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PROGRAMME OF THE SUPERIOR GENERAL

June - 2023

- 04 - 10 - Kunkuri – Madhya Pradesh Province Assembly
- 17 - Ulhatu - Hospital Management Committee Meeting
- 21 - Generalate – Mid Term Assembly (MTA) Preparatory Committee Meeting
- 22 - General Council Meeting
- 24 - Kunkuri – Announcement of New Provincial Superior & Team of Madhya Pradesh Province
- 27 June – 21 July - Italy & Germany

Information

It is to bring to your kind notice that Superior General Rev. Sr. Lily Grace Topno, DSA will be out of station from 27th June – 21st July, 2023. During her absence Rev. Sr. Mary Pushpa Tirkey, DSA, the 1st General Councillor will be her substitute for the ordinary business of the Congregation. (Contact No. 7879000694)

JUNIORATE COURSE



Juniorate Course began on 8th December 2022 at Mata Bernadette Formation House Hulhundu. We were fourteen Juniors as the participants from all four Provinces namely-

Madhya Pradesh Province, Gumla Province, Ranchi Province and Jalpaiguri Province.

Fruits cannot be imagined without roots. Hence, to deepen our linguistic root, we began our classes with the basic knowledge of both Hindi and English. Apart from the languages, we learnt many good things during the Juniorate Course. Sometimes we found ourselves quite poor in grammar yet with the help of our Mistresses we tried our level best to polish our languages. We went hand in hand and grew together learning from one another. Besides the classes, we enjoyed thoroughly the prayers, various activities as well as works.

Out of many good things that we learnt is to be ever ready. The Juniorate Course has been instrumental for us to reshape our spiritual, intellectual and religious life. It taught us to face the challenges courageously and accomplish our mission faithfully. It provided the platform to develop our skills, talents, capacities and qualities. We were fortunate enough to get the opportunities to visit some historical places and pilgrimage centres of three Servants of God of Chotanagpur namely- Jamgai, pilgrimage of Fr. Constant Lievens, Gerda (Kutungia), pilgrimage of Fr. Herman Rasschaert and Sargaon, pilgrimage of Mother Mary Bernadette Kispotta. Such beautiful pilgrimages reminded us of the great deeds of God done through them and inspired us to dedicate ourselves to God and His people selflessly like them.

We concluded our Juniorate Course on 22nd May 2023 with a concluding ceremony. On this auspicious occasion, the gracious presence of Rev. Sr. Lily Grace Topno, DSA, Superior General, Rev. Sr. Manjula Kindo, DSA, Provincial Superior of Ranchi Province, Rev. Fr. Bisu Benjamin Aind, V.G. of Khunti Diocese, Fathers of Hulhundu Parish and Apostolic School Hulhundu and Sisters of different Communities enhanced our joy. We thank each one of them for their encouragements, love and concerns to us.

*Sr. Puja Kachhap, DSA
Ranchi Province*

CLOSING CEREMONY OF THE JUNIORATE COURSE



On May 22, 2023, the closing ceremony of the

Juniorate Course took place, creating a memorable event for the 14 Juniors. The celebration commenced with a solemn thanksgiving Holy Mass, presided over by Rev. Fr. Vijay Linda, SFX. During the Mass, he emphasized that God has chosen each one of us to be a part of His mission. In the evening, at 5:50 p.m., the cultural programme for the closing ceremony of the Juniorate Course began. This auspicious day was graced by the presence of many distinguished guests. The chief guest for this joyous occasion was Most Rev. Sr. Lily Grace Topno, DSA, the Superior General. Accompanying her, there were also Rev. Sr. Manjula Kindo DSA, Provincial Superior of Ranchi Province and Rev. Fr. Bisu Benjamin Aind, the Vicar General of Khunti Diocese. Additionally, all the Priests of the Hulhundu Parish and the Sisters from Generalate, Provincialate, Novitiate, and Beacon Community were present.

The program commenced with the lighting of the lamp by the distinguished guests: Rev. Sr. Lily Grace Topno, DSA, Sr. Manjula Kindo, DSA, Sr. Leoni Jojo, DSA, Superior of the Mata Bernadette Formation House, Sr. Clara Tirkey, DSA the Junior In-charge and Rev. Fr. Nelson Barla. This was followed by a prayer dance, seeking the blessings of the Divine. The program was vibrant and colourful, featuring a powerful drama titled "The Impact of Social Media." It effectively portrayed how social media affects society and the youth of the present era. On this occasion, the Superior General delivered a beautiful message, encouraging everyone not to limit ourselves. She emphasized the importance of applying what they had learned and gained throughout the Juniorate Course. She urged to find happiness in life and bring happiness to others. As part of the ceremony, the "Blooming Buds" magazine of 2023, contributed by the Juniors was released, marking the conclusion of the Juniorate

Course. Followed by the program, a fellowship meal was enjoyed by all before they departed for their respective destinations. Thus, the day was filled with joy, celebration and a sense of accomplishment.

*Mata Bernadette Formation
House, Hulhundu*

RENEWAL OF RELIGIOUS LIFE

The Congregation of the Daughters of St. Anne Ranchi, Madhya Pradesh Province received an opportunity to attend in a Seminar arranged by Rev. Sr. Lily Grace Topno, DSA Superior General and her Council members. **Renewal of Religious Life** was the topic of the Seminar. It was held at Kunkuri for three different groups. The Seminar for the first group began on 13th May 2023, which consisted of Superiors, Headmistresses, Nurses and Formators. The second group began on 20th May which consisted of Juniors and young Senior Sisters.

The 3rd group's seminar was held for assistant Teacher Sisters those who could not attend in the previous two Seminars. The Seminar was obligatory for all the Sisters of the Province. The purpose of this Seminar was for the renewal of the Consecrated Life of Sisters. Rev. Sr. Mary Pushpa Tirkey, DSA the 1st General Councillor emphasized the importance of Religious Community Life. She presented the Community as a school of virtue laboratory where one can learn to serve, appreciate, encourage, forgive, care and develop a heart for the needy and suffering. She reiterated that we should not make the wall but make a bridge in our Community life.

Rev. Sr. Sosan Bara, DSA the 2nd General Councillor focused on educational and our Congregational norms which bind all the members to follow. The members are obliged to implement and run the Congregation and institutions accordingly. Rev. Sr. Monica Kujur, DSA the 4th General Councillor shared about financial matters. She emphasized common ownership because material

possessions belong to the Congregation rather than individual person.

Rev. Sr. Lily Grace Topno, DSA Superior General, gave inputs on DSA spirituality and reminded us to deepen and strengthen our spiritual life by remaining faithful to the spiritual exercises. Each religious Congregation is blessed by a unique gift of the Holy Spirit called "**Charism.**" The Charism of the Founder is the gift of the Holy Spirit which she lived in her life. A religious Community's charism is the expression of service, serving the Church by mission. Renewal in Consecrated life is a call of God for conversion as a person and Community. It is a call to deepen our faith in God and personal relationship with Jesus, rebuilding the Church and to strengthen spirituality and mission. Madhya Pradesh Province sincerely thanks Rev. Sr. Lily Grace Topno, DSA Superior General and her team for their foresight regarding the M.P. Province. Sisters are enriched and they renewed their religious life.

*Sr. Kalista Lakra, DSA
St. Anne's Provincialate, Kunkuri*

3rd PROVINCE ASSEMBLY OF GUMLA PROVINCE



The 3rd Province Assembly of Gumla Province was held from 25th - 31st May 2023 at St. Anne' Provincialate, Sisai Road Gumla. On 25 May 2023 the Delegates of the 3rd Province Assembly arrived at St. Anne's Provincialate, Gumla. The Province Assembly began at 4.30 p.m. with a small prayer at the Shrine of Mother Mary Bernadette Kispotta, Servant of

God and her three Companions paying homage to them and asking for their blessings for the successful Assembly. Thereafter, all the Delegates proceeded to the auditorium of St. Anne's Provincialate, Gumla in procession. Hereafter, there was welcome program by the Juniors in the Assembly hall.

Rev. Sr. Emelda Soreng, DSA Provincial Superior gave some information specially she explained the guidelines of the Province Assembly. There was talk by Rev. Fr. Zephrianus Tirkey with the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and adoration at 6.00 p.m. The Delegates began their recollection which continued till the first half of 26th May. Fr. Zephrianus Minj presided over the Eucharistic Celebration every day and gave beautiful reflections on the various themes of each day. The main theme of the 3rd Province Assembly was **“Committed to God’s mission with new vigour”**.

There were 7 Ex-officio members, 6 Nominated members and 12 elected Delegates. Thus, the total number of the participants was 25. Rev. Sr. Emelda Soreng, DSA Provincial Superior, presided over the various sessions but to moderate each session different Sisters were invited. Rev. Sr. Jacinta Kerketta, DSA the 3rd General Councillor was present from beginning till end as the Observer. On 30th May, Rev. Sr. Lily Grace Topno, DSA, Superior General gave a heart touching message to the Assembly. In her message she appreciated the hard work of all the Delegates as well as all Sisters of the Province. At the same time, she reminded of their special responsibilities towards the Province, the DSA Congregation and the entire Church at large.

During sessions, there was report presentation of three years (September 2020-May 2023) presented by the Province Coordinators of 11 Commissions. After the report presentation, there was discussion on the Postulates. At the

end of the Assembly, resolutions were taken. With cooperation and support all participated actively in the Province Assembly. Thus, the 3rd Province Assembly was successfully concluded on 31st of May 2023 at 9.30 p.m.

Sr. Lalita Tirkey, DSA
Gumla Province

ANNUAL RETREAT & VOWS **RENEWAL DAY**



“Speak Lord, for your servant is listening to you” (1 Sam. 3:9).

We the 38 Juniors of Gumla Province had a successful spiritual journey along with our Lord and Master Jesus Christ. We began our spiritual journey on 7th of May 2023 in the evening with a short prayer and introductory talk. Rev. Fr. Sandeep Lakra, S.J. was our guide. The talk was based on “stillness is more than silence and silence is the beginning of an inward journey”. It helped us to prepare ourselves to journey with the Lord. During 8 days of retreat we were given different themes and topics, to ponder upon. Fr. Sandeep Lakra, S.J. shared his vital life experiences and many stories which enriched and encouraged us to deepen our faith in Christ Jesus. Every day we had Holy Mass, Adoration and Contemplation. From time to time we had personal spiritual sharing with our spiritual guide too. Retreat was very fruitful. Through this we could seek God, open ourselves to Him and experience His everlasting love. We found ourselves as God’s masterpiece, unique, precious, loved and chosen one that we may answer to His call each day with renewed vigor. Similarly we

visualized Jesus' birth, passion, death and Resurrection and realized His mercy and love.

16th of May 2023 was the remarkable day for 31 Junior Sisters of Gumla Province. On this fabulous day with great zeal and enthusiasm they renewed their vows. Some of them renewed for one year and some for two and half years. The Holy Mass started at 6.00 a.m. presided over by Fr. Sandeep Lakra S.J. He motivated through his homily to step ahead in our Religious life. Especially he focused on three Evangelical Counsels of Chastity, Poverty and Obedience. On this auspicious day, Rev. Sr. Emelda Soreng, DSA Provincial Superior of Gumla Province, curia members, Community members and others Sisters were present. Soon after the Eucharistic Celebration there was a short and sweet wishing programme. All were very delighted to see the Sisters going ahead in this modern era by renewing their Vows.

Sr. Swati Kandulna, DSA &
Sr. Sonam Barwa, DSA
Gumla Province

BAG MAKING TRAINING



Bag making training was conducted from 1-5 May 2023 at CHABIJAN (Catholic Health Association of Bihar Jharkhand and Andamans) Office at Charnabera Namkum, Ranchi, Jharkhand. Sr. Ankita Tirkey, DSA from BEACON, Hulhundu and Sr. Tara Kujur, DSA from Mahila Kalyan Kendra, Ranchi from Ranchi Province attended five days training programme. They welcomed all the participants on 1st May 2023 at 9.00 a.m. It was a regress training indeed. The training hours were from 8.00 a.m. – 9.00 p.m. There were many trainees. We took one full day to

stitch a bag. All were so curious and interested to learn. Every day a new design was taught by the trainers. Thus, we learnt five designs in five days. I thank the organizers because it was a useful training.

Sr. Ankita Tirkey, DSA
BEACON, Hulhundu

ANNUAL RETREAT IN MOTHER HOUSE



An Eight days retreat was organized in St. Anne's Mother House, Ranchi from 13th May 2023 evening to 22nd May 2023 morning. Total number of retreatants was 70, where 44 Juniors and 26 Senior Sisters participated. The Spiritual Director was Rev. Fr. Sanjay Kerketta, S.J., Professor of St. Xavier's College, Ranchi. For each day there were different themes.

This retreat enriched us from within and helped us to reflect on the themes. It was the time to be with the Lord and walk with the Lord. We had the deeper experience of God. During evening Adoration we had evangelization of our experiences i.e. sharing of our experiences to one another. Magnanimity and disposition were the two weapons for this retreat which made us to reflect and experience the unconditional love of God. All throughout the retreat we the Sisters felt the presence of the Lord within ourselves and were able to spend a quality time with the Lord which was much more fruitful.

On 22nd May the Juniors renewed their Vows. On this occasion Rev. Fr. Sanjay Kerketta, S.J. was the main celebrant of the Eucharistic Celebration. Rev. Sr. Manjula Kindo, DSA,

Provincial Superior, Ranchi Province, Sr. Mary Toppo, DSA, Sr. Sujata Kujur, DSA, Sr. Lily Gari, DSA, Sr. Jane Madhura, DSA, Sr. Anshu Toppo, DSA and other DSA Sisters were present. After the Eucharistic Celebration there was a short programme presented by the Sisters of Mother House. All were full of joy.

Sr. Anupriya Orey, DSA
St. Anne's Mother House

RANCHI PROVINCE ASSEMBLY



The Province Assembly of Ranchi Province commenced on 25th May 2023 with a meaningful inaugural program conducted by the Assembly Hall Committee at 2.30 p.m. The Province Assembly 2023 was mainly dedicated to the central theme of the Mid-Term Assembly 2023- **“Committed to God’s Mission with New Vigour.”** There were 27 Delegates along with Rev. Sr. Sosan Bara, DSA the 2nd General Councillor, who was the Observer of the Ranchi Province Assembly. The welcome address was delivered by Sr. Celine Bara, DSA Coordinator of the Province Assembly Preparatory Committee (PAPC). The inaugural prayer was conducted by Sr. Shanti Tirkey, DSA and Sr. Salomi Xess, DSA. Rev. Sr. Manjula Kindo, DSA and Rev. Sr. Sosan Bara, DSA were honoured with a sapling of Sal tree. All the Delegates including Rev. Sr. Sosan Bara, DSA the 2nd General Councillor, carried a *diya* and offered it to our Lady of Lourdes, patron of the Province.

Sr. Celine Bara DSA, Coordinator presented the report. There was a prayer service before Mass at 6.00 p.m. at St. Anne’s Mother House chapel. The inaugural Mass was presided over by His Grace Felix Toppo, S.J., Archbishop of

Ranchi Archdiocese at 6.30 p.m. He said that we are called for noble and spiritual purposes. A love that is qualified by forgiveness and commitment to God’s will, culminating on the cross at the Calvary. To know the mission, it is necessary to be rooted in the person of the Founder. To understand the deeper meaning of Charism, one should imbibe the spirit and the Charism of the Congregation.

During those five days of the Province Assembly, the Main Celebrants of the Holy Mass by His Grace Felix Toppo, S.J. (Inaugural Mass), Rev. Fr. Ajit Kumar Xess, S.J. (Provincial, Ranchi Jesuit Society) Rev. Fr. Florence Kujur S.J. (Superior, St. Xavier’s School Doranda), Rev. Amrit Lakra SJ (Rector, Manresa House) and Rev. Fr. Mukul Mark Lakra, S.J. (Director, Loyola Training Centre, Ranchi) respectively. Rev. Sr. Manjula Kindo, DSA presented the Administration’s report of the three years from September 2020 to May 2023. Followed by the eleven Commission Coordinators of the Commissions’ report, there was the discussion on the compiled Postulates. Rev. Sr. Lily Grace Topno, DSA Superior General emphasized in her message the significance of the theme of the Province Assembly and stated that we need to look at the past with grateful hearts. We need to be grateful to God, Congregation’s members and all our collaborators through whom God has blessed our Congregation. The Province Assembly is the best time to introspect and reflect on our religious commitment. It is also a time of personal evaluation. God has called us all to love, serve and glorify His name cheerfully. We have to become loving and serving missionaries like Mother Mary Bernadette, Servant of God. She took the reference from the Constitution no. 42 that Religious life is impossible without prayer.

Rev. Sr. Sosan Bara, DSA the 2nd General Councillor presented her keen observations of Province Assembly 2023. At the very outset she sincerely appreciated and congratulated all the Delegates and their hard work of the Province Council and different committees of

the Assembly. At the same time she had the areas of concern and suggestions for each and every commission. On the last day there was an evaluation session of the Province Assembly 2023.

Rev. Sr. Mary Toppo, DSA the 1st Councillor of the Provincial Superior proposed the vote of thanks to one and all who had contributed their leadership, cooperation, selfless service and spared their energy, mind, talents and time to make the Province Assembly 2023 a memorable and very successful one. Province Assembly 2023 was concluded with meaningful prayer by Rev. Sr. Mary Phoolkumari Tete, DSA the Delegate Superior of Andaman Mission. Thus, the Ranchi Province Assembly 2023 was concluded successfully on 29th May 2023.

Sr. Lalita Roshni Lakra, DSA
St. Anne's Convent, Hulhundu

FATHER'S DAY CELEBRATION

On 30th April 2023, the *Babas* (fathers) of Jalpaiguri Parish came together at 5.00 p.m. and they had Prayer Service, Adoration and Confession at Christ Redeemer Cathedral, Jalpaiguri led by Visitation Sisters of Mary. Next day, on 1st May 2023 at 8.00 a.m., there was Holy Mass at Cathedral. About 200 fathers gathered in the campus of Parish and they were welcomed by mothers and girls with dancing from Parish to the Cathedral. Village Catechists and all other fathers proceeded in procession and entered the Cathedral. There was entrance dance by the Parish Youth. Bhandiguri, Munshi Line T.G. led the Choir with very meaningful and devotional hymns. Fr. Daya Kishore Barwa, Parish Priest was the Main Celebrant and 6 Priests concelebrated.

After Solemn Eucharistic Celebration, there was talk and colourful programme at Bishop James Memorial Hall, Jalpaiguri. Rev. Sr. Linda Mary Vaughan, DSA gave the talk on the theme - "Effective role of fathers and responsibility of *Babas* in the family". Fr. Samson Dang and Fr. Santosh Melgandi also gave the talk. Children and family members showed their love and honour by giving them

garland, flower bouquets and some valuable gifts on *Baba Diwas*. After the programme, the festive meal was provided for all the participants.

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

ANNUAL RETREAT

"Abide in me as I abide in you" (Jn. 15:4).

Eight days retreat was arranged for the Sisters of Jalpaiguri Province in two groups. In the first group 40 Sisters and in the second group 44 Sisters attended. From 30th April to 8th May 2023 the first group and from May 11th to 19th 2023 the second group completed the spiritual exercise.

Fr. Donatus Kujur, S.J., the Principal of St. Joseph's College, Darjeeling was the spiritual guide of the 1st group and Fr. Medard Xalxo, S.J., Tertian Instructor of Sitagarha was the spiritual guide of the 2nd group. They helped the retreatants in their spiritual journey with the Lord and to abide with Him more closely. They had very good and wonderful experience during the retreat receiving the graces of God. The retreat gave truly a unique experience to all. It has brought about a tremendous transformation in the life of the retreatants. They certainly have deepened their personal relationship with Jesus through reflection, contemplation and meditation on various themes of each day. The retreat of the 2nd group was concluded by renewal of Vows of 19 Junior Sisters.

Sr. Chandna Hansda, DSA
St. Anne's Provincialate, Jalpaiguri

JALPAIGURI PROVINCE ASSEMBLY



Jalpaiguri Province Assembly was held from

25 to 30 May 2023 at St. Anne's Provincialate, Jalpaiguri. There were 19 Delegates in it. The central theme of the Province Assembly of Jalpaiguri Province was: **"My Commitment to God's Mission"**.

It was a golden opportunity to have Most Rev. Sr. Lily Grace Topno, DSA, Superior General in the beginning of the Province Assembly 2023. All participants expressed their heartfelt gratitude to dear Mother General, along with Rev. Sr. Monica Kujur, DSA, the 4th General Councillor as the Observer of the Province Assembly. They thanked the Priests too, who came to help in many ways during Province Assembly, namely- Rev. Fr. John Kennedy, S.J., who came for inaugural Holy Mass as well as for the talk for Recollection, followed by Confession and Adoration on 25th May 2023. Fr. Daya Kishore Barwa, V.G. and Parish Priest of Cathedral Parish Jalpaiguri, Fr. Samson Dang, Rector of Minor Seminary, Fr. Ignatius Topno, Director of Artico Pastoral Centre, Fr. Santosh Melgandi, Chancellor of Jalpaiguri Diocese and on the last day of Assembly, Bishop Clement Tirkey, D.D. Bishop of Jalpaiguri came for Holy Eucharistic Celebration. They gave beautiful reflections on the themes given for each day.

The Province Assembly was celebrated very successfully with the help of various preparatory committees who did their level best to accomplish their responsibilities as well as by the prayerful support of all Sisters. The Delegates of Province Assembly are very grateful specially to dear Sisters – Silvia Xalxo, DSA, Ernestina, DSA and Christina Minj, DSA who prayed earnestly for the success of Assembly, Formees- Candidates and Postulants, who served and provided every required thing on time in the guidance of Sr. Gulab Lakra, DSA. May God bless them all.

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

सुसमाचार प्रसारण

"Synodal Church; एक मिशन के लिए एकता में

बाँधना। New Evangelization स्वयं खीस्त है।" (संत पिता फ्रांसिस)

इन्हीं बातों से प्रेरित होकर खारीबहार गाँव, जशपुर धर्मप्रांत में लोगों को सामाजिक, आर्थिक, राजनैतिक और आध्यात्मिक रूप से उनके विश्वास को जगाने तथा गहरीकरण करने के लिए मध्यप्रदेश प्रोविंस की ओर से 13 मई 2023 को एक वृहद् कार्यक्रम का आयोजन किया गया था। कार्यक्रम को सफल बनाने के लिए पुरोहितों, धर्मबहनों तथा बाहर कार्यरत् शिक्षित लोगों को जोड़ा गया। सन् 1992 ई. के मई महीने में खारीबहार पल्ली की स्थापना हुई है परन्तु कुछ सालों से इस गाँव के लोगों का जीवन अस्त-व्यस्त हो गया था।

स्मरणीय दिन रहा जब संत अन्ना की पुत्रियों का कदम उस गाँव में पड़ा। धर्मबहनों के आगमन से महिलाओं तथा पुरुषों का संगठन बनने लगा। संगठन बनने के बाद पहली बार बाबा दिवस मनाया गया। यह ईश्वरीय कृपा का दिन था। गाँव को एकता में लाना श्रद्धेय फा. शांति प्रकाश पन्ना, पलोटाईन का योगदान रहा। कार्यक्रम को सफल बनाने में श्रद्धेय फा. मरियानुस खाखा, पलोटाईन, श्रद्धेय फा. दिलीप टोप्पो, कपुचिन ने अपना योगदान दिया। अत्यंत भव्य एवं भक्तिमय तरीके से पवित्र मिस्सा सम्पन्न हुआ। गाँव के लोग मिल-मिलजुल कर काम किये। लोगों ने पुरोहितों एवं धर्मबहनों की मृत आत्माओं को श्रद्धांजली दी जो अपने गाँव के थे –

1. स्व. सि. एमेल्डा तिर्की, डी.एस.ए.
2. स्व. सि. मेर्खापू टोप्पो, डी.एस.ए.
3. स्व. ब्र. पास्कल तिग्गा, ये. सं.
4. स्व. फा. राजेश खाखा, ये. सं.
5. स्व. फा. जोसेफ खाखा, पलोटाईन
6. स्व. सि. जसिन्ता तिर्की, हॉली क्रॉस

श्रद्धेय सि. क्रसेन्सिया तिर्की, डी.एस.ए. द्वारा लिखित पुस्तक 'उद्गम' का विमोचन किया गया जहाँ लोगों के अधिकार व अस्तित्व निहित हैं जिससे वे अपने अधिकार और आदिवासीयत को जानें तथा वर्तमान के मुद्दों से परिचित हों। उस कार्यक्रम में विधायक यू. डी. मिंज, कुनकुरी भी साथियों के साथ उपस्थित थे तथा श्री सुशील तिग्गा, ग्रामीण बैंक मैनेजर बलरामपुर, श्री रोमानुस तिर्की, एल.आई.सी. डी.ओ., श्री संजीव रोपा तिर्की, एन. टी. पी.सी. कोरबा सेवानिवृत्त, श्री फाबियानुस तिर्की, एकलव्य विद्यालय खरीसिया, रायगढ़ उपस्थित

थे। कार्यक्रम के बाद लोगों में उत्साह और एकता दिखाई दी।

सि. क्रसेन्सिया तिकी, डी.एस.ए.
संत अन्ना कॉन्वेंट, मानपुर



स्व० सि० विजय कान्ता, डी.एस.ए.
की संक्षिप्त जीवनी
(01.08.1931 – 31.05.2023)

“मैं अच्छी लड़ाई लड़ चुका हूँ, अपनी दौड़ पूरी कर चुका हूँ और पूर्ण रूप से ईमानदार रहा हूँ” (2 तिमथी 4: 7)।

सि. विजय कान्ता का जन्म 1 अगस्त 1931 को गाँव टोंगो डेरा, जिला एवं धर्मप्रान्त गुमला के एक सुन्दर ख्रीस्तीय परिवार में हुआ था। पिता का नाम श्री लेओस टोप्पो एवं माता का नाम कथरीन तिकी था। परिवार में आठ बहनों एवं तीन भाईयों में उनका स्थान तीसरा था। पिताजी पल्ली के विद्यालय में एक शिक्षक का कार्य करते थे। उस वक्त पिताजी का मासिक वेतन मात्र 30/- रुपये था। इतने अल्प वेतन के बावजूद उन्होंने सभी भाई-बहनों की परवरिश एवं शिक्षण कार्य को बड़ी लग्नता से किया। पिता के बाईबल पठन ने उनके मनोमस्तिष्क पर गहरा प्रभाव डाला। माँ भी अपने परिवार के भरण-पोषण हेतु उर्सुलाइन कॉन्वेंट के सिलाई स्कूल में काम करती थीं।

उनका बपतिस्मा नाम राखेल रोस टोप्पो था, पर उन्होंने जब धर्मसंघ में प्रवेश किया तब उनको धर्मसंघ की ओर से विजय कान्ता, नया नाम दिया गया। वर्तमान में, दो भाई-आर्चबिशप फेलिक्स टोप्पो, ये. सं., राँची महाधर्मप्रान्त के महाधर्माध्यक्ष एवं हेरमन टोप्पो और दो बहनें – दोरोथी टोप्पो और इग्नासिया टोप्पो हैं। सि. विजय कान्ता की प्राथमिक शिक्षा टोंगो उर्सुलाईन कॉन्वेंट स्कूल में हुई तथा हाईस्कूल की पढ़ाई उर्सुलाईन कॉन्वेंट, गुमला में पूरी हुई। हाईस्कूल कक्षा नवी की पढ़ाई के बाद, उन्होंने वहीं टीचर्स ट्रेनिंग का प्रशिक्षण ग्रहण किया। प्रशिक्षण ग्रहण करने के पश्चात् क्रमशः उर्सुलाइन कॉन्वेंट, राँची तथा खूँटी में शिक्षिका का कार्य किया। इसी दौरान उन्होंने ईश्वर की पुकार सुनी और 15 जून 1953 में संत अन्ना की पुत्रियों के धर्मसंघ, राँची में प्रवेश किया। उन्होंने धर्मसंघीय प्रशिक्षण पूरी करने के बाद 24 मई 1956 में प्रथम व्रतधारण

लिया एवं 24 मई 1962 में अन्तिम व्रतधारण कर ईश्वर को अपना सम्पूर्ण जीवन समर्पित कर दिया।

अन्तिम व्रतधारण के बाद मई 1956 से दिसंबर 1959 तक, सहायक शिक्षिका, जनवरी 1960 से मई 1972 तक कर्मा में सहायक शिक्षिका, जून 1972 से जनवरी 1990 तक खंजालोया में सुपीरियर एवं सहायक शिक्षिका का कार्य बखूबी निभाया एवं खंजालोया में अपनी रजत जयन्ती मनायी। तत्पश्चात् उनका आगमन बंगाल मिशन में, इस्लामपुर कॉन्वेंट में सुपीरियर के रूप में फरवरी 1990 में हुआ, जो हमारे बंगाल मिशन का प्रथम कॉन्वेंट है। वहाँ वे जनवरी 1994 तक रहीं। फरवरी 1994 में उनको नया मिशन खोलने के लिए आह्वान हुआ, अतः वे फरवरी 1994 में गुमगुमा में एक पायनियर के रूप में आयीं। वहाँ उन्होंने जनवरी 2002 तक, एक सुपीरियर एवं प्रधानाध्यापिका का कार्यभार संभाला। तत्पश्चात् उनका स्थानान्तरण, संत अन्ना कॉन्वेंट, मरिया केन्द्र, बागडोगरा में धार्मिक सामानों की दुकान की देखभाल करने के लिए हुआ। वहाँ उन्होंने फरवरी 2002 से मई 2011 तक अपनी सेवाएँ बागडोगरा कलीसिया को प्रदान की। बागडोगरा में ही उन्होंने 50 वर्षीय स्वर्ण जयन्ती बड़े धूमधाम एवं हर्षोल्लास के साथ मनायी एवं ईश्वर को धन्यवाद दिया। इसी दौरान सन् 2011 में वे किसी गंभीर रोग से पीड़ित हो गयीं। पर दृढ़-निश्चयी एवं ईश्वर पर आस्था होने की वजह से, धैर्य एवं आत्म-विश्वास के साथ उसमें उन्होंने विजय पायी। यह ईश्वर की असीम कृपा एवं दया का सर्वोत्तम दान है। बागडोगरा से जून 2011 में उनका तबादला किशनगंज में हुआ, जहाँ उन्होंने 12 वर्षों तक समुदाय एवं कलीसिया की निःस्वार्थ सेवा की और सभी लोगों को, विशेषकर बच्चों को अपना प्रेम प्रदान किया। सि. विजय कान्ता में उदारता, प्रेम, दया, क्षमा, प्रार्थना, सेवा भावना, विनम्रता, सहनशीलता, मृदुभाषी, आज्ञाकारिता एवं प्रसन्नता जैसे गुण कूट-कूटकर भरे थे। कॉन्वेंट के बरामदे में बैठकर वे सभी का मुस्कुराकर स्वागत करती थीं। हकीकत तो यह है कि ईश्वर प्रदत्त, इस जीवन में सुख और दुःख एक ही सिक्के के दो पहलू हैं। उन्होंने 60 वर्षों की हीरक जयन्ती 30 अप्रैल 2016 को मनायी।

अचानक 26 मई 2023 को दिनभर, सुपीरियर, सि. अगुस्टीना इंदवार को खोजती रही। संध्या को बाहर निकलने की इच्छा जाहिर की। उन्हें कमरे से बाहर निकालने के क्रम में अचानक पैर में शिथिलता आयी। फिर पैर के साथ-साथ सम्पूर्ण शरीर में असर करने लगा। धीरे-धीरे आवाज बंद हो गई। दो जूनियर धर्मबहनों के साथ, मदर तेरेसा के ब्रदर्स, पल्ली एवं सेमिनरी से फादर एवं ब्रदर सेवा में लग गये। 27 मई को कुछ मसाज इत्यादि देने के बाद हाथ-पैर में कुछ परिवर्तन हुआ। इतने में प्रभु ने उनको अपने पास आने के लिए पूर्ण रूप से तैयार किया और 31 मई 2023 को प्यारी बहन, सि. विजय कान्ता के छोटे भाई, अति

मान्यवर आर्चबिशप, फेलिक्स टोप्पो, ये.स. राँची महाधर्मप्रान्त के महाधर्माध्यक्ष की अंतिम मुलाकात एवं प्रार्थना के बाद वे प्रभु की प्यारी हो गई।

उन्होंने 67 वर्षों तक समर्पित जीवन जीते हुए कलीसिया और धर्मसंघ को अपनी निःस्वार्थ सेवा प्रदान की। 92 वर्ष की आयु में संत अन्ना कॉन्वेंट, किशनगंज में, दिनांक 31 मई 2023 को अपराह्न 4.10 बजे धर्मबहनों की उपस्थिति में उन्होंने अंतिम सांस ली। उन्होंने अपने धर्मसंघीय जीवन में बहुत सारी आत्माओं को प्रभु के पास लाया। ईश्वर उनके सभी कृत कार्यों के लिए उनको पुरस्कृत करे और अपने राज्य में अनन्त शान्ति प्रदान करे एवं उनके प्रिय भाई-बहनों एवं परिवार के सभी सदस्यों को ईश्वरीय दिलासा प्रदान करे। उनकी

अंतिम विदाई एवं दफन ख्रीस्तयाग के मुख्यानुष्ठाता, महामान्यवर महाधर्माध्यक्ष फेलिक्स टोप्पो, ये. सं., स्वर्गीय सि. विजय कान्ता के छोटे भाई थे एवं 10 पुरोहितों ने ख्रीस्तयाग में सहभाग लिया। साथ ही सि. विजय कान्ता की छोटी बहन सुश्री दोरोथी टोप्पो, दरभंगा से आर्यी एवं प्रोविस की धर्मबहनों एवं विश्वासियों ने पवित्र मिस्सा में भक्तिपूर्वक भाग लिया। सि. रोजलिन मलिका एक्का, डी.एस.ए., जलपाईगुडी की प्रोविंशियल सुपीरियर ने सुपीरियर जेनेरल एवं धर्मसंघ की ओर से आर्चबिशप एवं परिवार के सभी सदस्यों को धन्यवाद दिया।

सि. इलिजबेथ मिंज, डी.एस.ए.
संत अन्ना प्रोविंशियलेट, जलपाईगुडी



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Madhya Pradesh Province

Transfer/ New Appointment/ Studies/ Renewal Course -2023

1. Transfer

S. N.	Name	From	To	Assignment
01.	Sr. Rajmani Minj	Rai	Provincialate, Kunkuri	Superior
02.	Sr. Mary Clara Toppo	Bir nibera	Bir nibera	Superior + Principal, 10+2
03.	Sr. Roseline Tigga	Nawatoli	Nawatoli	Superior +H.M., M/S
04.	Sr. Veronica Baxla	Tapkara	Tapkara	Superior + Clerk H/S
05.	Sr. Shobha Tigga	Rai	Rai	Superior + Nurse
06.	Sr. Carmela Kujur	Marol	Patora	Superior + Nurse
07.	Sr. Pradeep Toppo	Ghaghra	Nawatoli	Principal, 10+2
08.	Sr. Prabhati Ekka	Ratasili	Ratasili	Principal, 10+2 Hindi Med.
09.	Sr. Kalista Lakra	Provincialate Kunkuri	Ratasili (Kusmi)	Principal, 10+2 Eng. Med. Sch. Kusmi
10.	Sr. Pushpanjali Xaxa	Rai	Rai	Asst. Tr. Eng. Med.+ Hostel In-charge
11.	Sr. Shashi Pratima Toppo	Nawatoli	Tapkara	H/S Asst. Tr. Hindi Med.& Manager Eng. Med. Sch.
12.	Sr. Israeli T. Kerketta	Tapkara	Ratasili	H/S Asst. Tr. & Manager Eng. Med. Sch. Kusmi
13.	Sr. Juliana Lakra	Rai	Patora	School Manager + Help in Community
14.	Sr. Dibya Gulab Lakra	Ratasili	Ghaghra	School Manager + Asst. Tr., H/S
15.	Sr. Nirmala Kujur	Ratasili	Chilpi	School Manager + Asst. Tr.
16.	Sr. Asha Ekka	Shantibhawan	St. Anne's College Hostel, Kunkuri	In-charge, College Hostel & Sewing Center + Manager Nirmala School Nawatoli

17.	Sr. Silvia Tigga	Provincialate Kunkuri	Marol	Manager + Asst. Tr., M/S
18.	Sr. Sandhya Tigga	Ratasili (Sub-station Kusmi)	Ratasili (Sub- station Kusmi)	Asst. Tr. Eng. Med. Sch. + Manager, Nirmala H/S Sch. Ratasili
19.	Sr. Agatha Panna	Provincialate, Kunkuri	Provincialate, Kunkuri	Asst. Tr., Loyola Eng. Med. Sch.
20.	Sr. Bertha Toppo	Banea	Banea	Manager P/S + K. G. Asst. Tr.
21.	Sr. Sewti Kerketta	Nawatoli	Tamamunda	Asst. Tr., M/S
22.	Sr. Ignatia Toppo	Tapkara	Tapkara	H.M., M/S Hindi Medium
23.	Sr. Aniro Ekka	Tapkara	Berasia	Asst. Tr., Fr. Agnel Eng. Med. School
24.	Sr. Suman Shobha Ekka	Berasia	Provincialate, Kunkuri	Province Office Work
25.	Sr. Amrita Kerketta	Panchdhar	Patora	P/S Asst. Tr.
26.	Sr. Mariam Gorotti Kujur	Portenga	Panchdhar	P/S Asst. Tr.
27.	Sr. Manju Tirkey	Banea	Christ Milan Ashram, Namna	Nursing Care
28.	Sr. Fabiana Kujur	Patora	Christ Milan Ashram, Namna	Nursing Care
29.	Sr. Angela Xaxa	Christ Milan Ashram Namna	Marol	Nurse
30.	Sr. Scholastica Xess	Christ Milan Ashram Namna	Banea	Nurse
31.	Sr. Emrencia Xalxo	Provincialate, Kunkuri	Birribera	Office Work
32.	Sr. Ferdina Lakra	Birribera	Pastoral Centre Raipur	Pastoral Work
33.	Sr. Nicolata Beck	Saraitoli	Berasia	Pastoral Work
34.	Sr. Priyadarshini Toppo	Manendragarh	Manpur	K.G. In-charge
35.	Sr. Juleta Ekka	Berasia	Rai	Asst. Hostel In-charge & Help in Community

36.	Sr. Shanta Roshma	Manpur	Saraitoli	Help in Community
37.	Sr. Salomi Minj	Gorea	Kerakachhar	Rest

2. New Appointment

S.N	Name	Place	Assignment
01.	Sr. Meena Minj	Provincialate, Kunkuri,	RAHA Coordinator (Jashpur Diocese)
02.	Sr. Kavita Lakra	Provincialate, Kunkuri	Asst. Tr., Nirmala H/S, Nawatoli
03.	Sr. Sushmita Kujur	Tapkara	Asst. Tr., Eng. Med. School
04.	Sr. Anita Kujur	Nawatoli	Asst. Tr., M/S
05.	Sr. Kishori Toppo	Kerakachhar	Asst. Tr., P/S (Parish Sch. Gorrapara)
06.	Sr. Beronica Barla	Balrampur	Asst. Tr., P/S
07.	Sr. Sangeeta Palhe	Provincialate, Kunkuri	Asst. Tr., Loyola Eng. Med. Sch. Kunkuri
08.	Sr. Sumandini Horo	Tapkara	K.G. In- Charge, Eng. Med. Sch.
09.	Sr. Sushma Chargat	Manendragarh	K.G. In-charge
10.	Sr. Reena Kujur	Birniibera	K.G. In-charge
11.	Sr. Princi Toppo	Tamamunda	K.G. In-charge Parish School
12.	Sr. Mary Prasanta Ekka	Banea	K.G. In-charge
13.	Sr. Anshu Ekka	Catholic Pastoral Center Raipur	Pastoral Work
14.	Sr. Permita Kerketta	Shantibhawan	Social Work

3. Renewal Course

S. N.	Name	Course	Place	Duration
01.	Sr. Florencia Minj	Spiritual Renewal	Dhyana Sadhana Mysore	One year
02.	Sr. Sewti Panna	Spiritual Renewal	Dhyana Sadhana Mysore	October 2023-March 2024
03.	Sr. Mariam Tirkey	Spiritual Renewal	<i>Matridham</i> Ashram, Varanasi	
04.	Sr. Akansha Lakra	Training on Evangelization	-,-	
05.	Sr. Ethelda Ekka	Training on Evangelization	-,-	

4. Higher Study

S. N.	Name	Study/Training/Course	Place
01.	Sr. Anjela Toppo	B. Sc.	-
02.	Sr. Deepanjali Toppo	B. Sc.	-
03.	Sr. Usha Rajni Kerketta	B.Ed.	-
04.	Sr. Deepika Toppo	B.Ed.	-
05.	Sr. Sameera Tigga	D.El.Ed.	Pathalgaon
06.	Sr. Suganti Tirkey	D.El.Ed.	Pathalgaon
07.	Sr. Aseema Xalxo	P.P.T.T.	Hazaribag
08.	Sr. Sanjana Minj	BSW	Bhopal
09.	Sr. Jeni Priti Kerketta	Laboratory Training	Patna
10.	Sr. Sara Xess	Secretariat Course	V.T.I. Hazaribag
11.	Sr. Shiwani Tirkey	Secretariat Course	V.T.I. Hazaribag
12.	Sr. Vibha Kerketta	Computer Training	Provincialate, Kunkuri

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- ❖ All Transfer should be effective by 30th June 2023.
- ❖ Handing over has to take place in the presence of the respective Authorities.

Pirkey

Sr. Mary Pushpa Tirkey, DSA
In-charge
Madhya Pradesh Province

Sr. Abino D.S.A

Rev. Sr. Lily Grace Topno, DSA
Superior General

