

BETHANY EDUCATIONAL SOCIETY

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1. Introduction and Brief background of Society: Bethany Educational Society was started by MGR RFC Mascarenhas, Founder of Bethany Congregation in the year **1948**, to promote literature, Science and general culture, diffusion of knowledge and craftsmanship, to establish, administer, support, manage schools, Colleges, Hostels, primarily the education of catholic youth and also for others irrespective of caste, creed and religion. The Bethany Educational Society was officially registered on **4 September 1948** in **Mangalore (Reg. No. 17/1948–1949)**. We gratefully recall RFC Mascarenhas, the Founder of Bethany Congregation, the First Council of Management, former presidents, and all dedicated Bethany Sisters who have contributed with passion and commitment to this noble ministry of education since 1921.

● **Number of Institutions under the Society in Karnataka**

Degree College: 1
Technical Institutions: 2
Pre University Colleges: 9
ICSE Board Schools: 4
CBSE Board Schools: 2
State Syllabus Schools: 71 (Primary, and High Schools)
Teacher Training Institute: 1
Karnataka Open School: 1

2. Vision and Mission:

BES Vision: To Promote the Glory of God by the Holiness of its members and the Service of the Kingdom of God

BES Goal: Education for Fullness of life for all specially the marginalized, the poor and the girls

BES Core Values:

1. God Experience
2. Compassionate love for all, especially the Marginalized
3. Communion, Collaboration, Team Spirit
4. Excellence in developing each one's unique Potentialities
5. Truth, Love, Justice and Peace
6. Simplicity of Life Style and Dignity of Labour
7. Respect for Life, Nature, Cultures, Religions and Love for the Nation

3. Bethany Educational Society, Activity Report:

➤ Student Development Programmes

- Prime importance is given for scientific curiosity and critical thinking through various Science and Maths Art Integrated projects, Quizzes, Exhibition, preparation of innovative science models, workshops on Robotics, AI, Coding and participation in Olympiads.
- Prepared to participate in the competitive exams like NMMS (National Means-cum-Merit Scholarship Scheme) and NTSE (National Talent Search Examination).
- Various Clubs in the institutions such as Echo Club, Science Club etc., and conducted various activities.
- Scouts and Guides, NSS etc., to develop leadership qualities among the students.
- Sports and Games participation at District, State and National level
- Sessions in silence, meditation, yoga, and mindfulness to cultivate inner calm.



Staff Development Programmes

- In service training on Art Integration, Digital Literacy, AI, Multiple Intelligences.
- Health and wellness sessions, Child psychology, counselling and inclusive education
- Outings to deepen the bond among staff
- Staff Assessment



➤ **Value Education towards formation of Character**

School Assemblies with Value based programmes, Nation - Builders - Inspiring Stories of Leadership, Carrier Guidance programme, Icons of National Inspiration etc



➤ **Care for Mother Earth & Education towards Social Responsibility**

- Schools observed Literacy Day and the students were given one full week to teach the less privileged children.
- Social Service Week: Students pooled together their little contribution to reach out to the needy and deprived children.
- Love for Mother Earth and caring for the Nature through celebration of Environment Day, Vana Mahotsava highlighting the importance of the preservation of Nature, careful consumption of water, electricity, plastic-free campaigns etc.
- The schools conducted competitions based on 'Environment' like Poster making, Collage, Nature Walk, Essay, Save mother earth drawing, letter writing, best out of waste etc.
- Training of Catholic Youth Leaders through Bethany Champions.



➤ **Implementation of POCSO Act**

- To create a safe environment for Children at school.
- Seminars and input session for staff on POCSO Act.
- Awareness programmes for students from experts.

