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## NEWS LETTER

Dear Well Wishers of DBAI,

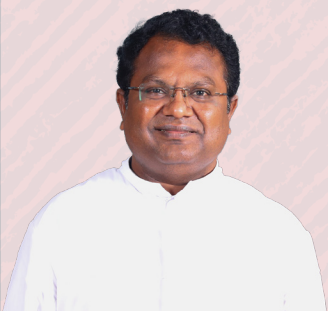
It is my humble privilege to welcome you all to yet another Editorial of Don Bosco Anbu Illam of the Salesian Province of Chennai, India. This Editorial is very dear to us at DBAI for multiple reasons, of which two take foremost prominence. August 15 is our Nation's Independence Day and August 16 is the Birthday of our beloved founder and patron St. John Bosco.

Independence is a great feeling where at the thought of the very word, one feels abundance of peace and tranquility. This is what the founding fathers of our nation, ably led by the father of our nation, Mahatma Gandhi wanted every Indian to enjoy irrespective of religion, language, caste, creed or economic status. At this time, we must not only remember but also actively promote the ideal of equality, justice, truth and democratic principles like secularism, tolerance and inclusiveness which is the urgent need of the hour in our country. When this is well and truly practiced across the length and breadth of our nation, only then is the true spirit of independence achieved. Nevertheless, we salute our freedom fighters who sacrificed everything to achieve for us this freedom that we now enjoy.

St. John Bosco needs no introduction to the world. He brought into this world a new approach based on love, peace, harmony, progress, oneness and utmost devotion to the Holy Trinity and the Blessed Mother. It is our collective responsibility to conduct ourselves, be it in our churches, families, society and our workplaces with those principles of both our nation's founding fathers and that of our founding father St. John Bosco. Only then, can we partake in that essence of great people who made a positive, progressive and pure difference to the lives of millions of people they impacted.

May the Good Shepherd inspire us to be like Him in leading the flock with good Christian values and may the Blessed Mother continue to intercede for us so that our strength and unity in diversity is renewed every day of our lives.

God bless you all. With loving wishes,



  
Fr. Andrews Stephen Raj, sdb.



## Doctors' Day Celebration

On 1<sup>st</sup> July 2023, DBAI HCL Foundation R2 Kodambakkam Police Boys and Girls Club celebrated the Doctors day in a noble way. Children and staff were called on to honour medical practitioners of Government Maternity Hospital, Arcot Road today. Children recited poems in honour of the selfless service by the Doctors team. Thiru. Munusamy, Sub Inspector of Police was also present during this meaningful moment



## Stem for STEM Learning

Inauguration of STEM Science Lab at Government Model School, Arumbakkam on 5<sup>th</sup> July, 2023. This initiative was established with the support of HCL Foundation in support with Don Bosco Anbu Illam.



## Showcase of effort

2022 - 2023 Annual report and a research booklet titled "Incapacitated Parents of Children in Institutional Care" of Chennai Hub was released yesterday at Citadel by Fr. Arokiyasami, sdb during YaR commission discussion held on 25<sup>th</sup> July 2023



## Scout (Open) Troop Investiture Ceremony

Today Don Bosco Anbu Illam Scout Troop (Open) organised INVESTITURE CEREMONY at BOSCO ILLAM on 29<sup>th</sup> July 2023. Ceremony was headed by Fr. Andrews Stephen Raj, Sdb Rector of the Community. Chief Guests are Fr. Nelson - District Secretary of Don Bosco Scouts and Guides. The Police Officials from P3 Vyasarpadi Traffic Police Station.



## Night Olympics

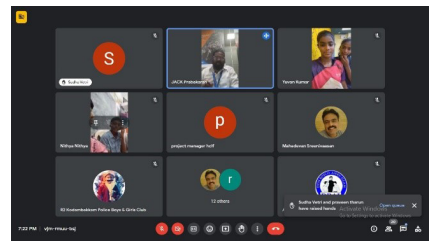
Night games as part of Marian Olympics was held at Bosco Illam on 30<sup>th</sup> July 2023. Br. Kishore, warden headed

the event. Olympics torch was lit by the Rector and Vice Rector as symbol of the inauguration. Children participated in various games and talent programs.



## HCL Day Celebration

Don Bosco Anbu Illam and HOPE Foundation in collaboration with HCL Foundation conducted Online Quiz Competition in view of 47<sup>th</sup> HCL Day on 11th August. 35 children from all clubs participated in the event hosted by Mr. Prabhakaran, HCL Volunteer. Selvan Kumaran, student of R2 Kodambakkam Club won the competition.



## Independence Day

Independence Day Celebration at Bosco Illam on 15<sup>th</sup> August 2023. Scout boys received Patrol Leader Training certificates during the event.

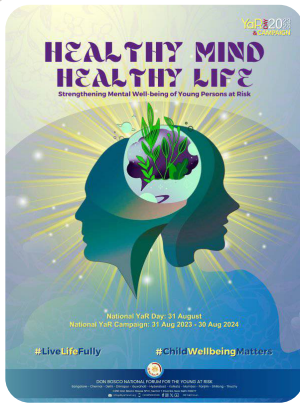


## Patrol Leaders' Training Camp

Don Bosco Anbu Illam Scout Troop (Open) Scouts attended the Patrol Leaders' Training Camp at Don Bosco Matriculation Higher Secondary School, Red Hills on 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> of August 2023.

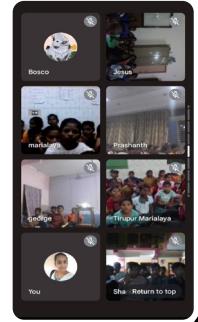






## #LiveLifeFully #ChildWellbeingMatters

Inauguration of Don Bosco Young at Risk National Campaign 2023 - 2024 held today virtually. Children from Bosco Illam and Saranalayam along with children of other YaR centres across the country participated in the event.



## Education Awareness Rally

On 1<sup>st</sup> July 2023, an Education Awareness Rally was held at TVK Nagar Police Boys and Girls club. The students participated enthusiastically and created awareness among many people.



## Foundation Stone laying ceremony



On 30<sup>th</sup> July 2023, foundation was laid at T 17 Perumbakkam Police Girls and Boys club space allocated by Tamil Nadu Urban Habitat Development Board. Students, parents and beneficiaries participated in this event.



## Inauguration of Pallikaranai PGBC

On 20<sup>th</sup> July 2023, HCLF - DBAI inaugurated T-14 Pallikaranai Police boys and girls club. Pallikaranai Police officials, Fr. Andrews Stephen Raj, Executive Director – DBAI, Mr. Newton Raj, Manager Chennai, HCLF other DBAI staffs attended the event





## Event to fix Name Board on trees

On 29<sup>th</sup> July 2023, Ms. Aishwarya and Ms. Chandralekha, HCL Foundation – Harit team conducted an event of fixing name board for tree at J9 Thuraipakkam Police Boys & Girls club. Along with them, TIDE team Suman and Hansha together explained to the students about environmental protection and its benefits in SCOUT GARDEN and all the trees in the club were named with its scientific name and its benefits.



## Promoting Higher Education

On 4<sup>th</sup> July, 2023, at K-9 TVK Nagar Girls and Boys club, in the presence of Deputy Commissioner of Pulianthope Police District Mr. Iswaran and Assistant Commissioner Mr. Sembedu Babu, generously donated Rs.25,000 worth of new clothing to 10 students who were starting their first year of college.



## Drug Awareness Drawing Competition

On 5<sup>th</sup> July 2023, painting competition on International Day against Drug Abuse was organized by Greater Chennai police at Arumbakkam Police Girls and Boys club. All the children from Police Girls and Boys club actively participated in the competition. Notably, our student from R2 Kodambakkam Police Boys and Girls club emerged as the first-place winner and was awarded a bicycle. Additionally, Mukesh from TVK Nagar and N. Kavin from Elephant Gate Police Girls and Boys club received consolation prizes. These awards were presented by Mr. M. Manokaran (Joint Commissioner of Police, Western Zone, Greater Chennai Police), graced the occasion.





## Library Inauguration

On 15<sup>th</sup> July 2023, occasion of the birthday of Kamarajar, the opening ceremony of the part-time free library was held at Perumbakkam. In this event, Mr. Josh Thangaiyah, Joint Commissioner of Police (Pallikaranai District) was the special guest and gave a special speech to the students and in this event Mr. Ranjith Kumar - Police Inspector Crime Branch, Mr. Dilip Kumar - Police Assistant Inspector, Mr. Selva Kumar - Constable, Mr. Darwin - TNUHDB, Mr. Damodaran - Chengalpattu District Library and Mrs. Chanda - Perumbakkam Government School teacher actively participated and added elegance to the gathering.



## Stakeholders meeting

On behalf of the DBAI HCLF PGBC, we had a courteous meet with Thiru. Shankar Jiwal IPS, Director General of Police- Tamil Nadu on 15th July 2023 at his Office and discussed about future development of the project. On 19th July 2023, met Shri. Manohar, IPS Joint Commissioner West Zone Nodal Officer, Police Girls & Boys Club and discussed the renewal of MoU and other project related affairs. On 18th July 2023, T-16 Chemmenchery Police Girls and Boys club, more than 15 members from the Tamil Nadu Urban Habit Development Board visited the club.



## CATC Orientation

On 30th July 2023, HCLF - DBAI conducted an Orientation on Career Advancement Training Program at Arumbakkam Police Girls and Boys club and Kannagi nagar Police Girls and Boys club. Career Advancement Training Program is designed to provide efficient training programs to crack Government competitive exams like TNPSC, UPSC, RRB, SSC and Bank exams. 68 candidates from Arumbakkam and Kannagi Nagar Police Girls and Boys club participated.





## Orientation at Avadi

An orientation session was conducted at Avadi Government Higher Secondary School, to a total of 120 children. Among them, 50 girls from Avadi Girls Higher Secondary School are prepared to partake in the upcoming 1st Investiture Ceremony, having successfully completed the Pravesh Model Test.



## Prize Distribution by Adyar DC

On 1<sup>st</sup> August 2023, J9 Thuraipakkam Police Boys and Girls Club Kabaddi players, were awarded with Certificates and Medals by Mr. Magendiran, Deputy Commissioner of Police, Adyar for winning the Bronze medal at CM Trophy 2022 – 23.



## Notebook Distribution

On 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2023, Inspector of Police – Perumbakkam, Mr. Vignesh, distributed notebooks to the children of Perumbakkam Police Boys and Girls Club as a gesture to celebrate his birthday. This thoughtful act benefitted a total of 50 children who received the notebooks.



## Cancer Awareness

A Cancer Awareness program was held on 5<sup>th</sup> August 2023, at Kannagi Nagar. Dr. Manikandan, Surgical Oncologist Cancer Institute (WIA) conducted the session to the club students and parents.



## Cultivating a Kitchen Garden at Thuraipakkam

HCL Foundation and Tide NGO conducted a program on 5<sup>th</sup> August 2023, at Thuraipakkam Police Boys and Girls club. The students were taught about environmental protection and how to set up saplings gardens.





## Drug Awareness

On 5<sup>th</sup> August 2023, a Drug Awareness program was conducted at Kodungaiyur Police Boys and Girls Club. The program aimed to educate young people about the dangers of drug abuse and the importance of maintaining a healthy lifestyle.



## Gray Sim NGO Skill Rath Vehicle Visit

HCL Foundation – Gray Sim NGO organised an awareness session on ITI for 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> standard students at Perumbakkam and Pallikaranai Police Boys and Girls Club. The event aimed to educate the students about the benefits and opportunities available through ITI courses.



## Drug and Tobacco Awareness

On 5<sup>th</sup> August 2023, HCL Foundation along with DBAI and Cancer Institute organised an awareness program on Tobacco and Drug. Mr. Divyaraj Prabhakar and Mrs. Usha from Cancer Institute conducted the session for the community people in Pallikaranai.



## CM Marathon

Students from Kannagi Nagar Police Boys and Girls Club actively took part in a 5 km and 10 km marathon event commenced from the TN Legislative Assembly.



## Medical camp

HCL Foundation along with DBAI and Shri Sathya Sai College and Research Institute jointly organised a Medical camp on 12<sup>th</sup> August 2023, at Semmenchery Police Boys and Girls Club. More than 100 students and community people were benefitted through this camp.



## First Aid Training camp

On 12<sup>th</sup> August 2023, a First Aid Training camp was conducted at Madhuravoyal. The club students from Kodambakkam Police Boys and Girls club participated and were trained in essential techniques such as CPR, wound dressing and basic medical assistant



## 77<sup>th</sup> Independence Day celebration

On 15<sup>th</sup> August 2023, the 77<sup>th</sup> Independence Day was celebrated at all Police Boys and Girls club. The Indian National Flag was hoisted and various cultural events were conducted to pay homage to Indian traditions and foster a sense of integrity.



## Scout uniform distribution

On August 15 2023, the Thuraipakkam Police Boys and Girls Club's Scouts and Guides were honoured by the Thuraipakkam Police Inspectors. As part of the recognition, four Scouts and Guides received Scout uniforms worth Rs. 6000, with one Scout also receiving a cash prize of Rs. 1500.



## Drawing and Essay competition

Drawing and Essay competition was organized by HCL Foundation and DBAI for the children of the Police Boys and Girls Club. The children of the club enthusiastically engaged in portraying our freedom fighters through their artwork.





## Chintadripet Club Visit by HCL Foundation

Dr. Nidhi Pundhir, Vice President, Global CSR, HCL Foundation and the HCL Foundation team visited the Chintadripet Club on 21<sup>st</sup> August 2023. The visit began with a walk through the community during which the HCL Team, accompanied by NGO partners and observed the community's activities. Avadi school girls honoured Dr. Nidhi with a handmade greeting card and presented a thank you letter to HCL Foundation. Furthermore, Dr. Nidhi acknowledged and honoured the achievers of Police Boys and Girls club as well as the Best clubs in PBGC.



## HCL Foundation and Tambaram City Police signed PBGC MoU

The signing of a MoU between Tambaram Commissioner of Police and HCL Foundation took place on 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2023 at the Office of the Commissioner of the Police, Tambaram to envision a brighter future for our society by implementing innovative initiatives and prioritizing the well-being of all.



## Extended PBGC MoU between HCL Foundation and Greater Chennai Police

On 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2023, HCL Foundation extended the Police Boys and Girls Club MoU with Greater Chennai Police to foresee a better society through new initiatives and welfare centered approach.



## Wellness Campaign

A Medical health camp was organised at Thuraipakkam Police Boys and Girls Club on 27<sup>th</sup> August 2023. Overall 120 community people along with club children were provided with General medicines, nutrition and necessary materials.



## Life and Legacy

On 15<sup>th</sup> July 2023, Saranalayam girls participation in quiz competition on life and legacy of Kamarajar. This was more like a workshop kind to explore the humanitarian part of this great man.



## Personality Development Session

On 29<sup>th</sup> July 2023, seminar on personality development for girls was organized at Saranalayam. Mr. Einstein Joseph handled the session that focused on life skills, moral values and ethical living.



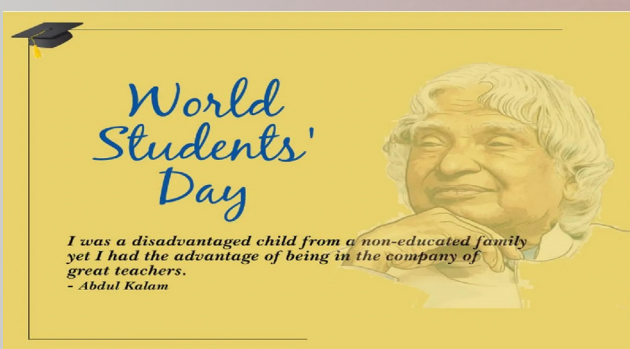
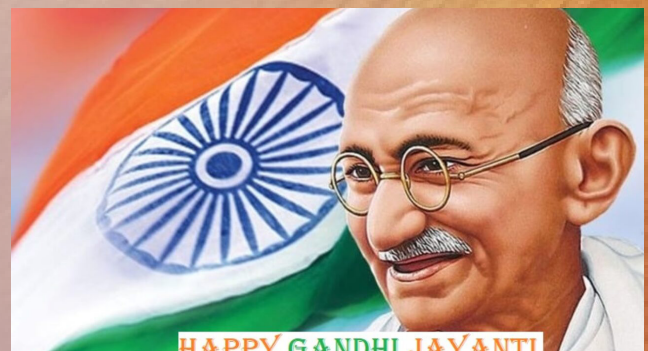
## Medical camp

Ms. Joy Sandhiya, a volunteer of Don Bosco and student of medicine at Sri Ramachandra Medical College extended her gratitude by conducting free blood haemoglobin screening camp for our girls in Saranalayam on 30<sup>th</sup> July 2023.





# Events & Celebrations



# Happy Birthday



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