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*Co-ordinated several Research Programmes in BOSCO in collaboration with NIMHANS like “Action Research into Drug Abuse Prevention Programme” (1999),”Street Children’s Perception of Sexuality and Sexual Behaviour” (2000)*

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*Art Therapy Workshops in the following settings (a selection only):*

*For professionals in child care in Kathmandu,Nepal.*

*For Staff of the Children’s Department, Nimhans, Bangalore.*

*For University Students of Fribourg, Fribourg, Switzerland*

*For students from Swansea University in SJCC (students’exchange program) and for PG students of SJCC.*

*For PG students in Sampurna Montfort College.*

*With mentally challenged persons in Ashaniketan (Bangalore) and their staff.*

*With street chidren in BOSCO,Bangalore.*

*With staff and mentally ill persons in community outreach programs of Basic Needs(NGO),Bangalore*

*With PG students of Richmond Fellowship College,Bangalore*