

Report on release of Baha annual magazine, published by Binapani Ashram:

The annual magazine, Baha, a Binapani Ashram publication, was released at Boi-Chitra exhibition hall on the second floor of College Street Coffee House on 23rd July, 2015 at 6pm. Dr.S.Bhattacharya, Publisher of Baha and Chairman of Binapani Ashram explained the involvement of their institution in propagation and development of formal education for the tribal community and the underprivileged to the audience. He also discussed how the publication (Baha) enables the organisers to bring and connect a large number of educated people to come under the *umbrella* of Binapani Ashram. This creates an opportunity for the people to think for the poor & hapless, who dream to go to school. Four ashram girls, led by their mentor Smt. Manjusree Saren virtually mesmerised the audience through presentation of Tagore songs. The listeners applauded at the wonderful translation and rendering of Tagore songs in Santhali language. Sri Barka Saren, the founder settler of Binapani Ashram translated 25 Tagore songs in Santhali so far. Manjusree extended thanks to the friends of Binapani Ashram, who came forward to help the children to educate themselves. The meeting ended with literary discussions by three eminent teachers from different universities.

Report on Briksharopan-Varshamangal Utsav, 2015 at Binapani Ashram:

Binapani Ashram celebrated Briksharopan-Varshamangal Utsav at its Ashram premises on 26th July, 2015. Following ashram tradition, the organisers rewarded the resident school going girls and day scholars for their success in the last Madhyamaik and Higher Secondary examinations. The Trust authority congratulated the students and also extended thanks and gratitude to the large numbers donors who contributed money prizes for the students. Binapani Ashram and its friends are extremely happy to see that Subhashini Kisku, a Madhyamik passed student became the topper from her school and bagging three letters marks in Bengali, Life Science & Mathematics. CONGRATULATION SUBHASHINI!!!

During the second part of the programme, the resident girls in association with the ashram friends performed Varshamangal (monsoon celebration) with Tagore songs and dances. The organisers were extremely pleased and surprised to find Dr. Binayak Sen, an internationally famous physician and human right activist among the dignitaries. Sri. Supriya Thakur, former Adhyaksha of Patha Bhavan and an ashramite graced the occasion as Chief Guest and Prof. Asit Kumar Chakraborty, the V.C. Of Bidhan Chandra Krishi Viswavidyalay presided over the function. Prof. Pranab Kumar Chatterjee, former Prof. of Agriculture, BCKV participated as Guest of Honour. Dignitaries praised the organisers for addressing the problem of education for the tribal children and the economically weaker section of the society. They showered good wishes and blessings for the bright and smiling children and senior girls. In response to the request by the organisers, Dr. Binayak Sen expressed great satisfaction and appreciation for the marvellous way of educating the children. And instead of a long speech he took the help from Rabindranath Tagore and sang...’marer sagar pari debo-go.....’Smt. Manjusree in her concluding note thanked the audience, the participants, all donors and well wishers for their whole hearted support for Binapani Ashram. She emphasized the need to stand by the poor tribal community and the economically backward people to enable them cross the threshold.

