

PG & RESEARCH DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY-2022

ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES

ICSSR SPONSORED NATIONAL SEMINAR ON “UNITY IN DIVERSITY- CULTURAL PERSPECTIVES OF INDIA”- 15 & 16TH JULY 2022

ICSSR sponsored two days national seminar on ‘unity in diversity- Cultural perspectives of India’, organised by the PG and Research dept of History, Holy Cross College, Tiruchirappalli held on 15th and 16th July 2022.



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On the Occasion of its Golden Jubilee Celebration
THE PG & RESEARCH DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY

Cordially invites you for
ICSSR SPONSORED
National Seminar on
Unity in Diversity - Cultural Perspectives of India

Date : 15th and 16th July 2022
Venue : Our Lady's Hall

More than 50 abstracts were received from various parts of India. Due to various reasons not all the participants could come and present the papers in person. In the two days seminar, apart from the seven lectures given by the resource persons, nearly 20 papers were presented and 6 papers were presented in inabsentia mode. They cover various topics such as art forms, -mural and sculptures, icons in cinema; architecture- secular and religious monuments, music- tribal music traditions, dance- both classical and folk dance forms.

The two day seminar was started with the blessings of God Almighty. In the inaugural session, Rev. Sr, Isabella Rajakumari gave a warm welcome to the gathering. The session was graced by the presence of Mother Superior of Holy Cross Convent, and The secretary of the Holy cross college.



Dr. Dayalanthe key note speaker delivered a lecture on the common thread that binds Indian culture- in myriad forms of art and architecture. There were four sessions in day 1, on 15th July 2022, headed by Dr. Rohita Eswer who presented on the intricacies of nrutya and naadha and its depiction in the Hoysala temples and

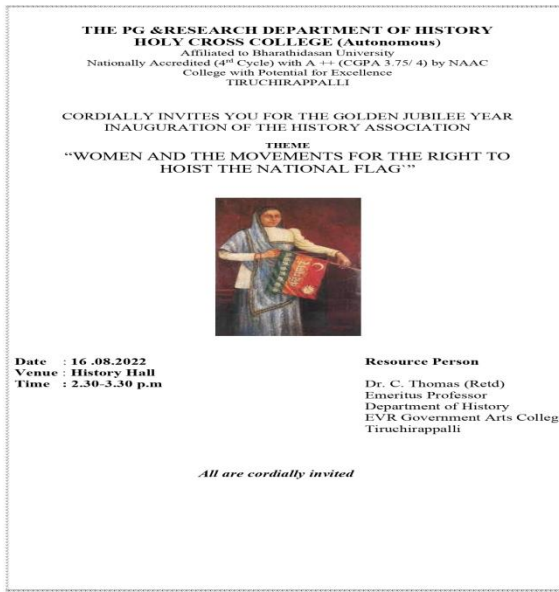
Dr. Kannan gave a talk on the various symbols used in three major religions -Buddhism, Jainism and Brahmanism and how they were all assimilated in Indian culture. Dr. Chandrabose explained the impact of different styles of architecture from the Chola period till the VN period in Chettinad architecture. Dr. Uma Maheswari explained aesthetic nuances of music, combining how music notes are common among the western, Carnatic, Hindustani and folk songs. In day 2 on 16th July 2022, three sessions were held.

Mr. Jithu Mishra took us on a tribal musical Journey to Odisha by highlighting how nature plays a vital role in the preservation of tribal culture. Dr. Vadivudevi explained how natyasastra is the binding agent of all the classical dance forms of India- through karanas, charis, and abinaya. And Dr. Sheena explained the effect of temple murals in church murals of Kerala.

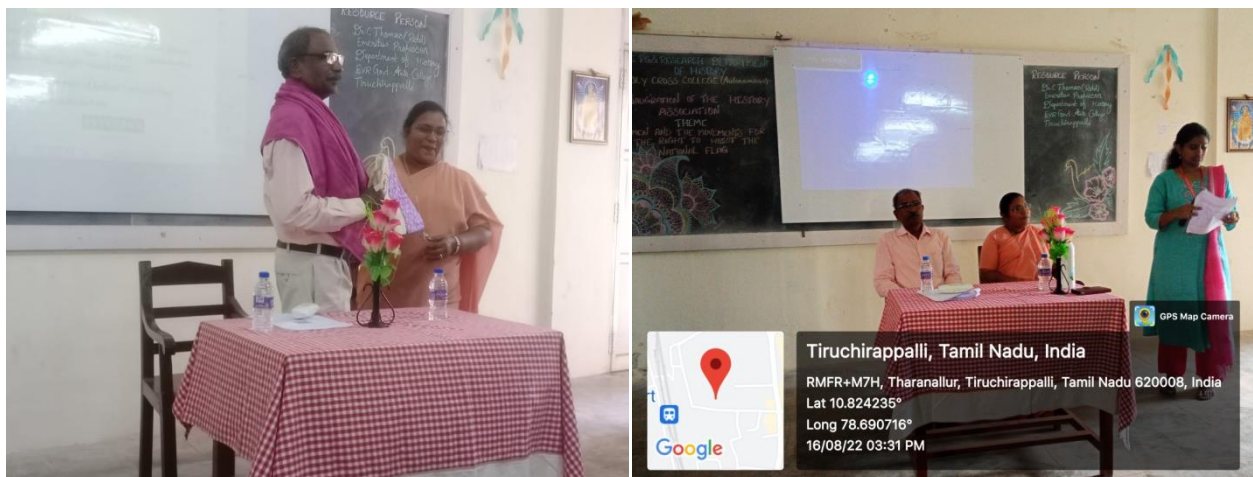
In the Valedictory function, Dr. Maheswaran, Former Director, Tribal Research Centre, Nilgiris, vividly brought to light the Tribal life with special reference to the Todas of Nilgiris.

PG & RESEARCH DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY - THE GOLDEN JUBILEE YEAR ASSOCIATION INAUGURAL PROGRAM- 16TH AUGUST 2022

The PG & Research Department of History has organized its Golden Jubilee Year Association Inaugural program on 16th August 2022 at 2.30 to 3.30 PM in the History Hall. The meeting was commenced by invoking God's presence and blessings. Followed it Dr.J.Theresa Rossetti welcomed the members and introduced the chief guest Dr. C.Thomas, Emeritus Professor, E.V.R PeriyarGovt Arts College, Trichy.



Pursued it Rev. Sr. Dr. Isabella Rajakumari, Vice Principal & Head of the Department honored the chief guest.



Trails that chief guest addressed the gathering on the topic entitled "the Women and the Movements for the Right to Hoist the National Flag".

He gave a meticulous lecture on the subject of the flag which represents the sovereignty of the nation and its people from the ancient times, held its importance throughout history and how the colonial rule banned Indians to hoist their flags. Specifically, he shared in sequence on the roles of Women

Martyrs like Bhikaji Cama, Matangini Hazara, Rukmani Lakshmi Devi, T. V. Rannuvammal and so on, who struggle to hoist the flags were discussed. The lecture was very well-informed and inspired the gathering, followed by C. Rahini, 3rd year students proposed the vote of thanks.

The Business meeting of the History Association was held on 16th August 2022 at 2.30pm. The following members were democratically elected as office bearers.

President- C. Rahini, III BA History

Vice President– Padmapriya, II BA History

Secretary- Anne Linitha, II BA History. The meeting came to an end with the vote of thanks

PRESENTATION ON “FACTUAL DOCUMENTARY PRESENTATION ON THE UNSUNG HEROINES OF INDIAN INDEPENDENCE” 17TH AUGUST 2022

The PG and Research Department of History along with The School of Humanities of Holy Cross college (Autonomous), Tiruchirappalli organised a “Factual Documentary presentation on the Unsung Heroines of Indian Independence” in commemoration of the 75th Independence day at Our Lady’s hall on 17th August 2022. **Mr. Kungumam Sundarrajan, Documentary Director, Chennai was the resource.** The programme was started with a prayer service by the students of the Department of English followed by the welcome note by Dr. S.B. Dharsana, Assistant Professor, Department of History. The Chief Guest was honoured by Rev. Dr. Sr. Isabella Rajakumari, Head of the department of History.



The documentary started with a Introduction by Tiru Siva, Member of Parliament, on women's invaluable contribution during the freedom struggle and a small snippet of old photographs and videos of pre independent India of leaders involved in the Indian National movement. Mr. Sundarrajan then gave us detailed information on women freedom fighters from various parts of Tamil Nadu especially from the delta regions of Tiruchirappalli, Thanjavur, Ariyalur, Perambalur and Karur. He spoke about VeluNachiyar, the first women from South India to raise her voice against the British and Annie Besant who raised the Home rule movement and demanded self rule of India by Indians.

He spoke on various women TyagiRukmaniLaxmipathy, the only woman participant of the Vedaranyam salt satyagraha, who demanded Rajaji to include her in the long walk from Tiruchirappalli to Vedaranyam, KuthmulRadhabai and AlameluMangai who participated in the Individual Satyagraha and went to jail, pregnant women who valued their country more than their own child like KamalamMuthu and TyagiPadmavathiAmmal, MariyamBeevi who walked all the way to participate in the Nagpur Flag satyagraha in 1922 and was arrested; PadmashiniAmmal and Pankajammal who spread the spirit of Patriotism via bajan songs and street plays.



Families who sacrificed their life for the country were honoured later by the government by giving their names to places , the ones we pass by every day yet never knew their history, like the Sastri road named to honour the Sastri Family of Tiruchirappalli, including Dr. SwaminadhaSastri and Mrs. KalyaniSastri who participated in movements like Swadesi Movement, Non Cooperation movement etc, Syed Murdushah Sahib, the one who took efforts to Invite Gandhi to Trichy to propagate the Khilafat and Non-cooperation Movement , Dharmalingam And family who were arrested and were imprisoned for more than 7 years and Had a special officer appointed to the police department just to identified and honour them. He spoke about places in and around Trichy like the Railway Junction, Head Post Office, Main guard gate, Rockforttemple,SriRanganathaswamy Temple, the ChaukMaidhanam, Singarathopeetc which was prominent areas in which freedom struggle took place in Tiruchirappalli.

Mrs. Parvathi, freedom fighter and one of the Alumna of Holy Cross College from the 1932 batch participated in the Salt Satyagraha movement while she was working as a teacher at the KannigaGurukulam in Vedharayam. Her aunt Mrs. Kalavathi, an Alumna of Holy Cross College emphasised on how Holy Cross College has been a pillar of education and empowerment of women throughout its establishment since 1923. The session concluded with urging students to know their own family history and find more people and places interlinked with the freedom struggle and respecting families of the freedom fighters who lost their lives, property, family relations and economical stability during the freedom struggle to bring freedom and empowerment to the nation.

The session came to an end with thanking the chief guest and followed by the National Anthem. The documentary was very informative and empowering to the students.

FIELD VISIT REPORT TO KHEEZADI AND OTHER PLACES

18TH AUGUST 2022

The PG and Research Department of History organised an Educational Trip for the Students of the department on 18th August 2022 to the archaeological sites of Kheezadi and Kondagai and to the Museum at Madurai. The students were accompanied by their faculty members, Dr. S.B Darsana, Dr. Angaleswari. S, Mr. Karthick, Ms. M. Reshma and Ms. Letitia K Vinoy. Nearly 101 students from both UG and PG classes were taken for the visit to Kheezadi and Kondagai, with the aim to educate the students about the ancient people who lived in the banks of Vaigai river around 6th C BCE.

Kheezadi

The site of Kheezadi is located enroute to Silaiman. The trenches excavated in the first seasons were kept as open air exhibitions. The students were taught the basics of excavation methods, stratigraphy, and the description of pottery and other artefacts. Currently the excavations are conducted in another part of the village. Ms. Kavitha, the archaeological officer of Tamil Nadu State Department of Archaeology explained the significance of the site to the students.





Ms. Kavitha, Archaeological Officer, Tamil Nadu State Department of Archaeology, explaining the details of Keeladi site to the students.

Kondagai

While Kheezadi is identified as the industrial area, Kondagai situated 2 km from it is exclusively an urn burial site where the dead were buried in huge urns. The internment is both primary and secondary. The burials are found with grave goods. More than 50 skeletal remains are found in the site. Carnelian beads which are not locally available could have been brought from western India indicating a trade network in early historical period.

The students then visited the ThirumalaiNayakar Palace in Madurai. This 17th century monument was built by Madurai NayakThirumalaiNayak in 1636 CE. The Tamil NaduArchaeological department now maintains and oversees the palace. The monument was built with the styles of both Italian and Rajput architecture. The palace now houses a museum which exhibits ancient statues and inscriptions along with paintings and weapons of the Nayak period.

The Gandhi SmarakSangrahalaya commonly known as the Gandhi Museum was the next spot for the students to visit in Madurai. The Palace of Rani Mangammal was converted into Gandhi Museum which was inaugurated by the then prime minister Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru in the year 1959. Dr.Sabura explained the significance of the Gandhi Museum in a vivid manner. The museum has pictorial representations of the maps of colonial India, events of the Indian national movement and stories of those who involved in it. Gandhi's books and personal items such as his clothes, footwear, glasses and letters are displayed in the museum.

The field visit came to an end by 8:30 pm. It was an informative trip and students learnt a lot from the places they visited.

EDUCATIONAL TOUR- FOR II UG NME STUDENTS 24TH SEPTEMBER 2022

One day NME Course Study Tour was conducted on 24th September, 2022 to Kodaikanal, Tamil Nadu. The tour was organized by the PG & Research Department of History, Holy Cross College (Autonomous). II UG NME Course entitle “*Places of Tourist interest in India*” Students around 56 numbers from B.Com, BBA, B.A Economics, Tamil and English were participated. Course in charge Dr. Angaleswari. S and Ms. Letitia K Vinoy accompanied the students.



The trip was started on 24th morning 12. 30 am from Holy Cross College (Autonomous), Trichy and we reached the destination (Kodaikanal) by 4.45 am. The students were taken to the most famous places like Upper Lake view, Cocaker’s Walk, Pine forest, Moir Point, Pillar Rock, Green Valley, Thalaiaru Waterfalls, Kodaikanal Lake, Silver Cascade Falls, Bryant Park and Museum accordingly. Students learned more about the places in Kodaikanal and they were further enthusiastic to visit many more tourist places. By 10.30 pm we return to College on the same day.

QUIZ COMPETITION ON WORLD TOURISM DAY 27TH SEPTEMBER 2022

In the Commemoration of World Tourism Day, the PG and Research Department of History organized competition on 27 September 2022 at 11.30 AM to 1.30 PM in the Sophy's Hall. The program was commenced by invoking God's presence and blessings. Follow it Dr. Anglaeswari. S, welcomed the students and introduced the chief guest Rev.Sr.Dr.Isabella Rajakumari, Vice Principal and Head, PG and Research Department of History, Holy Cross College (Autonomous), Trichy.

The program was begun with a video on the importance of World Tourism Day by Zurab Pololikashvili, Secretary-General, UNWTO. Precisely this competition was planned for II NME course entitled "*Places of Tourist interest in India*" and III UG NME course entitled "*Tourism and Travel Formalities*" students. The competitions were Quiz, Name the Picture and Puzzle.



The students of the both NME course were at their best. Spontaneity and confidence were the hallmark of the competition. The students left everyone awe-struck as they presented their talent so immaculately and effortlessly. They were applauded for their best performance. Winners were announced, prize winners are, R.Aiswarya, II B.A Economics (won 1st prize), Lakshana, II B.A Economics (won 2nd Prize) and Abinaya II Economics (won 3rd Prize). The program culminated with vote of thanks by Ms. Letitia K Vinoy.

EDUCATIONAL TOUR- FOR III UG NME STUDENTS

7TH OCTOBER 2022

As a part of the curriculum of Non-major Elective offered by the department of History; Tourism and travel formalities the III UG students from disciplines of Commerce, English, Mathematics, Physics and computer Science were taken to Black Thunder a theme park located in Metupalayam, Ooty on 07.10.2022. It was a good experience for the students and they were able to get a break from their routine and it was a great relaxation for them.



Theme parks are classified as a man-made attraction which is purely for leisure activities and the students has a hand on experience in the theme park. They had an idea on the functions of the theme park and the various activities the theme park undertakes to attract the tourist. Theme parks have a positive economic impact. Visitors to the theme parks will increase the economy of the area as they explore the local city. Also, theme parks themselves create many additional jobs for locals. On the whole this tour was a good experience for the students. They had learnt few things and also enjoyed their time.

INTERNATIONAL SEMINAR ON ‘EXPLORING UNIVERSAL BROTHERHOOD- AVENUES AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUTH”- 15TH OCTOBER 2022

The International Seminar on ‘Exploring Universal Brotherhood- Avenues and Opportunities for Youth’ conducted by the PG and Research Department of History on 15th October 2022 commenced with a prayer. Rev (Sr). Dr. Isabella Rajakumari, the head of the Department welcomed the gathering. Dr. Theresa Rosetti, J Assistant Professor, Department of History introduced the theme of the conference that gives importance to universal brotherhood and the role of the youth in the present world.

Rev (Sr). Dr. Christina Bridget, the Principal, Holy Cross College (Autonomous) felicitated the conference. She traced the antecedent of the word ‘Universal Brotherhood’ by linking it with the usage of the words “Brothers and Sisters’ by Swami Vivekananda. She highlighted the need for the youth to lead unselfish life to make the world a better place to live in.

Prof. Sukhee Lee from the Republic of Korea in her keynote address took the audience on a colourful odyssey, where she touched upon the Han style and K style.



Ms. Lee explained in detail the various facets of Korean culture. She highlighted the link between India and Korea through a story of the marriage between Suriratna of Ayodhya and King Kim Suro in 48 CE.

Dr. Pricila, R Assistant Professor, Department of History proposed the vote of thanks for the inaugural session.

In the first technical session, Dr. Gayathri from Bharathidasan College for Women, Puducherry discussed the role of youth in creating a universally tolerable and peaceful society. She insisted that the students should have a ‘state of mind that implies non-judgemental acceptance of different lifestyles of beliefs’.

In the second session, Dr. Sundar Kali, former Professor, Gandhi Gram University, Dindigul explained the story of Hiranya and Narasimha through a video presentation. He discussed the folk drama of Hiranya and Narasimha with emphasis on masks worn both by a demon and by God.

In the third session, Dr. Anil Gopi, Navakerala Post-Doctoral Research Fellow, Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam explained the concepts of values, culture, and ethos from anthropological perspectives. The ritualistic and artistic aspects of theyyam (a folk dance form in North Kerala) were highlighted. He approached folk dance in a wider framework of social structure.

Dr. Angaleswari, S Assistant Professor, Department of History welcomed the gathering for the valedictory session. The valedictory address was given by Prof. Hwarang Lee from the Republic of Korea who through an interactive and interesting session explained the Korean script and language. He highlighted the concepts of imagination and communication by linking them with universal human values. He also emphasised that history’s purpose is to highlight human values.



Dr. Darsana, S.B, Assistant Professor, Department of History presented the report of the seminar. Ms. Padmavathi, M, Assistant Professor, Department of History thanked the resource persons and the participants. The Conference came to an end with National Anthem.

REPORT ON THE ELOCUTION COMPETITION CONDUCTED TO COMMEMORATE UNITED NATIONS DAY ON 24TH OCTOBER 2022

The PG and Research Department of History in order to commemorate United Nations Day (24th October), conducted an intra-departmental elocution competition for UG and PG students on 1st November 2022. The following topics were given for UG and PG classes.

I UG: UNESCO's role in the preservation of cultural heritage

I UG: Challenges faced by UNO

III UG: Is UNO Relevant Today?

I & II PG: India's role in the UN

The duration of the competition is three minutes and the language is either English or Tamil.

Rev. (Sr). Dr. Isabella Rajakumari, the Head of the Department commenced the competition with a prayer and she felicitated the programme and wished the students success. Dr. Darsana, S.B, Assistant Professor welcomed the gathering and talked about the relevance of UNO in the modern day.

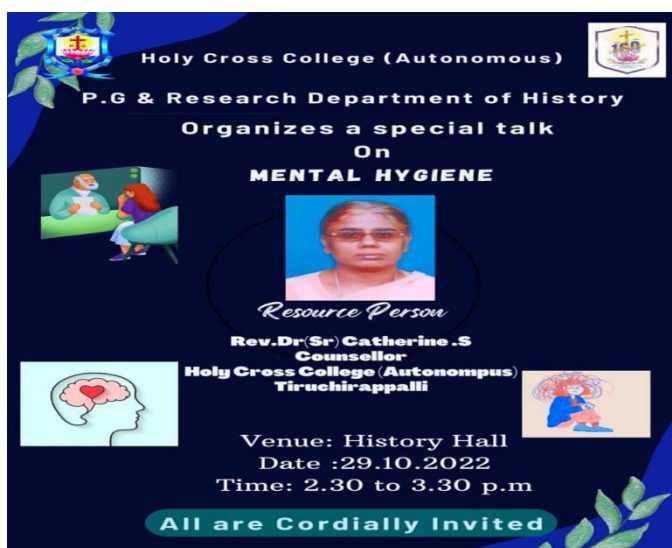
Dr. Pricila, Assistant Professor, and Mr. Ajesh, Research Scholar from the Department of History acted as judges and selected the winners.



Twelve students have participated. All the participants brought out the importance of the UN in their speeches.

REPORT ON THE TALK “MENTAL HYGIENE” BY REV. (SR). DR. CATHERINE S ON 29THOCTOBER 2022

The PG and Research Department of History organised a talk on Mental Hygiene by Rev. (Sr). Dr. Catherine S., the Counsellor, Holy Cross College (Autonomous), Tiruchirappalli on 29th October 2022 at 2.30 pm in History Hall. Ms. Maria Jennita, M.A Student welcomed the gathering. Rev (Sr). Dr. Isabella Rajakumar P, Assistant Professor and Head of the Department, PG and Research Department of History felicitated and introduced the speaker.



Rev. (Sr). Dr. Catherine started the talk by narrating the problems faced by the people. She observed that people visit doctors only when they have physical problems and they are hesitant when they have symptoms of mental problems. She highlighted that one should get mental peace by controlling the anger emotions within 30 seconds. She also asked the audience to carry heavy objects in their extended hands for a longer period. When they found the burden too much to bear, she asked them to keep them down. She explained that keeping the problems in mind for a longer period of time will add more stress to life than giving a solution. She also noted the bad effects of the overuse of social media in the life of young students and told the students to curtail the usage of mobile phones to maintain mental hygiene.

The audience- both the faculty and the students-was benefitted from her lecture. Ms. J.R.Ishwarya, the Student Council Member of the Department of History, proposed the vote of thanks.

CONSTITUTION DAY CELEBRATIONS ON 7TH NOVEMBER 2022

The PG and Research Department of History celebrated constitution day on 7th November 2022. The II year UG students under the guidance of their class teacher Dr. R.Pricila made arrangements for the celebrations. Various intra-departmental competitions were conducted for the students such as quiz, Essaywriting(in Tamil and English), Poem writing, and poster making. The constitution day which falls on 26th November every year was celebrated on 7th November 2022. The day marks the completion of the drafting of the constitution in 1949.



Ms. Rithika, II UG student welcomed the gathering. Rev (Sr). Dr. Isabella Rajakumar P, Assistant Professor and Head of the Department, PG and Research Department of History in her introductory speech highlighted the importance of upholding the constitution in India. Dr. Theresa Rosetti, J gave a talk on the various aspects of India's constitution. The students who won the various competitions were given prizes by Rev (Sr). Dr. Isabella Rajakumar P, Assistant Professor and Head of the Department, PG and Research Department of History. A vote of thanks was proposed by Ms. Ayisha Begum, II UG student. The programme ended with the national anthem.

REPORT ON THE HUMAN RIGHTS DAY CELEBRATION 10TH DECEMBER 2022

In Commemoration of Human Rights Day, the PG and Research Department of History organized a Special Lecture on “*The Power of Human Rights in the Modern World*” on 10th December 2022 from 10.30 AM to 1.30 pm in Sophy’s Hall. The program was commenced by invoking God’s presence and blessings. Ms Rahini of III UG welcomed the gathering and introduced the chief guest Mrs. Gokila R. B.A, L.L.B., Lawyer & Director (HR & Legal) Monitpro Solutions Pvt.Ltd, Tiruchirappalli. Rev. Sr. Dr. Isabella Rajakumari, Vice Principal & Head of the Department honored the chief guest.

Mrs. Gokila gave an interesting lecture on Human Rights. Precisely, she focused on the Domestic violence and abuses of human rights in society.



It was a very Interactive session between Mrs. Gokila and the students of the history department. The students were at their best clearing their doubts on human rights and fundamental rights. The lecture was very well-informed and inspired the gathering, J.R. Ishwarya, III UG students proposed the vote of thanks.

REPORT ON THE CAREER GUIDANCE PROGRAMME

16TH DECEMBER 2022

The PG and Research Department of History organized a Career Guidance Programme on 10th December 2022 from 02.00 pm to 3.30 pm in the History Hall. The theme of the programme was on “Upcoming trends and Challenges in Indian Competitive Examinations” The program commenced by invoking God’s presence and blessings. Ms. Bujanya, II M.A., welcomed the gathering and introduced the chief guest Mr. Harisudan, B.E., Ex-Officer Indian Air Force (Retd) and the Director of Jayaram IAS Academy, Tiruchirappalli. Rev. Sr. Dr. Isabella Rajakumari, Vice Principal & Head of the Department honored the chief guest.



The talk was on Career guidance, Mr. Harisudan started his speech with how career guidance is a comprehensive, developmental program designed to assist individuals in making and implementing informed educational and occupational choices to build one’s future. Sir displayed opportunities (Virtually) and provoked our students mind by notifying many achievers history and their struggles to clear the competitive examinations. This programme helped UG & PG students to see plentiful available options in UPSC & State service examinations and to find how to build plans to reach their future goals. The special talk was very well-informative for the students Ms Rahini of III UG student thanked the resource persons and the participants.

EDUCATIONAL TOUR FOR FINAL YEAR STUDENTS- 14TH& 15TH FEBRUARY 2023

Two-day educational trip was conducted to II P.G and III U.G students on 14th & 15th February 2023 to Ooty, Tamil Nadu. The tour was organized by the PG & Research Department of History, Holy Cross College (Autonomous). Around 50 students were accompanied by Dr. Pricila. R, Ms. Reshma. M and Ms. Letitia K Vinoy. The trip was started on 14th morning 12. 30 am from Holy Cross College (Autonomous), Trichy and we reached the destination (Ooty) by 8:00 am.

Ooty, the Queen of Hill stations, welcomed us with mesmerising meadows, soothing environment, cool weather and a wide array of sightseeing places to visit and admire. Each tourist attraction in Ooty provided a unique and lively experience. After the refreshment, the students were taken to the most famous places like Pykara waterfalls, Boat house, Pine Forest on the first day and to Doddabetta peak, Tea factory, Chocolate factory, Ooty lake and Botanical Garden on the second day. Students learnt more about the places, important cuisines in Ooty and they were further enthusiastic to visit many more tourist places.

REPORT ON THE OUTREACH PROGRAM 20TH JANUARY 2023

The PG & Research Department of History conducted an outreach programme on 20th January 2023, in Government Higher secondary school, Thirupanjeeli, in commemoration of the 74th Republic Day. The main aim of the program was to create awareness among the school students on why Republic Day is celebrated and the importance of the Constitution of India. All the students of UG & PG History were taken to the school. The students were divided into five groups and each group was given a specific topic like National Anthem, Fundamental rights, the Preamble of the Constitution and History of Republic Day.



Each group went to different classes from 6th std to 12th std at Govt school. The students used different materials like charts, Power Point Presentations, photos to explain the given topic to the school students. The school students were asked some general knowledge questions about the Republic day and those who answered it right were appreciated by giving chocolates.

The Principal of the school distributed Chocolates and Flag to the students. Students were taught about the importance of Republic day, and history of the Constitution with its salient features. The students interacted freely and clarified their doubts. Career guidance was also provided to 12th std students.

REPORT ON THE REPUBLIC DAY CELEBRATION 25TH JANUARY

In Commemoration of the 74th Republic Day, the PG and Research Department of History organized a Special Lecture on “*Challenges of Youth Today*” on 25th January from 2 to 3.30 pm in the History Hall. The program commenced by invoking God’s presence and blessings. Ms. Sujitha of I PG welcomed the gathering and introduced the chief guest Dr. F. Selvakumaran (Retd), Former Head, Department of Tamil, St. Joseph’s College (Autonomous) Tiruchirappalli, Rev. Sr. Dr. Isabella Rajakumari, Vice Principal & Head of the Department honored the chief guest.



Dr. F. Selvakumaran gave a captivating lecture on Challenges of Youths today. Precisely, he focused on their career opportunities and social responsibilities. It was an interactive session between Dr. F. Selvakumaran and the students of the history department. The students were at their best clearing their doubts. The lecture was very well-informed and inspired the gathering, Sri Kousalya.S II UG

REPORT ON THE SPECIAL LECTURE FOR INDUSTRY-LED VALUE-ADDED COURSE ON INTRODUCTION TO ARCHAEOLOGY AND EPIGRAPHY 28TH JANUARY 2023

The PG and Research Department of History organised a special lecture for Industry-led Value-Added Course on “*Introduction to Archaeology and Epigraphy*” on 28th January 2023 for both UG and PG students of the department.

Ms. Umayal and Ms. Sai Priya, Archaeological officers, Department of Archaeology, Thanjavur, Tamil Nadu acted as resource persons.



The programme started with prayer. The gathering was welcomed by Ms. Muthulakshmi, I M.A. student. Ms. Umayal was introduced by Ms. Maheswari and Ms. Sai Priya was introduced by Ms. Harishini, I B.A student. Rev. (Sr). Dr. Isabella Rajakumari, Head of the Department of History honoured the resource persons. In her inaugural address, she emphasised on the qualities of hard work and sincerity that are important for a successful career.

In her lecture, Ms. Umayal talked about the archaeological exploration and excavation in Tamil Nadu, through power point presentation. She highlighted the various methods that are followed in the exploration and excavation of archaeological sites. Ms. Sai Priya spoke on the various facets of Epigraphy with special reference to Tamil Brahmi inscriptions.

Ms. MahamugaSundari, I B.A. student proposed the vote of thanks and the programme ended with the National Anthem.

Activity on 8th March,2023

International Women's Day Celebration-‘Digit ALL’

The PG and Research Department of History organised, International Women's Day celebration on 8th March 2023 on the theme 'Digit ALL'- Innovation and Technology for gender equality in the History Hall. The Programme starts from 2:30pm and ends at till 3:30pm. The Programme commenced with prayer. Welcome address was recited by Ms. Muthulakshimi from I-MA History. The historical background on celebrating international women's day had been shared by Ms.T.S.Bujanya from II-MA History. PG &UG students had sung a song based on women empowerment. The programme was continued with delivering speeches on empowered and inspirational women by Ms.G.Abirami from II-MA History shared about cadambi Meenakshi women Indian Historian, first women to get doctorate from the university of Madras. Ms.Manimegalai from I-MA History shared about Muniba Mazari. Ms.Sherin Beetsha from I-MA History shared about Rukmani Lakshmi badi. The students were allowed to share their views on inspirational women from their life. The boys from I-MA History conducted on the spot Quiz competition. The programme was conducted with vote of thanks by Ms. Mahima Jovita, Fine arts secretary of History Department.



Activity on 20th March 2023

Career Guidance Programme “History -Backbone of competitive Exams”.

The PG & Research Department of History conducted career Guidance programme for UG & PG students on 20th March 2023. The programme held from 11:00am –12:30pm. Mr. Mohammed Siddique, founder of NIMIR IAS Academy and UPSC institutor was the resource person. The Programme commenced with the prayer. Welcome address was delivered by Ms.Rahini from III-UG History. Reading of minutes was done by Ms. Padmapriya from II-UG History. Mr. Mohammed Siddique explained about the importance of History in a competitive exam. The title of the programme was “History -Backbone of competitive Exams”.



He had explained about the structure of both UPSC and TNPSC exams. Sir enlightened the students with some interview questions. Sir explained the importance and the power of authority in Competitive exams with a short story from his life. Sir made the students clear about the weight age of questions from Modern Indian History. Indian National movement, Current affairs and Basic history of India in both TNPSC & UPSC Exams. Sir, also introduced a new scheme of short term class for Rs.999/- in his NIMIR IAS Academy for the students. The programme was concluded with the vote of thanks by Ms.T.S.Bujanya from II-MA History.

Activity on 20th March 2023

Validictory Programme-“Changes and Challenges in History”

The PG & Research Department of History conducted a valedictory programme on 20th March 2023. The Programme held from 2:00pm to 3:00pm. Mrs. Leema Rose, Head & Assistant Professor, Department of History, Government Arts & Science College, Thiruverumbur was the Resource Person. The Programme commenced with the prayer, Welcome Address was delivered by Ms.Rahini, from III-UG History. Reading of the Minutes was done by Ms. Deepika from II-UG History. Mrs. Leema Rose explained about the significance of writing History and its Challenges. The title of the Programme was “Changes and Challenges in History”.



She made the students clear about the challenges in History. The Interaction session went on with the students. The Programme was concluded with the Vote of Thanks by Ms.T.S.Bujanya from II-M.A.History.