

All India Coordinators meet at Anaikkatti - August 2010

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AIM for Seva arranged for an All India Coordinators meet at Anaikkatti on 27th and 28th of August, 2010. 24 Coordinators, who are managing many of the Projects all over the country, attended the Meet and took active participation in the deliberations. On the first day, the inaugural address was delivered by Swami Sakshatkruthananda Saraswati of Arsha Vidya Gurukulam, Anaikkatti. He expressed that such meetings help to understand mutually the problems faced by the field set up and the Administrative office. Smt. Sheela Balaji, Managing Trustee and Secretary, AIM for Seva welcomed the gathering and observed that the Administrative Office is a facilitator for the field set up.

All the participants elaborately narrated about the institutions under their management, achievements by the students in the Chatralayas and also the problems to be solved. Lot of suggestions were made about fund raising, enlisting the co-operation of the parents, the teachers associations and local bodies. Pujya Swamiji's observation that NOTHING IS WASTE in God's creation was well-understood by some of the Chatralayas and implemented through bio-gas plants, solar lighting, vermiculture and preparation of natural manure for plants etc. The Secretary desired that this may be replicated by all the Institutions of AIM for Seva.

There was also a suggestion from a few participants that the students, who remain

with us upto 10th or 12th standard, are to be further provided with free shelter and food during their diploma courses etc, in selected cases, where the family is not able to meet the expenses. It was decided to take a final decision on this before the next Meet, taking into account the financial implications. On the second day, Shri R. Ganesan, Hon. Adviser and Retd. Secretary to Govt. of India, addressed the meeting with power point presentation about streamlining the functions and futuristic view of the Organisation.

Some of the other Staff Members from the Administrative Office presented articles on the topics like proper administration, necessity for submission of monthly accounts by each institution, liaison with Govt. offices, donor relationship and how to make a consumer into a contributor etc. Action points emerged as a result of the Meet was listed out and remedial measures were explained by the Secretary.

To facilitate easy and speedy communication between the field units and the Admn. Office and also to update the website information with relevant photos, it was agreed to provide a PC with broadband connection to each field unit and a camera to each Co-ordinator. Shri R. Balasubramanian, Chief Administrative Officer, Anaikkatti projects proposed a vote of thanks. The inmates of AIM for Seva Chatralayas at Anaikkatti presented two tribal group dances and this was quite enjoyable.