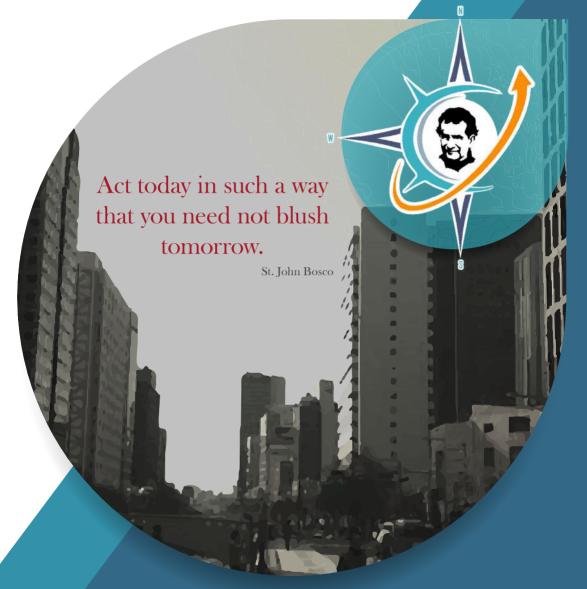
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Dear Well-wishers of Don Bosco Vazhikaatti.

Blessings & Greetings to you in the name of our Patron St. John Bosco. I wish all of you are fine and doing well by the grace of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

The time has come for me to bid adjeu to Don Bosco Vazhikaatti whose mission I have been blessed to be a part of for almost a decade. DBV has been close to my heart for a good number of reasons but for sake of keeping it short and sweet. I shall point out just one. DBV has been able to skill up and thereby provide a chance of a respectable life for hundreds of thousands of underprivileged youth over the many years and I have been fortunate to have been part of this mission.

So many wonderful people have come forth to help DBV achieve its mission of making the youth employable and today I bless and pray for all of them who have helped DBV along the way, either as employees or as benefactors or as well-wishers.

I thank the Salesian fraternity for all their wonderful steadfast support at all times and at this juncture, I whole heartedly welcome the new management to continue in the footsteps of your predecessors among whom, we are fortunate to have as our Provincial Rev Fr. Don Bosco sdb who was the Director of DBV many years ago.

To conclude, I would like to re emphasize the goal of Vazhikaatti which is FIT. Formation, Information & Transformation. Let everyone who works or studies at DBV come to understand this and live by it in their own unique way.

Thank you all. God bless you all.

With loving wishes,

Fr. Andrews Stephen Raj, sdb.





CAREER GUIDANCE & TRAINING An Inspirational Journey

Career Guidance: January to April 2024

03.01.2024	Career & Life Skills Training Program for Class 11 (Career Assesment done)	Govt. ADW. Hr. Sec. School, Nagelkeni	52
18.01.2024	Career Guidance for Class 10 (211) & 12 (196)	Dominic Savio Hr. Sec. School, Tirupattur Dt.	407
28.01.2024	Career Guidance for YaR Children	FMA-INM Centres (Online)	78
29.01.2024	Career Guidance for Class 10 (78) & 12 (80)	Don Bosco (M) Hr. Sec. School, Pannur	158
29.01.2024	Career Guidance for Class 10 (169) & 12 (169)	Don Bosco Hr. Sec. School, Pannur	338
31.01.2024	Career & Life Skills Training Program for Class 11	The Hindu Hr. Sec. School, Triplicane	64
04.02.2024	Career Guidance, Study/Memory Tips and Exam Preparation for Parish Children (for classes 7 to 12)	St. Theresa of Child Jesus Church, Divine Nagar-Hosur	39
06.02.2024	Career & Life Skills Training Program for Class 9	The Hindu Hr. Sec. School, Triplicane	65
19.02.2024	Career Guidance for Class 9(45) & 10(34)	St. James (M) Hr. Sec. School, Ponneri- Thiruvallur Dt.	79
29.02.2024	Career Motivation for Class 9(135)	St. Joseph's Hr. Sec. School, Pavunjur- Chengalpet Dt.	135
TOTAL RENEFICIARIES			1415





Counseling & Assessment: January to April 2024

TOTAL BENEFICIARIES				
29.04.2024	Career Guidance & Counselling (10th Standard)	Surjit Barnala, Don Bosco School, Nedungadu	1	
	Career Guidance & Counselling (10th Standard)	Paulina, Lady MCTM School, Purasawalkam	1	
18.04.2024	Career Guidance & Counselling (12th History Group)	Harish, St. Paul's School, Vepery	1	
16.04.2024	Career Guidance & Counselling (10th Standard)	Milton Shyamraj, St. Joseph's School, Poonamallee	1	
06.04.2024	Career Guidance & Counselling (12th Business Maths Group)	Nitilda, St. Anne's School, Madhavaram	1	
01.04.2024	Career Guidance & Counselling (B.Sc. Optometry)	Sneha, St. Theresa of Child Jesus Church, Hosur	1	
11.03.2024	Career Guidance & Counselling (BBA, MBA Discontinued)	Dennis, Sacred Heart College (Autonomous), Tirupattur Dt	1	
21.01.2024	Career Guidance & Counselling (B.A. English)	Agalya, Hosur	1	
06.01.2024	Career Guidance & Counselling (Class 11 - Commerce Group)	Prince, Don Bosco School, Perambur	1	

BEST Programs: January to April 2024

18 to 20.01.2024	BEST Program on Employability Skills for UG Final Years (Shift 1: 333/Shift 2: 475) (Career Assessment done)	Sacred Heart College (Autonomous), Trupattur Dt	808
20.01.2024	BEST: SIAMI (Self Introduction Assessment cum Mock Interview)	Sacred Heart College (Autonomous), Tirupattur Dt	196
22.01.2024 to 07.02.2024	BEST Program on Employability Skills for UG Final Years	Bhaktavatsalam Memorial College for Women, Korattur-Chennai	118
07.02.2024	BEST: SIAMI (Self Introduction Assessment cum Mock Interview)	Bhaktavatsalam Memorial College for Women, Korattur-Chennai	101
12.02.2024 to 29.02.2024	BEST Program on Employability Skills for PG Final Years	Queen Mary's College (Autonomous), Chennai	280
28.02.2024	BEST: SIAMI (Self Introduction Assessment cum Mock Interview)	Queen Mary's College (Autonomous), Chennai	125
07.03.2024 to 22.03.2024	BEST Program on Personal Skills for PG First Years (Career Assesment done)	Queen Mary's College (Autonomous), Chennai	300
01.04.2024 - 06.04.2024	BEST Program on Personal Development for UG Second Years (Virtual Mode)	Bharathi Women's College (Autonomous), Chennai	300
TOTAL BENEFICIARIES			







Training & Development: January to April 2024

05.01.2024	Communication Skills	DBV - TMF, Broadway SMART Centre	40
15.04.2024	Self & Career: The Choice is Yours	DBV - TMF, Perambur Centre	12
23.04.2024	Career Guidance Motivation	DBV - TMF, Perambur Centre	21
TOTAL BENEFICIARIES			73







DBV - TMF Joint Venture: @roadway

VISIT OF MR. SUDHIR BABU - 04.01.24



He was delighted to see the initiative of our Alumni who distributed blankets to the slum dwellers from our neighbourhood. The day ended with the interaction with the staff.

As the first event and programme of Smart Centre Broadway, we had the visit of Mr. Sudhir Babu, Regional head south TMF Foundation. On this day he visited the houses of the students from the locality, followed by the visit to Bharathi Women's College. After which he interacted with the trainees at our centre and also met the students of our evening study centre.



PONGAL CELEBRATION - 17.01.24





The Pongal Celebration took place on the 17th of January 2024 with 58 students. The celebration began with division of teams, fun games, Pongal cooking, followed by cultural programme and traditional games. Finally, we had a group photo.



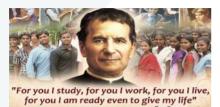
REPUBLIC DAY CELEBRATION - 27.01.24



The 75th Republic Day celebration was celebrated in our centre in the morning with 47 students. On this day we had a special debate on the theme "Are today's Youth GROWING or DECLINING?" The debaters were from the students themselves, where four speakers each were speaking for and against the motion. The debate was moderated by the English Trainer and the judgement was given by Mr. Dilip, Centre Manager. During this debate we also had the floor discussion.



FEAST OF DON BOSCO - 31.01.24



On the feast of Don Bosco we had a session on "Know Don Bosco." During this session videos and talks there were displayed given our Don Bosco, and the motive and the work of Don Bosco Vazhikatti for the past 26 years. At the end of the day the students were given refreshments.

VISIT OF THE CEO OF TMF - 04.03.24







It was a red-letter day in the timeline of DBV TMF Broadway, as it hosted the SMART Alumni meet in the presence of Mr. Chetan Kapoor, CEO of Tech Mahindra Foundation. On this day we had the SMART Alumni Meet and during the meet the Alumni were honoured, Exam kit was distributed for the SMART Coaching centre students (evening study centre), and the education scholarships were given for the orphan's students from the local slum. Mr. Chetan met all the groups individually and interacted with them. As a mark of his visit our centre came up with a new venture of introducing a new club named SPAC (SMART Pink Awareness Club), emphasising on women empowerment. The aim of this club is to bring awareness among women on menstrual Hygiene and cleanliness.

JOB FAIR @ KILPAUK - 22.02.24







The aim of Don Bosco Vazhikaatti is to bring employability to the deserving candidates. The training that takes place in the SMART centre are focused towards to it. Hence to place the youth in a job, a job drive was conducted at Don Bosco College, Kilpauk, on the 22nd of February. A total of 500 plus candidates attended the Job drive and 30+ companies were present for the drive. From our centre 72 participated and 42 got shortlisted.

WOMEN'S DAY CELEBRATION - 08.03.24



The international Women's Day was celebrated in our Centre. The male students boys and the staff of our centre took charge of the celebration and made it a memorable day. It was a day of celebration of the Women hood, and the person of them in each one's life.



VALEDICTORY FUNCTION - 16.03.24





On the 16th of March we had the Valedictory function for the batches Q1 and Q2. During this function the students were given the certificates for their respective courses (Tally and Banking). Fr. Maria Arokiam, SDB administrator of St. Francis Xavier Church honoured the candidates with their certificates.

JOB DRIVE @ BWC - 04.04.24





On the 4th of April we conducted a job drive at Bharathi Women's College, Broadway. A group of 350+ girls registered and attended the Job drive and 12 companies came for the recruitment. It was an enriching experience for the girls of the college and the other girls who participated init.





SUCCESS STORIES

IMPACT - 1

Mr. Jude Savio, a B.com graduate, coming from a background with no parents to support and being helped by his relatives, this student had to fight his best to prove that he would achieve success one day. This candidate had showed tremendous involvement and support. Despite the hardships that was on his way. he had unwavered focus to attain success, and developed selfconfidence. At Present he is working at DIVO as the Online Video Executive, earning Rs.1.8 lk per annum.



IMPACT - 2

Ms. Magimai Roja, a UG graduate lacked self-esteem and confidence in herself when she entered the centre. By constant activities and encouragement, she was able to build up her confidence and is now able to stand on her own in taking decisions. The environment from which she came was surrounded by lots of challenges starting from the family and the locality which view the upliftment of women as not really necessary. Beating all the odds of life she is now working in NATURALS, as a Beautician, earning Rs. 96k per annum.



IMPACT - 3

Ms. Selvi, a college dropout and married woman had to face social expectations limiting their educational and career opportunities, along with economic constraints due to prioritizing household responsibilities over personal development. After coming to the centre, the transformative changes in her life, including improved employability, enhanced skill sets, and increased confidence, paved the way for better career prospects and economic empowerment. She is working as an accountant at BEST PR company, Broadway, earning Rs. 1.44 lk per annum.



IMPACT - 4

This is the success story of one of our candidates from DBV Smart Centre, Broadway, named Kumaresan. He comes from an economically poor family supported by his father who goes for daily wages. While pursuing his final year of college studies he joined the TALLY course, and learnt the course enthusiastically. As a result of his hard work, he got placed as an accountant at GRAND INFRASTRUCTURE, Kilpauk for a salary package of Rs. 2.16 lk per annum. We wish him all success as he has stepped into a new beginning of his life.





DBV - TMF Joint Venture: SMART - T, Basin Bridge

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION 22/12/2023



The Christmas Celebration at DBV on the 22nd of December brought joy and festivity to the workplace, fosterina a sense of camaraderie and appreciation

among the staff members. This event served as a platform for employees to come together, celebrate the spirit of Christmas, and create lasting memories in a warm and welcoming environment.

ORIENTATION FOR STUDENTS AT ANNAI VIOLET COLLEGE 26/02/2024



The student orientation at Annai Violet College introduces new students to the innovative women-centric program, emphasizing its objectives, impact, and the opportunities it offers for empowering and supporting women in their academic and personal growth. Through interactive sessions and informative workshops, the orientation aims to integrate the program into student life

SMART CAREER CONNECT 02/01/2024





Program which focuses on enhancing and fine tuning the placement opportunities of final year students Technical, Arts and Science Institutions. This program is designed to address more inceptions and importance for women students so as to empower them with knowledge and employment.

CERTIFICATE CEREMONY 28/02/2024





The certificate distribution event for students completing automobile and electrical courses is a significant milestone in recognizing their specialized training, technical expertise, and dedication to mastering skills in these fields.



WOMEN CENTRIC PROGRAM INAUGURATION AT ANNAI VIOLET COLLEGE 04/03/2024



The inauguration of the women-centric program at Annai Violet College signifies a pivotal moment in promoting gender equality, empowering women through education, and fostering a supportive environment for female students to thrive. This event, scheduled to take place at the college premises, aims to inspire, educate, and advocate for the advancement of women in academia and beyond.

CAMPUS DRIVE AT DON BOSCO POLYTECHNIC COLLEGE, BASIN BRIDGE. 20/03/2024



The Campus drive was conducted at DON Bosco Polytechnic College in Basin Bridge on the 20th of March 2024 presents a valuable opportunity for students to interact with potential employers, showcase their skills, and explore career prospects in various industries. This event aims to bridge the gap between academia and industry, providing students with a platform to kickstart their professional journey and secure promising job opportunities.







DBV - TMF Joint Venture:



EXPOSURE VISIT FOR DQA STUDENTS

DQA students went to Exposure visit on 08.01.2024. Had interaction with the staff and get to know about their organizational structure and the process about the Tech Mahindra. Glad to know that our students get placed at Tech M.

PONGAL CELEBRATION 17.01.2024



Pongal Celebration along with the students and staff at DBV center. Had various competition like Pot painting, Rangoli, Mahinda, and had common Pongal making at our center. Pongal was celebrated in a meaningful way.

HR INTERACTION & JOB DRIVE @ PERAMBUR CENTER 25.01.24



Mr. Keerthivasan Srinivasan Hr. Manager and Ms. Princy Elizebeth form MMC info Tech private limited visited our center for HR interaction for all the students and organized the job drive for the Tally students.

GUEST LECTURE FOR DQA 27.01.2024



Guest Lecture on Career path for the DQA Students. Mr. Sudharshan as a quest speaker about the data analyst and spoke about the projects.



PLACEMENT ORIENTATION 24.01.2024



by Mr. Harish from JPN project came to our center and oriented about the job portal of JPN for our students. He made all of them to get registered in the job portal for their career.

DBV'S 9TH ANNUAL HR-SUMMIT REFORMATION -2024 (20.02.2024)

Don Bosco Vazhikaatti 9th Annual HR -Summit was held at BI Century Hall, Citadel On 20.02. 2024, Which was headed under the title Reformation 2024. The Event was attended by 46 companies and 8 colleges. Experts Talks and panel discussion with the HR and Academy was arranged.



EMOTIONS IN RELATIONSHIP (27.2.2024)



Mr. Nirmal, Counselling Consultant, conducted a session on "Fmotions in Relationship." The session was informative and provided valuable insights on how to navigate relationships and handle people based on emotions.

APTITUDE SESSION (17-02-2024 & 24-02-2024)



Mr. Sudarshanan conducted Aptitude sessions for all the students. This session was very informative for students who are preparing for their interviews.



FREE MEDICAL CAMP @DBV PERAMBUR ON (1.3.2024)



Resource Person:

Dr. Afshon (General Medicine)

Dr. Allekya (Dentist)

Dr. Naveen (Optholmologist Consultation)

A free medical camp was organized by Anna Adarsh College for Women in Associates with Don Bosco Vazhikaatti to provide essential healthcare services to the community.

AWARENESS PROGRAM ON FIRST AID (08.03.2024)

We had Guest Lecture on First Aid for the DQA & Tally Students. Ms. Divya, a guest speaker on Awareness program about. the First Aid gave a session on safety measurements to the students.



Success Story



Mr. Kishore Tally, Batch 8443 Accountant Anil & Co Auditing **Auditing Office** Rs. 15,000



Ms. Sandra Tally, Batch 8896 SPR & CO Auditing Firm Rs. 15,000



Ms. Dharani Tally, Batch 8443 Cognizant Rs. 18,333



Mr. Harish Tally, Batch 8443 Cams Rs. 15,000



Ms. Meenalokshini Tally, Batch 8009 Sree Krishna Agencies Rs. 14,000





DBV - Quest Alliance

Berambur



ORIENTATION AT AGARAM FOUNDATION DATE: 17/12/2023

On December 17, 2023, Ms. Savitha conducted an orientation program for the beneficiaries of the Agaram Foundation. During the session, she provided information about the Quest Alliance employability training program. Additionally, on-the-spot admissions were facilitated for interested students.

EXPOSURE VISIT TO BIRLA PLANETARIUM DATE: 19/12/2023

On December 19, 2023, twelve students from Batch 1 were taken on an exposure visit to the Birla Planetarium. The day was packed with exploration of space science. They experienced a space show, an Earth show, a 3D movie, and much more. The students gained valuable knowledge about space during this visit.





QUEST ALLIANCE TEAM CENTRE VISIT DATE: 14/12/2023

On December 14, 2023, Mr. Dilip and Ms. Alphia Anita from Quest Alliance visited the DBV Center and interacted with Batch 1 students. They shared insights about career development, the Quest Program, and personality development during the session.



CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION AT PLANT SHELTER HOME DATE: 23/12/2023

On December 23, 2023, students from Batch 1 were taken to a Plant Shelter Home in collaboration with the Uvagai Foundation to celebrate Christmas with orphaned children. The essence of joy was found in bringing happiness to others. Our students entertained the children with singing, dancing, and games. We had cut a cake, and our students served lunch to the children. It was a truly wonderful day.



GENDER EQUALITY SESSION DATE: 20/01/2024

On January 20, 2024, Accenture conducted a session on Gender Equality for the Quest Alliance students. Over 40 students participated in the session and gained knowledge about gender equality. At the end of the session, students shared their insights as well.





CONTENT CUSTOMIZATION WORKSHOP DATE: 06/02/2024, 07/02/2024

On February 6th & 7th, Quest Alliance conducted a Content Customization workshop for the facilitators at FHSM Centre, Chennai. Throughout the workshop, facilitators delved into various aspects of Quest One Book content and Quest App toolkits. The



entire workshop was highly informative and enriched the participants with valuable knowledge.

QUEST ALLIANCE ALUMNI CONNECT DATE: 10/02/2024

On February 10th, Quest Alliance hosted an Alumni Connect event, inviting alumni students from the past two years to participate. Nearly 100 students joined us, making the event a grand success. Industry experts from various sectors also attended,



providing insights on current market trends and needs. It was inspiring to see our alumni making significant contributions across multiple sectors.

HR SUMMIT DATE: 20/02/2024

On February 20th. DBV organized an HR Summit, inviting over 50 HR professionals and 50 students. The event addressed





various career-related aspects, providing valuable insights. It also paved the way for numerous placement opportunities and networking for the participants.





DBV - JOB PLACEMENT NETWORK INDIA



INDUSTRIAL HR MEET AT ITC GRAND CHOLA GUINDY DATE:24/01/2024

An industrial HR meet at the ITC Grand Chola in Guindy sounds like a great opportunity for professionals in the field to come together, network, and exchange insights on the latest trends and challenges facing HR in the industrial sector.

QUEEN MARY'S ARTS & SCIENCE COLLEGE MOCK INTERVIEW DATE:28/02/2024

Students attended the mock interview for Queen Mary's College on February 28, 2024. They prepared by researching the college, practicing common questions, and reviewing their applications. Mock interviews were conducted, and feedback was provided. Overall, students received positive feedback and felt more confident and prepared.









CAMPUS INTERVIEW AT BAKTHAVATCHALAM ARTS & SCIENCE COLLEGE DATE:07/03/2024

A campus interview at Bakthavatchalam College on March 7th, 2024, sounds like an exciting opportunity for students to showcase their skills and potential to prospective employers. I hope the event was successful for both the students and the participating companies, leading to fruitful connections and promising career prospects.







JOBDRIVE AT DON BOSCO ARTS & SCIENCE COLLEGE DATE:22/03/2024

A job drive at Don Bosco Arts & Science College on March 22nd, 2024, signifies a proactive approach by the college to facilitate employment opportunities for its students. They offer a platform for students to interact directly with recruiters, showcase their skills and qualifications, and even secure job offers or internships.





JOB DRIVE AT BHARATHI WOMEN'S COLLEGE DATE:04/04/2024

A job drive at Bharathi Women's College on April 4th, 2024, saw 250 enthusiastic participants. Among them, 140 students were shortlisted, showcasing their talent

and potential to prospective employers. This successful event underscored the college's commitment to empowering women in their career pursuits.

CAMPUS DRIVE-MMC INFOTECH AT BROADWAY DBV CENTRE DATE:15/04/2024

MMC Infotech conducted a campus









drive at Broadway DBV Centre, where 30 students participated in interviews. Out of these, 17 students were successfully shortlisted, highlighting their potential and suitability for roles at MMC Infotech. This event served as a promising avenue for students to connect with employment opportunities and showcase their skills.













CAMPUS DRIVE-MMC, LKS, EXON & RELIANCE AT DBV PERAMBUR DATE:18/04/2024

MMC Infotech conducted a campus drive at Broadway DBV Centre, where 30 students participated in interviews. Out of these, 17 students were successfully shortlisted, highlighting their potential and suitability for roles at MMC Infotech. This event served as a promising avenue for students to connect with employment opportunities and showcase their skills.





Why is

YOUTH EMPOWERMENT important to YOU?

Youth Empowerment is important to me because when empowering the youth and future of the world we give them the power of change and the power to break cycles that have caused problems in the past.

- Ashleigh, Australia