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TENTATIVE PROGRAMME OF THE SUPERIOR GENERAL

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1st Profession in St. Anne's Generalate, Loadih



13 Novices of the Congregation of the Daughters of St. Anne, Ranchi took their 1st Profession on 08 December 2022 in St. Anne's Generalate Loadih, Ranchi. On this occasion the main celebrant was His Excellency Binay Kandulna, D.D. Bishop of Khunti Diocese and con-celebrants were Rev. Fr. Ajay Kumar Xalxo, the Rector of St. Albert's College, Ranchi and Rev. Fr. Fuldev Soreng, S.J. The Holy Mass started at 9:00 o'clock with the Introduction read by Sr. Jemma Gulsan Ekka, DSA.

His Excellency said in his homily about the Blessed Virgin Mary's Immaculate Conception and her call to the salvific plan of God. He said – "Today these 13 Sisters are called by God to continue His mission. There is no need to be powerful, wealthy and knowledgeable to serve God and His people but God calls the ordinary people. Those who are called by God, can establish the Kingdom of God through their vows of Chastity, Poverty and Obedience. Today there are more challenges to continue the mission of God but God does not leave His chosen people."

During the 1st Profession Rev. Sr. Lily Grace Topno, DSA, Superior General, all the General Councillors, Provincials

of Ranchi and Gumla Provinces and Sr. Linda Mary Vaughan, DSA former Superior General, DSA Sisters from different Communities, family members of newly professed Sisters, Religious and guests were present in big number. Rev. Sr. Lily Grace Topno, DSA, Superior General expressed the heartfelt gratitude to the parents and family members of newly professed Sisters and said - "It is your great sacrifice that our Sisters have stepped ahead to live the religious life and to serve God." To the newly professed Sisters she said - "From your birth itself God has carved your name on the palms of His hands. Before your birth God chose you and called you by name. Today religious life is full of challenges but with full dedication you have to serve God and His people." Choir was led by the Novices in the guidance of Sr. Rose Kongari, DSA and Sr. Ranjita Aind, DSA.

After the Holy Mass there was a short cultural programme where all the DSA Sisters, other Religious, family members of newly professed Sisters and guests wished them best wishes of religious life. At the end of the programme Rev. Sr. Manjula Kindo, DSA, Provincial Superior of Ranchi Province thanked one and all present in the programme. In the cultural programme Sr. Nilima Xalxo was the master of the ceremony. The newly professed Sisters are as follows:-

Sr. Vibha Kerketta, Sr. Mary Prasan Ekka, Sr. Reena Kujur, Sr. Anshu Ekka, Sr. Sushma Chargat, Sr. Manisha Minj, Sr. Archana Minj, Sr. Rima Minj, Sr. Beauty Edline Kerketta, Sr. Arpita Emma Xalxo, Sr. Bridget Basumatari, Sr. Usha Tirkey and Sr. Anjna Minj.

Among these, 5 Sisters are from M.P. Province, 2 Sisters are from Gumla Province, 3 Sisters are from Ranchi Province and 3 Sisters are from Jalpaiguri Province.

Sr. Kumudini Dungdung, DSA
St. Anne's Generalate Loadih, Ranchi

SILVER JUBILEE CELEBRATION **AT ST. ANNE'S GENERALATE**

On 11 December 2022, there was Silver Jubilee Celebration of five Sisters those who belong to the Center of the Congregation. They had surrendered themselves to God through the First Profession on 6 January 1998. These five Jubilerians are- Sr. Rashmi Kanta Kiro, Sr. Tarcilla Topno, Sr. Alphonsa Tirkey, Sr. Silbia Toppo and Sr. Swarnima Hembrom. At present Sr. Rashmi Kanta Kiro stays at Christ Anandit Niwas, Delhi and renders her loving service in Apostolic Nunciature Delhi. Sr. Tarcilla Topno is at St. Anne's Generalate, Loadih as the General Treasurer. Sr. Alphonsa Tirkey, Sr. Silbia Toppo and Sr. Swarnima Hembrom are involved in the Europe Mission staying in Italy.

The Eucharistic Celebration began at 9:30 a.m. in Sargaon Hall of Perpetual Help Center (P.H.C.), Generalate. Rev. Fr. Sylbanus Kerketta, S.J. was the main celebrant and Rev. Fr. Sebastian Ekka, S.J. and Rev. Fr. Antony Soy were the con-celebrants. About seventeen Priests from various places also were present on this auspicious occasion. The DSA Sisters from different Communities, the Novices from St. Anne's Novitiate, Samlong, family members and other guests of the Jubilerian Sisters too participated in the Jubilee Celebration. The choir was led devotionally by the

Novices in the leadership of Sr. Rose Kongari, DSA and Sr. Ranjita Aind, DSA. Rev. Fr. Sylbanus Kerketta, S.J., the main Celebrant during his homily witnessed the constant growth of all the five Jubilerian Sisters in the love of Jesus. He deeply appreciated their faithfulness to God and the Congregation. After the Holy Mass, there was a felicitation program in which the participants expressed their profound joy and love to the Jubilerians. On this occasion, Rev. Sr. Lily Grace Topno, DSA, Superior General of the Congregation of the Daughters of St. Anne, Ranchi also took an opportunity to express her heartfelt gratitude to each Jubilerian Sister on behalf of the entire Congregation. She sincerely appreciated their dedicated life and fruitful mission rendered to the DSA Congregation as well as to the Universal Church.

Sr. Mariam Anupa Kujur, DSA
St. Anne's Generalate Loadih, Ranchi

PILGRIMAGE TO **RUGGIERO'S TOWER**

On 6 December 2022, we had a golden opportunity to visit Ruggiero's Tower- a historical and miraculous place along with all the Seminarian Brothers and Fathers of Major Seminary Catanzaro, Italy. This is one of the most important Marian Sanctuaries in Calabria of Catanzaro, Squillace Archdiocese. This place is famous as the Retreat center, place of spiritual renewal and recollection. It is also known as the little Lourdes of Calabria because our Lady of Lourdes appeared here twice to two girls namely- Isabella Cristello and Antonia De Luca. They saw a celestial vision and at the same time Isabella was cured from her particular disease.

On this beautiful occasion we recited the Holy Rosary together with the other pilgrims and sang a particular song of Mother Mary. Thereafter, we had the solemn Eucharistic Celebration. Rev. Fr. Mario, Rector of the Seminary in his homily gave an inspirational message and said - "Mother Mary is the bridge between God and human beings. She is the road that God travelled in order to reach us and the road that we must travel in order to reach God. Through Mother Mary we encounter God." After the Holy Mass we visited some other beautiful places too. Thus, with the wonderful experiences we came back to the Seminary thanking and praising the Lord for His marvellous works.

Sr. Sumati Minj, DSA
Catanzaro, Italy

THANKSGIVING MASS FOR THE JUBILARIANS IN KUNKURI

The Silver Jubilarians had gone to Jamshedpur for their spiritual exercise in preparation of their Silver Jubilee. They got good opportunity there to go back to their childhood and vocation. They began retreat from 25th November to 4th December 2022. After retreat, the Sisters from Madhya Pradesh Province went to St. Anne's Provincialate Kunkuri on 5th December 2022. On December 6, 2022 evening the thanksgiving Holy Mass was organized for the Jubilarians of Diamond, Golden and Silver Jubilee at St. Anne's Provincialate Kunkuri. The main celebrant was Rt. Rev. Bishop Emmanuel Kerketta, DD Jashpur Diocese and con-celebrants were Rt. Rev. Bishop Paul Toppo, DD Raigarh Diocese and Rev. Fr. Dr. Oscar Turkey, S.J. There were 19 Priests too. Sisters were present in a big number. Both the

Bishops gave good message for the Jubilarians and participants. On behalf of CRI, Rev. Fr. Dr. Oscar Turkey, S.J. said the word of congratulations. After the Holy Mass, the Jubilarians were wished and congratulated and then all had a festive dinner. Thereafter, the participants went back to their respective places.

Jubilerian Sisters
M.P. Province

Education Tour

Studying in Loyola College Kunkuri, I had gone for educational tour to Jaipur with the 2nd year B.Sc. department. We commenced our journey on 8 December 2022 at 11.30 p.m. Then at 3.00 a.m. we reached Ambikapur Railway station. From there we got train at 6.00 a.m. for Jabalpur. From Jabalpur to Jaipur we had train at 9.00 p.m. Finally, we reached Jaipur at 12:00 o'clock on 10th December 2022.

We stayed three days in youth hostel and visited many tourist places as Laxmi Narayan Temple, Singh Pol, Albert Hall, Hawa Mahal, Jal Mahal, Jantar Mantar, Wax Museum and Shis Mahal. Thereafter, we moved to Agra by night bus where we visited Taj Mahal. Then we came back to Jabalpur to Kunkuri safely at 5:00 a.m. on 15th December 2022. It was a golden opportunity to go for such enriching educational tour. I saw many new things which I had heard or studied and I improved my knowledge about the history of Jaipur, the pink city where all buildings are painted with pink colour. I thank Rev. Sr. Florencia Minj, DSA Provincial Superior for giving me chance to go for this Educational tour.

Sr. Mary Alen Toppo, DSA
M.P. Province

Final Profession in Gumla Province



On 30 November 2022, there was the Final Profession of eight Sisters of Gumla Province at St. Patrick's Cathedral Gumla. At 9.00 a.m. the Solemn Eucharistic Celebration began with the entrance dance. His Grace, Felix Toppo, S.J., Archbishop of Ranchi Archdiocese was the main celebrant. Rev. Fr. Linus Pingal Ekka, Administrator of Gumla Diocese and Rev. Fr. Nicholas Tete, S.J., Rector of St. Ignatius Gumla were the concelebrants. Along with them around 25 Priests from various places were present on this auspicious occasion. Very Rev. Sr. Lily Grace Topno, DSA, Superior General of the Congregation of the Daughters of St. Anne, Ranchi, Rev. Sr. Sosan Bara, DSA, the Second General Councillor, Rev. Sr. Emelda Soreng, DSA, Provincial Superior of Gumla Province, many DSA Sisters from different Communities and the family members of the finally professed Sisters also witnessed the ceremony with their loving presence.

The eight finally professed Sisters are- Sr. Ileen Bara, Sr. Punam Bading, Sr. Sevika Lugun, Sr. Anima Lugun, Sr. Reena Lakra, Sr. Susmita Tirkey, Sr. Mercy Kullu and Sr. Sumira Tirkey. The choir was led by Sr. Karuna Nag, Juniors, Fr. Kuldeep Xalxo and Fr.

Navin Kullu. His Grace, Felix Toppo, S.J., the main celebrant underlined the religious call in his homily on the basis of the call of Isaiah. He said that if we have real love for God, nothing can separate us from His love. After the Holy Mass, there was a short and sweet felicitation program in which all the guests were warmly welcomed and the professed Sisters were wished by the assembly. Having enjoyed the fellowship meal together, the guests left for their respective destinations cheerfully.

Sr. Punam Bading, DSA
& Sr. Anima Lugun, DSA
St. Anne's Provincialate, Gumla

JUBILEE CELEBRATION IN GUMLA PROVINCE

December 10, 2022 was a remarkable day for the Congregation of the Daughters of St. Anne, Ranchi, specially for fifteen Jubilerian Sisters of Gumla Province. Out of fifteen, six Sisters celebrated Silver Jubilee (25 years), five Golden Jubilee (50 years) and four Sisters celebrated Diamond Jubilee (60 years) of their Religious Life. The Holy Eucharistic Celebration took place at St. Anne's Provincialate, Gumla. The main celebrant was Rev. Fr. Linus Pingal Ekka, the Administrator of Gumla Diocese and Rev. Fr. Kuldeep Xalxo was the con-celebrant. The main celebrant in his homily congratulated the Jubilerian Sisters for their constant efforts in following Christ their Divine Spouse. He appreciated their sacrificial life and selfless services rendered to the DSA Congregation as well as to the Church at large. The choir was led by the Junior Sisters of St. Anne's Provincialate, Gumla.

Soon after the Holy Mass there was a short tea break followed by a colorful cultural program. Rev. Sr. Emelda Soreng, DSA, Provincial Superior of Gumla Province said in her message- “Without service our life is like an artificial flower which though beautiful, has no fragrance. Similarly, the life without service is meaningless. It becomes meaningful and useful when the heart is full of love and body is ready to serve others”. Thus, the day was full of joy and gratitude to God and to one another.

Sr. Josephine Surin, DSA
St. Anne’s Provincialate, Gumla

GET-TOGETHER OF THE JUNIORS



The Juniors’ get-together was held in St. Anne’s Generalate, Loadih at the congregational level from 27-29 December 2022. This program was organized for all the DSA Juniors who have already completed six to eight years in the Congregation. The organizers were the Mother General and Central Formation Commission. On 27 December, the inauguration program began at 2.30 p.m. with lighting the lamps by the Mother General and the representatives of all four Provinces. The central theme for the get-together was- “The relevance of Consecrated Life today.”

Rev. Sr. Lily Grace Topno, DSA, Superior General gave the key note to the participants in which she focused on religious consecration amidst the various challenges of the world. It was an enlightening and strengthening session which inspired all the participants to become a zealous Religious. Through the heart touching thought of Fr. Arupe, S.J. too they were encouraged to dedicate their life to the service of God- “The Consecrated Life must be a fire. It should be enkindled with the zeal of missionary life”.

During different sessions of the get-together, the different speakers gave very enriching inputs on various topics. These are as follows- “Jesus, man of prayer” by Sr. Mary Pushpa Tirkey, DSA. Her inputs helped them to become the persons of prayer following the examples of Christ Himself who was united to God the Father in all circumstances. The Founder, Mother Mary Bernadette’s example also inspired them deeply. Similarly, the inspirational quotation of St. Teresa of Child Jesus helped the Sisters to understand more profoundly the significance of prayer- “Prayer is to be in presence of one whom we love or in presence of who loves us”. Sr. Mridula Toppo, DSA underlined some steps in the process of spiritual discernment in one of the sessions.

On the second day, Sr. Karuna Nag, DSA spoke on the theme- “Emotional maturity, self-awareness and transformation”. Rev. Sr. Lily Grace Topno, DSA too spoke on the Consecrated Life, three Evangelical Counsels and the Community Life. On the third day, the Eucharistic Celebration was presided over by Rev. Fr. John Henry Tirkey, SDB. In his

homily he also beautifully explained the Consecrated Life with many examples and his own life experiences. During the session, Sr. Sujata Kujur, DSA gave inputs on “Interpersonal relationship”. Thus, the participants were profited by the get-together in many ways and received abundant insights. It filled them with new enthusiasm to go ahead in their life with new motivations and resolutions.

Sr. Rashmi Kerketta, DSA &
Sr. Deepawali Dungdung, DSA
(Gumla Province)

Christmas Gathering in Jalpaiguri

After COVID-19, Pandemic, Christmas Gathering was organized for the Priests, Religious, Brothers and Sisters of Jalpaiguri Diocese, on 10th December 2022. About 100 Priests and Religious Sisters, Brothers, Postulants and Candidates participated in Christmas Gathering. At 9.00 a.m. Recollection started in Christ, Redeemer Cathedral, Jalpaiguri with exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Fr. Marcel Fernandez, OCD, Regional Vicar of Kolkata Region gave the talk on the preparation of Christmas followed by Confession for all. Rt. Rev. Clement Tirkey, D.D. Bishop of Jalpaiguri Catholic Diocese was the main celebrant. Sr. Madhuri Kerketta and Sr. Chandna Hansda led the prayer and Rosary during the Confession. After Confession there was solemn Holy Eucharistic Celebration. Choir was led by DSA Provincialate, Jalpaiguri.

After the Holy Mass all proceeded to Bishop’s House Lawn for Christmas Gathering. All enjoyed various programmes presented there Deanerywise. Everyone received the Christmas gift from Santa Clause and

Festive lunch too. After lunch there was Diocese CRI Meeting held in the Lawn of Bishop’s House. Fr. George Thadathil, SDB, President and Fr. Basil Toppo, S.J. Vice-President conducted the Meeting. Sr. Shila Louise, F.C., Acting Secretary presented the Report of BRBC-(West Bengal and Sikkim Region) Regional Conference of CRI held at Matigara Pastoral Centre, Siliguri from December 5-7, 2022. Then Election of new office bearers took place. Meeting was concluded with vote of thanks by Fr. George, SDB.

Province Day Celebration in Jalpaiguri



On 28th December 2022 Jalpaiguri Province celebrated the 13th Province Day. 70 Sisters arrived Jalpaiguri on 27th December 2022 by noon and inauguration programme started at 2.00 p.m. All the Sisters gathered in front of the Crib, prepared in the playground of St. Anne’s Junior High School. Programme started by the flag hoisting of Holy Father by Rev. Sr. Roseline Malika Ekka, DSA, Provincial Superior of Jalpaiguri Province. All proceeded to Mata Bernadette Hall by singing the Christmas song. Sr. Matina Xess conducted the opening programme.

Sr. Alka Anuja Tirkey led the inaugural session with prayer and lighting the Indian lamp by Rev. Sr. Roseline Malika Ekka, Provincial Superior, Rev.

Sr. Linda Mary Vaughan, first Councillor, Sr. Chandrika Nirmala Ekka, second Councillor, Sr. Augustina Indwar, third Councillor, Sr. Elizabeth Minj, Secretary, Sr. Rashmi Sudha Minj, delegate of Education Commission, Sr. Suman Baxla, delegate of Social Work Commission, Sr. Magdali Borogaon, Co-ordinator of Spirituality Commission, Sr. Amrita Ekka, delegate of Youth Commission, Sr. Sushma Soreng, Co-ordinator of Health Commission, Sr. Suman E. J. Toppo, Co-ordinator of Safe Guarding Commission, Sr. Tara Ekka, Golden Jubilarian, Sr. Bernadette Beck, Former Provincial, Sr. Sangeeta Minj, representative of Europe Mission, Sr. Chandna Hansda, representative of Junior Sisters and Sr. Alka Anuja Tirkey, Co-ordinator of Project Commission.

Rev. Sr. Linda Mary Vaughan, DSA, the first Councillor to Provincial Superior welcomed all the participants for gathering. Provincial Superior, Rev. Sr. Roseline M. Ekka, gave the key note for the day. She said- “We have come to reflect God’s graciousness during 13 years in the Province, as we are completing our 13 years of erection of Jalpaiguri Province. Infant Jesus is with us always. Infant Jesus is our Patron. We also reflect upon the next year’s theme: “Word of God, my life”. She emphasized on daily reading of the Holy Scripture saying - “Read Bible, Reflect Bible, and Live Bible”.

Theme of the Province Day was - “Jesus, a man of Prayer”. Rev. Sr. Linda Mary Vaughan spoke on the theme. She said- “Walking with God and talking with Him, is the model of our life. We have also to follow the example of Jesus. We need to pray every time,

everywhere, in every need and for all”. Sr. Chandrika Nirmala Ekka delivered the vote of thanks to Mother Linda for her inspirational thoughts regarding prayer.

On 28th December 2022, the thanksgiving Holy Mass was presided over by Rev. Fr. Daya Kishore Barwa, V.G. and Pro-Vicar of Jalpaiguri Cathedral Parish and Sr. Magdali Borogaon led the choir. Sisters of Raiganj Diocese led the prayers whole day. On this same occasion, the Sisters celebrated the Jubilee of three Sisters – Sr. Jay Prabha (Diamond Jubilee), Sr. Tara Ekka (Golden Jubilee) and Sr. Rashmi Sudha Minj (Silver Jubilee). They congratulated these Jubilarians for their selfless service to the Congregation and all the members of Jalpaiguri Province on the occasion of 13th Province Day.

The first session started at 9.00 a.m. Provincial Superior presented the one-year Province report. Then reports of various Commissions were also presented. After lunch the report presentation was continued. Having finished the Commissions’ report, the Provincial Superior invited to share the reports of each Community by respective Superiors. All the Superiors were eager to share their reports. After supper there was entertainment-cum-Christmas Gathering, conducted by Sr. Matina Xess, Sr. Alka A. Tirkey and Mariam Soren. All enjoyed and shared their joys by exchanging the Christmas Gifts. On 29th December 2022, Bishop Clement Tirkey, D.D. offered thanksgiving Holy Mass. After the Holy Mass and breakfast all went back cheerfully to their respective destinations.

Sr. Elizabeth Minj, DSA
St. Anne’s Provincialate, Jalpaiguri



स्व. सि. पुष्पिका डहंगा,
डी.एस.ए. की जीवनी

“मैं अच्छी लड़ाई लड़ चुका हूँ अपनी दौड़ पूरी कर चुका हूँ और पूर्ण रूप से ईमानदार रहा हूँ। अब मेरे लिये धार्मिकता का वह मुकुट तैयार है, जिसे न्यायी प्रभु मुझे उस दिन प्रदान करेंगे” (तिमो. 4:7-8)।

प्रभु ने स्व. सि. पुष्पिका डहंगा को उनके सुकार्यों के साथ 10 दिसम्बर 2022 को अपनी संगति में शामिल किया। स्व. सि. पुष्पिका डहंगा का जन्म 26 सितम्बर 1960 को बन्दगाँव पल्ली, गाँव मेरोंगुट्ट, जिला सिंहभूम, झारखंड राज्य में हुआ था। पिता श्री बेंजामिन डहंगा और माँ श्रीमति सिसिलिया टोपनो की छः संतानों में उनका दूसरा स्थान था। उनकी शिक्षा पहली से हायर सेकेण्डरी तक बन्दगाँव में हुई। उन्होंने बी.ए. की पढ़ाई संत जेबियर्स कॉलेज राँची से एवं बी.एड. की पढ़ाई जबलपुर से पूरी की। ट्रेनिंग समाप्त करने के बाद उन्होंने प्रभु की पुकार का प्रत्युत्तर देने हेतु संत अन्ना की पुत्रियों के धर्मसंघ राँची में 1981 में प्रवेश किया। ढाई वर्षों का धर्मसंघीय प्रशिक्षण समाप्त कर 12 दिसम्बर 1983 को प्रथम तथा 24 मई 1990 को आजीवन व्रतधारण द्वारा ईश्वर तथा कलीसिया की सेवा में स्वयं को पूर्ण रूप से समर्पित किया। रजत जयंती 24 मई 2009 में तपकरा समुदाय में मनाया। उनका प्रेरितिक कार्य क्षेत्र क्रमशः इस प्रकार है:-

जनवरी 1984-मई 1985 — संत जोन्स राँची मिडिल स्कूल शिक्षिका
जुलाई 1985-नवम्बर 1995 — बिरनीबेड़ा मिडिल स्कूल शिक्षिका
जून 1990-अगस्त 1990 — चाँदो मिडिल स्कूल शिक्षिका
अगस्त 1990-मई 1991 — कांझिया छात्रावास अध्यक्षिका
जून 1991-मई 1992 — जबलपुर बी.एड.
1992-जून 1995 — घाघरा मिडिल स्कूल प्रधान पाठिका
जुलाई 1995-2000 — तमामुण्डा मिडिल स्कूल प्रधान पाठिका
2000-2004 — तमामुण्डा मिडिल स्कूल प्रधान पाठिका + सुपीरियर

था। वे स्वभाव से धार्मिक, धैर्यवान, कर्तव्यनिष्ठ, प्रसन्नचित, प्रार्थनामयी एवं अनुशासनप्रिय थीं। उन्हें स्कूल के कार्यों में अच्छी जानकारी थी। तपकरा समुदाय में रहते वक्त ही वे मधुमेह की शिकार हुईं। बीमारी की हालत में जब भी आवश्यकता पड़ती थी उनको बारम्बार स्वास्थ्य परीक्षण और इलाज के लिये अस्पताल जाना पड़ता था। वे अपने स्वास्थ्य के कारण जून 2022 से पढ़ाने में असमर्थ रहीं। वे लगातार कुनकुरी, अम्बिकापुर तथा रायपुर अस्पताल में भर्ती रहीं। सितम्बर 2022 में एक महीना रायपुर अस्पताल में भर्ती थीं। पिछले दो माह से उनका स्वास्थ्य अत्यन्त नाजुक हो गया। वे 23 अक्टूबर 2022 को हॉली क्रॉस अस्पताल कुनकुरी में भर्ती की गई थीं। ईश्वर की योजना अपूर्व है। दिनांक 10 दिसम्बर 2022 को 5.15 बजे अपराहन् हॉली क्रॉस अस्पताल कुनकुरी में वे सदा के लिये प्रभु की प्यारी हो गईं। उन्होंने 62 वर्षों की आयु में 39 वर्षों तक संत अन्ना की पुत्रियों के धर्मसंघ राँची में रहकर येशु के प्रेम से ईश्वर तथा लोगों को अपनी श्रेष्ठतर सेवा प्रदान की। ईश्वर उनकी आत्मा को अनन्त जीवन का पुरस्कार प्रदान करे।

मध्य प्रदेश प्रोविंस



स्व. सि. फिलीस्तास
मिंज, डी.एस.ए. की
संक्षिप्त जीवनी

"उसकी आत्मा प्रभु को प्रिय थी इसलिए प्रभु ने उसे शीघ्र ही चारों ओर की बुराई से निकाल लिया है" (प्रज्ञा ग्रंथ 4:14)।

दिनांक 28 दिसम्बर 2022 को, संत अन्ना मूलमठ, राँची में पवित्र मिस्सा के मुख्य अनुष्ठाता श्रद्धेय फा. सेबस्तियान तिकी, राँची महाधर्मप्रांत के विकर जेनेरल, पुरोहितगण, माननीया सि. लीली ग्रेस तोपनो, डी.एस.ए., सुपीरियर जेनेरल संत अन्ना धर्मसमाज की धर्मबहनें, धर्म बंधुगण एवं स्व. सि. फिलीस्तास मिंज के परिवार से आये सभी प्रियजन बड़े ही शोकित मन से उपस्थित थे। स्व. सि. फिलीस्तास मिंज को प्रभु ने 25 दिसंबर

2022 को अपने यहाँ बुला लिया। वे अपनी दौड़ पूरी कर प्रभु के राज्य में चली गई हैं।

स्व. सि. फिलीस्तीस मिंज का जन्म 10 नवम्बर 1946 में जोकबहला पल्ली के सलिक टोली छत्तीसगढ़ में एक ख्रीस्तीय परिवार में हुआ था। स्व. सि. फिलीस्तीस बचपन से ही धार्मिक प्रवृत्ति की थीं। स्व. पिता बरनाबस मिंज और माता तेरेसा कुजूर के परिवार को ईश्वर ने 1 बेटे एवं 4 बेटियों से सुसज्जित किया था। वे भाई-बहनों में सबसे छोटी होने के कारण परिवार में सबकी लाड़ली थी। उन्होंने प्राईमरी एवं मिडिल स्कूल की पढ़ाई जोकबहला तथा हाईस्कूल की पढ़ाई गिनाबहार से पूरी की। उसके बाद एन.एम. नर्स की पढ़ाई छिदावाड़ा मांडला से कीं। कुछ वर्षों तक कार्य करने के बाद देर ही लेकिन अपने हृदय में उठने वाली प्रभु की आवाज को पहचाना और स्वतंत्र इच्छा से संत अन्ना की पुत्रियों के धर्मसंघ में 5 जुलाई 1980 में प्रवेश किया। ढाई वर्षों का धर्मसंघीय प्रशिक्षण ग्रहण कर 6 जनवरी 1983 में प्रथम व्रतधारण की और 6 वर्षों के लम्बे प्रशिक्षण काल के बाद अपने धर्मसंघीय जीवन को प्रभु में सुदृढ़ पाया और 22 मई 1989 में आजीवन व्रतधारण कर अपना सम्पूर्ण जीवन ईश्वर को अर्पित किया। उन्होंने तीनों सुसमाचारी सलाहों को जीते हुए और अपने धर्मसंघीय जीवन तथा प्रेरितिक कार्यों के द्वारा लोगों को ईश्वरीय प्रेम को बाँटा है।

स्व. सि. फिलीस्तीस मिंज का पहला मिशन स्थान इस्लामपुर रहा, जहाँ वे एक नर्स धर्मबहन के रूप में रखी गईं। उनमें सेवा की भावना कूट-कूट कर भरी थी। वे कहा करती थीं—मैं सेवा कराने नहीं बल्कि सेवा करने आयी हूँ। उनका समर्पित जीवन प्रेरणादायक रहा। भेद-भाव किये बिना रोगियों की सेवा बड़े प्रेम से करती थीं। वे इतनी सरल थीं कि लोग तुरंत उनसे घुल-मिल जाते थे। इस तरह वे अपनी बातों से लोगों का दिल जीत लेती थीं, वे करीब 20 वर्षों तक अपनी निःस्वार्थ सेवा विभिन्न स्थानों पर दीं, जैसे—

बोम्बे, चैनपुर, टैंसेर, डुम्बरपाठ और बांकी में सेवाएँ प्रदान कीं तथा 24 जुलाई 2003 में लोगों की सेवा हेतु पोर्टब्लेयर अंडमान भेजी गईं। वे 2008 में अपने धर्मसंघीय जीवन का 25 वर्ष पूरा कीं और ईश्वर द्वारा प्राप्त कृपादानों के लिए ईश्वर को धन्यवाद दी हैं।

स्व. सि. फिलीस्तीस मिंज उम्र में मजबूत एवं सुस्वस्थ रहीं। वे अपना काम स्वयं करती थीं तथा जीवन की अंतिम सांस तक पोर्टब्लेयर धर्मप्रांत में लोगों के बीच रहकर अपना प्रेरितिक कार्य करती रहीं। वे करीब 19 वर्षों तक (2003–25 दिसंबर 2022) पोर्टब्लेयर धर्मप्रांत के बाराटांग और पोर्टब्लेयर में अपनी सेवाएँ दी हैं।

उन्होंने ख्रीस्त जयंती रात्रि जागरण एवं प्रातः पवित्र मिस्सा बलिदान में भाग लेकर प्रभु को ग्रहण किया तथा 25 दिसंबर 2022, दोपहर के बाद अपने स्वास्थ्य में अचानक असहजता महसूस करने लगीं। वे स्वयं चलकर कैथिड्रल तक आई और मेडिकल ले जाने के क्रम में अपनी अंतिम सांस लीं। इस तरह जन्म पर्व 2022 मनाते हुए करीब 3.45 बजे पिता ईश्वर की प्यारी हो गईं। पोर्टब्लेयर समुदाय स्व. सि. फिलीस्तीस मिंज का अंतिम समुदाय रहा है। स्व. सि. फिलीस्तीस मिंज विभिन्न समुदाय में रहकर कलीसिया एवं लोगों को अपनी निःस्वार्थ सेवाएँ दी हैं। वे 76 वर्ष की थीं और धर्मसंघ में 39 वर्षों तक एक अच्छी नर्स एवं Pastoral धर्मबहन के रूप में कलीसिया एवं संत अन्ना की पुत्रियों के धर्मसमाज को अपनी सेवाएँ प्रदान की हैं। वे स्वभाव से निर्भीक, प्रसन्नचित, मिलनसार, मृदुभाषी, शांतिप्रिय, सरल, दूसरों के प्रति संवेदनशील, सकारात्मक सोच एवं कृतज्ञता जैसी भावना से भरी थीं। उन्होंने इन सारे गुणों से अनेकोनेक पुण्य कमाया है। ईश्वर स्व. सि. फिलीस्तीस मिंज को अपने स्वर्ग राज्य में दूतों और संतों की संगति में शामिल करने की कृपा करे और परिवार के सभी प्रियजनों को सांत्वना प्रदान करे।

राँची प्रोविंस

Transfer List - January 2023
Ranchi Province

S.N	Name	From	To	Assignment
01	Sr. Cecilia Bara	Mandar	Mother House	Superior
02	Sr. Leoni Jojo	Nawatanr	Formation House, Hulhundu	Superior
03	Sr. Celine Xalxo	Samlong	Hario	Superior
04	Sr. Froza Panna	Samlong	Samlong	Superior + Asst. Tr. M/S
05	Sr. Jacinta Toppo (Jok.)	Kolkata	Ramnagar	Superior + Pastoral Ministry
06	Sr. Tarcilla Soreng	Kanke	Kolkata	Superior
07	Sr. Lourencia Toppo	Mother House	Nawatanr	Superior + Asst. Tr., M/S
08	Sr. Nirmala Jyoti Kachhap	Mandar	Mandar	Principal, Inter College+ Manager Eng. Med. School
09	Sr. Mary Martina Tirkey	Kachabari	Mandar	HM H/S
10	Sr. Cecilia Hembrom	Bandgaon	Kachabari	HM H/S
11	Sr. Esther Horo	Mandar	Bandgaon	HM H/S
12	Sr. Mariam Baa	Bandgaon	Karra	HM /HS
13	Sr. Sophia Baxla	Harmu	Bingaon	HM, M/S
14	Sr. Subhashini Xalxo	Samlong	Torpa H/S	Asst. Tr., Inter College
15	Sr. Reshma Regina Tirkey	Baratang	Harmu	Asst. Tr., H/S
16	Sr. Jemma Bhushan Xalxo	Mother House	Sidrol	Asst. Tr., M/S
17	Sr. Albina Soreng	Nawatanr	Mother House	Asst. Tr., M/S
18	Sr. Alvina Kerketta	Samlong	Hulhundu	Asst. Tr., M/S
19	Sr. Clara Lakra	Hulhundu	Samlong	Asst. Tr., M/S
20	Sr. Nikki Demta	Sahibganj	Tilaibani	Asst. Tr., M/S
21	Sr. Teresa Kerketta	Ulhatu	Lapra	Asst. Tr., M/S
22	Sr. Beena Toppo	Hario	Lapra	Asst. Tr., M/S
23	Sr. Prabha Bage	Ulhatu	Kolkata	Asst. Tr., M/S
24	Sr. Anandit Neelam Kujur	Harmu	Hario	Asst. Tr., M/S
25	Sr. Lourencia Topno	Bandgaon	Mother House	Asst. Tr., St. Aloysius M/S
26	Sr. Oliva Dungdung	Ramnagar	Ulhatu	Asst. Tr., KG
27	Sr. Sujata Kujur (Sil)	Khunti	Provincial House	Junior In-charge
28	Sr. Gulsan Jemma Ekka	Khunti	Khunti	Postulant In- charge
29	Sr. Cordula Kujur	Hario	Vijaygiri	Nurse
30	Sr. Basila Minj	Lohardaga	Hario	Nurse
31	Sr. Sandhya Lakra	Nawatanr	Mother House	Nurse
32	Sr. Pushpa Tigga	Vijaygiri	Bandgaon	Nurse
33	Sr. Ursula Minj(Raja)	Ramnagar	Sahibganj	Asst. Hostel in-charge+ Nurse
34	Sr. Ignatia Panna	Mayabunder	Ramnagar	Pastoral Ministry
35	Sr. Alka Kindo	Hazaribag	Patna	Social Work
36	Sr. Emilia Lugun	Torpa M/S	Nursing School Ulhatu	Accountant
37	Sr. Sujata Beck	Hario	Mother House	Prayer Ministry
38	Sr. Ajay Kumari	Daladali	Hindpiri	Help in Comty.

39	Sr. Phulkeria Tigga	Adazic	Hindpiri	Help in Comty.
40	Sr. Caritas	Tilaibani	Vijaygiri	Help in Comty.
41	Sr. Augustina Minj	Hulhundu	Mandar	Help in Comty.
42	Sr. Mariette	Dighia	Mother House	Rest

New Appointment

Sl. No.	Name	Place	Assignment
01	Sr. Magdali Soy	Mother House	Asst. Candidate in-charge
02	Sr. Silwanti Kujur	Provincial House	Legal and Land
03	Sr. Roshni Panna	Mother House	Minister
04	Sr. Anita Horo	Tilaibani	Pastoral Work
05	Sr. Deepika Soreng	Provincial House	Europe Mission

N.B. All transfer and changes will take place by 31 January 2023.

Signature
04/01/2023

Sr. Manjula Kindo, DSA
DSA
Provincial Superior
Ranchi Province



Signature

Sr. Lily Grace Topno,
Superior General



Transfers List – January 2023 Jalpaiguri Province

Sl. No.	Name of Sisters	From	To	Designation
01	Sr. Linda Mary Vaughan	Jalpaiguri	Jalpaiguri	Junior In-charge + Vocation Promoter
02	Sr. Sushma Soreng	Ulhatu	Jalpaiguri	Superior + Muse
03	Sr. Pratima Lakra	Jalpaiguri	Jyoti Ashram	H. M. Treasurer
04	Sr. Cecilia Marandi	Nichitpur	Chopra	H. M. + Treasurer
05	Sr. Nirmala Dangwar	Chopra	Chopra	Asst. Tr. + Hostel In-charge
06	Sr. Victoria Kisku	Chopra	Nichitpur	Asst. Tr. + Hostel
07	Sr. Anastacia Samad	Faudijote	Mal	Asst. Tr. P/S

08	Sr. Suman Jyoti Kujur	Goomgooma	Faudijote	Asst. Tr.
09	Sr. Suman Baxla	Jalpaiguri	Pengaree	Pastoral Work
10	Sr. Prafulla Kerketta	Pengaree	Chopra	Asst. Tr. Eng. Med. Sch.
11	Sr. Teresa Lugun	Pengaree	Jyoti Ashram	Help in Community
12	Sr. Deep Kumari	Jyoti Ashram	Jyoti Ashram	Asst. Tr.
13	Sr. Dibya Jyoti Dangwar	Faudijote	Kishanganj	Pastoral Work
14	Sr. Sandhya Toppo	Jalpaiguri	Manas Bansbari	Pastoral Work cum Asst. Tr.
15	Sr. Jyoti Lakra	Chopra	Chotparua	Jesuits Eng. Med. Sch.
16	Sr. Matina Xess	Chotparua	Goomgooma	Asst. Tr.
17	Sr. Shobha Marak	Khetri	Jalpaiguri	Asst. Tr.
18	Sr. Konika Ekka	Islampur	Khetri	Pastoral Work (<i>Ad tem.</i>)
19	Sr. Sumanti J. Kullu	Manas Bansbari	Jalpaiguri	Pre-Tertianship Course
20	Sr. Lucia Tuti	Pengaree	Italy	


New Appointment – January 2023

Sl. No.	Name of Sisters	Place	Assignment
01	Sr. Alisha Tirkey	Satali Basti	Asst. Tr.
02	Sr. Nikita Bara	Pengaree	Asst. Tr.
03	Sr. Junaishri Goyari	Altapur	Asst. Nurse
04	Sr. Arpita Emma Xalxo	Jalpaiguri	Pastoral Work
05	Sr. Brijita Basumatary	Khetri	Pastoral Work
06	Sr. Usha Tirkey	Nichamari	Pastoral Work

N.B. All transfers will take place by 15 January 2023.


Sr. Roseline Malika Ekka, DSA
Provincial Superior
Jalpaiguri Province




Sr. Lily Grace Topno, DSA
Superior General

