

Together in Mission

Nagpur: We the Sisters of the Good Shepherd from Central East India Nepal (CEIN) had a Province Assembly from 30 & 31 October 2022 at Anukampa Nivas, Provincialate, Mankapur Nagpur. 40 Sisters and 16 Partners in Mission from different parts of India and Nepal were present for the Assembly. It was the first Province Assembly for the present Province Leadership team. In the history of the province for the first time the Partners in Mission participated in the Province Assembly.

The assembly began with an opening ritual led by Sr. Rachel Leela Aruldas and Miss Sumnima, a Partner in Mission from Nepal. The music of the flute and colorful flowers symbolizing the mission lifted the minds and hearts of the participants to the Lord.

Sr. Pushpa Louis the Province Leader of CEIN in her opening talk acknowledged the presence and contribution of each participant in the mission especially for the service to women and children. She also urged them to work for the promotion of justice in all the ministries of the province and to make the Good Shepherd Core values the center of the Mission.

The Chapter Direction Statement 2019 was presented by the Sr. Shanthi Jaganathan the Province Leadership Team (PLT) member. A SWOT analysis was done on the implementation of the Direction Statement in groups. The participants felt that each member needs to make a conscious effort to move from Charity based Approach to Right based Approach in all the ministries of the province. They pledged to care for the common home. The participants challenged themselves to make every cell and heartbeat of theirs to reciprocate to the Province Chapter Direction Statement to make it a living reality.

The New Governance Structure of the Congregation was presented by Sr. Pushpa Louis the Province Leader. As the vocation to Religious Life is diminishing day by day, to face this challenge and for better administration/ Governance, the congregation has a plan to make a few regions. Consent was sought from every participant for the formation of Regions.

On the second day the Province Leadership Team presented the “Overview of the Province” for two and half years. In spite of the Pandemic the province has given their best service to the society. During the pandemic many sisters and the partners in Mission worked for the interstate workers, domestic workers and various vulnerable groups. In the fight with the pandemic the Province has also lost Sr. Zita Oliveira, a young and committed sister.

The draft of the Province strategic plan was presented by Mr. Peter Lasrado the MDO Manager CEI. The draft showed that the Province is in the process of change.

A summary of Province Sustainability Training was shared by Sr. Susanna Selvanathan the Province Treasurer and Mr. Peter Lasrado. They urged the members to work hard to make each ministry and community self-sufficient.

The Province Child Safeguarding Policy was viewed by Sr. Kala Hermanajilt, the PLT member. The congregation takes every effort to protect the children and people with vulnerability. They have redresser committees at different stages of the congregation Eg. Community, Society, Province etc. They abide by the law of the land and provide justice to the victims.

The closing ritual reconnected the participants to their Founders, mission and mother earth. They pledged to be light to the people in all their endeavors.

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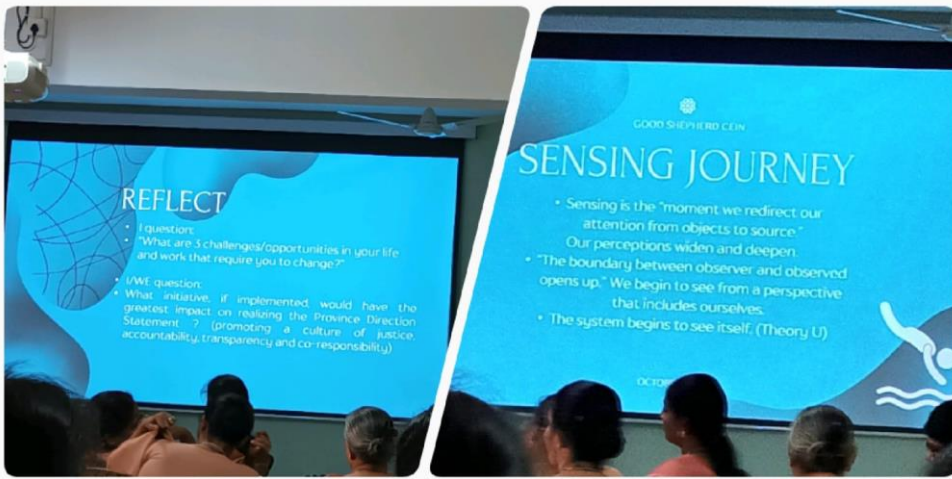
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Province over view



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Closing Ceremony

