13. Tribal development program "Rajura village" Maharashtra



Rajura is a small village 12 kilometers away from the town. There are no health facilities in that village. They have to travel 12km even for the minor health issues. They all live in huts and do not have organized life. At the request of Bishop of Amarvati Diocese we have launched into social and health ministry in Rajura village on 21-06-2017. At present two sisters are working along with Sr. Tessy John.

13.1 ACTIVITIES AT RAJUA

- Visiting the families.
- Teaching English to the children
- Conducting study hours from 8:30 am to 9:30 am
- Medical care
- Conducting prayer in the families.
- Praying Rosary everyday with children and a few adults.
- Teaching Mass songs and action songs.
- Taking class on moral values; cleanliness, health and food.
- Sunday class is conducted for all the children.

13.2 DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMMES AT RAJURA

- Our sister is trying for their rights and to avail benefits of the Govt. for the weaker sections.
- They had meeting with authorities, sarpanch and other Govt. regarding the construction of Pacca houses. And they were asked to submit the Aadar and house tax receipts very soon they will be getting their residence certificates. So the total finance will be spent by the Govt. for the construction of houses in the village. Now the work is in progress.





• Our sister has taught them to save money every week Rs. 100 by 25 families. After a week anybody can take the money for their need through lucky draw.



- Our sister have found a girl named Venkata lakshmi 19 years old who belonged to Rajahmundry at Akola jail. Sr. kumari studied all the details about her and met Govt. lawyer regarding the case. They are trying to get bail for her. At present our sister are working on the bail process of the girl.
- \bullet , Guntur province is supporting for the maintenance of the community. She is also providing uniform for all the children at Rajura village on 27^{th} and 28^{th} Dec. 2017.
- Charismatic retreat was organized by our sister at Rajura village headed by Br Alex muthangi retreat center.
- On Christmas day after the Holy Mass common meal was arranged for all of them.

13.3 **Conclusion**:

The people are very happy with the presence of our sisters in the village. Our sisters too are happy to serve them as they are needy people looking for someone to look after them.