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ORIENTATION ON ABHA E-SHRAM FOR MIGRANT WORKERS

AUGUST - 10 - 2025:

Venue: Mappedu

Organized by: Don Bosco Migrant Services (DBMS)

Bosco Migrant on Services (DBMS) conducted an important orientation program at Mappedu, focusing on educating internal migrant workers **ABHA** about (Ayushman Bharat Health Account) E-Shram and registration. The program aimed at bridging gaps in awareness and ensuring that migrant workers are equipped with knowledge of their health labour entitlements. and thereby strengthening their access to welfare and security systems.

Participation

A total of 25 migrant workers actively participated in the session. The DBMS staff provided personal guidance, ensuring that each participant clearly understood the processes involved. The small-group setting allowed for better interaction, one-on-one support, and meaningful engagement.

Key Focus Areas

The session emphasized the importance of digital health IDs (ABHA) in enabling access to healthcare facilities across India. Workers were also



introduced to the benefits of E-Shram registration, which provides social security. welfare schemes, and recognition of labour rights. To make the process more practical and accessible, the facilitators conducted a stepby-step demonstration of the registration process, ensuring participants gained hands-on understanding and confidence.

Highlights

The orientation proved highly impactful, as all 25 participants gained valuable awareness about their healthcare and labour entitlements. The interactive nature of the session encouraged participants to raise questions and seek

clarifications, leading to a deeper level of understanding. The enthusiasm among the workers was evident, with many expressing strong interest in registering for both ABHA and E-Shram in the near future.

Conclusion

The orientation at Mappedu effectively promoted digital inclusion and welfare access for migrant workers. Βv building awareness and confidence, DBMS reaffirmed its commitment to empowering migrants through knowledgesharing, capacity-building, and support services that enhance their well-being and future security.



AWARENESS PROGRAM AT PANAPAKKAM VILLAGE

AUGUST - 04 - 2025:

n August 4, 2025, Don Bosco Migrant Services (DBMS) reached out to the migrant community of Panapakkam Village, Ranipet, with a Substance and Drug Abuse Awareness Session. The gathering brought together 65 migrant labourers, eager to learn and participate in the initiative.

The program began with an orientation on DBMS and IOM services, introducing the workers to the various welfare measures and support systems available to them. To make the session more interactive, facilitators introduced the Quizrr App. which provided a

simple and engaging way to learn about workplace rights and safety.

In addition to raising awareness about the dangers of drug and substance abuse, the team also guided participants on the importance of securing their future through ABHA Card registration for health access and e-Shram Card enrollment for social security benefits.

The atmosphere was both educational and participatory, with workers asking questions and sharing their experiences. The program not only addressed the pressing issue of substance abuse but also empowered the migrant

community with knowledge of health and welfare resources.

The day ended with a strong message: awareness and access to the right tools can safeguard health, dignity, and livelihood for migrant workers.



INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION AT DBMS

AUGUST - 15 - 2025:

Venue: DBMS Office, Pannur Organized by: 20 migrant girls from Foxconn

he celebration began with the hoisting of the Indian national flag by Rev. Fr. Johnson. He delivered an inspiring message emphasizing unity, hope, and the spirit of independence, setting a positive tone for the day.

Interactive Sessions

Participants engaged introductions and ice-breaking activities, fostering camaraderie and making the celebration lively and personal.

Fun & Joyful Activities

The girls participated in games and cultural activities, creating an atmosphere of joy and celebration. Their energy and smiles highlighted the essence of the day.

Key Takeaways

- **Participants** were encouraged to take part in future DBMS programs.
- The event strengthened the connection between migrant girls and DBMS, promoting sense а of community and belonging.
- Celebrating Independence Day together reinforced values freedom, of collaboration, and cultural pride







MIGRANT LABOURERS MEET AT KUMARAN NAGAR, OMR

AUGUST - 10 - 2025:
Organized by: Don Bosco
Migrant Services (DBMS)

Bosco Migrant on Services (DBMS) continues its mission of creating safe platforms where migrant labourers can voice their concerns and access welfare opportunities. In this spirit, a Migrant Labourers Meet was organized at Kumaran Nagar, OMR, which brought together 72 workers from diverse sectors. The gathering served as an opportunity for migrants to connect with DBMS, share their challenges, and gain valuable knowledge on available welfare measures.

Objectives of the Meet:

The meet was designed to introduce migrant workers to relevant welfare initiatives and government schemes, with

a strong focus on improving rights, about awareness entitlements. and health services. Beyond informationsharing, it aimed to provide a safe and open space for dialogue between workers and facilitators. A key objective of the session was also to prepare the ground for an ABHA card registration drive scheduled for the following week.

Highlights of the Session

session, During the workers were briefed about various health schemes and labour rights designed to support migrant populations. The facilitators encouraged participants to openly share their immediate concerns and challenges, fostering trust and mutual understanding. discussions motivated The workers to actively engage in future welfare programs and

strengthened their confidence in DBMS as a supportive partner. One of the important outcomes of the dialogue was the collective confirmation of a follow-up plan to conduct ABHA card registrations in the coming week.

Outcome

The Migrant Labourers Meet successfully strengthened the relationship between DBMS and the migrant community. By providing a platform for open dialogue, addressing pressing issues, and outlining concrete steps, the program empowered participants with knowledge and confidence. Most importantly, it laid a strong foundation for sustained support and long-term engagement between DBMS and migrant workers, ensuring their voices are heard and their needs are addressed.



ABHA CARD & DBMS APP REGISTRATION CAMPS

MARCH - 20,21 - 2025:

Organized by: Don Bosco Migrant Services (DBMS) Supported by: Don Bosco Theological Brothers, , DBMS Staff, Becchi Brothers, URC Safety & HR Teams

n August 2025, Don Bosco Migrant Services (DBMS) conducted four ABHA Card & DBMS App Registration Camps across migrant labour colonies in Chennai. The initiative empowered migrant workers with digital health access through ABHA Cards and introduced them to the DBMS App, enabling them to stay connected with welfare services, healthcare updates, and NGO-led community outreach.

Total Beneficiaries:

208 migrant workers

Objectives

The primary objectives of the camps were to register migrant workers under the Ayushman Bharat Health Account (ABHA Card), to promote the use of the DBMS App as a platform for welfare services and health information, and to enhance the digital inclusion of migrants by linking them to government health schemes and NGO support

Key Highlights

The registration camps were marked by efficient



planning and smooth execution. Onsite registration counters allowed migrant workers to enrol without difficulty, while DBMS staff and volunteers patiently guided them through each step of the process. Alongside the registration, awareness sessions were conducted to educate workers on the significance of maintaining digital health records and making use of the DBMS services for their welfare. The camps also became a platform for

strengthening partnerships, as DBMS worked closely with the Don Bosco Brothers and corporate HR and safety teams, ensuring collective support for migrant inclusion.

Outcomes

By the end of August 2025, a total of 208 migrant workers had successfully registered for both ABHA Cards and the DBMS App. This milestone provided them with access to digital health IDs, thereby improving their chances of

receiving timely healthcare and construction companies, and government benefits. The initiative also enhanced workers' awareness of DBMS services, helping them to view the organization as a reliable welfare and information platform. More importantly, the program reinforced partnerships between NGOs

laying the foundation for sustained collaboration in supporting migrant welfare.

Conclusion

The ABHA Card & DBMS App Registration Camps held during August 2025 marked a significant step in digital health empowerment for migrant workers. With 208 beneficiaries, the initiative not only expanded healthcare access but also strengthened DBMS's ongoing mission of welfare, awareness, and inclusion of migrant communities in Chennai.

Camp Details & Participation

Date	Location	Support Team	Beneficiaries
03 Aug 2025	URC Construction Site, Thousand Lights, Chennai	Don Bosco Theological Brothers, DBMS Staff, URC HR	40
17 Aug 2025	L\&T Construction Site, Kumaran Nagar, Sholinganallur	Don Bosco Becchi Brothers, DBMS Staff	69
24 Aug 2025	Migrant Labour Construction Shelter, Sholinganallur	Don Bosco Brothers, DBMS Staff	56
31 Aug 2025	URC Construction Site	Don Bosco Brot- ers,URC Safety Dept, DBMS Staff	43





NATIONAL CONVENTION FOR MIGRANT WORKERS' PLATFORM HYDERABAD, TELANGANA (16–17 AUGUST 2025)



AUGUST - 16,17 - 2025:

National Convention for Migrant Workers' Platform was held in Hyderabad on 16-17 August 2025, under the theme "Building a United Platform for Dignity, Hope and Inclusion." The two-day event brought together eighty-five migrant mission actors, including Salesian Migrant Desk delegates from eleven provinces, Church leaders, religious sisters, NGO representatives, and trade union activists from across India. The convention coincided with the 210th birth anniversary of St. John Bosco, emphasizing his vision of accompanying young workers and advocating for their rights.

Inaugural Session:

The inaugural session featured a welcome address by Mrs. Kiran Jyothsna, a skit titled "Their Dreams are Our Dreams" performed by Don Bosco Navajeevan children, and an anthem "Let Their Dreams Rise" composed by Fr. Prasad Kalaparthy. A minute of silence honored migrants who had lost their lives in the Sigachi factory tragedy. Dignitaries recited the Preamble of the Indian Constitution, affirming justice, liberty, equality, and fraternity, before lighting the ceremonial lamp.

Keynote Addresses:

Fr. Joe Prabu, Executive Director of Don Bosco Forum for the Young at Risk,

called for stronger solidarity and the creation of a national platform for migrants. Fr. Thomas Santiagu, Provincial of Hyderabad, emphasized unity over individual credit and encouraged transformative ministry for workers and their supporters. Ms. Christine Nathan, President of ICMC, highlighted India's failure to ratify international conventi ons on migrant rights, while Fr. Francis Bosco stressed the need for a comprehensive internal migration law and a dedicated government mechanism.

Expert Presentations:

Expert sessions provided deeper insights into migration issues. Prof. Vijay discussed historical and economic driv-

ers of migration, including inequality and poor sanitation. Sr. Lissy Joseph highlighted grassroots organizing for domestic workers, while gig and platform workers' representatives shared challenges such as lack of insurance and legal recognition. Ms. Geetha R. advocated for compulsory registration, voting rights, and child protection measures, and Prof. Babu Matthew emphasized legal recognition for gig workers under labour law.

Experience Sharing:

Salesian Migrant Desk directors from Mumbai, Gujarat, Chennai, Tiruppur, Bangalore, Kerala, Goa, Gauhati, and Kolkata shared experiences in entitlement facilitation, healthcare, skilling, shelters, advocacy, and government networking. Partner organizations, including CCBI, CBCI,

MAIN, Montfort Social Institute, SVD, MSMHC, SIMN, and UFS, presented their work in pastoral care, emergency support, advocacy, and community engagement, promoting collective learning and collaboration.

Day Two Highlights:

The second day opened with Mr. Nirmal Gorani of the Campaign National Committee for the Eradication of Bonded Labour sharing his journey from bonded labourer to activist. Presentations by Mr. Benoy Peter showcased innovative practices such WHO-recognized Bandhu Clinics, mobile health services, and Shramik Seva Kendras. Group discussions focused on creating a Common Minimum Programme for migrants, emphasizing rights awareness, registration, documentation, youth engagement, and the recognition of migrants as valuable contributors to society.

Conclusion and Way Forward:

The convention concluded with His Eminence Cardinal Anthony Poola releasing Fr. Prakash Louis SJ's book "Jesus the Distressed Migrant Today" and affirming the Church's commitment to migrants. Fr. Francis Bosco outlined a roadmap including migrant desks in every province, sector-specific interventions, advocacy, unionization, and stronger collaboration among Church, civil society, and trade unions. Participants left with a renewed commitment to a unified national platform, ensuring that the dreams of migrants rise.



OUTREACH & ORIENTATION PROGRAMS

AUGUST - 17 - 2025:

Organized by: Don Bosco Migrant Services (DBMS)

Theme 1: Digital Health & Welfare Awareness

Locations: Ulunthai Village & Mannur Village

Focus: Digital health access,

welfare schemes, and DBMS App registration

Highlights:

- Introduced migrant workers to ABHA Health ID, Esham, and DBMS App.
- Assisted with Aadhar-related issues and collected details for DBMS sys-

tem.

 Identified health needs (e.g., eye care) for follow-up medical camps.

Outcome:

Strengthened trust and engagement while enabling digital inclusion of migrant workers



AUGUST - 24 - 2025:
Organized by: Don Bosco

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Theme 2: Youth Engagement & Digital Orientation

Locations: : Kattabakkam Village

Beneficiaries: 20 migrant

youthVillage

Focus: Awareness of DBMS services and app usage

Highlights:

- Orientation on DBMS services in health, education, and welfare.
- Step-by-step app guidance for registration and

access to services.

 Interactive discussion on skill development & opportunities.

Outcome:

Migrant youth gained practical digital skills, built awareness of support systems, and showed motivation for continued engagement.



AUGUST - 24 - 2025:

Organized by: Don Bosco Migrant Services (DBMS)

Theme 3: Women's Health & Hygiene

Locations: Common Hostel, Pondur Village

Beneficiaries: 15 adolescent girls

Focus: Menstrual hygiene and adolescent health awareness

Highlights:

- Participatory session on safe hygiene practices, myths, and nutrition.
- Created a safe space for open discussion on sensitive health topics.
- Oriented girls on DBMS services supporting

family health and welfare

Outcome:

Participants gained confidence and knowledge, expressed need for more lifeskills programs, and built trust with DBMS staff.

Overall Impact

- Reach: 3 Villages + 1
 Hostel (Ulunthai, Mannur, Kattabakkam,
 Pondur)
- Total Beneficiaries: 35 girls & youth + multiple migrant workers (Ulunthai & Mannur sessions not counted numerically but included in outreach).

Impact Areas:

 Digital Inclusion – Migrants introduced

- to health IDs, welfare schemes, and DBMS App.
- Youth Empowerment –
 Migrant youth engaged
 with digital tools and
 DBMS support systems.
- Women's Health & Hygiene – Adolescent girls empowered with knowledge and confidence.

Conclusion

The outreach initiatives in August 2025 highlight DBMS's multi-dimensional approach to migrant empowerment: combining digital access, health education, and youth/women's engagement. By tailoring programs to the needs of different community groups, DBMS continues to foster awareness, inclusion, and trust among migrant populations



ORIENTATION AND SOCIAL EXPOSURE PROGRAM FOR THEOLOGY STUDENTS ON MIGRANT WELFARE DBMS

AUGUST - 15 - 2025:

on Bosco Migrant Services (DBMS) organized an orientation program aimed at providing second-year theology students with practical exposure to social work among migrant communities. The initiative focused on enhancing students' understanding of community development, social welfare, and the challenges faced by migrants

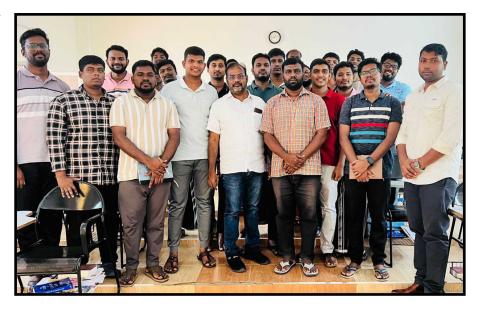


Orientation Session:

- Students were introduced to the objectives, structure, and programs of Don Bosco Migrant Services.
- The session emphasized the importance of understanding migrant issues, including health, education, and social welfare.

Social Exposure:

- Over five days, students visited various NGOs supporting migrant populations.
- Activities included community engagement, observing field operations, assisting in welfare initiatives, and interacting with migrant families.
- The exposure helped students gain practical insights into social work, program management, and the challenges faced



by marginalized communities.

Outcome:

- Students developed a deeper understanding of the social realities faced by migrant workers.
- They gained practical skills in community interaction, program support, and collaborative social initiatives.
- The program fostered empathy, awareness, and motivation among students to contribute meaningfully to community development in their future roles.

Conclusion:

The orientation and subsequent social exposure organized by Don Bosco Migrant Services successfully bridged theoretical knowledge with prac-

tical field experience. It provided a valuable platform for theology students to engage with social issues firsthand, encouraging active participation in migrant welfare and community development initiatives.

PROGRAM DETAILS

Date of Orientation 15th August 2025

Participants
25 second-year theology
students

Institution Sacred Heart Seminary

Duration of Social Exposure Five days

Objective

To provide hands-on learning experiences and familiarize students with the functioning of NGOs working with migrant communities.

DRUGS AWARENESS & DIGITAL HEALTH REGISTRATION PROGRAM – URC CONSTRUCTION SITE, ADYAR

AUGUST - 31 - 2025:

Don Bosco Migrant Services conducted a combined awareness and digital registration program at the URC construction site in Adyar, Chennai. The initiative aimed to educate migrant workers about substance abuse, promote digital health access, and familiarize participants with the DBMS app.

Drugs Awareness Session:

The session opened with an engaging discussion on the risks and consequences of drug and substance abuse. Participants were provided practical guidance on healthy coping strategies, personal well-being, and available support services, fostering a sense of awareness and responsibility.

ABHA Card & DBMS App Registration:

Following the awareness session, staff assisted 43 participants in registering for ABHA Health IDs and enrolling on the DBMS app. Guidance was provided step-by-step to ensure digital literacy and access to health services, welfare benefits, and emergency support.

Key Outcomes:

- Participants gained awareness of substance abuse prevention.
- Successful registration for ABHA cards and DBMS app enabled access to digital health services.
- Enhanced engagement and trust between DBMS staff and migrant workers.

Conclusion:

The program effectively combined health awareness and digital empowerment, strengthening the capacity of migrant workers to access healthcare, welfare services, and DBMS support while promoting substance-free living.

Date 31th August 2025

Organized by Don Bosco Migrant Services (DBMS)

Institution Sacred Heart Seminary

Supported by Don Bosco Brothers, URC Safety Department, DBMS Staff

> Beneficiaries 43 migrant laborers





AWARENESS SESSION ON SUBSTANCE

DRUG ABUSE & DBMS APP REGISTRATION

AUGUST - 20 - 2025:

n The session focused on raising awareness about substance and drug abuse and facilitating DBMS app registration for migrant workers, aiming to promote healthier lifestyles and digital inclusion.

Session Highlights:

- The program began with a brief introduction to Don Bosco Migrant Services, outlining the support and welfare initiatives available to migrant workers.
- An interactive awareness session was conducted, explaining the dangers of substance and drug abuse and providing practical strategies to overcome addiction.
- Migrant workers were encouraged to adopt healthy habits, self-care practices, and seek support whenever needed

Key Activities:

- Staff collected personal details of all participants for DBMS app registration and ABHA Health ID enrolment.
- The session also included informative messages on accessing DBMS services and health resources digitally.



Outcomes:

- 35 migrant workers gained insights on preventing and managing substance abuse.
- Participants were registered in the DBMS system and ABHA portal, enhancing their access to healthcare and welfare services.
- Strengthened trust and engagement between DBMS staff and the migrant community.

Remarks:

The involvement of HR representatives from L\&T Construction helped contextualize the session for workplace relevance, emphasizing the importance of wellbeing and responsible habits.

Conclusion:

The awareness session

successfully combined health education with digital empowerment, equipping migrant workers with knowledge and tools to lead healthier lives while accessing DBMS services efficiently.





GENERAL FREE MEDICAL CAMPS



AUGUST - 20 - 2025:

uring August 2025, Don **Bosco Migrant Services** (DBMS) in collaboration with the Wockhardt Foundation organized a series of General Free Medical Camps across multiple construction sites in Chennai. These health camps aimed to provide accessible medical care, identify lifestyle-related illnesses, and create awareness on preventive health practices among migrant workers who have limited access to healthcare and tools to lead healthier lives while accessing DBMS services efficiently.

Program Activities

 General health checkups by professional doc-

- tors and nurses.
- Screening for blood pressure, sugar levels, and common occupational health issues.
- Free medicine distribution for immediate relief.
- Health counselling on nutrition, hygiene, and preventive practices.

Key Outcomes

- Over 293 migrant workers accessed free healthcare services in August 2025.
- Raised awareness on preventive health and lifestyle diseases (diabetes, hypertension).
- Identified workers requiring follow-up treatment and referrals.
- Reinforced trust be-

- tween DBMS and migrant communities by addressing health needs directly at worksites.
- Strengthened collaboration between DBMS, Wockhardt Foundation, and corporate partners.

Conclusion

The General Free Medical Camps organized throughout August 2025 proved to be a lifeline for migrant labourers, offering healthcare at their doorstep. The camps highlighted the importance of NGO–corporate partnerships in delivering welfare and ensuring the well-being of vulnerable communities. DBMS, along with its partners, remains committed to conducting such initiatives regularly



Camp Details

Date	Location	Collaboration/ Support	Beneficiaries
02 August 2025	URC Construction Site, Saltu Kotta	DBMS Staff, Becchi Brothers & Wockhardt Foundation	103 migrant workers
09 August 2025	URC Construction Site, Thousand Lights, Chennai	DBMS Staff, Becchi Brothers & Wockhardt Foundation	89 migrant workers
14 August 2025	URC Construction Labour Camp, Kilpa- kkam	DBMS Staff, Becchi Brothers & Wockhardt Foundation	88 migrant workers
16 August 2025	L&T Construction Site, Kumaran Nagar, Sholinganallur	DBMS, Wockhardt Foundation, L&T Construction, Becchi Brothers, DBMS Staff	102 migrant workers

Total Known Beneficiaries: 382 migrant workers (across 4 camps).





IOM COMPANY VISITS (AUGUST 2025)

AUGUST - 20 - 2025:

Key Program Highlights

- 1. Nutrition
- 2. Sleep
- 3. Mental Health
- 4. First Aid
- 5. Health & Hygiene
- Practical Engagement: •
 Workers were guided
 step-by-step on how to
 access and benefit from •
 app-based learning.
- Follow-up Sessions: Repeated visits at Pegatron
 (Mahindra World City)

ensured reinforcement of learning and wider participation.

Outcomes

- Migrant workers became familiar with digital learning tools for personal and workplace health.
- Raised awareness on holistic well-being (physical & mental health).
- Improved worker confidence in using apps for self-learning.
- Strengthened DBMS's well-bein role in corporate-migrant workers.

welfare collaboration.

Conclusion

The August 2025 company visits under the IOM program were successful in introducing migrant workers to Quizrr digital training and creating awareness on critical health topics. Through continuous engagement at Pegatron, Foxcon, and Salcomp, DBMS facilitated digital inclusion, health education, and workplace well-being for migrant



Date	Company / Location	Activity
05 Aug 2025	TEPS (Pegatron), Mahindra World City	IOM awareness & Quizrr app introduction
07 Aug 2025	TEPS (Pegatron), Mahindra World City	Follow-up engagement
11 Aug 2025	FOXCON Dormitory	Awareness & digital training
12 Aug 2025	TEPS (Pegatron), Mahindra World City	Session on Quizrr topics
13 Aug 2025	SALCOMP, Sriperumbudur	Workplace health awareness & app introduction
14 Aug 2025	TEPS (Pegatron), Mahindra World City	Continued sessions
19 Aug 2025	TEPS (Pegatron), Mahindra World City	Awareness & app support
21 Aug 2025	TEPS (Pegatron), Mahindra World City	Thematic discussions via Quizrr
22 Aug 2025	SALCOMP, Sriperumbudur	Awareness & health promotion
26 Aug 2025	TEPS (Pegatron), Mahindra World City	App support & awareness
28 Aug 2025	TEPS (Pegatron), Mahindra World City	Digital awareness session
29 Aug 2025	SALCOMP, Sriperumbudur	Closing session for the month

