

Jesuit Research and Development Society (JRDS)

# Caring Through Sharing





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"Teaching is the one profession that creates all other professions."

**Happy Teachers' Day!** 



## Loyola Vocational Institute Honors Teachers with an Inspiring Celebration



New Delhi, India – Loyola Vocational Institute, an educational partner of Caring Through Sharing (CTS), hosted a vibrant Teachers' Day celebration on September 5, 2024, showcasing the talents of students through dance, plays, and speeches.

The program began with a traditional lamp lighting ceremony, warmly welcoming esteemed guests. Students from the Beauty Culture, Shorthand & Typing, and NIOS departments performed graceful dances and delivered thought-provoking speeches. Fashion Designing students captivated the audience with a well-executed play, while other students showcased their dance skills.

The Chief Guest, Fr. Varkey, delivered an inspiring message, followed by the distribution of gifts to the staff members. Mr. Sabyasachi Dutta, Caring Through Sharing's CSR advisor, and Ferdinant Josepaul, the communications officer, were present. Mr. Dutta's inspiring speech motivated students to strive for excellence.



The celebration was a fitting tribute to the teachers, recognizing their dedication and contribution to education.

# Empowering Change: JRDS Workshops Enhance Project Management Skills in Pune and Chennai



The Jesuit Research and Development Society (JRDS-DP) recently conducted two transformative workshops in Pune and Chennai, equipping its partners and stakeholders with critical skills needed to drive sustainable development.

The workshops focused on **project management skills**, providing participants with a comprehensive toolkit to excel in their roles. Key areas covered during the workshops included Crafting Compelling Proposals, where participants learned to articulate project goals, strategies, and expected outcomes with clarity and persuasiveness; Developing Robust Budgets and Implementing Effective Projects, where participants gained insights into best practices for project execution, minimizing risks, and maximizing impact; and Communicating Results with Impact, teaching effective report writing techniques to share project achievements and lessons learned effectively.

Our trainers, Ms. Shruti Aggarwal, Director, Neev-Schooling Before School, and Ms. Jennifer Selvaraj, National Consultant for MHM, UNICEF India, facilitated the workshops, bringing their wealth of experience and knowledge to the participants. The interactive sessions, combined with practical exercises, provided a hands-on learning experience that fostered skill development and confidence.

By investing in the capacity of our partners, JRDS is empowering them to make a lasting difference in their communities. The workshops were a resounding success, equipping participants with the tools to plan, execute, and report on development projects effectively. JRDS remains committed to providing ongoing support and capacity-building opportunities for its partners, fostering a culture of innovation and excellence.

## Transforming Lives: CTS's Impact on Rural Schools



Caring Through Sharing (CTS) through a successful partnership with the Jesuits Madhya Pradesh Province, have equipped seven rural schools with computers, impacting the lives of thousands of underprivileged students and staff.

More than just computers, we're building a brighter future in these schools:

- Loyola School, Gorrapara Pathalgaon
- St. John Berchmans' School, Dhanwarkala
- Nirmala Primary School, Jhingo
- Loyola School, Bhaiswar
- St. Xavier's School, Barmakela
- St. Xavier's School, Ambikapur
- St. Xavier's School, Baikunthpur

The introduction of computer facilities in our rural schools has empowered young minds to navigate the digital landscape, opening doors to new opportunities. Teachers are also benefiting from the ability to perform their work more efficiently in a digital environment, making their classes more engaging and interactive.



But our work doesn't stop there. We've also addressed a critical health concern by constructing a borewell at Loyola School, Gorrapara Pathalgaon. This vital source of safe drinking water benefits students and staff, reducing absenteeism due to waterborne illnesses and promoting better health.

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Meet Rani (name changed), a shining example of our impact. Before the computers arrived at St. Xavier's School, Rani's dream of a career in the IT sector seemed distant. Now, with access to computers, Rani thrives in her digital literacy education. Your support can empower students like Rani to reach their full potential.

Caring Through Sharing (CTS) is committed to bridging the digital divide in rural Madhya Pradesh. Every rupee counts! Donate today and help us create a lasting impact on these underprivileged communities.

#### Empowering Adivasi Women: A Success Story



Caring Through Sharing is proud to celebrate the remarkable achievements of 28 Adivasi women from Shirpur, Maharashtra. Under the guidance of our partner, the Bombay Jesuits, these women successfully completed a tailoring course, opening doors to new opportunities and empowering them for a brighter future.

To commemorate their accomplishment, the women were invited to visit the Xavier Institute of Engineering (XIE) campus in Mahim. Warmly welcomed by Fr. John Rose, Director at XIE, and his staff, they received their completion certificates and had the opportunity to explore the campus.

This experience serves as a powerful testament to the transformative impact of education and skill development on women's lives. By acquiring tailoring skills, these Adivasi women have gained valuable tools to improve their livelihoods and contribute to their communities.

Let's continue to empower Adivasi women and create a more equitable society together.

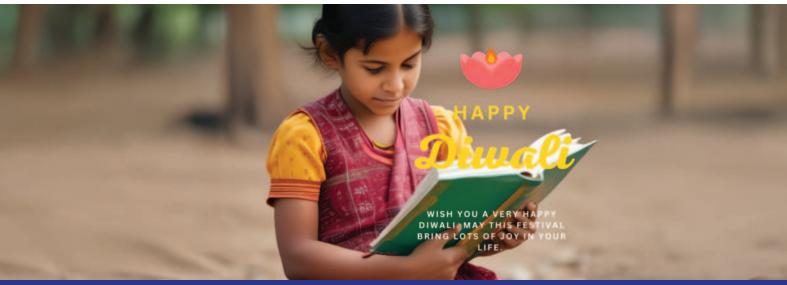
#### Run for a Cause: Support REAP at the Tata Mumbai Marathon



Support our partner, **REACH EDUCATION ACTION PROGRAMME** (**REAP**), as they participate in the **Tata Mumbai Marathon 19th January, 2025**. It's more than a race—it's a mission to empower slum kids and promote **STEM education for girls!** Your generosity will directly impact those in need, creating a brighter and more sustainable future for all. Together, we can make a lasting difference. We extend our heartfelt thanks for your support.

Follow the link to learn more and reserve your spot today:

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