

HOLY CROSS COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), TIRUCHIRAPPALLI

PG & RESEARCH DEPARTMENT OF ZOOLOGY

Association Activities- Aristotle club (2018-2019)

The Aristotle club of the PG & Research Department of Zoology was inaugurated by **Rev. Fr. Godwin Rufus S.J.**, Assistant Professor of English, St. Joseph's College, Trichy, on 2nd July 2018. He delivered an inspiring talk on “**The 7Ds of an Aspiring Leader: Kindling the spirit for Excellence**”. On 24th August 2018, the students of **I B.Sc. Zoology**, went for an educational tour to **Rameshwaram** and visited **Central Marine Fishery Research Institute (CMFRI)**. **III B.Sc. Zoology** students went for a study tour on 6th and 7th September, 2018 and visited **Indian Institute of Science, Bengaluru**.

On 27th August 2018, **Mr. P. Charles, Director and founder of Kaarlo Training and HR solutions**, Trichy spoke on the topic “Getting Job Ready in the competitive Job Market”. **National Science Academies' Lecture Workshop on “Recent Trends in Applied and Molecular Endocrinology”**, was held on **26th & 27th September, 2018**. **Prof. Maria Joseph Michael Aruldas** FRE, FNASc., Former Director, Dr. ALM PG **Institute of Basic Medical Sciences**, University of Madras, Chennai was the Convener and Dr. Cecily Rosemary Latha, Head of the Department of Zoology was the Coordinator of the workshop which was sponsored by the three Science Academies of India, IASc, Bangalore; INSA, New Delhi & NASI, Allahabad. 9 Technical sessions were addressed by Professors and esteemed scientists from Premier Research Institutes such as **Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore, PG IBMS, Chennai**.

On 23rd November, 2018 the Zoology department organized a **memorial service** for late **Dr. Rev. Sr. Dona**, the foundress of the Department of Zoology. Rev. Sr. Dona's photo was unveiled and installed by Rev. Sr. Elizabeth Rose, former Principal, Holy Cross College, Trichy. Many Rev Sisters, retired professors and alumnae of Holy Cross College, attended the memorial service to honour the sacrifices and services of Rev. **Sr. Dona**.

An Inter-Collegiate Meet- “**FESTOTLE-18**” on the theme ‘Innovative Approaches in Water Conservation’ was held on 11th December, 2018. Many Competitions were conducted. Mr. Sundar Raju, Former IFS officer and President of SOFCO, Trichy, was the chief guest of the day.

In collaboration with Centre for Nanoscience & Nanotechnology, Sathyabama Institute of Science & Technology, Chennai, a **Two Day Workshop on “Molecular Techniques using**

Zebra fish as a model” was held on 13th and 14th December, 2018. Faculty members, Research Scholars and PG students of Life Science Departments from different colleges participated in the workshop.

An **International Conference on “Innovative Approaches in Biomedical Sciences”** was held on 25th January, 2019. **Prof. Arun Dharmarajan**, Faculty of Health Science, **Curtin University, Australia**, ignited and illuminated the research focus in the young minds with his presidential address. The valediction was presided over by **Prof. S. Thameem Dheen**, Head, Department of Anatomy, Yong Loo Lin School of Medicine, **National University of Singapore**. About 250 students including students from various other colleges participated and got benefited.

A Two Day Workshop on “Techniques in Phytochemical Analysis” was organised under CPE Programme for Faculty members, Research Scholars and students of Science Departments in the PG and Research Department of Zoology on 31st January and 1st February 2019.

The valediction of the Aristotle club was held on 7th March, 2019. Dr. A. Arun, Head, Department of Microbiology, Alagappa University, Karaikudi, was the Chief Guest. He delivered a lecture on the topic, “Microbial plastics and energy”. The Best Achiever Award of the Zoology Department for the academic year 2018-2019 was given to Ms. Ms. Z. Afrin Sultana of III BSc Zoology.