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BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Rev. Dr. Dominic Savio, S.J. is the Principal of St. Xavier's College (Autonomous), Kolkata and the President of St. Xavier's College (Calcutta) Alumni Association. He is blessed to be named after one of the famous Catholic Saint, St. Dominic Savio. Father was also the Rector of St. Xavier's Community, College and School from December 2013 to January 2020. He received his Ph.D. in Economics from Burdwan University. His research interests include International Trade, International Economics and Econometrics.

ACADEMIC INSIGHTS

Father is also blessed to have got Jesuit Education all through his life – right from his Kindergarten days to his PG studies. Father did his schooling from De Britto School, a Jesuit School of high reputation at Devakottai in Southern Tamil Nadu and graduated with major in Economics from the famous St. Joseph's College, Trichi. He did his Post Graduation and M.Phil. from the epitome of Jesuit Education in India, Loyola College, Chennai. He received his Ph.D. in Economics from Burdwan University. His research interests include International Trade, International Economics, Econometrics.

Father joined the Jesuit Order in 'Dhyan Ashram', Kolkata, in 1985 and was ordained as Priest in 1996. He did his higher studies in Philosophy at 'De Nobilie' and 'Jnana Deepa', Pune and Theology in 'Vidyajyoti', Delhi.

Since the year 2000, Father is associated with St. Xavier's College, Kolkata in teaching Economics in its Arts & Science, Commerce and BBA Departments. He has been the Vice Principal of the Commerce Morning and the BBA Departments of the College and then the Deputy Principal and subsequently as the Principal of St. Xavier's College (Autonomous), Kolkata since 1st November, 2017.

ACADEMIC ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Qualification	Year	Institution
B.A. (Economics)	1985	St. Joseph's College, Trichy
B.Ed.	1991	St. Xavier's College, kolkata
Bachelor in Philosophy	1991	De Nobile College, Pune
Bachelor in Theology	1996	Vidyajyoti College of Theology, Delhi
M.A. (Economics)	1999	Loyola College, University of Madras
M.Phil. (Economics)	2000	Loyola College, University of Madras
Ph.D.	2008	University of Burdwan

LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

Book Publications

SI.	Title	Name of the Publisher	ISBN	Year of Publication
1	Editor : Transforming our World Together Towards Sustainable Development	Cambridge Scholars Publishing	1-5275-8995-1	2023
2.	Editor : Emerging Issues in Commerce, Environment, Economics and Management	INSC International Publishers	978-81-8475-536-1	2022
3.	Editor : Emerging Issues in Inclusive Growth, Business and Environment	Regal Publications, New Delhi	978-81-8484-566-2	2016
4.	Book Chapter: Gravity Model of Trade	Regal Publications, New Delhi	978-81-8484-566-2	2016

Publications in Peer-reviewed Journals

SI.	Title	Name of the Publisher	Name of Publisher & ISSN	Year of Publication
1.	Student Perception of Learning Environment: Case Study of an Educational Institute in Kolkata	Arthaniti Katha – An Edited Volume	Patra and Bhattacharya, ISBN: 978-81-9332321-2-2	2021
2.	Changing Frontiers in Education-An Introspection Through the Lens of New Normal	New Frontiers in Education	New Frontiers in Education Trust: AIACHE; ISSN: 0972- 1231; Vol 53(4)	2021
3.	Is the Indian Economy at an inflexion point?	YouThink	Xavier's Commerce Society; St. Xavier's College; ISSN: 2347- 622	2017
4.	Foreign Direct Investment and Economic Growth: A Cross Country Exploration in Asia	International Journal of Research in Social Sciences	ISSN: 2249-2496; Vol 7(9)	2017

Paper Presentations in International & National-level Conferences

- Presented Paper entitled "In Search of quality in Higher Education: Role of Academia-Industry Interfacing" in the UGC Sponsored National Level Seminar on "Parameters of Excellence in Higher Education" organized by St. Joseph's College of Commerce (Autonomous), Bangalore.
- Presented paper entitled, "Gravity Model of Trade" jointly with Dr. S.L. Chakraborty at the UGC sponsored National Conference on 'Inclusive Growth, Business and Environment in India's Emerging Economy' held at St Xavier's College, Kolkata.

INVITATIONS AS RESOURCE PERSON

Keynote Address

♦ Rev Dr Dominic Savio SJ delivered the Keynote Address on Education for the future on 4th February 2023 at *four dot four* - a first of it's kind conclave on Careers, Education, SMEs, Culture - jointly organised by Directorate of Resettlement, Ministry of Defence, Govt. of India and Enterprise Development Institute.

- ☆ Rev Dr Dominic Savio SJ delivered the Keynote Address on "Christianity" at the Ramkrishna Mission Boys' Home at the 125 Years Celebration of Ramkrishna Mission.
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- National Webinar organized by Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) and Academic Council of St. Xavier's College (Autonomous) Kolkata on the theme, "Pandemics and Natural Disasters: Understanding and Coping" on 11th and 12th July, 2020.
- International level Webinar organized by Post Graduate and Research Department of Commerce in collaboration with Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) of St. Xavier's College (Autonomous) Kolkata on the theme, "Managing Business in a Post COVID-19 World: Changes, Challenges and Strategies" on 18th and 19th July, 2020.
- ☆ Two-day National Webinar organized by Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC)and Academic Council of St. Xavier's College (Autonomous) Kolkata on the theme, "NAAC Assessment and Accreditation Process under UGC PARAMARSH scheme" on 30th and 31st July, 2020.
- National Webinar organized by St. Xavier's College Calcutta Alumni Association on the theme, "Behavioural changes in Financial markets and Investment Opportunities in the post-COVID economy" on 31st July, 2020.
- ♦ Webinar on "Stress Management Skills for Students under the COVID -19 Paradigm" on 1st August 2020.

RECIPIENT OF AWARDS

- ☆ Rev.Fr.Dominic Savio was awarded by ABP Ananda Shiksha Ratna on 27th June 2024 as a tribute to the significant contribution of St. Xavier's College (Autonomous) Kolkata to future education.
- Rev.Fr. Dominic Savio was felicitated by his Exemplary Service to the Nation by Jain International Trade Association on 9th June 2024 and Father inspired the students and teachers with words of wisdom.
- ♦ Rev.Fr. Dominic Savio was awarded with the Pride of Bengal Award on 21st March 2024 and felicitated by IIHM as a tribute to Father's contribution to society at large.
- Rev.Fr.Dominic Savio was awarded with the Leadership in Institutional Excellence Award 2024 on 23rd January 2024 and felicitated by Calcutta Management Association (CMA) for his exemplary leadership in education and special emphasis on rural education of girls and his vision for the need of media research studies to come.
- Rev.Fr. Dominic Savio was awarded the Xavier's Award for Excellence in Imparting Education by St. Xavier's College (Calcutta) Alumni Association (SXCAA) on 5th September 2023.
- Rev.Fr. Dominic Savio was felicitated by the West Bengal Governor Dr. C. V. Ananda Bose on 24 August, 2023 at a well attended programme at Taj Bengal in Kolkata. Rev. Fr. Dr. Dominic Savio, S.J was presented with an award for his outstanding contribution in the field of higher education in general and also for supporting the cause of true spirit of Journalism. It was organized by the Journalism Awards Committee in association with the Candid Communication as a part of the 9th Edition of the Award.
- Rev.Fr. Dominic Savio was awarded the "23 PROMINIENT PRINCIPALS AWARD" on 3rd July 2023 by The Academic Insights Inspiring Words.
- ☆ The Ram Mohan Purashkar was conferred to Dr. Dominic Savio for his exemplary service and contribution in the field of higher education and visions for taking the Xaverian Community to glorious heights and Indian Education at large on 22nd May 2023.
- Rev.Dr. Dominic Savio was felicitated by St. Xavier's College (Calcutta) Alumni Association (SXCAA) on its foundation day on 13th April 2023 for being the source of inspiration and visionary behind the smooth and able running of the association with numerous philanthropic, fellowship and networking activities
- Rev.Fr. Dominic Savio was felicitated with the "Life time Achievement Award" for his selfless service in the field of Philanthropy and Social Work towards the benefit of the downtrodden and marginalized people on 22nd December 2022.
- ☆ Rev.Fr. Dominic Savio presided as the "Guest of Honour" at the South Kolkata Christmas Carnival on 22nd December 2022.
- ☆ Rev.Dr. Dominic Savio was felicitated by the Confederation of West Bengal Traders' Association on 1^{9th} December, 2022 for his outstanding contribution in the field of education.

- ♦ Rev.Fr. Dominic Savio has been conferred with the Honour Gurukul Awards Best College Principal of the Year for 2021-22 organized by Lions Clubs International District on 18th November 2022.
- ☆ Rev.Fr. Dominic Savio was the recipient of "Global Xaverian Honour" for his leadership to contribution in the fields of Academics, Administration and Philanthropy at the Beyond Boundaries VII the International Convention of St. Xavier's College (Calcutta) Alumni Association held on 8th October 2022.
- ☆ Rev. Fr. Dominic Savio received the Special Award for "Outstanding contribution to the development of Education" at IIHM Teachers' Day Celebrations on 13th September 2022.
- ♦ Under the abled and dedicated leadership of Rev. Dr. Dominic Savio, St. Xavier's College also has been honoured with the recognition as the "College of the Year 2021-22".Rev Fr Dominic Savio dedicated both the awards to the Students, Staff, Faculty members, Alumni/ae and Jesuit Community.
- ♦ Rev. Fr. Dominic Savio received the "Badge of Honour" in recognition for the selfless contribution, dedication and devotion to spread the message of Peace, Unity & Brotherhood. The Award was presented on the occasion of "World Understanding & Peace Day" on 23rd February 2022 by Rotary Sadan Calcutta, India.
- ♦ Rev. Fr. Dominic Savio, S.J. is the recipient of the "Shiksha Ratna Award 2021," given by the Government of West Bengal on the occasion of Teachers' Day. The award is given in recognition of the outstanding service and contribution in the field of education. The award included two mementos, a set of books on Education and Bengal and a cheque of Rs. 25,000/-. Father dedicated this award to all the Jesuits who have served here since 1860, teachers, support staff, alumni/ae, parents and well-wishers of the College.
- Rev. Fr. Dominic Savio S.J. received the "Education Eminence Award 2021" for excellence in advancement of Education and Human Relations, conferred to St. Xavier's College (Autonomous), Kolkata, by 'News 18 Bangla,' a leading News Channel of Kolkata on 25th July, 2021.
- The Bengal National Chamber of Commerce & Industry (BNCCI) felicitated Rev. Dr. Dominic Savio S.J., Principal, St. Xavier's College (Autonomous), Kolkata, for his contribution in Education Sector on 21st February, 2021. This award was presented to Father by the Hon'ble Governor of West Bengal, Shri Jagdeep Dhankar and First Lady Smt. Sudesh Dhankar at the 33rd Industrial India Trade Fair, 2021, BNCCI House, 23 R.N. Mukherjee Road, Kolkata – 700 001.
- Rev. Dr. Dominic Savio, S.J. was conferred "Award for Contribution of St. Xavier's, Kolkata in Indian Cinema" during the 1st Edition of Bharat Bangladesh Film Awards 2019 organized at Basundhara City Auditorium, Dhaka on 21st October, 2019. This award was given by Film Federation of India and was handed over by the Information and Broadcasting Minister of Bangladesh.
- ☆ Rev. Dr. Dominic Savio, S.J. was conferred "Pratibhu Life time Achievement Award"during the Dipali Roy Memorial Award 2019 Ceremony at the Church of the Epiphany, Thakurpukur on 11th January, 2020.
- Rev. Dr. Dominic Savio, S.J was conferred the "Mother Teresa International Award"by the Mother Teresa International Award Committee on 16th January, 2020. This award was handed over to Father by the Hon'ble Governor of West Bengal, Shri Jagdeep Dhankar
- Rev. Dr. Dominic Savio, S.J is also the recipient of the "Award of Excellence in Education and Philanthropy" conferred on him by the Bengal National Chambers of Commerce and Industry on 14th April, 2018.
- Rev Dr. Dominic Savio, S.J., Principal of the College is also the recipient of the prestigious "Maulana Abul Kalam Azad Award" for his contribution in Higher Education in 2017. This award was conferred to Father by the West Bengal Board of Madrasah Education & Minority Affairs and Madrasah Education Department, Government of West Bengal. Father dedicated this award to the Student Community.
- ♦ On 11th November, 2021, on the occasion of the Birth Anniversary of Maulana Abul Kalam Azad (Education Day), Fr. Dominic Savio S.J., Principal, St. Xavier's College, was conferred the "Maulana Abul Kalam Azad Award 2021" in the field of Education by Maulana Azad Foundation for Education and Culture, Kolkata.
- On 13th November, 2021, Rev. Dr. Dominic Savio S.J., Principal, St. Xavier's College (Autonomous), Kolkata, was conferred the "Jewel of Bengal Education Leadership Award" for his outstanding contribution in Education. This award was conferred on Father during the 4th edition of Stepping Out Night Market in association with International Institute of Hotel Management (IIHM).





CONTRIBUTION TO THE WELFARE OF MANKIND

- ♦ Father has already proved himself as a true Jesuit by way of his strictness in achievingcompetence among the students including discipline in one hand and being extremelycompassionate towards his students when any of them has been in distress or in needof any guidance, help, comfort and counseling.
- ♦ Father had contributed at large to the society with regard to extension activities of St.Xavier's College in setting up of Raghabpur Campus. Raghabpur, about 25 kms awayfrom the main campus, caters primarily to the academic needs of the rural students This is in line with the Jesuit motto "Magis" that means "more" or "greater". It isrelated to 'Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam', a Latin phrase meaning "for the greater glory ofGod", the motto of the Society of Jesus. Magis refers to the philosophy of doing morefor God, and therefore doing more for others and the society.
- ♦ Under the competent leadership of Father, a Counselling cell is constituted at St.Xavier's College for the betterment of humanity across students, teachers, parents and all well-wishers.
- ☆ To enrich and foster the academic insights among the researchers, faculty members andstudents of Commerce, Management and Economics, Finance Lab is to be constituted tSt. Xavier's College, under the proficient leadership of Father Dr. Dominic Savio. This will inculcate the research skills apt for academia-industry interface.
- ♦ Under the competent leadership of Father, St. Xavier's College has started theonline classes through Microsoft Teams for under graduate and post graduatecourses.
- ♦ Father had taken noble initiatives to serve the humanity during the trying times ofCovid 19 and Amphan. The stakeholders of college played an active role in the college's contribution of Rs 40 lakh to chief minister's special corona relief fund.
- ♦ Under his leadership, during the lockdown, the former students of St. Xavier's Collegedistributed ration to 500 needy people on Good Friday and Easter of this year.
- ☆ The college identified 16 villages in South 24 Parganas and distributed essentials to 3,000 families. They will continue helping the hapless people till the pandemic is over.
- ♦ With the blessings of Father Savio, St. Xavier's College has taken up the nobleinitiative to stand by doctors and other frontline health service providers, who havebeen extending humanitarian service at this trying time.
- ✤ Father has extended his support to the one hundred homes damaged by CycloneAmphan in a South 24-Parganas pocket which are being repaired by funds provided byformer students of St Xavier's College (Autonomous).

- ♦ Extending fund support for COVID treatment to patients from economically challenged background already given eye treatment by SXCCAA earlier.
- ♦ Extending financial support to a Migrant Worker who lost his job during the 1st wave of COVID pandemic, with further financial support in this 2nd wave of COVID outbreak.
- ♦ Reimbursement of the medical expenses of beneficiaries from economically challenged background having signs of comorbidity.
- ♦ Distribution of Sanitizers, Pulse Oximeters, Medicines, portable oxygen cylinders and some food items to villagers and family members of the Students of PaikhalaPrathamik Vidyalaya more than 500 beneficiaries.
- ✤ Poor families with members affected by COVID residing at Taltala area of Kolkata has been given dry ration by SXCCAA.



- ✤ Financial help has been extended to the family members of Students studying at Raghabpur Campus of our College.
- SXCCAA helped a social welfare organization namely Asha Niketan of South Kolkata, Save the Orphans and Old Age near Rania Nabarunpur, PaikhalaPrathamikVidyalay of Paikhala of South 24 Parganas District with complete ration and spices arrangements for their inmates on monthly basis for a substantial period.
- St Xavier's College Calcutta Alumni Association (SXCCAA) in collaboration with the College has opened a covid help desk namely "SXCCAAhelp" at the Park Street campus for arranging oxygen concentrators, oxygen cylinders, pulse oximeters, PPE kits, hand sanitizers, supply of medicines, blood and plasma donations, arranging hospital beds in private and government hospitals, **arranging COVID medicines**. SXCCAAhelp helpline number is +917439955182 and benefited more than 150 COVID patients with oxygen and blood supply, hospital bed arrangements.
- ☆ Launched a comprehensive philanthropic COVID rehabilitation-cum-fundraising initiative namely "SXCCAAhelpLIFETIME LIFELINE" featuring collection and Mass Distribution of Oxygen Concentrators, Oxygen Cylinders, Pulse Oximeters, PPE Kits, Hand Sanitizers, KN 95 & Surgical Masks.
- Extending financial support and maintaining uninterrupted medical facilities, supply of medicines, supply of food as well as other essential items to Old Age Homes, Orphanages, Homes of specially-abled children, Homeless pavement dwellers, Underprivileged people.



- Set up COVID Vaccination Camp to be set up at St. Xavier's College (Autonomous) Main Campus at 30 Park Street (Mother Teresa Sarani) as well as at the Rural Campus at Raghabpur for Community Fathers along with the students, teachers, support staff members along with their family members and even common public under the guidance of Department of Health and Family Welfare and Department of Urban Development & Municipal Affairs, Government of West Bengal. Notably 10,000 COVID Vaccination doses were successfully administered at St. Xavier's College (both campuses taken together).
- A week-long Tree Plantation and Sapling Distribution Initiative of St. Xavier's College Autonomous, Kolkata and St. Xavier's College Calcutta Alumni Association was inaugurated by Rev. Fr. Dr. Dominic Savio, SJ, Principal St. Xavier's College (Autonomous), Kolkata and President SXCCAA in presence of Rev. Fr. Dr. ThamacinArulappan, SJ, Principal St Xavier's Collegiate School, Kolkata and President ALSOC along with other Jesuit Fathers and Brother of St. Xavier's College. Some 100 saplings were planted at the grounds of the Campus and 500 more saplings were distributed by Rev. Father and others in this Inaugural initiative. This initiative featured more of such Plantation drives with more than 10,000 saplings planted across the state of West Bengal in next 7days in the surrounding Amphan and Yaas affected villages, ending on the auspicious occasion of 75th Indian Independence Day on 15th August at Park Street campus.
- Another effort to bring smiles to the underprivileged and needy people in this festive season was initiated by St. Xavier's College Autonomous, Kolkata by the name of *"FESTIVAL OF GIVING"* with the support of the old students' association of this premiere institution, St. Xavier's College Calcutta Alumni Association on Tuesday 5th October 2021. A variety of more than 25 daily essential items and dress materials to special and specially-abled children from 3 NGOs namely Asha Niketan, Save the Orphans and Old Age and PaikhalaPrathamik Vidyalaya were formally handed over by Rev. Fr. Dr. Dominic Savio, SJ, Principal of St. Xavier's College (Autonomous) Kolkata and President of St. Xavier's College (Calcutta) Alumni Association along with other Fathers of St. Xavier's Community on the occasion.
- The Members of the Governing Council, under the leadership of Rev. Fr. Dr. Dominic Savio, SJ, Principal of St. Xavier's College (Autonomous) Kolkata and President of St. Xavier's College (Calcutta) Alumni Association distributed food ,essential items and gifts, as a part of the many philanthropic activities undertaken by SXCCAA, among the beneficiaries namely HarinaviSrijan Vidyapith (Organization for HIV Positive Children and Fire Crackers' Child Labourers), Save the Orphans and Old Age, Asha Niketan and PaikhalaPrathamik Vidyalaya to mark the Diwali 2021 celebrations.



♦ Father's competent leadership has instrumented the college to take up a projectcalled 'Gift a Roof' with the support from the alumni/ae. After the cyclone, an initialdoor to door survey of the students of the surrounding villages was conducted by professors and one hundred students were identified, whose homes were severelydamaged. The fund to rebuild their damaged houses is being transferred to the bankaccounts of the students, recorded with the college. The college and its former students had provided drinking water to many families in the area in the immediate aftermath of the storm.



Collage portrayingRev. Dr. Dominic Savio, S.J., engaged in multifarious community development undertakings

INTERNATIONAL VISITS AND LECTURES

- ♦ Dr. Dominic Savio, S.J had delivered Lecture at World Assembly of Jesuits hosted byAustralian Catholic Universities in Melbourne in 2015.
- ♦ Father had delivered Lecture at the International World Jesuit Congress in 2016
- ✤ Father had Attended Conference of Rectors of Universities and Colleges in World at Rome in 2016.
- ✤ Father had delivered Keynote address at Mother Language Conference held at Singapore in 2017 and Dubai 2018
- Dr. Dominic Savio S.J. has attended and delivered lecture at the World Assembly of Jesuit Universities, hosted by the University of Deusto from 8th to 12th July, 2018 inBilbao, Spain. The event was attended by more than two hundred Jesuits and Lay
- Collaborators from Jesuit Universities and Institutions of Higher Education from around the world. From Calcutta Province Fr Dominic Savio SJ, Rector and Principal of StXavier's College, Calcutta. The theme was "Transforming our world together". Theoccasion was to reflect and examine some of the key challenges faced by Jesuit and otheruniversities.
- ♦ Dr. Dominic Savio SJ had attended various Alumni Events across the world at Australia, Dubai, Singapore, Europe, Bangkok and Dhaka

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- ♦ Member of Indian Economic Association
- ♦ Member of Bengal Economic Association
- ♦ Convener of the Calcutta Jesuit Province Higher Education Commission.
- ♦ Governing Body Member of International Association of Jesuit Universities (IAJU), Rome
- ♦ President, Managing Committee, St. Paul's School, Raghabpur
- ♦ Governing Body Member of St. Xavier's University, Kolkata
- ♦ Secretary, Governing Body of St. Xavier's College, Kolkata
- ♦ Vice-President, St. Xavier's College Governing Body, Burdwan
- ♦ Vice President of the Managing Committee of St. Xavier's School, Durgapur
- ♦ President, Managing Committee, St. Lawrence School, Kolkata
- ♦ Governing Board Member, Xavier Institute of Management University, Bhubaneswar
- ♦ Vice President, Managing Committee, St. Xavier's Collegiate School, Kolkata
- ♦ Governing Body Member of the Goethal's Indian Library & Research Society.

PERSONAL DETAILS

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