

THE DOMINICAN FATHERS NAGPUR SOCIETY

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Activity Report 2023- 2024

The Dominican Fathers Nagpur Society, a registered charitable society, organised many social, educational, charitable and environmental activities in the year 2023 – 2024. The activities were carried out in different units of the Society with the aim of reaching out to many people in need. Following are the activities organised by the Society:

1. College studies:

There were total 24 students pursuing Bachelor's degrees in Arts, Commerce and Science in different colleges in Nagpur, namely, Saint Francis De Sales College and Hislop College. The society provided for all their expenses related to studies, residence and daily needs and recreational facilities. Some of these students are coming from remote areas of Northern part of India and some of them are from North East India and some are from South India. We also make sure that these students grow in union with each other and to know each ones cultures and traditions by sharing with each other. This will create an atmosphere of brotherhood. These students are trained in intellectual, spiritual, physical, emotional, and social. Every week they visit near by families and to know their struggles and problems and how one can find solutions for these problems. Sometimes they are sent to different places for experience purpose.

Students are also taught about cooking, cleaning the campus and surrounding areas, and self-sustaining programs and taking care of animals or birds and doing vegetation. These will help them to grow in self confidence and gives them the chance to exhibit their talents in various fields.



2. Library:

The Society has good library at St. Dominic's Ashram, Nagpur, for the use of students who are doing their studies. Even from the other institutions people to come to refer various things and it is well maintained and this year it has been upgraded to digitalization so that the people who come to do research will be easy in searching for what they want. And, many other new books were purchased to update the library and new magazines were subscribed. This library contains both Indian and foreign books. It has Philosophical and Theological books as well as moral and ethical books available for reference. Every year library is upgraded with new books.



3. Educational Aid:

After pandemic in the country most of the schools and colleges were opted for online education or sending the study materials online. So we have to support people by providing the internet connections and other study materials. The Society supported partially the educational aid to poor children youth in providing books, uniform, payment of fees etc. We see this as the main channel through this

we can bring change in the society and upgrade ones status and contribute for the growth of the society.

4. Samvad Bhavan Balwadi:

The Society runs Samvad Bhavan Balwadi at Ganga Nagar, Katol Road, Nagpur. A teacher and a helper are employed at the Balwadi. Time to time guidelines and training were given to these people how to equip with the new knowledge and new techniques so that they can apply when they resume the school. There were more than forty-two children registered and most of them coming from poor families and daily wage workers. These children are provided good education and basic things are taught like how to behave and respecting the elders. These children are much appreciated when they go to other schools because of their knowledge and behaviour.



5. Training programmes:

The society provided training programmes for youth, women, children in our units through online and electronic media.

At Satyagiri, Igatpuri unit, seminars were organised for youth on skill developments, career choice, Nation building, responsible citizens. Youth from different parts participated in it. Many of them are taught how one can overcome their problems and understand peer problems. Many people are taught about the environment and issues and how one can contribute towards it. Many people are taught mediation by meditating on the nature and to understand it in a better manner.

In collaboration with 'Aseema Trust, Mumbai, which runs a school for tribal children at Igatpuri, organised residential programmes for the children at the Dominican Training Centre. The staff of the centre reaches out to nearby schools imparting value education programmes. The centre also provided its premises to the Red Cross Society to organise their programmes.



At St. Dominic's Ashram, Nagpur, camps were used to be organised for youth, children during summer. The initiative was taken to reach out to these through media and other sources and guide them.

During these seminars were organized for various groups and taught them the importance of environment and need to care for it and children were given opportunity express themselves how to protect our environment. Various programs and games were conducted for the children and youth were provided various opportunities for future scope and how one



can contribute for the growth of the society. They are made known that youth are the backbone of the country.



6. Awareness programme:

The Society, in collaboration with Indian Centre for Integrated Development Society, Nagpur, organised awareness programme for women, children in the campus. Balmela and women's day were celebrated by organising programmes.



7. Environmental activities:

The units of the society give importance to maintaining a clean, green, and healthy surrounding. The society has taken up the task of social forestry and planted many trees in the campus.





The plants were obtained through local area leaders and donors and some are purchased. The Society actively involved in Swachh Bharat Mission. Awareness programmes were organised to people on waste management, clean surrounding. Every now and then the cleaning of the surroundings were taken care and helped the people who choose this locality as the best and pure place in the entire Nagpur area where they feel one with the nature and gives them the calm and clean atmosphere so that they are refreshed by it.

8. Charitable activities

The Society carried out charitable works through its units. Many poor families in and around Nagpur and other parts of the country received our helps and local people received monthly ration and monetary help for paying rent. Besides, many poor families with the ration and money to purchase medicines for them and even paid some bills of medicals of some people who approached us. And many poor were helped to meet their medical expenses, provisions, and other needs when they are approached. On daily basis people are provided food for the poor and on special occasions large number of people are provided food.

We also help the poor people to bury their beloved ones. Sometimes we help with financial assistance or sometimes with necessary materials for the funeral.

