

It's Raining Blessings in St. Xavier's Doranda

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The Year 2017 - 18 has brought a lot of blessings to St. Xavier's Doranda, in the form of accomplishments. Although we are now quite used to various features of academic and non-academic excellence, the parameters for further performances and experiences in this regard have undergone exceptional changes and innovation. For example, we do not merely now focus on teaching of the conventional and classic concepts of various subjects but we have also with time evolved a very special space for our children to help them grow in the changing scenario of our ever developing world. Not only does this space allow them to grow intellectually but it also helps them build and inculcate within them strong and healthy cultural and vocational skills.



As such, the results are all here to see for us. We have now on a regular basis begun to reap the harvest of our earnest investments. Both, within the country and overseas, our students have initiated waves for themselves. First, a group of three students: Tarush Modi, Alokit Charles Toppo and Altamas Sami, came out with astounding results to bag the **Overall Championship Trophy** in the recently held *Inter Jesuit Schools' Speech and Elocution Contest* in Durgapur, West Bengal. Among the best 16 participating schools from Bihar, Jharkhand and West Bengal, St. Xavier's Doranda, left indelible memories in the history of the iconic event.

While Tarush Modi was declared the best extempore speaker, Altamas Shami and Alokit Chales Toppo commendably ensured second and third rank for themselves in Junior and Senior Elocution Contests respectively.







Hardly had these boys soaked us in the euphoria of their groundbreaking achievements when the school most convincingly won the **Overall Championship Trophy** in the all prestigious *Doranda Old Xaverians Inter School Co-Curricular Activities Championship* held on 31 August 2017. Given the magnitude of the contests, with 32 schools participating from Ranchi, Jamshedpur and Hazaribagh, it was an awe-inspiring demonstration by the ever industrious students from St. Xavier's Doranda.



Adding to these, the two well deserving students from our school: Master Tarush Modi and Ms. Rahat have kept the legacy of victories alive by winning **National ICSE/ISC Debate and Declamation Contests** held at City Montessori School, Lucknow on 15 October 2017. Both of these students along with other talented ones from the school have incredibly compounded their efforts and interests to win this year many medals for the school at the zonal and regional levels of Bihar and Jharkhand.

Moreover, Tarush Modi along with his companion Akash Singh participated at the famous TV rounds of **INDIA TODAY Inter School Quiz Contest** towards the end of October 2017 in New Delhi.



Things don't end here however. Rather, we just restart all over again post many accomplishments of such kind. Few months behind, a delegation from the International Olympic Committee visited our school to most fittingly award us with the opportunity to represent the youth of the nation at the **International Youth Forum in Estonia**. A Team of five students from our school led by an escort teacher participated at the International Gathering of Youth in Estonia and they put up a tremendous show to be awarded medals of merit during the programme days.



The school also has an International Cultural Exchange program with Belgium. Every year a group of students from St. Xavier's Doranda goes to Belgium and the Belgian students come to Ranchi. Both the groups have a mutually enriching experience.





Bidding to become able and responsible citizens of the society, the students put in enough fervor in their interaction with the aged and the invalid of the local **Cheshire Home, Ranchi**. It was indeed a life-time experience for the students to have spent some golden hours with these distinctive people. The students, on their own, had arranged good assortment of goods and money for the noble purpose. Not only did they share their contributions with them but also blissfully communicated their concerns for them. The people at the Cheshire home were awed by the innocent but conscious response of our young children.

SXD VISION 2020



St. Xavier's School has been a Jesuit institution with one history but many stories, one fire with many sparks; it forms men and women for others, men and women who display competence, commitment, conscience and compassion.

We firmly believe that St. Xavier's is the work of God and it shall continue and excel in the days to come.

We celebrated the GOLDEN JUBILEE of the School in 2010 and continue to celebrate the legacy of 56 years and pledge to prosper with our motto, *UTSAH SIDHDHAYE (Strive to Excel)*.

We journey with dedication and determination to illuminate the minds of many with enduring wisdom. It is a march towards new directions of expansion, both academic and infrastructure. We have initiated **Vision SXD 2020**.

Though it has already made its mark in the world of education, it needs to expand so that it can cater to a larger number of meritorious as well as needy students in the days to come.

HISTORY OF THE SCHOOL

The School was established in 1960 and it has gone through certain extensions in the course of time. In 1963, a part of the present building in the Senior Section was completed while in 1974-76, the present Primary section building came into existence. In 1984, the school celebrated its Silver Jubilee and as a remembrance it added another section of the building in the Senior Section. These extensions were quite sufficient till we had only classes from KG to X.

UPGRADATION OF THE SCHOOL

In 2001, the School upgraded itself to Senior Secondary Level. It has a very good beginning. We started only with Science Stream of 2 sections and in 2006 we also added Commerce stream. Thus at Plus Two we have occupied 8 different class rooms. At the moment it is running very well.

Meanwhile, the School progressed in its performances; it could be academics or co-curricular activities. It regained its name and fame and a large number of parents are seeking admissions of their wards in St. Xavier's School Doranda. Above all, we are very happy that we are able to admit 40 to 45 percent our tribal and Christian students in the school. With this need we have increased one more sections from classes Prep to X which requires 11 additional Class rooms.

It is also to be noted that the whole structure at the moment has been sufficient enough to fulfill the needs of initial periods. Now we require better and more infrastructure to meet various needs of the students and their parents.

RATIONALE OF SXD VISION 2020

1. In the Senior Section, we have 5.15 acres of land. It has a big playground which we like to develop further. However, at the moment we require a separate Plus two building with better facilities in terms of Library, Computer Lab, Science Labs, Class rooms, Conference rooms, staff rooms, multipurpose hall, etc., for which we have SXD VISION 2020.
2. The above mentioned facilities will be made available for all the students. However, they will be more utilized by Senior Secondary Students, which are lacking at the moment.
3. Expansion is necessary to cater to a larger number of meritorious as well as needy students in the days to come.
4. We have increased one more section in each standard. It means that we need 11 extra rooms.
5. With expansion of the infrastructure we will be able to continue admitting 40 to 45 percent our tribal and Christian students in the whole of School.
6. In 2020, the School will complete its 60 Years. We would like to celebrate 2020 with gratitude with the members of the Society of Jesus, staff, students and their parents and our esteemed alumni.

NETWORKING & COLLABORATION

Our endeavor to spread our wings towards new horizons requires a consistent cooperation and collaboration. We have called upon the Members of Doranda Old Xaverians (An Association of the Alumni), and parents of our students and our well wishers within the country and outside to come forward to participate in the process of development and expansion of an institution of learning so that it can serve the nation better in the times to come. The Doranda Old Xaverians have been able to network with 2600 alumni within and outside the overseas at the moment with whom they are regularly in contact.

Based on the financial viability and the financial management, we would like to complete VISION 2020 projects in 3 years in three phases.