

## BOSCO Self Reliance Programme for the Refugees

Bosco Self Reliance Programme (BSRP) is a comprehensive skills building programme for the urban refugees. It aims to empower the refugee youth with vocational and life skills to become self-reliant. The programme is a joint venture of BOSCO and United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) executed by Don Bosco Ashalayam



### Programme Strategy

1. Identification: Interested refugee youth are identified through the community networks, training centers and youth clubs.
2. Vocational Training: Identified refugee youth are provided with various vocational skills at our own training institutes as well as at other identified institutes. Diversified vocational skills like basic computer skills, English language skills, mobile repairing, computer hardware and networking, retail management, tally, web designing, DTP, AC refrigeration, electrician, TV repairing, etc. are provided.
3. Life Skills Training: It refers to abilities for adaptive and positive behaviour that enables individuals to deal effectively with the demands and challenges of everyday life. Life skills are imparted through weekly sessions and monthly workshops.
4. Job Placement Support: The successfully trained candidates are assisted with job placement support to find suitable jobs in the market. Post Placement Support is available to all the placed candidates.
5. Individual Accompaniment: It refers to the willingness of the staff to walk along with every programme participant like a sister/brother in facing the daily hurdles that would come up during the process of becoming self reliant.
6. Persons Fully Alive: Being fully alive refers to the highest stage of utilization of all the potentialities of a person. This is an ideal aspiration to bring out the best in persons by developing all their potential to their maximum. We the staff at DBA too aspire to become fully alive in the process. Thus, the programme is the journey towards being fully alive with young people.



### Out Reach and Community development programmes

Rural development has been an important component of BOSCO. The beneficiaries of our out reach programmes are Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and youth and children of backward classes. They are socially and culturally backward, exploited, oppressed and economically very poor.



### Major aims of Our out reach programmes

- Promoting people's organization to strengthen their collective action for a democratic society.
- Women's development to empower and emancipate them from all social evils by strengthening the awareness of their dignity as a person.
- To identify the person's inalienable rights, leadership skills, etc. To develop leadership qualities in the people to lead their communities.
- Promotion of literacy programmes to give formal and non-formal education including adult literacy classes.
- Income generation activities for the rural poor.
- Promotional activities to enhance their economic capacity.
- Outreach Training in local language and area.
- Formation and specific training of SHG Groups.
- Capacity building for SHG Co-ordinators.
- Support and assistance in linking the SHG Groups in the market.
- Various Awareness activities and programmes as per the demands of the time.