

Director's Message

Two important days in June are the Environment Day celebrated on 5th June and Yoga Day observed on 21st June. Both of these were celebrated by the fishermen community development program and Theeradesa Mahila Society, the first with Don Bosco Youth Forum and the second with Don Bosco Children's Forum and Youth Forum. While environment day reminds us to care about everything around us and to hand them over to the next generation at least as we found it, the Yoga Day is about taking time to care for ourselves and thereby enjoy a healthy and balanced life. Basically life is about caring for each other and caring for the earth with everything that inhabits it, of course with a sense of gratitude to the Giver of it all. Every genuine social developmental activity is geared towards the same goal. Let's live life and nurture life in its every form. God bless us all!

> -Fr. Joby Sebastian (Director, FCDP)

DBYF OBSERVES WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY

Members of Don Bosco Youth Forum join hands with FCDP towards achieving the sustainable development goal of Climate Action. As part of the observation of the World Environment Day, they planted saplings of fruit bearing trees on Saturday, 5th June 2023. The message for World Environment Day this year is to fight plastic pollution. World Environment Day is celebrated on June 5th every year to raise awareness about environmental issues and provide guidelines to prevent them. Fr. Joby Sebastian (Director, FCDP- TMS, DBYF), Fr. Jithin (Asst. Director, FCDP), Smt. Gretta Raju (Co-Ordinator, FCDP), Shri. Sunil S (Project Coordinator, FCDP), Mr. Joe Luis, Ms. Anisha B Chacko (Project Head), Ms. Anna Saju (Project Coordinator), Ms. Ishwarya Cletus (Computer Trainer), and Ms. Mary John (Co-Ordinator, DBYF) were also present during the event.



WORKSHOP FOR WOMEN ENTREPRENEURS HELD

A workshop on the topic group management was held on June 14, 2023, at FCDP Hall as a part of the We-Live project. The programme was organized by Ms. Anna Saju (Project Coordinator, We-Live). Mr. Sunil S. (Project Coordinator, FCDP) was the resource person for the programme, in which 50 women participated. WE-LivE (Women Empowerment through Livelihood and Entrepreneurship) is a project to encourage women startups to ensure their social and financial empowerment. Several preliminary meetings were held as part of the project. The WE-LIVE project has been running successfully for the last two years. It aims to ensure sustained income for women by providing guidance and assistance for starting entrepreneurship.



DBYF AT YUVA UTSAV-2023

Don Bosco Youth Forum members participated in the Yuva Utsav 2023 organized by the Nehru Yuva Kendra, under the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, in collaboration with NSS and District Administration on Saturday 17th June 2023. The members of Don Bosco Youth Forum (DBYF) participated in speech, painting, poetry writing, mobile photography and folk-dance competition and won first place in folk dance competition. The group is selected for the state level folk dance competition. These competitions provide a good platform for our youth to grow holistically and develop their talents and skills.



INTERNATIONAL YOGA DAY OBSERVED

Don Bosco Youth Forum and Don Bosco Children's Forum the youth and children's wing of FCDP celebrated International Day of Yoga 2023 in collaboration with Rotary Club of Quilon on Wednesday, 21st June. The theme for the International Day of Yoga 2023 was 'Vasudhaiva Kudumbakam' meaning 'The whole world is one (my) family'. Sri. Biju Gopalakrishna Pillai Ph.D led the yoga training held at the Rotary Community Centre, Kollam. Fr. Joby Sebastian (Director, FCDP) presided over the function and Mr. Navas M.I. (President, Rotary Club of Quilon) inaugurated the programme. 125 children from Don Bosco Youth Forum and Don Bosco Children's Forum participated in the yoga session which lasted for more than an hour. Smt. Bindhu Harrison (Co-ordinator, DBCF) thanked the participants.



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