

DIRECTORS' ANNUAL REPORT

To
The Members of
The Henry Martyn Institute: International Centre for Research,
Interfaith Relations & Reconciliation
Hyderabad

Your Directors have the pleasure in presenting their **48th Annual Report** and Audited Financial statement of accounts for the year, which ended on 31st March, 2017.

<u>FINANCIAL RESULTS:</u>	<u>2016-2017</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
	Rs.	Rs.
Total Income	3,07,40,113	2,37,00,620
Surplus/Deficit before Depreciation	12,81,493	(10,60,413)
Less: Depreciation	42,36,317	32,42,160
Surplus/Deficit before tax	(29,54,824)	(43,02,573)
Less: Income Tax Expense	NIL	NIL
Current Tax	NIL	NIL
Deferred Tax	NIL	NIL
Surplus/Deficit after Tax	(29,54,824)	(43,02,573)

OPERATIONS AND STATE OF COMPANY'S AFFAIRS:

Your Directors wish to inform you that during the year your company has received the (Grants & Other Income) of **Rs. 3,07,40,113/-** and earned a surplus of **Rs.12,81,493/-** before provision for depreciation of Rs 42,36,317/-

It has recorded an excess of expenditure over income of **Rs. 29,54,824/-** for the year which has been transferred to Income & Expenditure A/c.

The total funds mobilized as per the Income and Expenditure Account during the year 2016-17 amounted **Rs3,07,40,113/-** out of which self-generated and internal accruals amounted to **Rs 86,43,317/-** The organization is dependent on external support up to **72 %** and the remaining **28 %** is mobilized through income generation.

The total application of funds amounted to **Rs 3,36,94,937/-**, out of which the administrative component was **Rs 1,04,97,759/-** (includes Employee benefits and excluding depreciation) which is **35%** of the programme cost.

No Provision for Pension Fund during the year made and pension payments done on payment basis from year to year to the extent of **Rs. 3,20,920/-**.

An evaluation of the gratuity liability as on 31.03.2017 was done and a provision for **Rs 69,431/-** has been made during the year.

HMI registered with EPFO and made the Provident fund remittances from 1st April 2009 to December 2016 with EPFO under Amnesty Scheme 2017.

During the Year an amount of Rs 34170/- has been deposited into the bank account during the period of Demonetization.

The total remuneration, fees or travel expenses of the board members amounted to **Rs 1,06,303/-** which is **1.60 %** of administrative cost.

DEPOSITS:

Your Directors report that the company has neither accepted nor renewed any deposits covered under Chapter V of the Companies Act, 2013("the Act") during the year under review.

AUDITORS:

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 139 of the Act and the rules framed thereunder, **M/s Mahesh,Virender & Sriram Chartered Accountants**, were appointed as statutory auditors of the Company from the conclusion of the Forty Seventh Annual General Meeting (AGM) held on 06.09.2016 till the conclusion of the Forty Eighth AGM, subject to ratification of their appointment

at every AGM. The auditors have confirmed their eligibility to the effect that their re-appointment, if made, would be within the prescribed limits under the Act and that they are not disqualified for re-appointment.

DIRECTOR'S RESPONSIBILITY STATEMENT PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 134 (5) OF THE COMPANIES ACT, 2013.

Your Directors confirm that-

- a) In the preparation of the accounts for the financial year that ended on 31st March, 2016 the applicable accounting standards have been followed;
- b) The accounting policies selected were applied consistently and the judgments and estimates made are reasonable and prudent so as to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company as on 31st March, 2017 and of the Income & Expenditure of the Company for the year ended on that date;
- c) Proper and sufficient care has been taken for the maintenance of adequate accounting records in accordance with the provisions of the Act for safeguarding the assets of the Company and for preventing and detecting fraud and other irregularities;
- d) The annual accounts have been prepared on a going concern basis.
- e) Proper systems have been devised to ensure compliance with the provisions of all applicable laws and those systems are adequate and operating effectively.
- f) Sufficient care has been taken for the maintenance of Accounts as per the Income Tax Act 1961, Foreign Contribution Regulation Act 2010(42 of 2010), and Indian Companies Act 2013.
- g) The Statutory Auditors have performed their task in an independent manner and the management letter submitted by the Statutory Auditors has been accepted by the management.
- h) Internal Audit has been conducted for the organization during the year.
- i) As required under sec 13(3) of the Income Tax Act, 1961, no part of the income during the previous year has been applied and used directly for the benefit of the members of the institution or any other person.
- j) The Staff service rules were followed and all the social security measures were complied with.

NUMBER OF MEETINGS OF THE BOARD:

The Company had meetings on the following dates during the financial year under review.

- a) 28th June 2016
- b) 6th September 2016
- c) 27th February 2017
- d) 30th June 2017

PARTICULARS OF LOANS, GUARANTEES OR INVESTMENTS UNDER SECTION 186:

Your Directors confirm that there were no loans, guarantees or investments made by the Company under section 186 of the Companies Act, 2013 during the year under review and hence the said provision is not applicable.

CONTRACTS AND ARRANGEMENTS WITH RELATED PARTIES:

Your Directors confirm that there were no contracts or arrangements made with related parties as defined under section 188 of the Companies Act, 2013 during the year under review.

DETAILS ABOUT THE VARIOUS PROGRAMS & ACTIVITIES DURING THE PERIOD:

ACADEMICS

The academic programmes of Henry Martyn Institute (HMI) mainly aim to produce highly qualified students in Religions with the potentialities to build a harmonious society. The academic programmes offer a range of courses to suit the needs of religious scholars and lay persons desiring to deepen their understanding about Religions. It allows the person to gain the deeper understanding of their own faith through the study on religions, interfaith relations and other peace building initiatives. This academic year 2016-2017 had a good start with qualified faculties focusing on the progress and achievements of the academic department of HMI. Here are some of the fruitful works undertaken by the academic department.

1. POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN ISLAM AND INTERFAITH RELATIONS AND LANGUAGE

Post Graduate Diploma in Islam and Interfaith Relations course began on 4th of July' 2016 with eight students from different parts of India. During the nine months of PG Diploma, spanned over three semesters, we tried to disseminate the knowledge on Islam, Major Indian Religions, Indian Philosophy, Research Methodology, Christian Theology, and Interfaith Relations. Our students were given the opportunity to attend seminars on Interfaith conducted by HMI. Apart from the HMI faculty, we also invited visiting professors who taught the PG and M.Th students - Rev. Dr. T. Swami

Raju (ARRC Faculty), Dr. Geeverghese Mar Yulios (Professor of Religions), Dr. Qadeer Khwaja (MANUU, Hyderabad) and Dr. Alan Guenther (Canada). On 8th September'2016, we organised exposure visit for PG Students to various religious sites which enabled them to have practical and first hand information. PG Academics Valedictory Ceremony was held on 17th of March' 2017 at HMI conference Hall. Rev. David Wunsch, Director, General Mission Unit of the ELCA delivered the valedictory address and eight students received their Diplomas. These are the list of the PG students for the academic year of 2016-2017.

Sl. No	Name	Gender	Place
1	Nithin Varghese	Male	Kerala
2	Rev. G. George Christopher	Male	Telangana
3	Rev.M. Prabhakar	Male	Telangana
4	Kothapalli Sankar Rao	Male	Telangana
5	Lenin Babu	Male	Andhra Pradesh
6	Imlienla	Female	Nagaland
7	Sandhya Kiran Sanga	Female	Jharkand
8	Prameela	Female	Andhra Pradesh



2. LANGUAGE

Recognized by the Senate of Serampore College (University) the Language course of Arabic and Sanskrit are given for students who want to pursue their Master of Theology in Religions. This course starts in the month of January where the students are given a prepared syllabus to attempt the M.Th qualifying exam held in the month of October. Arabic and Sanskrit classes began earlier, in the month of January, 2016. Eight students have passed the M.Th qualifying exam conducted by Senate of Serampore in the month of October, 2016. Out of these students HMI selected two outstanding students, Mr. Nithin Varghese got the “Bhajjan Memorial Endowment Award for the best Arabic Student” and Miss. Sandhya Kiran got the “Pulikkottil Endowment Award for the best Sanskrit Student”. At present, there are five Arabic and four Sanskrit students pursuing their language studies and preparing to give the M.Th qualifying exam to be held in the month of October 2017.

3. MASTER OF THEOLOGY IN RELIGIONS

The Advanced Institute for the study on Religion and Culture (ARRC) was jointly established by Henry Martyn Institute (HMI), Andhra Christian Theological College (ACTC) and Calvin Institute of Theology (CIT) which is affiliated to Senate of Serampore College (University). The inception of ARRC office was at ACTC and later shifted to HMI. Rev. Dr M.M. Abraham is the Registrar of ARRC. On 28th June 2016, the ARRC academic session was inaugurated by The Most Rev. Dr. G. Dyvasirvadham at ACTC Chapel. The first batch of ARRC consists of six students and for this new academic year 2017, five new students were enrolled. So at present, eleven students are pursuing their Master of Theology in Religions. Given below are the lists of the students.

M.Th II year Students

Sl. No	Name	Gender	Place
1.	Pamhor Thumra	Male	Manipur
2.	Y. Stephen Ezung	Male	Nagaland
3.	Imnanungsang	Male	Nagaland
4.	Paothang Louvum	Male	Manipur

5.	Ch. George	Male	Telangana
6.	Gnana Manohar	Male	Telangana



M. Th I year Students

Sl. No	Name	Gender	Place
1.	Nithin Varghese	Male	Kerela
2.	Christopher	Male	Telangana
3.	Prabhakar	Male	Telangana
4.	Sandhya Kiran Sanga	Female	Jharkhand
5.	T.Pramila	Female	Andhra Pradesh



4. DOCTORAL PROGRAM

One D.Th student from SATHRI of Serampore spent two months at HMI and did his research under the supervision of Rev. Dr. M. M. Abraham. Topic of his dissertation is “Rethinking Contemporary Islam: A Critique of the Ideology of Islamic State in Iraq and Syria (ISIS)”. And for the academic year of 2017-2018, SATHRI has approved HMI/ARRC as one of the centres of Doctor of Theology program of the Senate of Serampore. Two D.Th students (Religions) are now enrolled to ARRC/HMI Research centre for the year 2017.

D.Th Students

Sl. No	Name	Gender	Place
1.	Pranay	Male	Orissa
2.	Gifta Angline	Female	Orissa



5. PRACTICAL WORK FOR BD STUDENTS

Ten students from Calvin Institute of Theology came for exposure as a part of their study for ten days from 23rd -31st November'2016. They were given the basic knowledge of Sanskrit, Arabic and Islam by the HMI faculty.

6. STAFF PROGRAMMES

Rev. Dr M.M. Abraham, Abdul Karim and Pranay Bin participated the Senate of Serampore College (University) central evaluation system at ACTC, Hyderabad to evaluate the answer script for BD students from 9th- 11th May, 2016. Rev. Dr. M.M. Abraham attended Senate Convocation held at Trinity Theological College, Dimapur, Nagaland from 2nd - 5th February'2017.

7. SEMINARS/CONFERENCES/TEACHINGS

ARRC organised a three day seminar from 14th -16th November'2016 on Research Methodology hosted by CIT and held at Calvin Institute of Theology, Yacharam. Rev. Dr. M.M. Abraham, Registrar of ARRC presented a seminar paper on Research Methodology for the M.Th students. Rev. Dr. Packiam, Director & Rev. Dr. M.M. Abraham, Associate Director, took classes on Islam for Seminary students at St. Charles' Seminary, Nagpur from 2nd – 6th January' 2017.

8. LIBRARY

The HMI library is well equipped and has a vast collections (33, 000 volumes) of academic books and journals of national and international repute on various topics like Religion, Philosophy, Psychology, History, Gender and Social Sciences. These books are made available to the students to promote their knowledge and understanding on various subjects. HMI has already subscribed for the JSTOR to access international journals and books. We also have a well-equipped computer lab to support the students in their research works.

9. PUBLICATIONS

HMI publishes semi-annual journal under the chief editorship of Rev. Dr. Packiam T. Samuel. The faculty members are the regular contributors and the academic year 2016-2017 issue of the Journal (vol. 35/2, July-Dec: 2016) includes the following articles.

Tuhfat al-Mujahidin and the Portuguese in Malabar by Rev. Dr. M. M. Abraham

Criminal Justice in Islam by S.S. Waheedulla Hussaini

Erotic Spirituality of Women in Hinduism: A Study on Akkamahadevi by Pranay Bin

S.S. Waheedulla Hussaini published a book entitled Light of Islam (*Anwar-i Islam*)



10. ACADEMIC EXTENTION PROGRAMS

i) NCCI INTERFAITH PRE-ASSEMBLY

Dates: 4th and 5th April 2016

An NCCI Interfaith Pre-assembly was held on 4th and 5th April 2016, at the Henry Martyn Institute, jointly organized by Henry Martyn Institute (HMI), Inter-faith Coalition for Peace (ICP), India Peace Centre (IPC), Christian Service Agency (CSA) and NCCI – Commission on Unity, Mission and Evangelism, Hyderabad. It had 40 clerics, theologians, scholars, practitioners and comrades from Baha'i, Islam, Hinduism, Sikhism, Buddhism, Christianity, Dalits, Tribal, Adivasi, Dravidian, Gandhian, Ambedkarite, Marxist and Rationalist backgrounds and faiths from all over India and deliberated on the theme 'Inclusive Household of God: An Interfaith Affirmation'.

ii) FIELD WORKS FOR SEMINARY STUDENTS

Gurukul Theological College (Dates: 24th April to 14th May 2016)

Ten students from Gurukul Theological College, Chennai, came to HMI for practical work in the field of Interfaith Relations from 24th April to 14th May 2016.

Bethel Bible Institute (Dates: 1st to 13th May 2016)

Eleven students from Bethel Bible Institute, Chennai, came to HMI for practical work in the field of Interfaith Relations from 1st to 13th May 2016.

iii) SUMMER COURSE ON ISLAM AND INTERFAITH RELATIONS (Dates: 3rd – 12th May 2016)

Summer courses of HMI have always been centered on providing a new insight for the seminary students for understanding the significance of interfaith relations as future pastors and teachers as they are going to be change-makers in the society someday.

A summer course was held in the HMI campus from 3rd - 12st May 2016, attesting the fact that a direct exposure with the traditions and personalities of other religions increases the respect one has towards other faiths. Around 50 students from more than 12 seminaries attended the course with accommodation provided to them in the HMI hostel.



This initiative of HMI was wonderfully executed by the director, Rev. Dr. Packiam Samuel and the academic coordinator Mrs. Sribala with the help of Rev. Dr. Victor Edwin who was an ever-present help from the beginning of the program.

iv) INTERFAITH EXPOSURE: “SPIRITUAL ANIMATION PROCESS IN DIALOGUE” JESUITS

Dates: 18 – 21 May 2016

A four-day interfaith seminar was organized by Islamic Studies Association in collaboration with the HMI to promote interreligious dialogue to make it more practical for the young scholastics in the formation.

Every day the program began with interfaith prayer service conducted by brothers and sisters of different faiths. The participants came together and prayed to one God in Vedic, Islamic and Sikh faith traditions.

v) NORTH EAST WOMEN EMPOWERMENT (Dates: June 7-10, 2016)

Programme: Regional Seminar on “The Role of North East Women in Peacebuilding” jointly organized by HMI, Christian Institute for the Study of Religion and Society (CISRS), and Council of Baptist Churches in North East India (CBCNEI) at CBCNEI, Guwahati, Assam.

No. of participants: Altogether 30 women leaders from six different states of North East India: Assam, Arunachal Pradesh, Manipur, Mizoram, Meghalaya and Nagaland. Majority of the delegates were Christians as North East is a Christian dominated region; only a few participants came from other faith communities.

vi) “COME AND SEE”: AN INTER-CULTURAL EXPOSURE FOR THE YOUNG PEOPLE

Dates: 29th June – 2nd July 2016

On invitation of the Church of South India, 22 young people from various countries like Indonesia, Ghana, South Africa, Lebanon, South Korea and Germany, visited HMI for an Inter-cultural sight-seeing exposure from June 29 to July 2, 2016.

The main objective of this Inter-cultural exposure was to offer a participatory learning opportunity to the youth to share and experience the variety, diversity, and distinctiveness of Indian people and society.

vii) MEETING ON INTERRELIGIOUS RELATIONS IN ASIA

How to promote interreligious understanding in time of violence and war

Dates: 26-27 July, 2016

HMI hosted this meeting which was sponsored by Mr. David Stevens (through the Irish School of Ecumenics Trust, Trinity College Dublin).

Concrete steps suggested in implementing the above were:

- Organizing interreligious meetings in Chennai, Hyderabad and New Delhi focusing on the Indian context and following the above insights.
- Holding of meetings in Sri Lanka, bringing together Tamil and Sinhala youth who come from Christian, Buddhist, Hindu and Muslim backgrounds.
- Bringing together representatives from different faith groups in Malaysia and Bangladesh.

viii) SPIRITUAL ANIMATION PROCESS IN INTERFAITH DIALOGUE FOR INTERFAITH ENABLERS

Dates: 1st -5th August 2016

This program was exclusively designed for the people at the leadership level from NGOs, FBOs, Religious Institutes and other organizations, who have been pivotal in building a peaceful bridge between different communities and function as mediators in the midst of different conflict situations. They play a key role in educating people in reconciling misunderstanding, prejudices and promote healthy relationship among the adherents through different forms of interfaith encounters.



ix) NATIONAL COLLOQUIUM FOR DOCTORAL STUDENTS OF SENATE OF SERAMPORE COLLEGE

Dates: 9th – 11th August 2016

HMI hosted the National Colloquium in collaboration with Senate of Serampore College at the HMI Campus as one of the focused researched areas and practical work of HMI was apt to the proposed theme.

x) CSI YOUTH PROGRAMME (Dates: 10 – 11 October 2016)

Dr. Gabriele Schroeder from ELCA and Ms. Sribala Mylavarapu attended a Synod Youth Festival named Christa Yuva Jatrotshava (A Christian Youth Pilgrimage and Festival) from 10th-12th October 2016 at Tiruvalla, Madhya Kerala Diocese, which was organized by Church of South India, Synod Youth department.

The theme was "Pilgrimage towards Forgiveness and Reconciliation". Around 2000 young people from Church of South India hailing from various walks of life both from rural and urban sector gathered for this event.

xi) DUTCH PASTORS INTERFAITH EXPOSURE VISIT TO HMI (Dates: 17th -28th October 2016)

- a) 25 pastors from Netherland attended this program cosponsored by Kerk in acite,Netherlands.

xii) Face-To-Face Program

- a) The Council for World Mission has sent 13 participants towards Face to Face program from 25th Sep-9th Oct 2016. This program was represented from 13 different countries from the world.
- b) St. Olaf College students from visited HMI from USA during 8th -15th November 2016

xiii) CONTINUING EDUCATION

On the recommendation of Pastor. Peter M. Schwarz pastor of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Hanover in northern Germany had planned for a 10-day study project in HMI from 9 – 23 October 2016. During his stay at HMI his schedule included:

Basics of Islam by HMI Faculty, Interactive sessions with scholars/professors (Muslims) from Maulana Azad National Urdu University (MANUU); scholars (Christians) from Bible Society in India and Andhra Christian Theological College; Interactive sessions, visits to religious places like Mosque, Dargah and Madrasa (School of Islamic education) and field Work.

xiv) EMPOWERING YOUNG GLOBAL CITIZENS

25 January (Wednesday) 2017

An Interfaith workshop was co-facilitated HMI with British Deputy High Commission (BDHC) on 25th January around the theme of 'Common Issues' facing our society & their probable solutions in the light of different religions' to open the participants to students of other faith and to understand their views and perceptions.

This was followed by BDHC organized a Conference on 9th February wherein the participants presented their learnings to spread the wider message across to community leaders and opinion makers. A conference handbook was produced for the participants to adopt and integrate into their curriculum.

xv) INTERFAITH EXPOSURE TO PASTORAL COURSE FOR THE PASTORS OF EKHN held from 13th to 25th of February 2017

xvi) INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY CELEBRATION held on 8th March 2017 at HMI Campus

Global Citizen Year, Dates: 1st April to 6th April

A US based NGO called "Global Citizen Year," which works with young US high school graduates providing an experiential learning, intentional, leadership development 'bridge' year, sent a group of 22 students from the U.S. Towards the end of their program, students visited HMI to learn about importance of interfaith relations. It was enriching experience for the participants.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

AMAN SHANTI PROJECT – SHANKER NAGAR

Women's Unit / Tailoring Centre



- In this period 87 learnt Tailoring & Hand Embroidery Course in two batches, 43 students completed Mehndi Designing course and thirty students attended the Summer Course.

Education

- Nine women have attended the Dr. Ambedkar Open University Degree graduation exam. Among them five are Hindus and four are Muslims.
- From Open School Education (TOSS), eight members have enrolled for the Xth (SSC) level of education and five members are perusing the Intermediate level examination.
- Twenty four community women who do not have any basic literacy are now learning alphabets in Urdu, Telugu and English.

Health

- 790 children have been given Vitamin A, BCG & DPT Immunization at the centre by the local UHP. Forty seven women are given antenatal and post natal assistance from the government through our centre.

Health Talks

- Health talk on Dengue, sun stroke, anemia, immunization for pregnant women & children, HIV/ AIDS awareness & tuberculosis prevention and care was given at our centre on monthly basis by the doctors & ANMs from Government Area Hospital.

Income Generation Programmes

- ◇ Fifteen women are involved in the different petty job / business like bag stitching, papad making, leaf plates making and readymade garments stitching work.

Peace Building Initiatives

- ★ Peace Meeting on the occasion of Ganesh festival was organized in September 2016 and on December 2016.

Celebration

- ✎ Community members celebrated Iftaar, Ramzan (Muslim festival) and Rakhi & Dussera (Hindu), Sankranthri (festival of harvest) jointly. On this occasion the community members from different faiths share the values and cultures related to each of the festival. This gives more space for the community members to interact and build better interfaith relations with each other.

Networking

- We networked with the two local schools in Shanker Nagar – one private and one government school and organized short tailoring and Mehndi Course with 95 school children. Sixty students from Sri Sai Grammer School, a local private School in Shanker Nagar learnt Mehndi Designing as part of Summer Course. Most of the students are from Hindu community. Thirty five students from the Government School learnt the course.



This initiative has helped us to develop better networks with the local schools and to promote peace and interfaith messages among the school children.



- We were able to identify nine Disabled members from the community. We are planning to avail government assistance to provide subsidized facilities for them. In the coming year we are planning to distribute five wheel chairs to the disabled members from the community.

Aman Shanti Community Development Centre, Chandrayangutta

Vocational Skill Training Programme

- 127 attended the Tailoring & Hand Embroidery Course in two batches in this period. 48 students completed Mehndi Designing course in this period.

Education

- Eleven women have successfully qualified the entrance exam for the Degree course in Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Open University. In this year they will be pursuing graduation this academic year

- Fifteen women are learning to read and write their names, do signatures and recognize different alphabets. From the community 28 school going children who come from economically backward communities are attending the extra coaching classes in the evening every day at the centre.

Health

- Around 580 children from the community have been administered with Polio vaccination under Pulse Polio Immunization programme of the government at the centre.
- More than 210 children have been administered with Vitamin A, BCG & DPT Immunization at the centre by the Nurses (ANMs) from local UHP.



Health Talks

- Health talks on immunization, sun stroke, diabetics, women's health issues, dengue, tuberculosis, anemia and immunization were given by Local government Urban Health Post ANMs.

Income Generation Programmes

- Eleven women are involved in different IGP programmes such as readymade bag stitching and Mehndi designing during the wedding occasions in Chandrayangutta centre. They are able to financially support their families, and meet their basic requirements.

Peace Building Initiatives

- ★ Students meetings are organized every month in which issues related to domestic violence, elections, health, hygiene, religious festival celebrations, peace meetings, class preparations, issues at home, sessions on leadership building and communication skills in the community etc are discussed. Young women acknowledge that through these meetings they are able to gain new experience, strengthen their leadership skills and are able to develop better interfaith relationship with other faith members.

- ★ Art of Living – three days training was given to the community members. Hindus and Muslims participated in this training programme and learnt about meditation, reflections and few yoga asana (movements).

Festival Celebration

- ✚ Iftaar party during the month of Ramzan was celebrated by the tailoring students and community members. Around 132 community members participated in this celebration. It was interesting to see that the members were practically able to see the different cultures of others. It is one of the important occasions to build friendship among the Hindu and Muslim communities. Women prepared the food jointly at the centre.
- ✚ Sankrathri (Hindu festival of harvest) in January was celebrated in Chandrayangutta centre. More than 250 community members and children attended the event. HMI's Director – **Rev. Dr. Packiam T. Samuel** was the chief guest of the programme at the centre. Other staff members from HMI also joined and graced the occasion.

Community Interfaith Building Programmes

- ★ Regular community members meetings are organized to discuss about the different issues concerning the community, discussing about Ganesh Nimarjan / procession, Government schemes related to Voter Card, Aadhar Card, and Ration Card.
- ★ 112 students from Shanker Nagar and Chandrayangutta in the month of February 2017 went for a picnic to ESCAPE, an amusement park in Hyderabad. Students enjoyed the outing a lot.
- ★ Women's Day was celebrated on 8th March 2017 in Shanker Nagar and Chandrayangutta center. Women participated in different cultural programs and also appreciated their own progress and leadership skills being developed after associating with Aman Shanti Community Centers.
- ★ Six Self-help groups from these two community centres are continuing to assist the women in procuring petty loans to meet their educational, health, and start petty business.
- ★ Four women have started their own petty business shops and are generating income from it. They are able to meet their basic household expenses from it.
- ★ We were able to reach out to two new localities in Chandrayangutta namely – Hashamabad and Indira Nagar and one new locality in Shaker Nagar center- Padma Nagar as a part of expansion of our community based approach in the community. We have offered short term

Tailoring and Mehndi Design course training for women in these areas. In Hashamabad area, thirty students benefitted from this course.

Networking

- We offered Mehndi Designing course for the students in the Government Girls High School, Chandrayangutta. 72 students among whom 60 were Hindus and 12 Muslims learnt the course. We were able to build cordial relationship with the school authorities and the children.

New Centres

- As part of expansion of our Aman Shanti Community Centres we are planning to start two new centres in two new localities namely Hashamabad and Indira Nagar located in old city of Hyderabad, near Chandrayangutta Centre. In the coming year we shall start the centre.

General Information

Staff Capacity Building Programmes



- Five of our project staff members from Sultan Shahi, Shanker Nagar and Chandrayangutta attended a Peace Workshop at HMI in September 2016 organized by HMI's CT Team.
- "Two day training programme on Understanding Domestic Violence", was organized for Project Staff in February 2017.

- “Two day Leadership & Capacity Building Programme for Project Staff” was organized in March 2017. Twenty five members participated in this training programme.

Auditor’s Visit

- ★ HMI’s Auditor made visits to Sultan Shahi, Shanker Nagar and Chandrayangutta centers in the month of June 2016 as part of the regular auditing work.

Evaluation

- ★ Rev. Asir and Mr. Tony visited the three centres as part of Evaluation on 18th July 2016. The Evaluation Report along with recommendations will be generated soon by the evaluators.

Visitors

- 12 Members from Mandapasalai Communal Harmony Project - CSI Madurai, visited HMI and the Aman Shanti Projects as part of their exposure to Community Development Programmes and Interfaith Dialogue in August 2016.
- Group of EKHN Pastors visited Chandrayangutta Centres on 18th October 2016.
- Mr. Steve from Methodist Church visited the Sultan Shahi and Chandrayangutta Project on 25th October 2016.



- Students from Olaf College, USA and Bethel Bible College, India visited Chandrayangutta center in November 2016 and in March Face to Face Group members visited Chandrayangutta Centre as part of exposure visit to interfaith community work.

Internship

- ★ Ms. Vijaya Kumari, research scholar from Andhra Christian Theological College, Hyderabad visited Chandrayangutta Project in August as a part of her Research study on Health Issues among Women. She interacted with the community women and conducted interviews with them.

Church Of Sweden

- Church of Sweden members participated in the SIPRI Conference held at Stockholm, Sweden from 5th to 6th April 2016. Mr. Mikael Lindgren from Church of Sweden, Ms. Shagufta from PEAD, Pakistan and Ms. Jahan Ara, from HMI participated in the Conference and shared our interfaith and reconciliation work.

• CoS Partners Meet at HMI – 9th to 11th November 2016

- CoS partners meet was organized at HMI in November 2016. From CoS – Ms. Margareta Koltai, Ms. Hanna Eklund, Mr. Anders Salomonsson, Dr. Dieter Mitternacht and Mr. Anders Pettersson facilitated and attended the meet.
- Mrs. Joycia Thorat from CASA also facilitated few sessions of the Meet. CoS partner members from UELCI, LWSIT, NCCI, ICP and HMI attended the meet. Members from India Partners of CoS were able to interact with each other, share and learn about each other's work and their experiences. The programme concluded with Cultural evening. We thank CoS members and Rev. Dr. Packiam T. Samuel for organizing the meet.

Aman Shanti Community Development Centre, Sultan Shahi

Aman Shanti Primary School

- Educational scholarships were offered for two girl students and one boy student, to continue their higher education. One girl student, from Hindu background completed first year of MBA and the other one from Muslim background completed 8th standard. One boy student from Muslim background completed 10th standard.
- 'Teachers Day' was celebrated on 5th September 2016. As a tradition, few school and tailoring students performed teachers' role and took classes for the students. The students discussed about the significance of teachers' role in their lives. Apart from this, cultural activities were also conducted where students sang songs and delivered speeches related to the occasion.
- 'Children's Day' was celebrated on 14th November 2016. On this occasion, different games and competitions for school children and community young girls were organized. The

winner of these games and competitions were awarded with prizes. The children gave speeches on the importance of children's day.

- As part of 'Nutrition Programme' school children are provided with mid-morning snacks.
- Republic Day was celebrated on 26th January 2017 where school children and tailoring students performed skits, songs and delivered speeches.
- A picnic trip was organized for 46 school children and 46 community women to a water resort - 'Escape Water Park' in February 2017.

Women's Unit



- Vocational skill trainings like Tailoring, Mehndi designing, etc are being offered for the community Hindu and Muslim girls and women. In the month of May, special summer courses in Mehndi and beautician training were also conducted.
- During the month of Ramadan (June 2016), 'Iftaar celebration' was organized at the Centre. More than 90 Hindu and Muslim women participated in the celebration. On this occasion, Muslim women shared about the significance of fasting with the Hindu community women. Special prayers were also conducted by the Muslim community women.
- Arabic Grammar Course was started in September 2016 with 17 women from the nearby localities participating in it.
- Peace meetings in view of 'Ganesh festival' and 'Babri Masjid Anniversary Day' were organized with the community women in September and November 2016. More than

hundred Hindu and Muslim women participated and shared their perspectives and experiences. The community women felt it was a safe platform to share their individual views.

- Diwali was celebrated with more than fifty Hindu and Muslim women on 26th October 2016. On this occasion Hindu and Muslim women together made flower garlands and decorated the Aman Shanti center. Later they actively participated in the 'Rangoli' activity where designs were put on the ground using different color powders. The Hindu women shared the background and significance of Diwali with their Muslim friends. The celebration ended with burning of crackers and tasting the special Diwali sweet items.
- A capacity building training on 'Gender & Domestic Violence' was organized on 15th and 16th February 2017. Project staff from all the three project areas along with a few community women participated in the training.
- On 8th March 2017, the project staff along with community women from all the project areas participated in 'Women's Day' celebration organized at HMI campus.
- A capacity building training on 'Leadership Skills' was organized on 14th and 15th March 2017. Project staff from all the three project areas along with a few community women participated in the training.

Medical Clinic

- Health services provided at the clinic have benefited around 2500 patients from both Hindu and Muslim communities. Cold, cough, fever, blood pressure, diarrhea, etc, were some of the health issues affecting the community people.
- School students' health checkup was organized at the clinic. Height and weight of the students was monitored and the children were screened for any other health problems.
- World AIDS Day event was organized on 1st December 2016 with around 45 Hindu and Muslim women. During this occasion, a quiz competition was conducted and gifts distributed to all the participants.

Young Men's Initiative Programme:



Vocational/Technical training

- 'Air Conditioning & Refrigeration' and 'Computer Hardware and Networking' courses are being offered for the Hindu and Muslim young men from the community. These technical courses continue to meet the interests /needs of the young men.
- 'Typing course' is also being offered for the community young men.

Interfaith Festivals

- 'Iftaar celebration' was organized in June 2016 with seventy young men from both Hindu and Muslim backgrounds. The young men from the community organized the celebration by contributing fruits for the Iftar.
- 'Independence Day' was celebrated on 15th August by hoisting the flag and distributing sweets.
- 'Diwali' celebration was organized with forty five young men in October 2016. Hindu young men shared the history /background and importance of Diwali and also shared about the reason for burning of crackers during this occasion.

Peace Meetings

- Peace meetings in view of '*Ganesh Festival*' and '*Babri Masjid Anniversary*' were conducted in September & December 2016 respectively. Around Eighty five young Hindu and Muslim men participated in the programme. The participants discussed and shared about their

understanding /experience about conflicts. A few guidelines for the young men were given on this occasion.

Capacity building training for young men

- In February 2017, a training programme on 'Understanding Conflict' was organized for forty five Hindu and Muslim young men. Group discussions were held with the young men in order to bring in different viewpoints related to the topic of 'Conflict'. A lot of enthusiasm and energy was brought in by these young men who shared their understandings and experiences and also learnt from each other's perceptions.

World AIDS Day

- 'World AIDS Day' was observed on 1st December 2016. On this occasion, an interactive quiz session on HIV/AIDS was conducted for forty Hindu and Muslim young men.

Outing /Picnic



- An Outing /Picnic trip was organized in March 2017 for fifty young Hindu and Muslim men to a water resort- 'Jal Vihar' in Hyderabad. The young men loved the outing and mingled with the young men from other faith backgrounds.

Mini Library / Reading room

- Reading room provides access to newspapers in Urdu, Telugu and English languages for the Muslim and Hindu young men from the locality. Apart from this, employment magazines are also provided for their use and benefit.

HIV/AIDS Programme

- Monthly HIV/AIDS awareness sessions (Thirty six) were organized for 520 Hindu and Muslim women at Sultan Shahi, Shanker Nagar and Chandrayangutta project areas. The peer educators conducted these sessions by mobilizing Hindu and Muslim community women to learn about HIV/AIDS.
- Nine people living with HIV and AIDS (PLHA) from three project areas of HMI were provided with assistance to avail ART medication from Government hospitals. The peer educators continue to monitor these positive cases by counseling them, checking their medication usage and supervising their nutritional and hygiene habits.
- World AIDS Day event was organized at the three project areas of HMI on 1st December 2016. 140 Hindu and Muslim women participated in these gatherings. On this occasion, quiz competition on HIV/AIDS was conducted and gifts distributed to all the participants.

Visitors

- Four Indian Revenue Service (IRS) trainees along with the Deputy Commissioner of Excise Department, visited the Sultan Shahi project in April 2016. They organized a European art and craft training called 'Decoupage' for 45 Hindu and Muslim community women. The training consisted of making decorative items by using waste bottles and paper.
- Students from 'Calvin Institute of Theology'- Hyderabad, visited Sultan Shahi project in April 2016.
- 12 Members from Mandapasalai Communal Harmony Project - CSI Madurai, visited HMI and the Aman Shanti Projects as part of their exposure to Community Development Programmes and Interfaith Dialogue in August 2016.
- 'Face to Face' students group (representing different countries) visited the Sultan Shahi project on 4th October 2016.
- A Dutch Pastor's group visited the Sultan Shahi project on 18th October 2016.
- Mr. Steve from Methodist Church visited the Sultan Shahi Project on 25th October 2016.
- Mr. Andrew from London visited the Sultan Shahi project on 30th November 2016.
- Bishop Sudarshan from USA visited the Sultan Shahi project on 20th December 2016.
- A German group visited the Sultan Shahi project on 22nd February 2017. They interacted with the school children and distributed stationery and chocolates.

- 'Face to Face' students group (representing different countries) visited the Sultan Shahi project on 23rd March 2017.

CONFLICT TRANSFORMATION

- The focus areas of the year were gender equality and empowerment, sustainable livelihoods and environment and strengthening capacities for peace, justice and reconciliation work.
- **8 May 2016 One Day Educational Exposure Visit & Peace Workshop:** The purpose of this picnic was to build and strengthen capacities of children and youth of marginalized slum with awareness on Equality, Religiosity, Leadership, Dignity, Peace, Importance of Education and Dialogue. This programme also strengthened with other collaborating individuals and community based organizations with SMET.
- **9th April 2016 One Day Demonstration Program on Permaculture Design:** The Naga Women's Union One Day Demonstration Program on Permaculture Design Farmers with the Senapati Participants of TOT which was held at the field of Mrs. Thairu at Veso Village, Senapati District, Manipur .



- **2-3 June 2016 Capacity Building Workshop** in Chunlikya Village, Nagaland: This workshop helped the participants to deepen the skills and values of Leadership. Two resource persons namely Kenye Tep, Deputy Speaker Naga Hoho and Dr. P Ngully a psychiatrist shared the sessions. Topics covered include people centered leadership; value of austerity; dealing issues through mutual understanding and how to influence people in decision-making. 27 people took part in this programme. 7 of them were women.
- **2nd July 2016 Iftar Party with Interfaith Dialogue:** 60 to 75 participants from Diverse Marginalized slums of Ahmedabad participated in this programme. This program gave clarity

and deeper understanding on the Ramadan festival. This was a platform where people could share their perspectives and build strong and healthy relationships. Comment by one of the participants *Mihir Bhardwaj* “it is my first experience to understand deeply about “Ramadan” and I believe these types of work build a bridge of strong relationships among all religions and faiths peoples .“

- **25 July, 30 July and 13 August 2016- Three Training Workshops on Economic Empowerment for Women** in Manipur. The training cum workshop was organized by Naga Women’s Union for strengthening the women members to equip themselves with information and skills in bringing change in the society. On 25th July 70 women, on 30 July it was 36 women and on 13th August 42 women took part. The objectives of the program were: To engage the local women participants in protection of land and natural resources for sustainable livelihood; To empower women members to create and generate sustainable income for continuous support for women community by taking up income generating project/program at local village level; and to discuss acquiring a portion of village land for women at village level for generating self help economic activities
- **9 AUGUST 2016- International Day of the World’s Indigenous Peoples** Celebrated in Senapati, Manipur: The United Naga Council, Naga Women’s Union, Naga Peoples Movement for Human Rights (South) & the All Naga Students’ Association, Manipur observed, along with the rest of the world, the International Day of World’s Indigenous Peoples on August 9 at Thangal General Memorial Ecological Park, Senapati District under the theme- “*Indigenous Peoples’ Right to Education*” The celebration was attended by leaders of the following Tribes: *Anal, Chiru, Chothe, Inpui, Kharam, Lamkang, Mao, Maram, Maring, Monsang, Moyon, Poumai, Tangkhul, Tarao, Thangal, Zeliangrong*. Around 120 people took part in the event.
- **15 August 2016 Independence Day celebration**, Gujarat: SMET organized Flag saluting program at routine venue at Gomtipur, Ahmedabad. SMET had a team working with Street-play, Play-4-peace Games and conducting meetings for Dialogues to help the community to understand Personal, Local, State, National, International Politics and issues. As part of the celebration the volunteers had presented street play in different parts of Gomtipur and it was well received by the community.
- **6-16 Sep 2016 HMI’s Annual Peace Workshop**, Hyderabad: The annual workshop had two modules.
- **Module 1: Trainers Level Workshop on Creating Contents for Conflict Transformation & Peace Building Training Manual. 37 (10 women and 27 men) people participated in this**

module. The objective of the trainers level workshop was to create a space for trainers who wish to produce contents for training manuals on Conflict Transformation, Peace Building and Social Justice that is inclusive of issues, rights and perspectives of the indigenous & marginalized people.

- **Module 2: Advanced Level Workshop on Creating Contents for Training Manuals on Promoting Interfaith Relations and Peaceful Coexistence. 29 (11 women and 18 men) took part in the workshop.** The objective of the advanced level workshop was to create a space for those interested in learning about interfaith relations & conflict transformation approaches, practices, perspectives, processes and how to practically integrate them into their existing work.
- 22-23 October 2016- Interfaith Pilgrimage and Dialogue workshop, Gujarat: This workshop & pilgrimage journey brought in 22 participants from different religious background. They have visited a Mosque, Church, Gurudwara and a Jain Matt. This journey helps the participants to come close and look into the perspectives of these religious group and an understanding of their beliefs, rituals and practices and the meaning behind their worship. They could also find some similarities and the journey was also an opportunity for the participants to engage in discussion and get better clarity on their own perceptions on other religion.
- 15-18 November 2016- Workshop on Indigenous women and land, Imphal, Manipur: This workshop helped the participants to enhance their skills on role of women in decision making. The workshop held discussion on Women, Land and Economic Rights; Free Prior Informed Consent; Biodiversity and Livelihoods; Traditional knowledge and practices related to Sustainable Livelihoods. 10 women and 3 men took part in the workshop.



- 10 December 2016- Human Rights Day, Diphu, Karbi Anglong -Karbi Human Rights Watch (KHRW) celebrated the International Human Rights Day on December 10, 2016 and also the foundation day of the organization, at Diphu with the theme “Stand Up For Someone’s Rights Today”. The programme was held in conformity with the objective of having a

platform for all stake holders of the society for more interactive sessions to decide better paths and at the same time reaffirm KHRW decision to continue with its objectives to work for peace and human rights advocacy. KHRW as part of its activity invited individual stake holders of the society for a Panel Discussion in conformity with their own theme ie. “Weaving Our Destiny 3” (continuation from 2014) to reinstate the very characteristics of the tribal society that is collectiveness in every area.

- **12-15 December 2016 Nagaland: Ecological Farming Principles and Practices** – Three day training at Peren village on how to use locally available materials (farm based inputs) for plant, soil health and well being was conducted with Mr. Egambaram from Tamil Nadu as resource person.
- **13-18 December 2016 Hyderabad: Culture of Peace workshop** for Lifeway Christian Academy Teachers and staff of Lifeway Christian Academy Manipur had strengthened their skills on bringing harmony and peaceful co-existence in the classroom as well as in the society. Topics such as on team building, dealing with children and their issues in the classroom, communication, leadership, multiple intelligence, etc was dealt in through different activities.



- **30 December 2016 – Workshop on Career Guidance-** The two days consultation on Career guidance was being organised for the benefit of the youths of Punge village. Drop out among the youths, migration to mainland, wrong choice of career path due to no guidance both from school/ institutes/ expert and parents/families, are at its peak. The main aim and objectives of this consultation was to impart or shed a little light on the happening in and around the field of education. The main reason for conducting this programme was to collaborate with a progressive village which has made good decisions on protecting biodiversity and promoting sustainable management of their forest resources.

- **15-19 Feb 2017 Karbi Youth Festival** – Karbi Human Rights Watch conducted awareness raising on Indigenous Peoples rights among the men, women, youth and children. They also conducted competitions that promote Indigenous food and culture and awarded prize to the winners. Members of different tribes and communities living in Karbi Angloing also participated in the five day programme.
- **28-29 March 2017 Two day participatory workshop on personal empowerment and leadership-** Two-day participatory workshop on personal empowerment and leadership on 28-29 March, 2017 at MBC Conference Hall, Imphal jointly organized by PCTM, AMCO & Love Manipur and sponsored by HMI, Hyderabad. Altogether, 33 participants including two women leaders, church leaders from various associations, social workers, students and peace activists belonging to different communities; hill and valley, attended the workshop. The workshop was to explore the difference between ‘repressive power’ and ‘creative power’; embracing the concept of personal empowerment and others; working together in organic pattern of shared responsibility and interdependency; fostering awareness around the issues of rank, power and privilege and promotion of group leadership by integration of leadership skills.
- **October - 2016 to March 2017- Internship-** Ansari Abdul Salim from Gujarat had joined the team as intern and he is working on contents for the training manual, a comparative study of different religion- Quran, Bible and Thirukkural had been done by him. He is also working on developing and including peace games and activities in the training manual. He is engaged with Conflict Transformation team in coordinating, facilitating and participating with different programmes and workshops.

RELIEF & REHABILITATION

Interfaith Coalition for Sustainable Agriculture

What is Life Giving Agriculture?

Agricultural practices today emit poison. Consequently, land, water, grain, farm animals and entire environment gets poisoned. Air that we breathe is also poisoned. Even a child she knows we live in an increasingly poisoned world. Even so, the farmer is hooked on to present mode of production. Farmer is dependent on the market for seed, manure, pesticides costing large investments. Hence, the farmer is trapped in perennial debt. In extreme cases, the tiller is driven to commit suicide (over three hundred thousand farmers have committed suicide in different parts of

India in the last 10 year period). So the farmer is torn between the devil and the deep-sea. Search for a way out from this seemingly insurmountable calamity is certainly growing. Is there an alternative to the present '*Death Inflicting Agriculture*'? Yes there is, in the affirmative! The hopeful option before the farmers today is to choose '*Life Giving Agriculture*'. Agricultural practices that work against nature and her resources cannot be sustainable. Agriculture that joins hands with nature is nourished by millions of micro organisms and nature's life-forces. Agriculture that partners with nature and her inexhaustible potential is *Life Giving Agriculture*.

Forging of LGA Farmer's Federation, Malapalle Village, Mantralayam Mandal, Kurnool District



Those farmers who support the Sustainable Agriculture are eligible to join as a member in the Life Giving Agricultural Farmer's Federation. Such Farmers shall constitute as members of the Federation at Village, Mandal and Division level.

LGA also invites non-farmers, City dwellers who are concerned about low carbon farming and harvesting of non-poisonous food grain to forge as – 'Friends of LGA Federation'. Friends of Federation shall especially facilitate consumer groups in cities for non-chemical agricultural produce. These also shall bring in the fruits of technology both to popularize LGA as well as to lobby for LGA in corridors of power.

Interfaith Coalition for Sustainable Agriculture, Malapalle Village, Mantralayam Mandal, Kurnool District

Following programs were initiated at Malapalle to forge Farmers' Federation for Sustainable Agriculture.

a. Exposure Visits of Progressive Farmers to Farmers Practicing Life Giving Agriculture

Innumerable Exposure Visits of select fields of Progressive Farmers Practicing Organic Agriculture not only in Kurnool District but as far as Madurai 600 km away has certainly helped the farmers' greater motivation to switch to Organic Farming in different stages.

b. Increasing Presence of Life Giving Agricultural Center at Malapalle:

With greater efforts and major inputs the center began to evolve as a point of interest to the Farmers in the neighboring forty villages. The center looks more & more greener and a functioning demo farm for Organic Agriculture. Every bit of land in the center is utilized for either sowing different millets or growing fruit trees. The word has gone around that the LGA Center does not bring chemical inputs into the land. The presence of two cows '*Jamuna*' and '*Savithri*' on the farm supplies almost every organic nutrient as possible. The copious supply of water from the Irrigation Tank on the farm also has overcome rain deficit.

Farmers as we know believe only when they touch, feel and see for themselves the authenticity of what they are told. No amount of persuasive or powerful talk can convince and move the farmers. Hence, the LGA Center is playing a critical role in bringing attitudinal change in the minds of farmers regarding Organic Method of Agriculture.

c. Visit of Dr Steve Pearce and Dr Packiam Samuel to LGA Center, Malapalle



d. The visit of Dr Steve Pears and Dr Packiam Samuel to the LGA Center in the month of October 2016 when large gathering of Farmers came together also has become a memorable event in the Farming Community around. This is in addition to five Training Programs on Preparation and use of Organic Fertilizers and Pesticides at LGA Center. A Cultural Team is also taking shape to promote Organic Practices.

e. Revitalizing Soil of LGA Center

Soil from Irrigation Tank in the neighboring village was brought in tractors and filled nearly 156 pits of 3x3 dimensions so that the land becomes fertile and is given a new lease of life. Now, fruit plants are brought from nurseries in Rajamundry and planted in these pits.

f. Organizing Host of Training Program and Workshops on Life Giving Agriculture for Progressive Farmers at LGA Center, Malapalle



g. A String of Workshops and Training Programs on Organic Practices were organized for Farmers hailing from 14 villages around Malapalle, Mantralayam Mandal. Many farmers after the training programs have began producing organic fertilizers and pesticides and start using on their farms.

h. Emphasis on Interfaith Angle to LGA Stands deferred for the present Interfaith Emphasis on Sustainable Agriculture is deferred to a later time. The first task is to mobilize farmers towards LGA. However, we are visiting churches to speak on Bible and LGA.

MANAGEMENT

Memberships:

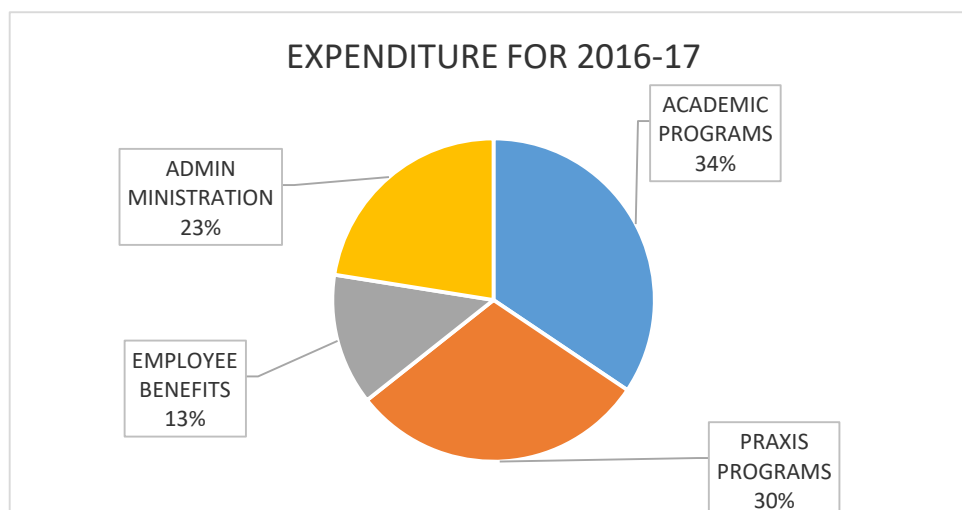
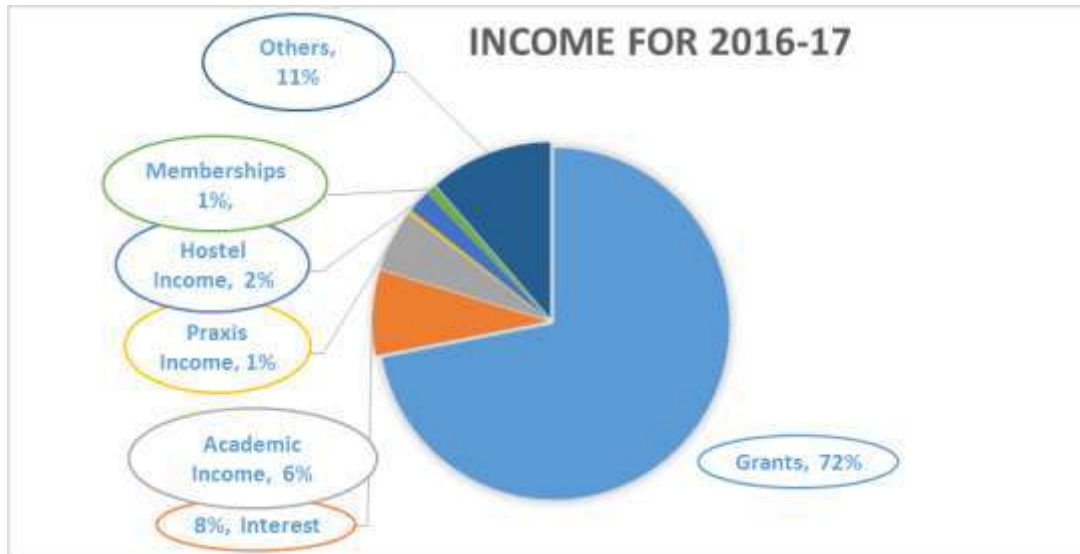
The Institute maintains decent rapport with the local member churches and organizations who are part of Council members and contributing the organizations cause. This year was a good year and members had contributed in large amounts beyond their capacities with our call for the cause of HMI Peace Programs. The following members who had contributed during the year are as follows:

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| 1. Medak Diocese, Hyderabad | Rs. 50,000/- |
| 2. The Church of South India Synod, Chennai | Rs. 50,000/- |
| 3. Malankara Orthodox Church, Ahmedabad | Rs. 50,000/- |
| 4. Marthoma Church, Kerala | Rs. 25,000/- |
| 5. UELCI, Chennai | Rs. 50,000/- |
| 6. Methodist Church in India, Mumbai | Rs. 50,000/- |

Apart from that HMI also contributes towards membership fees for other Churches and organizations.

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| 1. CISRS, Bangalore | Rs.5000/- |
| 2. BTESSC, Bangalore | Rs.12,000/- |
| 3. NCCI, Nagpur | Rs. 15000/- |

Finances for the year:



Administration:

During this period, the administration department made several efforts to improve the infrastructure in the campus including renovations and modifications in the buildings, procuring new furniture, re-designing office and hostel interiors and adding a additional rooms for a capacity of 6 numbers in the hostel 2nd Floor under students wing. The concrete road was additionally laid in the campus approach road and few invertors were placed in program building and hostel. This year also painting works undertaken in campus where ever it required. Few more rooms air-conditioned in Hostel block. To improve the Academic facilities for students we had also installed the Audio Video Equipment's in class rooms, and a separate stay facilities in Hostel being arranged with amenities like Washing Machine, TV, Coffee Vending machine etc. Most of the major equipment are under comprehensive annual maintenance contracts which include computers & printer's telephones, generator, Transformer, Elevator, UPS, Photocopier and other electrical equipment's. During the year a new vehicle "XUV-MAHINDRA was purchase in the month of June 2016 for the utilization of HMI guests and partners. Regular maintenances done to our vehicles in order to be in good condition.

Property Maintenance:

The additions of assets to the buildings are covered under Standard Fire and Special Peril Policy. Regarding the property tax relinquishment at Sivarampally site, the present case is pending with The High Court of Judicature at Hyderabad, for the state of Telangana and Andhra Pradesh. Regarding the Kothur Land, Land regularization is under process . Negotiations are also going with the land lord for laying the approach road from main road to campus entrance.

Staff Matters:**New Appointments:**

Mrs. Hemalatha ,

Outgoings:

Mr.Pranay (On Study leave)

Medical Insurance : The Institute has extended the Group Medical Insurance from Staff to its family members with coverage of Rs 2.00 lacs per family with Videocon Liberty Health Insurance covering 104 family members with a premium of Rs3.00 lacs per annum.

Gratuity: Most of the Employees covered under the Life Insurance of India- Gratuity Scheme " Group Gratuity Cash Accumulation Plan" where separate Gratuity fund is maintained. During the reporting period the evaluated amount is being paid.

Provident Fund : During the year HMI has registered with Employees Provident Fund Organization under the Amnesty Scheme announced in January 2017 and HMI enrolled all the employees ie 37 nos in the month of March 2017 with coverage period from 1st April 2009. Now All the HMI employees are also eligible for the EPFO pension scheme.

Personnel /Staff Development:

As usual HMI encourages its staff to build their capacities in their field. This year also HMI had supported couple of staff to improve their capacities and using their skill to promote HMI programs successfully. The following are as follows:

- 1) Ms.Roopa,Directors PA – Supporting for Web designing & Graphics and support for final year of her Graduation in Arts.
- 2) Mrs.Sribala, Coordinator-Extension Programs- Supported for Enrollment of Doctoral studies in Interfaith Relations with Madras University. She was also supported for Certificate Course in Sanskrit with EFLU.Hyderabad
- 3) Mr.Pranay, Jr.Faculty- Supported for Doctoral Studies in Theology(D.Th) with Senate of Serampore.

Community News:

The HMI community celebrated different religious and national events. During this year we had celebrated interfaith festivals like Ramadan, Diwali and Christmas in a grand scale with HMI Community and their families. The staff also went an outing to a local resort for a day- out in the month of June 2016.

Hostel (Aman Shanti Nilayam) :

HMI's Amanshanti Nilayam welcomes people from different NGOs and government organisations all parts of the country and abroad, who hire the rooms for their partners and staff to stay in while conducting their programs in the campus. The Hostel has generated considerable income during this period and covered most part of its running cost. During the year approximately 6000 people pertains to various organisations utilised the facilities. The facilities in the Hostel are improved a lot and good appreciations received from various visitors. The hostel is generally abuzz with activity. It is a common space of much interaction. People from different religious, caste, ethnic, linguistic and regional backgrounds stay here together and experience an oneness.

This year had been a year of continuous activities and several organizations availed of the facilities of our hostel, generating considerable revenue for the institute. These included both government as well as non-government organizations such as, National Institute of Rural Development (NIRD), National Academy of Agricultural Research Management (NAARM) and Council for Social Development(CSD).

Non-government organizations such as Prajwala, Helpage India, Action Aid, Edu Bridge, Brook India, Interfaith Coalition for Peace, UAE Exchange, IGNIS Careers, POP (AKSHARA), Centre for Sustainable Agriculture, Hyderabad , WASSAN Hyderabad , ASMITA, Hyderabad, Reliance Foundation, Mumbai CSI Pastors from Kerala, T.N., Karnataka & A.P., Chindu group from Assam,Mehalaya, Odisha etc, The Development Associates Intiatives, Delhi Indian Grameen Services, Kolkota,, BASIX, Hyerabad , World Buddhist Culture Turst, Delhi, Local Churches and theological

colleges like like NCCI, CSI Synod ,Chennai , Uravukal from Chennai, Andhra Christian Theological College, MBCBC, Hyderabad , Calvin Institute, Wesley Church, Hyderabad, Methodist Church in India, St.Johns College, Bishops College, Kolkata Tirunelveli and overseas groups like U.K. Pastors, Pastors from Germany, Visitors from Anglican Communion Office,UK , The Lutheran Partner in Global Ministries, USA, American India Foundation Trust, Delhi , HMI Funding partners and many others.

Meetings & Travels:

- On 25th May 2016 attend CNI Meetings at Delhi
- 25-26 attended VM meetings in Bangkok
- 12-13 September 2016, NCCI Executive in Chennai
- 18-21 September 2016, ICP Meetings in Cochin
- 26-28 September 2016, CSI Formation in Chennai
- 29th September to 1st October 2016 meeting with Dr. Zafar Saheb in ICP, Delhi
- 12-14, ESNL meetings in SriLanka
- 28-30 , CWM meetings in Kolkata
- 5th December 2016, ICP Meetings in Delhi
- 5-6 January 2017, St. Charles Seminary, Nagpur
- 24th January 2017, UELCI round table meetings in Chennai
- 13-15 January 2017, NALSAR University of Law for Round Table meetings
- 18th January 2017, ERCM Meetings in Bangalore
- 19-20 February 2017, SAIACS meetings in Bangalore

Visitors and Partners HMI:

As our Institute, has consistently grown and continues to thrive year after year. This wouldn't be possible without the hard work of the Staff, Board & Finance members, Visitors and its partners, who have helped strengthen and sustain the lifeline of HMI for decades. April 2016 to March 2017 was our best year. We welcomed leaders and professionals in several programs conducted by HMI.

Visitors & Meetings during the year

- NCCI Pre Assembly meeting held at HMI on 4-5 April 2016
- Vidya Jyothi students visit to HMI on 18-21 May 2016
- Dr. Santanu Patro, Registrar from Senate of Serampore visit HMI for Doctorial programme held on 8-11 August 2016
- Dr. Mohan Larbeer, Secretary, BTESSC visit HMI for four days 30th August to 2nd September 2016
- On 24th October 2016 Dr. Steve Pearce from Methodist Church, UK visit HMI and stayed till 28th October, on 26-27 October He also went to Adoni.

- Rev. Dr. Chandran Paul Matin & Rev. Dr. Franklin Ishida from ELCA visited HMI, 27-29 January 2017.
- German Pastors visit from EKHN from 13-26 February 2017
- Dr. David Wunsch with Rev. Dr. Chandran Paul Matin from ELCA visited HMI for two days public meet held on 16th & 17th March at HMI

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Your directors also place on record their appreciation for the services rendered by all employees for the working of the Company. A Special Appreciations to our Statutory Auditors, Internal Auditors and our Bankers- State Bank of Hyderabad , Kotak Bank and HDFC, who had extended their support in our day to operations.

For and on behalf of the Board:

Place: Hyderabad

7TH September 2017

Rev. Dr. Packiam T. Samuel

Director/ Secretary