

NEWSLETTER

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[As we are giving final review of the report the PM of India has announced 1st Lockdown from 24th March for Covid-19 Pandemic]



Trinity Foundation

Service for Education and Humanity

Darjeeling Children Welfare Project

The meeting was held at Darjeeling where the Chairperson of Trinity Foundation Biman Raj Chettri and the Chairperson of Darjeeling Children Trust Marilyn Adams and other Trustee Members were present, for forging new partnership of upcoming Darjeeling Children Welfare Project. The project is being implemented from the month of March 2020, for younger children and students of Darjeeling and its surrounding rural areas sponsoring for their education, achieving personal goals at school and colleges and for more young people sponsoring for their vocational courses.



Health & Nutrition Survey

To describe the health problems and nutritional status among the tea garden workers from the districts of Darjeeling, Jalpaiguri and Alipurduar, rigorous community based cross sectional survey was conducted by the doctors from Norway.

Based on the survey conducted, they will be evaluating and provide health amenities by setting up dispensaries in the different project sites under the Foundation for nutritional intervention and overall improvement of socio-economic condition of the targeted marginalized population.

The preliminary discussion was held to establish quality dispensaries in three different location at Sitong, Darjeeling, Nagrakatta(Jalpaiguri) and Siliguri.



Inspection & Approval of Grace Vocational Training Center

Trinity Foundation (TF) is a registered Training Partner under 'Utkarsh Bangla', an initiative of **Paschim Bangla Society of Skill Development (PBSSD)**. As assigned, the inspection was conducted for Grace Vocational Training Center, Nagrakatta on 23rd Dec. 2019 by the inspecting officers Mr. Bablu Mohanta & Mr. Dilip M from PBSSD section, Office of the District Magistrate, Jalpaiguri, in the presence of the Chairman Mr. Biman Raj Chettri and Project Coordinator Mr. Manoj Kami. The inspecting officers physically verified the space and necessary infrastructure available including tools and equipments for each course sectors proposed to be conducted at the Vocational Training Center, as per the declaration made in online application form of Paschim Banga Society for Skill Development (PBSSD).



Trinity Foundation as a Training Provider was given approval to conduct the following courses under various sectors at Grace Vocational Training Center.

1. Sewing Machine Operator: Apparel, Made-ups & Home Furnishing (AMH)
2. Self Employed Tailor: Apparel, Made-ups & Home Furnishing (AMH)
3. Assistant Beauty Therapist: Beauty and Wellness (BWS)
4. Accounts Executive (Account payable & Receivable): Banking, Financial Services & Insurance.



The Vocational Center at presently offers the courses on Assistant Beauty Therapist and Sewing Machine Operator to the beneficiaries from the shutdown and closed tea gardens in Dooars. Through the course, the Foundation focus on Non-formal education and imparting vocational skills from the youth, to prevent them from slavery and trafficking thus making them self reliant.

Christmas Gathering and Celebration

Christmas is a festival celebrated with high spirits, mirth and gaiety. It is the time when people engage in merry making, singing carols, exchanging gifts and decorating their homes with Christmas tree, lights and Christmas stars.



Similarly, Christmas was celebrated with the children at different project site from vulnerable background with the aim of giving joy and happiness. It is also a way to teach kids the importance of respecting other’s culture and religion by uniting in celebrations.

It is always fun for kids and an entertaining distraction from the routine classroom studies.

The children were involved in Christmas tree decoration, Christmas play, gift exchange, carol singing and fancy dress competition where the one with best dress win the competition. This helps the children, staffs and supporters of Trinity Foundation come together and have a refreshing experience.



Foreign Volunteer

We have had many wonderful and dedicated volunteers over the years. Trinity Foundation always has excellent experiences with our overseas volunteers.

Tiril Knudsen a Norwegian volunteer is serving at our Grace Children Project, Nagrakatta, Dist. Jalpaiguri.

The volunteer is exposed to the living of the children beneficiaries and the marginalized people of the areas under the project. She has been engaging herself in the grassroots level development through the contribution of her skills and development.



Teachers' Seminar



Two days Teachers' Seminar on "Teaching Learning Method" was conducted on 15th and 16th February 2020 in the project venue at Nagrakatta, Dist. Jalpaiguri, where the teachers of Grace English School (Nagrakatta), Bundapani Emmanuel English School (Bundapani), Eden Christian School (Makrapara), Nepali Christian School (Birpara),



Agape Academy (Santalabari), Mt. Zion Mission School (Selphu), Love & Hope English School (Siliguri) participated in the seminar. Lene Fosser Minge, Sigmund Brenna & Anne Catherine Fla were the resource people from Norway.

Construction of Ellenbarrie Children Home

At last the dream, that the children from Ellenbarrie Children Project would have accommodation that would allow them to live and study well-lit and airy surroundings has become a reality. Now it goes towards the end of the 1 floor project, which is supported by Rotary Mønsterås, Sweden & Denmark.



Upcoming Joy Academy

Joy Academy at Rajadanga Mech Basti, a small village situated under Malbazar block in Jalpaiguri district, is an upcoming project of Trinity Foundation with the aim of providing quality education support for underprivileged children from backward and poorest communities. The deprived children due to financial constrain are struggling for timely education support.



The school is under construction. And at present approximately 20 children beneficiaries has been enrolled who will start their education from the upcoming academic session. The project will allow these children to be bold to study well, self reliant to achieve goals in their bright future.



Interns from Law Colleges

The internship program was provided to a law student from Dharmashastra National Law University, Jabalpur (MP) and three students from Indian Institute of Legal Studies, Siliguri (WB), who interned with the Foundation and its associated Love and Hope Project.



The internship program provides the youth a platform by motivating and giving them opportunity to learn to accomplish their task, develop and refine skills, gain valuable work experience, explore a career path, network with professional in the field and gain confidence.

A huge thank you to all our supporters, well wishers and to everyone who has donated their time, money and energies into supporting our beneficiaries. You are changing lives and helping young people have future full of hope.