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“Be a Channel of Peace”

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Introduction:

Peace Channel is a youth peace movement of the third millennium. It is an initiative of the Diocese of Kohima, Nagaland, India. It aims to create a peaceful culture rather than a culture of violence. This noble work of the Catholic Church goes beyond the boundaries of religion, caste, culture, language and color. This is a part of the Global movement of education for peace. Children, parents and teachers as individuals and groups will play an active role in understanding one another and building good relationship with others; across communities and regions by taking actions to create space for more just and peaceful schools, homes, communities and societies. War originates in the mind of people and so peace must be sown in the hearts of people. Peace Channel closely works in partnership with educational institutions and other like-minded organizations. It organizes the youth into 'Peace Clubs' to provide a platform for participatory learning of peace and human rights practices. They work actively for peace and development at personal, family and community levels. Peace Channel is grounded on spiritual foundations of different faith traditions. We draw inspiration from various religious traditions and philosophies that engender a more just and a harmonious society.



Objective

- 1. To bring people together especially the youth, under the banner of 'Peace Channel' to work individually and collectively to promote peace and harmony in their environment and strive towards universal peace, justice, equality and brotherhood.*
- 2. To prepare youth to address issues related to conflicts arising in multi-cultural, tribal and religious context.*
- 3. To explore strategies of building peace and development by working together with likeminded organizations and institutions on socio-economic, cultural, educational, environmental and other inclusive issues.*
- 4. To bring out and develop the potentials within individuals to form them as responsible, transparent, honest and meticulous leaders.*

5. *To empower to live in perfect harmony with self-God, community and nature.*
6. *To promote dialogue, meditation and facilitation with conflicting parties to promote sustainable peace and developmental activities.*
7. *To facilitate collaboration and set of connections with all peace building agents to gather and disseminate resources towards universal peace education and peace promotion activities.*

Vision: *Create a world where peace and justice reign in the hearts and people experience boundless love and freedom.*

Mission: *To promote a culture of non-violence, justice and compassion by reaching out to the youth in every village, town, districts and state of India and eventually other countries; thus eradicating the culture of violence through multi dimensional approach.*

Motto: *“Be a channel of Peace.”*

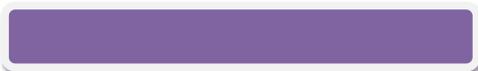
Key Initiatives of the Movement

- ❖ *Peace Club formation in educational institutions, localities and communities*
- ❖ *Capacity building and life skills development programmes for teacher’s animators, youth and community leaders.*
- ❖ *Neighborhood development programs, peace rally, peace campaign: call for peace*
- ❖ *Leadership Training programme for women, youth, religious leaders and community leaders*
- ❖ *Formation of People forum for peace to build up local community leaders to prevent conflict*
- ❖ *Networking with like-minded organizations*
- ❖ *Annual peace award and peace and cultural festival*
- ❖ *Interreligious and ecumenical meetings to promote religious harmonious*
- ❖ *Counseling career*

Expected Outcome of 2017 - 2018

1. *Members of Peace Club learned to live together in peace irrespective of tribe, class, gender and religion.*
2. *Reduce the conflict situation in the educational institution and communities by becoming Non- Violent communicators.*

3. *Develop personality and leadership skills of the members.*
4. *The members are empowered to take the initiative to decrease the conflict situation in the educational institution, families and communities. They are enhanced to become proactive and not reactive.*
5. *They are made leaders and taught to make others leaders too.*
6. *The members are enhanced to develop their personal talents and confidence.*
7. *Empowered to develop their life coping skills and problem solving skills to handle their own problems and others.*
8. *Create awareness on various social and health issues to handle them in a peaceful way and also make the institution and communities' drug and tobacco free area.*
9. *Skills of Women and youth are enhanced and empowered to address local issues.*
10. *To integrate Peace & Human Rights into targeted school curricula where individuals and institutions are capacitated to advocate and become promoters of peace building*



ACTIVITIES CARRIED OUT:

1. Seminar cum Meeting of the head of institutions

With the initiative of PACT-NEI project, Peace Initiative organized a seminar cum meeting head of Institute which was conducted on 12th December on the topic “Vision of Peace- Unity in Diversity” with an objective to encourage positive thinking; to promote, respect and accept others culture and to strengthen the role of the youth in the society. There were 52 participants consisting of 18 male and 34 female exclusively. The session began with an introductory session which was followed by Ms. Susan (resource person) addressing the problems that are being faced by the students mostly on discrimination between the students on different grounds. She spoke on the conflict management

Members of the Head of the Institute having an open discussion

skills through which the teacher/ head of the institute can address the problem of the students in the school before the issue gets worsened. She also stressed on the Multi-Ethnicity and its impact in individuals life.



Dr.Fr. C.P Anto started the second session with a question asking the participants what is the biggest problem in this world? He then elucidated that it is not poverty,

neither violent conflict nor illiteracy, unemployment or trafficking, child labor, rather dishonesty but the biggest problem in this world is nothing but lack of love and a sincere love for each other. He also stated that our society urgently need social doctor and socio-political scientist who have a big responsibility to get involved and heal all this social evils of our society before this deadly diseases consumes our society.

It was a successful meeting with the Head of the Institutions where most of the Schools agreed to the new concept of Peace Channel and they have given their concern and agreed to respond to it to the earliest.

2. Teacher Animator Training Program

The activities of Peace Club in educational institutions are assisted by Teacher animators. The teacher animators were provided with inputs on the running of the Peace Clubs through trainings which are conducted at different intervals of time, the main objective was to capacitate the teacher Animators on peaceful resolution of differences and to make the teacher Animators enhanced with the skills of peer mediation. In the reporting period of 2017-18 there were 9 teacher coordinators training that was held reaching out to 151 teachers. These trainings were conducted in Dimapur, Kohima and Wokha district. The outcome of the programme was that the teacher animators

Input session on Peer Mediation conducted at Peace Conference Hall

decided to train the peace club members and form peer mediators in their respective schools, the teachers were also capacitated on activities and functioning of peace club, sustaining peace club in the school, outreach programs and others related to peace club in the institution.

3. Formation of Peace Club and Peace Celebration:

Formation of Quality peace club is one of the major activities of Peace Channel. Quality Peace clubs are formed in the educational institutions and different localities. The strategy used in forming QPC is Information, Formation and Transformation. The youth are first informed about the Movement and its activities and goals. Then they are formed into a club, after which the process of transformation takes place. The movement mainly stresses on individual transformation which can eventually lead to the transformation of the society as a whole.

Peace Celebration is the hallmark of Peace Channel. This is the regular meetings of the Quality Peace Clubs, where the members come together to share, learn and plan, in view of building a peaceful society. They share their experiences and express their aspirations in gathering. It is a powerhouse from where each Quality Peace Club members draw strength for collective growth.

There are seven steps in Peace celebration-

- Greeting code*
- Sacred code*
- Ice breaking*
- Peace prayer*
- Meditation*
- Learning and sharing session*
- Action plan and evaluation*
- Peace pledge*
- Peace Anthem*

In the year, April 2017 – July 2018, 385 Peace Celebrations were carried out in different educational institutions. A total number of 11,944 peace club members were part of the peace

celebrations, out of which 5280 were male and 6664 were female.

❖ **Formation of People's Forum for Peace (PFP)**

People's Forum for Peace (PFP) is an inclusive approach for peace building. It is a collective platform for the members to come and discuss the issues relating to peace and conflict and to ensure peace and sustainable development in harmony with man and nature. In short, it is a forum united for peace focusing on exploring strategies for building peace and bringing development by working together on social, economic, cultural, educational, environmental, political and inclusive issues. PFP is a family of peace lovers and peace promoters which comprises of a group of people coming from different walks of life, communities and religion. They sat together to know each other and discuss the issues concerning the society, especially those which acts as a barrier towards peace building.

4. Capacity building for peace club members at institutional level

Input sessions for peace club at institutional level:

In the year 2017 April to May 2018, members of peace clubs were capacitated on seventeen themes for the capacity building trainings at the institutional levels. They are:

Name of the activities:

- *Peace & Peace Building*
- *Understanding and responding to Peace*
- *Leadership and Principles of Effective Public Speaking*
- *Vision of Peace - Unity and Diversity*
- *Do no Harm*
- *Inner Peace*
- *Seven Principles of Peace*

- *Morality & discipline.*
- *Challenges faced by the youth.*
- *Life skill leadership & self exploration.*
- *Anti-war toys.*
- *Youth peace and the church.*
- *Gender & peace.*

- *Life skill- peace with nature*
- *Strategies for goal achievement.*
- *Promotion of peace through mass media.*
- *Low cost of organic farming.*
- *Skills needed for peace building.*
- *Call for peace campaign to “end plastic pollution*

Based on these 18 topics, 206 Capacity Building programs were carried out catering to 7140 peace club members. There were 2569 male and 4571 females’ members who attended the programs.

Details of the activities- Capacity building were conducted on several schools and some of the activity conducted has been highlighted below:

▪ ***Capacity building on Peace and Peace Building***

The session was conducted on 22nd June 2017 at St. Joseph School Auditorium on the topic peace and peace building. The session began with ice breaking initiated by facilitator, Mr. Patrick .W. Tungoe with the objective to let the student understand the concept of peace and to impart the participants on peace building method, he addressed peace is one of the most essential requirements of humanity and necessary prerequisite for progress, sustainable and development. And in the second session the resource person Mr. Sungit Ao, explain that peace building is an intervention designed to prevent the occurrence of violent conflict by initiating and creating sustainable peace. He also added saying that to build peace one should always start within an individual. The outcome of the session was that the students understood about the concept of peace and peace building and they promised to be a peace love and will build peace by developing good character and by helping others in need.



St. Joseph students attending Peace Celebration

▪ ***Capacity building on “Understanding and responding to conflict”***

The session was conducted by Sir Benjamin at HFHSS Kohima on 20/6/2017. He began the session with seven steps of peace celebration with the objective to impart knowledge about conflict and its consequences. Before he began his topic he asked few questions to the students like what do you understand by the word conflict? And how one can deal with conflict?



Quality Peace members at Holy Family Hr. Sec School

He said that conflict is natural and inevitable. It is a natural part of living. We all experience conflict from time to time. We have conflicts within ourselves and also with others. Conflicts arises due to differences among individuals, their backgrounds, abilities, needs, interest, gender, family, economic status, profession, cultures, etc. He also added saying that understanding conflicts and responding to it positively will defuse the tension and irritation that are associated with conflicts. He concluded saying, conflicts cannot be overcome by individual efforts alone but it can be solved by collective efforts when there is understanding within the groups through unity. By understanding conflicts and learning the approaches to respond to conflicts, we will be able to accomplish our goal for peace.

- **Capacity Building Programme on the topic “Leadership and Principles of Effective Public Speaking”**

The programme was conducted at Mount Tiyi College Auditorium Hall, Wokha on 15th June 2017 with Mr. Thunglamo Odyuo, Media Attach to All India Radio as resource person. Mr. Orenvungo Kikon, President Peace Club Mount Tiyi College delivered the welcome note. And the time was given to the resource person and he spoke on the topic mentioned above, he explained about the meaning of leadership he said, leader is a person who leads the people and speak for the people. Great leaders have vision, courage, integrity, humility and focus along with the ability to plan strategically and catalyze cooperation among their team or with the community. He encouraged to grasp every opportunity of leadership and being a leader they



Participants of capacity building programme at Mt. Tiyi Auditorium Hall

should accept the responsibility and dare to go forward because great power comes with greater responsibility. Speaking on the principal of effective public speaking he mentioned six principles of effective public speaking a) Perception b) Perfection c) Visualization d) Description e) Inspiration f) Anticipation. And the programme was concluded with vote of thanks delivered by Ms. Eranbeni Humtsoe, General Secretary Peace Club.

▪ **Capacity building on “Vision of Peace - Unity and Diversity”**

The program was in Sacred Heart School, Khuzama on 16/8/2017, Miss Lolita as a resource person with the objective to promote and respond to other’s culture, religion, belief, etc she started her session with peace greeting, peace prayer, ice breaking session and sharing a quote

which says, “Peace can only be achieved by understanding” by Albert Einstein. She said that a person without vision is just like a boat without paddle. A person with a limited vision fails to see the immense potential in the diversity that exists in our society. Unity in diversity plays a big role in beginning about peace in our life. She closed her



Members sitting in groups and having a discussion on 'Culture of Peace'

session saying that, India is a multicultural, multi- ethnic, multi-linguistic and multi-religious conglomeration. Culture is the essence of personal and national identity. The characteristic of ‘culture of peace’ should be practiced such as, understanding, tolerance and solidarity, equality between man and women, democratic participation education for a culture of peace, free flow of information and knowledge, sustainable economic and social development and respect for all human rights.

▪ **Capacity Building on “Do no Harm”**

The program was conducted in Nazareth High School on 10th August 2017, Mr. Kenei as a resource person. The session was divided into two and in the first session it began with the seven steps of peace celebration. The animator initiated with a game for the ice breaking session, where the students have to be very alert and have to give an



instant respond on what is being asked. This ice breaking session helped all the participants to

take initiative and got rid of their shyness. Through this game the animator told them to be alert and be more active in the field of peace building. He shared on the topic “Do no harm”. Basing on the topic he narrated the story of a butterfly in the cocoon trying to free itself. Relating to the accident he asked the students to be wiser and a critical thinker instead of just jumping into a conclusion.

- **Capacity building on “Inner Peace”**

On 12th December 2017, in Don Bosco Campus Dimapur the program was conducted by Miss. Akangkokla from NEISSR on the topic Inner Peace. Before she started her session she asked all the students to introduce themselves and after the introduction was done she started her session by asking, what is inner peace and how can we attain inner peace? Most of the participants were able to reply the answer to the questions she asked. She continued saying inner peace or peace of mind refers to a state of being mentally and spiritually at peace, with enough knowledge and understanding to keep oneself strong in the face of discord or stress. The facilitator also said, our mind is just like a room filled with lots of unnecessary stuffs and junks. When we clean and rearrange our room we feel like there is more space and we can move and walk freely inside the



Inner Peace session conducted by Ms Akangkokla

room. It gives us a great feeling of joy and power. At the end of her session she said that the most important way to attain inner peace is meditation. It helps us to control our thoughts and help us to relax and free our mind from all worries and tensions. The facilitator also encouraged all the participants to meditate every morning for at least 10-15 minutes before getting off from bed.

- **Capacity building on “Seven Principles of Peace”**

The program was conducted on 6th November 2017, in CKHSS. Sir Paul as a resource person with the objective to encourage tomorrow’s citizens to lead a peaceful life with high values and purposes based on



his topic seven principles of peace. He began saying that in peace building process there are certain principles which are universally accepted as principles for peace promotion. It contains highly nurtured values for peace in almost every corner of the world. Adding to it he said, following are the seven principles of peace which promotes peace in the world:-

Spirituality: It is based on the interactive relationship and the natural co-existence among all things. In spirituality we understand that there is only one Supreme God and that all the members of the human race are children of the same God. Peace includes not only union with God but righteous living before Him.

Reconciliation: We are called to life through reconciliation, not revenge. Each act of forgiveness and reconciliation adds up to the bliss of life in this world. It is important to practice forgiveness for ourselves and for others. To be an instrument of reconciliation and peace in this peace less world is a divine mission entrusted to every human being.

Dialogue: Peace dialogue is defined as a dialogue practice of mutual accommodation applied in different dialogue procedures to achieve social transformation.

Voluntarism: All of us are made for the purpose of caring for each other. This unique expression of love is carried out through the voluntary service and sharing of one's life with others.

Self realization: People of all ages, all over the world have benefited immensely from inner transformation. It is necessary to focused on self development; development that transformed all aspects of life viz., physical, mental, emotional, social, economic and spiritual.

Relationship: Being able to accept the other into one's fold accelerates the peace building process. This enhances the mutual understanding and promotes peaceful co-existence.

Non violence: We engage ourselves in building peace by being benevolent in our attitudes, approaches and actions. It is the practice and advocacy of non violence that will eventually build a peaceful society.

The resource person further added that, one should follow or practice these seven principles of peace to promote peace in the world.

- **Capacity building programme on Call for peace campaign to “end plastic pollution”**

A programme was organized by DAN on 21st April 2018 at Peace Channel Conference Hall. The facilitator of the programme was Mr. Moses; Ms. Garrol Lotha was the resource person for the day. There were 42 participants which includes Male 14 and Female 28. The main objective was to enable the Student leaders to take up initiatives for leadership in promoting peace, to create awareness on the harmful effects of the use of plastic usages, to



enhance the skills of the peace club members to be a peace builder and peace promoter. There were two sessions for the entire programme; the 1st was on the topic “End Plastic Pollution”, drawing competition was conducted at the second session. The outcome of the programme was that participants understood the topic and pledged to ban single use of plastics and help support a move to sustainable non-polluting, non-fossil fuel based alternatives and to call on to immediately phase out single-use plastics, support sustainable alternatives, and tackle the billions of tons of plastics that are already in our oceans, our streams, our wildlife and our own selves.

- **Inter School peace activities**

Inter school peace activities aimed at training the Peace Club leaders in the respective districts with an objective to understand the concept of peace, conflict resolution, peace building, peace education and youth as a peace builder in the Naga society, to continue reinforcement of the realization among quality peace club members that they are peace activist even when they are out of the school environment. The program included peace celebration, workshop on peace building, leadership skill and seminar on unity in diversity, group work, group presentation, peace celebration, flag making on the concept of peace, debate, extempore speech, video screening, peace anthem, life skill project and talent show. The training is stipulated to be conducted on a quarterly basis, i.e. in every three months. Leaders’ Trainings were conducted at Dimapur, Kohima and Wokha. Altogether 7 such trainings were conducted reaching out to 530 Peace Club Leaders. There were 220 male and 310 female. The leaders were also trained on leadership skill, peer-mediation, Human Rights, self-exploration, fundamental of Peace Building,

and the skills needed for peace building where the peace club members will be transformed by peace to transform the world.

5. Training programme for women SHG leaders on conflict resolutions and mediation

Training for women leaders on peace and conflict transformation had been carried out for 144 women leaders at three different places i.e. Dimapur, Wokha and Kohima. The women were trained on different modules of peace building, conflict resolution, conflict management and conflict transformation. They were also capacitated on dialogue and mediation where they can settle local issues in their locality and within their family.

6. Training on good governance for the SHG peace clubs

Good governance is an often repeated terms for any organization in the sphere of government, private or civil society. In order to internalize the ethos, characteristics/values of good governance, training is being imparted to the women. The women mostly the leaders in church and self-help groups were given this training that they understand the system of functioning in their own area and even in the proper and peaceful functioning within their family. There were 5 trainings conducted at Dimapur with a total of 297 participants.

7. Observance of International day of Human Rights day

Human Rights Day was celebrated in all the three districts of Nagaland - Dimapur, Kohima and Wokha. With objectives to enable integration through inter-cultural interaction and sharing, facilitate learning and to inculcate Peace in the mind and hearts of the participants through thematic stream “Together for Peace: Respect, Safety and Dignity for all”. All together 200 participants including 86 male and 114 female attended for the programme.

8. Training programme for the youth leaders on “Conflict resolution, peace building, life skills and mediation”

A training programme was held on 20 September 2017 at North East Institute of Social Sciences and Research (NEISSR) Conference Hall. There were 48 participants consisting of Male 23 and Female 25. The training was conducted by DAN, Ms. Lanusangla Longchar as the subject expert. The main objective of conducting the session was to capacitate the youth on- Peace and peace building, Conflict resolution, Life skills, How to tackle and resolve conflict. Ms. Lanusangla spoke on the topic Peace building, life skills, conflict resolution and mediation. She also stressed on the life skills- leadership and self exploration because life skills are one of the most important tool that will help the youth to have a good judgment, to work together towards a common goal, to respond to challenges and opportunities in a creative way and to plan, arrange and implement activities in an orderly way. The outcome of the programme was that the participants learned about the importance of peace, life skills and the tools for handling conflict in daily life.

Meanwhile training on youth leaders on conflict resolution, peace building, life skill and mediation was also conducted on 16th September 2017 at Oriental College, Kohima. There were 50 participants consisting of Male: 23 and Female: 27, the resource person for the event was Ms. Vilanuo Yhome, President Nagaland Catholic Women Association and Ms Sedekieno Rino. Peace building is a community effort which requires the contribution of all the individuals in the community especially the youth which is considered the pillar and the future of the nation. There were 6 training programmes conducted reaching out to 198 youth leaders. Thus, locality leaders too were oriented on the concept of Peace building, conflict transformation, mediation and universal peace.

9. Peace Seminar for College Students

Capacity building on Peace building & Skills needed for peace building was organized by Peace Channel on 10th Aug 2017 where Mr. Liangamang Robert was the resource person and Ms. Garrol Lotha as the animator. There were 50 participants consisting of Male-27 and Female – 23. The major objective was to transform a culture of violence into a culture of Peace, to promote peaceful co-existence in a heterogeneous group, to empower peace builders with the methodologies and strategies of transforming conflicts and different nature and so on and so forth.

The youths who attended the seminar were introduced by the resource person about what peace and peace building is stressing on his subject the necessary skills of peacebuilding namely

- a) *Critical thinker: To think out of the box and be more analytical.*
- b) *Communication skills: To express one's opinion in a more friendly and non-partisan manner.*
- c) *Dialogue: Bring both the parties for discussion and solve the issue.*
- d) *Mediation: Intervene between the conflicting parties as the third neutral party.*
- e) *Rapport building: To have good and positive relationship with people engaged in dialogue.*

10. Annual North East Youth Peace and Cultural Festival 2017

The Tenth North East Youth Peace & Cultural



Festival 2016 which is now known as Youth Peace Knit Fest was organized by Development Association of Nagaland (DAN) in collaboration with People's Forum for Peace (PFP), Nehru Yuva Kendra (NYK), and North East Zonal Cultural Centre (NEZCC) from 11th to 13th December 2017 at DBDL hall Don Bosco Hr. Sec School campus Dimapur. The annual event of the movement was organized under the theme "Together for Peace: Safety, respect and Dignity for all". Delegates from different parts of Nagaland attended the function.

The main objectives for organizing Youth Peace Knit Fest were;

- 1. To promote inter religious harmony through interfaith meet.*
- 2. To enhance integration of various tribal cultural across North East upholding the values that binds us together without any trace of discrimination*
- 3. To capacitate the youths to promote Peace and Harmony through informative sessions, sharing and discussions.*
- 4. To identify and promote young leaders who would stand for peace, promotion and preservation of dying culture.*

11. Peace Concerto

The Peace Channel Band is an initiative towards spreading the message of peace to one and all through a thematic show consisting of music, dance and drama. The show projects the present scenario of the state, and the people's cry for peace. The band has been formed with talented youths drawn from different tribes and religious communities belonging to the marginalized sections of the society, a program to engage especially school drop-outs and unemployed youths of the region. Peace channel band has been creating impacts in the minds of youths with number of performances carried out in several Educational Institutions, Churches, villages and Public places in the state and the neighboring regions since last year. 3 shows were conducted across Nagaland during the year. With an objectives to spread the message of peace and development among the people of Nagaland and North East India, to inspire and initiate the youth to be builders and promoters of peace, to protect the youth from all kinds of evils of the society and to promote individual transformation for a better society.

12. Seminar on Peace for CBOs, Intellectuals, academicians, bureaucrats & media

Seminar on Article 371(A) cum 1st general meeting of Govt. Recognized NGO's in Nagaland was conducted on 25th May at NEISSER Conference hall with an objective to impart the man concept of Article 371(A). The programme was chaired by Dr.Hesheto Chishi, Director Indigenous Cultural Society. Speaking on the occasion the resource person Dr. Luhevi Achumi, District and

Session Judge (Retd), Head GB, Luhevi Village shared on the legal perspective on Article 371 (A) stating that four special provision are provided to the Nagas under the Article 371(A) viz. Religious on social practices of the Nagas, Nagas customary law and procedure, administration of Civil and Communal justice involving Decision according to Naga Customary Law, Ownership and transfer of land and its resources, shall apply to the state of Nagaland by a resolution to decide; by the Nagaland Legislative Assembly, however he added that the special power given to the governor with respect to law and order and the provision under Article 245(2) has the power to over rule the special provision under Article 371(A).

Speaking on the beneficiaries' perspective, the President, GB's Federation, Mr. Saleem Konyak stated on the journey of the Naga's struggle and how the Article 371(A) came into being. He also added that the Nagas bought the Article 371 (A) with blood; this article has protected the rights of the Naga and from being exploited. However on development, this has hampered a lot as Nagas are setting on top of the government. He also question why Nagas got Article 371 (A) and what they were doing with it.

Mr. Savi Liegise, Former President Naga council (Respondent) stated that Article 371(A) is a legal matter, he also emphasis on the four special provision mentioned by Dr. Luhevi Achumi. He added that Article 371 (A) is as good as independence but it has not been implemented in any logic as none has tasted the Article 371 (A) in its true perspective. He also stated that Nagaland is under a serious thread as Article 371 (A) a veto power of the state legislative assembly and if not modified at the earliest, everything will change and there will be a revolution. He also justified that Article 371 (A) is not to wage war with the government but to safeguard the Nagas as a whole.

The Observer perspective Adv. Limanokchet stated that Article 371 (A) is a living words and not just a written documents, he also emphasized on women issues, taxation issues, judicial over-reach, marriage act etc. Mrs. Nungshirenla Aier, Advisor Naga Women Council, also spoke on the rights of the women stating that women are so much limited to the kitchen and are looked down therefore women should be empowered to protect their own rights both in socio-political status.

The programme concluded with an interactive session where the participants raised question in regard to the inputs given by the respective speakers followed by a vote of thanks delivered by Ms.K.Ela, Director, Prodigal's Home.

13. Consultative Workshop with the Local Organization & Peace building Organizations

Election has become a burning issue in Nagaland as it is leading to absence of normalcy of life, absence of trust, injustice and is affecting the life of people. Taking into consideration the current

scenario of the society Dimapur Christian Forum (DCF) in collaboration with Peace Channel organized capacity building programme for the local organizations, peace building organizations, Church Leaders, community Leaders on 11th November 2017 at North East Institute of Social Sciences and Research (NEISSR) Conference Hall, Dimapur, Nagaland with an objective to bring all the leaders and people representatives from different backgrounds together, to create awareness and conscientization regarding the malpractices and the ill-effects of election which has affected the life of the Nagas which was attended by representatives from different walks of life. The theme of the campaign was “The Role of Christian Leaders in Respond to Clean Election”. Dr. Pangernungba Kechu, Professor Oriental Theological Seminary (OST) and a Member of NBCC Clean Election Committee were the resource person for the programme. He stressed on the role of Christian Leaders in respond to Clean Election. He said that election has become the greatest challenge in our society and in order to tackle with this issue by mobilizing people for their commitment and leadership and for this issue Church Leaders have a greater role to play. Emphasizing on the role of the religious leaders he also quoted some of the scriptures from the Bible (Living Word). Basing on the topic he also narrated some of the challenges that are being faced by the people in our society such as unemployment, injustice, unequal distribution of rights to the people, corruption, mal practices, unequal distribution of resources etc.

Mr. Panger stated that inspite of all the ill effect of election in our society, the Church which is considered as the heart of the society can play a greater role in eradicating the ill practices in the society by educating them and creating awareness on both the positive as well as negative outcome of election. He also added that after being suffering for decades because of the malpractices in the political field which is gradually leading to corruption in every field the Nagaland Baptist Christian Council (NBCC) has come up with an idea to fight back with the raising issue with the “Clean Election” movement. Emphasizing more on the movement he said that though the Campaign on Clean Election does not have an immediate respond but yet it will definitely have a good outcome in the days to come if the Community leaders and religious leaders unite together and work hand in hand to implement the movement effectively.

During the feedback and evaluation session it was found that most of the religious leaders are already involved in creating awareness among their locality but they were not so successful in convincing people. After the programme all the participants along with Dimapur Christian Forum come to a conclusion that election has become the cause of dissatisfaction and disunity in the State and for that all the participants unanimously agreed to conduct a consultative meeting inclusive of Pastors, Chairman, GBs and Youth & Women Leaders and create awareness among the people on the malpractices of election and find a suitable solution to solve the issue peacefully and affectively.

14. Training of Religious and Community Leaders on Conflict resolution, mediation and dialogue

The programme was conducted on 17th November 2017 at North East Institute of Social Sciences and Research (NEISSR) Conference Hall with the religious leaders, youth leaders, women leaders, GB Union and number of local organizing bodies. The main motive of organizing this capacity building programme was to bring all the community and religious leaders together inspite of all the differences by giving them an open platform for all individuals in order to contribute ideas and views to have suitable solution for the raising issue and bring sustainable peace in the society suitable. There were 50 participants who include 41 male and 9 female, Mr. Simon & Mr. Panger Kechu was the resource person.

Mr. Simon Kelio, Vice- Principal of Sakus Mission College, Convener of Dimapur Urban Council Chairman Federation (DUCCF) was the keynote speaker of the programme. He shared that politics is one of the root cause of all the problems in our society. Politics have paved a way to corruption because of which there is no loyalty, trust among individuals, no transparency and it is gradually leading to a destructive society where there is no Peace.

He added that in order to tackle with the raising issue (Conflict) one have to be imbued with morality and discipline in life because it is through morality and discipline that helps an individual to judge the difference between right and wrong as well as good and bad and teaches us to be upright and honest in our effort to achieve our goal. Discipline and moral value goes hand in hand because discipline is a kind of training which can develop the moral values of an individual.

A pre test and a post test was conducted where it was found that 80% of the participants were aware of the raising issues in the society but were not aware on how to tackle with the situation, but after the input session number of suggestions were being contributed on how to tackle with the conflicting issue that is raising in the society. The participants along with the resource person unanimously agreed not to be bias and rather live a value based and just life.

15. Teachers' training on "Friendly classroom environment, educating for transformative life"

On 13th April 2018 at St. Joseph School, Niuland a training programme was conducted with an objective to educate the teachers on Leadership skills, to capacitate the teachers on Education for transformative life as well as to enhance friendly classroom environment.

The session began with an introduction by the facilitator; the resource person was introduced by the head of the Institution Fr. Mathew then followed by the participants. Before the beginning of the input session the resource person shared about peace and how to promote peace to others being in a profession as a teacher. The participants were made to take active part in the activity,

which included writing down their individual problem in a piece of paper, later it was collected and mixed all together, few of the members were asked to pick any one and read out where according to it he/she has was instructed to share an opinion. The activity made every participant to be active and take part individually also attracted their attention towards the particular session which was shared. Most of the teachers responded back positively and shared their problems which were discussed and planned out with the ideas from the group members. It was then found out that most of the participants were at the age of 20-25 years of teaching experience.

The following are some ways to keep the flow going in your classroom and to help create a positive learning environment.

 Address students by name.

 Use “please” and “thank you”.

 Listen to the students carefully and study their character and attitude and deal accordingly.

 Don't allow bullying/teasing/put downs.

 Make Eye Contact.

The resource person also added that, while teaching any subject in a classroom, an atmosphere accelerates the teaching-learning process. When a teacher starts a new class, the teacher and the students are new to each other. The students want the teacher to meet their parameters while the teacher wants his students to show unquestioned obedience. Both things are not possible in a real classroom. It is because we have students with individual differences; most of them are very obedient, few do not pay attention to the teacher's instruction. An atmosphere of unreliability develops that ultimately leads to chaos in the classroom.

The session concluded with few suggestions which can help to create a friendly environment in the classroom. And they are as follows:

- Remember the birth dates of your students. Wish them ‘Happy Birthday’ on the right day. It makes them feel that the teacher is caring.
- Call each student with their first or last name as the trend exists in the school. Every person loves his name and likes those persons who call him by his name.
- If you find any work of your student highly appreciable, exhibit it before the class; it will give inspiration to others to imitate him and get the appreciation.

- *For a minute or two, discuss any school event which took place last week or last month, it makes the students feel that the teacher is one among them.*
- *While teaching, ask as many questions as possible; it is a good way to sustain their attention. They are always watchful thinking that the teacher can ask a question anytime.*
- *Make sure to listen to their answers to the end, never stop them in the middle; students feel insulted.*
- *Few students in the class are introverts. Make them expressive by asking easy questions. This exhibits the friendly attitude of the teacher.*
- *Ask your students to raise the doubts at the end of your explanation. If they ask it in the middle of the lesson, your attention gets diverted and eventually, you may miss something in the lesson.*
- *Instead of explain a concept orally, it's better to draw diagrams, mind maps or at least write the terms on the board. Students like to note it down and use it for revision.*
- *Never ever use nick names to call a students like o' fatty, or' black, etc., it creates a negative image about you.*
- *Use your smile to express a friendly gesture.*

16. Teachers and students leaders training programme

A training programme was organized by Peace Channel on 18th February 2018 at CAN Building D' Block Kohima. Ms. Nochosenu was the facilitator and Mr. Kishor Das & Ms. Vikhuli Achumi as the resource person.

The objective is to enable the teachers to respond to challenges and opportunities in innovative and creative ways, to enable the Student leaders to take up initiatives for leadership in promoting peace. Ms. Vikhuli the project coordinator of Peace Channel introduced. Peace Channel, its objectives mission and vision. She also mentioned about the different



Ms. Vikhuli address the participants attending the training programme

areas of intervention and the activities carried out. She added that peace is one of the most essential requirements of humanity and a necessary prerequisite for progress, development and sustainability. One needs to pursue peace actively and become an agent of peace. She also said that peace- building is an intervention that is designed to prevent the start or resumption of violent conflict by creating sustainable peace. She also encouraged the teachers and the students as well for their tireless support rendered to peace channel and urged them to continue to be agents of peace.

Meanwhile, Mr.Kishor Dass addressed the participants on the topic 'Education for transformative life' he expressed that education is an enlightening experience as it aims to develop wisdom within us to live righteously in the world. Transformation is a marked change in the form, nature or appearance. He further spoke about how to use education for transformative life:

- ✚ Positive transformation: He said that change takes a process and it need time but at the same time we need to notice and allow the changes and inorder to attain the change one has to be a change agent.
- ✚ Changes in attitude: one should have a settled way of thinking or feeling about something or someone or a particular opinion and therefore start each day with a positive attitude.
- ✚ Changes in believe: People usually tend to believe and accept that something is true by just hearing from someone but, what we can do is change in the believe system. Do not just believe in fake stories.
- ✚ Changes in the ability to think: Learn a new way of doing things, by trying to analyze the root cause of the problem. One should have a reasoning ability which includes an improved ability to think about opinions, to challenge long held ideas, and to consider possibilities. We need to put into consideration others way of thinking too and not only drawing conclusions at your thought.
- ✚ Enhanced acceptance: one should accept the other person as one and equal. There should not be discrimination on any grounds but rather accepting every individual as one.

✚ Love and care: when there is a good relationship between teacher and students there is quality in the education system and also a better result is being produced with a good relationship. So also love and care is one of the major aspects in the education system.

✚ Peace: Peace is one of the most important agents in education system. When there is peace within oneself there is consistency in learning. Simultaneously the teachers are also able to impart education in a better way when there is peace.

The session was concluded by sharing and learning from one another and a note of gratitude was delivered by Ms. Garrol Lotha the researcher of peace channel.

17. Consultative meeting of Religious and Community leaders

A meeting was organized on the topic “Clean Election” at Bishop House, Circular Road on 17 September 2017. The total numbers of participants were 13 which consisted of all male members.

The training was conducted by DAN, Dr. Fr. C. P. Anto as the facilitator. The main objective of the meeting was to discuss about the current issue of Nagaland, to find a suitable solution for the issue, to work together for bringing sustainable peace in the society. Rev. Simon presented on the main motive of forming the forum, its aims and objectives and the activities that are being carried out by the forum.

The outcome of the programme:

1. To observe one Sunday as clean Election Day and take a pledge for clean election.
2. To conduct a seminar on clean election.
3. To carry on with the concept of wall stickers on clean election.

18. Inter Faith meet and Panel Discussion.

The Interfaith Meet and Panel Discussion on the theme, “Knitting religions for Peace & Harmonious living” was held during the event of Youth Peace Knit Fest ‘17 at DBIDL Hall, Don Bosco Hr. Sec. School Campus, Dimapur, Nagaland on 12th December 2017 with an objective to create a platform for all the religions to share, create peaceful existence for all being through educating people on peace building and to accept and respect the differences without any bias. The session was moderated by Rtn. Vijay Sharma (President, Rotary Club of Dimapur), welcome address by Mr. Ajay Shetty where Rev. R.P. Murry (Christian Community), Shri. Ahidur Rehman (Muslim Community), Shri. H.S. Alluwalia (Sikh Community), Shri. Ajay Sethi (Jain Community), Shri. Alok Pareek (Hindu Community) was the panelist for the presentation. The panelist then took turns and presented on their perspective on “Peace and Faith”.

Rev. R.P. Murry in his paper presentation said that, “Peace is the main teaching of every religion, and religion is one most driving power and composition in human life”. It includes freedom and human rights such as truth, peace and mercy.

The second panelist was Shri. Ahidur Rehman (Muslim Community). He said that, “there is always freedom in the means of changing religion. There is always the fear of the future generations in lieu of the present scenario of the society.” He elaborately explained, “When we become very much fundamental about our own religion, there is often the tendency to give rise to certain issues or conflicts and by which there cannot be any peace but violence. Fundamentalists should have no place in this world. Fundamentalism is the core source of communal violence. They are people who view the world within their own eye-view and not anything religious or based on any religious principles.” He concluded by saying, “we are in need of understanding, tolerance and mutual agreement between different religions. More are in need to bring the religions together.”

After every presentation from the panelist, there was an open session where the participants raised questions basing on their presentation followed by a group discussion. After the discussions inclusive of the panelist the following are the suggested solutions for the raising issues.

A set of resolution was being made at the end of the discussion where some are mentioned below:

1. Sensitization and education of the younger generation becomes the prior task of today's society, not to be tolerable but to accept religion.
2. Thinking process, polarization and branding habits should be changed.
3. Respecting differences is one of the most immediate needs to solve the conflicting communal issues.
4. Illiteracy is one core problem of communal violence and hence, education should be promoted.

19. Monitoring visit cum capacity building on Inner Peace

On 17th of April 2018 the Regional Coordinator from Guwahati visited Christ King Hr. Sec. School Kohima in order to monitor the activities that are being carried out, to evaluate the participations of peace club members and the working of the teacher animator in the programmes being conducted in the school and to plan, arrange, and implement activities in a systematic way. The monitoring team was Ms. Catherine, Mr. Kishor Das, Ms. Vikhuli & Ms. Garrol Lotha. The discussion and interaction began with an introduction of the team by Mr. Kevin (teacher) animator of the school. Mr. Kishor Dass then initiated the discussion hour. He also enhanced the students on inner peace and how it helps a person to stay focused. He urged all the students to put it into practice in their daily life so that it can enable them to be more focused and work towards achieving their goal. Few challenges encountered by the institutions are:

- Change of teachers in the school has made the new teacher unable to carry on the activities.

- *Due to co- curricular activities like sports week, the school was unable to give time for the programme.*

Few feedbacks were also given i.e., to conduct one peace celebration and one capacity building in a month and to conduct more activities and programmes for the school level and district level. Action plan was also made to be precise- to make proper follow up in the school, to conduct at least one peace celebration and one capacity building programme in all the schools, to make the teachers and students involve in the input session, sharing and learning too during the school programmes.

20. Peace Award

The 9th Peace Award of Peace Channel was conferred to Shri. Khekiye K Sema an IAS (Retd.) advisor ACAUT for his contribution towards peace building initiative and his stand for social justice. The award was conferred at the Peace Award Ceremony and Valedictory Function on the occasion of the Annual Youth Peace Knit Fest 17 in the presence of Shri. Sushil Kumar Patel IAS, Deputy Commissioner of Police Dimapur as the Chief Guest, Shri. Tali Nokcha, Joint Director, NEZCC as the guest of Honour and Most Rev. Dr. James Thoppil, Bishop of Kohima & Chairman, Peace Channel as the special guest of the event held at DBIDL Hall, Don Bosco Hr. Sec. School Campus, Dimapur on 13th December 2017 along with 200 participants.

21. Staff Review Meetings

The staff of Peace Channel meets every month to plan out and discuss about the impact of the activities and the challenges faced in the field. 13 such meetings were called and conducted in the year, 2017- 2018 and was attended by the coordinators of the Districts along with the volunteers for peace.

Photo gallery 2017-18

Seminar cum Meeting of Heads of Institution



Seminar with Head of the Institute, Kohima



Teachers Coordinator in wokha



Capacity Building for teacher animators



Formation of Peace Club and Peace Celebration

Student and teachers engaged in activity, Nuiland



PC Session; LMS Wokha



Libemo Memorial School, Wokha; Students and Teachers after capacity building program



Students after conducting Peace,



Capacity Building; LFS, Kohima





Don Bosco Hr. sec. School Kohima



Brighter High School Wokha

Peace club group Presentation on Peace and Peace Building at King David School



Students along with Staffs of ASSISI Hr. Sec. School Dimapur after Peace celebration and Capacity Capacity building programme at Mt. Carmel Parish Church



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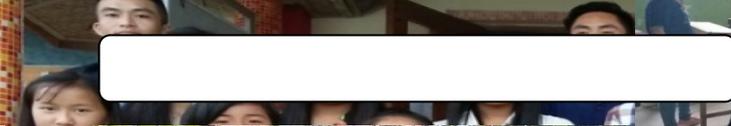
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Inter-School Peace Activities

Training programme for women SHG leaders on conflict resolutions and mediation



Training of youth leaders on conflict resolution, mediation & dialogue



Training on Good Governance for the SHG



Training of Community and Religious leaders



Observance of International Human Rights Day



District Level Dialogue for Peace, Conflict Resolution & Human Rights



North East Youth Peace and Cultural Festival





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Press Release:

'Sustainable peace possible through women'



'Passion for Excellence' summer camp cum peace building workshop held



Peace Channel impart leadership skills in Peren

Peace Channel, Peren Chapter conducted a Leadership Skills training at All Saints School, Peren on February 18.



Resource person with participants of the leadership training held at All Saints School, Peren on February 18.

ing visionary, courageous and capability to demonstrate in performance and live an exemplary life by being a doer and not just merely a speaker, Fr. Francis stated. "He/she should have the skills to bring people together and unite them inspite of all differences, encourage them to accept and respect the differences as we all believe in one Supreme God," the resource person added.

He also reflected on the present scenario of Naga society by giving an example of the quality of the leaders in the past and present. The culture of hard work, truthfulness, patience, unity, love, belongingness barely exists in our society at present, according to him. "Thus, we have become the victims of our own deeds." To make a difference in life, the resource person added, "we just have to pause for a while from our day to day lives, reflect, think, analyze, make a wise decision for a better and a brighter future." Meanwhile, Vikhuli, the Project Coordinator, Peace Channel enlightened the participants with an insightful session on peace and peace building. She encouraged the participants to join hands together and be peace builders in the society. The participants also shared their views and ideas on the sessions and gave suitable suggestions, the press release informed. Earlier, Rev. Fr. Roy, Parish Priest, St. Paul Church, Peren invoked God's blessing followed by welcome address and briefing of Peace Channel by Haipurangbe Moses, Peren District Coordinator. The training concluded with words of appreciation by Peter Associate Member of Peace Channel and Teacher Animator of All Saints School, Peren.

Former bureaucrat K Khekiye Sema gets 'peace award'

Uthmaniyar, Dec. 11 (IBN) An anti-corruption activist K Khekiye Sema has been honored by the NEZCC with the 'peace award' during a youth function on Dec. 11 in Dima Hasar. The award was presented to Sema by the NEZCC President, Rev. Fr. James Theppei, the bishop of Kokernag, who was the special guest, for his role in the peace process. Sema was also honored with the 'peace award' during the youth function on Dec. 11 in Dima Hasar. The award was presented to Sema by the NEZCC President, Rev. Fr. James Theppei, the bishop of Kokernag, who was the special guest, for his role in the peace process. Sema was also honored with the 'peace award' during the youth function on Dec. 11 in Dima Hasar. The award was presented to Sema by the NEZCC President, Rev. Fr. James Theppei, the bishop of Kokernag, who was the special guest, for his role in the peace process.



Khekiye K Sema receiving the Peace Award of Peace Channel from Sakhil Kumar during the 4th Youth Peace Day fest 2017 in Dima Hasar.

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Interactive interfaith Peace forum visits worship p

Clergy sensitised on clean election



Members of the People's Forum for Peace during their visit to various religious places on Sunday.

Dimapur, Jan. 8 (EMN): The People's Forum for Peace (PFP), Dimapur unit have informed about a visit to religious community leaders 'for world peace' on Sun.

The forum's members visited a mosque, the Durga mandir, the Jain temple, the Gurudwara, and Holy Cross Church, it was informed.

Speaking at the birth anniversary of Guru Gobind Sahib at Gurudwara, President PFP Taku Longkumer said such interfaith meeting is needed to bring

all the communities of the city for better of Dimapur.

Appreciating the initiative, president of Marwari & Digamber Jain Samaj, Om Prakash Sethi wished that such noble ventures would bring the city's various communities 'closer for better harmony' in Dimapur.

Imam Sahib of the Jama Masjid at Hazi Park, Panditji Bhupindar Sharma, Atay Sethi, Darshan Sahib, and Fr Chacko talked to the visiting groups about their respective religion and prayer

houses.

Lauding the effort, president of the Holy Cross, Gopal Sharma would continue in the future, while expressing gratitude to the hosts.

The director of Peace Channel Dr. C P Anto informed that the visit will continue, with visits to Baptist churches and the Buddhist temple on Jan. 14.

Interested leaders from various communities are requested to assemble at the Holy Cross Higher Secondary School.



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Yapang, pastor of DBPF, said the invocation followed by a welcome address delivered by Rev. RJ Murry, chairman of DCF.

There was a session for group discussion where the participants shared their views and even contributed with their thoughtful suggestions. Simon Kalin from

communication skills, team work, competency etc.

Emphasizing more on the topic, Fr. Francis also added that in order to be an effective leader, one needs to have a good influencing and convincing power, should have the potential and capability to demonstrate in performance and live an exemplary life by being a doer and not just merely

and respect the differences as we all believe in one Supreme God.

He also reflected on the present scenario of Naga's Society where he put forth an example on the quality of the leaders in the past and the present leadership quality we possess.

The culture of hardman-ship, truthfulness, patience, unity, love, belongingness

think, analyze, make a wise decision for a better and a brighter future.

Meanwhile, peace channel project director Vikhuli, enlightened the participants with an insightful session on peace and peace building. She also encouraged the participants to join hands together and be a peace builder in the society.

The programme also highlighted sharing of views, ideas and suggestions.

Later, vote of thanks was delivered by associate member of peace channel and teacher animator of All Saint's School, Peren Peter.

Church and community leaders from Peren town attended the programme.

Baptist Church, Dimapur.

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unteers, and students of Holy Family School, in Kohima.

Dimapur, May 5 (EMN): The students of Holy Family School Kohima were enlightened on 'Peace and peace building'. Kohima district coordinator, Susan Kulnu together with two student volunteers Lulu Awomi and Ayekali Aye of Don Bosco College Kohima capacitated 24 students along with a teacher animator on May 5.

Addressing the students, Kulnu said peace is one of the most essential requirements of humanity and a necessary pre-requisite for progress, development and sustainability. She emphasised on the main objective of peace and peace building. Students were also motivated to understand the concept of peace to transform a culture of violence into a culture of peace.

Kulnu said peace is an experience of harmony between different social groups that is characterised by lack of violence or conflict behaviours, and the freedom from fear of violence. It also common understood as the absence of hostility and retribution; it suggests sincere attempts at reconciliation; existence of healthy or newly interpersonal or international relationships; prosperity in matters of social or economic welfare; establishment of equality; and working political order that serves the true interest of all.

Citing a quotation by Mother Teresa "Peace begins with a smile," she urged the students to do one good deed every day, be it in a small or big way in their homes, school and locality.

Students told they can be agents of peace



Members of Peace Channel with students of Little Angel School during the leadership training programme in Wokha.

Dimapur, April 13 (EMN): Local resource group the Peace Channel conducted a capacity building programme for students at the Don Bosco Higher Secondary School in Dimapur on April 6. The objective of the programme was to impart 'peace education' and to emphasize the importance of peace in the minds of the young.

updates received here on Friday informed. Resource person Garrol Lotha talked about the concept of peace during the event. She told the students that peace was not merely the absence of

war but that it was a situation where individuals or group actively collaborate and co-exist in harmony and understanding despite odds.

Lotha lamented that bringing peace in the society is a complex process and does not have an instant outcome. It is a long term process which involves prevalence of justice, mutual understanding of culture and the religion of others, humanity, tolerance and acceptance of differences, she said.

Peace can be instilled in the young minds by educating the culture of

working together, appreciate co-existence, develop non-violent conflict resolution skills, respect for human dignity, religious tolerance and understanding of the world. She encouraged the students to be a change maker and an agent of peace for our better tomorrow.

A day's programme included ice breaking session, initiated by MSW trainees from North East Institute of Social Sciences and Research; input session by resource person; interaction; and group activities.

Students pledge to

have a positive outlook towards life, respect and accept individuals' regardless of religion, culture, and creed to be an agent of peace and a path finder for peace for a better society.

Also, the Peace Channel organized leadership training for the club members at Little Angel School in Wokha on April 13.

Update received on Friday from the organizers informed that altogether 36 members along with the teacher animator participated in the programme.

Speaking during the

programme, peace activist, Patrick W Tungoe said 'leadership is not about a title or a designation but a person who knows the way, goes the way and show the way.'

He exhorted that being a leader one should create an inspiring vision for the future, coaches and builds a team and motivates and inspire the people to engage more effectively at achieving the goals.

Tungoe encouraged the participants to be willing to accept and overcome mistakes and failure.

To be a leader we should work hard to build ourselves, be it self-discipline, Character and values by always setting good examples because it is not possible to lead someone else if we don't lead ourselves in the Right direction, he said.

He also challenged the participants to set 'smart goals' which are specific, measurable, achievable, rational / realistic and time bound.

Student leaders took oath to strive to be leaders who would make a difference.

Conclusion:

The year 2017 - 2018 was fruitful in every aspect to the movement. Apart from consolidating on

the activities in the existing districts, seeds were sown to reach out to other districts of Nagaland with the Peace Club initiatives. We duly remember and thank every individual who came forward to support and cooperate with the initiatives of the movement to make it a success. We sincerely thank the volunteers without whom we will remain stagnant in the corner.

We look forward to yet another year of success and achievements in reaching out to the young people with the message of peace and mobilizing them as co-runners in our quest to bring a world where peace and harmony lives among its People.

Dr. Fr. C.P. Anto
Director, Peace Channel

