#### 2019-2020

### INAUGURAL MEETING OF HISTORY ASSOCIATION

The Inaugural Meeting of the History Association for the Academic year 2019-2020 was held on 1st July 2019 at 2.00 pm in the History Hall.

Ms. Bonita Lynette Cooper, Assistant Professor, Department of History, had welcomed the gathering. She spoke on the Art of Creating one's own reality. Ms. Sheryl stressed on the need and basis for creating opinion to this further and make dreams come through by focusing on one staff. She married small stories and made a power point presentation on the psychology of the human and its processing methods with a dynamitic presentation. She also quoted the Zen Philosophy of how one's thoughts creates owns reality. It is a process which needs to be focused and processed, correctly. Physical appearance does not define you oneself and it is the individuals capacity how to carry oneself with lofty thoughts and ideas which would portray a individual beautiful inside out. Working hard and investing time in what one "sows" will reap a double bounty of repute. An empowered women should not be a slave to the meagerness of life but rather stand financially independent by creating a own niche for herself.

The students were enthralled by her speech and were awestruck by her presentation with small stories and her own poem on the facets of life. The vote of thanks was proposed by Ms. Sowmiya of III BA History.

The meeting came to as end with singing of the National Anthem.

### Report on Educational Development Day Celebration, 12-07-2019

In commemoration of the 117<sup>th</sup> Birth Anniversary of Mr.Kamarajar, Former Chief Minister's of Tamil Nadu was celebrated by the P.G Research & Department of History, Holy Cross College, Trichy on 12 July 2019. As per the announcement of the Tamil Nadu Government to celebrate the Kamaraj's birth anniversary as the Educational Development day in all the Educational Institutions of Tamil Nadu and Welcome the gathering was addressed by the Ms.M.Kamatchi, Assistant Professor, Department of History, Holy Cross College, Trichy. The Department celebrated his birth anniversary with a Special lecture on "Educational Development of Kamaraj's Governance" by the Prof. John Kumar, Former Prof& Head, Department of History, Bishop Heber College, Trichy, National Executive member of Janatadal (s) and Secretary of Kamaraj Foundation of India.

In his speech, he explained about the achievements of Kamaraj's educational reforms in Tamil Nadu during his period under the Congress Government in Tamil Nadu. He highlighted Kamaraj's governance towards the nation buildings with the educational line. Along with this event the III Year under graduate students of the Department of History, Holy Cross College, Trichy, actively performed a model Parliament system of India. Students acted as President, Speaker and MP's etc.. They put across three major issues such as Trans People, NEET, Vernacular Language and based on these issues they had discussed of a law being transformed from the bill to the act was performed by the students. This activity gave an understanding about the current Parliament system of India. The aim of this programme was to teach the values of education in the present and from the past. Vote of thanks proposed by the III Year Graduation student Ms. Stephy, All the faculty members and the Students of the Department of the History, Holy Cross College, Trichy actively participated in this Educational Development Day celebration.

# Report of Human Rights Day on 10th December 2019

The Department of History conducted a One day seminar as Human Rights Day on the 10<sup>th</sup> of December 2019 which was in commemoration of the founding of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights as on December10th 1948. It was a collaborative programme with the Capuchin Legal Aid Centre, Karumandapam.

The principle objective of the seminar was to focus on the need to safeguard human rights by maintaining equality, preserving the dignity of people, promoting healthy development. It will bring about a wider perspective and awareness of human rights violations and the contemporary issues supported by human rights incidents and the various enforcement mechanisms globally, national and state levels for the promotion and protection of human rights. The seminar aimed to bring about the awareness on the challenges of human rights like poverty, discrimination, armed conflict and violence, impunity democracy deficits etc. which would benefit the students and faculty.

The Inauguration of the Seminar commenced with the prayer service followed by the Welcome Address which was delivered by Dr. Bonita Lynette Cooper, Assistant Professor, Department of History, Holy Cross College where she welcomed the august gathering and presented the objectives of the conduct of the Seminar and was followed by Honouring the Guests. The Inagural address was presented by Rev.Dr.Sr.Chrisina Bridget, Principal, Holy Cross College, Tiruchy. In her speech she stated the need and importance of Human Rights in the Current Scenario at National and Global Levels. Rev.Sr had also recalled the history and the struggle for Human Rights by all classes and segments of Society. The Presidential Address was rendered by Rev.Fr. A.J.Mathew, Provincial, AmalaAnnai Province, North Tamil Nadu, who had spoken on the various issues regarding human rights violations which included fro, the Right to Life to the present Citizen Act, the omissions and commission and failure to promote and protect human Rights was widely presented by him. A book was released by the Guests titled "Awareness on Basic Rights" and each of the participants received a copy of the book. The Key note address was delivered by Rev.Fr.Susai, Advocate and Director, Capuchin Legal Aid Centre whospole on the need to promote and protect human rights. The Inauguration came to an end with the Vote of Thanks delivered by Dr.R.Pricila, Assistant Professor, Department of History, Holy Cross College, Tiruchy.

The Session I had Mr.Kennedy, Advocate, District Court, Tiruchirappalli as Resource person who spoke on the human rights as a protest and had inspired the students to claim for their rights and to question the system of rights especially with relation to the suppresses classes and the rigidity of caste and class politics. In the II Session the Resource person was Mr.Tamilzhan,

Advocate, District Court Tiruchirappalli, who spoke on the Indian constitution and the various rights enshrined especially with relation to Fundamental rights and Directive principles of State Policy. The III Session was an invigorating one as the Resource person spoke on the Rights of Women and their awareness. The Resource person was Dr.S.Suba, Assistant Professor, Department of Women's Studies, Bharathidasan University, Tiruchirappalli. The students clarified their queries by an interactive session which was interesting to both the students and the faculty.

In the Valediction the Welcome address and honouring of the Chief Guest was rendered by Rev.Fr.Susai, Advocate and Director, Capuchin Legal Aid Centre who welcomed and introduced the Chief Guest Mr.Rajasekar, Assistant Commissioner of Police who had presented many cases of Human Rights violations especially with reference to medico-legal cases. He stressed that women should know the self safety skills and should always the police, register the cases and be bold and courageous to represent and face all adversities without losing track of one's goal which should also benefit the society. The Vote of Thanks was renderd by Dr. Theresa Rossetti, Assistant Professor, Department of History, Holy Cross College, Tiuchy-2. The Seminar concluded with the signing of the National Anthem.

## Minutes of History Association for Independence Day Celebration 9th August 2019

The PG& Research Department of History had conducted the Independence Day Program on the 9<sup>th</sup> of August 2019. The aim of the program was to inculcate the fervor of national patriotism among the students. The Chief Guest of the program was Dr.M. Viji Former Associate Professor of History, Holy Cross College, Tiruchy-2.

The Welcome Address for the program was delivered by Ms. S. Shamili of III B.A History. The Chief Guest was honored by presenting a memento and bouquet as a token of Best wishes by Dr. Sr. Rajakumari. P Head, Department of History. It was followed by the Reading of Minutes by Sr. Maria of IIIB.A History

The Chief Guest had spoke about the History of the Indian Flag. She said that it was a symbol of honor and freedom for the country. Our national flag has a tricolor called "Triranga" which is made up of hand-made Khadi clothes. It represents hopes and aspirations of the people of India. Finally she said that the Indian National Flag has been important and several members of armed forces have ungrudgingly laid down their lives to keep the tricolor flying in its full glory.

The Vote of Thanks was delivered by Ms.Rajeshwari of IB.A History. The program came to an end with singing of the National Anthem.

## VISIT OF THE NATIONAL LEVEL COIN CURRENCY AND STAMP EXPO

The Department Of History, Holy Cross College in order to nurture the real time experience of students in the field of numismatics, arranged for a one day visit to the National Level Coin Currency and Stamp Expo held at SRT hall, 2nd cross, Thillainagar main road, Tiruchirapalli 18. **Numismatics** is the scientific analysis and study of money and the way people have used money throughout history. The term 'numismatics' is derived from Latin numismatics which means coin. Its earliest use in English can be traced back to 1829.Additionally, it is also used to refer to the collection of coins, currency, tokens, paper money, and related objects. It also includes the research and collecting of all money-related items such as banknotes, tokens, medals, bullion rounds, etc.



