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Dear Bishops, Youth Directors, Coordinators and Youth Office Bearers,

1. ICYM National Council & Election: The 40th ICYM National Council meeting was held at St. Joseph Vaz Retreat Centre, Old Goa From 6-7 Feb, 2016. The 9th Biennial Elections of ICYM was conducted by Mr. Amith Prabhu and team. Ms. Deepthi D'Souza Karnataka Female Representative from Shimoga Diocese was elected as a National Spokesperson. We wish her all the best.

2. Diocesan ICYM Youth Office bearers Leadership Training: KRYC (Karnataka Regional Youth Commission) organized a Training Programme for ICYM DEXCO, Karnataka on March 12th, 2016 at KROSS, Bangalore with the coordination of Karnataka Regional ICYM Executive Team along with Fr. Mari Joseph the Regional Youth Director of Karnataka. 40 youth Leaders from 11 Diocese of Karnataka participated in this event. There were many Resource persons who with their views and inspirations took up the task of guiding our youth with relevant topics. Mr. Jose Jacob on Leadership, Mr. Cyril on Motivation, Fr. Vijay Victor Lobo on Social Media & Social Networks and Ms. Jerline MJ on short film making. All the sessions were with group discussion, group work and group dynamics.

3. National Youth Convention -2017 (NYC-2017) First Preparatory Meeting: The meeting started after Sunday Holy Eucharist. Bishop Henry D'Souza the chairman, KRCBC-Youth Commission Mr. Sijo Ambatt, National ICYM president and Mr. Jose Jacob CEO of INTEGRO were the guests. Fr. Mari Joseph briefed about NYC-2017 which will be held in Mangalore in the month of *January 2017 from 18-22 at St. Joseph's Engineering College Vamanjoor*. Mr. Alwyn D'Souza DYP of Mangalore Diocese briefed about Venue and various routes to reach Mangalore, and also spoke about the culture of Mangalore. Bp. Henry D'Souza Addressed the gathering, how to prepare for NYC-17? How it was decided to have NYC-17 in Karnataka, Mangalore? He spoke about Cap-India, CAT and Do Cat translation to Kannada. He Inaugurated ABIDE an ICYM Alumni of Karnataka. Mr. Jose Jacob gave brief information about ABIDE. Youth Directors absent for meeting: *Bengaluru, Belgaum, Belthangady, Bhadravathi, Chikmagalur, Puttur, Mysore, Udupi*.

4. "ABIDE" an ICYM Alumni of Karnataka Inaugurated on 13th March, 2016 at KROSS, Bengaluru: 'ABIDE' is an Association of the past ICYM members of Karnataka. It is an independent association inspired by past ICYM members. The activities of this association are mainly to coordinate with Regional & Diocesan ICYM Director and with the Movement for its development. Abide members will Stand with the Catholic Church and support the church in any Situation. President, Coordinator and Treasure will be elected or nominated according to the ABIDE COUNCIL norms. There will be one member from each REXCO and DEXCO team nominated to ABIDE COUNCIL as the representatives. The ABIDE association will help its members to be active both INSIDE and OUTSIDE the Church. At the same time it will also support the existing ICYM team in its work by coordinating with it at all levels.



Vision : Enlightened, Empowered and Dedicated Rural and Urban Catholic Youth for a better world

5. NYC- 2017- Cross Journey details:

S. L	From	Distance between Diocese	Dates to receive NYC Cross
1	Bengaluru-Starts		03-Apr-2016
2	Mandya	99 km	01-May-2016
3	Mysore	48km	08-May-2016
4	Chikmangallur	177km	05-Jun-2016
5	Ballari	280km	26-Jun-2016
6	Gulbarga	298km	10-Jul-2016
7	Belguam	360km	07-Aug-2016
8	Karwar	180km	28-Aug-2016
9	Shimoga	262km	18-Sep-2016
10	Bhadravathi	24km	02-Oct-2016
11	Puttur	198km	23-Oct-2016
12	Belthangady	42km	13-Nov-2016
13	Udupi	90km	27-Nov-2016
14	Mangalore	55km	11-Dec-2016
	To NYC-17 Venue		18-Jan-2017

The journey of NYC cross will be based on the theme Year of Mercy.

- 1) NYC-2017 prayer will be distributed
- 2) Rainwater harvesting, Kaccha road etc can be done with help of NGOs, Colleges, MNCs.
- 3) Plant trees during the journey of cross.

The brief of overall plan as follows any among these can be planned in diocese during the journey of NYC Cross

- 1) publicity through rally, Social events
- 2) Fund raising concepts like contribution box.
- 3) Inviting the Abide members.
- 4) common liturgy throughout the region
- 5) Awareness to be given
- 6) Education grant for poor
- 7) Articles, Sunday announcements in parishes
- 8) coordination between two nearest parishes of the diocese
- 9) Cross to the underprivileged places
- 10) Promotion of YOUCAT & DO CAT.

During the journey of cross REXCO Member has to organise the event along with DYD and DEXCO. Even other youth groups can participate and receive the NYC Cross with permission of the DYD. The Report, photos and videos of the NYC Cross journey of the diocesan programme need to be sent to Regional office. Collection box will be placed to get contribution towards NYC.

Upcoming programmes

6. Indoor Training Programme for Youth Leaders: Indore Training Program for National Leaders (Compulsory for NEXCOS): 14-20 April, 2016 at USM, Indore. Registration Fee: 4000/- (charged by USM)

7. YCS/YSM National Council and Election: International Young Christian Students/Young Students Movement, India organizing the Formation session and YCS/YSM XVII national council at YMCA, greater Noida, Northern Region, from 16 to 22 may 2016. Under the Theme: "called to believe, begin, become" Thrusts: "back to the roots, media and me, restoring human dignity" hosted by YCS/YSM northern region, & co-hosted by YCS/YSM – Archdiocese of Delhi. From Karnataka 12 students and 3 Animators are participating.

8. **CAT Programme in Bangalore:** Chaplains' and Animators Training (CAT) Program 31st May -9th June, 2016 at KROSS, Bangalore. We request newly appointed DYDs, DYLA's, and youth Animators to attend this training to be resourceful youth Animators. Registration Fee : 3000/-

9. **CCBI Youth Commission** "The Regional Youth Secretaries Meeting in Bangalore - 9 June 2016: In view of the 4th National Youth Animators' Conference in Kerala - 27th -28th October 2016. The Regional Youth Animators Meeting is clubbed with ICYM Council Meeting on 10th -11th June 2016.

10. **National ICYM Council in Mangalore:** In the view of NYC-2017 in Karnataka the 41st ICYM National Council will be organised at Baijodhi, Mangalore 10th -11th June, 2016. Since this council mainly concentrates on NYC the National ICYM office invites all the DYD's, REXCO of Karnataka and DEXCO of Mangalore Diocese. We request all the directors and others to participate without fail.

Abbreviations

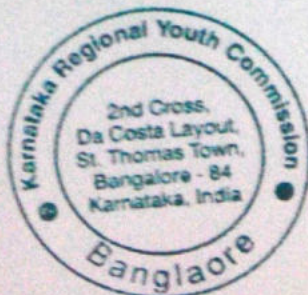
ICYM=Indian Catholic Youth Movement
NEXCO= National Executive committee
REXCO= Regional Executive committee
DEXCO= Diocesan Executive committee
NYC=National Youth Convention
DYD=Diocesan Youth Director
KRYC=Karnataka Regional Youth Commission

Food for thought...

"Books can be dangerous. The best ones should be labelled "This could change your life."

— Helen Exley

With kind regards and prayers,



Sincerely Yours,

Fr. Mari Joseph