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BEATITUDES SOCIAL WELFARE CENTRE

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PROJECT – RENOVATION OF THE GIRLS HOME IN BEATITUDES, VYASARPADI – CHENNAI

Introduction

For more than 5 decades this impressive, humble, loving and compassionate institution (Don Bosco Beatitudes Social Welfare Centre) in Vyasarpadi has been a playground, a school, crèche, a kitchen, home for the orphans and shelter for the poorest of the poor, an asylum for the destitute aged, emancipation hub for women to learn and launch out with skills and courage; a Centre where the young can feel at home and a heart that welcomes one and all. Yes, from 1964 this simple house grew into a big umbrella of love known as Don Bosco Beatitudes Social Welfare Centre and standing silently and relentlessly touching the lives of thousands of the poorest of the poor children, youth and aged. Don Bosco Vyasarpadi is defined as an institution that caters to the needs of the poor from the **womb to the tomb**. Thousands of kind hearted people have helped us in this journey of love.

Vysarpadi was once upon a time a vast slum area known for its rowdyism, violence and crime. It was a place where many labourers and repatriates from Burma settled down. It is also known for its Gaana music, Hip-hop dance, football and food. Don Bosco Beatitudes has been a part of the history of this place and a meeting place for the young and the old. The older generation will always remember with joy how the people would walk into this campus for biscuits, cheese and football too!

The small sapling that Fr. Orfeo Mantovani, a saintly Italian missionary, planted between 1964-1965 has grown into a mighty tree, now called 'The Beatitudes Social Welfare Centre' (BSWC), that provides food, shelter, education, training, job opportunities, entertainment, sporting facilities and the gift of faith to orphaned and semi-orphaned children, juvenile children, poor and unemployed youth and adults, women from poor economic backgrounds, poor slum dwellers, and abandoned elderly people. It is a parish, a playground, a school and above all else a home; this was Don Bosco's dream. This center is sustained solely by Divine Providence, which is seen through the contribution of generous people from different parts of the world. Our motto, **"No one has the right to be happy alone"**, were the inspiring words of Rev. Fr. Francis Schlooz, a great missionary and lover of the poor who was the Director of Don Bosco Beatitudes for 13 years after Fr. Mantovani. This spirit of charity and compassion is what sustains this institution. Help is given to every one irrespective of caste, creed or religion. Most of the young and old of Vysarpadi will remember the Beatitudes as a place that gave them food, education and training in sports activities.



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Present Project – Renovation of the Nirmala Home for poor girls

We have three homes for orphans, semi-orphans and very poor children in the Beatitudes, Vysarpadi – Savio senior boys' home, Savio junior boys' home and Nirmala home for girls. These serve as a home away home for nearly 100 orphans, semi-orphans children (both boys and girls). They receive food, clothing, a place to stay, education and all that they need is provided for them. They stay with us and frequent the Don Bosco schools in the campus. A part of the Nirmala home where around 50 girls (5 to 16 years old) stay, is in need some renovation work. In a special way some leakage, all the windows and doors and cupboards have to be repaired or replaced and painting has to be done. There is some work in the toilet section also.

I am attaching the quote by an Engineer. The total amount works out to around 658.806 rupees which is around 7500 Euros. I am also attaching the photos.

With warm wishes,



1 March 2021

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