## 'Gift of Smile'

## A Charity Programme for Street Children at Salesian College Siliguri Campus



On the occasion of Gandhi Jayanti on 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2015, the Alumni Association of Salesian College Siliguri organized a charity event 'Gift of smile' for the street children. It was an endeavour to spread happiness among the underprivileged children. A group of 65 children from different areas like Checkpost & Champasari arrived in the college campus at 9 in the morning. The Alumni members organized various awareness creation and motivation programmes along with some cultural activities, competitions like drawing, storytelling and games for them. Clothes, stationery items, snacks, Juice, fruits, Books, Chocolates, dry foods, school bags and many other gift items were distributed.

Donations were collected from the alumni members of Salesian College Siliguri and also from the present students and faculties in both cash and kind to organize the event. The present students and faculty members also took part in the event. Fr. (Dr.) Mathew Pulingathil, Rector, Salesian College Siliguri Campus, Ms. Priyamrita Chatterjee, Alumni Association Coordinator, Chanchal Agarwal, President Alumni Association along with other office bearers, students

and staff were present on the occasion. The children were provided healthy breakfast with fruit juice and later were served lunch. The President Mr. Chanchal Agarwal said that it was always his dream to serve the society and Gandhiji use to serve the poor people, and following his footsteps this was a small step taken by the Association and in future more such events will be organised on a bigger scale. He also heartily thanked all the donors & volunteers without whom the event would not have taken place. The programme ended at 4 pm with the singing of the National Anthem.

Chanchal Agarwal
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