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Dear Rev. Fr. Dr. Gilbert Camillus. SJ, Principal St. Xavier's College (Autonomous) Palayamkottai, respected Sir, Xavier Fernando, Chartered Accountant, dear madam, Mrs. Remilla Xavier, dear well wishers, dear staff and my dear students, St. Mary's College is celebrating its 67th College Day celebration. As it stands to commemorate its jubilation I would like to place on record the Annual Log 2015 -2016.

An institution is known by the credibility it wins by the inputs, progress, results and outcomes of the student fraternity and the satisfaction ensured by the stakeholders. St. Mary's College (Autonomous) has been fulfilling the vision of empowering women by providing holistic education. The academic year 2015 – 2016 has had activities in all different dimensions and requirements of higher education. The institutional fabric strove to provide a wholesome education and took efforts for a healthy academic ambience.

As such the administration backed up by Dr. Sr. Alphonse Roseline Mary, Principal, Dr.Sr.Jessie Fdo, Secretary, Sr. Reetha Vice Principal, Sr. Shibana, Director of Self Supporting Courses, Dr. Dulcy Elizabeth Controller of Examinations have led the institution in all its activities. They were supported by the Deans, Dr. R.D.Thilaga, Dean of Science, Mrs. Esther Vimala, Dean of Arts, Dr. Maria Victorial Rani, Dean of Reasearch, Dr. Judy Pinheiro, Dean of Students. A team of efficient faculty teaching and non-teaching have been strong force of abiding support in all the activities of the college. I sincerely thank them for their involvement and concerns for the college.

The institution congratulates the doctoral honours received by Dr. Emmaculate Sylvia, Dr. Sr. A. Arockia Jenecius Alphonse, Dr. F. Diana Lobo, Dr. Maria Sumathi, Dr. D.Rathi and Dr. P.Hepziba Julie Jeyaseeli and Dr. S. M. Vimala, Commitment is a great virtue. Dr. Ellora, Associate Professor and Former Head of the Department of Commerce and Dr. Emmanuel Catherine, Associate Professor of English and Head of the Department have put in 35 and 33 years of commitment and dedicated service to the institution respectively. Ms. Bridgit Valdaris, Office clerk has dedicated her sincere service for the past 39 years. The Management and the Marian Family are grateful and bids them farewell, wishing them all goodness in life.

My hearty congratulations to our teaching faculty, Ms.X. Esther Vimala, Associate Professor of Economics, Dr.Sr.A.S.J. Lucia Rose, Associate Professor of Physics, Dr. Ms.A. Punitha Tharani, Head and Associate Professor of Mathematics, Ms. J. Anila Maily, Associate Professor of Computer Science, Ms. M. Jothi Mani, Head and Associate Professor of Computer Science and our non teaching faculty Ms.G. Muthu Mala and Ms. J. Cladina for their exemplary service for the institution for the past 25 years.

Our hearts melt for the dear ones departed, who in the past have placed their footprints on the sands of Marian grounds. Our homage to our former principal Dr. Sr.Vitalina Mary, Dr.Sulochana Rengachari, and Mrs. Kalyani Radhakrishnan of English Department, Ms. Thangamma Kurien of Maths Department and Ms. Siluvai Muthu of Tamil Department.

Remembrance and gratitude are part of every endeavour that is undertaken. Working together for the growth of the college is an imperative responsibility for each and everyone associated with the welfare of the institution. As such all the activities bore the mark of sincere efforts. I gratefully look back and list the varied activities the college has involved itself.

Internal Quality Assurance Cell - IQAC

The quality of the institution has been sustained, enriched and monitored by the IQAC of the college. It has provided training and given orientation to the staff on teaching learning process.

On 15th June 2015 Dr. John Baliah of St. Joseph's College (Autonomous) Trichy and Dr. John Lovejoy of Department of English, St. Joseph's College (Autonomous) Trichy, conducted an orientation on 'Skill Development' for the teaching faculty. On 16th June 2015 teaching faculty attended a programme on counselling conducted by Anugraha, Dindigul.

A workshop on Research Projects was conducted on July 8th 2015. The resource persons were Dr. F.R. Alexandar Praveen Durai, Dean, School of Management Studies of St. Joseph's College (Autonomous) Trichy, Dr. Arokiam, Associate Professor of Computer Science ,St. Joseph's College (Autonomous) Trichy.

On 31st July 2015 Dr.F.R.Alexandar Praveen Durai, Dean, School of Management Studies of St. Joseph's College (Autonomous) Trichy spoke on "Changing Role of Autonomous Colleges in Globalized Higher Education". Dr. Alfred Cecil Raj Dean and Coordinator of IQAC of St. Joseph's College (Autonomous) Trichy, spoke on "21st Century Learning: ICT in Deliverance and Governance".

On 4th September 2015 meeting was conducted to discuss the plan out the activities that would prepare the college for Autonomy Renewal visit in 21.09.2015.

On 29th October.2015 IQAC organised a meeting on Modern Trends in Higher Education. Rev. Dr.Fr. Xavier Alphonse gave suggestion for bringing out innovations in curriculum and integrating skill development courses in enhancing employment opportunities.

Students' Council

The academic year 2015-2016 began on June 18th followed by various activities and programmes. The staff members and the supportive staff were given orientation by Rev. Fr. Selvaraj. He focused on the need to nurture spiritual qualities to handle the students in today's complex world. The students were also given orientation on how to equip themselves with ethical values in today's competitive world.





The Students' council body is formed to assist and further the activities of the college. Realising the imperative need for it, the students council election was held on 8th July

under the guidance of the principal Dr. Sr. Alphonse Roselin Mary, Director of self supportive courses Sr. Shibana and the student council staff advisors Dr.M.Mary Josphine, Dr. S.Sudha Rani, Ms. B.Serena Margaret, Dr.Arul Josephine, Ms.A.Maria Heartina Adlin Vaz, Sr. F. Mary Joyce Baby. About 2500 students cast their e-votes - the electronic system of voting efficiently manoeuvred by the Computer Science Department.





The **Inauguration of the Students' Council** was held on 14th July 2015 at 11.30 pm in the College Auditorium. Rev. Dr. F. Andrew. S.J., Principal, St. Joseph's College (Autonomous) was the chief guest. The elected office bearers of the Students' Council A. Maxiya B.A History, President, A. Valentina B.Sc Physics Secretary, A. Antony Rexline B.A English Literature as Vice- President, R. Raga Priya B.Com Corporate as President (SSC), S. Ima BBA as Secretary, V.Y.M. Moniga B.Com, E. Alice Renola English (SSC) Student Coordinators, P. Stanita B.Sc Computer Science, S. Shipiya Raj Shree B.Sc Mathematics, M. Vinutha B.Sc Mathematics and R.K. Deepa Laxmi B.Sc Microbiology Student Convenors assumed office.

The Associations, the different Clubs and Forums were also inaugurated along with the Students' Union. After the Investiture Ceremony, the theme of the year 'Commitment for Excellence' was presented in the form of a dance drama. Fr. Andrew in his inaugural address stressed the need for co- operation among students to face the challenges of the world.



On 15th August 2015, **69th Independence Day** of the nation was celebrated with a patriotic fervour in the college. Mr. D. Sugesh Samuel, Founder, Suresh IAS Academy hoisted the national flag and addressed the students. He spoke on how today youth has to be patriotic and

realise the sacrifice and dedication of our forefathers. They have to set higher goals and work hard towards achieving it. The students wrote their vision for India and presented it to the Bharat Mata. The chief guest planted saplings and the saplings were given to students to plant them in their houses.





On 26.08.2015, 'Talentia' was organised for the first year students. Sr. F. Mary Joyce Baby encouraged the students that they have to keep their competitive spirit alive. The first year students participated in large numbers to display their various talents in the fine arts. Competitions to test their theatrical, rhetorical, musical and dance skills were held. Students participated eagerly and the best performances were appreciated by the judges.

On 7th September 2015, **Teachers Day** was celebrated in the college. Rev.Fr.Laurence Soosainathan, Assistant Director, Anugraha, Dindigul and Kalaimamani Mr. Kailasa Moorthi were the special guests. Fr. Laurence Soosainathan focused on the commitment needed to become an effective teacher. The students expressed their love and respect for the teachers through various cultural programmes and games. Dr. L. Thilagarani, Head of the department of Economics encouraged the students to work with commitment and interest to be successful in their chosen profession.

UGC Expert Committee in the Campus for Evaluation

The Expert Committee constituted by the UGC to evaluate the performance and academic attainments of St. Mary's College (Autonomous), Thoothukudi under autonomy, comprising of Prof. Reena Mathur, Chairperson, Dr. K. Samrajyalakshmi, Joint Secretary, UGC, South Eastern Regional Office, Hyderabad, Dr. Kalpana Purohit, Dept.of English, Jain Narain Vyas University, Jodhpur, Dr. K. Surekha Reddy, Principal, RBVRR Women's College, Hyderabad, Dr. R. Pandian, Regional Joint Director of Collegiate Education, Tirunelveli Region, and Dr. T. Tamizh Chelvam, Dept. of Mathematics started the evaluation process in the campus on 21.09.2015.

Dr. Sr. Alphonse Roseline Mary, Principal, presented a brief profile of the college, its achievements, plans and preparations under autonomy. The members visited the Academic Departments, evaluated the infrastructural facilities, verified the documents, and audit reports, and interacted with the faculty, staff, students, alumni, and parents. The committee had a discussion, after which the reports were finalised.





The members of the students' council along with the principal and staff advisors visited the flood affected areas in Thoothukudi, Cuddalore and Chennai and distributed the essential provisions to the victims during the first week of December 2015.

Sales Day was organized on 18th December 2015. Mr. Anand, Managing Director, Velavan Hyper Market along with his wife Mrs. Shakeela inaugurated the sales. He encouraged the students who were trying hard to earn profit in their small stalls. They visited all the stalls. Students donated the profit from the sales to the management to be distributed to the poor and the needy.





Christmas Celebrations as a festival of sharing and care for the underprivileged in the society was celebrated on 22nd December 2015, Rev. Fr. Maria Valan, Director, TMSS, in his Christmas message focused on the need for Christ's birth in everyone's heart giving birth to humanitarian spirit Rev. Fr. Pradeep, Parish Priest, St. Joseph's Church urged the students to develop social consciousness to celebrate Christmas in its true spirit. A presentation by Rev. Sr. Mary Joyce Baby depicting the causes and the hazards of the recent natural disaster was shown to the students. On behalf of the management, staff and students Dr. Sr. Alphonse Roseline Mary, Principal, St. Mary's College and Dr. Sr. Jessie, Secretary, St. Mary's College shared the Christmas joy and gifts with the less fortunate brethren of the society, the gypsies and the people from the adopted villages. Christ's Nativity was enacted by students along with the Christmas carols.

Students enjoyed the presence of Santa Claus and shared their happiness with him.





Pongal was celebrated on 13th January 2016 in the campus as the festival of harvest. Mr. T. Velsankar, Chairman, PSTS, and his wife Mrs. Kasi Velammal were the chief guest and guest of honour. He urged the students to nourish the family values and tradition. Cultural gala of folk arts were performed by our young artists. Students as a class prepared pongal and shared among themselves. They were clad in traditional costumes. The celebration reiterated the importance of the farmers who provide the food for us and the necessity to protect nature.





Culmination of the consecrated life and the Commencement of Year of Mercy was celebrated with a holy mass by Most Rev. Yvon Ambroise, Bishop of Thoothukudi followed by celebration in the auditorium. The Bishop stressed the need to be merciful to fellow human beings in order to reduce life's complexities. Rev. Fr. Julianz and Rev. Fr. Pradeep were the guests of honour. Students presented a tableau depicting the essential qualities of the consecrated life present in the life of Mother Mary and her son Jesus and the way to exemplify man's humanity to man.





An **Art Exhibition** titled "Forests: The Live Source of the Universe" was presented on 23rd January.2016 in the Auditorium. Various paintings depicting the importance to protect forest life were displayed by Artist Tamilarasan. Students admired the paintings and realized the necessity to protect wild life and habitat.





Republic Day was celebrated on 26 January 2016. Mr. G. Jeyasankar, Sub Officer, V.O.C Port Trust, Thoothukudi hoisted the national flag and delivered the republic day address. Gayathri of II BA English Literature spoke on what is real patriotism in today's context.





Marian Art Fest 2015-16 was organised on 29th & 30th January 2016. Mr. S. Vijaya Kumar, Senior Announcer, All India Radio, Thoothukudi inaugurated the celebrations and spoke on the importance of developing the artistic skills in order to prove their mettle as all round personalities. Guest of Honour Mr. G.M. Batcha, cine actor and karate master, Fire and Rescue Services, V.O.C Port Trust, inspired the students to make use of their creative potentials in a full-fledged way. Rev.Fr. Julians, correspondent, St. Thomas Matriculation H Sc School, encouraged the students to be budding creationists in order to transcend to a higher level of humanity. Dr.Sr.

Alphonse Roseline Mary, Principal asked the students to enliven their artistic instinct and participate in all the competitions with a sportive spirit ensuring a healthy competition among the Marians. 28 competitions were conducted in various forms of art. Department of English and Department of Mathematics shared the over- all shield. Dr. Jasmine Tilak, Rajesh Tilak Hospital presented the shield in the valedictory ceremony amidst the student's cheering the winners. She spoke on the necessary responsibilities that women have in the society





The 35th Graduation Day was convened on 20th February 2016. Dr. Sr. Jessie Fernando, Secretary, St. Mary's College declared the Graduation Day open. Dr. Sr. Alphonse Roseline Mary, Principal welcomed the gathering and presented the report for the academic year. Prof. H. Devaraj, Vice-Chairman, University Grants Commission, New Delhi in his Graduation address focused on the competency to be developed by the graduates to be successful in their professional life. He reiterated that the young graduates should always dare to learn and learn to dare in order to achieve committed excellence in all their future endeavours. Prof. H. Devaraj distributed the diplomas to 700 graduates, at the UG, PG and M.Phil levels. The graduates took the pledge. Dr. Sr. Alphonse Roseline Mary, Principal dissolved the graduation ceremony. The graduation day concluded with the National anthem.





Farewell programme was arranged by the outgoing students on 30th March 2016 to express their gratitude to the teachers who have groomed them to be all round personalities. Dr. Mrs. Emmanuel Catherine, Head, Department of English spoke on the traits that students have to develop once they leave the portals of the college. Dr. Mrs. Ellora, Associate Professor of Commerce focused on the positive revolution principles that will mould the students in their day today life. Students conducted programmes and

games to mark their love and affection for the teachers. In the afternoon juniors gave the farewell party to the outgoing students.

Holy Spirit Mass

Offering masses on special occasions and first Friday of every month is a regular feature. Priests from various parishes celebrated the mass. The mass arrangements were looked after by each department every month, making it as a participatory spiritual activity. On July 1st 2015, the college celebrated its 68th Birthday celebrations with a Holy mass.





The **Alumnae Association** organised its annual gathering on 9th April 2016. Dr. Pramila welcomed the gathering. Dr. Malarvizhi, Principal Sri Saradha College, Tirunelveli, presided over the function. Mrs. T. Maria Antonitta, ISRO Scientist, Bangalore, was the guest of honour. Renowned alumnae Mrs. Fatima, Dr. Gowri and Mrs. Vasukhi shared their memories. The faculty enacted a short hilarious skit "*Eppadi iruntha naan ipaadiaayiten*" directed by Dr.Gousalya. The office bearers under the guidance of Dr. Stella Beatrice and Dr. Ellora organised the gathering.





The outgoing students were initiated to the Alumnae Association on 4th April in a solemn **Initiation ceremony** led by the Principal, Dr.Sr. Alphonse Roseline Mary. Students' council members offered thanksgiving prayer and avowed their loyalty by lighting candles.

The **67th College Day** celebrations was held on 4th April 2016. Chief Guest Rev. Dr. Gilbert Camillus, Principal, St.Xavier's College, Palayamkottai in his address appreciated the institution for its excellence in higher education emphasised the need

for education for social empowerment. Mr. Xavier Fernando, Chartered Accountant and Mrs Remila Xavier were the guests of honour. Dr. Sr.Alphonse Roseline Mary read the annual report and presented the Annual Log to the dignitaries. Academic and non-academic prize winners were awarded.





The **Valedictory Meet** was held on 6th April. Dr. Vasukhi, Principal of APC Mahalaxmi College for Women, Thoothukudi, delivered the valedictory address. In her speech she shared memories as an alumna of the college and the need to build confidence through active participation and learning. Student council members and secretaries of various associations and forums read the minutes. The meeting came to an end with a thanksgiving prayer by the principal Rev. Dr. Sr. Alphonse Roseline Mary. Participants in the flood relief camp and members of the scribes forum were appreciated.





Journey of Empowered Marians

The college organised JEM- Journey of Empowered Marians a 3 Day workshop on 2,3 and 4th May for the outgoing students. Dr.Sr. Alphonse Roseline Mary welcomed the gathering. Mr. Edwin Samuel, Director Pearl Shipping Agencies inaugurated the workshop. Mr. Sugesh, Founder of Suresh Academy felicitated. Mr.Amal George Auditor, spoke on Entrepreneurship.Students were given training on different aspects of personality development. Ms.Amutha gave training in yoga, Mr. Vimal, St.Joseph's college Trichy, oriented on Group discussion, Mrs. Sornalatha, Lawyer on Cyber crime, Mrs. Vijayalakshmi on classical dance training. Dr. Ms. Glory, Associate professor of Botany coordinated the Workshop.





Association Meetings

The Associations of all the 16 departments of the college, have actively involved and have been vibrant teeming with activities creating avenues for dispensation of knowledge. The student community have benefitted largely for the great inputs they have received in their respective disciplines.

Department of Tamil





Tamil Association Meeting was held at 24.07.2015. Sivagnanapuram Govt. Hr. Sec. School Physics teacher Mr. Anto Ruban was the chief guest. He delivered a speech on "Kaalamaattrathil Puthukkavithai"

Department of French

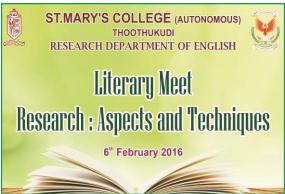
On 12 October 2015, the first meeting was held. The agenda centred on tapping the creative potential and honing the writing skills. They were motivated to express their ideas in French. Every year, the department brings out a magazine and the initiative was taken to overcome their reticence to write in French.

On 4th December 2015, two II year students made a power-point presentation on "The monuments of France". It was a singular opportunity for them to speak a few sentences in French. It was supplemented by the additional input provided by the staff member.

On 22nd January 2016, quiz was conducted for the I year students of Science, Commerce and Arts on the culture and civilisation of the French people. It was a great learning experience for all the students. They also listened to the native speakers and improved their reading skills.

Department of English





First year students were streamlined into A B C streams based on their marks in English in plus two and performance in the English Attainment Test. Basic training was given in Communication skill and grammar from 29.06.2015 to 01.07.2015 as Bridge Course.

On 21st July 2015, Dr. B. Jeyanthi, Head and Associate Professor, Department of English, Anna University: Tirunelveli Region, sowed the fine seeds of literary aspects in students' minds, in the English Literary Association.

On 12th August 2015, Dr. S.Sudha Rani released a book *Apocalyptic Vision of Kurt Vonnegut*: Ataxia, Technophobia, Dystopia. Dr. K. Balasubramanian, Head, Department of English & Foreign Languages, SRM University, released the first copy received by the Principal Rev. Dr. Sr. Alphonse Roseline Mary. Dr. Joseph Albert, Deputy Principal St.Xavier's College(Autonomous) Palayamkottai, Rev.Fr. Rufus, Assistant Professor of English, Arulanandar College, Karumathur and Dr. N.K.Charles Principal Vikasa school graced the occasion of the Book Release.

On 27th February a course on communication competency was organised for the part II General English students. Fr. Godwin Rufus, S.J Asst. Professor of English, Arulanandar College, Karumathur was the resource person.

On 6th February 2016, book entitled *Contemporary Cross-cultural Women Writers* Dr. Bhagyashree S. Varma, University of Mumbai released the book and the first copy was received by the Principal Rev. Dr. Sr. Alphonse Roseline Mary.

Department of History

On 24th June.2015 Pre – Ph.D presentation was conducted to Sr. O.S. Manju on the research topic "Spices, Pearls and Political Economy of Peninsular India – A study on Mercantile Network of Marakkars and the Portuguese (1500-1600).

On 14th July 2015, the Ph.D Viva - Voce was conducted for Mrs. Divya. Dr. N. Rajendran, Head and Associate Prof of History, Dean of Arts, Bharathidasan University conducted the Viva –Voce.

On 4th December 2015, the Ph.D Viva Voce was conducted for S.M.Vimala on the research topic of "The role of Government of Tamil Nadu in uplifting welfare of the women (Post – Independent Era 1950 – 2000) Dr. N. Rajendran, Head and Associate Professor of History, Dean of Arts, Bharthidasan University Conducted the Viva – Voce.

Department of Economics

Dr.Ramakrishnan, Joint Director of Directorate of Economics & Statistics, Government of Puducherry delivered a talk on 'Career Prospects for the economics Students' on 3rd September 2015.

Ms. Gomathi, SWO "A" Grade, Central Bank of India, Thoothukudi delivered on the topic 'Practical Banking' on 5th February 2016.

Department of Mathematics

On 4th September 2015, Ms. J.Anila Mary, Department of Computer Science, St.Mary's College (Autonomous), gave an informational speech on "Massive Open Online Courses(MOOC)".

On 15th December 2015, Ms.A.Bastina, Development Officer, Colgate Palmolive India Ltd. presided over the meeting and spoke on the topic "Career Guidance.

Department of Botany





On 25th July 2015 a group of 40 students of III B.Sc Botany, visited Ramesh flowers, a multinational company, accompanied by 8 staff members as Industrial visit.

On 1st and 2nd September, III B.Sc Botany Students visited ABS Botanical Garden, Karipatty, Salem. BSI,SRC, Orchidorium and Experimental Garden, Yercaud, Indian Horticultural Institute, View points and Lake, Accompanied by three staff members

On 8th and 9th September, 26 I and II PG and M.Phil students visited Lab of Department of Biotechnology, Karunya University, Coimbatore

On 29th January 2016, Dr. V. S. Ramachandran, Rtd Professor of Botany Bharathiyar University, Coimbatore Biotechnology, Karunya University, Coimbatore spoke on "Biodiversity and conservation" in the Association meeting.

On 16th February 2016, Thiru. Hitesh Lodha, unit Manager, Jodhpur, Rajasthan. Ramesh flowers Pvt. Ltd.Thoothukudi spoke on Dry Flower processing.

On 16th February 2016, the 6 days Training Programme on Dry Flower Art (TPDFR- 2015) conducted by Ramesh flowers Pvt. Ltd., was concluded and certificates were issued.

Department of Zoology





On 26th June 2015 the department in collaboration with Eco – club organized guest lecture on "Marine Resources" Resource Person was Dr. K. Kathiresan, Director and Professor, Centre for Advanced Studies in Marine Biology, Porto Novo.

On 3rd September 2015 III. B.Sc., Students accompanied by staff members Dr.P.J. Joslin & S. Selvi have attended Hands – on training on Vermicomposting at Farm at Senkottai & Apiary at Pavoorchathram.

On 18th January 2016, Ms. Rama Devi - Ph.D viva-voce was conducted.

Department of Chemistry





On 25.08.2015 a One Day Workshop on Self Employment Training Programme was held at Fatima Hall from 9.00 am to 4.00 pm. 145 students and 7 faculty members participated. Thiru.S.Balakrishnan, Secretary, Gandiji Grama Seva SangamKadayanallur, Thirunelveli District demonstrated the preparation of some herbal drinks and some value added products such as phenoyl, cleaning oil, agarbatthi.

On 21st December, 2015, eight students accompanied by one staff attended "New Vistas in Chemistry" one day National Seminar conducted by the Department of Chemistry , A.P.C. Mahalaxmi College For Women, Thoothukudi.

On 17th February 2016, five students accompanied by one staff attended one day Department Festival Symphoria- '16 and participated in Dumb charade competition and presented papers organized by department of Chemistry, St. Xavier's College, Palayamkottai, Tirunelveli.

III year students accompanied by two staff members went on a TOUR to Kanyakumari and Trivandrum for one day (19th February 2016). Apart from sight-seeing, the students collected different soil samples from the coastal area for analysis. Students enjoyed the tour and were greatly benefited.

Department of Computer Science





On 27th July 2015 Dr. L. Arockiam, Associate Professor, Department of Computer Science St.Joesph College Trichy was the resource person delivered a lecture on the topic "Soft skills need of the day".

On 8th August 2015 Ms. Ludyma Assistant professor Department of Mathematics SSC was the resource person. Quiz competition was conducted with three groups as participants.

On the 8th September 2015 Mr. Resington Scientist and director, Can do Automation, was the resource person. He explained briefly about embedded systems, in a simple way.

On 9th October 2015, Mr.Vimal Jerald Assistant Professor Department of Computer Science St.Joseph College Trichy gave a clear view on the career opportunities available for the Computer Science students.

On 15th December 2015, a One day workshop in "Perl programming was organised. Mr.Joseph B.Natar, System administrator, YAHOO California, U.S.A.imparted the training on a new programming language.

On 11th March 2016 students from 2nd, 3rd B.Sc.Computer Science and 3rd B.Com attended the meeting. Mr.Premsai-Regional Technical trainer, Mr.Ramkumar-Senior Manager, Mr.Sivan and Mr.Subramanian-Senior Executive Quick Heal Technologies, and Mr.Meenakshi Sundaram Director of Infotech-Thoothukudi. Mr.Premsai delivered the lecture, on the cyber security.

Department of Commerce

On 8th July 2015, the business meeting of the Commerce Association was presided over by Dr.Alexander Pravin Durai, Dean of school of Management studies, St.Joseph College Trichy.

On 6th October 2015, Business Quiz was conducted by Mrs. Reene Fernando. The participants were divided into four teams namely Innovators, Imitators, Intrapreneurs and Inventors. The team Intrapreneurs emerged as winners followed by the team Imitators.

On 5th February 2016, a team of 61 students of III B.Com ,along with two staff members Ms. D.Daisy Bai and Ms. P.Banumathi visited the Arasu Rubber Corporation LTD, Keeriparai, in Kanyakumari District.

Department of MHRM

On October 20th 201514 students of II MHRM and 30 students of I MHRM were taken to Ramesh Flowers Pvt. Ltd accompanied by 3 staff members for Industrial visit.

On 1st April 2016 HR training programme was conducted for the students of I and II MHRM. Two eminent persons form Entecon, Madurai presided over the sessions.

Department of Commerce Corporate and General (SSC)

On 22nd August 2015, the Commerce Association Meeting was headed by Mr.Jeyakumar, the Vice President of DCW Ltd., Sahgupuram in the presence of the advocate Mrs. M.R.T. Fatima. The chief guest addressed the gathering on the topic "Corporate Culture".

On 31 August 2015, Quiz Competition for the I year students, Paper Presentation for the II year students and Ad Shoot for the III year students. Mrs. Sebasty, Associate Professor of Department of English addressed the gathering.

On 14th December, a meeting was conducted for the III B.Com. (Corporate) students on Project Writing. Dr.Mrs. J.Ellora, Associate Professor of Dept. of Commerce, St.Mary's College, addressed the gathering of students.

Department of BBA

On 15th July 2015, Dr.Muthu Kumar MBA, Ph.D, HOD of Management Studies, Infant Jesus College of Engineering, Vallanadu presided over the meeting on the topic "Leadership Qualities".

On 25th August, 2015 students went for the Industrial Visit to Bell Pins Pvt. Ltd, Palayamkottai & Aavin Milk Dairy Ltd, Tirunelveli .Mrs. S. Gayathri MBA and Ms. D. Bismy Cilcega MBA accompanied them.

Department of English (SSC)

On 23 July 2015, Dr. Sudha Rani, Assistant Professor of English St. Mary's College delivered a lecture on "The Evolution of Science Fiction".

On 5 October 2015, the department organised a "Literary Exhibition" where the students displayed and presented models of famous writers and their works.

On 20 October 2015, Dr. Manivanan, Associate Professor of V.O.C. addressed the students on "Shakespeare in the 21st century".

Department of Mathematics (SSC)

On the 26th of June 2015 the Department of Mathematics (SSC) organized its Association meeting. Sr. Mary Joyce Baby, Assistant Professor, Department of English (SSC) presided over the meeting. She gave a valuable motivational address on perseverance and respect for elders. The office bearers were then duly elected by all the students of the department under the supervision of the staff members. Ms. Anusha of II M.Sc., Ms. M.Vinutha of III B.Sc., and Ms. Sakthi Devi of II B.Sc. were elected as the President, Vice President and the Secretary respectively. The meeting came to a close with a solemn oath to move forward in constant progression towards success.

On the 22nd of August 2015, the Department hosted an interdepartmental quiz competition for the SSC stream with Ms. M. Sundarakamalam, Soft Skills trainer, National Engineering College, Kovilpatti, as the Quiz Mistress. The students of the PG Maths department organized the quiz. The winner was the Department of BBA and the runner was the Department of Commerce(Corporate).

On the 21st of December 2015, an association meeting was organized to commemorate the 128th Birth anniversary of the Math Legend Srinivasa Ramanujam, with a bit of Christmas fervor. B. Pratheepa of I M.Sc. Mathematic(SSC) gave a valuable talk on Ramanujam's Contribution to mathematics (SSC). Romilda of III B.Sc. Mathematics(SSC) and V. Selva Infant of II B.Sc. Mathematics(SSC) gave Christmas message.

On the 2nd of March 2016, an Association meeting was held. Mrs. C. Parameswari, Associate Professor in Mathematics, A.P.C Mahalaxmi College for Women, Thoothukudi, gave a lecture on how mathematics relates to the society.

Microbiology

On 7thAugust 2015, I PG, II PG, III UG students were taken for an industrial visit to Aavin milk industry, Tirunelveli &Anuar Biotech industries, Ambai along with staff escorts Ms.A. Maria Heartina AdlinVaz and Ms. C. Gayathri.

On 19th August 2015, Mr.Shanmugasundaram from Anuar Biotech Industries, Ambai delivered a lecture on the "Scope of Biotechnology".

On 21^{st} August 2015, an association meeting was conducted on Women related health issues among reproductive age group. Dr.Latha Makesh M.B.B.S, Dip(Gynaecology), Member of FOGSI delivered the awareness talk at 2-4 pm.

Seminars / Workshops / Competitions / Exhibitions Organized By Various Departments

IQAC

On 7th and 8th of January 2016 NAAC sponsored Two Day National Seminar was held. The key speakers were Dr.D.N.S. Kumar,Professor of Finance & Associate Director, Centre for Research Projects & Chairman, BOS, CU-Academic Staff College, Christ University, Bangalore, Dr.Jyothi Kumar,Associate Professor& Coordinator, Dept. of Management Studies, Christ University, Bangalore, Dr.S.Senthilnathan, Department of Educational

Technology. Bharathidasan University Tiruchirappalli, Tamil Nadu Perspectives of 21st Century Education, Prof.P.S.N.Reddy Former Professor of Chemistry,Osmania University, Hyderabad and Rev.Dr.Fr. Xavier Alphonse, Former Principal, Loyola College (Autonomous), Chennai were the resource persons.

Department of Tamil

Tamil Department and Kadayanallur Gandhiji Grama Seva Sangam joined together and conducted one day workshop on 15.12.2015 about "Natural Medicines". Seva Sanga secretary Mr. S. Balakrishnan was the chief guest.

The Self financing department of St. Mary's college organised a district level "Thirukkural Test" on 22-01-2016. The students participated in it with interest.

In view of Bharathiar's birthday, the Tamil Department conducted various competitions on Speech, Essay and Poetry Writing.

The department of Tamil and Semuthai Publishers, Chennai organized an International conference on *Palanthamilar Valvum Varalarum* on 19 March 2016.

Department of English

On 6th February 2016, a One Day Literary Meet on "Research: Aspects and Techniques" was organized. Dr. K. Balasubramanian, Head, Department of English & Foreign Languages, SRM University gave a speech on "Themes and Methodology of Research". Dr. Bhagyashree S. Varma, University of Mumbai delivered an inspiring lecture on What is the use of Theory?: Understanding Research in Literature and Dr. R. Subramony, Head & Associate Professor of English, Madura College, Madurai delivered a speech on his experiences as a writer.

Department of History

A workshop was held on 12. 01. 2016 on the topic "Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam – A Versatile Persona". Dr. R. Mathivanan Executive Director, Arumbugal Trust, Tirunelveli, S. Vairavarajan, Director, Youth Development Centre, Tirunelveli, Dr. M.S. Thangam, Associate Professor, Sarah Tucker College, Tirunelveli were the resource persons.

Department of Mathematics

A seminar was organised on 1st March, 2016 .Dr. Anthony Jeevarajan, NASA, USA was the resource person. He delivered a lecture on the topic "Human Space Exploration, Challenges and Opportunities". Students from various departments actively participated in this seminar.

Department of Physics

An International conference on Solar energy (INCSE 2015) was conducted by the Department of Physics on 11th February 2015.

A National level conference was organized on Exploring Space (NCES – 2016) on 26th February 2016.

Department of Chemistry

One Day Workshop on Self Employment Training Programme was held on 25.08.2015 at Fatima Hall from 9.00 am to 4.00 pm. 145 students and 7 faculty members participated. Thiru. S. Balakrishnan, Secretary, Gandiji Grama Seva Sangam Kadayanallur, Tirunelveli District demonstrated the preparation of herbal drinks and value added products such as phenoyl, cleaning oil, agarbatthi. He also gave valuable tips using locally available medicinal plants for various treatments.

Department of Botany

Two Day National Seminar on Skills and Opportunities for Enhancing Science Graduates Employability (SOESGE-2016) was organised.





Resource persons were Mr. Divakar Y. Bhat, Assistant Director, Central Silk Board of India, Maidiwala, Bengaluru, Dr. Jacob Mathew Joint Director, Rubber Research Institute of India, Rubber Board, Kottayam, Kerala, Mr. Francis Amal George B, Charted Accountant, Tamil Nadu Cement Corporation Ltd, Dr. M. Siva Kameswari, Assistant Professor, Department of Botany, Bangalore University, Dr. G. Sugumar, Dean Incharge Fisheries College and Research Institute, Thoothukudi, Tamil Nadu, Mr. Somu Sankar, Director, P.S.S. Ganesan and Sons, Government Approved One Star Export House, Thoothukudi.

Department of Zoology









Seminar on Ornamental Fish Culture and Management was organised on 02.09.2015Dr. M. Sakthivel, Director, Self Supporting Courses, Kamaraj College, Thoothukudi. spopke on "Prospects of Marine Ornamental Fish Breeding and Trade".Dr. Mrs. A. Jemila Thangarani, Assistant Professor, Department of Aquaculture, Fisheries College & Research Institute, Thoothukudi, spoke on "Breeding of Ornamental Fishes". Mr. G. Saravanan, Sidha Aqua Farm, Sakkammalpuram, Thoothukudi spoke on Aquarium Management.

Organised a two day national seminar on "Marine Bioresources : Prospects and Threats" on 11^{th} and 12^{th} February 2016

Department of Commerce

"Trend of Micro Finance in the Indian context" was organised by the Department of Commerce on 11th January 2016.

Department of Commerce Corporate and General

Department organized the Inter Collegiate Corporate Meet, "Corp Festis 2016" on 11.03.2016. Ten teams from other colleges participated in various competitions. The overall shield was won by Kamaraj College, Tuticorin.

Department of Maths (SSC)

On the 22nd of August 2015, the Department hosted an interdepartmental quiz competition for the SSC stream with Ms. M. Sundarakamalam, Soft Skills trainer, National Engineering College, Kovilpatti, as the Quiz Mistress. The students of the PG Maths department organized the quiz. The winner was the Department of BBA and the runner was the Department of Commerce (Corporate).

Parents Teachers Association

The Parents Teachers Association meeting was held on 31st August 2015. Dr. Sr. Alphonse Roselin Mary, the President and Principal presided over the meeting. Mr. Xavier C.A. was the chief guest. He revealed the importance of parents for female children, their relationship with the parents and his speech inspired both parents and students. More than 700 parents attended the meeting.

A meeting of Parents Teachers Association was held under the chairmanship of Dr. Pravin Duraikumar, Associate Professor, Department of Management, St. Joseph College (Autonomus), Trichy. The meeting was attended by all the parents of the III year under graduate students. More than 300 parents attended it. There was an introductory session with the parents.

Community Development Programme (CDP – TOUCH)

Adhering to the enlightened concept of social outreach as an integral component of education, the college lays special emphasis for extension activities. Servicing to the neighbouring villages is actually the service to the families of our students too. With this aim in view, extension services are made available to nearby communities. Motto of our TOUCH programme is "Serve While Learn". The students are taken to the villages on Sundays as per the schedule and the convenience of the village people.



Department of English conducted spoken English classes in its adopted village Thalamuthunagar on 08-09-2015, 20-10-2015, 15-12-2015, 11-02-2016, 15-03-2016, and 21-03-2016. The programmes included PPT on personal Hygiene and a chance for change, PPT on English Grammar(Nouns & Pronouns), PPT on Parts of speech Inculcated the need for communication skill and PPT on Nouns to the school children and conducted an Eye Camp.

Department of History conducted welfare activities in its adopted village Arockiapuram. They paid tribute to Dr.A.P.J.Abdul Kalam and distributed saplings and seeds of vegetables for the villagers to motivate the habit of kitchen gardening on 25. 08.2015. Women's Day celebration and Eye Camp collaborated with Vasan Eye Care on 08-03-2016.

Department of Economics conducted many programmes and welfare activities in its adopted village in Pandarampatti on 01-08-2015& 12-09-2015, 10-10-2015 & 17-10-2015, 12-12-2015, 09-01-2016, 23-01-2016, 27-02-2016 and 07-03-2016. Adult Literacy, jewellery making, regular literacy for school children, free veterinary medical camp and celebrations were organised.

Department of Mathematics organised welfare activities in its adopted village in Lasalle Nagar. They conducted Socio-Economic survey and an Eye Camp collaborated with Vasan Eye Care on 21-08-2015, 21-12-2015 and 05-03-2016.

Department of Physics conducted various programmes in its adopted village Kovilpillaivilai on 17-08-2015, 02-09-2015, 23-09-2015, 09-01-2016, 12-01-2016 and 09-03-2016 such as taking Census, creating awareness on education, awareness on cleanliness & self-employment, Training programme to prepare phenyl & soap oil and visited the flood affected area and extended their help and Celebrated Christmas, Pongal and conducted free Medical Camp.

Department of Chemistry conducted various programmes in its adopted village 3 cent Anthoniarpuram on 07-09-2015, 06-10-2015, 11.01.2016, 12-02-2016 and 13-02-2016 such as Tree Plantation, Awareness Programme on Adulteration of food stuffs, Pongal celebrations and free Medical Camp.

Department of Botany conducted various programmes in its adopted village Mangalagiri on 27-06-2015, 23-07-2015, 08-08-2015& 12-12-2015, 17-12-2015, 18-01-2016 and 08-03-2016 such as Drug Awareness Programme, Literacy Programme for the children, Training programme on Raising Organic Kitchen Garden, Hands on Training on Preparation of Herbal Products and celebrated New Year, Pongal and Women's Day.

Department of Zoology conducted various programmes in its adopted village Keela Alangarathattu on 14-08-2015, 06-10-2015, 27-02-2016, 28-02-2016 and 04-03-2016 such as Socio economic survey, Basic Computer Education, Dengue Awareness Programme, Artificial Jewellery-making, Origami to the kids and celebrated Women's Day.

Department of Computer Science organised programmes in its adopted village Puthurpandiapuram on 25-08-2015, 01-09-2015, 15-12-2015 and 08-03-2016 such as Awareness Programme- Health & Hygiene, Computer literacy programme for ladies and celebrated Christmas and Women's Day.

Department of Commerce in its adopted village Inigo Nagar on 25-08-2015, 01-09-2015, 07-03-2016 and 30-03-2016 conducted programmes such as Socio-economic Survey, Awareness Programme on Health & Hygiene, Harmful effects of Consuming Alcohol, Motivation to SHGs to renew their activities, Celebrated Women' Day and Free Eye Camp.

Department of Commerce (Corp.) and **Dept. of English (SSC)** organised in their adopted village Thai Nagar (Tsunami Area) on 21-09-2015, 22-12-2015 on 09-03-2016 programmes such as Environmental Awareness Programme, Flood Relief Camp, celebrated Christmas, and Women's Day.

Department of Commerce (CA), **Micro- Biology** and **Mathematics** conducted various programmes in their adopted village Therespuram on 25-08-2015, 31-08-2015, 18-09-2015, 22-09-2015, 27-10-2015, 22-12-2015, 13-01-2016, 12-02-2016 and 04-03-2016 such as Awareness Programme, Census & Educational Awareness, Environmental Clean Camp, A meeting for taking Steps for Drainage Construction, Cleaning Day, Helped the needy Children in time of flood, celebrated Pongal, Cultural programmes, celebrated Women's Day and distributing saplings to the people.

NCC

The National Cadet Corps is known as The Indian Military Cadet Corps with its head quarters at New Delhi. Our college is under 3TN Girls BN NCC, at Tirunelveli. The cadets here, are being trained by ANO and the PI staff. The Battalion is trained for the firing practice, map reading, obstacle training, weapon training and drill. Regular parade is conducted on Monday and Thursday regularly.

This Academic year 2015 and 2016 started with the camp of **All India Girls Nilgiris Trekking Expedition-2015** piloted by Kovai group on 09.05.15 to 18.05.15. Nearly **ten cadets** had the opportunity to attend the camp. They had the great privilege to visit Madras Regimental Centre, where cadets observed deeds of courage. In the trekking camp our cadets won first prize in the group dance.





The cadets attended the **National Games Camp** and participated in Kho-kho, kabadi shuttle and table tennis dynamically. The game camps started in VSVN College Virudunagar from 20.05.15 to 29.05.15. Five cadets were selected for the IGC National Games held at Pondicherry. Among them, the cadet Premalatha from Zoology department was nominated to the Pre-Delhi National Games. "Unity in diversity" is one of the ethics of National Cadet Corps. The NCC conducts the National Integration camp for the cadets to make them aware of the pride and heritage of our nation. Three cadets represented our college and had gone to the NIC at Udaipur Rajasthan on 14.12.15 to 28.12.15.where they got first place in debate.

Republic Day Camp is considered as the most prestigious opportunity for all the NCC cadets. Cadets Jeffania from Computer science department and cadet Lily Pushpam from English department were selected at the IGC level in the RDC. Cadet Priscila Sharona from English department and cadet Irene from English department SSC were selected for the Army Attachement Camp at MRC one of the highly confidential military base in India where only NCC girls are allowed to enter that ground.





Leadership camps inculcated the qualities of leadership in the cadets. Our cadets got an opportunity to attend The Basic Leadership Camp at Sathyamangalam on 14.11.15 to 24.11.15. Futhermore cadets Gnanapoo Denosha, Laxmi Paikary and Divya were selected for The All India Level Advance Leadership Camp conducted by Kovai group an advanced programme to train leaders it was also a screening capsule for SSB.

In Tamil Nadu only two cadets were selected for The Adventure Mountaineering Camp organised by Nehru Institute of Mountaineering at Uttarkasi. Cadet Vanaparvathi from English department was one. She involved herself in rock climbing, river crossing, rapping and trekking. During the training time our cadet reached 6500 feet from sea level, learnt how to survive in the dense forest and won third prize in elocution competition and first prize in tent pitching.

National Service Scheme (NSS)

The programme aims to inculcate social welfare in students, and provide service to society without bias. NSS volunteers work to ensure that everyone who is in need gets help to enhance their standard of living and lead a life of dignity. In doing so, volunteers learn from people in villages how to lead a good life despite a scarcity of resources.

The NSS wing has 4 units with the intake capacity of 100 students in each unit. It comprises of 50 I year UG students and 50 II year UG students in each unit. Four Programme officers are in charge of each unit.

The inaugural meeting of the NSS was held on 27th July, 2015 in our college auditorium. All the I year UG NSS students attended the meeting. The meeting was presided over by our college Principal Dr. Sr. Alphonse Roseline Mary. She enlightened the students with her motivational speech about the aims and objectives of the NSS students

On the 69^{th} independence day celebration held in our college, NSS units distributed 300 tree saplings to the students , saplings were also planted by the Chief guest of the day Mr.Sugesh Samuel, Director , SAM IAS academy .





On August 24th 2015 all the four NSS unit students were divided into groups and in campus cleaning work was done

A meeting was arranged for the NSS students on August 27th. Fr. John Dharmanathan presided over the meeting. Father is carrying out research on the impact of alcohol on alcoholics and its effect on the family members. He raised questions to the students about the people who take alcohol and its effect on their family and the society. The students actively participated.

On August 31st in campus cleaning was done in sports ground. On September 3rd 2015 District legal authority, Thoothukudi conducted an essay competition on the topic Fundamental Rights in our college. Around 25 students participated in the competition.

On September 12th there was campus cleaning. On September 30th students attended a meeting on "Smart City" organized by Thoothukudi Corporation at Arignnar Anna mandapam.

On October 6^{th,} the Dept. of Tourism, Govt. of Tamil Nadu in view of celebrating world tourism day on 27th September conducted an intercollegiate essay competition, elocution and drawing competition in our college on the theme "One billion tourists one billion opportunities". Students from various colleges participated actively.

On October 13th, in view of celebrating "International day for disaster risk reduction on Oct 13th, The District Collectorate conducted an intercollegiate drawing, painting, essay, and elocution competition in our college.

On October 15th, Bharat Ratna Dr.A.P.J.Abdul Kalam's birthday was celebrated as "Youth awakening day". An Intercollegiate essay and elocution competition was conducted in our college .Students from various colleges participated actively.

On October 15th, Youth awakening day" students went on a rally in front of our college with slogans printed on placards and banners.





Prizes were distributed for the winners of the Intercollegiate essay and elocution competition. On December 3rd 2015, International Day of Persons with Disabilities (IDPD) has been commemorated since 1992. In order to create awareness and mobilize support for the difficulties, challenges and problem related to persons with disability an elocution competition was conducted in our college. Students actively participated in the competition.

On January 11th 2016 the NSS units of our college in association with Lions club of Sivakasi cracker city (Dist 324-B4, Region-Magilchi, Zone-15) and Lions and Lioness club of Tuticorin (Dist 324-B4, Region-Nermai, Zone-17) organized an "Eye Donation Awareness Camp".

On February 2nd 2016, Blood donation camp was arranged in our college in association with the Thoothukudi Government hospital. Dr. Shanthi delivered a talk on the awareness of blood donation. Around 85 students donated blood. Members of Lions and Lioness club of Tuticorin also donated fruits to the blood donors.

Sports and Games

Lively enthusiasm and ardent endeavour were the key notes of the activities of the Athletes and sports person of this year. There is a fine gymnasium for the students to do various exercises to keep the body fit. A multi-purpose indoor stadium for Badminton and Basketball

serves the need of the players. There is a 200 mts track and outdoor courts for volleyball, Ball Badminton, Kabaddi and Kho-kho.

The 25th Inter collegiate Chess Tournament was conducted at Kamaraj College Tuticorin from 6th to 7th August 2015 we got III Prize. Table Tennis was conducted at V.O.C College Tuticorin on 25th August 2015 we got I Prize. Basket ball was conducted from 25th to 27th at V.O.C College Tuticorin and the students got II Prize.

Volleyball, Ball badminton and Football tournaments were conducted at V.O.C college Tuticorin from September 28th to 30th 2015. We received the winners shield in volleyball and Ball Badminton and II place in Football. Kabaddi tournament was conducted in S.T. Hindu college, Nagercoil from 12th to 13th October 2015 got II Prize.

Hockey Tournament was conducted in Anna stadium, Palayamkottai from 19th to 20th October 2015 and our students received the Runner shield. Manonmaniam Sundaranar University 25th Inter Collegiate Athletic meet was conducted at M.G.R Race Horse stadium, Madurai from 29th to 31th October 2015. State Level Kabaddi Tournament which was conducted at Tirunelveli on 25th August 2015 our college team secured Runner shield. State Level Inter District Basketball Tournament conducted at Velammal Institute, Chennai on 17th September 2015 our students participated.

In the State level Kabaddi tournament conducted at Rajapalayam from 25th to 27th September 2015 and Stat Level Kabaddi Tournament conducted at Nagercoil on 15th November 2015 our college team secured III place.

Our college volleyball team secured II Prize in the District Level open tournament which was conducted at Pannavilai. Our College Hockey Team secured I place in the Monthly Tournament which was place in the Tharuvai stadium, Thoothukudi on 14th October 2015. Our college Kabaddi team secured I place in the Beach Kabaddi Tournament which was conducted by the sports Development Authority of Tamilnadu and youth welfare on 29th October 2015.

Honorable chief minister Trophy competitions were conducted at SDAT. Stadium Tuticorin We won in Hockey and Kabaddi, secured II place in volleyball, III place in football and basketball on 20th and 21st November 2015 and received cash award.

Students participated in the State Level selection in volleyball, Kabaddi which was held at Karur on 14th December 2015. Students participated in the State Level Table Tennis selection trails which was held at Madurai on 5th December 2015. District Level Chess Tournament which was conducted at Shara Arts and Craft school on 28.01.2016. Students participate in the Inter University Tournament held at Tamil Nadu sports university Chennai from 4th to 9th February 2016.

Students participated in the Inter university tournament which was held at Krishna University Andhra Pradesh on 9th February. to 15th Feb. 2016 and in the Inter University tournament conducted in the University of Madras, Chennai on 18th Feb. to 24th Feb. 2016.Our Kabaddi team participated in the State Level Tournament held Sivagankai, Pollachi and Kallal from 19th Jan. to 21th Jan. 2016. Student Y. Rubithra of I B.A. History secured 6th place and received the cash award in "SWACHH BHARAT" 10 km run which was conducted by old port Tuticorin on 7th Feb. 2016.

Students participated in the Regional Level Hockey and Kabaddi Tournament which was held on Race Horse Madurai from 11 to 13 Feb. 2016. Our College Kabaddi Team participated in the State Level Tournaments at Thirupathur, Pollaachi and Kallel from 19.02.2016 to 21.02.2016.

The College Basketball, Kabaddi Team participated in the National Level Tournament which was held at P.S.N. College of Engineering, Melathediyoor from 25.02.2016 to 27.02.2016. Our College Hockey Team secured IV place in the 6th P.S.N. Trophy. The Sports team under the guidance of the new Games Faculty Ms.Christy Anandhi steer heads all the games activities.

All India Christian Union Federation (AICUF)

All India Christian Union Federation established with an objective to develop the leadership quality among the students conducted the inaugural function was held on9th September 2015 at Fatima Hall. Rev.Fr. Paulraj, the State Advisor, AICUF, Mahimai Kulothis, Fulltime member of AICUF and Ms. Suganya, Part-time member of AICUF presided over the meeting.





On 5th and 6th September 2015 the seminar was conducted by AICUF at Mettupalayam, for the development of leadership quality. Ms.Geetha, II B.A. English Literature attended the seminar.

On 17th September 2015 the fine arts day was celebrated by Loyola College at Tiruvanamalai, to develop the folk art. Twelve students of AICUF participated in it. On 3rd and 4th October 2015, two day workshop was conducted by "Ideas" in Madurai on the topic 'Leadership Quality'. Three AICUF students participated in it. It enhanced their leadership quality.

On 5th October 2015, the AICUF meeting was presided over by Rev.Fr.Immanual, the National AICUF Advisor and Sr. Johnsi. They trained the students to involve in the social activities and how to handle the situation as a representative of the society.

On 5th December 2015, the seminar was conducted on the topic 'மண்ணும் பொன்னும்' by AICUF at Tirchy. Ms. Geetha, II B.A. English Literature, the leader of the students of AICUF participated in the seminar. On 11th December 2015, a programme was conducted by All India Radio, Thoothukudi on the topic 'பாவையர் பார்வை'. The students of the AICUF participated in the programme and celebrated the Christmas function.

On 22nd December 2015, the Christmas day was celebrated at our College Auditorium. As a part of the Christmas celebration gifts were distributed to the gypsies.

On 27th, 28th and 29th December 2015, a workshop was conducted for the progress of folk arts. Three AICUF students participated in the workshop to know the values of the folk arts. On December 2015, the student members of the AICUF actively participated in the flood relief of Irular tribes in Kadaloor as a part of the college flood relief activities.

On 3rd February 2016, the 193rd birthday of Vallazhar (வள்ளலார்), and 10th December 2015 - Human Rights day celebrated to propagate the importance of human values. The programme ended with prayer. On 22nd February 2016, the seminar was conducted by St.Francis Xavier College, Palayamkottai on the topic 'இயற்கையை நேசிப்போம், இயற்கையை; சுவாசிப்போம்'. Twenty seven students of the AICUF of our college participated in the seminar.

On 13th January 2016, the harvesting day of the Tamils – Pongal was celebrated in our college campus. The folk arts like *Karakattam, Oyilattam, Thappattam and Kummi* were specially trained in the college by Kalaimamani Thiru. Kailasamurthy. The students of our college enthusiastically participated in the programme and learnt the values of folk arts.

On 8th March 2016, the World Women's Day was celebrated by AICUF in the college Auditorium at 2.00 p.m. Mrs. Amali, teacher, Government High School, Kovilpatti, who was well versed in singing folksongs and orator presided over the meeting.

Environmental Development Programme

A Seminar on Marine Resources was organised by the club members along with the Department of Zoology have organised a seminar in view of observing World Ocean Day. Dr.K.Kathiresan,Director,Centre of Advanced study in marine biology,Annamalai university gave an excellent information on "Protection of oceanic environment" particularly on mangroves protection to the students on 26.6.2015.





The club associated with the Department of Zoology organized a cycle rally on September 16th as the event of observing ozone day. Shri. Aswin Kotnis, Superintendent of police initiated and flagged of the program. Through this rally our students mobilized the society to use public or mass transport system to mitigate carbon pollution. The message of saving non-renewable fossil energy for sustainable nature was shared. Active participation of the students and the placards they held written with environmental quotes revealed their courage and environmental awareness.

In order to enhance self-employability the workshop was organized on 18.1.2016 in our college. Dr.Mrs.Glory Associate Professor of Botany demonstrated the planting methods and explained about the post planting techniques. Through this, members of eco club were trained to prepare nursery beds and other plant cultural methods.





Our college is beautiful. To add more beauty to our college, beautification drive was initiated. Our club has planned and planted many ornamental trees, shrubs& herbs in the campus with minimum available resources on 3.2.2016 under the guidance of Dr.Mrs.Glory, Associate Professor of Botany along with other staff members of Eco-club. Besides this, nearly 200 Ornamental plants are ready to be planned, waiting for the right season to come due to recent flood good number of established ornamental plants decayed.

A major proposal to Ministry of Environment and Forest and Climate Change to establish ENVIS center at our college campus is sent. An Eco-Meet Cum Awareness Programme was organized. The club with the motto of propagating knowledge on "Microbial world and its Human benefits" (Environment) a lecture has been given by Ms..E.Shankari, Asst.Professor of Microbiology specialized in the field of Marine Microbiology on 11th July 2016.

To enhance self-employability, methods of preparation of wine and ethanol were demonstrated. Microbial culture techniques and its applications were also explained. Usage of plastics in the campus was restricted. Digital Banners were completely banned. Cleanliness of the campus was in close watch. These are some of the other major achievements of the club.

Language Development Programme (LDP)

As part of LDP, the members of the Department of English help the students by making them face the challenges in life. They are trained to communicate in English through LSRW skills to achieve their potential and to succeed at university examinations and also in their future career. It boosts up their confidence level in and outside the campus. Specifically the slow learners are given more attention regarding conversational English. The LDP co-ordinator Mrs. Jacqulaine Leo, Associate Professor of English

inaugurated the programme on 22nd February in the auditorium. She taught the 'C' Stream students the basics of grammar. The students were enthusiastic, cheerful and responsive. On 23rd Feb. Mrs. Serena Margaret, Asst. Prof. of English inspired and motivated the 'C' Stream students in the auditorium with the powerful power point presentation on communication skills. The session kept the students spellbound and the interaction between the teacher and the taught was interesting and informative. On 24 Feb. Mrs. F. Mary Priya and Mrs. J. Linus Jude of the department of English trained 'C' Stream students on enhancing speech habits through power point presentation. They engaged the students in participative learning. They focused on listening, Verbal and Non-Verbal communication.

Scribes Forum

The Scribes Forum renders valuable services to visually challenged students of Caldwell Higher Secondary School, Thoothukudi. Totally there are 20 scribes, who have served monthly, quarterly half – yearly and annual examination.

The Headmaster of the school sends a circular to the coordinator of the Scribes Forum prior to examination regarding the examination date, time and number of scribes required. The scribes are sent to the school and a register is maintained duly signed by Rev. Sr Principal, the coordinator, and the resource teacher at the centre.

The forum strives hard towards the empowerment of differently abled students in the realm of education. Our scribes serve as burning candles in the light of darkness of students at Caldwell School.

Counselling Forum

The counselling forum is active with three full time professional counsellors, Sr. Josephine Kanikai Mary, Mrs.Rohini and Dr. Gousalya .S and two part time counsellors namely Dr. G. Stella Beatrice Nirmala and Ms Lucas Rexline.

Students with multifarious problems like inferiority complex, lack of parental care, aggressive tendency, mental imbalance, lack of self confidence, lack of concentration, sexual harassment and suicidal tendency approach the counsellors out of class hours or if needed during class hours. The full time counsellors meet the students during their hours of need and spoke on different life skills like positive thinking, goal setting, love tank, self analysis, stress management, leadership, friendship, handling emotions etc. Also they deal with repeated absentees and late comers with proper counselling. Cases of specific problems were treated with required therapies.

On 26th July Sr. Josephine Kanikai Mary conducted an orientation programme about "Teenage brain and issues" for all the 1st year students.

On 7^{th} and 26^{th} July Mrs. Rohini conducted an orientation programme about "Fear and stress management", "Advertisement and Positive thinking" for 1^{st} year UG / PG students.

On 7th and 8th February 2016 Dr. S. Gousalya conducted two days, year wise orientation programme on "Teenage Problems and Solutions".

On 9th March one day orientation programme on "Mind Setting to Face the Challenges of Life" was headed by Rev. Fr. Jo. M. X.

The counselling forum assisted the students and extensively to enhance a peaceful atmosphere in the campus and the life situations, so that they could shine as empowered women in the society.

Career Guidance and Placement Cell

Career guidance and placement cell for the year 2015-2016 had arranged various career oriented seminars for all the final year students.

Motivational talk was delivered by Mr.Sugesh -Proprietor of "Suresh IAS academy" in October. TIME Institute conducted scholarship test MAT, PO & CAT on 20th Dec 2015 at Holy Cross Home Science College-Thoothukudi. 200 students of our college participate in the test.

Aachi Institution of management & Entrepreneurial Development -Chennai conducted essay competition on the topic "My career plan: What I want to became and how in the next 5 years". Guest Lecture was arranged on the topics Interview Tips and "What next after UG? for all the 3rd UG students. On campus placement has been scheduled on 01.04.2016 and 07.04.2016.

Yoga and Meditation

Special talk on yoga and its importance were explained to the hostel students in August 2016. On 7th and 8th January 2016 students were doing their yoga practices in front of the chapel year wise followed by guided twin hearts meditation for peace, joy and compassion.





On 8th and 9th February 2016 afternoon Mrs. Amutha yoga Trainer taught yoga technique for different ailments to all out going students. Meditation classes are carried on regularly. Healing club members were trained to heal themselves and others. They meditate on regular basis both at home and in the college during Fridays.

Consumer Club

Consumer club organized a meeting on 8th February 2016 Mr. A.SANKAR Honorable member of Thoothukudi district consumer court presided over the meeting. He addressed the students on consumer rights and ways of protecting the consumers.





On 25th February 2016 Ms. A. Maria Heartina Adlin Vaz Assistant Professor of Microbiology (SSC) St. Mary's College (Autonomous) Thoothukudi addressed the members. She gave awareness on "Food Adulteration" The Citizen Consumer Club of our college functioned effectively throughout the year.

Rhetoric Club

In the academic year 2015- 16, the Rhetoric club has organized various activities to bring out the creative potentials of the students to light. From 24.08.2015 to 28.08.2015, the club conducted hands on training session for I year general English 'Stream A' students on News reading for the visual media and the videos of the training session were shown to the students to analyse their performance. The club has conducted a training session for giving public speeches to the students for two days, on 29.9.2015 & 30.9.2015.

The Rhetoric club along with the Theatre club organized a Literary Meet at 2 pm in the Fatima Hall on 27.10.2015. Rev. Fr. J. Godwin Rufus, Assistant Professor of English, Arulanandar College, Madurai spoke on the need to enhance the communication skills in English to be successful in today's competitive world. Milka, II BA (SSC) and Gayathri, II BA enacted scenes from *Dr. Faustus* and *Merchant of Venice*. Esther Maureen, II BSc Zoology talked on 'What is Elocution?.' Rev. Fr. J. Godwin Rufus released *The Democratic Gazette*, the newspaper prepared by the II MA English students.

The club conducted a practice session for 'Stream A' students from 16.12.2015 to 18.12.2915 on 'JAM', Just A Minute, where the students talked for and against the given topics in a minute. They assumed themselves as different personalities and spoke about their imagined selves. The staff-in-charge of the Rhetoric club conducted a programme for 'Stream C' students on 'Basic Grammar' using interactive animated power point presentation on 24.2.2016. A training session on poetry writing using formulas was conducted on 16.3.2016. 'Stream A' students prepared short scripts from short stories around the world and presented as short plays as a group on 21.3.2016 & 22.3.2016. Through various activities, the Rhetoric club will mould the students to be enterprising creationists.

Women's Cell and Human Rights Forum

The first meeting was organised on 22nd August. Student members were initiated into the forum with an introductory note and awareness on Human Rights. The coordinator of the Forum screened the statutes of Human Rights and the student secretary enumerated on its functions. It was followed by the screening of a Documentary on Human Rights and Short Film on Women. Students were sensitive to the issues related to women and voiced their willingness to affirm their faith in their selves as woman and on their rights.





On 10th December, Human Rights Day, Fr. Veni Ilankumaran, Director Good News Bible Centre, addressed the III year students on the rights of women, the violation of it and how women should strive to establish it. It was followed by an input session by Ms. Divya, lawyer and social activist, Madurai. She screened short films and briefed students on serious social issues. Films on the downtrodden, rape victims, power of women created a significant impact on them. It was an active participation of all the students of the college.

In view of the Women's Day celebration on 8th March an Essay writing and Verse writing competition is organised within the college. Topics related to positive growth of women as individuals, Feminist perspectives, Gender Issues, Womanhood and Feminism is organised. Students' contribution and participation has ensured their active involvement in their rights as women and their social position.





On **7**th **March** Women's Day was celebrated. A debate on "Who needs to have the right conduct of behaviour-- Men or Women?" was organised. Dr. Anarkali, former Prof. of Tamil APC College and Principal Thiruvarur Arts and Science college, was the chief guest. Dr. Sr. Alphonse Roseline Mary delivered the Presidential address. Dr. Anarkali highlighted the significance of being a woman, the responsibilities they bore. She further mediated the debate of Ms. VanaParvathi III English SSC, Ms. Ragavi II English SSC, Ms. Periya Sabitha I Microbiology who spoke on men needed more right behaviour and Ms. Merin II English, Ms. Malarvizhi II History and Ms. Bhavani III Botany who spoke on the need for right code of behaviour for women. Dr. Anarkali concluded that as women were embodiments of sacrifice they need to show more concern to build a better society.

Winners of the essay and poetry competition were awarded. Ms. Musreetha Banu II English and Ms. Esther Mereen II Zoology, won the first and second prizes for English essay writing. Ms. B.Jency I Physics and S. Aishwaria Shelba won the first and second prizes for Tamil verse writing.

On **8th March** two staff Mrs. Jenifer Thaya and Ms Suganya, along with students Amysoj J.A.Jithisha of II English, Ms. B.Suvetha and H.R. Anesha of II Mathematics, and A. SuriyaNarayini and R.Anandha Selva Priya II English SSC attended a One Day Workshop on "Women Empowerment through Women Employment and Workplace Behaviour" in Manonomaniam Sundaranar University.

On 11th March Dr. Stella Beatrice Nirmala and Mrs. Rohini attended a State Level Seminar on Equity and Access: Women Empowerment in Higher Education Institutions in India" in St.Xavier's College (Autonomous) Palayamkottai.

The Human Rights Forum and Women's Cell have periodically sensitised students through awareness programmes and class interactions on related topics. The students have been involved in active participation this academic year.

Theater Club

On 27th October a meeting of the Theatre club was convened along with the English Literary Association. Rev. Fr. Rufus addressed the students. He spoke on the need for dramatic skills and insisted on body language as an essential component for personal skills. Ms. Gayathiri and Ms Milca enacted scenes from Shakespeare and Doctor Faustus, exhibiting their histrionic talents.

On 5th February J. Shamili, L. Snowbiya, A. Raja Vinisha, Masthina, Rashmi, Akila, Priscilla, Jeffrin, students of English Literature performed Miming organised by Helen O' Grady International School of Dramatics. Ms. Josemary, Ms. Serena Margaret, Ms. Sharon Roque, Ms. Linus Vino and Dr. Sudha Rani attended 'Expressions' An International Workshop on Integrating Creative Expressions & Body Language into Teaching For Teachers and Trainers, by Markus Schmid and the cultural event organised by the same.

Movies and Stage plays were screened and incorporated in the teaching and learning process. Students were periodically trained to participate in dramatics in the college and in various competitions and evoked an intrinsic taste in theatrical arts.



Road Safety Patrol

As the safety guardians, the volunteers maintain order and safety in and outside of the college campus from 8.20 A.M to 8.30 in the morning and 1.20 to 1.30 P.M. in the noon to clear the walking and parking space to have smooth flow of vehicles. They are instructed not to allow any vehicle to stand, park, stop and pickup and drop in front of the college to avoid any unnecessary commotion. The Science students began volunteering till their practical exams start and then the Arts students continue to maintain their work.

On 15.12.15 under the guidance of the staff in charge the meeting of the R.S.P. was held at 2.30 p.m. in the college auditorium. Mr. Muthu Ganesh, Mr. Mayil Yrum Perumal, Sub-Inspectors of Thoothukudi City Traffic Police and Mr. Subramanian were the chief guests. Mr. Muthu Ganesh, addressed the students on the importance of Road Safety Rules and insisted on the measures to be taken to avoid mishaps. Mr. Mayil Yrum Perumal demonstrated the traffic rules and regulations through video clippings. He further insisted on the importance of license, helmet and the need of them while driving. Mr. Subramanian stressed on careful driving rather than speedy driving.

On 19th March Mr. Shiva Narayanan from Pearl Honda Show room distributed license renewal forms for the benefit of the staff-members. He along with his team cleared the doubts raised by the staff- members, both teaching and non-teaching. They were ready to volunteer the staff-members to get their license renewed. In short the "R.S. P" for the current year 2015-16 was a fruitful one.

Red Ribbon Club

The RRC has about 70 students as members. The object of the club is to give AIDS awareness to the students and to give awareness to them about the protection to be given to the AIDS affected children.

RRB along with consumer club organized a meeting on 8th February 2016 Mr. A.Sankar Honorable member of Thoothukudi district consumer court gave an excellent speech on consumer rights, ways of protecting them, the different cases handled in consumer court and the Judgments of those cases. Another meeting was held on 25th of February .Ms.Adline

Vaz, Associate Professor of Microbiology, presided over the meeting. She gave a speech on AIDS awareness.

Quiz Club

The Quiz club of St.Mary's College has been continuing its tireless efforts to make the students more competitive and thus increase their confidence level and IQ. The staff and representatives of club, make sure, that the students are provided with the up to date information, by encouraging library use, INFLIBnet and various other training programmes

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The quiz club has been actively working on encouraging students to come out of their shell and shine as beautiful pearls in various quiz competitions held in and around the city. As an exemplary mark in their endeavour, R.K.DeepaLaxmi of III B.Sc Microbiology, S.K.Vanitha of III B.Sc Mathematics(SSC), R.Mahalakshmi of III B.Sc Mathematics won the secondprize in the "General Knowledge and Aptitude Test for Kamarajar Rolling Trophy" on 3rd of February 2016 at SivanthiAthithanar College of Arts and Science. Ms.J.Sahaya Froiline,Asst.Professor, Department of Mathematics accompanied them.

The Quiz club arranged for a trip to the Fisheries College and Research Institute, Thoothukudi on 24th February 2016 for a Quiz Programme – FIZZOREE – 2016. S.K. Vanitha of III BSc Mathematics (SSC) and R.K. Deepalaxmi of III BSc Microbiology participated. Ms. C. Reena, Asst. Professor, Department of Mathematics (SSC) accompanied them.

Anti-Ragging Cell

The Anti-Ragging Cell of our College aims to make our campus "Zero Tolerance for Ragging and Ragging free zone". It has organized an awareness meeting on 21st July 2015. Mrs. S.Theresammal, Assistant Professor of History, addressed the gathering on 'Ragging – A curse to student's society'. She highlighted upon the various measures to be made for safeguarding themselves during emergencies. The students were also instructed to be aware of ragging and the National Anti-Ragging Helpline and Anti - Ragging Website were brought to the notice of the students by Anti - Ragging Cell volunteers and the same were put up on the notice board for their reference forever.

On 10th September 2015, this cell has arranged a meeting. Advocate, Mr.Siluvai Manickam Kennedy addressed the students on "Legal Aspects on Ragging and informed about the role of law and its impact.





Another meeting was held on 22ndFebruary 2016. It was presided over by Advocate. Mrs.V.Subashini, member of Junior Chamber International India. She spoke on topic 'Anti-Social Activities and Social Responsibilities of the Younger generations'. She also explained the various circumstances on which the Ragging Prevention Act was passed. Students actively participated in the discussion on the issues of Ragging





The Anti – Sexual Harassement Cell and the Anti – Narcotics Club organised a meeting on 24.02.2016 presided over by Mrs. Gousalya, counsellor of the college. She spoke on Women on Ages' and created an awareness among the students on how women were ill – treated centuries before till today.

Youth Red Cross Club

An awareness programme was conducted on 06. 08. 2015. Dr. Vaseekaran, The Chairman, Indian Red Cross Society, Thoothukudi District - Branch was the chief guest. He addressed the students on the topic 'Drug Abuse and illicit drug trafficking' Pamphlet on 'Say no to Drugs' were distributed to the students to bring drug free society.

On 11th September and 3rd October, a group of 9 students from Zoology involved in voluntary service at Govt. hospital at Thoothukudi as part "May I help you programme"

A drug awareness programme was conducted to the people of Mangalagiri village near Pudhukottai. Pamphlet on 'Say no to Drugs' were distributed to the people.





Dr. S. Beulah Jerlin, The co-ordinator of YRC attended the Dissemination programme on 27th September2015.

On 11th January 2016, Eye donation awareness camp was organised in collaboration with Lions Club International, Lions Club of Sivakasi Cracker City Dist. 324-B4 an eye donation awareness camp was conducted. Dr. J. Ganesh was the chief guest of the programme.

A First Aid training programme was conducted on 25th and 26th of February 2016.A team of three doctors, Dr. Vaseekharan, Dr. Mariyappan and Dr.Sharmila the members of Indian Red Cross Society, Thoothukudi branch demonstrated the methods of giving first aids in various emergency situations. 46 students from various disciplines participated in the programme

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College Music Band

Our college musical band has been functioning effectively and efficiently with great fervor and fanfare since 2015. It consists of 34 instruments, being played by 36 students In spite of its juvenile origin, the masterly over training given by the musical master Mr. Jebin and the effective and enthusiastic involvement of students made the team to produce exemplary and noteworthy performance at various important occasions of the college.

On 22nd September 2015, when the autonomous renewal committee visited our troop initiated a hilarious mood among expert members by their ground general salute. Noteworthy comments were given by the expert committee.

The Republic day celebration had a brilliant rendering throng by the whole college was in huge zeal due to the performance done by our troops. The national anthem sung by the troops was in for excellent with the music composition at national level. They have completed the national anthem in 53 seconds that is in line with the regular anthem.

Convocation day is unique to any educational institution. The day became more significant due to the grand musical welcome given to our guest Dr. Deva Rajan, UGC Vice chairman by our musical band. The situation was so auspicious as the scholar's parade along with guest escorted by the band was eye sweet to the parents and other audience.





Extra Curricular - Inter Collegiate Performances

Youth are by nature imaginative, innovative and creative. They also have an innate urge to achieve something. When provided with necessary opportunities and guidance they could perform wonders. Besides attaining academic excellence, we aim at forming the youth who would be artistically creative and efficient in the exercise of this leadership.

Our students are given numerous opportunities and facilities to develop their various talents and to express themselves by taking active part in the Inter disciplinary level in the college and the intercollegiate level in the university and outside the college. Our students fired with enthusiasm, blazed a trail of success in various extra-curricular activities. They participated in many contests outside the Marian Campus and have brought home laurels and trophy.

Academics

Students excel in academics. The pass percentage is evidence to the importance given to teaching, learning and evaluation process. The odd semester examinations were conducted from 4th November 2015. A total of 2842 students appeared for the examinations: UG –I year 914, II year -861, III year 764, PG-I year 173 and II year 130 students. The following is the results of odd semester.