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OBSERVATION VISIT TO BOSCO BANGALORE



I MSW students visited BOSCO Bangalore on 1 August 2026 to learn about the organisation's work with runaway, street, and at-risk children. Students gained insight into rescue operations, rehabilitation, and coordination with child welfare authorities, deepening their understanding of child welfare practice. With over 44 years of service in child welfare, the organisation exposed students to interventions such as street presence, bridge education, vocational training, and foster care. The visit reinforced the importance of empathy, teamwork, and community participation in protecting vulnerable children.

SKILL DEVELOPMENT TRAINING ON ENVIRONMENTAL, SOCIAL AND GOVERNANCE (ESG)

A two-day training on Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) was held for II MSW students on 3–4 August 2026, led by Mr. Sourav Bhattacharya of EONARTH Ventures. The sessions built students' understanding of ESG frameworks and their relevance to sustainable and ethical social work practice. Through case examples and interactive discussions, students explored how ESG principles apply within organisations and communities. The training left the II MSW cohort with strengthened sustainability awareness and stronger professional competencies.



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GATE 2027 PLACEMENT ORIENTATION & TRAINING PROGRAMME (POTP)



Held on 5 August 2026, this session oriented II MSW students to the GATE 2027 examination and the university's placement support, guiding them on preparation strategies and career pathways. Prof. Sen B. Mathews, Director of CECR, walked students through the role of the placement cell and offered guidance on planning, study habits, and time management. The interactive format helped students engage closely with the opportunities ahead, leaving them with greater clarity and confidence.

EXPERT SESSION ON FIELD PRACTICE READINESS FOR FIRST YEAR MSW STUDENTS

First-year MSW students attended a session on 10 August 2026 with Dr. Mary Princess Lavanya, preparing them for fieldwork by covering practice methods, professional values, and essential field skills. She emphasised qualities such as empathy, communication, problem-solving, and advocacy for marginalised communities. The interactive session gave students a chance to clarify doubts about fieldwork and institutional settings, strengthening their readiness to approach placements professionally.



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EXPERT LECTURE CUM COUNSELLING SESSION ON EMOTIONAL WELL-BEING & HEALTHY CAMPUS LIFE

Held on 12 August 2026, this session with student counsellor Ms. Srija Rajaram helped I & II MSW students understand emotional well-being, campus support systems, and the counselling process. She introduced students to the university's Counselling Centre and how to access support when needed, framing counselling as a constructive step rather than a last resort. The session created a reflective space for students to consider how they navigate emotional and academic pressures on campus.



VITA NOVA 2026 – A NEW BEGINNING



Celebrated on 19 August 2026 on World Humanitarian Day, this event welcomed the new MSW 2026–2028 batch and highlighted compassion, solidarity, and social justice as core social work values. Themed "Rooted for Compassion, United for Change," the programme marked the beginning of a new academic journey filled with learning, reflection, and personal growth. The celebration served as a meaningful reminder that humanitarianism begins with compassion and grows through collective action. It concluded with a renewed spirit of unity, hope, and enthusiasm for the journey ahead.

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EXPERT LECTURE ON "SKILL UP TO SCALE UP: CAMPUS TO CORPORATE"



Conducted on 20 August 2026 for II MSW students, with Ms. Vanitha Palani, HR Director at Volvo Group, as resource person, the session focused on preparing students for the transition from academic life to the corporate world, emphasizing communication, teamwork, adaptability, and professionalism. Students were encouraged to understand workplace expectations and adopt a positive, responsible professional attitude. It left students more confident and career-ready, and received highly positive feedback from attendees.

NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON PUBLIC POLICY FOR EQUITY, INCLUSION & HUMAN DIGNITY

Held on 31 August–1 September 2026, the conference brought together 88 in-house students and 39 external delegates. Six expert speakers led sessions on public policy and governance, education policy (NEP 2020), urban governance and citizen communication, health equity, participatory governance, and law and human rights, giving participants an interdisciplinary understanding of how policy connects to equity, inclusion, and social work practice. The conference created an academic platform for examining contemporary policy challenges while facilitating interaction among academicians, researchers, policymakers, and students. It also strengthened the connection between social work education, policy research, and practical approaches to inclusive and dignified development. Feedback showed strong appreciation for the relevance, structure, and engagement of the sessions.



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