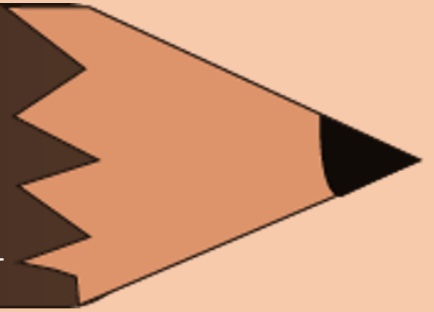




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INTRODUCTION

BREAD has been mobilizing all its resources since 2009 to achieve its motto of **“Empowerment through Education.** It realizes education as the most fundamental right and need for the impoverished. Education has the power to save generations from the clutches of poverty and from the hegemony of the rich. Various programs are adapted and created to serve the purpose of helping more children to join schools. Its aim is to motivate more poor children to avail education. Access to education has the potential to contribute towards the economical as well as social benefits of individuals and of the society as a whole. The April, 2018 issue is to update of the 2017-18 progress made in the plans of BREAD

MESSAGE FROM MANGER'S DESK

“True education must correspond to the surrounding circumstances or it is not a healthy growth.” Gandhiji.



Fr. Joson Tharakan John
Managing Trustee

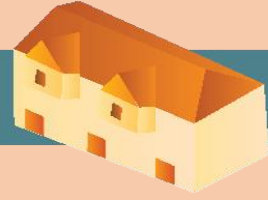
Keeping in by the above message of the father of the Nation, India, BREAD helps to reach out to the most disadvantaged children who face hunger and poverty. Receiving a nutritious meal in a school helps the child to

concentrate and study. Most of the children, who receive Mary's meals, come empty stomach to the school. They belong to the lowest rung of the social ladder. The one slightly better off, though they have something to eat, find hard to purchase school accessories for want of resources. BREAD addresses the issue through Mother's Care up to pre-university. Higher education is a distant dream for most of the lower middle-class students to which BREAD has its own humble way out through Mother's Leap. I exhort all the readers to support the work of BREAD. **Jai Hind!**





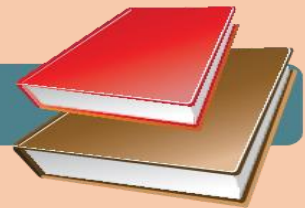
Mary's Meals



- The most indigent, who merely live on breadline are persuaded to join schools. In the year 2017-18, BREAD has been able to deliver mary's meals to 20387 children.
- One-time stomach full meal and opportunity to learn to children of 58 centers, across 8 states.
- There has been significant change in the enrollment, attendance and health of the children having mary's meals.
- Annual Mary's Meals Partners Meet, was held On 2nd Dec,2017, at Jharkhand, India. Mr.Ross Duncan, Mary Meals' Program officer for India, also attended the meeting as well as addressed the partners.
- Monitoring visits and monthly evaluation of stock carried out regularly.



Mother's Care



- Education in India seems inaccessible to many in terms of the cost it involves. In the midst of such situations education becomes hard to achieve.
- Providing for the educational expenses of 2009 children across 8 states of northern India.
- Children covered under the program, find it less challenging to arrange for their daily needs of school.
- This has helped reduce drop out among children and had helped children perform better in school.
- The partners/centers organized scholarship distribution program and the children show cased their talents.





Mother's Leap



HIGHER STUDIES

It's a matter of pride that there are many children living in the depths of struggles, still manage to dream high and join for vocational courses. BREAD feels joyful as in year 2017-18, 24 children were supported for their higher studies under the program. This program has come as a ray of hope for many children and their parents.

TAILORING CENTER

Through this program BREAD also backed a 'Tailoring Center' at St.Mary's Intercollege, Jhansi. BREAD supported the center by undertaking the cost of establishment. The center offered 40 youths a new glimmer of hope, helping them with new skills for livelihood.

LIFE SKILL SESSIONS

During the year BREAD also organized 11 sessions for three different schools and for the teachers of non - formal centers. Themes like body safety, learning one's own worth, positive thinking for the children and lesson planning for teachers were introduced. The appropriate and quick riposte to the activities made the sessions livelier.

BLOSSOMS

- Through this unique program BREAD partially contributed towards the saving for future education of 300 children.
- Thus, helping the parents to develop the habit of saving.



