

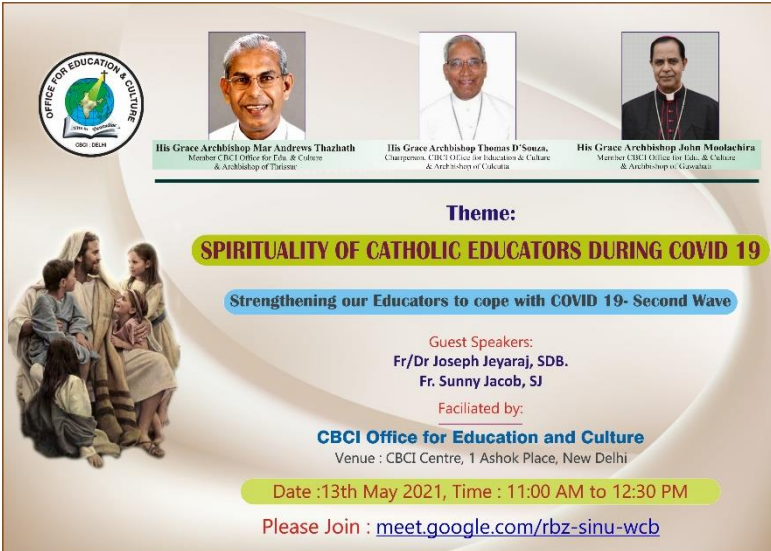
Report on programme and Activity conducted by CBCI Office for Education & Culture

For April 2021 – March 2022

13th May 2021

Webinar on the theme “**Spirituality of Catholic Educators during COVID 19**” at the National level on **13th May from 11.00 am to 12.30 pm**

To commemorate World Day for Catholic Education, we shall have a Webinar on the theme “Spirituality of Catholic Educators during COVID 19” at the National level on 13th May from 11.00 am to 12.30 pm! May I request in the name of our Chairperson, Most Rev Thomas D’Souza, Archbishop of Kolkata, all our Regional and Diocesan Education Secretaries to take part in this webinar! There will be two resource persons. May I request each of the Regional Secretaries to share the challenges and responses by their commission during COVID 19- Second Wave.



The poster features the logo of the Office for Education & Culture (CBO-DELHI) on the top left. It includes three portraits of archbishops: Mar Andrews Thazhath (Member CBO Office for Education & Culture & Archbishop of Thiruvananthapuram), His Grace Archbishop Thomas D'Souza (Chairperson CBO Office for Education & Culture & Archbishop of Kolkata), and His Grace Archbishop John Moolachira (Member CBO Office for Education & Culture & Archbishop of Coimbatore). The central theme is "SPIRITUALITY OF CATHOLIC EDUCATORS DURING COVID 19" with a sub-theme "Strengthening our Educators to cope with COVID 19- Second Wave". Guest speakers are Fr/Dr Joseph Jeyaraj, SDB, and Fr. Sunny Jacob, SJ. The event is facilitated by the CBO Office for Education and Culture, located at CBO Centre, 1 Ashok Place, New Delhi. The date and time are 13th May 2021, 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM. The join link is meet.google.com/rbz-sinu-wcb. An illustration of a family is on the left side of the poster.

Theme:
SPIRITUALITY OF CATHOLIC EDUCATORS DURING COVID 19

Strengthening our Educators to cope with COVID 19- Second Wave

Guest Speakers:
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Facilitated by:
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Please Join : meet.google.com/rbz-sinu-wcb

19th June 2021

Future Edge Challenge 2021 (FEC)



The No. 1 AI Powered Skills Assessment Olympiad

- **Eligibility** : Students in **Grades 7th – 12th**
(Also includes students appearing in grade 12th examinations)
- **Date** : **Saturday, 19th June 2021** (Registration closes on 31st May 2021)
- **Mode** : Smartphone Based App (Android & iOS)
- **Skills Tested** : Cognitive Thinking, Digital Learning and Future Skills
- **Round 1** : App Based Challenge (*Open to all registered students*)
- **Round 2** : Evaluated by Global Jury Members (*Top 100 students*)

Challenge Highlights

- # Created by Stanford University Alumni
- # Access detailed individual student skill report
- # Challenges tests students on actual skills
- # AI Powered Student Analysis
- # 40 minute game based challenge
- # Mock Test Available

Recognition

- **Participation Certificate** will be issued to all participating students
- Attractive prizes for winners that include Trophies, Cash Prizes, Tablets, Scholarships, etc.

Registration Process

- Participation is by registration only (*Registration Fee: INR 180/- per student*)
- Registration Link – <https://bit.ly/3sphTdl> (<https://futureedgechallenge.org>)
- Schools may also collect participation from students and process bulk registrations.

Inviting Students
Classes 7-12

Join India's No. 1 Skills Olympiad

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- 40 Minutes Challenge
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Date : **19th June, 2021**
Mode : **App Based**

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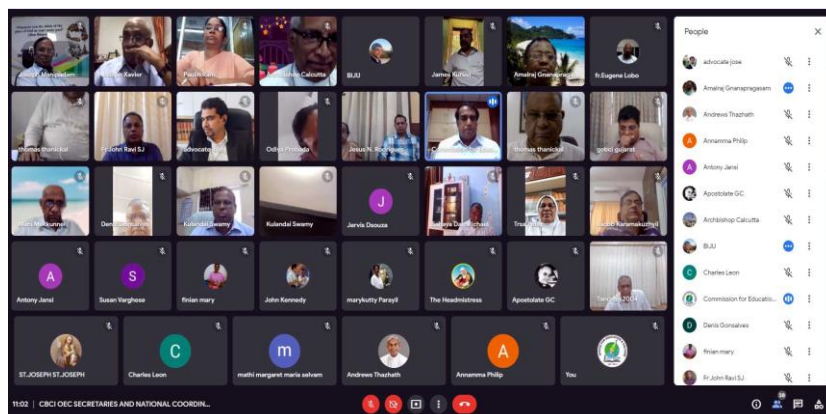
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22 JUNE 2021 (11.00 am to 12.30 pm)

CBCI OEC Meeting for the Regional Secretaries and National Heads

Agenda

1. Prayer by Fr. Biju Thottankara, Regional Education Secretary of Madhya Pradesh
2. Welcome- Archbishop Most Rev Thomas D'Souza, Chairperson – CBCI OEC
3. Introduction – Fr. Maria Charles SDB, National Secretary – CBCI OEC
4. Appointment of Teachers in Minority Institutions:
 - a. Gujarat Government Order by Fr. Teles Fernandes, Secretary, GEBCI GUJARAT
 - b. Allahabad Court Verdict by Fr. Sahayadas, Education Secretary, Meerut
 - c. Move to take over Aided Schools in Telangana by Fr. V.K. Swamy, Regional Education Secretary of Andhra Pradesh and Telangana
5. Challenges and Legal Implications for Catholic Minority Institutions –by Advocate Jose Abraham
6. Questions and Clarifications
7. A Model Format for obtaining Data about COVID 19 Care and Relief Services by Catholic Educational Institutions in India by Fr. John Ravi, National Education Coordinator for Society of Jesus, India
8. Feedback by Member Bishops
9. Sharing by the Regional Secretaries/National Heads
10. Concluding words by Archbishop Most Rev Thomas D'Souza, Chairperson – CBCI OEC.
11. Vote of Thanks by Fr. Charles Leon, Regional Education Secretary of Kerala.



Report of the meeting on 22nd June 2022

On 22nd June 2021, we had a fruitful discussion on the theme “Challenges faced by Catholic Educational Institutions in India” in a webinar presided over by our Chairperson, Most Rev. Thomas D’Souza, archbishop of Kolkata. The resource person for the webinar was Mr. Jose Abraham, a Supreme Court Lawyer and the webinar was attended by the Regional Education Secretaries of the Church in India and also the National Coordinators of Education from various Religious Congregations. Both Member Bishops Most Rev. Andrews Thazhath, archbishop of Trichur and Most Rev. John Moolachira, archbishop of Guwahati were also present.

The recent Gujarat Secondary and Higher Secondary Education (Amendment) Bill 2021 passed by the Gujarat Government have deleted the Clause 26 of Section 17,34(2) and 35 from the old section 40A thus affecting the minority rights of our educational Institutions.

Similarly, there were four GOs by the Government of Uttar Pradesh making amendments in the section 17 of the Uttar Pradesh Intermediate Act 1921 interfering with the appointment of teachers in our aided schools in both cases.

This Report which you find attached here gives you in detail, the situation in Gujarat, Uttar Pradesh and Andhra Pradesh where the Government wants the aided schools to be handed over to the Government with the staff and the students. You will also find the response Mr. Jose Abraham to these and many other issues of minority rights of our Catholic Educational Institutions!

PRATYeK! (25th and 26th June 2021)

In response to the COVID pandemic and its restrictive and destructive impact, PRATYeK has created an online platform, where artists from across the world and India, engage with child-advocates to empower them as ‘Masked- Super-Heroes’ promoting Covid Appropriate Behaviour through our FREE, FUN event call Summer of C1-9.

During the weekends of June from Friday to Sunday from 5.30 to 6.30 pm, teenagers and their families are invited to learn new creative skills towards preparing short video productions that will be promoted on the UNICEF’s YuwaaH and PRATYeK’s NINEISMINE platforms.

This week on the 25th, 26th of June we are having International Professional Artists- Puppeteers from Australia, Pop-up Illustrator from Italy. On 27th June, it will be culmination of these sessions with children revolving around the idea of body percussions led by an International band composed of members of 14 countries.

18th August, 2021, Wed, 6-8 PM IST, ZOOM

74th Rajagiri Round Table Conference –

Topic: "Cost of Educating the Have-nots"

The Indian education system suffered a lot from the caste-based exclusivism in education from olden days. The Buddhist revolution to make education universal in India did not sustain in the wave of resurgence of old caste-based thinking. The traditional question, “if the children of all have-nots get education, who will till our fields” still resounds, especially in the villages of India even today. The educators of the nation are hated by the landlords and are being systematically persecuted and even killed.

To make matters worse, the digital divide in education has shown its ugly head during the Covid-19 pandemic. Children of the have-nots were excluded from the regular education activities. The post-Covid recession is expected to make many more people poor in India and elsewhere. The questions on the accessibility and affordability of modern day education are expected to resurge in India and beyond.



It is high time that the policy makers address these serious questions over the equity of education. Naturally, there arises questions how to redefine education and simplify its conduct so that quality education could be made really universal.

In this backdrop, the 74th Rajagiri Round Table shall deliberate on the topic “Cost of Educating the Have-nots” with focus on following four areas:

- 1) Does the country and the world really want to educate the have-nots or is it just a verbal exercise to be politically correct? What is the fate of existing policies for ensuring universal quality education, like the Right to Education Act 2009? How is it ensured in NEP 2020?
- 2) How can modern technologies be leveraged to ensure true equity in education? What are the successful models of bringing equity to education based on existing and emerging technologies?
- 3) What kind of simplifications in the conduct of education would make equity in education viable and futuristic at the same time? What pedagogical approach will radically simplify the conduct of education, making it affordable and universal?
- 4) How would an entrepreneurial education rewrite the story of equity in education in India and elsewhere? How could such a pedagogy with focus on entrepreneurially solving regional problems with global perspective, contribute to make the new generation learners future-ready?

Target Synergists: Policy makers, Academicians, Edu Incubators, Educational Leadership, Management Experts, and so on.

28th of August 2021 from 11 am to 12.30 pm

meeting with the Regional Education Secretaries and National Coordinators on "**Implementation of National Education Policy 2020 : Concerns and Challenges**"

RESOURCE PERSON: **FR/DR. XAVIER ARULRAJ**

(Senior Advocate, Chennai High Court, Secretary Of Legal Cell Of The Tnbc)

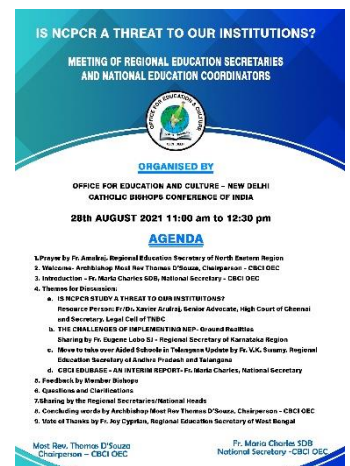
THEMES

1. IS NCPER STUDY A THREAT TO OUR INSTITUTIONS?
2. THE CHALLENGES OF IMPLEMENTING NEP- Ground Realities
3. TAKING AWAY OUR AIDED SCHOOLS IN TELANGANA
4. CBCI EDUBASE – AN INTERIM REPORT

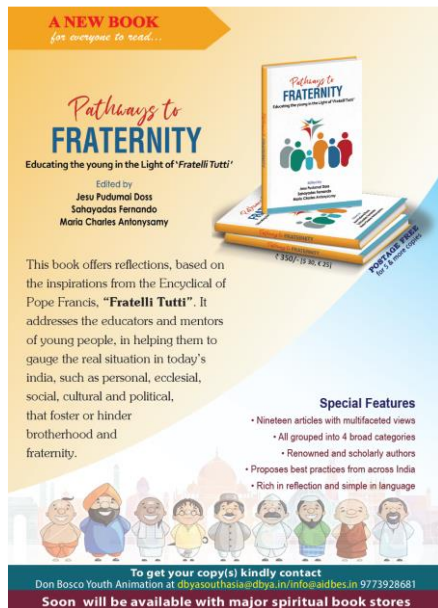
On Saturday, 28th of August 2021 from 11 am to 12.30 pm we have a meeting of the Regional Education Secretaries and National Coordinators organized by our Office. We would like to discuss the "Implementation of National Education Policy 2020 : Concerns and Challenges" and there will be some resource persons to give us inputs based on the directives from Ministry of Education and its implementation of some States. The Chairperson, Most Rev. Thomas D'Souza, Archbishop of Kolkata will preside over the meeting.

AGENDA

1. Prayer by Fr. Amalraj, Regional Education Secretary of North Eastern Region
2. Welcome- Archbishop Most Rev Thomas D'Souza, Chairperson – CBCI OEC
3. Introduction – Fr. Maria Charles SDB, National Secretary – CBCI OEC
4. Themes for Discussion:
 - a. Is NCPER study a threat to our institutions?
Resource Person: Fr/Dr. Xavier Arulraj, Senior Advocate, High Court of Chennai and Secretary, Legal Cell of TNBC
 - b. THE CHALLENGES OF IMPLEMENTING NEP- Ground Realities Sharing by Fr. Eugene Lobo SJ – Regional Secretary of Karnataka Region
 - c. Move to take over Aided Schools in Telangana Update by Fr. V.K. Swamy, Regional Edu. Secretary of Andhra Pradesh and Telangana
 - d. CBCI EDUBASE – AN INTERIM REPORT- Fr. Maria Charles, National Secretary
5. Feedback by Member Bishops
6. Questions and Clarifications
7. Sharing by the Regional Secretaries/National Heads



8. Concluding words by Archbishop Most Rev Thomas D'Souza, Chairperson – CBCI OEC
9. Vote of Thanks by Fr. Joy Cyprian, Regional Education Secretary of West Bengal



Edutech should be affordable for the poor

Dr Maria Charles, Secretary for Education and Culture, Catholic Bishops' Conference (CBCI).



To provide quality education, we have to reduce the cost of education. Welfare programs for the poor or havenots in education has to be continued. Many states follow free lunch programme, many states give free uniform, as well as notebooks, privately run institutions which has to be continued. We need to educate parents and follow entrepreneurial learning methods. Education technology should be affordable for the poor.

15th of Oct 2021

Legal Perspectives - scheduled for 15th of August 2021 at 11:00 AM will cover the following topics (non-exhaustive):

Session A

1. Genesis of child rights and related laws.
 2. Various laws related to child rights.
 3. POCSO Act
 4. Reporting under POCSO
 5. POCSO Act - Codification of CSA
 6. Capacity building to read the bare POCSO Act
 7. JJ Act
 8. Framing school safety policy and committees for children's safety and wellbeing.
- Q and A session

Session B

Keeping Children Safe Online

Session C

A brief introduction of Project CACA
Q and A session

16th of Oct 2021

The Webinar 2 – **Psychological Perspectives** - scheduled for 16th of August 2021 at 11:00 AM will cover the following topics:

Psychological Aspects of Child Sexual Abuse




1. Understanding Child Abuse and its types.
2. Busting myths on CSA.
3. Signs that spell trauma.
4. Effects of Abuse
5. Do's and Don'ts of responding to a child victim of abuse.
6. Working with the parents.
7. Q and A session.

It is our firm hope that all our heads of Institutions will take this opportunity to participate and listen to the experts about the different legal and psychological perspectives of the safety of children! The participants can avail of a Certificate for participation if they participate in both webinars!

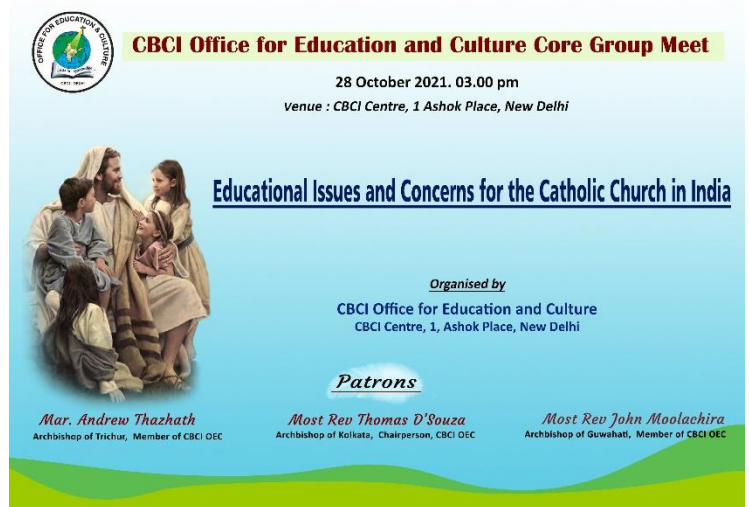
CBCI OEC -Core Group Meeting on Thursday, 28th October 2021 at 3.00 pm in CBCI Centre. The meeting will go up to 4.30 pm.

Agenda for the CBCI OEC CORE GROUP Meet

28 OCTOBER 2021

Points for Discussion:

1. Consequences of what is happening in Gujarat and in Andhra Pradesh –
Some Guidelines for the Church
2. Possibilities of obtaining funds for the Minority students and also projects from Minority Affairs Ministry
3. The need and possibility of meeting with Union Minister Hon Dharmendra as Christian delegation
 - a. Obtaining an appointment
 - b. Some points for discussion/submitting a memorandum
4. The need for forming a broad-based & Alliance of Christian Educational Institutions in India
 - a. Bringing together Christian Schools Forum of Delhi
 - b. Obtaining permission from the Standing Committee of CBCI
 - c. Some guidelines for discussion with other representatives of other denominations
5. Revision of All India Catholic Education Policy
 - a. Appointment of a three-member sub-committee
 - b. First draft of revised policy by 20 November 2021
 6. Strengthening the coordination of CBCI Office for Education and Culture with other similar offices of other rites.
7. Planning for the next Core Group Meet
8. Any other issues to be discussed



24th November 2021, Wednesday from 3.00 pm to 4.30 pm.

The Impact of the COVID-19 and the challenges in Re-Opening the School after COVID-19 Meeting with National coordinators, Regional Secretaries and Diocesan Education Secretaries

In the beginning of November, the President of CBCI, His Eminence had asked us to conduct a meeting with all the Secretaries to share the challenges faced by our Catholic Schools after the COVID 19. So we have asked five

of our Catholic Principals from various parts of the country to share with us how they had overcome the challenges of reopening the schools.

It is also time to thank all our Principals and Headmasters/ Headmistresses and all our teachers for continuing to educate children during the COVID and after the COVID uninterrupted. It is time to listen to their sharing. Please participate and share your views too!

21st and 22nd January 2022

This is a short-certified course on **MIE CERTIFICATION SESSION** to become a **MICROSOFT INNOVATIVE EDUCATOR (MIE)** organised in collaboration with De Pedagogics powered by Microsoft in Education.

This Course is conducted on 21st and 22nd January 2022 from 3 pm to 5 pm



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A Short-Certified Course on
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Organized by CBCI Office for Education and Culture in
Collaboration with De Pedagogics powered by Microsoft in Education

Dear Principals/Headmasters and Teachers,
 we welcome you to participate in a MIE CERTIFICATION SESSION to become
 Microsoft Innovative Educator (MIE)

Who can participate?
 School teachers across academic areas, academic heads
 and school leaders can attend the programme.

What will the Teachers learn?

- The participants will be introduced to Microsoft in Education tools and ways in which these tools can be used in education.
- The session will include ways to leverage the tools to teach with technology and educators will learn ways to collaborate with each other and their students;
- They become more productive and efficient using built-in AI features across Office tools
- Microsoft acknowledges their efforts by awarding them Microsoft Innovative Educator (MIE) certification to recognize teachers who come together to learn, share, and grow.

When is the Training Programme?
 The training programme is for two hours and it is on 21st and 22nd January 2022. The session is from 3 pm to 5 pm on both days.

You can choose to participate in any one of them.

Registration link for 21st Jan: <https://bit.ly/MIE21JAN>
 Registration link for 22st Jan: <https://bit.ly/MIE22JAN>

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JOIN US **JAN 21ST 2022 | 3 PM-5 PM**

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Microsoft India on 28th and 29th March 2022.

we had organised a Microsoft Innovative Education certified course (MIE) with De Pedagogics powered by Microsoft India on 21st and 22nd January 2022. More than 3000+ school leaders and teachers had participated and received their certificates. But there was a technical lapse and more than 4000+ registered school leaders and teachers could not participate. We had complained to Microsoft India and they too were sorry that such a mistake had happened and promised to re-conduct this certified course for those who missed it. Now they have come back to organize this particular MIE Certificate course only for those who have registered but could not participate.

The MIE certification course will be conducted mainly for those who had registered earlier but if there are school leaders and teachers who had not participated earlier are also welcome to join and it will be organized on **28th and 29th March 2022**. It will be from 4 pm to 5 pm. They can choose to participate on any one day. Now, this link will be sent to those who had registered via SMS to them at the earliest and also on the day of the session. It will be sent to the mobile number that they had given while registering.

23rd April 2022

webinar for our School Leaders and Teachers on the theme of **Artificial Intelligence & Machine Learning on the 23rd of April 2022 from 3.00 pm to 4.30 pm.**

Key Points :

What is Artificial Intelligence and machine learning?

- Why learning AI and ML is important for students?
- What is the future of AI and its impact on our generation?
- Introducing PictoBlox, a visual AI learning software: its activities, project examples and demonstrations

It is a unique opportunity for the Educators and Principals to empower themselves to one of the most required skills of the 21st century: Artificial Intelligence.

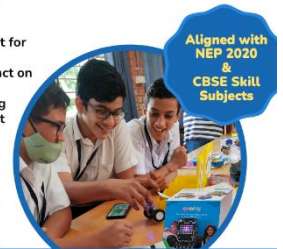


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- Why learning AI & ML is important for Students?
- What is the future of AI & its impact on our generation?
- Introduction to a visual AI-learning software, PictoBlox- Activities, project examples, & demonstrations.

Launch Details:

April 23rd, 2022 | 3:00 PM IST



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