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Dear Archbishop/Bishops, Youth Directors, Coordinators, and Youth Leaders,

Greetings from the KRCBC Youth Commission!

I am happy to highlight some of the following mentioned events and activities and appreciate your yeomen service to bring them to fulfillment.

### **1. NATIONAL YOUTH SUNDAY**

National Youth Sunday was celebrated on 11<sup>th</sup> August 2019 in all the dioceses of Karnataka in a unique and creative ways. The youth took part in the liturgy organized by them in their parishes. Input sessions were given to them to awake their responsibilities as a true leader. The get-together strengthened them to work in solidarity.

### **2. NATIONAL COUNCIL MEETING OF ICYM**

The ICYM National Council Meeting 2019 was held for all Youth Directors at Chenglepattu, Tamil Nadu, on August 24-25, 2019. Over 65 youth directors from different parts of India participated. The training programme enriched with the new insights and information was a boon for the leaders in youth ministry.

### **3. YCS/YSM National Leadership Programme**

YCS/YSM National Team organized Leadership Training Programme based on SEE, JUDGE & ACT for students from 5-10 October 2019 in Secunderabad. Students were given ample opportunity to exhibit their talents and abilities through a positive mindset. The various input sessions also allowed the students to set the right goal in their lives.

#### **4. ICYM NATIONAL CONFERENCE 2019**

The 2<sup>nd</sup> National Youth Conference took place from 13-17 October at CHAI training Centre in Medchal, Telangana. Over 415 participants including priests, religious and animators part took in this conference. The participation in the different workshops enlightened the directors to rethink in their youth ministry.

#### **5. REGIONAL YOUTH CONVENTION 2019**

KRCBC Youth Commission in collaboration with Bellary Diocese organized 11<sup>th</sup> Regional Youth Convention 2019 on the theme –“Youth Caring for Earth for a Better World”, at ADHYATMA Hall in Ballari Arogya Mathe Shrine Church premises on 24-27 October 2019. Over 2,000 youth from all over Karnataka participated in the four-day convention. It was a great ambiance for the youth to mingle with one another, to pray together and to reflect on various topics. The youth enthusiastically took part in the service programmes like; cleaning; painting, planting and even more than 100 youth came forward to donate blood. 24 youth were presented Karnataka YuvaRathna Awards for their outstanding contribution to ICYM Movement through academics, career, skills and public leadership.

We thank wholeheartedly Archbishop and all the bishops, KRYC, REXCO, DEXCO, all the committees, priests, religious and donors for all the support and hard work rendered towards the success of RYC.

#### **6. YOUTH CONVENTION AT MYSORE**

The maiden Youth Convention, Diocese of Mysore with its theme “Be Lighted... To Shine...” “Belagu.... Belakaagu” is organised by the Mysore Diocesan Youth Commission, headed by Most Rev. Dr. K. A. William, Bishop of Mysore and Rev. Fr. Roxan Thomas Baros, Secretary to Youth Commission under

the banner of Indian Catholic Youth Movement (ICYM) at St Philomena's Indoor Stadium, Bannimantap, Mysuru. The three-day event from November 22<sup>nd</sup> to November 24<sup>th</sup> 2019 kick started with the registration of the youth numbering more than 650 coming from 9 zones Mysore North, Mysore South, Mandya, Hunsur, Chamarajnagar, Kollegal, Martalli, Kodagu South and Kodagu North of Mysore Diocese.

### **7. FORMATION OF NEW REGIONAL TEAM**

The present ICYM and YCS/YSM Regional teams are completing their term. We thank them for their generous contribution towards Karnataka youth. Indeed they have given their heart and soul for the major programme conducted by the Regional team. Now it is time to form a new ICYM, YCS/YSM Regional team. I request all the directors to prepare an able leader for the next upcoming election, who can work for the Regional office as well as Karnataka Youth at large. The Council meeting will be **on 14-15 December at CMSS Hassan.**

### **8. YCS/YSM UPCOMING EVENTS**

The followings are the YCS/YSM National Programme. Kindly block your dates.

A. The NTA/EXCO meeting will be held from 2-4 January 2020 in Guwahati. The meeting will be held at Umran which is very close to Shillong. Arrival is on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and the meeting concludes on 4<sup>th</sup> January. Those of you, who would like to go sightseeing, plan your trip accordingly. Agenda will be YSM Jubilee and National Convention.

B. This year is the Jubilee year of YSM India. At the national level, we shall celebrate in May 2020. May I request you to celebrate in your region/diocese and send us a short report.

C. The 3rd National YCS/YSM Convention will be held from 17- 22 May 2020 at Umran, Shillong. Arrival is on 17 and books your return on 22 afternoons. If you want to go

sightseeing, keep a day extra. Kindly inform of the accommodation.

### **9. CONGRATULATION TO MR. MARTIN & MS. CLEETA**

Karnataka Region is happy to share that some of the delegates from the Karnataka Region had an opportunity to participate in FIMCAP International Meet which took place in Belgium, August 2019. Ms. CleetaD'souza present REXCO elected as General Secretary, Asia; Mr. Martin Patrick, Treasurer ABIDE elected as Vice-President, Asia and one of the Consultants for International Communication. Let us wish them for their new venture.

### **10. BIBLE ONLINE QUIZ**

Karnataka Regional Youth Commission (ABIDE) and KRCBC Bible Commission will jointly organize Bible Online Quiz in Advent on the topic New Testament. Encourage the youth to participate to avail exciting Christmas gifts. The quiz will be on 15<sup>th</sup> December 2019 from 10 am to 10 pm. Kindly log on to [www.kryc.org](http://www.kryc.org)

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