

## IN SARVA VIKAS DEEP, MANGAON CHRISTMAS WITH NON-CATHOLIC PARISHIONERS



*Tribal children's Christmas tableau*

Development and Training Centre run by the SVD missionaries, organized Christmas gathering to all its associates both government, non government officers and well wishers. The dignitaries present among them who enhanced our spirit of Christmas were block *Tashildar*

It was a unique Christmas at Sarva Vikas Deep, Mangaon. Mangaon is a place of Hindus and Muslims. There are only two Catholic families. But Christmas was celebrated with great pomp and gaiety. A total of hundred non Christians witnessed Christmas celebration and some of them for the first time. Sarva Vikas Deep, a Human Resource



*SVD Staff at the Crib*

or block magistrate, circle inspectors, Public Works Department senior and junior officers and engineers,



*Block Talshildar at the event*

village *gram sevaks* and elected *sarpanchs*. While addressing the audience for the august event, the Tashildar Mrs. Vaishali Mane said that "this is the first Christmas I am celebrating in my life. Sarva Vikas Deep is truly living and practicing the values of Jesus in their work in my civil jurisdiction especially in promoting the rights of poor tribals. Their developmental and welfare activity through the interface with the government agency is praiseworthy." From Sarva Vikas Deep (SVD), Fr. Richie svd not only sent across the Christmas

message but preached a homily for all non-Christian

brethren who heard in pin drop silence. The confreres in the SVD felt that the Christmas message has been celebrated with the non-Christians, the parishioners of the SVD in a very concrete manner. There are 25,000 parishioners in number in the work of area of the SVD.

The other guests present during the celebration were the social workers and teachers of the organization and their family members. Children from hostel performed wonderful Christmas tableau, teachers danced to the tune of Marathi Christmas carols. The event ended with a sumptuous meal. At the end of the day, the message to all in one sentence was that the WORD BECAME FLESH AND IS LIVING AMON US.

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# Sarva Vikas Deep, Mangaon Promotes Tribal Identity



## **Govt. officials in CC Camp**

these tribals are deprived of all the government schemes, benefits and reservations.

On a war footing exercise Sarva Vikas Deep, in close collaboration with the local government officials conducted door step the CCs camps in about fifteen village centers covering a radius of 60 k.m. A large number of tribals gathered in the villages to do the caste certificate acquiring procedure. The local news papers took up the issue and published the news. The news papers highly appreciated the work of Sarva Vikas

It is since 64 years India got independence, but the tribal identity in the remote villages of Mangaon, Raigad district of SVDs' INM province is very bleak. In the study conducted by the SVDs' Sarva Vikas Deep, a Human Resource Development and Training Centre, the result is mind blogging. Out of 80 villages of the SVDs' work area, in about 60 villages there are tribals without caste certificates (CCs), an important document that gives identity to the primitive tribals, Kathkaris, as tribe. In the absence of this document



## **SVD Social workers in CC Camps**

Deep, saying as "Sarva Vikas Deep has been instrumental in giving a real identity to tribals". While appreciating the work done by the organization, the local Circle Inspector Mr. Malekar said, "What the government has not completed in 60 years, you have done in 2 months". The work was monitored by SVD confreres, Frs. Richie Mangaonkar, Thomas Sequeira and EIP. Roshan Kujur along with a dedicated team of Social workers. To date a total of 2500 CCs are completed and another 1000 are in the process.

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## Sarva Vikas Deep, Mangaon for Tribal Livelihood



Sarva Vikas Deep, Mangaon has introduced several livelihood enhancing activities viz group goat rearing, vacant land farming, fishery co-operatives etc. Fishery co-operative of the tribals has taken a momentum on 29<sup>th</sup> July as they became owner of one lakh fifty thousand high breed Rohu fish lings in 11 hectare reservoir of the zilla parishad dam. The dam is taken in custody by the tribal co-operative society through the intervention of Sarva Vikas Deep last year and with the networking of the

twenty five fishery co-operative society of the NGOs in Maharashtra has availed one lakh fifty thousand fish seeds free of cost of which the market price is Rs 75,000/. While inaugurating the livelihood program in a remote village, Bhale adivasivadi, one of the happy and proud executive members of the fishery co-operative society Mr. Vittal Wagmare said that "it is accomplished". It is a long awaited desire of the tribals in the village that common community resources to be utilized to generate rural local livelihood. The expected production is 2 tons of fish in 8 months, amounting to Rs. 2 lakh in the open market. The SVD confreres Frs. Richie and Thomas have been working in close association with the tribal co-operative society members for more than one year.



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# Sarva Vikas Deep, Mangaon: All Out to Empower Youth



In India, youth population is more than 40% of the total population. One can imagine the available human resource and potential in it. In Mangaon, the tribal youth population is nearly 42%. Majority of the youth are illiterate and unemployed. Sarva Vikas Deep (SVD) has several activities to enhance the available tribal human resource. One such activity was job oriented security guard training. The

## ***SVD Confreres with the Youth***

government of Maharashtra through its nodal agency, The Maharashtra Self-employment Training Board, invited the SVD to implement the security guard training. A total of forty youth have been given intensive training. They are going to be placed in various small and medium scale industries as security guards.

While on training the youth were trained on discipline, time management, resource management, leadership, communication and capacity building. As part of their field training, they were observed for physical health, morning exercise, march-past etc.



***Training in Progress***

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