

Social Service League (SSL) stands out because it provides a practical platform in order to promote social development by empowering people. We render our service in the school canteen and as a group we are responsible for making profits to help the social service school and people in need of basic amenities . The life lessons learned from the service of fellow being helps in remoulding us into a more kinder human being and make this world a better place to live in.



# Xavier's Paily

# Challenge yourself!

I have many branches, but no fruit ,trunk or leaves. Who am I?

Answer- Bank

# Spectrum's Corner

Thought of the Day

"LIFE IS A JOURNEY NOT A DESTINATION"

### Word of the Day

Dissipate-(with reference to a feeling or other intangible thing) disappear or cause to disappear.

eg. "The concern she'd felt for him had wholly dissipated"



### DID YOU KNOW?

In some Indian tribal societies the groom's father pays the 'bride price' to the bride's family before marriage.



# DOWRY SYSTEM IN INDIA

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The dowry system in India prevails ever since the Later Vedic Age. It was due to the rigid caste system that was present in the society. The society was divided into four major castes- Brahmin, Kshtriya, Vaishya and Shudra, which was basically on the basis of the type of jobs performed by the people. The people of the lower castes served the upper classes.

Marriages in those times were the most sacred institution. Women of the lower castes were not allowed to marry the men of the lower castes as it would lead to the disintegration of the social status of women. The Brahmin girls were the most restricted ones as marrying lower caste men was forbidden. If marriage of a woman to a man from a lower caste occurred,that was known as hypogamy or 'pratiloma'. As a result, the Brahmin girls had to accept the payment of high rate of dowry or choose between polygyny (marriage of a man with several women) and spinsterhood (remain unmarried). Gradually the daughters in Brahmin families became a burden for them and the status of women declined. This is how the concept of dowry emerged in the Indian society.