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Disciples of Dehon for the Glory of the Divine Heart of Jesus

Dear Confreres in the Heart of Jesus!

July has been a significant month in the history of the Indian District, as we have had our Extraordinary Chapter to approve 2 important documents, namely **Regional Directory** as well as **Ratio Formationis Regionalis** in our thrust to become **Indian Region**. It was a **concrete moment of Synodality** and **Sint Unum** as all the participating confreres were **open to the Spirit to dialogue, to discuss, to differentiate, to deepen, to discover, to discern and to decide** for the growth and the development of our Indian Entity. We are **very grateful to the General Superior** who has guided us from afar with words of encouragement and support and for **sending Fr. Angelo, the General Secretary** to be our resource person to guide and to animate the Chapter. We are indeed **grateful to the General Secretary** for his presence and for his **valuable inputs**. The entire Chapter has been a **collective effort** involving each and every member of the District whose **contributions in shaping these 2 documents** are invaluable. During the Chapter, we could really experience the **spirit of synodality, fraternity and Dehonianity**.

During the month of July, we had the canonical visit at **CDN Scholasticate Community** which gave the members of the community to **freely share about themselves to the Superior**. And on **26 July, 5 brothers renewed their vows; 3 brothers received the minor orders as Lectors, while 8 brothers received the minor orders as Acolytes**. There was also the gathering of the **Regents at the CDN Scholasticate community** which **enabled them to review, revive and renew their formative journey as Dehonian regents**. As part of the ongoing developmental projects of the District, we are **gradually investing for the construction** of the **Dehon Ashram at Arthunkal, SCJ Retreat Centre at Nambur and Dehon Book Centre at Gorantla**. **SCJ Renewal Centre in Kumbalanghi** has inaugurated a **special spiritual formative program for the Aspirants and the postulants of CRI Cochin area**. We have also **laid the foundation stone for the construction of the Church at Dasarigudem, the substation of Sacred Heart Mission Parish at Vempadu, with the hope and trust in the Lord as well as the generous donors**. All these **progressive activities** reveal that the members of the District are **actively and effectively engaged** in various **growth oriented Dehonian Mission** as the **Disciples of Dehon for the glory of the Divine Heart of Jesus**.

Let us continue to strive to walk in the footsteps of our Founding Father Leo John Dehon whose 100th death anniversary we are preparing to celebrate soon. May his spirit be the guiding force for all of us as Dehonians with Passion for the Word and the Passion for the World.

Fraternally Yours in the Heart of Jesus,

Long live to the Heart of Jesus
Through the Heart of Mary

R. M. ————

Fr. Michael Augustine SCJ



Events

Different events of the District



Joyful Beginnings at the Allapally-Gundala Mission

As we began the mission in Gundala, Allapalli Parish in Khammam Diocese, we are very happy to serve and to be available to the needs of God's people. The month of July has been good and filled with joyful memories.

Beginning of this month, Fr. Jesu SCJ and Dn. Arun SCJ visited the families in our parish along with catechists. All the faithful were very happy to welcome us to their homes. We spoke with them and spent ample time with the families. We made a small statistic of all our Catholic families. They also expressed their problems and shared their joys with us. Altogether in the parish and substations, there are some 50 families in our parish. They are very poor, uneducated, and many are dropouts from studies due to financial problems.

There is an urgency for the spiritual needs of the community, and it's also important to understand the dynamics of this area, where many Hindus, Muslims, and Pentecostal churches are located.

We make an effort to assist the people in their spiritual needs and growth of faith among them. We lead the people to God by offering daily Eucharist, teaching catechism to the children, and visiting families in the parish and the outstations. There are regular youth animation programs and care and concern for the sick.

It was a great and blessed moment because we celebrated the Priestly Ordination Anniversary of our Fr. Jesu Prasad SCJ, and we are so thankful to God for His gift of priesthood. On that anniversary day, we administered 5 baptisms from Gundala-Muthapuram village mission place.

We also had Grandparents' Day celebration in our parish. We honoured them for their faith and values in their journey of life as Christians. There was a food distribution for all the people who came from the parish and substations.

**In Jesus Mary Joseph
Dn. Arun Gabbeta SCJ**



“I am blessed to take up the new responsibility.”

Background of the Place

Srisaila Mary Matha Parish is located deep within the Nallamala Forest, in a village called Sundipenta (also known as Sunnipenta). Situated among the mountains, the village is approximately 50 km above sea level. It was formed in the 1960s when people from various parts of India came to construct the Srisailem Dam. The power project began in 1960, and the main dam was completed in 1981.

People's Background

As construction extended over 21 years, many workers settled permanently, forming a culturally diverse and close-knit community.

Catholic Population

Officially, there are 80 registered Catholic families, though in reality, around 50 families remain. On Sundays, approximately 80–100 faithful attend Holy Mass. There is great potential to grow this number.

Distance from the City

The nearest town, Dornala, lies 60 km away. The journey to Sundipenta involves traveling 50 km through dense forest terrain, which is unsafe due to wild animal encounters. For safety, four-wheeled vehicles or government buses are recommended.

Financial Situation of the Mission Parish

With the dam's completion, job opportunities dwindled. Most residents now commute daily to the Srisailem Hindu Temple to work in satrams (lodging for devotees), perform cleaning tasks, or engage in small businesses. Farming is not viable due to lack of arable land.

Pastoral and Spiritual Activities

- Daily Holy Mass is offered.
- On First Fridays, Sacred Heart devotion is introduced with Holy Eucharistic Adoration, gradually introducing Dehonian Spirituality.
- Given the parish's dedication to Mother Mary, a special devotion is conducted every second Saturday, including a Marian Mass, procession, and Adoration.
- I offer Communion to the sick and conduct house visits for fraternal dialogue.
- The Legion of Mary is active, hosting prayers at church and in parishioners' homes.
- The Vincent de Paul group, currently inactive, shows promise for revival.

I am steadily getting to know the people and adjusting to the place. One of the most urgent challenges is water scarcity, as villagers receive water only once a week. This year marks the Silver Jubilee of our parish church, which was inaugurated 25 years ago. With no substations in our parish territory, this milestone celebration on December 8th is especially meaningful.

Please continue to support our new Dehonian mission parish with your valuable prayers.

Fr. Shyam Kumar Siddabathula SCJ
Parish Priest



Sacred Heart Parish Church, Kundra – Joypore, Koraput, Odisha

Dehonian Mission Experience

“Roots Of Grace: The Dehonian Mission Journey in Odisha”

Daily Eucharistic Life

Our days begin with the grace-filled celebration of the Holy Eucharist, followed by Eucharistic Adoration. These daily practices offer spiritual strength to both missionaries and parishioners. They are moments of silence, surrender, and a sacred offering of each day to the Heart of Jesus.

Pastoral Visitations

We regularly visit the faithful in their villages and homes. These pastoral encounters deepen our bond with the community and help us better understand their spiritual and social needs. Special attention is given to the sick and elderly, whom we support with prayers, comforting words, and the Sacraments.

Charity Through Local Support

With the generous support of local benefactors, we distribute essential items such as food, clothing, and medicines to families in need. This charitable outreach reflects the Dehonian spirit of reparation through love, service, and solidarity.

Faith Formation for Tribal Children

Every Sunday, we conduct catechism classes for tribal children. Through songs, stories, and biblical lessons, we nurture their spiritual growth and deepen their understanding of Jesus. Their joy and eagerness continue to inspire us, even in the face of challenges.

Encouragement from Visiting Faithful

Faithful from other states visit our mission and offer prayers for its growth. Their encouraging presence strengthens our commitment and creates a network of inter-state prayer and support.

Sustenance through Tribal Generosity

We gratefully receive daily assistance from the tribal faithful, especially in the form of food and other essentials. Their simplicity and generosity stand as a powerful witness to the Gospel and embody the spirit of communion.

This mission journey is a path marked by love, sacrifice, and deep communion with the Sacred Heart. It is built on mutual care and strengthened by a vibrant community spirit.

Fr. Sawon Kumar Nayak SCJ



We, Fr. Marianand SCJ and Fr. Thomas M SCJ, continue to serve joyfully in the parish, enriched by a month full of spiritual vibrance and active engagement.

Daily Eucharistic Celebration

Throughout July, we were blessed to celebrate the Holy Eucharist every day. This daily spiritual nourishment continues to strengthen our faith, foster unity, and guide our mission with grace.

Eucharistic Adoration – Sundays and Fridays

On Sundays and Fridays, we hosted Eucharistic Adoration, inviting the faithful into silent worship, reflection, and deeper intimacy with the Lord. These moments have greatly enriched the devotional life of our community.

First Friday Fasting and Prayer

On the First Friday of July, we led a special day of fasting and prayer. It was a spiritually uplifting experience of repentance, intercession, and blessing. The faithful offered sacrifices and prayers with sincere devotion for both personal and communal intentions.

Creative Feast Day Celebrations

Each feast day in July was celebrated with creativity and reverence. Liturgical decorations, meaningful music, curated prayers, and reflections brought the themes to life. Vestments and altar cloths were adorned with thoughtful designs, echoing the spirit of the saints and events commemorated.

Foundation Stone Laying – New Church at Dasarigudem II

A historic moment graced one of our substations: the laying of the foundation stone for a new church. The ceremony began with a thanksgiving prayer by Fr. Gopu Joseph Reddy SCJ, and the blessing was led by our Indian District Superior, Fr. Michael Augustine SCJ. Holy water was sprinkled to consecrate the site, and the symbolic laying of the foundation marked the spiritual beginning of this new house of worship. The event was attended by the faithful, clergy, and local leaders, filled with prayer and joyful singing. This church promises to become a Center of worship, fellowship, and faith formation for future generations a symbol of grace and communal unity in building God's kingdom.

We request your continued prayers for:

- The progress of construction guided by the Spirit
- Consistent updates and community involvement
- Fundraising and material support from faithful well-wishers

July 2025 has been rich with spiritual activity and heartfelt participation. With daily Eucharist, regular adoration, special observances, and the blessed foundation of our new church, we remain rooted in Christ and inspired by the liturgy. The stone is laid on firm spiritual ground and we entrust all that follows to the loving providence of God.

We thank every soul who stood with us, prayed with us, and walked with us in this sacred journey.

Fr. Marianand Gangarapu SCJ
Parish Priest



1.Overview: - In the month of July 2025, Dehon Tailoring Centre is in the Sacred Heart parish Vempadu in Eluru diocese. We, Fr. Marianand SCJ and Fr. Thomas M SCJ are working in the parish. Fr. Marainand is the parish priest and Fr. Thomas is the in charge for the Dehon tailoring centre. continued to focus on providing high-quality church vestments, altar cloths, and sacramental items including handmade hosts. The team showed consistent productivity and customer satisfaction through timely delivery and attention to detail.

2. Work Summary

HOST MAKING & TAILORING: -Things Made: - Chasubles, Albs, Stoles, Cinctures, Surplices, Mass Kits (C Corporals & Purificators), Altar Cloths and Altar Sever Dresses.

HOST MAKING

Small Hosts: - This is common host which is distributed to the faithful normally.

BIG HOST: - This is regularly used by the priests during the Eucharistic celebration.

SOLEMN HOST: - This is mainly used in the big and solemn celebrations and we also call it Bishop's Host.

3. Details of the Opportunity:

1. Embroidery Designs & Paint Printing

High-quality thread works on chasubles, stoles altar cloths. Custom symbols, and liturgical patterns. We have option for all the color embroidery thread. We also do durable and vibrant fabric paint designs. Creative religious artwork and liturgical symbols. Ideal for festivals, feast days, and seasonal garments. There is a Scope of Customization-like Designs tailored to the needs of parishes and clergy. Possibility of incorporating patron saints, church emblems, and scripture verses.

There will be expected benefits like that of Enhanced visual appeal and dignity of liturgical garments. Increased customer satisfaction with unique and personalized options. Additional revenue stream through value-added services.

4. SALES & DISTRIBUTION

We are supplying to Dioceses in Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, Karnataka states in India and to the oversees whether Stitching Item or Host. We are distributing to the two local Dioceses completely and other neighboring Dioceses are partially with us to get host. Finally, Dehon Tailoring Center continues its mission of serving the liturgical needs of the Church with dedication, creativity, and faith along with the woman empowerment. With consistent demand and customer's satisfaction, the month of July marked another step forward in our growth and service.

Fr. Mallavarapu Thomas Babu SCJ
Dehon tailoring Center in-charge



“Threads of Grace: Weaving A Vibrant Dehonian Tapestry”

Dear friends!

We are delighted to share with you the fruitful experiences of this month. July has been a time of grace, filled with beautiful events and enriching moments. The whole community is joyful, embracing our Dehonian family life and fraternal spirit. These diverse occasions have offered us opportunities to live meaningfully, grow in unity, and cultivate a spirit of fraternal correction. We believe deeply that the essence of our Dehonian family nurtures a sense of belonging where each person feels valued and accepted.

This month, our First-Year Degree students embarked on their university studies, while our Philosophy brothers continued their regular academic sessions. We are blessed with eight new candidates who have joined us with enthusiasm and joy. To support their formation, we have arranged English and Hindi classes with two dedicated teachers. We were also privileged to welcome Fathers from various communities. Their presence and witness were a source of profound inspiration, enabling our brothers to experience the true Dehonian spirit. As a community, we remain committed to improving our way of life and continually renewing our Dehonian identity.

**With gratitude and hope,
The Community of Dehon Vidya Sadhan
Fr. Christy Peter SCJ**



“Kindled In Communion: July’s Journey of Grace and Growth”

The month of July brought many unforgettable memories and abundant blessings. From the very beginning, our community was graced with numerous joyful events. We shared our communal life in Christ through meaningful celebrations.

One special occasion was the Feast of St. Thomas the Apostle, celebrated together with Fr. Tom Cassidy, SCJ, and our neighboring community member Fr. Thomas, SCJ. With heartfelt felicitations on their feast day, we concluded the celebration in the spirit of agape.

Our community also joyfully celebrated the 15th Priestly Ordination anniversary of Fr. Sundar Raj, SCJ with vibrant cultural programs and delicious meals. As sharers of Christ’s Eucharistic banquet, we conclude all our celebrations with a love meal that nourishes us both spiritually and physically as one body in Christ.

Another significant event was the Canonical Visit of our Delegate Superior, Fr. Michael Augustine, SCJ, and the Secretary, Fr. Moses Thanagala, SCJ. Their gracious presence enriched us spiritually and intellectually as respected authorities. As part of the district administration, they gifted us bags and t-shirts symbols of encouragement and care.

Their visit coincided with the solemn celebration of renewal by five of our brothers. On the same day, three of our scholastics received the Minor Order of Lector and eight received the ministry of Acolyte. It was a colourful day of spiritual and communal nourishment.

Fr. Tom Cassidy, SCJ offered deeply enriching and thought-provoking words, preparing our brothers for their religious commitments as well as their roles as Lectors and Acolytes.

Our CDN community also witnessed the Regents Meeting, guided by Fr. Sundar Raj, SCJ, which invoked the spirit of Sint Unum within the hearts of future Dehonians. We also celebrated the birthday of Br. Biren, who is blessed with many talents.

At the end of the month, we faced an unexpected setback during the volleyball tournament at St. Francis College. Though the result was disappointing, our shared conviction and the spirit of Sint Unum renewed our commitment to journey forward as one united community.

Wishing you all a grace-filled and joyful week.

Bro. Jose Kw, Scj



Planting Seeds of Faith in Kalhandi**Inauguration of the Leo Dehon Minor Seminary**

A new chapter began on July 1st, 2025, with the inauguration of the Leo Dehon Minor Seminary in Kalhandi District, Odisha. This marks the beginning of the SCJ presence in the region. We are deeply grateful to Most Rev. Bishop Aplinar Senapathi, CM, who generously provided us with a house to temporarily serve as our seminary.

Alongside this new seminary, we have also received a parish consisting of eight families. Their support will play a crucial role in our ongoing faith formation and community development.

At present, we are blessed with 20 seminarians coming from four dioceses across Odisha. The formation program has officially commenced, focusing primarily on English language instruction, cultivating a vibrant prayer life, and fostering strong community bonds.

Fr. Rinu Jose SCJ

The Month of July: A Time of Blessings for Our Community

The month of July has truly been a time of abundant blessings for our community. By the grace and manifold blessings of God Almighty, we were able to begin and complete several meaningful projects. Our community, Dehon Prema Nilayam, is home to five Fathers, one Regent, and fifteen Brothers.

At the beginning of the month, Fathers Mariano, Gopu Joseph, and Thampi traveled to Kerala to attend the Extraordinary Chapter of our congregation, which was convened with the intent of establishing our community as a recognized region. Spiritual growth continues to flourish under the devoted guidance of our Fathers. Their commitment to prayer life demonstrated both by their personal example and active involvement in spiritual activities encourages us to deepen our own practice. Ample time is provided for both personal and communal prayer. In particular, the Thursday group Mass serves as a cherished time to share reflections and grow together in faith.

We are equally committed to the intellectual and personal development of our students. To support this, an external teacher has been appointed to teach English, and our fathers themselves conduct classes on spoken English, the Bible, liturgy, and basic politeness.

Two notable work projects were successfully completed this month: the construction of a protective fence around our piggery, and the installation of a water pipeline to irrigate mango saplings that are yet to be planted. These efforts were carried out collectively by the brothers, who demonstrated admirable dedication and teamwork under the guidance of our Fathers. Several additional projects are already in the planning stages.

Our Regent, Brother Rusin, participated in the Regent Meeting held at the CDN Community in Eluru. On Sundays, our brothers assist in ministry with the MC Sisters, offering their support in service. Others attend Sunday Mass at our Gorantla parish. The new students are showing remarkable enthusiasm in their studies and are making consistent efforts to improve their English. Each day is filled with purposeful activities that enhance their knowledge and skills.

We continue to strive diligently to contribute meaningfully to the life of our community. With every step, we experience the gracious support of God's helping hand. We remain committed to working with dedication for the growth and flourishing of our community and congregation.

We extend our heartfelt thanks to our fathers, whose tireless efforts and spiritual leadership continue to inspire and sustain us.

Br. Rusin MJ SCJ (DPN, Gorantla)



“A New Dawn at Dehon Bhavan Renewal Center”

From July 2025 onwards, Dehon Bhavan Minor Seminary has been transformed into Dehon Bhavan Renewal Center. Our house was joyfully prepared to host a new religious formation initiative, Spirituality formation course for Aspirants and postulants, which was officially inaugurated by Rev. Fr. Antony Kattiparambil, the current In-Charge of Religious in the Diocese of Cochin. The ceremony was held in the presence of the CRI team, aspirants, postulants, and their superiors from various convents.

The Spirituality formation course for Aspirants and postulants will be conducted twice a month, fostering spiritual growth and renewal.

We are also pleased to share that Fr. Johnson, SCJ has received a new appointment from the Diocese of Quilon as Assistant Parish Priest at one of its shrines.

Additionally, we celebrated the Priesthood Anniversary of Fr. Abraham Lazar, SCJ a moment of joyful gratitude and communal blessing.

Dehon Bhavan Renewal Center Kumbalanghy



Christu Dehon Jyothi 2025–26 is a filial community of Divine Mercy Home, Velim, located in the Assolna parish. We have taken up a house for one year to conduct our aspirancy program.

Presently, we have three students: Rohit and Avishgar from Chhattisgarh, and Karunakar from Andhra Pradesh. On 3rd July 2025, Fr. Micheal Augustine, the Indian District Superior, inaugurated the program in the presence of three parish priests, religious sisters, and our lay neighbors.

Since the inauguration, we have been setting up the house with the help of friends and workers. The students have shown great interest in prayer, learning, and community work. They attend daily grammar classes, and the Father Superior conducts sessions on good manners and prayer on alternating days.

Additionally, we are nurturing them in their spiritual journey by teaching prayers, Bible stories, and basic catechism. Our focus is to help them grow in every aspect of life.

We continue to pray that the Spirit may guide us on this humble path.

Fr. Prem Kumar K SCJ



As a young boy, I used to attend the Eucharist and participate in all the spiritual activities of my parish daily. Observing my pious life, elders and friends would often say that I would become a priest, but in my imagination, I saw myself as a police officer or an actor.

After completing my 10th class, I attended a three-day vocation camp in Guntur along with some companions, intending only to enjoy the experience. Upon returning home, I told my parents that I would like to join the seminary, and they were overjoyed.

After joining the seminary, I struggled greatly especially with learning and understanding English—and I thought about leaving. After finishing my intermediate final exams, I informed my superior of my desire to discontinue. But then, I spent some time in prayer and returned to my superior to say, “I will never turn back.” He accepted my decision.

From that moment onward, I never entertained thoughts of going back home. I believed that whatever happened in my life would be for the glory of God.

There were times I felt like giving up, but praying to Jesus made me strong. Whenever I felt weak or sad in my vocation journey, I found comfort and joy in the heart of Christ. I truly believe that it was through prayer that I overcame every weakness and sadness, every problem and temptation.

I strive to discern the voice of the Lord and follow Him with courage and joy.



**In Jesus Mary Joseph
Dn. Arun Gabbeta SCJ**



Different events of the District



I thank God sincerely for all the blessings He bestowed upon me throughout the month of July. I am especially grateful for the grace of renewing my religious vows an important moment that deepened my commitment and strengthened my spiritual journey.

At the beginning of the month, I had the joy of welcoming Fr. Stan, SCJ from Macau, who visited us here in the Philippines. He stayed with us for around ten days. During his stay, he offered classes and spiritual reflections that helped us prepare to live in unity as one SCJ community in Macau. Alongside this, I continued attending grammar classes together with my Vietnamese companions. These sessions were not only educational, but also enriched our fraternal bonds and mutual understanding. I would like to briefly introduce these brothers, as we are all preparing for theological studies in Macau:

- **Br. Joseph Nguyễn Văn Hải SCJ**

- From Song Ngọc Parish, Vinh Diocese, Nghe An Province.
- Son of Mr. Joseph Nguyễn Văn Việt and Mrs. Maria Nguyễn Thị Tình.
- Holds a degree in Electrical and Electronic Engineering Technology from Hanoi University of Industry.
- Former employee at Samsung Electronics Vietnam Thai Nguyen Company Limited for three years.
- He experienced a spiritual calling during Mass and, after a year of personal discernment, joined the SCJ Congregation in 2020.

- **Br. Paul Nguyễn Văn Thịnh SCJ**

- Born on December 12, 1990.
- Son of Mr. Joseph Nguyễn Văn Cường and Mrs. Anna Vũ Thị Chi.
- Holds a degree in Graphic Design.
- Worked as an e-book designer for a year.
- His vocational path began with a personal promise to God, which matured into a desire to serve and led him to enter seminary formation.

- **Br. Francis Võ Đức Toàn SCJ**

- Born on June 12, 1991.
- Son of Mr. Võ Đức Hiệp and Mrs. Đỗ Thị Thúy Mai.
- Studied Music Education at the College of Culture and Arts.

He was introduced to the SCJ Congregation through a friend and has faithfully pursued his vocation ever since.

One of the most meaningful moments this month was the renewal of my religious vows. I am sincerely grateful to Fr. Michael Augustine Moses SCJ, and the Council for approving my renewal, and for appointing Fr. Cándido, SCJ our devoted Filipino priest to lead the ceremony. I also extend my heartfelt thanks to Fr. Francis, SCJ, a missionary from Poland currently serving in Philippines, for guiding me spiritually as I prepared for this sacred moment.

Br. Ravi Teja Madanu SCJ



Dr. Ravi Teja Madana SCS

It has been a month since I arrived in Italy to pursue my Licentiate in Dogmatic Theology. This journey marks a significant chapter in my life, both spiritually and academically. My initial days were spent in Rome, a city that is not only the heart of the Catholic Church but also a living museum of faith, history, and art. Walking through the streets of Rome, visiting the Vatican, and praying at the tombs of the saints were overwhelming experiences that deepened my sense of vocation and mission.

After my brief stay in Rome, I moved to Padova, where I am now part of our Dehonian community. Padova, with its serene atmosphere and rich academic tradition, offers a perfect environment for focused learning and spiritual reflection. The hospitality and fraternal support of the community have made me feel at home, even in a new country. I am deeply grateful to my Congregation for providing me with this opportunity and for their constant guidance and encouragement, which sustain me on this journey.

Currently, my primary focus is learning the Italian language. Each day is a new opportunity filled with challenges and joys as I immerse myself in the language and culture. Though it is not easy, I am happy and motivated to give my best effort, knowing that this foundation is essential for my theological studies, which will commence in September.

This first month has also been a time of important personal reflection. Coming from India, where we hold the tradition of Atithi Devo Bhava ("the guest is like God"), it is natural to expect a certain warmth and attention as a guest. However, when we enter another country, it is important to remember that cultural customs may differ. We should not assume that we will be treated as special guests everywhere. People may welcome us in their own ways, which might be different from our expectations. Therefore, it is essential to be open-hearted and ready to adapt to the reality of the place we are in. With humility and respect, we learn to adjust and grow, embracing both the challenges and blessings of this journey.

This first month has been a grace-filled time of transition, adaptation, and inner growth. I am grateful for this opportunity, and I carry with me the prayerful support of my family, friends, my Congregation, and my community as I continue this journey of learning and service.



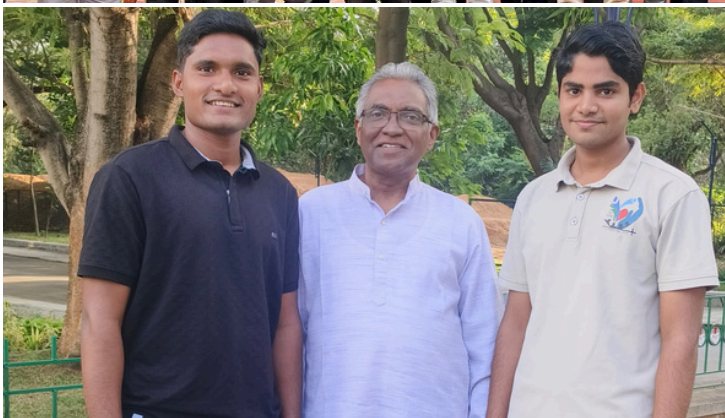
Beginning a new month July has truly been a gift from God, opening countless opportunities and abundant resources for both intellectual engagement and spiritual growth. It has been a time rich with experiences that have contributed meaningfully to my religious and priestly formation in every dimension.

Amidst a demanding academic schedule, our community still found space to celebrate the spirit of brotherhood and unity. Events such as birthday celebrations, a singing competition, and friendly sports matches brought us closer together, strengthening our bonds and deepening our shared commitment to live as one in mind and spirit. I was also delighted to meet Fr. Suprianos at DVK.

A moment of particular joy for me was my visit to CDN for the renewal of my vows. It was an experience I can only describe as a true homecoming. I was deeply moved by the genuine love, warm smiles, and unwavering support shown by our Dehonian confreres. My two-day stay there was not only refreshing but also profoundly meaningful it rekindled in me the Dehonian spirit and reaffirmed the beauty of our brotherhood within a truly hospitable and nurturing atmosphere.

The days spent with my fellow Dehonians were of immense worth and value a treasure I will always cherish with joy and gratitude. I thank God for these wonders in my life and for always shielding me with the support and encouragement of my confreres a gateway leading to the true love of Him.

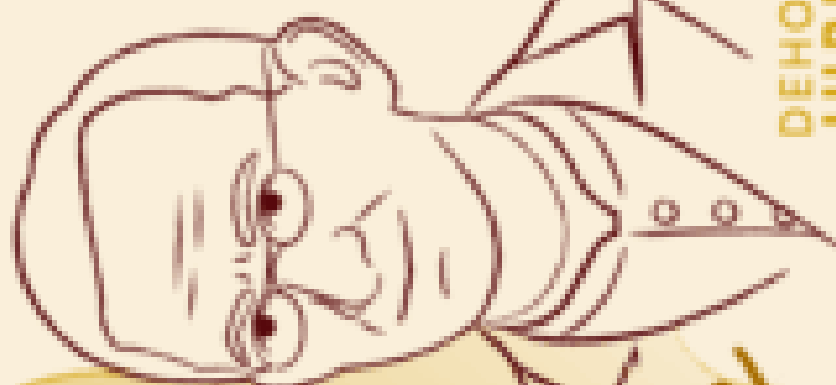
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