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**Sharing IBVM News:**  
**February 2010**

**Mary Ward Development Centre  
– Meeting - 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Feb 2010:**

- ✧ *On the 5<sup>th</sup>, the new MWDC Office was inaugurated with a beautiful inaugural dance by the Juniorate Sisters to the song of “Lead us on Mary Ward”.*
- ✧ *Input sessions were held on the two days, giving practical guidance on how development can take place by creating social awareness among students and using the school as a resource centre.*
- ✧ *Sr. Margo Mulvey, who is presently working in the Mary Ward Development Office, is going around houses/ schools to get acquainted with our communities & ministries and to document the good things that are happening in each place. Margo is willing to assist with suggestions and practical help, where needed.*

**Bhopal: International  
Congregational Juniorate  
programme, Tanmaya:**

*Despite the hazards of travel to and from Bhopal, I was happy to have spent a few days in Tanmaya, to see the effectiveness of the programme being conducted there, and especially to meet and share with our sisters, Shanta and Subhashini. We had some very fruitful conversations, and I really appreciate what Tanmaya is doing to challenge the participants to greater excellence, maturity, and self-confidence.*

**Appointments:**

- ✧ *UN NGO Office: Sr. Anne Kelly, from Australia, has been appointed to the UN NGO Office in New York, w.e.f. mid May.*
- ✧ *Casa Loreto, Rome: Sr. Monica Mc Elwee, from the Irish Province’ will replace Sr. Mary Farrell, as a member of the Casa Community, in end March.*

✧ We congratulate **Sr. Monica Affonso** on her re-appointment as Regional Superior in Darjeeling Region w.e.f. June, and **Sr. Tressia Aricatt** as Provincial Leader – Indian Province w.e.f. Sept. Our prayers, support and good wishes are with them!

**Blue Hope:** This was the title of a novel presentation made by Loreto Delhi on 'Water' - its creation, use and conservation. The theme may sound academic, but the presentation was just mesmerizing! We have been informed that this programme is being featured in the calendar of events of the UN for World Water Day for the year 2010. Congratulations to Loreto Delhi on this effort to create awareness on environmental issues!

Perhaps you will have read that there have been terrible floods in Peru, earlier this month. Also, preserving the rain forests of Peru becomes a major concern of environmentalists.

**Welcome back** to:

**Sr. Anita Braganza**, who returned to India on 18<sup>th</sup> Feb.

Unfortunately, Anita has arrived with a germ that has had her down and out of sorts since her return. The germ has since been diagnosed as Jaundice. Get well soon, Anita!

**Congratulation to:** Sr. Cyril Mooney who has been offered an Honorary Doctorate in Education by Trinity College, Dublin. The degree will be conferred on her on December 10<sup>th</sup> 2010.

**RIP:** We extend sympathy and prayers to:

- ✧ **Sr. Irene Ribeiro**, on the demise of her sister-in-law, Christine, and to:
- ✧ **Sr. Yvonne Gomes**, on the recent death of her aunt and Godmother.
- ✧ Relatives & friends of **Pauline Reid**, former ibvm member of Indian Province.

**Community Leaders' Meeting:**

This is to announce that the Meeting of the Community Leaders will be held in October, during the Puja holidays. Community Leaders, keep your calendar free for these dates.

There will be no Province Meeting in December this year.

**Birthdays in March**

10<sup>th</sup> Sr. Euphemia  
10<sup>th</sup> Sr. Christine Coutinho  
12<sup>th</sup> Sr. Ballika Pal  
22<sup>nd</sup> Sr. Claire McFarland

**In union of love and prayers,**  
*Mantoinette Rodrigues*