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IARF- RFYN Young Adults' Human Rights Training

"Friends in Faith for Peace Action"

1. Introduction

The Religious Freedom Young Adult Network (RFYN) young adults four days Human Rights & Religious Freedom Training program was organized by International Association for Religious Freedom (IARF), South Asian Coordinating Council at Ramakrishna Mission, Kolkata, India from 28th September to 1st October 2011. The program was inaugurated with Swami Supranandaji Maharaj (Secretary, RKM, Narendrapur) in the presence of Dr. Thomas Mathew (SACC Chairman). There were 40 young adults were invited for the training from seven different states of India and 31 of them participated the program. The participants went through a four days intensive training on different modules and made them to aware about the Human Rights and Religious Freedom issues around the world. The participants also well informed about the history of IARF and RFYN program and its projects.

The field visit of IARF Social Service Network project in the slum area of the city gave another input to the participants about IARF's past services in India especially for the well being of the poor and downtrodden in the Kolkata city.

The ice breaking sessions organized in between the training sessions helped the participants to get more aware about the subject. The participants were also given responsibility to present their opinions on different subjects were given excellent opportunity for them to understand the concept of Human Rights and Religious Freedom. During the valedictory celebration, the participants shared about their learning experiences through the training and how that made the program a successful one.

There were 31 participants were participated IARF- RFYN Young Adults' Human Rights / Religious Freedom Training. The medium of language was English.

Gender	Participants	Hindu	Christian	Muslim
Male	15	6	8	1
Female	16	12	1	3
Total	31	18	9	4

2. Programs

The following programs were organized to train the RFYN in the area of Human Rights & Religious freedom.

Day One

- 1. Inaugural Celebration
- 2. Introductory & ice-breaking Sessions
- 3. Journey from Human Rights to Peace IARF's role & the UDHR
- 4. "Many Faces of Peace" (documentary presentation)
- 5. Peace activities safeguarding in daily life

Day Two

- 1. Recalling Yesterday Activities
- 2. The UN's HRET program
- 3. "Dialogue Begins with Hospitality"
- 4. The UN's HRET program
- 5. Action for Peace, Human Rights
- 6. Cultural program

Day Three

- 1. Recalling Yesterday Activities
- 2. The successful story of HRE program in India
- 3. Role of Media & Communication in the Promotion of Peace
- 4. Visit to IARF Social Services Network (SSN) project
- 5. Visit to Alambazar Math & Session on Peace Action based on Gandhian values
- 6. Visit to Dakshineswar Kali temple

Day Four

- 1. Recalling Yesterday Activities
- 2. Future Action Plan and committees
- 3. Presentation & Pledge
- 4. Evaluation
- 5. Valedictory Celebration
- 6. Group Photo

Resource persons

The following resource persons were invited for the program.

- 1. Dr. Thomas Mathew
- 2. Dr. Homi Dhalla
- 3. Mr. Robert
- 4. Swami Suparanandaji

- 5. Dr. Ruba Pal
- 6. Swami Jithathmanantha
- 7. Bro. Albert Xaviour
- 8. Mr. Asit Basu

The following young adults were chosen to present theme based paper presentations.

- 1. Br. Sunil
- 2. Br. Stephan
- 3. Br. Vincent
- 4. Janhvi Gupte
- 5. Kausarjan

- 6. Pranalee
- 7. Joel James
- 8. Soundarya
- 9. Balaji

3. Participants' feedback

All the young adults shared their experiences in a very elaborate way. It shows the program was good for them and it brought lot of information among the young adults and made them to involve more actively in HRE and RFYN programs especially religious freedom issues in India.

Bro. Vincent Paul

I am very proud to be a young adult in IARF

First of all I am very thankful to International Association for Religious Freedom especially Dr. Thomas Mathew and Bro. Albert Xaviour inviting me for this RFYN program in Kolkata. I remember in the month of January 28th and 29th 2011 we had Human Rights Training for the young adult facilitator in Bangalore. I am also one of the young adult



facilitators, who had training by IARF-SACC. The training program was excellent and it was very informative for me. That program helped me do my social service in a better way.

So for I have organized many Human Rights program for the following people.

1. Stone quarries in Bangalore, 2. Temple prostitute in Gulbarga, 3. Government school teachers and students in Bangalore etc.

Though we are doing the entire program in the name of our congregation, but I was trained by International Association for Religious Freedom. These four days RFYN Human Rights training program twist me to work for RFYN and interfaith activities in Bangalore. I am very happy about the activities of IARF – RFYN. It is really very good activities to bring peace in the society. This kind of program is needed for all kinds of young adults in India.

The sharing of Dr. Thomas Mathew was very informative and very new to me. I always like to hear Dr. Thomas Mathew's sharing's, because it makes me to do more service for the young and poor people. The four days were very good and the fellow participants were very cooperative and encouraging each other to achieve RFYN target. Finally though we have taken more risk to attend the program, I am very satisfied and I am very sure I will work for RFYN and do many local level programs to bring peace in the society. Thanks to Br. Albert Xaviour for inviting me and giving me another opportunity to take part in this program.

Janhvi Gupte

"The journey from Human Being to Being Human" September 28, 2011 to October 1, 2011

Ram Krishna Mission, Kolkata, West Bengal, India

It has been great pleasure for me to be witness this kind of conference, before I put my experience in words I want to thank the young Adult Co-ordinator Br. Albert **Xaviour** for selecting me (Janhvi) from Mumbai, India for this conference.

The experience in Kolkata was unique in its own sense, though I have attend many IARF Meets & programs helped me to organize many programs during last 2-3 years, but this was entirely new knowledge enriching one. It justified that IARF works in terms of making peace will definitely end up with positive result. Being with IARF for years together I can admit that it is "the journey from Human Being to Being Human".

This conference made us acquainted with our own brothers & sisters from different parts of the country with different religion. To be with them & learn more about their culture, their food habits, their religion IARF made away for this.

The conference began with (28/09/2011) the inaugural function where **Swamiji** from RKM in his inaugural address has enlightened us to meet our own self. He emphasized that, peace is within you, first we the human being need to understand that we all are equal. The **GOD** himself has not differentiated us than who are we to discriminate ourselves on basis of religion, caste, sex, etc.

He made me to remember the words by Norman Cousin:-"the tragedy of life is not death, but what we let die inside of us while we live"

His speech was self-realizing for me, that after belonging to different part of the same country we are here in RKM, and we can live together peacefully as we will be doing in next four days.

After the inaugural address we were being acquainted by IARF and its work with statistical data by the SACC Chairman **Dr. Thomas Mathew** were he justified the meaning of the topic for the conference "Friends in faith for Peace Action" by saying **Justice & Peace Kiss each other** where Peace is not created by suppression. He also shared his views on "10 K Nuclear Bombs for Peace" which gave me new dimension of thinking.

His session was followed by knowledge enriching lecture By **Dr. Homi Dhallah**. I find my vocabulary to be fall shorten to narrate about his presentation on "Many Faces of Peace". It was pleasure to hear such a great personality.

The day ended with sharing views on the topic "Peace activities safeguarding in daily life" by one of the colleague. I realized that the thought process of the people in the group was being changed and has shaped towards positivity by the sessions by great personalities. This was being clearly visible in words by Pranalee.

The second day again began with the experience sharing by the participants and it was clearly reflecting that the urge in the participants was increased to earn maximum knowledge. Mr. Robert the administrator-IARF has began with session where he has made us know actualization of HRD ie "Human Rights Defenders" He introduced us with the various sources from where we can began and channelize our revolution towards Peace. In his continuing session he has mention the various ways ie media, SMS, Facebook, and Twitter can play significant Role.

The session was interactive one where all the dignitaries and participants have carpeted their views on the topic. He ended saying "Activism is My Rent on Earth"

The day three was adventures were the sessions by Dr. Homi Dhallah talked about "Role of Media in Peace Actions". He stated that "Media has disproportionate Influence" it is the responsibility of human beings to use their rights WISELY.

He perfectly catered the topic to the young adults, by talking about the movies which helped in creating peace, as he portrayed in his talk, that movies could the weapon for bringing peace in the society. The discussion was being done on topic by us where questions by the participants were very well fed by the dignitaries (Adv. Shabeer Ahmed & Dr. Thomas Mathew) narrating their own real time experiences.

The visit to the dakshineshwar temple was a great pleasure for us, where I realized "ad not there been any "Narendra" turning to "Vivekananda" without the embolded touch of the divine Ramakrishna"

The visit to the SSN center was one of the learning experiences too. By this we came to the end of forth day where **Br. Albert Xaviour** felicitated us, how to carry out the HRE training programs in different parts of the country, which acted fruitful to derive our opinions & action plans in different parts we concrete roadmap.

The end of the program made all of us little sad to get departed from each other, but surely given us the ray of hope to meet again to share our experiences on the work out plans. I really want extend my gratitude to all the people who made this conference worth attending with their enriching thoughts.

I really want to thank by the way of this report to all management of RKM, for catering our requirements, all the members of IARF. Thank you so much for providing me the opportunity.

So Lastly, I want to conclude by sharing this Every one of us had the urge for peace, ability to think for everyone's good, but only thing is we have to START.

Vivekananda believed in youth, because it is only WE who can drive the world, youth has power, it has fire in it, but it is to be kindled and it is done by a family which in unbiased n enthusiastic to encourage spark in us. At IARF our cause is to work for global peace, to make people aware about rights, to make them come out of their religious bondages to make true dream of **being together and being equal.**

I am feeling really honoured to be in the air of "guru Rabindranath", to be in the pious soil of "Divine Ramakrishna" n drink the holy water That was in the flesh of "the Narendra" nothing was different in all of them they were Human Beings too...." Its just they lived **BEING HUMAN**

Joel James (RFYN-Mumbai)

Hello Everybody!

Warm and Spicy Greetings from Mumbai!

It is with great joy that I write about my experience at the IARF HRE training in Kolkata. It all started with an opportunity given by



my institute (College of Social Work, Nirmala Niketan, Mumbai) to participate in this program. With much curiosity and excitement we started our journey to Kolkata on 25th September, 2011. The 42 hour journey passing by different states of India was a significant experience out of Mumbai. Each place had something different and unique to offer and I was all the more happy to taste every bit of those little things I witnessed.

Having reached Santragachi, heading towards the venue was an adventure. A new place, different language with my luggage and the Kolkata scorching heat made me say "Wow, This is great!" and finally we reached Howrah station to witness the Historic and gigantic bridge live,

which I had only seen in Google pictures. This picturesque architecture reassures about the creativity and strength of human beings.

It was honourable for me to be in Kolkata and especially to stay at Ramakrishna Mission for this place has been historically significant during the Indian reformation movement. For the first time I was able to know more about Ramakrishna Mission, pioneered by Swami Vivekananda and its continuing legacy. The stay at the scenic campus of Ramakrishna mission in Narendrapur and the Hospitality by the brothers is worth remembering.

On the IARF note, the entire four day seminar was packed with thoughtful presentation, brainstorming interaction and fun filled environment. The core of the training was the talk on various Human Rights concerns by Dr. Thomas Mathew, Dr. Homi Dhalla, Mr. Robert Papini, Br. Albert Xavier and many other high profile dignitaries who also proposed creative strategies for intervention. The presentation instigated in me a reflective and critical thinking on the existing practice and ground realities of Human rights seen in India.

This program has given me a fantastic opportunity to meet wonderful friends from different parts of the country and learn about their culture, language and religion. The true sense of "Unity in diversity" has been reaffirmed in my life. The visit to a local community, memorable room of Swami Vivekananda, the Kali temple and the Ganges is one of the best experiences I would preserve.

My objective to attend this program was to know more about IARF, the HRE Training and the Inter faith dialogue. But this program has offered much more than my expectations for I am convinced about the need to actively participate in Human Rights Initiatives by reaching the local communities with HRE Training and Inter faith dialogue for peace. The entire tour was a complete package of learning from intellectuals, friends in different states, love and service towards humanity and commitment for a cause.

I extend my sincere gratitude to the entire IARF team in India for this opportunity and I also appreciate and acknowledge every effort by each member who have contributed and worked selflessly to make this event a grand success.

I wish all the best for the future endeavors of IARF in India.

Iswarya P.K (RFYN - Chennai)

I had a new mind opening experience which gave not only knowledge about human rights but also a perfect way how I can spread without leaving me puzzled. Right from introduction along with Swamiji his words and then it went on with Dr. Thomas Mathews Sir presentation made me know about IARFs role & peace, Dr. Homi Dhala Sir-Role of media & communication in promotion of peace, Robert Sir- UNs HRET program, Bro Albert, spread of brotherhood feel towards all his great support to us as participants. Sunil & Stephan, Mr. Asit Basu, Mr. Anand, Ms Ruma pal and visit to SSN project, Alambazar math& Dakshneswar kali temple. We got lots

of friends you gave a safe and memorable moment. My big hearty Thank for IARF for organizing this RFYN program.

Mr. Ramachandran (HRE Facilitator-Chennai)

It is in deed very good experience / observation at IARF-RYFN Meet at Kolkotta between 28th September & 1st October, 2011. 1st I remember August, 2005 about at my IARF-HRE training among with other 24 participants including Mr. Shabeer Ahmed & Brother Albert from different parts of India and Bangladesh at the same venue conducted by Mr. Minar from U.S. and as observers Dr. Thomas Mathew, Dr. Homi Dhalla and others from U.K. That was a new experience for the participants as the designing of the learning program with out much speech from trainer and that was only inducing program to the participants. After finishing the program every body was afraid to show the documentary film at their places for programs. In fact when the programs started in 2006 at Chennai and other places practically the youngsters / students were welcome the program and College authorities have very pleased to accept / welcomed the program not only IARF-HRE programs, also they allowed their big auditoriums at Chennai with A/C and other provisions to celebrate / observe the IARF Programs like Hiroshima Nagasaki day, International Peace Day, Human Rights Day etc., Some of the programs were allowed by the colleges to allow the entire college students (More than two thousand at a time) to participate and encourage the IARF organizers to continue many programs at their colleges regularly without any hesitation. Many of the programs witnessed by our beloved pioneer and good leader ship quality Dr. Thomas Mathew witnessed the program along with Mr. V. Rengapashyam, National President, IARF- India Chapter.

By this kind of encouragements IARF-SACC office organized many International programs at Chennai, Mysore and Kochi etc., His holiness Dalai Lama has also participated in one of the program at Kochi, which was highlighted through media sources to the entire world. Brother Albert also took much pain to conduct the different programs in different places for young Adults joining with RFYN successfully.

Like that the Kolkatta program was also a mile stone of the IARF-SACC for encouraging the young Adults / students from various parts of the country. The program was a successful one. All the participants were very enthusiastically participated with full involvement. The Boys & Girls were properly encouraged by the elders like Swamiji of RKM, Dr. Thomas Mathew, formerly International president, IARF & Chairman, SACC, Kerala, our beloved Dr. Homi Dhalla, I.C. Member, IARF, Mr. Robert from U.K. and Brother Albert have properly presented their power point presentation and enlightened the participant to know about various aspects and all the presentations were welcomed the training program by the participants as well as observers like Mr. Md. Shabeer Ahmed, Facilitator, Mysore, National Secretary, IARF-India Chapter and I.C. Member IARF & myself K. Ramachandran, Facilitator, IARF-HRE, Chennai, Tamilnadu. All the sessions were gone on well. As per program schedule the program came to an end on 1st October, 2011 and the participants were enjoyed the program and reached their home safely even at the time of Durga pooja (Heavy crowd & Traffic in all parts of the City of Kolkotta) as a very important festival once in a year at Kolkatta. Really it is an appreciable one.

Local organizers RKM staff, Mr. Asit Basu, Facilitator, Kolkatta, participants like Ms. Nikhat and Kitchen personnel / Security staff were well cooperative and helped / guided the participants and guests properly. IARF has already traced / found more than 5000 stars for future activities in the past six years. The Kolkatta program has also given so many involved stars for IARF.

As for as my concern if our efforts continues, definitely we will reach the goal of Swami Vivekanda one day in future, for which Unity is strength and every one to be good and do good.

Avd. Shabeer Ahmad (HRE Facilitator-Mysore)

The RFYN program at Narendarpur from 28th Sep to 1st Oct 2011, made to remember 2005 T . O . T program at the same place. It was an excellent program & the schedule of the program was also systematically arranged. Time punctuality was also maintained & discipline maintained by young adults was also excellent. The subjects taken by different faculties were very informative the power point presentations were also good. Dr Thomas Mathew Speech covered past present & future of IARF, which made the young adults to know about IARF, his power point presentation relating to HRE workshops conducted in India & a photograph shown in the PPT was systematic & he was Impartial in describing the details of HRE by us. His presence of all the four days with us is commendable, he was one like other participants in the program always laughing & enjoying & motivating young adults.

Bro Albert Xaviour you were young with young adults & an adult with adults, always running about to check everything is in order it was really an international like program. It is an asset that you are with IARF. You are both Kashmir & Kanynakumari (All in All) you are like Mysoru Mallige (Jasmine Flower) & Mysore Pak which is delicious & famous throughout country, you are like Rasgoola of Kolkata (Very, Very Sweet & Like by all). May Almighty Allah, Eshwara & Jesus Christ give you more strength & health to organize many more RFYN programs for our children. Sometimes you were naughty I really enjoyed the Three cultural activies you arranged whistling, riding motor bike (?) & balloon bursting by young adults using their __? I also participated in your cultural program along with young adults but you did give the balloon bursting opportunity to me you are really partial in this regard.

I wish you all success in your endeavor.

4. Future plans

The participants were divided accordingly state vise and had given to prepare future plan in their respected state. According to this there were six groups were formed for group discussion. There were given 20 minutes to bring the plan for RFYN and HRE future programs.

There were given three questions.

- 1. How can we organize many HRE programs in India and where and which Institutions?
- 2. How can we implement RFYN network in India?
- 3. In what are the ways can we spread interfaith encounter in our local communities?

Based on this the participants brought out following plans to be implemented in future in India.

1. HRE program

a) Andhra Pradesh

- To organize first HRE program at SSB MBA College, Puttaparthy on 10th and 11th October 2011. Expected participants 50 from different departments.
- To organize second HRE program at MDO Office (Lapakshi). The program is for teachers and students, who are sexually abused in the schools and colleges.
- To organize rally on December 10th (Human Rights Day) at Hindupur and Khammam Districts in Andhra Pradesh. Plan to invite 500 young adults for the rally.

b) Tamilnadu

- To organize first HRE program at Vellur Medical College on Nov 19th and 20th 2011. Expecting participants 50 and the age group is 18-25. The young adults Vigneswaran will be in-charge for this program.
- To organize second HRE program at Sacred Heart B.Ed college, Theni on Feb 10th and 11th 2012. Expecting participants 50 and the age group is 20-30. Bro. Stephen and Bro. Sunil will be in-charge for this program.

c) West Bengal

- To organize HRE program for the following institutions
 - 1. University, 2. Colleges, 3. +2 Schools
- To organize HRE program for the following activists

1. Councilors, 2. Committees, 3. NGOs

d) Karnataka

- Organizing HRE program in the following places after Nov 2011
 - 1. Bangalore, 2. Hubli, 3. Bidar, 4. Gulbarga

e) Maharashtra

- To organize HRE programs at SNDT University, MarineLines. In the following colleges. 1. Wilson College, 2. Nirmala Niketan College, 3. Bhavans College. Expected participants 35.
- To organize HRE programs at LAD, MSSISW, MAD, HISLOP College, Nagpur.

f) Madhya Pradesh

- To organize first HRE program at Priyatam Institute, Indore in December
- Second HRE program at Schools and Scholars yard in January.
- To organize one HRE program at Revath College, Chhindwara in the month of December.

2. RFYN and interfaith encounter programs

- 1. Inviting press and electronics Medias for our Human Rights and interfaith activities.
- 2. Inviting local Human Rights activists and NGOs for our program
- 3. Organizing interfaith festivals in problematic communities.
- 4. Having good rapport with medias and political leaders.
- 5. Tracing out communal conflict in regional level.
- 6. Introducing interfaith activities through FM radio, because most of the young adults are using FM radio wile there are free.
- 7. Having collaboration with other NGOs
- 8. Making use of free SMS scheme to introduce Interfaith activities.
- 9. Creating Blog spot and every member should have a blog
- 10. Different kinds of training programs. Not only HRE programs, but also interfaith programs.
- 11. Through Print Medias introduce interfaith activities among the young adults.
- 12. Introduce RFYN programs through Videos and youth Hangout places.
- 13. Introducing Social Network.

- 14. Organizing state level competition on Religious Freedom and Human Rights
- 15. Communication Training for orphans to make difference.
- 16. Youth Mandals and Self Help Group to reaching community organizations fro RFYN programs.
- 17. Programs for the BPOs.
- 18. Publishing Quarterly RFYN journal

5. Challenges

The young adult participants had many challenges during this RFYN Human Rights Program at Kolkata.

The program date was close to the Durga pooja, the national festival of Bengal, the entire country, people were travelling from one end to another. It was quite difficult for us to book the tickets through we tried a month before the program. Travelling three days to Kolkota from their hometowns in the hot summer days without any air-condition facilities was a challenge for them but the enthusiasm of our young adults helped them to overcome it. Most of the participants had very tuff time during their



journey towards Kolkata. The train of the Indore participants from Nagpur was eight hours late. They were sleeping in the platform from morning 10.00 'O' clock to 6.00 in the evening. The participants from Mumbai were travelling 46 hours just sitting in the train. Though they had reserved tickets, they were not allowed to sleep due to over crowded situation in the train. The meantime an indefinite strike was declared by some part of Andhra Pradesh for a new statehood made another obstacle to their journey.

While returning to home, the Mumbai and Tamilnadu participants were sleeping on the platform, because their trains arrived 10 hours later. Many of the participants travelled with many difficulties for this training program especially security of the girl participants.

6. Income & expenditure

Income

US dollar 3000 @ Indian Rupees -

13,4650.00

<u>Expenditure</u> <u>INR</u>

Travel Cost 69,037

Food & Accommodation -	32,680
Hall Rent (A/C) 4Days	8,000
Tour to IARF SSN projects, Swami Vivekananda Home, religious Places	5,145
Printing banners and Certificates	2,180
Stationeries	800
Refreshments (morning and evening)	1,300
Projects, LCD etc	2,400
Miscellaneous	3,887
<u>Total</u>	125,429

Balance Rs. 134,650 -125,429 = 9,231

- Rama Krishna Mission subsidized as a member group Contribution Rs.22,000 Rs
- Participants borne their incidental during their 6 days travel (both sides) Rs.28,089 Rs

1.	Chennai	(2 YAs)	- 1,850	7. Khammam	(1 YA)	- 1,590
2.	Tirunelveli	(2YAs)	- 2,175	8. Mumbai	(3 YAs)	- 3,895
3.	Madurai	(2 YAs)	- 2,060	9. Indore	(3 YAs)	- 3,650
4.	4. Mysore (2 YAs)		- 2,120	10. Nagpur	(2 YAs)	- 1,856
5.	Bangalore	(3 YAs)	- 2,662	11. Chhindwarah (2 YAs)		- 2,130
6.	Hindupur	(3 YAs)	- 2,850	12. Kolkata	(6 YAs)	- 1,251

Total - 28,089 Rs

Within our limited financial resources the organizers were not on a position to offer them better facilities. Here we found the SACC and the participants turned this hardship to a fellowship.

Living an ashram like Rama Krishna mission, our oldest member group in India and visiting our SSN project, given us a new vision and thoughts about Region and IARF.

With this all difficulties we have balance of Rs.10000 from the budgeted amount, thanks to Dr. Thomas Mathew. We are grateful to Rama Krishna Mission for their generosity and humble service.

The remaining 10,000 Rs will be spending to International Human Rights Day Celebration on December 10. 2011 by Young Adults in India.

Many thanks to Mr. President and all the IC members. Also thanks to Dr. Thomas Mathew, Dr. Homi Dhalla, Adv. Shabeer and Rengapashyam, and Mr. Asit Basu.

Bro. Albert Xaviour India

APPENDIX: Participants

The participant's details are ...

1. Janhvi Gupte

She is 23 years old young adult from Hindu religion and represented from Maharashtra, Mumbai. She is studying MBA final year. She has been associating with IARF since 2008. She has attended Chennai RFYN program and state level Young Adult program at Tamilnadu and also she was in congress working party and contributed a lot for the success of the congress. In 2010 SACC has selected her for Young Adult HRE facilitator training at Bangalore. She herself has organized two HRE programs in Goa and Indore.



2. G. Balaji

23 years old G. Balaji is from Hindu religion and represented from Hindupur, Andhra Pradesh. He is a very active RFYN participant and organized two HRE programs in his hometown with Bro. Albert Xaviour. He joins with RFYN since 2010 and he was selected to attend young adult HRE facilitators training at Bangalore. He has completed Master in Business Management (MBA) and doing training program in his hometown, Hindupur.



3. Br. Vincent Paul

Br. Vincent Paul is a 29 years old Christian Catholic religious Brother and represented from Bangalore, Karnataka. He is the director of Brothers Integrated Rural Development Society (BIRDS) and doing many charity works for the downtrodden. He has been with RFYN since 2009. He has attended State level program at Tamilnadu and also he has selected to undergo Young Adult HRE facilitators training at Bangalore.



4. Nikhat Saheba

She is 22 a years old young adult from Muslim religion and represented from Kolkata. She is doing her Master degree in Kolkata. She joins RFYN since 2009. She has attended IARF 33rd world congress at Kochi. She had participated many HRE programs at Kolkata and she has been assisting Mr. Asit Basu, the HRE facilitator of Kolkota to organize HRE programs in the Kolkata City. She is very active and responsible young adult doing many local level programs in the Metro



city.

5. Supriya Gupte

She is from Indore, Madhya Pradesh and a degree holder. She is 21 years old young adult from Hindu religion. She has attended two HRE programs in Indore and contributing to RFYN from 2009. She always comes forward to organize RFYN programs in Indore with her friends.



6. Shaheen Khan

She is 20 years old young adult from Muslim religion and represented from Indore, Madhya Pradesh. She joins in RFYN since 2010 and have attended HRE program in Indore. She helped Supriya Gupte to organize local level RFYN program in Indore. She is a degree student at Indore



7. Shashank Thakur

Mr. Shashank is 30 years old young adult from Christian protestant represented from Chhindrawara, Madhya Pradesh. He has graduated in tourism studies in Chhindwara and doing many charity works through his church. He joint in RFYN since 2010 and doing local level activities with branch group in Chhindwara. He works hard to bring unity among the people in his hometown.



8. Swarnali Das

She is 26 years old young adult from Hindu religion and represented from Nagpur, Maharashtra. She is doing her master degree in Social Work. She joined in RFYN since 2010 and helping Adv. Amala Rohila to organize local level interfaith programs in the Nagpur branch of IARF. She has attended HRE program organized by Adv. Rohila in Nagpur.



9. Sanjeev Swami

He is 27 years old young adult from Christian protestant represented from Chhindrawara, Madhya Pradesh. He is doing LLB (law) final year and involving many human rights activities and social work programs in his hometown. He joined with RFYN since 2010 and have participated HRE program organized by



Bro. Albert Xaviour.

10. Joel James

He is 23 years old young adult from Christian religion and represented from Mumbai, Maharashtra. He is doing his master degree in Social Work at Nirmala Niketan social work college, Mumbai. He joined in RFYN since 2011 and attended HRE program in his college. He is very active and enthusiastic young adult having great desire to work for IARF in future. Since he is studying social work, he is ready to work for IARF and RFYN programs in Mumbai.



11. Rajan Kumar Singh

Rajan is 24 years old young adult from Hindu religion and represented from Indore, Madhya Pradesh. He joined in RFYN since 2010 and have attended HRE program in Indore. He helps Supriya Gupte to organize local level RFYN program in Indore. He is working in a college as a NCC trainer.



12. Pranalee Dattatray

She is 19 years old young adult from Hindu religion and represented from Mumbai, Maharashtra. She is doing her graduation in Social Work at Nirmala Niketan social work college, Mumbai. She joined in RFYN since 2011 and attended HRE program in her college. She is doing many Human Rights activities through her college in the slums. She has committed to introduce HRE program for the slum dwellers in Mumbai.



13. Swarnabha Mitra

She is 22 years old young adult from Hindu religion and represented from Kolkata. She is doing her graduation in Human Rights. She joined is RFYN since 2010. She also participated HRE program organized by Mr. Asit Basu in RKM, Kolkata. Since she is doing graduation in Human Rights, she has decided to organize HRE program and RFYN program in her university.



14. Iswarya P.K

She is 23 years old young adult from Hindu religion and represented from Mysore, Karnataka. She is doing her post graduation in Corporate Secretaryship in Mysore. She joint is RFYN since 2009. She has attended many HRE programs in Mysore as well as in Chennai. She is originally from Chennai, but studying at Mysore. She is assisting to Mr. Ramachandran to organize HRE programs in Chennai.



15. Soundarya Sundaresh

She is just 18 years old young adult from Hindu religion and represented from Andhra Pradesh. She very active participants and have attended two HRE program organized by Bro. Albert Xaviour in her hometown. She joined in RFYN since 2010 and involved many interfaith activities in her hometown. She also brought many young adult to IARF to organize local level program in her hometown.



16. Purnimaa Giri

She is 21 years old young adult from Hindu religion and represented from Chennai, Tamilnadu. She is doing her post graduation in Anna Adarsh College at Chennai. She joined with RFYN since 2009. She has participated RFYN program at Chennai and national chapter program at Mysore. She has attended many HRE programs in Chennai. She is very helpful to Mr. Ramachandran to organize HRE programs in Chennai.



17. Triparna Maity

She is 21 years old young adult from Hindu religion and represented from Kolkata. She joined in RFYN since 2011 and have attended HRE program in Kolkata. She helps Nikhet to organize HRE program in Kolkata. She is doing graduation in English and decided to do many small level RFYN programs in her hometown.



18. S. Kausarjan Sheik

She is 18 years old young adult from Muslim religion and represented from Andhra Pradesh. She is a very active participant and has attended two HRE program organized by Bro. Albert Xaviour in her hometown. She joined in RFYN since 2010 and involved many interfaith activities in her hometown.



19. Nancy Paul



Nancy is 29 years old Christian Catholic religious young adult and represented from Bangalore, Karnataka. She has completed graduation in Electronics and communication. She is working in RFYN since 2009. He has attended 33rd world congress and has contributed a lot for RFYN program. She is also very helpful to Adv. Shabeer to organize many HRE programs in Mysore.

20. Br. Stephen Savariraj

Br. Stephen Savariraj is 30 years old Christian Catholic religious Brother and represented from Madurai, Tamilnadu. He is the Secretary of Sacred Heart Arts and Science College, and doing many charity works for the poor villagers. He is working with RFYN since 2009. He has attended State level program at Tamilnadu.



21. Deepak Aravind

He is 20 years old young adult from Hindu religion and represented from Andhra Pradesh. He very active participants and have attended two HRE program organized by Bro. Albert Xaviour in his hometown. He joined in RFYN since 2010 and involved many interfaith activities in his hometown. He also brought many young adult to IARF to organize local level program in his hometown.



22. Subabrata Roy

He is 29 years old young adult from Hindu religion and represented from Kolkata. She did his master degree in Social Work and diploma in Human Rights. He joined with RFYN since 2010. He has participated 33rd world congress in Kochi. He also have participated HRE program organized by Mr. Asit Basu in RKM, Kolkata. Since he did diploma in Human Rights, he has decided to organize HRE programs and RFYN program in her university.



23. Delip Kumar Nagotu

He is 20 years old young adult from Hindu religion and represented from Andhra Pradesh. He is a very active participant and attended two HRE program organized by Bro. Albert Xaviour in his hometown. He joined in RFYN since 2011 and organize interfaith activities in his college. He also brought many young adult to IARF to organize local level program in his hometown.



24. Br. C. Sunil Benjamin

Br. Sunil Benjamin is 32 years old Christian Catholic religious Brother and represented from Madurai, Tamilnadu. He is working as a principal in a missionary school in Liberia, Africa, and doing many charity works for the poor people. He is working in RFYN since 2009. He has attended State level program at Tamilnadu.



25. M. Bharathiraj

He is 21 years old young adult from Hindu religion and represented from Tirunelveli, Tamilnadu. He is doing his post graduation in Tamil Literature. He joined in RFYN since 2010. He has participated RFYN program at Tirunelveli. He also has attended many HRE programs in Tirunelveli. He is very helpful to



Local IARF leaders to organize local interfaith activities in their hometown.

26. Sayantika Chowdhury

She is 19 years old young adult from Hindu religion and represented from Kolkata. She joined in RFYN since 2011 and have attended HRE program in Kolkata. She helps Nikhet to organize HRE program in Kolkata. She is doing graduation in English and decided to do many small level RFYN programs in her hometown.



27. C. Swamirajan

He is 24 years old young adult from Christian religion and represented from Tirunelveli, Tamilnadu. He is doing his post graduation in Tamil Literature. He joined is RFYN since 2010. He has participated RFYN program at Tirunelveli. He also has attended many HRE programs in Tirunelveli. He is very helpful to Local IARF leaders to organize local interfaith activities in their hometown.



28. Mohiyuddin Asim

He is 32 years old young adult from Muslim religion and represented from Mysore, Karnataka. He is doing his post graduation in Mysore. He joined with RFYN since 2009. He has attended many HRE programs in Mysore He is very helpful to Adv. Shabeer and Hemalatha to organize HRE programs in Mysore.



29. Birmla Sharma

She is 22 years old young adult from Hindu religion and represented from Nagpur, Maharashtra. She is doing her master degree in Social Work. She joined in RFYN since 2010 and is helping Adv. Amala Rohila to organize local level



program in their Nagpur branch. She has attended HRE program organized by Adv. Rohila in Nagpur. She is originally from Manipur, but studying in Nagpur.

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30. J. Vigneshwaran

He is 21 years old young adult from Hindu religion and represented from Chennai, Tamilnadu. He is doing graduation in nursing. He joined with RFYN since 2010. He has attended two HRE programs in Chennai. He is very helpful to Mr. Ramachandran to organize HRE programs in Chennai.



31- Amrita Pan

She is 21 years old young adult from Hindu religion and represented from Kolkata. She joined in RFYN since 2011 and have attended HRE program in Kolkata. She helps Nikhet to organize HRE program in Kolkata. She is doing graduation in English and committed to do some local level RFYN programs in her hometown..

