MONTFORT EDUCATIONAL DEVELOPMENT SOCIETY

**Activity Report of the financial Year 2014-15**

Montfort Educational Development Society, a voluntary charitable organization guided by the spirituality of St. Montfort, aimsto promote Tribal culture, science, social and civil activities.Themain objectives are to diffuse knowledge through formal and non-formal education and to work towards human welfare and development and to undertake community, village development programmes aimed at the integrated development of the people.

The following activities were carried out during the financial year 2014 – 2015.

1. **Educational support to students:**

The Society supported 8 students in their High school education in Kolasib and Aizawl districts and helped two Higher secondary students in their education during this financial year. Students from poor families were given support by paying their tuition fees. A few students were given financial help for buying school uniform and text books during the academic year 2014-15.

1. **Support for poor students:**

The Society took initiative to support poor students from remote villages to study in reputed schools at Kolasib staying at St. Maria Goreti Hostel, Kolasib. A few students stayed at Aizawl and went to good schools for their education. The hostel fees of five students were paid by the Society.

1. **Medical Help:**

Many poor people were supported for their treatment in different hospitals. Few cancer patients were given financial support for this treatment; poor people with eye ailments were helped for eye operation. The members of the Society also visited the patients in different hospitals to console and counsel them. They contributed towards the hospital bills of economically poor patients.

1. **Prison Ministry:**

The members of the Society visited regularly the Central jail in Aizawl and organized meetings and counseling sessions for the inmates of the Prison. On special occasions like Christmas, Easter, Prison Sunday, special programmes were organized for the inmates of the Prison with help from the students of different schools.

1. **Distribution of clothes:**

The members of the Society organized collection of used clothes from school children during the month of November 2014, for free distribution to poor people in remote villages. The 4 members of the staff and about 25 students from St. Paul’s Hr. Sec. School, organized the distribution at Hortaki village in Kolasib District.

1. **Christmas celebration:**

Every year the society organizes, Advance Christmas celebrations, for the under privileged children or for inmates of orphanages/special schools. In the first week of December 2014 the members of the society organized advance Christmas celebrations for inmates of blind school at Aizawl and children’s home at Durtlang, Aizawl, Mizoram.

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