



# P.K.M. COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

**MADAMPAM, KAITHAPRAM P. O., KANNUR – 670 631**

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## CULTURAL EXCHANGE



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### Institutional Twinning Programme

#### INSTITUTIONAL TWINNING PROGRAMME

with NEISSR

10-14 December 2019



On the concept of Teachers and Parents as Peace Builders, an institutional twinning Programme between P.K.M. College of Education and North East Institute of Social Science & Research, Dimapur, in association with Bethlehem Educational Research Foundation & Peace channel Nagaland was materialized from 11<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> December 2019 at NEISSR, Dimapur, Nagaland, India.

In the context of the United Nation Sustainable Development goals (SDG16), The next generation Teacher at PKM, a mega Project is initiated during its Silver Jubilee year and this project has set 7 goals to be attained within a period of 10 years (2020-30), one among them is to develop TEACHERS as PEACE BUILDERS.

P.K.M. College, being situated in Kannur, a politically sensitive District of Kerala which has recorded numerous incidents of violence, has realized the urgency of initiating peace movements centering around families and schools, the pivot for root corrections. In association with Peace & Harmony Foundation, Kannur, P.K.M. has developed a **Peace Sensitivity Model** based on which It has undertaken several peace initiatives to realize its objectives of developing Teachers as Peace Builders.

The objectives set for the Programme are :

- Joint global Peace Building Initiatives.



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- Peace education for the marginalized
- Peace education for Techsary kids
- Peace and conflict resolution in family.
- Faculty and student exchange programmes
- Peace collaboration across cultures

**Team set for the Twinning Programme**

The team with the leadership of the originator of Peace Sensitivity Model, Dr. Prasanth Mathew, the Peace Forum Co-ordinator and famous Peace activist of Kannur District & the Assistant Professor of PKM College Ms. Minimol George (Sr. Caroline FCC), a senior faculty at P.K.M, Dr. Rekha K.R. and student Delegate Fr.Reji P.George was assigned to (and undergo Training Process for Peer Mediation) represent PKM College at NEISSR.


The team started from PKM on 10<sup>th</sup> December 2019 around 5.00 PM and after a road journey upto Bangalore and an air journey upto Dimapur via Kolkata reached the destination around 1.00 PM on 11<sup>th</sup> December 2019.

1<sup>st</sup> day

The first session was welcoming and introducing the PKM team for the twinning programme alongwith an interaction with the MSW students & faculty of NEISSR. In that session Dr. Prasanth Mathew presented a very clearcu plan of Action for Peace Building associating these 4 organizations-PKM College, NEISSR, Bethlehem Educational Research Foundation & Peace and Harmony Foundation Kannur.

The strategic Plan of Action was officially handed over to Dr. C.P.Anto, the Principal of NEISSR.



  
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The interaction with the MSW students of NEISSR was quite appreciable. The same day there was a technical session with Peace Channel Team. The members presented the work structure and strategies for Peace building activities.

2<sup>nd</sup> day

In the socio cultural context of Nagaland, the struggle and the resolution strategies Peace channel has to undertake were very vividly described. Project co-ordinator of Peace Channel Nepuni Paul took a session on 'peer mediation'.

With an aim to establish a network with institutions working on Peace and Peace related issues, actually this three day inter college and institutional level peace training workshop was held at Peace Channel hall in Dimapur from December 11<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup>.

3<sup>rd</sup> day

The institutions have signed an Mou to collaborate the mission of peace building, developing training manuals, academic research, exchange programme of student and faculty and to establish a chair on peace and culture of dialogue at PKM College.

Dr. Anto, the Principal of NEISSR & Director of Peace Channel appreciated the initiative to learn peace building from psychological and sociological perspectives, adding that 'peace education' could be developed into various spectrum in local context. He stressed on developing a new trend in understanding the world citizenship and spiritual dimensions of inner peace and harmony in teaching and learning peace education. His dream plan and strategy of making Nagaland a model and the most peaceful state by 2030 was also shared.

The six steps, in the peer mediation process was illustrated though the training. Gugu, Alino and Garrol conducted various sessions on peace building while Dr. Deban



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Sharma, Assistant Professor of NEISSR took a session on 'dialogue' an unfolding process of transforming and deepening understanding of others and ourselves through listening, sharing and questioning. The various ways to carry out 'conflict mapping' was also elaborated by Dr. Deban.

During this academic year itself, we hope, a certificate course on Peace education for B.Ed. students could be started, which has got a global value.

To conclude the three day twinning programme can be recorded as a historical milestone in the jubilee year of PKM college and PKM wishes to be a hub for peace education for the entire state of Kerala.

3<sup>rd</sup> day

A meeting with the real Ambassador of Peace, Mar James Thoppil, the Bishop of Kohima was an eye opening experience. He shared the life style, experience of the Naga people, the struggle peace channel takes to establish peace in the Nagaland etc.

The visit to the heritage village Kusomo, was a very rare and unique experience to understand the sociological, cultural anthropological dimensions of life of Naga people.

In view of the proposed bandhs protesting CAB, the 4<sup>th</sup> day Programme was cut short and the certificates were distributed.

Opening a new vista for 'peace' and establishing a 'PKM mark' the team started the return journey.



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**Sub: Institutional Twinning Programme: Peace- Nagaland:**

### **CIRCULAR**

We are happy to inform you about the upcoming Institutional Twinning Programme, which will be a great opportunity for the students to exchange their ideas with students of NEISER, which is on the topic "The next Generation Teacher".

#### **Event Details:**

- Vigilance Awareness Pledge -28-10-2020
- Seminar on 'Integrity A Way of Life'

Date: 5-12-2019

Time: 10.00 A.M

**Best regards,**



**Principal**

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