

THE SACRED HEART BROTHERS

Secretary – **Rev. Bro. A. Backianathan**

Introduction:

Name of the Society: The Sacred Heart Brothers

Year of Establishment: 1978



Brief background of the Society:

The Sacred Heart Brothers Society Office at Geddalahalli, Bangalore, was established on February 8, 1978, by Rev. Br. G.S. Gnanamoney, SHJ. Under the leadership of Rev. Br. S. Irudayam SHJ, Rev. Br. M.A. Emmanuel SHJ carried out the task of the society. The Sacred Heart Brothers Society (SHB) is a non-profit social organization registered under the Karnataka Societies Registration Act. Since inception, the Society has worked with some of the poorest and neglected communities of Bangalore, facilitating improvements in the quality of the lives of the women, youth, and first-Generation children of Stone Quarry communities and other poor and needy people in nearby areas facing social barriers such as racial discrimination.

The service offered is irrespective of caste, creed, or religion. The Brothers of the Sacred Heart of Jesus are a registered body duly adhering to legal compliances under Indian law. It is registered as a Charitable Society under the Karnataka Societies Registration Act 1960.

Number of Institutions under the Society:

UG – Bangalore University - 1

Pre University Colleges (PUC) - 1

State Syllabus Schools – (High School, Primary School) – 3

Vision: To build a just society rooted in fraternity and solidarity, inspired by the values of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, where all people live with dignity, equality, and shared humanity.

Mission: To work alongside the poor, marginalized, and vulnerable communities to promote sustainable social change through education, empowerment, and evangelization, in pursuit of the greater glory of God and the common good, in collaboration with all who share these values.

Society Activity Report: The Sacred Heart Brothers Society is a non-profit organization committed to the Upliftment of poor and marginalized communities, especially women, children, and youth. Through its various initiatives, the Society, focuses on promoting education, health, livelihood, and social empowerment.

The Society operates multiple institutions and programs that address the needs of vulnerable groups. Key activities include running formal and non-formal educational institutions, supporting children through initiatives like shelter homes and tuition programs, and providing vocational and skill training to unemployed youth to enhance their employability.

In the area of community development, the Society actively implements programs through BIRDS unit. These programs include health and hygiene awareness camps, free medical services, women empowerment through Self-Help Groups (SHGs), microfinance support, and leadership training. Special attention is given to child development through educational support, leadership activities such as Children's Parliament, and awareness on child rights.

The Society also works towards social harmony and peace building by organizing interfaith dialogues, awareness programs, and community engagement activities to address issues related to caste, religion, and social conflicts. Additionally, migrant and rural development programs provide essential services such as food, healthcare, education, and livelihood support to underserved populations.

Overall, the Society plays a significant role in fostering sustainable development, improving living conditions, and empowering communities to achieve dignity and self-reliance.

