



**VIDES**  
**AUXILIUM COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS)**  
(Accredited by NAAC with A<sup>+</sup> Grade with a CGPA of 3.35 out of 4 in the 4<sup>th</sup> cycle)  
Vellore, Tamil Nadu – 632 006



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**Activities Carried Out:**

**2023 - 2024**

Date	Event	Details
21/01/2023	Participation in the Celebration of Christmas, New Year & Pongal	<p>On January 22nd, the VIDES members, about 20 of them, went to Don Bosco Youth Centre at 4:30 p.m. to celebrate the triple occasion of Christmas, New Year, and Pongal for students from various study centres established in and around the village. The program was organized by Bro. Lucas, with students being accompanied by Sr. Dhanya. Rector Fr. Sundar Francis, SDB, along with the Don Bosco community, arrived at 6 p.m. One of the village students warmly welcomed the guests of honour and everyone present. Fr. Sundar appreciated and thanked Bro.</p> <p>Thus, the VIDES members contributed the things to the needy around them and volunteered themselves in and around the campus and contributed towards a better society.</p>
02.07.2023	43 <sup>rd</sup> General Body VIDES Meet	<p>About ten students, along with Sr. Venci X., the local coordinator of VIDES, went to St. Mary's Convent, Vellore, to participate in the VIDES General Body Meeting. Sr. Sirumalar, the Province VIDES delegate, organized the meeting with an input session and plans for the Silver Jubilee Celebration of VIDES, which originated in our province. After registration, the meeting began at 9:15 a.m. with a prayer service, followed by an introductory talk by Sr. Sirumalar. The first session was led by Rev. Fr. Sagayaraj, SDB, from St. Joseph's Home, Katpadi. After lunch, the session was led by Sr. Regina Mary, the animator, who emphasized the important objectives of VIDES and encouraged members to reach out to the needy voluntarily and with a generous heart.</p>

05.07.2023	Introductory Meet – Selection of Leaders	As the academic year 2023-2024 has just begun, the members of VIDES from the 1st and 2nd years gathered in front of the auditorium for the first meeting with enthusiasm and zeal to plan the year's activities. The leaders for the upcoming year were selected by the group members under the guidance of Sr. Venci X., the coordinator. Ms. Yamini A. - III B.Sc. Mathematics was chosen as the President, and Ms. Divyadharshini E. - III B.Sc. Bio-Chemistry was selected as the Secretary from the evening hostel for this year. As the VIDES movement celebrates its Silver Jubilee, the origin and objectives of VIDES were explained to the members once again to help them understand and remain committed to the cause, always ready to render voluntary service when needed.
12.07.2023	Inauguration of Groups and Movements	The inauguration of Groups and movements for the academic year 2023-2024 was held at 8 p.m. in the auditorium. Sr. Mary Josephine Rani, the animator and secretary of the college, was the Chief Guest of the day's programme. Sr. Switha D., the Youth Pastoral co-ordinator, organized the groups for taking their pledge and conducted the prayer service meaningfully. Thirty-two first-year students who registered their names in Vides came forward to be members of VIDES. They pledged themselves by taking an oath to be a volunteer in VIDES. Sr. Josephine Rani, the chief guest of the programme, concluded the inauguration of groups with her message to the students who have taken the promises.
24/07/2023	Visit to Rural Don Bosco Youth Centre	The VIDES group members went to T.K. Puram Don Bosco rural centre to visit the people and the children in the village. The students were guided by Bro. Lucas and Sr. Venci X., the first visit began for this academic year on 27th July, 2023, and continued on all Saturdays. This year, the VIDES adopted four villages, namely, T.K. Puram, Vanjur, Senur, and Thirumani, around the Don Bosco rural study centre directed by Bro. Lucas, from Don Bosco School, as their service was needed to coach the weak students who are studying in Government schools. About 40 students from shift I and shift II were taken for the village visit to coach the children in these 4 villages. They were always accompanied by Sr. Venci, the VIDES co-ordinator. After the visit to the villages, they returned to the Rural Don Bosco Youth centre, and the students played with the little children and made them happy. They were provided with tea and snacks by Bro. Lucas.

10.09.2023	Blessing of the New Grotto at T.K.Puram	The VIDES members went to Don Bosco rural study centre, T. K. Puram, for the blessings of the new grotto with Our Lady of Velankanni built in the campus of the study centre, T. K. Puram. The programme started around 6.30 a.m. with the Holy Eucharistic celebration by Rev. Fr. Sundar Francis, SDB, the Rector of Don Bosco, Gandhi Nagar. The other priests from the Don Bosco community and St. Joseph's home joined for the celebration. After the mass, all were gathered in front of the grotto for the blessing and the opening of the new statue of Our Lady of Good Health. Fr. Solomon, SDB, the senior priest, solemnly blessed the statue and opened it, and the whole crowd sang the praises of Mary, singing, 'Ave Maria'. The students from VIDES performed a dance praising the name of Our Lady of Velankanni, which added significance and meaning to the celebration.
22.11.2023	Blood Donation Camp	The VIDES, in association with the Women's Cell, organised a blood donation camp on 22nd November 2024 in collaboration with Christian Medical College, Vellore. As blood donation is an important act of social service, the opportunity was open to all the students of the college to come forward to donate blood to save the lives of people who are most in need. It was held in Cesira Hostel from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The doctors and the nurses were available to check their fitness and to guide the students for the donation of blood. A total of 100 students volunteered, and out of which 53 units of blood were collected as they were chosen fit to donate blood. We extend our thanks to Ms. Priyanka and Dr. Arthi for the impeccable service that they rendered. HDFC Bank sponsored lunch bags, which were given to all the blood donors who selflessly volunteered to contribute to this noble cause for building a healthier world.
26.11.2023	Zonal VIDES Meet	The VIDES zonal meet was organized by Sr. Sirumalar, the Province VIDES delegate, today at Auxilium Home. About thirty-five VIDES members, along with Sr. Venci X., the local co-ordinator of VIDES, went to Auxilium Home at 8.45 a.m. to participate in the meeting. The meeting began with the invocation to God, followed by the welcome address given by Chennammal E., our unit member. Sr. Sirumalar then addressed and felicitated the resource person, Rev. Fr. Balasingam, SDB, and welcomed him to begin the session. Fr. Balasingam started his session with some questions for the understanding of oneself. Then the expenditure of Silver

		Jubilee has been read by the Province VIDES delegate Sr. Sirumalar, followed by the Silver Jubilee report by Sr. Jayapriya, the province co-ordinator. Then each VIDES group presented activities done during this year. Then we discussed VIDES vizha malar, Sr. Celine Gaspar, the animator of Auxilium Home, gave the concluding talk motivating our VIDES team. Then VIDES Our Father has been sung and the Zonal meet was concluded with the vote of thanks expressed by Sr. Maria, St. Mary's Convent VIDES co-ordinator.
17.12.2023	Participation in the Celebration of Christmas with the children of Nambikkai Illam	We, the VIDES members of Auxilium College, along with the members of Auxilium Home, went to the Christmas Celebration. The Christmas Celebration was held in the Auxilium School campus for the poor students who were chosen from the elementary school, and their families were held in our Auditorium along with the Auxilium School VIDES Unit. Sr. Mariadoss Amala, the Animator of Auxilium School, was invited to be the chief guest of the day's celebration. The Vides students performed a short cultural programme beginning with a prayer service, portraying the birth of Jesus with a live crib. It was followed by the carols and dance by our students, which conveyed the message of Christmas. We then distributed the clothes to the students, which were contributed by the students through monthly subscription and Vides members of the Auxilium Home unit. The programme concluded with a vote of thanks, and the children were provided with tea and snacks. The whole programme was organized by the unit coordinators.