



PRERANA AT SNEHALAYA

In line with Prerana's monthly Social Service Initiative, members of Prerana visited Ila Snehalaya on 17/11/2015. The visit was planned by Rashmi Nazary, Ruby Prasad, Dr. Bindu Goel and Pallavi Sahu. Set amidst vast open grounds, Ila Snehalaya currently houses children of Jyoti Snehalaya as well. So together there were 60 children. The Snehalaya homes in Guwahati are under the Don Bosco Outreach Program. Presently, Father Thadius is the Director of Snehalaya.





Members of PRERANA with the children of SNEHALAYA

It was a one-of-a-kind experience, interacting with the children there in the age group of 6/7 years to 17 / 18 years. There was such radiance in those little faces as they sang for us and told us about their daily time schedule. They even did an energetic 'thank you clap', tapping shoulders and knees, and stamping their feet! All of them go to school and are given lessons in the performing arts as well. They looked well taken care of and loved. This seems to have fostered in them a beautiful sense of belonging and confidence. This was obvious from the way they so unhesitatingly interacted with us and grinned and posed for photographs.

Members of PRERANA took snacks for the children and staff of the home as a token of their love. For us, it was a moment of joy as well as deep contemplation. Joy, because we could spend a few precious moments with these little children who didn't know where they came from but surely knows where to go from here. Because they showed desires to go on to become doctors and teachers. Contemplation, because of the cruel game destiny plays with these innocent children. We came back with so much love from them in our hearts. They need someone to smile with, can't we be that someone?





A most satisfying experience for PRERANA

Inputs from Rashmi Nazary

