

IQAC Report 2022-23

IQAC conducted an orientation programme on 06.06.2022 in association with the MGNCRE, Mahatma Gandhi National Council of Rural Education, Ministry of Education. Dr. M Glory, Head & Associate Professor of Botany and Director of Centre for Eco Feminine Excellence addressed the first UG students on the theme “Global Environmental Crisis” with a statistical data about the water depletion, climate change, pollution, decreasing ground water table, global warming increasing mean sea level etc., and initiated the students to take the responsibility on their shoulders to participate in global environmental governance. She concluded with the remarks to save the Only One Earth and Nurture the Nature for Our Future. 571 students and 21 faculty were the beneficiaries. Dr. Sr. A.S.J. Lucia Rose received the certificate of Appreciation from MGNCRE, Department of Higher Education, Ministry of Education for her contribution to the World Environment Day Celebrations June 2022 by facilitating and completing the Green activities in the campus.



IQAC organised a Two-Day Workshop on “Curriculum, Pedagogy and Assessment: An Integrated Design Approach for OBE as a TOTAL Teacher” on 13th & 14th July 2022. The

resource person Dr. V. Evelyn Brindha, Professor, Dept. of EEE & Director, Centre for Online and Distance Education, Karunya Institute of Technology and Sciences, Coimbatore handled the hands-on training sessions on the “Need and Importance for OBE and Taxonomy Based Education, Formulation of Outcomes in the Higher Order Levels in the Cognitive, Affective and Psychomotor Domains of Learning,” “Teaching-learning Strategies and Instructional Design in OBE and Preparation of Lesson Plan Based on TOTAL,” “CO Target Fixation and Attainment, Course Articulation Matrix (CAM) with Gap Analysis,” and “Direct and Indirect Attainment of Programme Outcomes and Programme Specific Outcomes with Gap Analysis.”



IQAC organised a Two Day Students Induction Programme for the I UG students from 28.07.2022 to 01.08.2022. Dr. B. Serena Margaret, IQAC, SIP & MOOC Co Ordinator & Associate Professor of English introduced the purpose and the conduct of the Students Induction Programme to the students and focused on the Universal Human Values. Dr. Fernando Alexandria, Dean, School of Management and Economics & Associate Professor of Commerce gave an orientation on the salient features of the curriculum. The English Bridge Course threw light on the essential language skills which will elevate their academic performance. Dr. K.Vinitha, Librarian highlighted on the Resources in the Library with its enormous rare and rich collections of books, e- books, the available facilities and the nlist e resources. Rev. Sr. Kenzie Mary, OSM, Mother Superior, Servite Convent delivered an Expert Talk on “Healthy Regime, Women Wellness and Psychological Well- being.” Dr. R. Rohini, Counsellor spoke on the “Impact of Counselling.” Ms. Bindhu Benjamin, Corporate Function Lead, AG Consultancy and Apps Ltd., United Kingdom addressed the students on Employability Skills & Entrepreneurship. Adv. C.J. Rajan, State President, Samam Kudimakkal Iyakkam elaborated on “Women’s Rights are Human Rights.” Ms. J. Esther Mereen, Research Scholar, PG & Research Department of Zoology and Ms. X. Angel

Alumnae of St. Mary's College spoke on their experiences as a Marian. Dr. Sr. Jessie Fernando, Head & Associate Professor of Physics focused on the "Cautious Usage of Social Media." Orientation Sessions on Clubs & Forums" and "NSS, NCC & Anti-Ragging Cell" were highly informative. Presentations on the History of the College and Resources in the Campus broadened the vistas of the students on the academic ambience. The practice of singing the college anthem and the cultural programmes eased their anxiety and spread a wave of enthusiasm among the students. 647 I UG students participated in the Students' Induction Programme and gave positive feedback.



The Internal Quality Assurance Cell organised Student Induction Programme (SIP) for the I PG students on 02.08.022. The resource person Dr. V. Suresh, Associate Professor, Department of Electronics and Communication Engineering, National Engineering College, Kovilpatti addressed the students on "Entrepreneurship and Innovation as Career Opportunity." Dr. K.Vinitha, Librarian focused on the use of e-Resources and e- books under the nlist for their assignments and projects. Dr. B. Serena Margaret, IQAC, SIP & MOOC Co Ordinator & Associate Professor of English gave orientation on the registration process of SWAYAM-NPTEL Portal, the submission of weekly assignments, the proctored exams, the grading system, and the awards won by the students. I PG students participated in the Students' Induction Programme and gave positive feedback.



IQAC organised a Two-day Professional Progression Programme for the Supportive Staff on 10.08.2022 & 11.08.2022 on “Interpersonal Relationship and Organizational Effectiveness.” On 10.08.2022, Rev. Fr. Dr. Joseph Rolington Fernando, Parish Priest, Sacred Hearts’ Cathedral, Thoothukudi in his session on “Know Thyself” focused on the progressive ways to learn about themselves, cultivate themselves, and bring themselves into fruition as self-sustained individuals. On 11.08.2022, Rev.Fr. Motcha Antony Jeyakar, Diocesan Family Commission Secretary, Laity Centre, Caldwell colony, Thoothukudi in his session on “A Framework for Managing Stress at the Workplace” highlighted the need to avoid the negative effects of chronic stress and burnout, the time in need to replenish and return to the pre-stress level of functioning.



IQAC uploaded the details of various activities carried out under ‘Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav’ in the UGC website on 16.08.2022.

IQAC conducted Pencil Drawing, Poster Making and Slogan Writing Competitions to focus on the cleanliness (Swachhta Pakhwada) campaign on 16.09.2022 as per the UGC

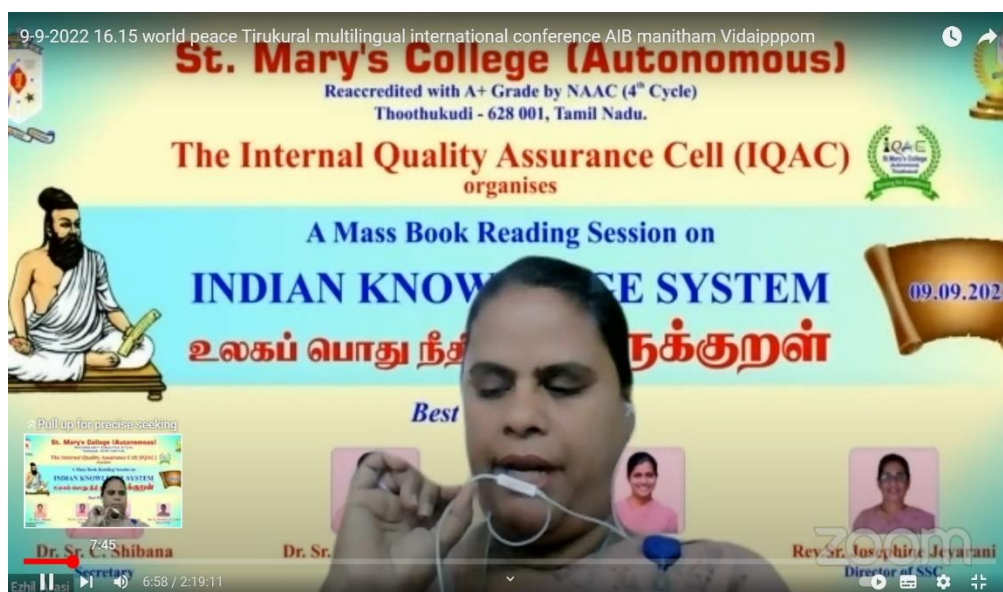
guidelines and uploaded the details of various activities carried out under ‘Swachhata Pakhwada’ in the UGC website on 10.10.2022.



The Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) of St. Mary’s College (Autonomous), Thoothukudi, Tamil Nadu organised a “Mass Book Reading Session on Thirukkural” on 09.09.2022 in the campus to highlight the essence of the Indian Knowledge System as a part of the teachers’ day celebrations and for an entry into the India Book of Records. The college organised the session as per the guidelines prescribed by the UGC for the celebration of teachers’ day. All the UG and the PG students (2987), the faculty (162), and the supportive staff (56) read four chapters and recited one chapter from Thirukkural as a mark of their tribute to the Indian Knowledge system holding the national flag in their hands. Dr,Sr.Ezhilarasi, Asst. IQAC Coordinator and Assistant Professor of Tamil highlighted the importance of Thirukkural, the all-inclusive ethical guide of the universe and its aphoristic insights into daily life. The principal, Dr.Sr.A.S.J.Lucia Rose felicitated the gathering for their enthusiastic efforts to take part in the Mass Book Reading Session. The secretary, Dr.Sr.C.Shibana, and the Director of Self Supporting Courses, Rev.Sr.Josephine Jeyarani were also present during the session.



The Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) of St. Mary's College (Autonomous), Thoothukudi, Tamil Nadu in association with the All India Book of Records, America Book of Records, Manitham Vidippom World Peace Thirukural Multilingual International conference conducted the Thirukkural Reading in Multi languages. Students and faculty from various departments took part in the online Thirukkural Reading and Explanatory sessions from 06.09.2022 to 19.09.2022. The coordinator Dr.Sr.Ezhilarasi, IQAC Assistant Coordinator & Assistant Professor of Tamil led the sessions on all the days.



IQAC conducted an orientation session on “Wise Teachers who safeguard themselves and ...” on 23.09.2022. Rev. Fr. M. A. Joe Antony SJ, Editor, INI (An Inigo Year Initiative) Jesuit Online Magazine highlighted the necessity of being a wise teacher who could transcend the physical, psychological, spiritual, economical and professional challenges through her straightforward approach.



IQAC uploaded the Action Plan to celebrate the ‘International Year of Millets 2023’ as per the guidelines of UGC in the UGC website on 13.10.2022.

IQAC submitted the documents for ARIIA Ranking in the ARIIA portal on 01.11.2022.



IQAC hosted the Three-day FDP on “Presentation Skills in a Classroom” organised by the ICT Academy from 17.11.2022 to 19.11.2022. 21 faculty from St. Mary’s College and 12 faculty from various member institutions of ICT Academy participated in the FDP.



Department of Tamil, St. Mary's College (Autonomous) in association with IQAC organised Millet Day on 17.10.2022 to celebrate the International Year of Millets 2023. Both I and II UG students showcased natural and cooked food of millets based on the Sangam landscape of Kuringi, Mullai, Marutham, Neithal and Palai. Rev. Sr. Dr. A.S.J. Lucia Rose the Principal Inaugurated the function. All the students, Faculty and staff enjoyed the food and the event.



India Book of records certified the record for 'Maximum Participants Reading Thirukkural Chapters Holding National Flags set by St. Mary's College (Autonomous), Thoothukudi, Tamil Nadu on September 9, 2022. It has declared that the attempt befits the guidelines and criteria as per the "International Protocol for New Records (IPNR)" and it is eligible to enter in India book of records - 2024 Edition. India Book of Records is registered with the Government of India and is affiliated to Asia Book of Records. Ms. Kavitha Jain, adjudicator, India Book of Records felicitated and handed over the certificate to the principal Dr.Sr.A.S.J.Lucia Rose on 21.12.2022.



To celebrate the International Year of Millets 2023 Quiz Club & Library Committee, In-Collaboration with IQAC, St. Mary's College (Autonomous) Thoothukudi organised an Online Quiz on the theme "Millets" on 11th January 2023 from 06.00 - 07.00 p.m. Participants attended the online quiz through Google forms. About 50 questions were asked in the Google forms, through answering the questions the students gathered a wide information about the importance of millets. Around 303 participants from both UG and PG courses actively participated and benefitted through the online quiz.

IQAC uploaded the NIRF data on 18.01.2023

Dr. B. Serena Margaret, IQAC & MOOC Coordinator received the 'Active SPOC Award' from SWAYAM-NPTEL for the July – December Semester 2022 in the felicitation ceremony organised by NPTEL at IIT Madras on 28.01.2023. The institution is recognised as the 'Active Local Chapter' by the NPTEL.

PG and Research Department of Mathematics, St.Mary's College (Autonomous), Thoothukudi in collaboration with the Internal Quality Assurance Cell celebrated International year of Millets 2023. Healthy Dishes using millets prepared by the students were on sale in Fatima Hall on 16.2.2023.





IQAC conducted the Internal Academic Audit was conducted from 20.02.2023 to 27.02.2023.

IQAC in collaboration with the Department of Economics organised an International Webinar on “Importance of Millets in Today’s Global Scenario” on 27.02.2023.

Apshan. M of IMA English Literature received the ‘Topper of Top 1%’ certificate from NPTEL, IIT Madras for the course “Effective Writing” in the exam held on 26.03.2023.

IQAC in collaboration with the PG and Research Department of Zoology, and Department of Microbiology, St. Mary’s College (Autonomous), Thoothukudi “Development and Display of Millet Based Recipes for People Belonging to Special Need Groups” on 19.04.2023 as a part of celebration of the International Year of Millets 2023. Healthy Dishes using millets for people with Special Need were prepared and displayed by the students. IQAC uploaded the report of the celebration of International Year of Millets in the UGC website.



IQAC submitted the AQAR for the academic year 2020-21 on 26.04.2023.

The IQAC conducted the External Peer Review on 9th & 10th May 2023 in the campus. Dr. S. Mohamed Haneef, Dean of Arts & Head of the Department of English, Sadakathullah

Appa College (Autonomous), Tirunelveli was the external expert for the departments from the School of Language and Culture and the School of Management and Economics. Dr. A. Lourdasamy, Head & Associate Professor, Department of Mathematics, St. Xavier's College (Autonomous), Palayamkottai was the external expert for the departments from the School of Physical and Computing Sciences and School of Biological Sciences. The IQAC Coordinator, the heads of the departments, the librarian, the physical director, and the counsellor presented the report of the academic, the sports and the cocurricular activities carried out in the academic year 2021-22 to the external peer team. The external peer team visited the departments, assessed the documentation, and recommended a few suggestions for the enhanced performance of the institution in the academic arena.

