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**HOSPITALLER ORDER OF SAINT JOHN OF GOD
SAINT THOMAS PROVINCE, INDIA**



The 4th Regional Conference of the Hospitaller Order was hosted by Indian Province at Poonamallee between 30 January and 4 February 2011. 27 participants from Japan, Korea, Vietnam, Philippines, Australia, Rome, and India were present. The participants commented that the Regional Conference was a grand success.

The Provincial leadership team visited the Bishop of Sambalpur and had a meeting with him on 19 February 2011. The Bishop of Sambalpur has agreed to issue a formal letter of permission to start a centre of Hospitaller Order in his diocese. Further the Bishop has given consent to accommodate two of our Brothers in the Bishop's



The General Assembly of the Association of CEUVRE HOSPITALIERE de SAINT DE DIEU, Pamplemousses

in Mauritius will be held on 25 March 2011. At this meeting the present members (French Province) will resign from the membership. The French Province has decided to transfer the apostolic work and the Pamplemousses community to the Indian Province.

The transfer would take place in two stages. In the first stage as per the legal requirement, the right to appoint the Association's membership would take place from the membership of Indian Province on 25 March 2011.

In the second stage the canonical transfer of the Work and of the Pamplemousses community would bring into being at a formal function in the beginning of September 2011. The date will be announced according to the availability of the members of the General Curia, APIPC President, and Bishop of Port -Louis, Mauritius. Provincial Br. Antony Palamattom and Br. George KT will attend the General Assembly of the Association in Mauritius on 25 March 2011.

Br. Albert Thekkumkaduthathil would join the Pamplemousses community as soon as he gets the Visa to Mauritius.

House to take necessary steps to procure a piece of Land in Sambalpur.

The Provincial leadership team visited a land for acquiring as

pre-planned. Br. Aloysius and Br. Bino Augsty will leave shortly to Sambalpur for a couple of weeks for further course of action.

The Sri Lanka initiative of the Province is temporarily closed. The feasibility study report will be reopened later in a more appropriate stage.



SCHOOL OF HOSPITALITY



Chairman



Director

The Indian Province constituted a permanent body to establish and promote a School of Hospitality for the formation of the Co-workers of the various centres of the Province in February 2011. Br. Raphael and Br. Francis are Chairman and Director, of the newly formed body and School of Hospitality respectively.