms. Namita Dalmia from the Central Square Foundation, Mr. Neil D’Souza, founder of Zaya; Mr. Willibrord George, founder of the St. Willibrord International School in Mumbai, Mr. Gaurav Singh, founder of the 3.2.1 Education Foundation; Ms. Meg Whittenberger, Director of Operations at Zaya; Mr. Sridhar Rajagopalan, CEO of Education Initiatives, Don Bosco Alumni and Educational Entrepreneur; Mr. Pranav Kothari, from Mindspark and Educational Initiatives and Mr. Nathan Koblitz, from Porticus.

We are looking for the latest technology which will enhance the learning capacity; Teaching capabilities; School Administration; student and teacher assessment

- In the most user friendly way- with laptops or tablets
- With wi-fi and latest syllabus material inclusive
- Cost effective way – solar generated and portable
- Innovative and customized education tools

We had a tie up with some of the best minds in Education today in India. Some of the groups we are associated with are:

- Central Square Foundation
- Zaya Learning Labs
- 3.2.1 Education Foundation
- St. Willibrord International School
- Education Initiatives
- Mindspark
- Shivnadar School Education Foundation
- Ratan Tata Education Foundation
- Grey Matters India,
- Jaya,
- Cloning Lapse
- Nalanda Education Group
- Motivation for Excellence
- Adhyayan
- Khan Academy

The event concluded with Mr. Neil D'Souza, (Founder of Zaya Learning Lab) introducing a helpline for the Principals in the Conference to help them start and build up the skills and technology in their schools. All in all, the event was an enriching and fruitful experience for all the participants present.

- **Don Bosco Fund for Innovation in Education**

The Don Bosco Contribution:

While the whole country is involved in a process of making a new national policy of education- both in elementary as well as in higher education, it is important for us, the Salesian Family to take stock of what we do and how we do, in the process of educating the young people of this country.

Whether it is the field of elementary education, secondary education, adult education, vocational education and teacher education; our contribution has been very defined and qualified. Also in the field of University and higher education, technical education, technological enabled learning and language education, we have given our contribution in this country. This is also the time when we reflect on how creatively we have undertaken this process of education. It is also important to reflect about how innovatively and creatively we can make our contribution in the above mentioned fields of education.

The All India Don Bosco Education Society (AIDBES) with the approval of the Salesian Provincial Conference of South Asia (SPCSA) is throwing open a challenge to all members of the Salesian family to come out with bright concepts, experiments and programmes for education innovation in India.

If you have an innovative project in education or if you have an upright, useful idea that can bring in a change in the way we educate or if you have identified a burning need in bringing education to the rural poor and the needy ones; we are willing to be your partners. We shall find some funding partners to carry forward your mission.

- **Animation of Various Sectors**

Don Bosco Schools in India

Don Bosco Schools India (DBS) is an Association formed under AIDBES in 2014 to organize at the National levels various programmes and training;

- A common service rules
- A common Don Bosco Logo and Flag
- Inter-provincial and regional cultural exchanges and sports
- Hosting educational study tours
- Sharing innovative programmes, achievements
- Dissemination of information, government directives, scholarship schemes, new and emerging trends in education through our National School Website.
- National level competitions
- Inspirational Song for all Don Bosco schools in India
- Emphasis on Don Bosco's way of education
- Don Bosco Child Protection Policy in all our schools

The present of Don Bosco schools in the fields of education is most consistent, significant and wide-spread. Don Bosco Schools in India are associated with excellence and all round formation of the young. Educating the young is our goal and not merely running schools. Hence we have many types of schools

tailored to the needs of the young. We educate to empower the young: All our Don Bosco Schools strive to empower the young. It refers to identifying the capabilities hidden in our students and to find creative strategies to convert them into very useful and relevant skills to achieve great things for the young and the society.

A Statute for the Association of Don Bosco Schools in India has been presented to the SPCSA Assembly and Council in February 2015 and they have been approved. An Executive Body of Don Bosco Schools India has been elected and they are working.

Activities for Don Bosco Schools in India

- National Directory of Don Bosco schools
- Don Bosco Child Policy and Child Protection Policy
- National Website for Don Bosco Schools India - www.donboscoschoolsindia.com

Activities Planned for Don Bosco Schools in India

Formative programmes for the young Principals to be organized in Bengaluru, Guwahati and Ranchi

- Members to furnish statistics every year
- Mumbai Province to host the NECDBS Conference
- To search for Don Bosco Schools run by people outside Salesians of Don Bosco and file
- BRANDING DON BOSCO SCHOOLS

Forming Association of Don Bosco Schools India:

- To present ourselves as one group of Don Bosco Schools
- To participate in Government and national level programmes and projects
- To train our own Salesians in Leadership in School Education
- To collaborate with Education department at the State and National level and many others
- To have a National Board of Don Bosco Schools and our own curriculum eventually

Statistics of Don Bosco Schools in India

Province	No. Of Schools				Medium of Schools		No.of Students		No. of Staff
	Pri	High	Hr.Sec	Total	Eng	Vernacular	Boys	Girls	
Mumbai	7	11	2	20	13	7	21548	4201	1092
Kolkata	7	1	14	22	12	10	19225	3602	914
Dimapur	4	23	7	34	34		20459	14202	1003
Guwahati	5	22	3	30		30	17827	10841	863
Hyderabad	11	11	2	23	22	2	7012	2090	426
Bangalore	6	9	4	19	13	6	9290	6914	710
Chennai	3	16	15	44	14	29	30232	6287	1367
New Delhi	11	7	2	20	5	15	8796	3541	489
Panjim	4	8	6	18	18		5576	2621	421
Silchar		8	21	29		29	18872	7987	1030
Tiruchy	3	3	5	11	1	10	7127	643	242
Total	61	119	81	270	132	138	165964	62929	8557

Don Bosco Higher Education Network (DB – HEI)

Don Bosco Higher Education India (DB-HEI) is a network of Don Bosco Higher Education Institutes in India. We have 42 Institutes of Higher Education in India through which we help many young people to graduate and prepare them to face life. Most of the students who have studied in our college or polytechnic institutes do well in life because of the holistic education they have received with us. Responding to the new challenges of Higher Education in India, we Salesians have set up norms to abide by the strict measures of quality control laid down by both University Grants Commission and National Assessment and Accreditation Council.

There are many initiatives taken up by Don Bosco Higher Education India: enhancing the faculty resources, emphasizing professional competency, rejuvenation of infrastructure, capacity building of the students, remedial coaching, offering online resources for research, building social consciousness and imparting holistic education.

Don Bosco Higher Education Institutes in India endeavor not merely to spread knowledge but to impart values and skills that lead to holistic development of the individual and the society. We take quality education to the rural and tribal areas and the less privileged section of the society, offering student-friendly professional and employment oriented courses, increasing relevance in empowering the poor youth.

Statistics of Don Bosco Institutes of Higher Education in India

Province	College	University	Polytechnic	Engineering Colleges	Teacher Education (B.Ed)	No.of Students	No.of Staff
Mumbai	2		1	1		2133	250
Kolkata	2					638	54
Dimapur	4				1	3908	278
Guwahati	1	1	1	1	1	2850	180
Hyderabad	4					1825	102
Bangalore	7				1	2011	154
Chennai	4		4		3	7826	518
New Delhi							
Panjim	1			1		2250	158
Silchar	1		1			3652	487
Tiruchy	1		2			1478	137
Total	27	1	9	3	6	28571	2318

Don Bosco Technical Institutes

Catering to the skilling and employability needs of the youth, Don Bosco Technical Institutes in India have given skill training to many thousands of young people in India. All Don Bosco Technical Institutes take the young people from the poorer sections of the society and offer them not merely skills but mould them into responsible, hardworking citizens.

We have four types of Don Bosco Vocational Training Institutes ie: (1)Vocational Training or Non-Formal Technical Institutes which offer certificate or diploma courses for those who have not completed school education (2) Government Certified Diploma courses or I.T.I Courses.

Don Bosco Technical institutes in India have a state of the art, well equipped Machine shops with machines imported from Germany, Italy, Switzerland and UK, as well as machinery from leading tool manufacturers from within the country itself. Following the footsteps of Don Bosco, these Don Bosco Technical Institutes offer the best machinery to the young.

The Government of India has recognized the Salesians of Don Bosco as the largest Non-Governmental Provider of Technical Education in the country.

Statistics of Don Bosco Technical Institutes in India

Province	No.of Institutes	No.of Students	No.of Staff
Mumbai	8	2087	96
Kolkata	12	2427	87
Dimapur	10	919	52
Guwahati	3	2030	75
Hyderabad	8	2530	56
Bangalore	23	2968	45
Chennai	21	3896	79
New Delhi	11	3602	68
Panjim	6	751	42
Silchar	5	1055	40
Tiruchy	13	2613	81
Total	120	24878	721

- **Trade Mark on Don Bosco**

In the name of Salesian Provincial Conference of South Asia (SPCSA), All India Don Bosco Education Society (AIDBES) owns the TRADEMARK ON DON BOSCO registered under No. 1407313 in class 41

There are many people outside the Salesian Family who run the schools in the name of Don Bosco. We would like to stop them or bring them under our franchise policy. We also have applied for trademark under various clauses in the Trademark Registry and there are lawsuits filed against us in the Intellectual Property Appellate Board. We are in the process of setting up an office for looking into the Trademark and Franchise related issues.

- **Networking with NGO's and Agencies at the National Level**

- We are working with Rajiv Gandhi National Institute for Youth Development to help our Non-Formal sector of Youth Ministry
- We are working with CBCI and Jesuit National level Education Commission in responding in the new Educational Policy of India. We are working with CBCI to take forward various educational initiatives at the national level

How can we collaborate?

Since we are dealing with Youth Services and Education services, we can collaborate in many ways:

- We can take part in the national and regional level symposiums, seminars and training programmes
 - We can take part in the National Educational Conference of Don Bosco Schools (NECDBS) held every two years
 - We are collaborating with deferent agencies to find apt Technology for the Rural Schools. We can include some of the schools of Salesian Family as well.
 - We can work on project of research and publications on education and youth related issues
 - We have an Association of Don Bosco Schools (DBS) India. We can even think of wider network of Schools of Salesian Family together
 - We can collaborate in one area of Youth Services, for example migrant youth etc
 - The Salesian Family can be part of the Salesian Youth Movement.
 - We can also extend our services of career guidance and Job placement to SF schools and institutions
 - We can help you to get Trademark for your institution or schools' name for ex: Auxilium
- **Research and Publications**
 - **Educating Engaging Empowering Youth:** This book speaks about various types of Youth services carried out by the Salesian of Don Bosco in India
 - **Child Protection Laws in India:** Highly documented, valuable and researched manual on Child Rights and Protection. An all-inclusive book on Child Protection Laws in India. A meticulous compilation of Policies, Legislation and Judicial Contribution towards Child Protection in India
 - **2nd Edition Directory of Don Bosco Schools India:** With latest statistics and information on Don Bosco Schools in India
 - **Salesian Youth Ministry:** This book speaks about the Theology, methodology and practical implication of organizing Youth Ministry in a global setting from Salesian Perspectus.
 - **In the Service of the Young:** This Book explores Youth Services and Spaces in South Asia. It consists of various papers presented in a National level Symposium on theme "In the Services of the young"
 - **Youth Space:** This lively, simple booklet speaks about building Youth Groups and Animation. It also gives practical details us to how to conduct meetings, the dynamics of Youth Groups and role of Animators.
 - **Don Bosco Child Policy:** A Proactive document on how Don Bosco Institutions care for and protect Children. This is in line with International and National Policies on Children
 - **Don Bosco Child Protection Policy:** This booklet speaks about various types of abuses of Children and the various measures undertaken by Don Bosco Institutions to prevent and such abuses of Children in their care.
 - **Empowering Education in Today's India:** Well-researched articles on Education in Today's India by 14 Salesians. A book for the policy makers, governors and educators. A loving tribute to our Great Educator Founder DON BOSCO during the Bicentenary.
 - **Youth Services Directory**

- **Don Bosco Youth Animation (DBYA)**

This society was founded in 1859 in Turin, Italy, by Don Bosco, a saint and educator who reached out to the exodus of aimless and homeless youngsters who flowed into the cities of northern Italy in the aftermath of industrial revolution and pioneered a system of education based on reason, religion and living kindness that did wonders with those rough and tough kids.

We specialize in working for young people, taking up any venture that could answer the needs of the young whatever they are. We educate the young people all over the world by offering:

- Academic and technical education at all level
- Non formal job-oriented training programmes for those who cannot enter the mainstream to pursue a career.
- Providing leisure-time activities like youth centres, supportive and empowering services such as counseling, sports, music and arts.
- A high-priority area for us is the work for the Young at Risk – those who often through parental neglect or society’s failure, have been pushed to the margins and are exposed to all kinds of risks and are therefore the most vulnerable sections in any society.

Our Vision

- Educating, engaging and empowering the young people to make right choices and become stakeholders of their own development

Our Mission

- We offer the young education, formation, social development and vocational choice in the context of their family and the Educative Community.
- We seek not only to assist poor youth but to protect them and teach them how to help themselves
- Following the educational system of Don Bosco –“The preventive system”- we seek to form the whole person enabling the integration of the physical, psychological, moral and spiritual dimensions of individuals.

Goals and Objectives

- To educate the young with a well prepared holistic plan
- To empower and equip the young through various training and skill programmes
- To offer the possibility of giving the young God and spiritual experiences to make their life more meaningful.
- To offer the young value based education so that they make right choices in life.
- Following human right-based approach we give the young dignity, respect and create a safe environment for them.
- To teach them to be humane and responsible towards our society and country
- To educate the young to understand the meaning of love and responsible parenthood
- To offer the young recruitment services and job placement
- To care for the young at risk and give them shelter, education and a new life.

Policy Prepared by DBYA

- Don Bosco Child Policy
- Don Bosco Child Protection Policy
- Don Bosco Trademark Franchise Policy
- Don Bosco Youth Policy

- Don Bosco School Policy
- Don Bosco Higher Education Policy
- Don Bosco Technical Schools Policy
- Don Bosco School Behavior Policy
- Don Bosco Discipline Policy

- **Salesian Youth Movement**

Salesian Youth Movement in India is flourishing. With more than 500 groups in India we are heading towards a great movement. With this movement of SYM INDIA we can do a lot of good to the young people.

SYM DON BOSCO 2015 is an important occasion of exchange, prayer, and encounter for the young people from all over the world that will manage to reach the native city of our Saint. The theme of our gathering – Like Don Bosco, With the Young, For the Young – will offer to the young participants an opportunity to share, deepen and look at the future of the experience of the Salesian Youth Movement.

- **National Network of Career Guidance and Job Placement**

We have Provincial level centres for Career Guidance and Job Placement. We are planning to start this year a National Level Network of Career Guidance and Job Placement in New Delhi. We are working with DB Action, who will be our knowledge Partners and DBYA will be the implementing agency.

Empowering the youth, especially the poor and the marginalised, through career guidance and job placement is one of the most important interventions of Salesians of Don Bosco in India. This is done by:

- Guiding academic and technical school students to make the right choice in life with regard to various career options
- Finding suitable jobs for the youth who are skilled, semi-skilled and unskilled
- Exploring various skill and job opportunities available both in the Government and private sectors
- Offering life scoping skills and managerial skills to make them employable
- Providing guidance, motivation, training and assistance to the poor youth
- Transforming these youth from their lack of self confidence and inferiority complex, by means of individual motivation and group orientation programmes.

Services Offered by Salesians in India

- Career guidance service
- Job Placement and Job Training Service
- Self Employment & entrepreneurship training
- Skill based training & need based training
- Hostel facilities for rural boys
- Articles and books publishing on career & employment issues
- Residential job-oriented training
- Weekly motivation programmes for rural poor youth.

- **Don Bosco Youth Expo**

It was the concluding event of the bicentenary of the birth of Don Bosco. Around 2000 Youth, 120 Salesians and SF 150 Animators from all parts of India will be taking part in this event.

Some of the Events were;

- Youth Talk Show
- Bosco Fiesta (Multi Talent Contest)
- Bosco Utsav (Cultural Show of 11 Provinces)
- Youth Catechesis
- Family Circle Around Rector Major
- Conclusion of Bicentenary Celebrations

The event was organized by the Salesian Provincial Conference of South Asia and the Province of New Delhi. DBYA Delegate was the Programme Coordinator.

- **Don Bosco Child Protection Policy**

This booklet speaks about various types of abuses of Children and the various measures undertaken by Don Bosco Institutions to prevent and such abuses of Children in their care.

We the Salesian Province of India have the responsibility to take care of the rights of the children in our care. We promote and defend the rights of the children, especially their rights to health, education, development, protection and participation. We are also aware that it is our duty to study, interpret and implement in our activities and institutions the laws enacted in the country for the protection and promotion of the rights of the children.

The child Protection Policy is a concrete expression of our wholehearted commitment to the welfare, protection and empowerment of the children in our care. We believe it is also a valuable contribution to the many steps the Government and concerned citizens are making towards the care and protection of children in our country.

We Endeavour to be the voice of every child under our care by promoting awareness, education, recognition, prevention and intervention.

- **Don Bosco Child Policy**

A Proactive document on how Don Bosco Institutions care for and protect Children. This is in line with International and National Policies on Children. The protection of the children who are under our care is not only our duty and responsibility but also our priority today. We safeguard them from all possible physical, emotional and spiritual dangers. We the Don Bosco Institutions of India have the responsibility to take care of the rights of the children in our care. We are aware that it is our duty to study, interpret and implement in our country for the protection and promotion of the rights of the children.

This policy for children in the Don Bosco Institutions of India is our undeterred and loving commitment and contribution to the welfare, protection and empowerment of the children in our care.

Survival, health, nutrition, development, education, protection and participation are rights that the Don Bosco Institution of India uphold as key priorities in this policy. Advocacy and Networking with organization working with children are of vital importance to us to achieve protection and fulfillment of

children's rights and their optimal development. Childline India Foundation estimates 40% of Children are marginalized due to poverty, labour, abuse, disability, malnutrition, conflicts, disasters, displacement, illiteracy, abandoned, etc. Hence the poor and marginalized children are our priority in service and we target our resources to their care.