



# St. Xavier's College (Calcutta) Alumni Association

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## Secretary's Report for the Year 2014– 2015

Revered Father President and Fellow Xaverians,

I would like to take this opportunity to place on record my most sincere and humble feelings of gratitude to the almighty for the blessings, our most revered President Fr. Dr. Felix Raj for his guidance and the

Association through an eventful and meaningful year of achievements.

Join me in a minute of silence as we pay tribute to the Jesuit Priests, our members, students, teachers and non teaching staffs who passed away during the year and pray to the Almighty that their souls rest in Everlasting Peace.

Allow me ladies and gentlemen to peruse through the various programme, events taken up by the SXCCAA and its wings, association and chapters during the year.

Everyone is equal in the Xaverian family but it is our custom and tradition to always highlight the achievements of our Women mem

Forum:

### A.

01. \_\_\_\_\_ et which was held on 22.11.2014. The Governing body members were felicitated, the inmates of Mahabir Seva Sadan enthralled everyone with their dance performance and were presented a cheque of Rs. 11,000/-.
02. \_\_\_\_\_ -active seminar with Ms. Alokanda Roy, a renowned performing artist and social activist who gave an insight as to how different kind of love can give a healing touch and transform the society.
03. \_\_\_\_\_ celebrated the President Birthday & our Philanthropy day on 26.08.2015. The members visited the old age home run by the Little Sisters of the Poor, with the help of the Physiotherapy machines. The inmates enjoyed along with our members and celebrated the President birthday.
04. We are extremely thankful to all the members of the forum ably lead by Mrs. Sujata Rampuria for their excellent achievements. The forum works hand in hand with the main body of the SXCCAA for the success of all our programmes. W

### B. Philanthropic Activities

01. A day on the calendar no one misses is the Philanthropy day, which was celebrated with great enthusiasm as it also marked the 61<sup>st</sup> birthday of our President. As it has been a tradition Philanthropy activities and services were extended to the poor and needy and new avenues were explored to help the down trodden. The Xaverians celebrated this day at 60, Chowringee Banquet on 22.08.2015. The family members of the President were present to mark the auspicious occasion. A Heartfelt thanks to the conveners namely Mr. Rajesh Agarwal, Mr. Yogesh Chopra, Mr. Dharmen Trivedi, Mr. Harish Agarwal & Mr. Deepak Gupta for their praiseworthy work.

02. An Eye Camp was organized at Belpahari, in the Pakur district in Jharkhand at Jeevana Health Centre ai, -137 patients were screened, 48 Cataract operations were under taken and 3 other eye corrections were treated.
03. School Raiganj were brought to Kolkata for through check up, diagnosis and treatment.
04. SXCCAA continues to work with Zeal on project at Paikhala. Poor students were provided with text books, exercise books and others stationeries were provided to the Phikhala school children. The campus has been thoroughly fenced for the security of the children. Blankets were distributed to the people as well as the school children of Paikhala.
05. SXCCAA participated in the Prayas Camp; supported the Sishu Mela and the blood donation camp held at SXC and also provided the students of extension centers with stationery and educational items.
06. SXCCAA in association with Lions Club of District 32282 jointly organized general health check up including eye and dent the big parlor in the college campus on 15.11.2014.
07. Funds were collected in the true spirit of Nihil Ultra to help a very poor laborer who was critically injured in an accident.
08. A medical camp was organized to provide free medical check-up at Raghavpur Campus with the support of Lions Club, Priyamvada Birla Eye Hospital and Apollo Hospital- 360 patients were treated, 8 cataract operations were conducted and 160 spectacles were distributed.
09. Mr. Yogesh Chpora and Mr. Deepak Gupta must be congratulated along with the members of the

hard work. A special mention must be made of Ms. Cheryl Francis, the director of NSS for her exceptional work all round the year.

### C. Fell wshi Activities

01. with which the SXCCAA celebrated the Annual Reunion Dinner in the college ground on 27.12.2014. The evening was special in many ways, this year the SXCCAA felicitated the Senior Alumni member Mr. Radha Shyam Agarwal with the Global Xaverian Award 2014 for outstanding contribution to the society and the business fraternity of Bengal. The batch of 1990 celebrated their silver jubilee of Graduation from the college. Every Xaverian recalled the Golden Memories of their college days. The credit of the success of this event goes to the conveners Mr. Malay Roychowdhury and Baldev Raj Sony & their advisor Mr. P. K. Mathur.
02. The Hoogly River was the venue for the SXCCAA Annual Picnic as the members joined together on a barge on the River Hoogly on the 1<sup>st</sup> of March, 2015 at 4.00pm. The Audience was enthralled by Probeer and DJ DTs. There was fun and frolic. The president graced the occasion. We owe the success of the Annual Picnic to the hard work put in by the conveners Mr. Deepak Gupta, Mr. Ravi Saraf, Mr. Arvind Bubna and their advisor Mr. Srikant Jain.
03. The year commemorates the 6<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Father Principal taking over the reigns of the college and Fr. Dominic taking over as the Vice Principal of B.Com(Morning) and BBA, who has put in a lot of effort in keeping up the standards set by Fr. Felix Raj. Fr. Principal had been the man with a vision, a light for us. The occasion was celebrated at the International Club on 02.02.2015.

- Prof. Md. Hanif and Mr. Hare Ram Sharma were felicitated for the contribution towards the welfare of the students. The teaching and the non teaching staff was invited for lunch to mark this occasion. A special thanks to the conveners Shahid Ahmed Khan & Arun Bhatte and their advisor G. P. Gupta.
05. The SXCCAA organized a Christmas Meet on 24.12.2015 to celebrate the birth of our savior. The Chief Minister of West Bengal Ms. Mamata Banerjee along with the His Grace Arch Bishop graced the occasion and shared their feelings about the college. The Chief Minister expressed her thoughts about the college being the seat of academic excellence, congratulated the President for navigating the college and trans-creating it into a University. A special thanks to Mr. Sujoy Saha for organizing the event.
06. On Friday we all meet together to thank God after every eventful week. The Friday Fellowships helps us to re-invent and rejuvenate ourselves.

#### D. Special Occasions

01. The college has reached out to the youth of the country and understands the pulse of the young generation, and the King of Bollywood Shahrukh Khan took over the college field and conquered the hearts of the students. On 29.10.2014 the team of Happy New Year came to promote their new release. In conclusion I can firmly say that the SXCCAA won over the heart of the visitors and they won over ours.
02. The SXCCAA organized Dr. Subhas Chandra talk show on 04.12.2014 in the college Auditorium. Dr. Subhas Chandra the chairman of Zee television. Interacted with the students and enlightened them.
03. The World Language Day was celebrated in the unique way, the Bengali Literary Society along with the SXCCAA organized a torch rally which was lit in the historic monument which commemorates the death of Martyrs in Dhaka. The SXCCAA was represented by Mr. Sujoy Saha, Mr. Manas Dev was instrumental in getting the lighted torch back to Kolkata and on 17.02.2015 a torch rally was organized from the College Campus. The President paid homage to the Martyrs.
04. On 28.07.2015 College Principal Father Felix Raj released Indian Economy – A Visionary Perspective, in the college auditorium. The book has been edited by Fr. Felix Raj, along with Prof. Samrat Roy and Prof. Koushik Kumar Hati, Professors of economics in the college. This book has two sections – development and international trade and finance, said Fr. Felix Raj, who dedicated the book to former President late Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam.

#### E. Fund Raising Programs

01. In Beyond Barriers XV, the field of the college was up in flames by the performances of Sunidhi Chouhan and Sun Burn held in the college ground on 25.01.2015. The Beyond Barriers broke all the barriers, different musical genres were blended which resulted into record sale of tickets. The Beyond Barriers XV was a grand success for the hard work of the conveners Mr. Vikas Khosla, Mr. Surojit Sinha & advisor Mr. Dharmen Trivedi.
02. XXV Fr. Joris Memorial Debate was held on the 11<sup>th</sup> of April, 2015. The topic of the debate was Speakers for the motion were Dr. Kunal Sarkar, Dr. Sandip Chatterjee, film director Srijit Mukherjee, sports journalist Kishore Bimani. The Speakers against the motion were Babul Supriyo, sports historian Boria Majumder, Mr. Ranadeb Bose and Prambrata Chatterjee. The Moderator – an eminent sports journalist Gautam Bhattacharya, and Chief Guest was Mr. H. P. Budhia. The sponsor of the debate was the Patton Group. The debaters fenced the audience with words. And I can firmly say that the Nihil Ultra Debate is among the

most prestigious intellectual events of the city. We owe its success to conveners Mr. Bharat Baid & Mr. Jayajit Biswas.

03. Beyond Boundaries V, the fifth edition of Beyond Boundaries, the Annual Global Convention of SXCCAA was organized by the Australian-New Zealand Chapter of the SXCCAA from the 9<sup>th</sup> - 13<sup>th</sup> of October, 2014. The President intermingled his thoughts of the past and the future and he specially recollected the contribution of Mr. L. N. Mittal. Father Felix Raj shared his vision of 2020 and the blue print of development of the college in the next six years. We would like to thank our conveners Mr. Chandan Roychoudhury, Mr. Sanjib Koner and Assistance convener Mr. Ranoj Mukherjee.

04. National Convention, looking Beyond -1, in Goa from 15-17 May 2015 at Hotel Cidade De Goa, which was well attended by the more than 180 Xaverians along with their spouses all across the globe under the umbrella of SXCCAA President and Principal Fr. Dr. John Felix Raj, SJ. The event was inaugurated by the Deputy Chief Minister of Goa & blessed by the Provincial of Goa. The members participated in a beautiful prayer ceremony which was organized at the Basilica of Bom Jesus where the mortal remains of Saint Francis Xavier have been kept. All the three evenings were full of fun, frolic & fellowship dinners. We would like to thank our conveners Mr. Umesh Goenka and Mr. Sanjib Koner.

#### **F. Activities i Ass ciati with the C llege**

01. The Feast of St. Francis Xavier was observed with due solemnity on 3rd December 2014 at the College Chapel. It was attended by a large number of SXCCAA members.
02. The 8th Convocation & Valedictory was observed in the true spirit of Nothing Beyond, on the 17th January 2015 at the College grounds. The occasion was graced by the Chief Guest, His Excellency Shri Keshari Nath Tripathi, Honorable Governor of West Bengal and Guest of Honour Dr. Partha Chatterjee, Minister in Charge of Higher Education, Govt. of West Bengal. The 2015 Nihil Ultra Award was given to Xaverian Dr. Samir Kumar Bramacharia.
03. The College Foundation Day was celebrated with the ceremonial cake cutting and a special dinner hosted by the SXCCAA for all the Fathers at the College Refractory.
04. Xavotsav 2015, one of the most awaited events marked in the Xaverian Students Calendar was organized amidst the usual fervor by the students union who worked together with the Alumni. It was held between 22nd - 24th January 2015 in the College Ground.
05. Feast of St. Ignatius of Loyola was observed with due solemnity in the College chapel on the 31st July 2015. This blessed occasion was preceded by a ceremonial dinner on the 30th July 2015, hosted by Father President of SXCCAA in the Loyola House, Salt Lake which was attended by the alumni members.
06. A Picnic for all the Jesuit Fathers was organized by SXCCAA on 18.01.2015. Around 40 Fathers and 15 Alumni members participated at the Picnic.
07. Honorable High Commissioner of Pakistan in India His Excellency Abdul Basit visited St. Xavier's College on 19.03.2015. Fr. Rector Dominic Savio felicitated His Excellency. This interactive session was organized by SXCCAA.
08. Annual meeting of Father Provincial with the alumni members was held on 20.03.2015.
09. at Room No: 15.
10. Xaverian L. N. Mittal, Chairman and CEO of Arcelor Mittal have been inducted in the
11. . St. Xavier to get Rs. 3.05 crore as the token of such recognition.
12. lumni Association has always come forward to extend financial & infrastructural support, in true sense of Nihil Ultra, to the various programmes organized by the various departments of the college.

## **G. International Associations**

01. Our President Fr. J. Felix Raj SJ along with the Secretary of SXCCAA met the Xaverians and distinguished dignitaries of San Francisco on 12.03.2015. A special dinner hosted by Rahul Roy to felicitate Rev. Fr. Felix Raj.
02. 1<sup>st</sup> Meeting was held on 14.03.2015 at Los Angeles. The meeting was chaired by Rev. Fr. Felix Raj. Rev. Fr. Maria Joseph, Rev. Fr. Aleksander, Chanda Zaveri, Vikrant Kapoor and Hony. Secretary of SXCCAA also attended the meeting. It was decided that a fund raising programme will be organized at San Francisco on 08.10.2015 and Los Angeles on 10.10.2015.
03. Rev. Fr. Felix Raj and Hony. Secretary of SXCCAA met the newly elected executive committee of Dubai chapter on 18.03.2015. A fellowship dinner was also organized for the members of the Dubai chapter.
04. It is with pride we state that the existing International associations also carried out various fellowship & networking activities, in the true Xaverian spirit around the calendar year.

## **H. National Chapters**

01. The Annual Meet of the North East Chapter was held on 08.02.2015 at Hotel Nandan, Guwahati. The Chapter was blessed by Rev. Fr. Felix Raj. Around 40 Xaverians witnessed the occasion which included 6 members who travelled from Kolkata. Mr. Sanjay Bajpai has been nominated as the new chapter coordinator.
02. The West Zone chapter organized a fellowship get together on 24.02.2015 at Mumbai. Fr. Felix Raj along with the Hony. Secretary attended the meet.
03. The Delhi and the Bangalore Chapters had their regular fellowship & networking activities throughout the year.

## **I. Sports**

01. Sports Day of the college on 07.02.2015. The contingent comprising of old & new alumni members of the college was lead by the Hony. Secretary of SXCCAA who attended the March Past Ceremony on the day. Six members from the alumni also participated in the Alumni Flat Race.
02. The Sporting spirits ran high as Alumni Members took up a challenge against the Teaching & Cricket Match on the college grounds on 28<sup>th</sup> February 2015. It was a great match together & ended in true sportsman spirit thanks to the coordinated & unstinted effort of Pawan Dalmia & Sandeep Mundra.
03. The Alumni members also showcased their soccer skills on the occasion of Fr. Joseph Maliyakal Memorial Football Match on the 4th September 2015 as they played a Football Match against the Teaching and Non-Teaching staff of the college. A big thanks to G. P. Gupta, Arun Bhattar, Shahid Ahmed Khan for organizing the Match in true Xaverian spirit.

## **J. We Xaverians**

An issue of WE XAVERIAN which is the mouthpiece and mirror of the quintessential Xaverians, will be published in the month of August 2015, the credit for which goes to our editor Pawan Dalmia and the entire editorial team.

## **K. Participation in JAAI & WUJA Activities**

01. The 3rd Governing Council Meeting of the Jesuit Alumni Association of India (JAAI) was held on  
a) Alumni Association. Rev. Fr. Felix Raj SJ, Province Co-ordinator and President, SXCCAA inaugurated the meeting in the presence of National Advisor of JAAI, Rev. Fr. Norbert Menezes sj, Province Co-ordinators, Jesuit Fathers and members of JAAI from all over India, Governing Council members of JAAI and SXCCAA and members of the alumni/ae associations of Calcutta Province. Welcoming the dignitaries, Rev. Fr. Felix Raj SJ in his inaugural speech spoke elaborately on the importance and



this stature, this position of pride and for his unstinting support. He breathes positive energy into the  
Thank You Father.

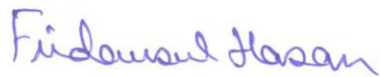
Let me thank all the members of the Governing Council, the Conveners, sub-Committee Members for their excellent support and co-operation, without your selfless service we would not have achieved this unprecedented success as a team.

Allow me, also to put on record our gratitude to all the sponsors who have and continue to support our multi farious activities around the year. Without their financial support we would not have been able to organize events at such a grand scale.

I also thank Dominic Anthony ably assisted by Tanima Ghosh the last but not the least, for efficiently assisting us at all times.

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Xaverianly yours,



**Firdausul Hasan**

Hony. Secretary,  
SXCCAA.  
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