

BUILDING COMMUNITIES

Bishop Azariah College, South India

Providing tribal communities with education

‘One of challenges of rural young girls in India is early marriage and often they are forced to marriage by their parents. Pursuing higher education will help prevent them from early marriage’

Subash Chellaiah, Link Officer for Asia & Oceania



India factfile

Capital: New Delhi

Languages: Hindi, English and at least 16 other official languages

Religion: Hinduism, Islam, Christianity, Sikhism, Buddhism, Jainism

Export: Agricultural products, textile goods, gems and jewellery, software services and technology, engineering goods, chemicals, leather products

Life expectancy: 63 years (men), 66 years (women) (UN)

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Bishop Azariah College in Dornakal is the only college in the Diocese of Dornakal, Church of South India (CSI). There is no other degree college within a radius of 30 km. The college was established with the objective of providing education to both Christians and non-Christians in the village where no other college or school exists. The college is named after Bishop Azariah, an indigenous missionary and the first Indian CSI Bishop.

Bishop Devamani says ‘most of the young girls studying in our college belong to Banjara Tribal community. Evidently parents are not allowing their young girls to travel

either in a bus or train to reach either of the two towns of Khanmmam and Mahabubabad which are about 30 km away from Dornakal to pursue their studies at Degree level. The college is much needed among Banjara tribal communities and also for those who can't afford their education outside Dornakal.’ The college is at present striving to improve its infrastructure so that it can extend the range of subjects it can teach. Your donation through USPG will provide funds towards new buildings for classrooms, labs, equipment for labs, library books, furniture for classrooms and drinking water facilities within the college.

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