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 Farewell to a colleague-Fr.Joshy

"BREAD has made a giant leap in it's mission and vision." -FR.GEORGE, MEMBER TRUSTEE



Education is supposed to be a great gateway to realize ones full potentials and self worth. Sadly it's not a reality for the millions of children who are poor. India lacks a political will to eradicate deprivations which alone will ensure the promotion of education. Government has all types of mechanism to ensure that its resources and funds reach to every child in the country but that isn't happening. It's mind-set is still caste-class-region based .As a consequence the fund marked for rural educational programs ends up in wrong hands by making the system a mockery. Majority of the NGOs are urban based and have no real will to go to the rural areas either due to a lack of good will, incentives or lack of serious awareness of the situation.

I'm indeed glad that BREAD is making a very serious effort however small they might look, to reach out to those children who are otherwise deprived of education. Reaching out to the most vulnerable children, from a mere 40 children in 2008 to 30,000 in 2019 with Mary's Meals, BREAD has made a giant leap in it's mission and vision. BREAD made a decisive choice to align and collaborate with like minded NGO who're committed and daring to go and those already working in the rural and inhospitable places. Dialogues with them ensured that there is no clash of ideologies, mission and commitment. The partnerships with NGO's make sure that there are reduced number of drop outs, child marriages, malnutrition & child abuse but a great level of wellness, collaboration, and success It's joy to notice how partners are learning together in the process of delivering various services to children through Mary's Meals, Mother's Care, Mother's Leap and School Improvement programs. BREAD as a learning organization is well aware that the effectiveness of the program depends on by making the people as shareholders. The association with so many is helping us reach in most effective and efficient ways. Thousands of children are learning and growing and enjoying the childhood that belong to them.

























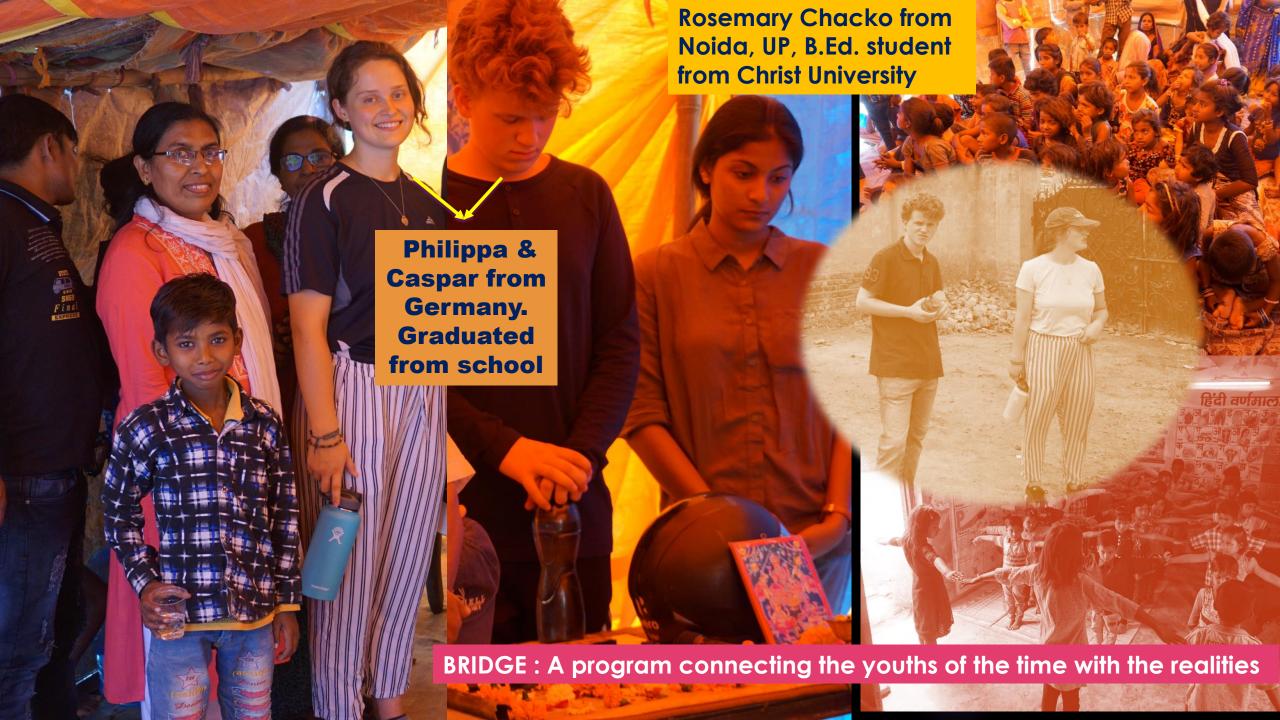










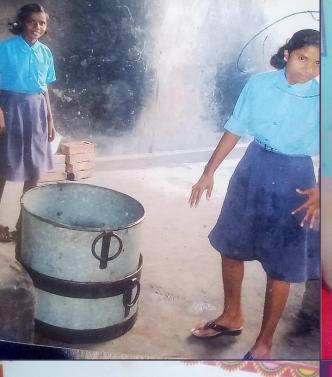


Look who's here!!!

It was really a feeling of 'Job well done!' meeting Rohini Kumari. For BREAD Rohini Kumari from Chenari, Bihar is one of the first beneficiaries of BREAD under the program of Mother's Care. Today, she is a source of knowledge for many at Holy Family School, a school covered now, under Mary's Meals project. This encounter happened during BREAD's monitoring visit to the school.

The first time she received educational aid, she was in her 5th grade. She recalls, "Bags, dresses, books & notebooks, nothing we had to worry about." Father though a laborer, wants all his children not only attend school, but also study further and get a degree. Taking care of the school expenses was difficult amidst the poverty in which the family had been living. She recollects, "when not supported by Mother's care, buying us school articles, worried my father a lot. He made sure we have all that is essential for our studies. He used to take debt, but never allowed the news of taking debt reach our ears. So supportive he had been and still is."











The society Rohini and her family are part of, are not encouraging enough for girls, especially from lower castes, to go to school and study further. They are supposed to be at home, taking care of the house. Nothing pulled back her father from motivating to help her continue her studies. Though her father dreamt her to be a nurse, but her fear of blood and syringes, didn't allow her aptitude to match with the profession. Her ability to communicate and easily manage children, is an asset. She has a diploma in Social work as well as a diploma in teaching. She takes special interest in spreading awareness on gender equality. Today she is working as a teacher, but the quench is not over, she is also pursuing her graduation. She concludes, "I am really grateful to the sponsors of Mother's Care program, for because of them my willingness to study got hope and never faded away.



RESPONSE TO FANI

- On hearing from Marelli of the willingness to contribute to the rehabilitation of the victims of Odisha Cyclone, Fr.Joson, the Managing Trustee, BREAD, carried out a damage/need assessment visit @ Bhubaneswar & Puri, Odisha, from 14-17th May,2019.
- Situation Analysis: Due to the strategic planning of the government, the loss of life was less than what could have been, the consequence of one of the strongest cyclone striking Odisha since 2013. The casualties were less but the damage to the structures was out of control.
- Identification of proposal: BREAD has identified three institutions that stays destructed by the cyclone: Fani. The needs of the institutions identify well with existing programs of BREAD. Thus, BREAD had not to think much over the modalities instead intervene directly.

INSTITUTIONS	REACH OUT	DETAILS	NEED
1) St. Joseph Community college , Jokiladi	120-150 Youths	Under the 'Skill India' program of the Govt. of India, the institution is involved in vocational training courses.	The most damaged section is the canteen, the kitchen & the storage.
2) Beatrix High School, Puri	800 children	Serves with education to the children of leper patients.	The school has lost all the solar panels, window panes are broken, fans are out of shape, stage roof blown off, water tanks blown off, Fallen campus walls, children's play area damaged
3) Telugu Medium School, Puri	200 children	Serves education to the children of fisher folks	Infrastructure of the school remains undamaged. But the individual families are finding difficult to cope with the loss and resume children to schools. Thus school accessories are the need





Dear Fr.Joshy,

We look back and cherish all the planning and execution carried out with you. It stands second to none, that you are definitely one of the reasons for our mission taking life. Thank you for your enthusiasm and expertise.

Your colleagues Best Wishes





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