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Message from Most Rev.Dr.Kingsley Swampillai

A copy of the "English Language Campus" Quarterly 2 is on my table. This looks very impressive. This issue carries the pictures of students who are beneficiaries of the English Language Campus. The list includes students from the diocese of Mannar especially from Pappamodai, Anthoniarpuram, Illupakadavai, Moontrampiddy and Thevanpiddy. I am pleased that these students from the rural areas are availing themselves of the opportunities provided by this educational institute in Kilinochchi.

Right to education is universal. No child should be left behind in the pursuit of education. Thus every opportunity must be provided for Learning English too. Learning English has greater relevance for the students of our country as English contributes to the national reconciliation after a long protracted civil strife. Knowledge and skills in learning English empowers them to seek better pastures abroad.

Besides, the "English Language Campus" is offering a library service to the students who ought to engage themselves in the acquisition of knowledge through reading. This is a very valuable endeavour and it is needed for today's society. The library of this kind should preserve books for posterity to know the historical development of the culture of the local people. These valuable books will be of great asset for the future researchers.

Hence It is my pleasure and privilege to wish the "English Language Campus" that they continue to promote and enhance English education, especially among the rural areas of this region and to provide valuable opportunity to learn the almost universal language of English.

I am also pleased to learn that this educational institute is training English teachers for the Primary Schools of the rural areas.

I am so pleased to learn that the "English Language Campus" situated at Viswamadhu embraces the students from other dioceses. I see that the main philosophy that gives impetus to this institution is "Equal Opportunity to all in English Education".

This message for the 3rd Quarterly Publication is being issued with my blessings to the beneficiaries and the benefactors of the English Language Campus as well as the Director Rev. Fr. Edwin.

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