

REPORT OF THE PENSION PROGRAMME

28th SEPTEMBER 2015

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER'S CATHEDRAL

The Minority Help Desk of our parish conducted the **Old Age pension, widow pension & Senior Citizen Card camp/programme in collaboration with BMSSS** of our Archdiocese on **28th September 2015 at CYC hall from 10 am to 7.00 pm on the day one and continued the same work on 29th to 3rd of October.** The programme was a successful one with many parishes in our deanery participating in large numbers and it was kindly **approved by Very. Rev. Fr. Anthony Swamy**, the parish priest who inaugurated the programme with a prayer to the Holy Spirit and a short introduction on the importance of these schemes and encouraged all to come and receive the benefits from the government. It was his initiation and support that made this work a successful one. The **co-ordinator of the JPDC commission of our Archdiocese Mrs. Rani Elizabeth** has been in the programme fully for all these days to help our poor parishioners and the downtrodden who brought this event with major breakthrough. Along with Mrs. Elizabeth, the Office bearers of Minority Help Desk i.e., Mr. A.Victor, Mr. Alwyn Crasta, Mr. David, Mrs. Elizabeth, Mrs. Sonia and members of Women's Commission i.e., Mrs. Violet, Mrs. Catherine Agnes, Mrs. Helen Mary, Mrs. Christina, Ms. Sundari, Mrs. Selvamary, Mrs. Celine, Mrs. Susan, Mrs. Corine of St. Francis Xavier's Cathedral were the people who toiled for one week. The report of the Pension Programme on 28th September to 3rd October as follows:

Old Age Pension – 193 applications

Widow Pension – 54 applications

Senior Citizen Card – 104 applications

Along with this **Yeshasvini Health scheme** especially for the poor people which is meant for the surgery was also will be done with the help of the co-operative society members. The five member team of the co-operative society had arrived and conducted along with the other schemes with **KROSS representatives** such as **Mr. David & Mr. Keith**. The report of the Yeshasvini on 28th from our parish was **30 families and 50 individuals enrolment** which has been a positive one.

After this programme, the minority help desk also decided to work on other government schemes such as **Arivu Minority Educational loan, Skill development programme, computer courses for the dropped out children, Bidai (Shaadi Bhagya) scheme and Samashakti Micro Loans** for our people. As the meetings and discussions are held to execute for these programmes in the coming months in our parish.