



# **Empowering Rural Youth thro IT Education & Services**

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Yelagiri Hills**



# Our Intervention

## Empowerment of the Rural Youth through Professional Education

- High intellectual potentials in rural India with lack of opportunities to develop due to many constraints (economic, social, gender, geographical....)
  - Information Technology is a powerful mediator
  - Identify the suitable candidates and provide quality education which blends knowledge acquisition with skill development and exposure to industry
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# True Education Transforms!

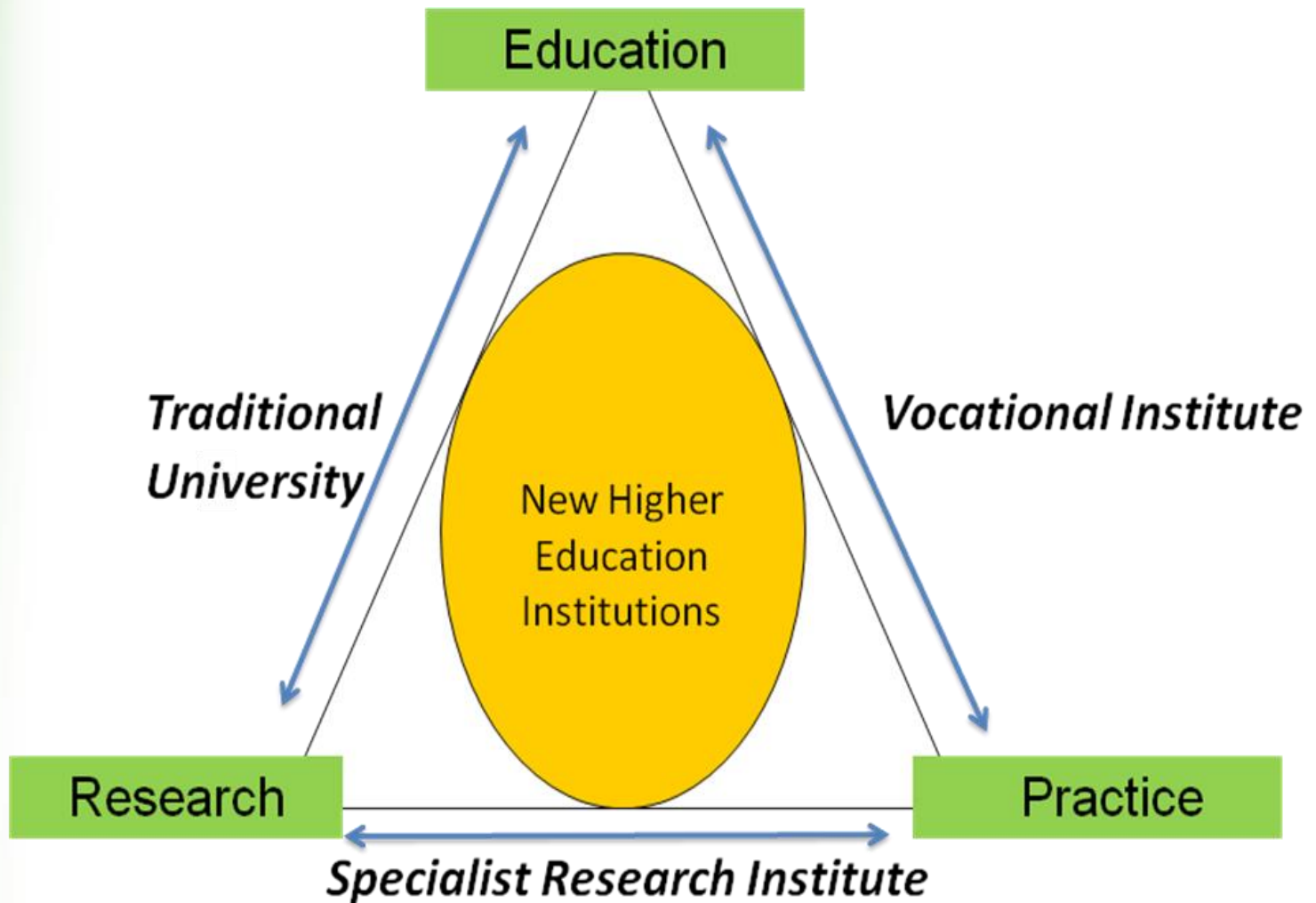
*Whatever I am today, I am because of the education I received. (Dr Manmohan Singh)*

*If all were well with our educational institutions, all would be well with the nation.*

*Educational institutions are the temples of knowledge; the agents of social change and transformation. (Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru)*



# Adopted Higher Education Model



# BICS InfoTech – a DB Enterprise



- A **Don Bosco enterprise** for education, training and placement of rural youth in IT sectors
- ISO 9001 certified organization
- Established in 1998 with the patronage of Fr Francis Guezou SDB



# BICS InfoTech Centres (2001)



**BICS InfoTech**

**BIIT**

*Education*

**BOSCO ITS**

*Technology*

**ARIVAGAM**

*Knowledge*

**IGNOU**

*University Degree*

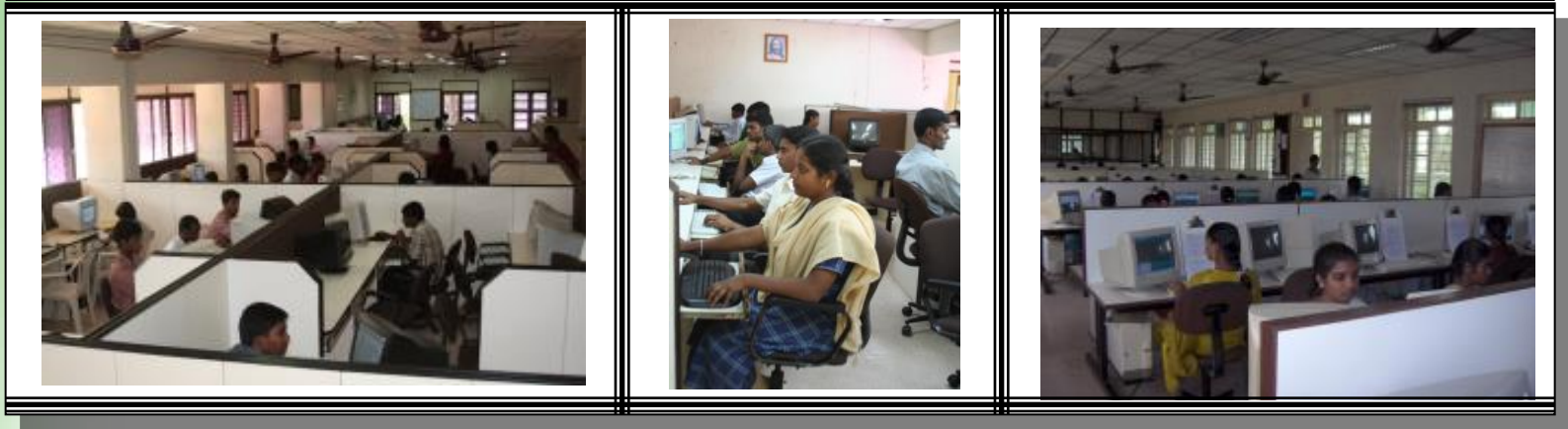
# BIIT – Professional College

**Bosco Institute of Information Technology (BIIT)**  
BIIT is the Professional Education College of BICS InfoTech offering employment-oriented technical education to the rural and underprivileged youth.





## **Bosco InfoTech Services (BOSCO ITS)**



- **Software Development and Training Centre**
- **IT services to corporates, education, health care, NGO and government organizations**
- **On-job training to the students who pursue their post-graduate studies (MCA) in IGNOU.**



# Arivagam

## *Knowledge Resource Centre*



**Single Platform to consolidate and access  
all knowledge resources  
of BIIT, BOSCO ITS and BICS stakeholders**

# Our Empowerment Process



Identification

Selection & Admission

Education & Training

Industrial Practice/  
Placement

# What We Did?

## Identify Students

- Entrance Exam
- Interviews
- House Visits
- Selection



## ❖ Education and Training

- Intensive English Programme
- Campus Language Enforcement
- Skill Development Courses
- Life Skills
- In-House Projects
- Spiritual, Social & Cultural formation



# What We Do?

- **Industrial Exposure @ BOSCO ITS**
  - Industrial Placement
  - Continuing Education (Higher Studies)
  - Professional Practice
  - Project Involvement
  - Professional Contribution





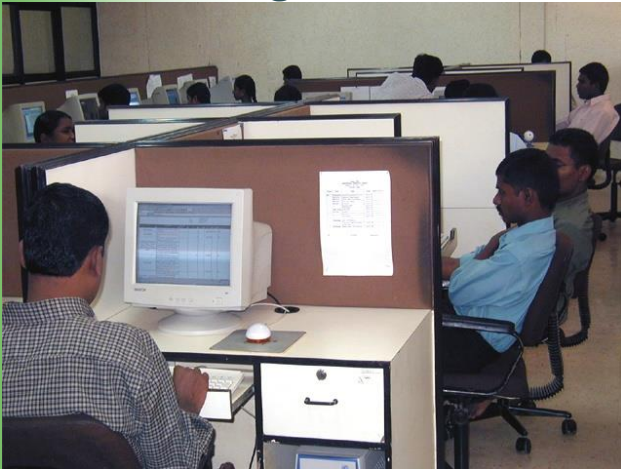
# Result – Personal Transformation

## People for IT Turf

- Educated
- Experienced
- Empowered
- Enlightened



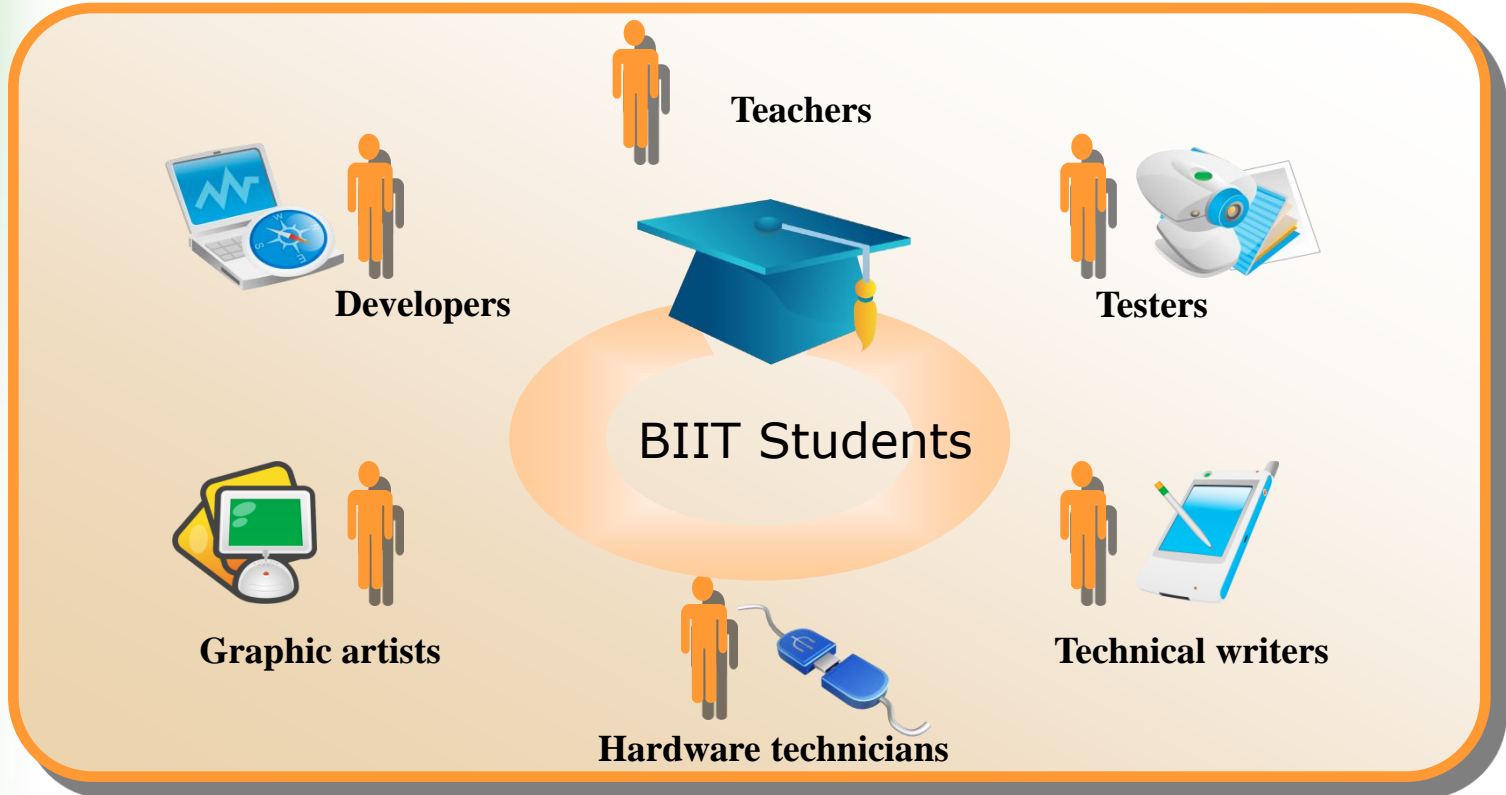
*As persons who become agents of social change in their own settings*



# Realization

1000+ students have graduated in twelve years...

900+ Students are placed in industry or service sector as...



*BOSCO ITS offers placement opportunity for BIIT students*



# Empowered Voices



**BICS gives opportunity to improve my spoken English, Communication skills, leadership, time management, attitude, helping mind, positive thoughts and domain knowledge.**

Prasanna Balthasar (BCA 2006-2009)

**BICS gives me a wonderful opportunity to shine technically, spiritually, physically, mentally, intellectually and morally... I am growing up to be an integral person.**

Kalpana Raman (BCA 2006-2009)



**Hats off to the Salesian community for their wonderful work for the poor youth ! I am glad that I got a chance to be a part of this family.**

Rajeswari Chinnapan (BCA 2006-2009)

# Empowered Voices

**The opportunity to learn and to interact, as well as the all round formation and growth, has given me a sense of direction in my life. Thus, coming to BIIT has transformed me, giving me fresh attitudes in my life.**

Rafael Samuel Lawrence (BCA 2004-2007)



**The affirmative spirit and the unique style of BICS in empowering students are certainly molding me towards a quality life and bright future.**

Mathew Magimainathan (BCA 2006-2009)



**Here, I have learned to live with friends, management and society with responsibility. Especially, this Institution teaches us to understand people. I learn people here.**

Gopinathan Mahalakshmi (BCA 2005-2008)



# Empowered Voices

**BIIT provides an atmosphere and infrastructure where students are flooded with opportunities to equip themselves with maximum professional skills, life coping skills, humanitarian ideals, godly behavior and so on.**

Adaikalasamy Abraham (Faculty, BIIT)



**As an Associate and former BICS student, I wish to state that BICS is growing 100% in line with the mission of Empowering the young minds.**

Issac George Joseph, Project Manager, BOSCO ITS



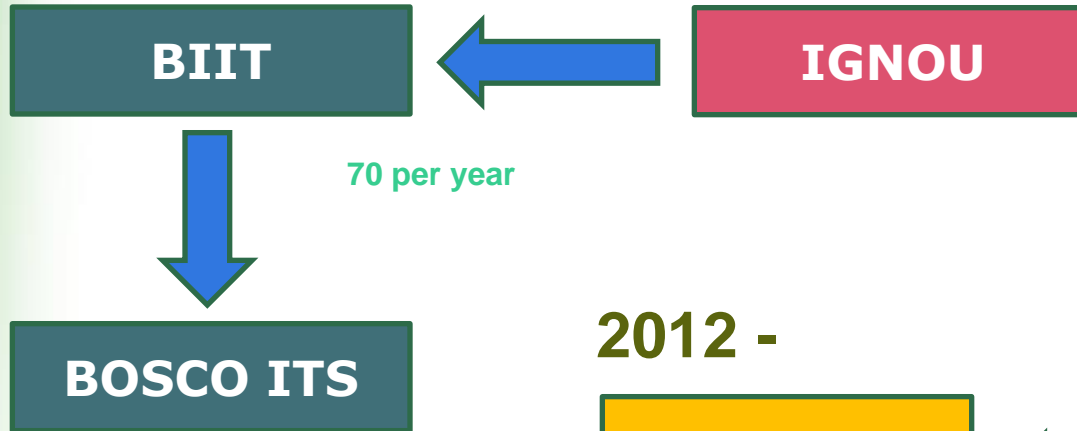
**BICS extends support to rural youth and gives guidance for a dignified life in the society. I learned lot not only in terms of technology, but also human values and relationship.**

J. Jeyakumar, Aithent Technologies, Chennai

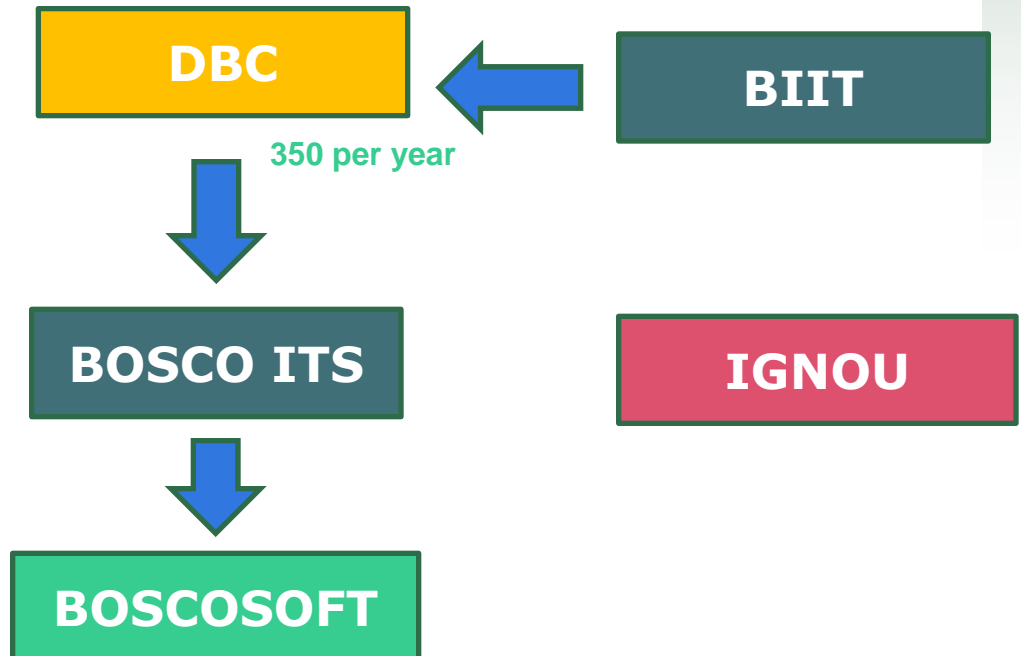


# The Transition

1998-2011



2012 -



Why?

Stability, Sustainability,  
Scalability, Credibility,  
Legal Recognition



# What We Do?

## **Identify Students** (1000 Students – 950 from the Target Group)

- Selection
- Interviews
- House Visits
- Streaming (Finance, Language, Learning Capacity)
- Funding Options

## ❖ **Education and Training**

- Intensive English Programme (CEA)
- Campus Language Enforcement
- University Degree Courses (T.U)
- Skill Development Courses (BIIT)
- Life Skills (vCube)
- In-House Projects
- Spiritual, Social & Cultural formation

1005 Students now  
950+ of the Target Group  
350+ intake per year

# DON BOSCO COLLEGE

## SALESIAN YOUTH MINISTRY

### Higher Education

Teaching, Learning & Evaluation

Research & Development

Extension Activities

Consultancy Services

### Holistic Formation

Campus Culture

God-centered

Self-driven

Trust-filled & Free

Greener

Socially conscious

Campus Ministry

Spiritual Animation

Mentoring

Coaching

Counseling

### Professional Education

Campus Language

G.S.S.S

#### CORE VALUES

Primacy for  
God in Life  
Integral  
Formation  
Commitment  
to nation-  
building  
Quality  
Services

**MISSION** : Empower the target youth with qualitative knowledge, practice and experience. To become integrated persons for career and life. We offer programs and services of best-in-class standards.

**VISION** : A Temple of Higher Education to develop integrated persons, filled with Gospel Values

## Educative Pastoral Plan



## Fr. Francis Guezou Service Scholarship Record

Hostel	Class	Roll No	Serial No
AAH	III CAA	B11, 238	01

Name: P. Amalissuritha

Date From: 5.9.16 Date To: 10.09.16

Location: Jubilee Hall

Approver: Ms. Maria

Day	Time From	Time To	Hrs	WorkDone	Status
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Wed	4.45	5.15	0.5	"	C
Thu	4.30	5.00	0.5	Sweeping	C
Fri					
Sat					
Sun					
Total Hours			1.5		C

Amalissuritha P.  
Signature with Date 8/9/16  
Student

C. King  
Signature with Date  
Approver



# Challenges Today

- **Competency and Commitment of the Faculty and Formators**
  - **Financial Resources to make it affordable for the deserving students and to provide the required facilities and infrastructure**
  - **Strengthen the Technology Resource Centre, aligning with Research & Entrepreneurship Development Programmes**
  - **Ownership of the Vision and Mission by all stakeholders**
  - **Define and implement a Quality System across all functions and departments**
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# Thank You !

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