

GOVERNOR VISITS MISSIONARIES & ORPHANAGES

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Governor of Goa, Shri P. S. Sreedharan Pillai [today](#) visited and saw for himself the working of various missionaries, orphanages and District Hospital Margao in South Goa. This includes Missionaries of Charity, Fatorpa in Quepem Taluka; Lar De Santa Terezinha, Pajifond Margao; Mattruchhaya Balika Kalyan Ashram, Gogol, Margao and District Hospital, Margao. Earlier in the morning, the Governor visited and took blessings at Ayyapa Temple, Vasco.

Speaking on the occasion, the Governor said that he would visit various social organizations working in Goa in the next two months to know about their problems and issues. He said he is happy to meet the special people whose care is taken by almighty God. After taking charge as the Governor of Goa while interacting with many people at Raj Bhavan, he was inspired by these type of institutions running in the State. These institutions are working hard and sincerely take care of humanity. Service to the people is considered as service to God. Culture of our country is "Sarva Dharma Sambhav" meaning all religions are equal. Ours is the country which welcome and respect every religion and works together keeping in mind that human being is the only religion which should be given importance he said.

Life is very short and one persons activities are accessed by the almighty he said. Raj Bhavan with the coordination of Union and State Government will try its level best to help the institutions which takes care of humanity he said. He appealed to the inmates and management to visit Raj Bhavan once the situation of pandemic ends. Praying to God to give peaceful life to inmates, sisters and everyone who serve the humanity, he said they will be protected by God. He further said Goa is a developing State. People's representatives of the State are dedicated to the downtrodden and are at the service of the people. Governor also shared his experience of being as Governor of Mizoram while interacting with students.

Responsible citizen should reach to the downtrodden and weaker section of the society to give them helping hand in whatever way one can, he said. Underlining the word orphanage which is used for convenience he said nobody is orphan in our country. Service to the needy people is the service to the nation he said. He said he is more interested to go to the people. Good modern medical facilities are provided by Government in the State he said. Discretionary fund will be increased by Raj Bhavan in the near future, he said.

Governor was welcomed at Missionaries of Charity, Fatorpa by Deputy Chief Minister, Shri Chandrakant (Babu) Kavlekar. South District Collector, IAS, Smt Ruchika Katyal; Deputy Collector, Quepem, Shri Nilesh Dhaigodkar; Mamlatdar, Quepem, Shri Laxmikant Desai were present on the occasion. Parish Priest, Fr Jose Fernandes welcomed.

Shri Kavlekar while speaking said sisters take good care of every inmate like their own family member. The Sister's work at the missionary is real service to God he said. Registration Certificate registering the institution with Social Welfare Department was handed over to the management of the Missionary.

While welcoming at Lar De Santa Terezinha, Pajifond Margao Director, Fr Silvester Dsouza said their institution which was founded in 1947 is the oldest orphanage in Goa which is managed by Carmelite Monastery. Presently there are 34 inmates in the age group of 18 to 34 he said. MLA, Shri Digamber Kamat;

Additional Collector, IAS, Shri Sanjit Rodrigues, Fr Ronaldo D'souza and Fr Jeevan were present on the occasion. Professor Joan Rebello compered. Inmates presented action songs and dance.

At Matruchaya, Balika Kalyan Ashram, Gogol Margao visit he was welcomed by President, Matruchaya, Shri Srinivas Dempo. MLA, Shri Vijay Sardesai was present on the occasion. The Matruchaya which had started with 5 inmates now has 24 inmates. Financial assistance under Raj Bhavan discretionary fund for diallyses patient and orphanages were handed over to the beneficiaries at the hands of the Governor.

MLA, Shri Sardesai appreciating Governor's visit to orphanages, he said New challenges like covid needs newer vision.

At District Hospital, Margao Governor was welcomed by Director, Directorate of Health Services, Dr Ida Almeida. Medical Superintendent, Dr Deepa Corriea was present on the occasion.

Secretary, Governor, IAS, Shri Mihir Vardhan accompanied Governor in [today's](#) visit.

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