

# *General Body Meeting of*

# **AREDS**

2009-08-04

The 29<sup>th</sup> General Body meeting of AREDS was held on the 1<sup>st</sup> of August 2009 at SWATE Hall.

Since the printing press of AREDS and the SWATE Industrial School and the canteen have been demolished by the government for the expansion of the national highway, new buildings were built for installing the printing press and the canteen and a new building is being built for the Industrial School on the SWATE premises.



On the GB day, the press was opened by Fr. Tagore, the Vice Chairperson of AREDS. The canteen was opened by Madam Chandra Kanjilal, one of the GB members. The foundation stone for the SWATE Industrial School was laid by Fr. Mathias, one of the GB members.

Two significant events took place at the time of the 29<sup>th</sup> GB of AREDS – Fr. Tagore completed 50 years of priesthood and Mr. L. A. Samy, the director of AREDS completed 60 years of life. So, at the outset of the GB meeting, both of them were honoured.

The two interns from France, Ms. Emmanuel Bouzigon and Ms. Louisa Fafa, presented the report on AREDS' activities and their impacts and they explained each activity in a lucid manner. It was they who took care of logistics and the reporting of the GB meeting.



All the staff of AREDS, the leaders of SWATE, DRALM, PDM, TTSM, KADALU also attended the GB meeting. The GB members discussed the report presented, future plan designed and the financial report right in front of them. Each of AREDS' activities, funds spent against each activity and the international programmes undertaken and all were made transparent.

The GB meeting lasted for one day. Mr. Rajesh, a senior staff of AREDS gave the vote of thanks.

