To All Religious Sisters Diocese of Neyyattinkara

30.07.2016

## Contribution to Construction of Bishop's House, Neyyattinkara

Dear Rev. Sisters,

The Diocese of Neyyattinkara was erected on 14.06.1996 by Pope St. John Paul II in order to hasten the evangelization in South India. And I was appointed as the first bishop of the new Diocese.

From the beginning of the Diocese the BCC based ministries are being done and it has given chance to all laity to participate in various ministries of the Parishes, Foranates and Diocese.

In the new Diocese the construction of the infrastructures was done gradually: Minor Seminary at Peyad, Home for Retired Priests (present Bishop's House at Neyyattinkara (Pathamkallu), Pastoral Centre at Neyyattinkara, Animation Centre at Nedumangad, Minor Seminary at Pongummood. The construction of Bishop's House started at Neyyattinkara (Pathamkallu) started on 16.07.2006. By January 2016 80% of the construction of the Bishop's House was done with the donations of benefactors. Then it was decided to raise funds from the faithful of the Diocese for the rest of the works. Accordingly, I have asked all families of the Diocese to contribute one day salary/one day's wages for this purpose.

Accordingly, I exhort the Rev. Sisters of all the Convents of the Diocese to contribute reasonable amount towards the construction of the Bishop's House at Neyyattinkara on the basis of the salary drawn by each Rev. Sister and according to your generosity.

I request you to remit your contribution to Procurator, Bishop's House, Neyyattinkara before 31.08.2016. It is decided to bless and inaugurate the new Bishop's House on 1 November 2016, the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Diocese. Thank you very much. May God bless you abundantly.

With sincere regards Yours fraternally

† Vincent Samuel Bishop of Neyyattinkara