



Annual Report 2017 - 2018



INTRODUCTION

In today's digital world, every area of life including the sphere of education has globalization networking and international competition as the driving force behind it. Hence there is a dire need to adapt to the global reality and to set and sustain global standards in education as its outcome has a direct bearing on work life balance and career achievements / advancements.

Education is an intrinsic step towards empowerment, self realization and self transformation, setting goals for ourselves in life, with the aim to achieve these goals through perseverance combined with strong ethical values. Thus one's life will be transformed into something intellectually and aesthetically rich and emotionally and spiritually satisfying, making the young generation God fearing, civic conscious and socially responsible individuals.

Education which provides intellectual and emotional training should use innovative methods and set standards with quality and social relevance. The ultimate purpose of education is not merely for knowledge gain / acquisition or skill development and enhancement, but also to shape techno savvy individuals who need to be industry ready to use their potential to the maximum for the benefit of oneself and the society.

Education should help people have positive and progressive thoughts for social and national development and also be good human beings who show love and respect for other human beings and nature. Education should aim at producing not merely learned people but creative thinkers and smart learners who can learn to learn and who realize that learning is a lifelong process for progress and leading change.

Education can thus help bring out enlightened individuals, self reliant and nature friendly with social responsibility.

With a bright new dawn, a new horizon, renewed hope and fresh energy to achieve, the college re-opened for II & III UG and II PG students on 16th June 2017, for I UG students on 21st June and for I PG students on 28th June 2017.

On 16th June 2017, II year and III year students of shifts I & II were gathered to welcome the new Principal of our college Rev. (Sr.) Dr. Christina Bridget. The assembly started with a prayer. It was a happy and wonderful day welcoming our new Principal.

Our Secretary Rev. (Sr.) Dr. Lilly welcomed our Principal, Rev. (Sr.) Dr. Christina Bridget with warm cheer and a bouquet. The Principal was felicitated by Rev. (Sr.) Dr. P. Rajakumari. Then followed the announcement of the theme of the year 'Networking and Innovation' by the Principal who spoke about the importance of being creative and excelling in our standards. Her speech was highly motivating for the staff and students.

A leader with a vision sets progressive patterns. Our Principal, an innovative and creative leader of excellence addressed the young minds with new energy and vigor. She also distributed prizes to the winners of the College Calendar Wrapper Designers. Awareness was created among the students by the video clipping of Anti-ragging and Anti-Child Labor that were screened. A signature campaign was also held to show our support against child labor. The programme concluded with the college anthem.



MASS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

SHIFT - I

The mass of the Holy Spirit was celebrated on 29th June 2017 for Shift I. The main celebrants were Rt. Rev. Bishop of Kumbakonam, Dr. Antonysamay and Rev. Fr. Innocent. In his homily, the Bishop focused on the need for faith in God and to live today fully without fear of yesterday or worry about tomorrow. At the end of the mass, the Principal Rev. (Sr.) Dr. Christina Bridget offered the college and its inmates to the Sacred Heart of Jesus for protection and guidance, through the act of consecration to the Sacred Heart.



SHIFT - II

At the Eucharistic celebration for Shift II, the Holy Spirit was invoked to lead us all for the academic year 2017 - 2018. The celebrant was Rev. (Fr.) Leo Melchoir Babu, Director, Kalai Kaveri, Trichy. Students performed a skit portraying the values of life. During the offertory, models of honey web, roots and flowers were symbolically offered as a representation of the theme of the year "Networking and Innovation".

WELCOME UG STUDENTS

SHIFT - I

On 21st June 2017, classes commenced for the first UG students. Freshers and parents gathered with great enthusiasm in the college grounds. The programme started with a prayer service. Rev. (Sr.) Dr. Lilly, Secretary and Rev. (Sr.) Dr. Christina Bridget, Principal welcomed the freshers and wished them success in all their endeavours. Mr. Jeyakar Chellaraj, Former Principal, Bishop Heber College, Trichy was the chief guest. He encouraged the students to excel in all fields and follow the 4C's – Critical thinking, Collaboration, Creativity and Communication to achieve success in life.

SHIFT - II

On 21st June 2017, the first UG students were welcomed into the Holy Cross family. Rev. (Sr.) Dr. Lilly, the Secretary motivated the students and spoke about the history and achievements of the college. The guest of honor Dr. S. N. Raghavendra, Faculty, Bharathidasan Institute of Management, encouraged the students to inculcate the qualities such as curiosity to learn, developing oneself in the research field, reading newspapers regularly and conversing in English.

STAFF ORIENTATION

Orientation for new faculty was conducted on 12th and 13th June 2017. Session –I entitled “Tread the Path” was handled by Rev. (Sr.) Dr. Christina Bridget, Principal who briefed the staff about Mother Claudine Echernier, Foundress of the Sisters of the Cross of Chavanod, Mother Sophie, Foundress of Holy Cross College, Tiruchirappalli, followed by a succinct history of the college, its mission, vision and quality policies. Session –II was a Panel Discussion – “Why is the sky Blue?” Members in the panel were Rev. (Sr.) Dr. Christina Bridget, Principal, Dr. Jenitra L, Vice Principal, Dr. Horne Iona Averal, Dean of Science and Dr. Mary Jayanthi M, Dean of Students. Dr. Mary Jayanthi M, explained the topic for discussion “Why is the sky Blue?” and she stated that the teachers are expected to explain the reason for the sky being so. She explained 8 different types of students and how a teacher should cater to their needs Dr. Jenitra L, gave an insight into how to prepare for classes. She told them the types of things to be done to prepare for class. Dr. Horne Iona Averal, gave an overview about teacher student relationship. Session –III was about “Discovering the self”. Ms. Aarti C Rajaratnam a Master Practitioner and Trainer in Neuro Linguistic Programming (NLP), also trained in Transactional Analysis (TA), Dream Analysis and Counselling, was the resource person for the next session.

She helped the faculty to know about the body mind relationship. On the second day of the programme, Dr. Lethi. C. D, Former Dean, IQAC coordinator and Retd. Associate Professor of Zoology, Holy Cross College, Tiruchirappalli, chaired the session. She handled a session on Teaching and Learning, explained the concept of Bloom’s Taxonomy and introduced a new approach called Instructional scaffolding.

A two day orientation for all the staff of Shifts I and II was conducted on 14th and 15th June 2017. On 14th June 2017, the resource person was Dr. S. Thiagarajan, Director, Management Studies, Sourashtra College, Madurai, who handled a session on Professional Ethics.

On 15th June 2017 Rev. (Sr.) Dr. Christina Bridget, Principal, introduced the theme of the year as “Networking and Innovation”. The chief guest, Dr. P. Suburathinabharathi, Director, MAM Business School, Trichy started the session on the topic “Creativity, Invention and Innovation”. Holy Cross College’s objective toward Networking and Innovation was highlighted as to build industry and academic networking in the area of science, technology, etc and to innovate products for social development. Then Dr. Kanagala Uma, Associate Professor of Rehabilitation Science, shared her experience during her trip to Holy Land – Jerusalem.



Dr. Vasanthi, S., Associate Professor of Commerce, who attended a conference at one of the reputed B-Schools in Malaysia, explained the innovative practices followed there and she also gave an insight into corporate social responsibility of institutions and industries. Dr. Suganthi, K., Assistant Professor of English, who attended a conference in Singapore along with Rev. (Sr.) Dr. Judy Gomez, Assistant Professor and Head, Dept. of English, spoke on the importance of communication and expressed that Indian staff and students are of international calibre.

A two day workshop on e-content preparation was conducted for the staff in August by Mr. S. Edward Packiaraj, Director, Rosary E- Solutions, Trichy. Faculty development programme on “Innovative and Active Teaching Methodologies” was conducted on 29th September, 2017. The resource person was Mrs. Padmaja, CEO, Victory Insights, Chennai. The programme was attended by 90 faculty members from different departments, with less than 5 years of teaching experience.

A faculty development program on “Challenges in Higher Education – Retrospection and Forging Ahead” was held on 2nd October, 2017. The resource person was Rev. (Sr.) Dr. Rosy Antony, Former Provincial and Principal, Holy Cross College, Trichy. She started with the current world scenario of Nowist culture. She then spoke about the pioneers of this congregation and their valuable contributions to this reputed institution.

Another orientation was held for the staff on 20th November 2017. The resource person Dr. S. Thiagarajan, Director, Management Studies, Sourashtra College, Madurai, spoke about performance enhancement and team work.

STUDENTS ORIENTATION

On 19th June, 2017, Leadership Orientation Program was conducted for 67 newly elected leaders which included Student Council Members, Sports Secretaries and Fine -Arts Secretaries of Shifts I and II. The topic of the orientation was ‘On Being and Becoming a HCC Leader of Excellence’. Rev. (Sr.) Dr. Christina Bridget, the Principal took the first session on Innovation, Networking and Leadership. Mr. Antony Stephen, Assistant Professor of Social Work took the next session – ‘Discover the Leader in You’. Dr. M. Mary Jayanthi, Dean of Student Affairs, took over the next session on ‘Time Management, the qualities of a good leader and Conflict Management.’

On 20th June, 2017, the second day of the Leadership Orientation Program, Dr. Leema Peter, Psychologist and Consultant, the resource person spoke about Emotional Intelligence, body language and maintaining good relationships. The afternoon session was taken over by the former student leaders of the college, Ms. Joseline, Ms. Divya, Ms. Gayathri, Ms. Varsha and Ms. Rohin Aashika who shared their experiences and encouraged the students. Ms. Rosy Lidia, from the Department of English spoke about the internal and external factors that a leader must handle. The session concluded with a communication game by Dr. M. Mary Jayanthi, Dean of Student Affairs.



ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES

On 20th November 2017 a motivational program was held in the college grounds. The first session was for III U.G. students (Shift-I). The chief guest of the day was Ms. Padmaja, SN, CEO, Consultant Entrepreneur Development, Hon Consultant Social Media, MMA Victory Insights, Chennai, a coach, trainer and a motivational speaker. She spoke on the topic “Attitude – Success in life”. The second session was for II U.G. students (Shift-I) on the same day. The resource person explained the methods of tackling the problems, with reference to the life of Swami Vivekananda. The third session was conducted for I U.G. and P.G. students. The session was initiated with a lively catch game. She gave inspiring words on optimism and the quality of leadership. The fourth session was held for III U.G. students (Shift-II). The chief guest of the day started the fourth session with an interesting story “Life is Good”. She spoke on the topic “Value of High Self-Esteem and the Need for Communication”. The fifth session was for I and II U.G. students (Shift-II). The speaker explained the importance of the Pygmalion effect on life.

The Pep Talk Series was conducted for two days on 14th and 15th December 2017. On 14th December 2017 the first session of the day, the guest speaker of the session Dr. K. Alex, Associate Professor of Commerce, St. Joseph’s College, Trichy explained the types of intelligence and how one should be aware of these. The guest speaker of the second session was Mr. Gunasekaran Wing Commander, Commanding Officer, 3TN AIR Sqn, Trichy. He explained the importance of hardwork. The guest speaker of the third session was Dr. M. Bhuvaneshwari, Assistant Professor, Periyar EVR College, Trichy. She encouraged the students to face failures with positive attitude and to make stepping stones out of stumbling struggles.

Progressive change is the basis of creative and innovative outcome at the academic and administrative levels.



Rev. Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget, A.
assumed office as the Principal in
June 2017.

This year as an innovative initiative, the post of Dean of Research was introduced

The following staff shouldered responsibilities as Deans:

- **Dean of Research -**



Dr. Sheila Christopher, Associate
Professor of Rehabilitation
Science

- **Dean of Arts -**



Dr. Mary Sandra Quintal,
Associate Professor of English

- **Dean of Science -**



Dr. Horne Iona Averal, HoD and
Associate Professor of Zoology

CHANGE IN HEADSHIP

The following staff were appointed as Heads of the Departments:



Dr. Annal Lourdu Regina, P.
Associate Professor of Commerce
– HoD of Commerce



Ms. Maimoona Begum,
Associate Professor of Chemistry
– HoD of Chemistry



Dr. Sr. Lourdu Mary,
Assistant Professor of
Rehabilitation Science
– HoD of Rehabilitation Science



Dr. Latha Kenin Jes, A.
Associate Professor of Commerce
– HoD of Business Administration

INFRASTRUCTURE

New Building - To meet the demand for some courses and the need for more class rooms, a new building that was under construction is now completed.

New Courses - Two new courses were started.

M.A. Psychology and M.A. History were introduced this year.

New Venture - A monthly calendar for the year 2018 was prepared and printed under the banner of Holy Cross College (Autonomous), Tiruchirappalli. A new innovative achievement, the first of its kind in the annals of the college.

In the knowledge based digital era there is a need to rethink, review and revamp the infrastructure facilities because speed, effectiveness, accuracy and efficiency are the requisites today. To meet these multiple demands, appropriate updated technology tools are essential. Based on these perspectives, the following infrastructure facilities were added this year:

- BSNL internet lease line was increased from 50 mbps to 100 mbps and Hi-Grade was replaced by an updated ERP software for greater efficiency in academic and administrative work.

- LED Wall Display of important college activities and important information and value based suggestions / quotations, was introduced this year for the benefit of students and staff. The visual presentation created a greater impact on the viewers.

- Launch of e-content preparation centre and release of e-lessons CD was held on 24th November 2017.

- N-Computing is introduced for better administrative work effectiveness. At present 20 users are created with the virtual desktop connected via LAN. It has several advantages like mirroring data, taking backup for 20 users in one place and restricted policy created for the user to view only his / her data.

COLLABORATIVE ENTERPRISE

Interpersonal relationship and a friendly rapport between the teacher and the taught helps in the process and progress of knowledge sharing with mutual respect for one another. Holy Cross College provides a conducive ambience for autonomous teaching and learning, with not only an intellectual focus but also an emotional bonding that helps build healthy and strong individuals. There are 275 teaching staff, 104 administrative staff and more than 5200 students in both Shifts I and II besides 33 M.Phil. and 20 Ph.D. research scholars.

Sl. No.	Particulars	No. of Item
1	SDS-Page STD High MW	1
2	Logitech Keyboard and Mouse Kit	20
3	UPS	1
4	Intel Core i5 Processor, Asus Motherboard, Transcend 4GB RAM, Toshiba 500GB HDD, Logitech Kit, Samsung LED Monitor and HP Deskjet (Computer)	6
5	Dr. Speech Voice Diagnostic Vocal Assessment (Voice and EGG)	1
6	Server IBM PSU X3400	1
7	New Furniture (For staff- 18 & students - 300)	318
8	VGA Splitter	1
9	Nilkamal Chair	6000
10	HP 15-AY554TU Laptop with Carry Case	1
11	REPROVEND FH Vending Machine for Sanitary napkins.	2
12	iTell – Orell Digital Language lab	1
13	New Lift	2
14	CCTV Camera	2
15	Intel Core Processor, Mother Board, HP Laser Jet Printer	1
16	Software Installed	1
17	LED TV	1
18	Modern Dining Chair	6
19	Indoor Unit, Outdoor Unit--New Compressor for Centralized AC	1
20	Seagate 2TB-USB3 HDD Lacie 4TB –USB3/TB	2
21	Epson Projector	1
22	Canon IR 3300 Hard Disk	1
23	Coffee/Tea Vending Machine	1
24	Epson Projector	1
25	8.5 TR Ductable Unit	4
26	Finger Print Machine	1
27	Valley Office Chairs	10
28	Clinical Middle Ear Analyzer	1
29	2 – CH Clinical Audiometer	1
30	P.O. box, Rheostat 20 Ω , Function Generator, 5 dial resistance box	11
31	ENNAR Laminar Air Flow Chamber	1
32	Laptop for LED Wall	1
33	Real-time PCR cyclers	1
34	Desk and Bench	100
35	Epson Projector	1
36	Tag Headset	7
37	P.Box, Rheostat, Function Generator, 5 Dial Resistance Box	1
38	Infusil Aqua Demineralizer Model No. DM600/100-XL (1), Systronics pH Meter Digital With Electrode (2), Equiptronics Platinum Electrode (3)	6
39	Perfo Writing Chair with Pad	25
40	HP Desktop Computer	3
41	Server and Ncomputing (Computer)	20
42	Epson EB-S31 Projector.	1
43	SPSS Package	20 Users

RESEARCH

Ph.D. awarded

Congratulations to the following staff and research scholars who were awarded Ph.D.



Dr. Pandilakshmi, Assistant Professor of Zoology, guided by Dr. C. D. Lethi, Associate Professor of Zoology Retd., Holy Cross College

Thesis title: Studies on the antiurolithiatic activity of scorpia dulcis linn and aervalanata linn in the male albino rat, Rattus norvegicus Wistar



Dr. Maria Rajeswari, Assistant Professor of Biochemistry

Thesis title: Isolation, Identification and Separation of Rutin and P-Coumaric acid from leaf extracts of cynodon Dactylon and their effect on aflotoxin intoxicated male albino rats



Dr. Roseline Selvarani, Assistant Professor of Computer Science

Thesis title: Design and Development of energy efficient approaches for a secured mobile environment



Dr. Indra, Assistant Professor of Hindi

Thesis title: Chandrakiran Sonrexa ki Naveenatham Prakashith Kahani Sangrah Mein Madhyavergeeya Samaj



Dr. Sr. Judy Gomez, Assistant Professor of English guided by Dr. Grace Beula Malini, Retd. Associate Professor and HoD of English

Thesis title: Construction of Meaning in Margaret Drabble's Select Novels



Dr. G. Aloysia Regina Joan, Assistant Professor of Commerce

Thesis title: The impact of Organizational Factors on the job satisfaction of the Employees of MNCs (IT) operating from Chennai



Dr. B. Helen Mary Premila, Assistant Professor of Botany

Thesis title: In vitro callus Production, Phytochemical Analysis and Green Synthesis of Silver Nano particles using Trichosanthes Cucumerina L and its anticancer activity



Dr. Sr. Daisy Premila Bai, Assistant Professor of Computer Science

Thesis title: An Intelligent and Adaptable Secure Smart Card Architecture for Internet of things and Cloud Computing



Dr. Amalorpava Jerline, Assistant Professor of Mathematics

Thesis title: Harmonic and Zagreb Indices of Graphs



Dr. Dhanalakshmi, K., Assistant Professor of Mathematics

Thesis title: A study on Colouring of Digraphs and Zagreb Indices of Graphs



Dr. Selvarani, P., Assistant Professor of Mathematics

Thesis title: A Study on Detour Polynomial and Circular Polynomial of Certain Graphs in Graph



Dr. Senthamarai, S.,
Associate Professor of Economics

Thesis title: Economic Study of Child Sex Ratio in Tamil Nadu



Dr. Francis Annuncia,
guided by Rev. Sr. Dr. Maria
former HOD and Associate
Professor of Rehabilitation Science

Thesis title: Perception of Students with Disabilities in Higher Education



Dr. Francina Nishandhini,
Assistant Professor of Mathematics,
guided by Dr. W. Ritha,
Assistant Professor of Mathematics

Thesis title: A Study on Transportation Inventory Problems



Dr. Hemalatha,
guided by Dr. Valsamma Antony,
Retd. Associate Professor of
Commerce

Thesis title: Brand Loyalty of working women towards personal care products with special reference to toilet soap, in Tiruchirappalli City



Dr. Prabha, M., Assistant Professor
of Business Administration

Thesis title: A Study on Employee Engagement in Call Centres, Tiruchirappalli District.



Dr. Sr. Lourdu Mary,
guided by
Dr. Amala Fathima Rani,
Associate Professor of Chemistry

Thesis title: Studies on Heavy Metal Ions removal from e-waste landfills using low cost adsorbents



Dr. Senthil Kumar S.,
guided by
Dr. Swarnakumari, Associate
Professor of Rehabilitation Science

Thesis title: Role of Physical Rehabilitation in Industrial Health –A Study on Musculoskeletal Disorders in Industrial workers and its Rehabilitation Intervention



Dr. E. Nila Ethel,
guided by Dr. Nagalakshmi. P,
Associate Professor of
Rehabilitation Science

Thesis title: Refractive Error and its impact on Children



Ph.D. Synopsis Presented



Ms. A. Freeda Rose,
Assistant Professor of Botany



Ms. R. Poornima,
Assistant Professor of Zoology,
guided by Dr. Horne Iona Averal



Ms. H.M. Leena,
Assistant Professor of
Computer Science



Ms. Juliet Catherine Angel,
Assistant Professor of
Computer Science



Ms. S. Seema, Research Scholar
guided by Dr. Turin Martina



Ms. R. Ayshwarya, Research
Scholar guided by Dr. S. Vasanthi



Ms. Legi G Joseph, Research
Scholar guided by Dr. S. Vasanthi

Ph.D. Thesis Submitted



Ms. Josephinol,
Assistant Professor of Biochemistry



Ms. R. Saraswathi, Co-ordinator,
Women's Studies Centre



Sr. Niranjana, Assistant Professor
of Social Work



Ms. Daisy Rani,
Assistant Professor of Social Work



Ms. Anita, Assistant Professor
of Social Work

Book Published



Rev. Sr. A. Saghayamary, Librarian
published Academia and Society
Vol. 4 nos 1 and 2 in October 2017
and February 2018. She also
released the following 4 e-books in
Amazon.com.

1. Body Quotient for children: Syllabus 1st to 12th Standard. ASIN: B01JGCU5WU
2. Smart child program. ASIN: B07B65SVVD
3. Depth mining: A psychotherapy program. ASIN: B07B62MNX4
4. A Single Healing Solution for all Diseases using Auto Urine Therapy(AUT)



Dr. Kanagala Uma,
Associate Professor of
Rehabilitation Science, published
a book 'Human Development and
Disability' in August 2017



Dr. Swarnakumari, Associate
Professor of Rehabilitation
Science, published a book
'Management of Cerebral Palsy' in
January 2018



Dr. Turin Martina, Associate
Professor of Rehabilitation
Science, published a book
'Management of Cerebral Palsy' in
January 2018



Dr. S. Vasanthi, Assistant Professor
of Commerce published a book
(2017 - 2018) 'Consumer
Behaviour on branded Fast food
retail outlets', Jayam Publications.

Development Grant

CPE Grant Phase II: The amount sanctioned was Rs. 1,25,00,000/-. The amount received was Rs. 85,88,000/-.

Projects

Entrepreneurial training on Spirulina and Microgreens Cultivation for Under Graduate Students was sanctioned by United Board for Christian Higher Education in Asia for the period from September 2017 to October 2018. The Project Correspondent is Rev. Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget. The Project Leaders are Dr. P. Francisca and Dr. S. Catharin Sara, Assistant Professors of Botany, The amount sanctioned is Rs. 1,42,250.

Academic Visits

Autonomy Review Committee visit

Autonomy Review Committee members visited the college on 10th and 11th August 2017. The members of the Review Committee were,

1. Professor S. Niranjali Devi, Head, Dept. of Biochemistry, University of Madras, Chennai
2. Rev. Sr. Juanita, Former Principal, Holy Spirit Convent, Kushalnagar, N. Coorg, Karnataka
3. Professor S. Valsala Kumary, Principal, Maharaja's College, Ernakulam, Cochin
4. Dr. Ruma R. Rao, Principal, RBVRR College for Women (Autonomous), Narayanaguda, Hyderabad.

Nominee of State Government

5. Dr. M. M. Senthamil Selvi, J. D. of Collegiate Education, Trichy

Nominee of Affiliating University

6. Dr. L. Uma, Professor, Department of Marine Biotechnology, Bharathidasan University, Trichy
7. Dr. Salil S, Education Officer, University Grants Commission, South-Western Regional Office, Bangalore

The Principal presented a brief report highlighting the journey of Autonomy so far and presented the academic overview of various Systems – Councils, Boards and other Internal mechanisms of the College. The milestone achievements and the highlights of the college were also elaborated in the presentation. On the first day, according to the time schedule that was fixed, the committee members visited the various Departments, the Alumnae and Parents Forum and viewed the Power point Presentations. They also visited the Holy Cross Blossoms Opportunity School for Special Children. They interacted with the students, the teaching faculty, Aided and Management staff, of both Shift I and Shift II and with the administrative staff and got their feedback. They also viewed the infrastructure facilities available in the Campus such as the Counseling Center, HRD, Legal Aid Clinic, Women's Studies Centre, Mess, Canteen, Hostels and Sports facilities.

On the first day evening the committee members visited one of the RESCAPES adopted villages “Thirupanjalee” and appreciated the commendable work done and expressed satisfaction that the extension project was very innovative and socially relevant.

On the second day they visited the Library and Controller’s Office and they interacted with the staff members of the Controller’s office Internal Test Committee, Admission Team, IQAC, and Finance Team.

The exit meeting was held on 11th August in the Conference hall and the members gave their feedback and shared their views about the College. They appreciated the responses, activities and some good practices in the college and mentioned the areas for further improvement.

Autonomy Review Committee: The autonomous status was extended from 2012 – 2013 to 2017 – 2018.

Awards / Achievements / Ventures College Special Awards / Achievements

Tiruchirappalli City Corporation Swacchata Hi Seva Award was presented to our college on 2nd October 2017, observed as Cleanliness Day.

In BDU Fest 17, held from 27th to 29th October 2017, at Bharathidasan University, Trichy, the college was awarded the Best Aided College Trophy, Best Aided College Co-ordinator Trophy, Rolling Trophy for Classical Dance and Short Film Making.

Tiruchirappalli City Corporation presented Swachh Survekshan 2018 Award to Holy Cross College in recognition of their commitment to keep their premises clean for Swachh Survekshan 2018, on 26th January 2018.

The Rotaract club of our college won the following awards, in appreciation of the activities of the academic year 2016-2017; Award in appreciation of TOPS and DOTS '16, Best Occasional services Award and Best Professional development Award.

A special highlight this year was that the Dubai Alumnae chapter was started and its president addressed the alumnae at the Alumnae Meet on 9th December through video conferencing.

Yet another achievement was the setting up of Noel Nook in December 2017, to encourage the joy of giving and receiving and Youth Against Drug unit (YAD) was inaugurated on 16th February 2018.

The Lavender Day Carnival was conducted on 7th March 2018, to celebrate the International Conference on Networking, Research and Innovation in Higher Education: Challenges and Channels, to be conducted between 25th and 27th

July 2018. The chief guest of the day was Rev. Fr. Joe Arun, Director of JIM, St. Joseph’s College, Trichy and the special invitees were Dr. Andrew Santhosh, Director Operations, Raffles Educational Trust, Singapore and Dr. E. George Dharma Prakash Raj, Assistant Professor, School of Computer Science Engineering and Applications, Bharathidasan University, Trichy. The event witnessed the release of the teasers for the Conference and for the College Day. The Carnival also featured a number of attractions such as food stalls, game corners, a horror house, a maze, beauty corner comprising mehendi, hair colouring, nail art and tattoo stalls.

Our college has received the Best NSS unit award for the year 2016 -2017 given by Bharathidasan University. NSS programme unit officers Ms. R. Umarani Assistant Professor in Economics, Ms. Kanmani Assistant Professor in Chemistry, Ms. Elizabeth Rani Assistant Professor in Tamil, Ms. Mariena Brinda Assistant Professor in English Shift II received the award from the Vice Chancellor of Bharathidasan University and overall NSS coordinator Lakshmi Prabha. Ms. R. Umarani Assistant Professor in Economics was awarded the Best NSS Programme officer for the year 2016 -2017, on 3rd April 2018.

Holy Cross College (Autonomous), Tiruchirappalli received the 42nd rank for the year 2018 in the National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF) approved by the Ministry of Human Resource Development.

Staff Awards

Major Dr. Viji. M, Associate Professor of History, received the Glory of India Award 2017 from Best Citizen Publishing House, New Delhi.

Ms. Saraswathi. R, Co-ordinator, Women's Studies Centre, was selected as the Best Para Legal Volunteer of Tiruchirappalli District for 2016 – 2017, by District Legal Services Authority, Tiruchirappalli.

The following staff of the Department of Zoology, received the following awards, Dr. A.J Bhorgin Lourdu Mary received Har Gobind Memorial Best Scientist Award, Dr.A.Avila Jerley, Dr.Rajathi D Modilal and Dr.Elavarasi received Har Gobind Memorial Best Young Scientist Award, Dr. Pandilakshmi received Har Gobind Memorial Best Investigator Award, Mrs.T.Shalini Gnanam and Ms. R.Poorinima received Har Gobind Memorial Best Young Investigator Award, from Bose Science Society, Vigyan Prasar, DST, Government of India, New Delhi in July at H.H The Rajah's College, Pudukkottai.

Ms. Ruby Merlin, Assistant Professor of English received Best Aided College Co-ordinator Trophy at BDU Fest held in October 2017.

Dr. Swarnakumari P, Assistant Professor of Rehabilitation Science received the Bharat Jyoti Puraskar Award from the Best Citizen Publishing House, in December 2017

Dr. M. Rajalakshmi, Assistant Professor in Zoology received "Dr P Daisy Memorial Gold Medal Oration Award and Citation" on 22nd January 2018 for her research Contribution in the field of Molecular Endocrinology in the International Conference on Reproductive Physiology and Comparative Endocrinology (ICRPCE) and 36th meeting of SRBCE 2018 held from 20th to 22nd January 2018 at BITS Pilani, KK Birla Goa Campus.

Dr. Horne Iona Averal, Associate Professor of Zoology received Bharat Gaurav Award and Certificate of Excellence from India International Friendship Society, New Delhi, in March 2018.

The Rotary Club of Trichy City along with Rudra Shanthi Yogalayam honored and appreciated three of our staff, Dr. L. Cathrine and Dr. J.Roselin Vimala, Assistant Professors of Chemistry and Ms. Desiree Ann. A, Assistant Professor of English on Women's Day, for their dedication to their teaching profession and also appreciated their service mindedness.

NET/SET Passed

Congratulations to the following staff who passed NET / SET



Ms. Mary Peter Shirley,
Assistant Professor of
Commerce (NET and SET)



Ms. Jone Jayashree,
Assistant Professor of
Mathematics (SET)



Ms. K. Dhanalakshmi,
Assistant Professor of
Mathematics (SET)



Ms. Leema Maria Prakasam,
Assistant Professor of
Mathematics (SET)



Ms. Emima, Assistant Professor
of Computer Science (Shift II)
(SET)



Ms. Babiyana, Assistant Professor
of Physics (SET)



Ms. Shrimathi. K.,
Assistant Professor of
Rehabilitation Science (SET)

Students Awards / Achievements

Award of Post-Doctoral Fellowship - Ms. S. Elavarasi received National Post-Doctoral Fellow from the Department of Science and Technology, Science and Engineering Research Board, New Delhi. Her Mentor is Dr. Horne Iona Averal, Dean of Science, Head and Associate Professor, PG and Research Dept. of Zoology. Project title: Anti-psoriatic activity of the poly herbal formulation using ultraviolet B ray photo dermatitis albino rat model. Duration: 2 Years (May 2017 to April 2019). Sanctioned amount: Rs. 19, 20, 000.

The Department of Social Work participated in Catharisis '17- "A National level cultural Meet for the budding social workers" held on 23rd and 24th September 2017 at Bishop Heber College, Trichy and won the overall winners award consequently for the third year, out of the participants from 21 colleges. Our student Mr. John Prince from II MSW received the title, Mr. Catharsis and Ms. Cathaline from II MSW received the title Ms. Catharisis

In Indira Gandhi College, Ramalinagar Panimandram conducted a district level Tamil poem writing competition on 12th August 2017. G. Priyadharshini of I M.Sc. Zoology got first Prize and received Cash award of Rs.5000 and certificate. In Mahalingam Engineering College, Coimbatore the Ramalingam Panimandram conducted a State Level Tamil poem writing competition on 29th August 2017.

She got state first and received a cash award of Rs.15,000. In Jamal Mohammed College, Tamil Valarchi Thurai Conducted a district level Tamil competition on 15th September. She got third Prize and a cash award of Rs.5000 and certificate from the District Collector of Trichy. In the poem writing competition held at St. Joseph's College, Tiruchirappalli on 15th December 2017, she got first prize and received a cash award of Rs.1000 and a certificate.

Our fine arts team participated in an intercollegiate competition conducted by the Trichy City Corporation on 19th September 2017 and won I prize in short film, II prize in group dance. The students were given cash award Rs.2000 as the first prize and Rs.1500 as the second prize.

SPRINGS 2K17, an intercollegiate cultural fest was conducted by Fatima College, Madurai on 26th August 2017. Our students won the overall runners up position

THUIMAI 17, Our Students participated in Thuimai 17, an intercollegiate cultural meet organized by Lady Doak College Madurai on 15th September 2017. They won the overall winner's trophy with 125 points among 16 competing institutions.

Our Students participated in Medha 2K17 and VIBGYOR 17, an intercollegiate cultural meet organized by PRIST School of Commerce and Management, PRIST University, Vallam, Thanjavur on 21st September 2017 won the overall runner's up trophy among 52 colleges.

Our college cultural team participated in Shisyyas 2K18, an intercollegiate cultural meet organised by Srimad Andavan College of Arts and Science on 11th and 12th January 2018. They won the Overall Winner's trophy, Theatre and Filmy Trophy and Fine arts and Literary Trophy. The students also won cash prizes worth Rs. 29,500 for their competitive and enthusiastic performance.

S. Guru Priya (Research Scholar, Chemistry Department) received The Best Paper Award in the International Seminar on “Microbes and Microbial Processes and Products” conducted by PG and Research Dept. of Microbiology, Sengamala Thayaar Educational Trust Women’s College, Sundarakkokkai.

J.Sabeena Ashifa (II M.Sc Chemistry) was given The Best Paper Award in the National Conference on Recent Developments in Chemistry(NCRDC-2018) conducted by PG and Research Dept. of Chemistry Jamal Mohamed College, Trichy.

III B.Sc. Students, S. Amsavarthini, S. Poorvaja, K.M. Kavya, R. Sharmila Devi, Ms. Sharon, N. Tamil Malar and R. Yazhini got the I prize and received the cash prize Rs. 25,000 in Tamilnadu level short film contest for ‘Small Millets’ conducted by Dhan foundation, Canadian NGO on 5th September 2018.

P.Chithara, I M.Sc., got I prize in BDU fest short film competition.

R. Yazhini, III B.Sc., got I prize, cash worth Rs.10,000 and received People’s Award for Tamilnadu level cancer awareness photography competition, conducted by Shanmuga Medical Research Foundation Trust on 4th February 2018.

Refresher Course

Rev. Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget, Principal, attended a refresher course from 6th to 26th September 2017, conducted by University of Madras, Chennai, on Management Studies.

Rev. Sr. Dr. Judy Gomez, HoD of English, attended a refresher Course: Contemporary Literature, Theory and Criticism from 8th to 28th September 2017, conducted by UGC - HRDC, University of Madras.

Dr. Subashini H.D. and Dr. Catharin Sara, Assistant Professors of Botany attended a refresher course on Bioscience at Human Resource Development Centre, Bharathidasan University, from 26th October to 15th November 2017.

Five staff members attended a refresher course at Human Resource Development Centre, Bharathidasan University, from 8th to 28th November 2017. They were,



Rev. Sr. Dr. Rajakumari P,
Assistant Professor of History



Dr. Mary Sandra Quintal,
Assistant Professor of English



Dr. Mary Jayanthi,
Assistant Professor of English



Ms. Benita.N,
Assistant Professor of English



Dr. Jacintha Rani,
Assistant Professor of Tamil

Ms. P. Mercy, Assistant Professor of Computer Science attended a Faculty Development Programme entitled “Internet of Things – Challenges and Issues” in MAM Engineering college, Siruganur from 6th November to 19th November 2017.

Orientation Programme

The following staff of our college attended orientation programme conducted by UGC – Human Resource Development Centre, Bharathidasan University at Khajamalai campus, Tiruchirappalli, from 23rd August 2017 to 19th September 2017: Dr. A.J. Bhorgin Lourdhu Mary, Mrs. R.Kavitha, and Dr. A. Avila Jerley, Assistant Professors of Zoology.

Dr. Cecily Rose Mary Latha and Dr. Sujatha Ilangovan, Assistant Professors of Zoology, attended the orientation course from 15th November to 12th December 2017 at Human Resource Development Centre, Bharathidasan University.

Mr.M.Antony Stephen has participated in the Five day orientation programme on Critical Social Science Perspectives: Understanding Theories and Praxis organized by Madras Institute of Development Studies (MIDS), Chennai and Indian Council of Social Science Research, New Delhi, during 25th July to 29th July 2017.

Golden Delight - 25 Years' Service Completed

Congratulations to Major Dr. Viji. M, for 25 years service as NCC Officer, Ms. Joicey P Manickam, Associate Professor of Rehabilitation Science and Ms. Elizabeth Rani G, Management Staff (Non Teaching) for completion of 25 years of service in Holy Cross College, Trichy.

100% Attendance



Rev. Sr. Lizzy George,
Assistant Professor of French



Ms. Jasmine Banu,
Assistant Professor of Physics



Dr. Felicita Florence,
Assistant Professor of Chemistry



Ms. Merlin Kokila,
Assistant Professor of Economics



Dr. Philominal,
Assistant Professor of Physics



Ms. Vijayalakshmi,
Assistant Professor of Tamil



Ms. I. Arockia Mary,
Assistant Professor of Physics



Dr. Kanmani,
Assistant Professor of Chemistry



Ms. Sivaranjani. S,
Assistant Professor of Physics,
Shift II



Ms. Nobel Esther,
Assistant Professor of English,
Shift II

Faculty Visit Abroad

Rev. Sr. Dr. Judy Gomez, HoD of English and Dr. Suganthi. K, Assistant Professor of English, attended the 6th Annual International Conference on Language, Literature and Linguistics (L3 2017) held in Singapore on 5th and 6th June 2017 and presented a paper on 'The Culmination of Suffering in Margaret Drabble's Select Novels'.

Dr. S. Vasanthi, Associate Professor of Commerce, attended the International Conference on 'Innovation, Entrepreneurship and Sustainable Value Chain in a Challenging Environment', on 6th, 8th and 9th June 2017 in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia organized by Primax Foundation, Bangalore and presented a paper "Post Purchase Behavior of E-Shoppers towards Impulsive Buying Behavior in South India-Structural Equation Model"

Mr. R. Sundaresan, Head, Department of Audiology and Speech Language Pathology participated and presented a paper titled "Asymptomatic cognitive impairment in children with HIV" in Asia Pacific Conference Speech Language Hearing 2017 held at Japan on 17th September 2017.

He also participated and presented a paper titled "Basal Ganglia Calcification- A case study" and "An advocacy study on awareness of stroke in teenagers" in World Congress Neurology 2017 held at Kyoto, Japan on 19th and 20th September 2017.

Rev. Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget, Principal, attended an International Conference on Access Ability for Persons with Disability at Dubai from 7th to 9th November 2017.

Dr. Sheila Christopher, Dean of Research and Associate Professor of Rehabilitation Science, attended the Access Abilities Expo and International Conference on Access Ability for Persons with Disability 2017 from 7th to 9th November 2017 in Dubai, International Conventions and Exhibitions Centre, Dubai, UAE. On 9th November Dubai Chapter for Alumnae was inaugurated. 11 alumnae of the college gathered there for the meeting and shared their experience and promised to gather more alumnae and have frequent meetings.

Dr. G. Arul Selvi, Assistant Professor of Visual Communication participated in the programme, Malaysiavil Jallikattu, in Malaysia, as a folk dance trainer and performer from 4th to 8th January 2018.

Highlights of the year

Memorandum of Understanding (MoU)

The Department of History signed MoU's with the following organizations on 19th July 2017. District Central Library, Tiruchirappalli, The Adiaman Centre for Social and Historical Research, Dharmapuri, Thagadur Historical Preservation Association, Dharmapuri, Archives and Historical Research, Kallukuzhi and Kamaraj IAS Academy, Chennai.

An MoU was signed between the Department of Computer Science, Holy Cross College (Autonomous), Trichy and Learning Center, Trichy on 21st July 2017.

The Department of Rehabilitation Science, in order to provide students with a holistic education and practical exposure, signed a Memorandum of Understanding with Vaikundha Consultancy, Dubai, UAE, on 24th August 2017. Rev. Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget, Principal, Rev. Sr. Dr. Lourdu Mary, Head of the Department and Mrs. Pramila Chandrasekar, Director of the institute headed the program.

MoUs were signed by the Department of Rehabilitation Science with 8 institutions namely Rehabilitation Centre for Blind Women, Joseph Eye Hospital, ORBIT, Dolours High School for

the Deaf, Spastics Society, Vidivelli Special School, Pravaag Transitional centre and school for Children with Autism, Dolphin Special School, Trichy.

Rescapes, Holy Cross College signed a Memorandum of Understanding [Revival of Lake (23 acres) and Creation of Social Forestry] with Young Indians (Yi) Trichy Chapter on 2nd October 2017.

Holy Cross College and Young Indians Organization, Tiruchirappalli have agreed to jointly desilt the lake area (23 acres) and plant trees of 11 varieties (450 Nos) in 3 acres and as biofence, and 1000 palm tree seeds would be sown at the border of the lake of Thaluthalapatty village, Manachanallur Block, Tiruchirappalli. In addition Young Indians Organization has agreed to collaborate in adopting Thaluthalapatty which is one of the adopted villages under Rescapes of Holy Cross College. The focus is to improve the villagers' life and to empower the women and youth through Government Interventions (by providing training on Entrepreneurship, awareness programmes on various issues, especially with special focus on health, sanitation (Swachh Bharath and education.) On the whole, both the organizations will work with mutual understanding for the upliftment of rural women, children, youth and farmers through various interventions. The Management of the college, has decided to contribute Rs. 1,04,000 (Rupees One Lakh Four Thousand only towards desilting and tree plantation at Thaluthalapatty, out of the total expenditure of Rs. 3,04,000/- and Young Indians (Yi) has decided to contribute Rs. 2,00,000 (Rupees Two Lakh) only.

The MoU was signed between Holy Cross College, Tiruchirappalli and Mactech Engineering, Bengaluru to complete e-content lessons as per MOOC needs on 21st December 2017.

The Department of Zoology signed MoU's with Sathyabama Institute of Science and Technology, Chennai and Chennai Medical College Hospital and Research Centre, Irungalur, Trichy on 7th February 2018 during the International Conference cum Webinar on Recent Innovations in Biosciences.

A Memorandum of Understanding was signed between the Department of History and Cheppedu Research Centre. Another Memorandum of Understanding was signed between the Department of History and Kurumans Pazhankudi Makkal Sangam, a Registered Society working for the upliftment of the Kurumans Tribes on 8th February 2018.

The Department of Chemistry signed an MoU with Kothari Sugar Factory, Kattur village, Lalgudi, Trichy District on 28th February 2018. The MoU was signed by Mr. Ramachandran, General Manager, Kothari Sugars Ltd. and Rev. Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget, Principal, Holy Cross College, in the presence of Mr. Gobi, Assistant General Manager, HR and Mr. R. Ravichandran, Assistant General Manager.

IAS Academy

The Inaugural Ceremony of Holy Cross IAS Academy was held on 19th July 2017. The dignitaries present were Mr.K.Kamaraj, Director, Kamaraj IAS Academy, Rev. Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget, Principal, Holy Cross College (Autonomous), Dr. Chandra Sekar, Assistant Professor of History, Dharmapuri, Mr.A.P.Sivakumar, District Library Officer, Tiruchirappalli, Dr.Rajakumar Assistant Professor of Tamil, Dharmapuri.

Rev. Sr. Dr. Isabella Rajakumari, Head of the Department of History welcomed the dignitaries. The Holy Cross IAS Academy's brochure was released by the chief guest Mr. K. Kamaraj, Director, Kamaraj IAS Academy, Chennai.

Centre for Research and Publication (CRP)

The college ventured into a new era of developing and strengthening the research activities by forming a research committee headed by the Dean of research. With this motive the research committee gathered together to upgrade their knowledge on quality publication and research funding on 23rd June 2017. Dr. Umesh Samuel, Associate Professor and Dean of Bishop Heber College, Trichy was the resource person for the meeting. The highlight of the meeting covered various areas like - Quality publication with impact factor journals, citation and its database, Plagiarisms – types, forms and plagiarism scan, Research proposal and its components, Funding agency – national and international, Preparation of budget and List of funding agencies. The committee decided to have detailed training sessions on the above areas in various groups according to their respective disciplines.

One-day workshop for the research committee members was held on 31st July 2017 on Patenting – The Know How. 34 staff members participated in the workshop. The resource persons were from K and S partners who explained about various types of intellectual property that include patents, trademarks, designs and copyright.

Project Proposal and Paper Publications

The staff from various departments sent their research proposals to various funding organizations and some of them have received projects from the agencies they applied to. With regard to paper publications, many of our staff members have published papers in their respective subject journals with good impact factor.

Seed Grant - From Holy Cross College

To motivate and encourage young teachers to pursue research and publish quality papers, the college took the initiative to provide Seed Grant to a few teachers. Based on the proposal submitted to the CRP, these grants were given and the teachers were requested to publish their research papers in UGC approved journals.

The United Board is a non-governmental organization committed to education that develops the whole person – intellectually, spiritually, and ethically. Holy Cross College became a member of United Board this year and applied for various grants and programs. Bamboo Grant, (IELP).

Crossian Institute for Collaborative Research on Sustainability (CICRS)

The Crossian Institute for Collaborative Research on Sustainability (CICRS), Holy Cross College was inaugurated on 10th March 2018 with the aim to promote inter-disciplinary scientific research within the campus. This joint- venture of all the science departments of the institution will focus in developing the interest of the Crossian research community in science, by introducing them to a variety of science disciplines currently scientists are working in developing their skills in fieldwork, research and project presentation. Dr. M. Selvanayagam, Former Professor and Head, Department of Zoology, Professor and Dean Research, Loyola- ICAM of Engineering and Technology (LICET), Loyola Campus, Chennai and Director for Academic operation for Asia, Jesuits worldwide Learning, Higher Education at Margins, Switzerland delivered the Chief Guest's Address. He spoke on "Interdisciplinary Research as the need of the hour for Innovation and Sustainable Development".

Workshop on writing research proposal

Sl. No.	Date and venue	Participating Departments	Resource person	No. of participants
1.	4 th July 2017	History, Viscom, Economics	Mr. Antony Stephen	11
2.	4 th July 2017	Maths, Physics, Chemistry	Dr. W. Ritha	16
3.	4 th July 2017	Rehab Science, MSW, Audiology, Women studies, Rescapes, Fine Arts	Dr. P. Swarnakumari	11
4.	4 th July 2017	English (S-II)	Dr. Catherin Edward	18
5.	4 th July 2017	Commerce, Business Administration	Dr. Praveen	17
6.	5 th July 2017	Biochemistry, Biotechnology, Botany, Computer Science, Zoology	Dr. Horne Iona Averal	19
7.	10 th July 2017	Tamil and Hindi	Dr. M. Julius Ceasar	15
8.	17 th July 2017	Computer science	Dr. E. George Dharma Prakashraj	27

On 12th March 2018 the Director of CICRS Dr. Horne Iona Averal, Dean and Head, Dept. of Zoology met the members of CICRS under the guidance of the Principal Rev. Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget, to plan for the year 2018 – 2019. On 14th March 2018 Dr. M.A.Akbarsha, an eminent Professor, Department of Animal Science, Bharathidasan University addressed the members on the topic - Discovery and Dissemination of Knowledge is Research.

Center for Academy – Industry Interface (CAII)

Center for Academy Industry Interface (CAII) was inaugurated on 1st September 2017 in Holy Cross College, Trichy. Dr.Santhosh Babu IAS, Chairman and Managing Director, Tamil Nadu Handicrafts Development Corporation inaugurated the Center in the presence of Mr.A.Sarvesan, Head- CSR, Strides Shasun Limited, Pondicherry and Mr.Aswin Kumar, Regional Manager, Dalmia Bharat Foundation.

Center for Academy Industry Interface (CAII) organised an orientation programme on Role of Academicians to prepare Industry ready Professionals, on 28th August 2017. Mr.S.Deenadayalan, CEO, Center for Excellence in Organisation (CEO), Bangalore facilitated the orientation programme. 40 participants benefitted from the orientation programme.

A Workshop on Management practices for Farmer Producing Companies was organized by Center for Academy Industry Interface (CAII), in collaboration with Samanvaya Social Venture Pvt. Ltd. Chennai on 18th November 2018. Mr. Ramasubramanian, Chief Consultant, Samanvaya Social Venture Pvt. Ltd. was the facilitator of the workshop.

25 participants from Farmer Producing Companies and faculty members from Holy Cross College participated in the workshop. Mr.Antony Stephen, Coordinator, CAII, Holy Cross College explained about the focus of the Center for Academy Industry Interface (CAII).

An initial discussion with Ms.Gangadevi, Manager, Poombugar, Trichy was organised on 8th December 2017. The meeting helped to identify research potentials of Artisans in Trichy district. Dalmia Bharat Foundation, CSR unit of Dalmia Bharat has given a base line survey. Initial survey with 700 household was completed.

Interface meeting with CDPO- ICDS.

Integrated Child Development Scheme (ICDS), Trichy has recruited around 400 staff as anganwadi teachers recently. They wanted our college to train their teachers on certain life skills and Personality development programmes. Mr.Antony Stephen, Coordinator – CAII has served as resource person for two batches of Training recently.

CAII in collaboration with Placement Department of Holy Cross College organized a resource talk on Job Opportunities in Public Sector on 12th February 2018. Mr.Joseph Sagayaraj, Manager, ONGC was the resource person. All the final year PG students of Holy Cross College participated in the programme.

Coaching Class Programme Conducted for Aspirants of Civil Service:

Government of Tamil Nadu Competitive Exams Coaching classes conducted by Placement and Training Cell, BDU, District Employment, Trichy and Holy Cross College, Trichy was inaugurated on 26th October 2017. The presidential address was given by Rev. Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget and inaugural address by Dr. Mahalakshmi, Deputy. Director, District Employment Office.

Name of the Program	Faculty	Place	Date	Amount/ Sponsorship
Bamboo Grant	Dr. Catherine Sara Associate Professor in Botany	Holy Cross College INDIA	July 2017- June 2018	US \$ 2.200

The Placement and Training Cell of Bharathidasan University and Holy Cross College, Trichy in collaboration with the District Employment Office, Tiruchirappalli is conducting a 400 hour coaching class programme for students preparing for competitive examinations of Tamilnadu Public Service Commission (TNPSC), Union Public Service Commission (UPSC), Indian Banking Personnel Service (IBPS) and other recruitment bodies. The Programme is funded by the Government of Tamilnadu and classes are conducted free of cost. The Programme commenced on 22nd November 2017 for 50 students from P.G. Programmes. Students of various Departments enrolled for the programme. The classes are being held between 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. on all working days and from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on holidays. Faculty members from different disciplines like English, Mathematics, Economics, History, Zoology and Botany belonging to different institutions like Holy Cross College, Bishop Heber College, Bharathidasan University and faculty from E- Limitless, a cognitive development foundation handled the classes.

Centre for E-Content Development

A two day workshop on “E-Content Preparation” for faculty was held on 29th and 30th August 2017 by Mr. S. Edward Packiaraj, Director, Rosary e-Solutions, Tiruchirappalli. He addressed the Staff on the topics such as Utilizing free web Resources, Script Writing, Image Processing, Audio Presentation techniques, Recording, Editing, Video Lesson Preparation and Types of Videos. Dr.S.Senthilnathan, Director, UGC-Human Resource Development Centre and Assistant Professor and Deputy Co-ordinator, Department of Educational Technology, Bharathidasan University Tiruchirappalli. He explained about various Research Projects available for E-content Preparation. Nearly 150 Staff of Shifts I and II benefitted from this.

Then interested staff members formed a core team and obtained a special training on 28th October 2017 given by Mr.S. Edward Packiaraj to develop the e-contents on their own. On 24th November 2017, the “Centre for E-Content Development” was inaugurated by Dr.S.Senthilnathan, UGC, HRDC, BDU, Tiruchirappalli.

The Resource Person spoke about the need for ICT mode of teaching – learning in Higher Educational Institutions and the availability of Various Funding Agencies for E-content Development. Rev. Sr. Dr. Lilly, Secretary released the logo of the Centre which was designed by Ms. Amirthavarshini, I M.Sc. VisCom. Dr.S.Senthilnathan released E-lessons (8 lessons) prepared by the core team in the form of I Series(2017-2018) and watched the e-lessons and gave some valuable suggestions. He suggested to get the guidelines from Khan Academy, e-PG Pathasala and CEC e-lessons for sculpting our lessons in a better way. On 29th November 2017, Mr. Vignesh, Technical Assistant, E-content Preparation met the core team members and explained the software available and the required format to be submitted by the faculty to conceptualize e-lessons in a better way.

The various Departments team members applying for E-content Proposals to MOOCs had a two day workshop on 20th and 21st December 2017 conducted by Mr.Ravi Shankar, Sribel Solutions. Finally eleven Proposals from various Departments such as Commerce(4), Chemistry (2), Maths(1), Physics(1), MSW(1), Zoology(1) and Botany(1) were sent to CEC-MOOC on 21st December, 2017.

General Medical Camp

For the benefit of I UG students in Holy Cross College, a medical checkup was organised by Joseph eye hospital and Department of Audiology and Speech Language Pathology on 24th August 2017. The students were screened for vision by Joseph Eye Hospital, hearing and speech -language disorders by the Department of Audiology and Speech Language Pathology. General medical checkup was done by Magnum Hospital, Trichy. 1,600 students from various Departments benefitted from the Medical camp.

Bridge course report for the year 2017- 2018 (Shifts I and II)

Bridge courses turned out to be the children’s walking frames for students stepping into colleges. Usually, the colleges hold the course in the first 15 days of the first semester to brush through the basics of English. But this time Bridge Course was planned for an academic year (i.e.) from June 2017-April 2018.

On 11th July 2017 Mr. Praveen, trainer at Inspire Academy for Communication met Rev. Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget, Principal, Holy Cross College, and had a discussion about how to proceed with the Bridge course for the students.

On 13th July 2017, the Bridge course began for the students of both Shift-I and Shift-II. The timing for Shift-I students was from 9.30-1.00 p.m. and the timing for Shift II was from 2.00- 4.30.p.m. The students were trained by the staff who were appointed by the management from the Inspire Academy for Communication, Krishnagiri.

The Inaugural of the Bridge course was on 20th July 2017. The Bridge course was inaugurated by Rev. Fr. Maria Arokia Raj. SVD, Director, Inspire Academy for Communication, Krishnagiri, and Rev. Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget, Principal, Holy Cross College and Mr. Praveen, trainer at Inspire Academy for Communication. Rev. Fr. Maria Arokia Raj, spoke about the importance of language and communication.

Trichy Marathon 2017

The Trichy Marathon was conducted by Kauvery Speciality Hospitals on 24th September 2017 to create awareness on organ donation among people. Around 436 students of Holy Cross College participated in the marathon. The 5K run began at 7:00 am from the court road. A total of 11,000 people enthusiastically participated for the cause. Mr. A. Mayilvaganan, Deputy Commissioner, Traffic and Crime, Trichy flagged off the event. The run concluded at Anna Stadium. Participants who finished the run were provided with a finisher's medal.

International and National Seminars / Workshops / Conferences conducted

The Department of Computer Science Shift II conducted an international Seminar on Cloud Journey to Industries, on 14th July 2017. The resource persons were Mr. Karthick, Cloud transformation and Migration manager, Accenture, Singapore, Dr. S. Kumarchandar, Associate Professor, Christ University, Bangalore, Mr. Sivakumar, General manager, SFIT systems, Trichy.

The Department of Value Education organized One Day National Conference on Youth and Values on 1st December 2017. Rev. Sr. Jyothi Selvaraj, Provincial, Sisters of the Cross of Chavanod, Province of Trichy released the souvenir and the first copy was received by Rev. Fr. Varghese Alengaden, Founder and National Coordinator, Universal Solidarity Movement of Value Education for Peace, Indore, who gave the presidential address and the inaugural address was given by Rev. Fr. David CEO, Madha TV, Chennai. The vote of thanks was given by Rev. Sr. Petronilla, Director of the Department of Value Education.

The Department of English Shift II conducted a national seminar on "Current Trends and Themes in Contemporary Literature" on 7th December 2017.

The Department of Biotechnology and Bioinformatics organized a three day International conference on "Innovation and Challenges in Biomedical Sciences Research" from 12th to 14th December 2017. At the inauguration Dr. S. Thameem Dheen, Head Department of Anatomy, Yong Loo Lin School of Medicine, National University of Singapore delivered the inaugural address. The presidential address was given by Dr. T. Madan Mohan, Advisor, DBT, Govt. of India, New Delhi. In memory of (Late) Dr. P. Daisy, The (Late) Dr. P. Daisy Gold Medal Oration Award was launched by Rev. Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget. A, Principal, Holy Cross College, Trichy and Dr. Akbarsha, Founder, Mahatma Gandhi-Doerenkamp Center, Bharathidasan University, Trichy.

The Department of English conducted an international conference on Contemporary Trends in Journalism on 4th and 5th January 2018.

A state level inter collegiate competition and seminar was conducted by Holy Cross College, on the topic "Goodness of God and Nature", on 6th January 2018 and was sponsored by Xavier Board for Higher Education in India.

The Department of Computer Science conducted a national seminar on 8th January 2018 on "Innovative Computing Technologies". Dr. Andrew Samraj, Professor, Mahendra Engineering College, Namakkal, gave the inaugural address.

The Department of Zoology conducted an international conference cum webinar on the topic “Recent Innovations in Biosciences” on 7th February 2018. The Department of Physics conducted national seminar on the topic “Astro Physics” on 9th February 2018. The Department of Rehabilitation Science conducted an International workshop in February 2018. The Department of Computer Science Shift II conducted a national seminar on the topic “Data Science” on 20th February 2018. The chief guest was Dr. Sunil Kumar Chinnamagan, Practice Lead Data Scientist, Fidelity Investments, Bengaluru.

The Department of Audiology conducted a national conference, from 8th to 11th March 2018 on “Facilitative Learning on Advancement in Speech and Hearing on Assessment Protocols for Speech and Language Disorders, Integrating new Protocols and Existing Best Practices.”

IQAC

IQAC conducted meetings with Core committee members along with individual Staff representatives of all the NAAC parameters to consolidate the data for the AQAR 2016 – 17, periodically from 19th June to 7th July 2017. IQAC posted AQAR for 2016-2017, in our college website on 10th July 2017.

Autonomy Review Committee members for extension of Autonomous status to Holy Cross College, Tiruchirappalli (consisting of Experts from different Universities, Nominee of BDU and UGC, New Delhi) visited the Campus on 10th and 11th August 2017. The milestone achievements and highlights of the college were elaborated by the Principal.

Dr. A. Turin Martina, IQAC Coordinator and Dr. H.D. Subashini, Dean of Extension conducted a Quality Audit at Selvam Arts and Science College, Namakkal on 26th September, 2017 for the pre-preparation of their Autonomy Review. An awareness program on diabetics and health issues was conducted for the Administrative staff on 15th December 2017.

Holy Cross College participated in the National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF) 2018 and has worked in various teams with staff representatives for the parameters Student Strength, Placement and Higher studies, Faculty Profile, Financial Resources and Facilities for Physically Challenged Students (PCS) outlined in the Ranking Framework Methodology during the Months of November and December 2017. The Institutional data for Discipline specific Rank for Arts and Science College, was submitted in the Data Capturing System (DCS) format provided in the NIRF website, on 6th December 2017 and the same was posted in our College Website on 10th January 2018.

Faculty Development Programme was conducted on Revised Blooms Taxonomy (RBT) on 14th and 15th December 2017, by Dr. Job Kuruvilla who spoke on how RBT fosters meaningful learning and represents the range of students’ cognitive activities. The participants were trained to write general and specific objectives and prepare model lesson plan in their subjects.

A two day workshop on Revised Blooms Taxonomy was held for select staff (40 staff of Shifts I and II) on 2nd and 3rd February 2018. The resource person was Dr. Evelyn Brindha, Head, Karunya Competency Development Centre, Karunya University, Coimbatore. The main focus of the workshop was writing of lesson plans for units in the syllabus / curriculum.

A two day workshop on revised blooms taxonomy was held for select staff (50 staff of Shifts I and II) on 16th and 17th February 2018 and a follow up programme was held on 9th and 10th March 2018. The outcome of the programme was to write topic wise lesson plans for each unit.

Certificate Courses 2017-2018

The skilled based certificate courses for the I UG and PG students a maiden venture to impart skill based training to the students admitted in June 2017 was conducted from 13th February to 7th March 2018. The number of students who benefitted from these 19 skill based courses from Shifts I and II were 1,321 and 554. The number of trainers for Shift I was 26 and for Shift II was 21. The course timing for Shift I was from 2.00 p.m. - 4.00 p.m. and for Shift II was from 11.00 a.m. - 1.00 p.m.

AUDIOLOGY



On 21st July, 2017 the students Speech Language and Hearing Sciences Association was inaugurated by Chief Guest Mr. L.N. Santhosh, Marketing Manager, Thillainagar. The Guest of Honour was Rev. Sr. Dr. Lourdu Mary Academic Coordinator and the Special invitees were Mr. Subramaniam, Mr. Chinappan, Mr. T.Anbubojan and Mr. R. Thangaraju from Lion's Club, Thillainagar branch. The chief guest gave a speech on the importance and role of Audiologists and Speech Language Pathologists for the betterment of individuals with communication disorders. Mr. R. Sundaresan HoD spoke about the scope and ethics of Audiologists and Speech-Language Pathologists.

A workshop on Development of Communication Skills and importance of Group Dynamics was conducted on 21st July 2017. The session was about effective communication and importance of group dynamics in working and networking. The Chief Guest was Mr. L.N. Santhosh, a trainer and member of the Lions club, Thillainagar branch.

The Department organized an ENT camp on 21st July 2017 for screening Holy Cross Blossoms Opportunity School for Special Children. Ear, Nose and Throat examination was done for all children using endoscopy. Dr. Amulya Consultant ENT Surgeon, Royal Pearl Hospital, Thillai nagar, Tiruchi and Ms. Merin Mathews, Assistant Professor examined the children. Further detailed evaluation was given to all children concerned.

For the benefit of all students, a medical camp was organized on 24th August 2017. Joseph eye hospital and Department of Audiology and Speech Language Pathology collaboratively screened the college students for vision, hearing and speech -language disorders. General checkup was done by Magnum Hospitals.

Holy Cross College, Trichy, organized a Village Camp on 12th September 2017 at Thirupathur Village near Iyyampalayam. On behalf of the Department of Audiology and Speech Language Pathology, the staff Ms. C. Regina Mary and 6 students screened the village people for Hearing Disorders.

The staff and students of the Department of Audiology and Speech Language Pathology attended the 3rd International Conference on Audiological Sciences (ICAS) 2017 held at Kasturba Medical College, Mangalore. Assistant Professor Ms. Amritha M.L and clinical supervisor Ms. Sujitha.R and 34 students attended the conference. On the first day 21st September 2017, the conference focused on speech processing strategies and importance of early cochlear Implantation. On the second day 22nd September 2017, the conference focused on mapping and NRT. The practical sessions were held on 23rd September 2017.

The Department jointly with Association of Otorhinolaryngologists of India, Tiruchirappalli Branch and Indian Medical Association conducted an ENT camp on 25th September 2017 with regard to World Deafness Day. Audiological evaluation, Ear, Nose and Throat examination was done for all the people who attended the camp. The main motto of the camp was "Detection of Deafness and selecting patients for hearing aid fitting and ear surgery". Totally 87 clients were screened for hearing difficulties.

The Department arranged one day workshop on "Assessment and Management of Speech Sound Disorders" on 25th September 2017. Ms. Jasmine Lydia, Assistant Professor MERF Institute of Speech and Hearing delivered informative and resourceful information about Articulation vs Phonological disorder, assessment and management options for Speech Sound Disorders.

AUDIOLOGY



The Department arranged a two day Seminar on “Assessment and management of Maxillofacial Anomalies” on 27th and 28th September 2017. Ms. Swathi, Faculty, National Institute of Speech and Hearing, Trivandrum, Kerala was the guest speaker.

The Department arranged one day Seminar on “Recent trends in cochlear Implant” on 28th September 2017. Mr. Muthu, Product manager, Cochlear Limited Company was the guest speaker who gave an elaborate presentation on Candidacy of Cochlear Implant and benefits of both hearing aids and cochlear implant.

The staff and students of the Department attended the National Seminar on Listening Training for Children with Hearing Impairment on 5th October 2017 held at All India Institute of Speech and Hearing (AIISH) Mysuru. Clinical supervisors Ms. Pushpa Sarona, Ms. Regina Mary and 17 students attended the seminar. The conference focused on pre-requisites and strategies of listening training, activities and demonstration of listening training in infants, children and adults.

The staff and students attended the National Seminar on Management of Central auditory Processing Disorders on 6th October 2017 held at All India Institute of Speech and Hearing (AIISH) Mysuru. Clinical supervisors Ms. Pushpa Sarona, Ms. Regina Mary and 17 students attended the seminar. The conference focused on overview of CAPD, management addressed in terms of audiological and non audiological management of CAPD, compensatory strategies and other software based management.

One day seminar was arranged on “Assessment and Management of Dysphagia” on 9th October 2017. Ms. Arya, pursuing II M.Sc (Swallowing Disorders and Therapy), Amritha Institute of Medical Sciences and Research Institute, Kochi, Kerala was the guest speaker.

The staff and students of the Department of Audiology and Speech Language Pathology attended the National Seminar on Harmful Effects of Noise on Hearing: A Propagative Guidance for Initiation of Hearing Conservation Program on 27th Oct 2017 held at Seminar Hall, All India Institute of Speech and Hearing (AIISH) Mysuru. Assistant Professor K. Bhuvaneswari and 16 students attended the seminar.

Rescapes Screening Camp: Holy Cross College organized a free Audiological and Speech and Language screening camp on 31st November and 1st December 2017 in Thiruvellarai Govt. Hr. Sec. School at Thiruvellarai Village near Trichy. On behalf of the Department of Audiology and Speech Language Pathology, Clinical Supervisors E. Pushpa Sarona and R. Sujitha and 17 students were involved in the camp. About 484 students from classes IX to XII Std were screened, among which 2 students with hearing loss and 25 students with speech and language disorders were identified.

The Department conducted a camp on 3rd December 2017 at Dindugal village with regard to World Disability Day. Audiological and Speech Language evaluation was done for all the people who attended the camp. The main motto of the camp was identification of hearing loss and speech and language disorders. Total of 90 individuals were screened and counseled. 25 individuals were identified with hearing loss based on the audiological screening results. 19 individuals were diagnosed as having conductive and mixed hearing loss. Sensorineural hearing loss was identified in 6 individuals. Clients with sensorineural hearing loss were recommended for detailed evaluation and hearing aid trial. 6 children and 5 adults were screened for speech and language problems. Among 11 clients, 10 were recommended for detailed speech and language evaluation. 1 client was counseled regarding vocal hygiene.

AUDIOLOGY



An Audiological screening camp was conducted on 16th December 2017 at St. Thomas Mercy Home, Crawford, Tiruchirapalli. The main motto of the camp was identification of hearing loss among old age population. Total of 55 individuals were screened and counseled. 54 individuals were identified with hearing loss based on the audiological screening results. 3 individuals were diagnosed as having conductive and 19 individuals were diagnosed as having mixed hearing loss.

The Department conducted an Audiological screening camp on 17th December 2017 at Ammapettai village. The main motto of the camp was identification of hearing loss and creating awareness among the villagers regarding hearing conservation and early identification of hearing loss. Total of 70 individuals were screened and counseled. 25 individuals were identified with hearing loss based on the audiological screening results. 19 individuals were diagnosed as having conductive and mixed hearing loss.

The staff and students of the Department of Audiology and Speech Language Pathology attended the 50th ISHACON held at Knowledge Park, Mysuru. The conference was conducted for 3 days. (5th to 7th January 2018). Mr. R. Sundaresan, Head of the Department, Ms.K.Bhuvaneswari, Ms. Amritha. M. L Assistant Professor and 32 students attended the conference. There were seminars, talks and paper presentations on recent trends and advancements in Audiology and Speech Language Pathology. Three posters on “An efficacy study on the impact of phonics instruction in phonological awareness”, “Phonetic repertoire in babbling among children with monolingual and bilingual stimulating environment” and “Linguistic proficiency in early and late bilinguals. L1-L2 comparative study” was presented by the students on the second and third day of the conference. One staff paper on “Effect of diabetes mellitus on pulmonary function” was presented on the first day of the conference.

The Department conducted an Audiological screening camp on 21st January 2018 at Michealpatti village near Lalgudi, Tiruchirapalli. The main motto of the camp was identification of hearing loss among village population. Total of 48 individuals were screened and counseled. 25 individuals were diagnosed as having minimal hearing loss, 15 individuals were diagnosed as having conductive hearing loss, 11 individuals were diagnosed as having sensorineural hearing loss, 10 individuals were diagnosed as having mixed hearing loss and 2 individuals were diagnosed as having profound hearing loss.

The Department conducted a Speech and Hearing Screening Camp for the Hostellers of Bishop Heber School, Theppakulam on 4th February 2018. Around 116 students were screened, among them, 44 have Minimal Hearing Loss, 21 Conductive hearing loss, 4 Sensorineural hearing loss and 2 had mixed hearing loss. Speech and Language screening reveals 3 as slow learners, 7 Learning Disability, 2 Stuttering, 1 Misarticulation, 2 Voice disorder and 1 Developmental Dysarthria of speech.

The staff and students of the Department attended the Seminar on Assessment and Management of Auditory Processing Disorders on 16th and 17th February 2018 held at Seminar Hall Sri Ramachandra Medical College and Research Institute. Clinical Supervisor Ms. E.Pushpa Sarona and 23 students attended the seminar.

One day workshop was arranged on “Management of Cerebral Palsy” on 16th February 2018. Ms. Nivedhita Speech Language Pathologist, Spastic Society of Tamil Nadu, Chennai was the guest speaker. The workshop was organized with the objective of imparting knowledge management of cerebral palsy.

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One day workshop on “Auditory Evoked Potentials” was organized on 20th February 2018. Mr. M.Nandera Kumar, Assistant Professor, MERFISH Chennai was the guest speaker. The workshop focused on basics of ABR, protocols for ABR, MLR and LLR. Hands on evaluation of Auditory Evoked Potentials was done.

The staff and students of the Department of Audiology and Speech Language Pathology attended the National Conference on Voice Care and Laryngectomy Rehabilitation from 22nd to 24th February 2018 held at KS Hedge Auditorium Mangalore. Head of the Department Mr. R.Sundaresan, two Assistant Professors Ms. Amritha M.L and Ms.K.Bhuvaneswari and 25 students attended the conference.

The Department conducted an Audiological screening camp on 4th March 2018 at Pachampettai village near Lalgudi, Tiruchirapalli. E. Pushpa Sarona and C.Regina Mary and 22 students were involved in the camp. The main motto of the camp was identification of hearing loss among village population. Around 12 individuals have been screened, among them 2 had Normal hearing sensitivity, 2 Conductive hearing loss, 8 Sensorineural hearing loss, 8 had mixed hearing loss and 2 have profound hearing loss.

The Department arranged four days National conference on “Assessment Protocols for Speech and Language Disorders: Integrating New Protocols and Existing Best Practices” from 8th to 11th March 2018.

The Chief Guest was Dr. Jayashree S Bhat. On the first day of the conference the topics focused on assessment protocol on children with ASD, ADHD and Specific Learning Disorder. The informative talk was delivered by Dr. Jayashree S Bhat, Professor KMC, Mangalore, Dr. Suja K. Kunnath HoD, NISH, Trivandrum, Dr. Jayashree C. Shanbal, HoD, AIISH and Ms.Lalitha Subramanian Assistant Professor, Dept of Psychology, SRMC, Chennai. On the second day three eminent speakers, Ms. Savitha V.H, Consultant Speech Pathologist, Bangalore, Dr. Sunil Kumar Ravi, Principal, Shravana Institute of Speech and Hearing, Karnataka and Dr. Hema.N, Lecturer, AIISH, Mysuru delivered an informative talk on assessment on Cleft Lip and Palate and Adult language Disorders. Clinical discussion was also done. On the third day distinguished guest speaker’s hands on session was held by Dr. Subba Rao Visiting Professor, Dr.M.V. Shetty College of Speech and Hearing, Mangalore, Dr. M.Santhosh Reader and HoD, Speech Sciences, AIISH, Mysuru and Ms. Smitha Consultant Speech Language Pathologist Narayana Hrudayalaya Hospital Bangalore. On the fourth day two eminent scholars, Dr. Gagan Bajaj Associate Professor Kasturba Medical College, Mangalore and Dr. Usha Devi Professor SRM Medical College Hospital and Research Centre, Chennai discussed the Implication of ICF and practical demonstration of AAC.



BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

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The association meeting was held on 13th July 2017. The guest of honour was Mr. S. Sureshnivaas, Service Delivery Head in Omega Healthcare Management Services [P] Ltd, Trichy. He delivered an entertaining yet enlightening talk about career guidance and its importance in life.

The Business Administration Association Meeting was held on 6th September 2017 and the resource person for the session was Mr. Kannan Raghavan. He is a TQM consultant and he has also been a visiting faculty to various B- schools and engineering colleges. The chief guest shared a powerpoint presentation on how to be successful in one's future career life.

On 12th September 2017 an industrial visit was organized for 62 students of I BBA to Karur KCP Packaging Limited.

A meeting was held on 28th November 2017. The Chief Guest of the day was Mrs. Sathya Priya Nagarajan. Mrs. Sathya spoke about how to develop one's business and how to be an independent entrepreneur.

The II year students of Business Administration Department went to Aavin Milk Production Unit on 6th December 2017.

A meeting was conducted on 8th December 2017 on the topic "Entrepreneurial Development". The third year students were divided into two groups one as a social persona and the other for entrepreneur development.

Mrs.S.Thulasi and Mr.S.Sunil Allan, Professors from Care Institute exposed the positive benefits which could be derived from the current social media.

The next half of the session was about the profession website called 'LinkedIn' its usefulness was put forth in how it has been helpful for selection of a good career. In the entrepreneur group, the speakers were Ms. Stracey George and Mr.M. Durai Jaiku, Assistant Professors from Care Institute.

The Department of Business Administration Association conducted a State Level Inter-collegiate Meet Delantero'18 on 12th February 2018.

The Chief guest was Mrs. Annam Annamalai, Director of Mediplus Healthcare Pharmacy, Trichy. The chief guest started his speech by telling about the importance of health for children of the current times and the various strategies of start-up entrepreneurs with few examples of successful entrepreneurs. Many students from various colleges in and around Trichy participated.

The Judges for various events were Dr. Shibu N.S. Professor at Rover College of Pharmacy., Dr.Priya. P Associate Professor., Mrs. Savilene Gomez., Dr.Subburethina Bharathi Director MAM B-School., Mr. Dominic Johnson Manager Cap Gemini and Mrs. Shirely Deepak from Holy Cross College Trichy.



BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

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A State level workshop 'Foster the Future' was conducted on 23rd February 2018. This one day Workshop was attended by 130 students to develop their competency skills and the workshop was inaugurated by Rev. Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget. Sister gave a good start to the workshop by giving the participants a self- analysis activity.

Dr. A. Savarimuthu, Professor from Joseph Institute of Management gave a speech on Competency, the concept. Dr.Anita Priya Raja and Dr.Christina Sheela, Associate Professors from Gnanam School of Business, Thanjavur, conducted an active session involving all the participants on Mapping and Analysis. Mr.Martin Raj Selvaraj, Senior Business Development Manager, Atika Technologies Ltd. Chennai, gave a very informative speech on "Industry Expectation of Competency in employees". Dr. Alex, Associate Professor, St.Joseph's College, Trichy gave a very effective session on "Competency Development Strategies for the aspiring students."

The inaugural of the association was held on 24th July 2017. The chief guest was Mr. Leo Ananth, managing director of Equadriga software private limited, Trichy. The chief guest gave beneficial ideas about the managerial activities to be used inside an organization.

A session was conducted on 6th September 2017 on career opportunities and the speaker, Mr. Kannan Raghavan, TQM consultant motivated the students on goal setting.

An industrial visit was organized for 62 students of I BBA to Karur KCP Packaging Ltd. on 12th September 2017. The manager at the production facility enlightened the students on the operation systems, Import Export procedure, marketing of their products etc.

On 28th November 2017, Mrs. Sathya Priya Nagarajan, Director, Newdream Data Systems, motivated the students to start a business, in her guest lecture.

A visit to Aavin Milk Production Unit at Trichy was organized for 57 students of I BBA on 6th December 2017. They were enlightened on the process of milk production and the by- products Ghee and Butter.

A workshop was conducted on 8th December 2017 on two topics for III BBA Students by Mr.Sunil and Mrs.S.Thulasi on Social Media Marketing and by Mr. Stracey George and Mr.M.Durai on Big Idea development. The resource persons invited were from Care School of Business Management, Trichy.



BIOCHEMISTRY

On 5th July 2017, the KREB's club, the Biochemistry Association inaugurated its Association activities with a lecture on "Attitude Engineering". The speaker on this occasion was Dr. L. J. Charlaas, Head, Associate Professor and Research Advisor, Department of Commerce, St. Joseph's College, Trichy. A herbal expo, Bioceutics was conducted. Students prepared herbal products such as Neem Soap, Face pack, Neem sanitizer, Night cream, Mosquito repellent, Kajal, Lip balm, Lotions etc. The main motto of this display was to instill innovative and entrepreneurial skills in students.

On 24th August 2017, the Department of Biochemistry organized its second Association activity on the topic "Careers in Life Sciences: Create Your Ladder". The speaker on this occasion was Dr. Sri Ranjini Arumugam, Research Scientist Max Planck Institute of Biophysical Science, Gottingen Germany. She spoke on the various paths that a biochemistry student can achieve.

Bioscintillators - '17 : On 7th September 2017, the Department of Biochemistry conducted a health cum science awareness exhibition "BIOSCINTILLATORS-17" in CREA Children Academy Matriculation School, Nagamangalam. Useful information was given to the school students under the following headings: Body Mass Index (BMI), Microbiology, Food and nutrition, Health and hygiene, Scope of biochemistry, First aid management, Immunology, Environmental science, Human physiology, Cancer, and Dietetics. The students were attracted by the charts, models, power point presentations videos, games and these aids helped them to understand the concepts very easily. Our students created awareness, to avoid fast foods which are very much loved by the school children. Also the environmental science topics covered the facts about pollution and global warming. They came to know about the causes and types of cancer. Immunology group portrayed various charts on types of immunity, primary and secondary lymphoid organs and AIDS. They also conducted quiz, games and explained to the students the importance of foods to boost up immunity.



BIOCHEMISTRY

On 3rd October 2017, the Department of Biochemistry conducted a workshop on First Aid Management for the second years and Non major elective students. Mr. Radhakrishnan, lecturer and trainer in St. John's ambulance, New Delhi was the resource person for the workshop. The session was very informative and extremely useful to the students. He taught about CPR, PPR, HFL, STR and many more first aid techniques.

The Department of Biochemistry, conducted an Intra-Departmental competition- MOLFEST

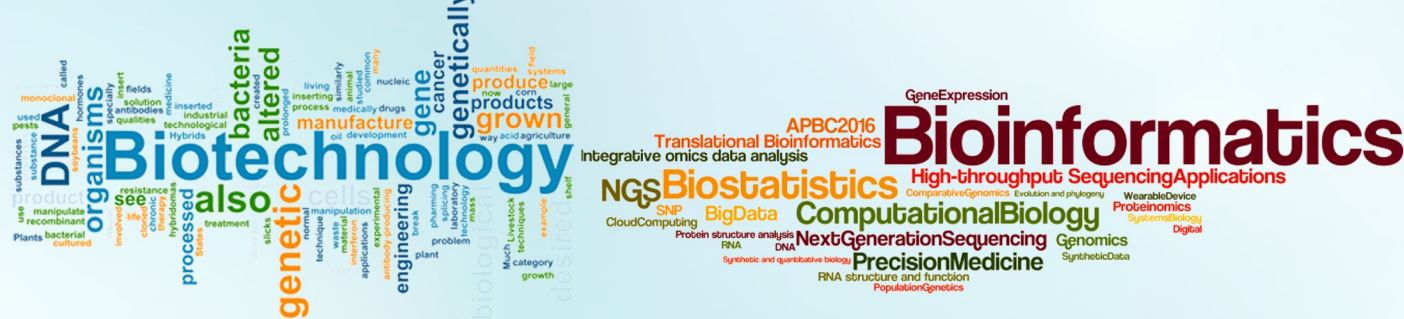
-2017 on 11th December, 2017. Each student of the Department participated in at least one of the competitions.

On 22nd January 2018, the Krebs club of the Department of Biochemistry organized the Association meet on the topic "Employment and Entrepreneurial Opportunities for Life Science Students". The guest speaker for the occasion was Dr. A. Jainullabdeen, Assistant Professor, Marketing and General Management, Jamal Institute of Management, Tiruchirapalli. He spoke about the various skills required to be a successful entrepreneur.

On 27th February 2018, the Department of Biochemistry organized an Intercollegiate Meet 'ELUTEADUS-2K18' Exploring Life Science. Rev. Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget, Principal of Holy Cross College was the chief guest of the inaugural function. She also released the making of the video of ELUTEADUS-2K18 and appreciated the students for their hard work. 10 events were conducted. Students from various colleges actively participated in all the events. Dr. Ruban Raj, Assistant Professor and Head, Department of Mathematics, St. Joseph college, Trichy was the chief guest for the valedictory function.

The KREB'S CLUB organized a valedictory function for the students of the Biochemistry Association who enthusiastically participated in all the events. The function was held on 8th March 2018. Dr. Karthik Mohan, Publisher, WisePub International was the resource person. He gave a valuable talk on the topic 'Lab on Chip'.





The Watson and Crick Club of Biotechnology and Bioinformatics, Holy Cross College, Trichy organized an invited lecture for I and II M.Sc. students, research scholars and the faculty of the Department on 7th July 2017. A lecture on “Genomic Engineering” was delivered by Dr. T. Sivasudha, Assistant Professor, Department of Environmental Biotechnology, Bharathidasan University, Trichy.

The Watson and Crick club of the Department of Biotechnology and Bioinformatics organized a three day workshop on Computer Aided Drug Designing (CADD) for the life science faculty members and students during 2nd, 3rd and 4th August 2017. Mrs. Aishwarya Catherine Assistant Professor, Department of Biotechnology and Bioinformatics, Holy Cross College and Ms. A. Ludas Research scholar Holy Cross College were the resource persons.

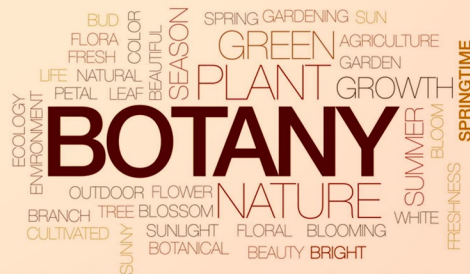
The Department organized a two day workshop on “Basic Techniques in Life Science” from 31st August 2017 – 1st September 2017 for UG and PG Life science students. 17 participants from our college and various colleges attended the workshop. The first session of the workshop started with the lecture on Screening of Micro organism and Histopathology by Dr. G. Smilin Bell Aseervatham, Assistant Professor of Biotechnology and Bioinformatics, Holy Cross College, on Basic Techniques in Life Science. On the second day lectures were given by Ms.A.Clara Mary, Assistant Professor of Biotechnology and Bioinformatics and S.Indhu Research Scholar, Holy Cross College on Blood Typing and SDS PAGE. At the valedictory function, the valedictory address was given by Dr. G. Smilin Bell Aseervatham Assistant Professor, Department of Biotechnology and Bioinformatics. Dr.M.Rajalakshmi, Assistant Professor of Zoology, Coordinator, Department of Biotechnology and Bioinformatics distributed the certificates to the participants and provided valuable suggestions.

The Watson and Crick Club of PG And Research Department of Biotechnology and Bioinformatics, Holy Cross College, Trichy, organized an Intercollegiate Competition – Bioutsav - 2017 on 11th and 12th September 2017, to amplify students’ knowledge in the field of biotechnology. About 135 students from various colleges including St. Joseph’s College, Bishop Heber College, National College, Jamal Mohamed College, Srimad Andavan College, Cauvery College and other colleges in and around Trichy participated in the events.

Ms. Mahalakshmi Manickam, from North Carolina, USA, was the chief guest for Dance, AdsApp, AM, Poster Presentation and Model Presentation. Dr.M. Rajalakshmi, Assistant Professor, Department of Zoology, Holy Cross College, was the chief guest for Model Presentation and Face Painting. The results were announced during the valedictory function held on 12th September 2017.

The Department organized a two day workshop on Chromatography and Molecular Techniques on 20th and 21st September 2017 for UG Biochemistry students. Nearly 35 participants from Holy Cross College attended the workshop. The first session of the workshop started with the lecture on Basic Techniques of Chromatography by Dr. G. Smilin Bell Aseervatham, Assistant Professor, Department of Biotechnology and Bioinformatics, on Chromatography and Molecular Techniques. On the final day a lecture was shared by Dr. G. Smilin Bell Aseervatham, Assistant Professor, and S.Indu Research Scholar, Holy Cross College. S.Indu gave hands on training on Thin Layer Chromatography, Paper Chromatography techniques and working demonstration on GCMS and Dr. G. Smilin Bell Aseervatham gave hands on training on preparation of buffer solutions, DNA Isolation, RNA Isolation, SDS- PAGE and Electrophoresis.





The inauguration of Botany club for the academic year 2017-18 was held on 14th July 2017. The chief guest of the day was Dr. M.H. Muhammad Ilyas, Associate Professor (Retd.) of Botany, Jamal Mohammed College, Trichy and guest faculty Department of Bioinformatics, Bharathidasan University, Trichy. The chief guest delivered the inaugural lecture on the topic “Carnivorous plants-What do we know and what should we know”.

The Department of Botany celebrated Floral Fiesta’ 17 an intra Departmental competition on the theme ‘Save the planet to have better environment, Better tomorrow’ on 8th September 2017. Five competitions were conducted such as mehendi, vegetable carving, rangoli, flower arrangement and dumb charades, based on the theme. The students of I, II and III B.Sc. Botany participated in the Fiesta.

A quiz competition was conducted for PG Botany students on 20th September 2017. The questions were based on their syllabi. Dr.(Mrs) P. Francisca, Head of the Department of Botany, Ms. B.Helen Mary Piramila and Mrs. A.Freeda Rose Assistant Professors in the Department of Botany, were the quiz masters.

As a part of Botany club activity a special lecture was organized on the topic ‘Marine Bioresources and their services’ on 5th December 2017. Dr. P. Santhanam, Assistant Professor in Marine Science, School of Marine Sciences, Bharathidasan University, Trichy was the resource person.

One day lecture cum workshop on the topic ‘Herbal Care and Cure Technology (HccTech)’ was held on 18th December 2017.

The chief guests of the day were Er. P. Devaraj, Tamil Nadu Electricity Board, Dr. Aruna Devaraj Rajendran, Life Science Research Guide, Madurai Kamaraj University and Rev. Sr. Dr. Anne Xavier, Former Principal and Head of the Department of Botany, Holy Cross College, Trichy. The programme commenced with the installation of photos of Rev. Sr. Emilie Koola and Rev. Sr. Marie Geraldine in Our Lady’s Hall in the presence of chief guest, Rev. Dr. Sr.Christina Bridget, Principal, Holy Cross College and staff and students of Botany Department. To honour the sisters floral tribute was offered by the chief guests, Principal and the staff members of Botany Department. Following this the technical sessions were held. The first technical session was handled by Er.P.Devaraj with the title “Holistic Herbal Health Care and Medicinal Plants for Home Garden”. The second technical session was handled by Dr. Aruna Devaraj Rajendran on Herbal Formulations. Dr. (Miss) RM. Meenakshi Endowment Lecture was conducted for the Botany students on 18th December 2017. The chief guest was Dr. Aruna Devaraj Rajendran, Life Science Research Guide, Madurai Kamaraj University. Dr. Aruna Devaraj gave a lecture on the topic ‘Herbal Entrepreneurship and Herbal Techniques’. Professor (Miss) Jeya Marie memorial inter Departmental debate was conducted on 24th January 2018. The topic given was ‘Social networking sites are advantageous’. The judges for the debate were Dr. Mrs. Roseline Selvarani, Associate Professor, Department of Computer Science and Mrs. N. Benita, Assistant Professor, Department of English, Holy Cross College, Trichy.





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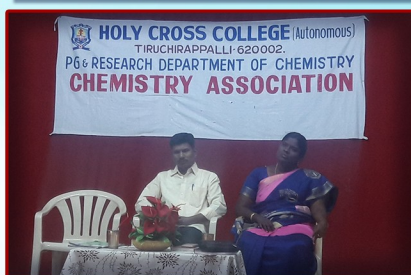
The Chemistry Association was inaugurated on 29th June 2017 by Dr. S. Angeline Vedha, Associate Professor of Chemistry and Dean, Bishop Heber College (Autonomous), Trichy. She spoke on the topic “Fascinating world of chemical bonds”. She highlighted the fundamental aspects of bonding and gave a special focus on lithium bonds, halogen bonds and vibrational bonds.

On 14th July 2017 Dr. S. R. Bheeter, Head, Department of Chemistry, Srimad Andavar Arts and Science College, Trichy gave a lecture on the topic “Chemical Periodicity”.

A considerable part of the work in the Chemistry laboratory involves using materials and processes that can be dangerous if not properly handled. Keeping this in the mind and to avoid direct contact between any part of the body and chemicals, goggles, gloves and mask were distributed to the students. The programme was inaugurated by Rev. Dr. (Sr.) Christina Bridget, Principal, Holy Cross College (Autonomous), in the Chemistry lab on 19th July 2017.

The department organized an International Scientist Meet on 8th August, 2017. The purpose of the meet is to equip the students with scientific resources so that they are able to shape up their academic career in the best possible way. Dr. Gopalakrishnan Balasubramanian, Group Leader, Nanospin imaging lab, Max Planck Institute for Biophysical Chemistry, Germany gave a lecture on the topic “Emerging Trends in Diamond Nanotechnology”. Dr. Sri Ranjini Arumugam, Research Scientist, Max Planck Institute for Biophysical Chemistry, Germany gave a lecture on “Single molecule spectroscopy and DNA Replication”.

The department organized CSIR- NET coaching class for PG Students, Research Scholars and Staff of the department. It was inaugurated on 1st September 2017 by Dr. S. R. Bheeter, Associate professor and Head, Department of Chemistry, Srimad Andavar Arts and Science College, Trichy. Eminent professors from various reputed institutions conducted coaching classes during week days and weekends.



On 9th September 2017 training was given to the faculty of the department of chemistry on handling of Atomic Absorption Spectrometer by Mr. Gurusamy, Agilent technologies, Bengaluru.

On 20th September 2017 the Chemistry Association organized an Inter-Departmental Paper Presentation competition for the students of Science Departments on the topic “Biography of famous scientists”. Students did the power point presentation on the biography of scientists like Marie Curie, C.V. Raman, Debye, Werner, Faraday, Lavoisier, Einstein and so on. Dr. Latha, Assistant Professor of the Department of Zoology, Holy Cross College and Dr. Rajalakshmi, Assistant Professor of Zoology and Coordinator of Biotechnology Department, Holy Cross College had been the judges of the competition.

On 25th September 2017 Dr. N. Manoharan, Assistant Professor, Department of Marine Science, Bharathidasan University gave a lecture on the topic “Chemistry of Marine Environment”.

On 4th October 2017, Dr. D. Suresh, Assistant Professor, Department of Chemistry, School of Chemical & Biotechnology, SASTRA University, Thanjavur gave a lecture on “Metal Complexes for Catalysis, OLED’s Applications and career options in Chemistry”.

On 1st December 2017 the Department of Chemistry organized a one day workshop on “Basic Laboratory Skills” for the non-teaching staff and the newly recruited staff members. About 40 participants from various colleges attended the workshop. The workshop covered various sessions like, safe handling of chemicals, First aid in Labs, preparation of various chemical reagents, green chemistry principles and handling of physical instruments. A booklet was prepared on the above topics and distributed to the participants. Dr. Felicia Rajammal Selvarani, Former H.O.D of Chemistry Department was the chief guest for the workshop.

One day Seminar on “Nutraceuticals” was conducted by the department on 7th December 2017. The major health problems of malnourished children were explained by Dr. Sambandamurthi, Dean (Retd), Tamilnadu Agricultural University, Coimbatore in his lecture on the topic “Eradication of malnutrition through nutraceuticals”. “Need of Nutraceuticals in the present scenario” was addressed by Dr. S. Amutha, Assistant Professor, Department of Educational Technology, Bharathidasan University, Tiruchirappalli. She emphasized that the food and drugs from nature place a quite significant role in public healthcare system throughout the world.



The advancement in the technology of spices and condiments, their active principles, health benefits and effects were highlighted by Dr.A.Sangeetha, Assistant Professor, Department of Nutrition and Dietetics, Jamal Mohamed College, Trichy in her talk on the topic “Nutraceuticals of Spices and condiments”. “Perspectives of Probiotics and prebiotics” in health was addressed by Dr.M.V.Alli, Ass

ociate Professor, Department of Nutrition and Dietetics, Seethalakshmi Ramaswami College, Trichy.

On 8th December 2017, the department organized an Inter-Collegiate Competition CHEM-FEST '17 on the topic “ANALYTICAL CHEMISTRY”. Nearly eleven colleges from in and around Trichy participated in the inter-collegiate fest.

On 22nd February 2018, an exhibition, “CHEM EXPO (2017-18)” with the theme “GEO CHEMISTRY” was organized. The aim of the event was to promote knowledge in Earth Science by explaining the role of chemistry in that segment. act upon them and gave an idea of how life and our planet have changed over time. The undergraduate and postgraduate students of Chemistry Department exhibited models covering different aspects of Geochemistry .. The students from all the disciplines in the College and 700 students from five schools in and around Trichy came to view the exhibits.

Dr. A. Savarimuthu, Professor and Chair Research and Publication, Human Resource Management, St. Joseph's Institute of Management (JIM), Tiruchirappalli in his valedictory address on 2nd March 2018 spoke on “Skills for Career Success”.



INDUSTRIAL VISITS (SHIFT - I & II)

The third UG students visited the Country's first ever Tea Museum, located in Kanna Devan Hills Plantations Company(P) Limited Nullatanni Estate on 25th November 2017. The first year UG students of both Shift I & II visited Kothari Sugar Factory, Kattur, Lalgudi on 15th February 2018. The Second year UG students of Shift I visited Nilkamal Pv.Ltd, Pondicherry on 15th February 2018. The third year UG students of Shift II visited Dalmia Cements Bharat Limited, Dalmiapuram on 17th February 2018. The Second year UG students of Shift II visited Sastra Hub for Research and Innovation, Thanjavur on 23rd February 2018. The First and Second year PG students of Shift I visited Central Instrumentation Facility, Pondicherry University on 23th February 2018.

Department of Chemistry signed an MOU with Kothari Sugars and Chemicals Ltd., Kattur, Lalgudi on 28th February 2018. To establish a mutually beneficial relationship with the industry built on Academic and Scientific Co-operation.

SHIFT - II

The Inaugural meeting of Chemistry Association was held on 17th July 2017. The chief guest Mr. A. Irudhaya Jothi, Assistant Professor, St. Joseph's College, Trichy, gave an inspirational talk on the importance of reading books.

On 1st September 2017 the chief guest Dr. P. Sahaya Amutha, Assistant Professor, Government Arts College, Trichy gave an interactive talk on the topic "Mystic Science".

On 20th September 2017 the chief guest Dr. V. Renuka, Assistant Professor, National College, Trichy gave an informative talk on the topic "Basics of Nanotechnology".

On 5th October 2017, the chief guest V. Sathiyaseelan, Assistant Professor, Bishop Heber College, Trichy delivered a talk on "Organic Structure and Reactivity".

On 4th December 2017 the chief guest Dr. S. Philp Anthony, Assistant professor, School of Biochemical and Biotechnology, Sastra University. He explained in detail about "The Fluorescent materials and its Application".

On 23rd January 2018 the chief guest Dr. John Balaiah, Student Counsellor, St. Joseph's college, Trichy delivered a talk on "Self Confidence: A Psychological Quality".

On 6th February 2018, the chief guest Dr. S. R. Bheeter, Head, Department of Chemistry, Shrimad Andavan Arts and Science College, Trichy spoke on the topic 'Periodic Trends' and about the Periodic table in detail.

On 2nd March 2018 the Valedictory address was given by Dr. Princy Merlin, HOD(UG) & Co-ordinator(SF), Department of Chemistry on the topic "Career Guidance".

EDUCATIONAL TOUR (SHIFT I & II)

The final year UG students of SHIFT- II went on an excursion to Kodaikanal on 12th August 2017.

The department arranged a tour to Cochin for the final year UG students of SHIFT- I from 23rd to 25th November. The students visited various places like Athirapally falls, Boat house, LULU Mall and Munnar.





SHIFT - I

The first formal meeting of Department of Commerce was held in June, 2017 to elect the office bearers for the academic year 2017-2018.

The second meeting was organized on 27th July 2017 on "Career Planning." The resource persons were Mr. Vinoth Kumar and Mrs. Anita Councillor, from NIIT, Trichy.

The third meeting was organized on 1st August 2017 to encourage students to join the course in the Institute of Company Secretaries of India (ICSI) and to provide an insight to the students about the ACS examination. The resource person was Mrs. Nishita, Assistant Director, ICSI, Bangalore Chapter.

A guest lecture was arranged on 8th September 2017 to inspire the students on "Research Methodology" to draft research papers, by encouraging the students for Paper presentations in Conferences and Seminars. The resource person for the day was Dr. Josephine, Assistant Professor of Commerce, Holy Cross College, Trichy.

The commerce Association meeting on 18th January, 2018 was based on the Curriculum Awareness. One of the professional courses ICWA was the topic of the day. Faculties from the Cost and Management Chapter, Trichy presided over the session.

At the Commerce Association meeting on 19th January 2018 Stock market analyst Mr. Selvaraj from Securities exchange board of India addressed the gathering. He gave an idea to all the emerging students on the new financial products and plans.

The Department of Commerce hosted it's inter collegiate meet "COMVAGANZA 2018" on 9th February 2018. Students from various colleges participated and bagged many prizes. Mr.A.S.Ananthakrishnan CEO of Confederation of Indian Industries (CII) inaugurated the program. Mr.Murali presided over the valedictory ceremony.





SHIFT - II

A one day seminar on “Indian Economy- The Road Ahead” was organized by the Department of Commerce on Monday the 12th of March 2018. The seminar was inaugurated by Shri J. M. Kennedy, I.R.S, Commissioner of Central Excise and Service Tax, Trichy. He spoke on the perspectives of GST in the present scenario of the Indian economy. Dr.Sr.Christina Bridget, the Principal of the Holy Cross College, highlighted the significance of the GST and motivated the students to execute research on the same. The second session was chaired by Dr. N. Prasanna, Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, Bharathidasan University, Tiruchirappalli whose speech focused on Demonetization – Facts and Fictions. The third session was chaired by Dr.N.Mukundan, Assistant Professor, PG and Research Department of Economics, Govt Arts College, Karur. He spoke on the “Digital Economy”, and its advantages in the present Indian economic system. A panel discussion was held wherein the students and staff discussed the implications about the impact of the GST, Digital Economy and Demonetization. The Valedictory session was chaired by Dr. D. Kumar, Associate Professor of Economics, Jamal Mohammed College, Trichy.

The staff members of the Department of Commerce conducted a meeting on 22nd June 2017, to elect the office bearers of Commerce Association.

The Inaugural function of Commerce was held on 25th July 2017 The Chief Guest Dr. G.John, Associate Professor, of Commerce, St. Joseph’s College spoke about the “Indian Tax System and GST”.

The Commerce and Business Administration Association meeting was held on 19th December 2017. Ms. Anitha Sheryle, Assistant Professor, Department of History, Holy Cross College, spoke about the “Art of Learning”.



COMPUTER SCIENCE

EDUCATION STORAGE PROCESSING
ALGORITHM REPRESENTATION
PROCESS STUDY THEORETICAL
PRACTICAL INFORMATION COMPUTATION
SOLVING ACQUISITION METHODS
ACCESS AUTOMATED COMMUNICATION APPLICATION APPLIED
DIGITAL PROBLEMS

The association's inauguration was held on 4th July 2017. The special invitee was Rev. Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget, Principal, Holy Cross College. Later Rev. Sr. Principal addressed the gathering. She emphasized the qualities that one must possess to be a good student. She insisted on optimistic values. Later the installation of the office bearers took place.

The second association meeting was held on 20th July 2017. The session was handled by the Resource Person Mr. John Robinson, Asst. Prof. of Mathematics, Bishop Heber College, Trichy. He emphasized the significance of Soft Skills and Interview Facing Skills.

An association meeting on "Managing Mind with Mind Mapping" was organized on 1st September 2017. Mrs. S. Geetha, Psychologist & Lecturer, ATHMA Hospitals & Research Pvt. Ltd. (A Center for Mind Care), Thillainagar, Trichy was the resource person.

A Two Day Workshop on 'Sentimental Analysis and R-Programming' was held on 11th and 12th September 2017. The session was handled by Mr. B. Sathish Kumar, Network Engineer and Mr. Leo Jones Stanley, Software Trainer from ISYSWAY. The importance of using the current technology software like Visual Studio code, Brackets, Pycharm, CakePHP was emphasized.

On day two, the session started with a brief summary of the R-Studio. The data import, necessary package installation, data preparation, output steps were discussed. Feedback was collected and pamphlets were distributed.

The association meeting on Academic Projects was held on 22nd November 2017. The session was handled by the Resource person Ms.S.Subhashini, proprietor, IT SHARKS, who explained about the project documentation.

An association Meeting on "Projects- A Broad Exposure towards New Technologies" was conducted on 23rd November 2017 for the final year UG students. Mr. Sivakumar, Managing Executive, and Ms. Radhika, Projects Executive, Learning Center, Unit of SF IT Systems, Trichy focused on the theme of demand in Industries and Organizations. He gave a clear idea on Cloud apps and the expertise practices in building innovative and networking projects.

The association meeting was held on 24th November 2017. The special invitee was Mr. T. Sivakumar, Managing Director, SFIT systems, Puthur, Trichy. He gave a detailed lecture on "Digital Technology Transformation" for II MCA students. He focussed on new domain areas such as Cloud, Mobile App, Internet of Things (IoT), and Bigdata.





One Day Seminar was conducted on 24th November 2017 on the topic “Importance of Soft Skills & Motivation – A push to success”, for M. C. A. Students. The seminar comprised of two sessions presided over by Assistant. Professor. Mohamed Faize Basha, Former Head of the Department of Computer Science & IT, Jamal Mohamed College, Trichy.

One day seminar was conducted on 27th November 2017 on the title “Successful Feminism”. Two sessions were organized by Dr. T. Preethi Pushkarani and Mr. Rasa Ellagovan. The Chief Guest of the programme was Dr. T. Preethi Pushkarani B.N.Y.S., Medical Officer, Naturopathy and Yoga Lifestyle Clinic, K.A.P.V Govt. Medical College, Tiruchirappalli. She gave a motivational talk on “Healthy Life Style” to all the final year students. The chief Guest of the second session was Mr. Rasa Ellangovan, Organizer, Shenbaga Tamil Arangu, Srirangam, Tiruchirappalli also working as a Tamil teacher in a private school. She gave a motivational talk on “Unnal Mudiyum Penne” to all the final year students.

One Day Seminar was conducted on the topic “Body Related Network and Data Analytics” for the final year U.G. and II year M.C.A. Students on 5th January 2018. The seminar comprised of two sessions and were presided over by Dr. E. George Dharma Prakash Raj, and Dr. J. G. R. Sathiaselan.



One day National Seminar on Innovative Computing Technologies (Shift I & II) on 8th January 2018 was organized by the Department of Computer Science. The Presidential address was delivered by Rev. Sr. Dr. Lilly V., Secretary and Rev. Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget, Principal, Holy Cross College felicitated the gathering. The participants were P.G. and Research scholars, Professors from various colleges. Prof. Rev. Dr. Andrews Samraj of Mahendra Engineering College, Namakkal, has delivered the Inaugural address. He raised various vital issues and concerns related to “Growth of Cyber Physical Systems and its Future Dimensions”. Prof. Dr. M.V. Judy, Cochin University of Science and Technology, Cochin, touched upon the applications regarding Deep Learning. Dr. Pethuru Raj, Chief Architect of Reliance Jio Infocomm., Bangalore, spoke about various Real world Applications on Fog computing. Mr. Chandramouli Subramanian, Associate Director, Cognizant Technology solutions, Chennai, emphasized the Agility and need in computational Intelligence in the current scenario. Finally, reflections and feedback were received from more than 300 participants of various colleges. Mr. Chandramouli Subramanian, Associate Director, Cognizant Technology solutions, anchored the whole session of the valedictory function.

A workshop on “Self Motivation And Communication Skills” was held on 6th and 7th February 2018. The special invitees were Mr. Peer Basha, Assistant. Professor. of Information Technology, Jamal Mohamed College, Trichy and Mr. Mohammed Iqbal, Placement Officer, S.A. Career Development Center, Trichy. The first day session was taken by Mr. Peer Basha. The second day of workshop started with a prayer session conducted by the II PG students, and the session was conducted by Mr. Mohammed Iqbal. He conducted a speaking competition which encouraged every student to participate in the competition.



The valedictory association meeting was held on 20th February 2018. Rev. Sr. Dr. Catherine Savarimuthu, Assistant Professor of Psychology, Holy Cross College gave a lecture on “Goodness of life”. She motivated the students of I year B.C.A. to lead a value based life by displaying videos.

Industrial Visit (Shift I)

An Industrial visit was organized for the Final year BCA students on 12th January 2018 to Sterlite Copper (A Unit of Vedanta Limited), Sterlite Industries India Limited, Thoothukudi, Tamil Nadu. 80 Students along with 2 faculty were addressed by the resource persons. Ms. Sneha, PRO. One of the resource persons gave a brief lecture with a presentation related to the functioning of Sterlite company, their products, manufacturing methods, and their tie-up with other Countries. The second resource person Mr. Arun Dev, depicted the importance of SAP technology. Another resource person Ms. Nandhini Nair, Associate Manager, spoke on the IT emerging technologies involved in STERLITE communication systems and the recruitment system for the IT professional. Then the students were taken on a trip inside the Industry, and had an exposure of the manufacturing process of copper.



Shift II

On 3rd July 2017 the Association Inaugural Meeting was held on the topic “Positive Attitude”. The resource person Mr.N.Sankar Kumar, Assistant professor and Head, Department of Commerce, Urumu Dhanalakshmi College motivated the students to be a good person in the present and in future..

On 14th July 2017, an International Seminar on “Cloud - Journey to Industry” was organized to enrich students on an important topic. The session was handed over to Mr.Karthick, Cloud transformation & Migration manager, Accenture, Singapore. He spoke on his students project on remote areas which gave a clear cut idea on the use of cloud computing. Then the next session was taken by Dr.S.Kumarchandar, Associate Professor, Christ University, Bangalore. He spoke about New technical skills that computer students must be aware of and the basic concepts of cloud computing with presentation. Finally Mr.Sivakumar, General manager, SFIT systems, Trichy held the stage with a talk on topic “Scope of cloud on industry”.

On 25th July 2017 the topic on “Software development life cycle” was handled by K.R.Martin, Assistant. Professor of St.Joseph’s College. He described about the project management and the strategy to accomplish the projects on time. The session was very useful for the final year UG and PG students as the session was very interactive.



On 24th August 2017, a workshop was conducted on the topic “WEB SERVICES”. The resource persons Mrs. Vaageetha, Assistant Professor of Jamal Mohammed College gave a lecture on web services and HTML XML languages. Then the second session was taken by Mr. Ramanathan Nagappan, System Analyst, Chimera Technologies, Bangalore. He taught about the advanced XML and various domains then he continued in the lab, for PG students. He taught about installation process of “POSTMAN” and Net languages.

On 4th January 2018 Association Meeting was held on the topic “Research Methodology”. The resource person was Dr. T. Kokilavani, Assistant Professor, Department of Computer science, St. Joseph’s College.

On 10th January 2018 a meeting was conducted on the topic “.NET workshop”. Ms. S. Sathya Priya, Research scholar of computer science, Bharathidasan university taught about the .NET basic controls and its work, and showed the result of that basic controls and also she taught the retrieval and insertion data into the database programs. The session was very useful for PG students who are developing their own project in .NET language.



On 11th January 2018 the department conducted a meeting on the topic, “J2EE Programming”. Mr. J. Manivannan, Programmer of St. Joseph’s college started the session with an introduction to J2EE programming and he paved the way to run the program in different platforms such as Netbeans, Apache, Tomcat & RMI

One day Intra-Departmental Competition CYBERFEST’18 was organised by the Department of Computer Science shift-II on 19th February 2018 for the students of B.Sc. and M.Sc. The chief guests were Dr. A. Aloysius, Assistant Professor, Department of Computer Science, St. Joseph’s College, Trichy and Ms. R. Merlin Packiam, Associate Professor and Head, Department of Computer Application, Cauvery College for women, Trichy. The competition focused on bringing out the competitive flair of the students. Various technical events such as paper presentation, Quiz, Debugging, Dumb Charades, Multi Media presentation, Web designing were conducted and prizes were distributed to the winners.

On 20th February 2018 a National Seminar on “Data Science” was organized to enrich students on the topic. The session was handed over to Dr. Sunil Kumar Chinnamgari, Practice Lead Data Scientist, Fidelity Investments, Bengaluru. In Session-I, he talked about the overview of Data Science and Big Data. In Session-II, he gave details about Women’s Development and Mushroom Cultivation. He talked about Career development in the computer field.

On 27th February 2018 the Department conducted a meeting on the topic “Distributed Technologies”. Mr. Muthukumar, Jnet Technologies, Trichy started the session with an introduction to distributed technologies and showed some programming examples.

On 28th February 2018 the Department conducted a workshop on “PHP Programming”. Prof. Antony Prakash Raj, Assistant Professor, Department of Information Technology, St. Joseph’s College, Trichy introduced the installation process of XAMPP server in Windows OS.

On 5th March 2018, the Association valedictory function was organized by the department and the session regarding “Innovative Programming and Technology Training” was handled by Mr. Dhanarajan, CEO, ilife Technologies, Trichy. He gave a clear picture about innovative program writing styles with examples. He also focused on the qualities needed for getting placement in IT sector. He also explained how the projects are developed in IT companies.



Excursion cum Industrial visit (Shift II)

The Department of Computer Science arranged an Excursion along with Industrial visit, for the final year B.Sc students from 30th November to 2nd December 2017. On 30th November, the students were taken to KRISH TECH, a Corporate Institute. It merges many IT companies like TCS, WIPRO, DELL, and other organizations like NISSAN, etc. There they were taught about the IOT.

On 1st December 2017 students went on an exciting excursion to Kerala. On the second day the students were scheduled to visit WONDERLA, an Amusement Park in Cochin. In the evening the team went to “Lulu Mall”, the largest mall in India, for shopping. That night the team of 40 students and two staff members halted at vallarpadam church. Next day 2nd December the students visited Ernakulam and went boating.





On 13th July 2017, the planning forum of the Department of Economics was inaugurated by Dr. P. Subburethina Bharathi, Professor and Director of M.A.M B-School, Siruganur, Trichy. The chief guest addressed the students on “Indian Economy and Business Innovation”.

On 4th August 2017, Planning forum of the Department of Economics, Holy Cross College, Trichy conducted a meeting. The distinguished chief guest of the session was Dr.N.Prasanna, Assistant Professor of Economics, Bharathidasan University, Trichy who delivered a speech on “Goods and Services Tax”.

On 13th September 2017 the students of UG and PG Economics went for an excursion to Wayanad and Ooty.

On 20th September 2017, Planning Forum meeting was conducted in the Department of Economics. The chief guest was Dr. S.Iyyampillai, Retired Professor of Economics, Bharathidasan University, Trichy. He addressed the students on the topic “Contemporary Issues in India”.

On 6th October 2017, Planning Forum meeting was conducted in the Department of Economics. The esteemed chief guest of the day was Dr. R.Rajendran, Associate Professor of Economics, E.V.R. College, Trichy. The chief guest addressed the students on the topic “Revamping Indian Agriculture Sector- A way to Inclusive Growth”.

On 30th November 2017, one day workshop was conducted by the Department of Economics on the topic “Research Methodology and Data analysis using SPSS”. The distinguished chief guest of the day was Mr.M.Balasubramaniam, Assistant Professor in the Department of Statistics, Periyar EVR College, Trichy.

On 18th December 2017, Planning Forum meeting was conducted by the Department of Economics, Holy Cross College, Trichy. The topic for the day was “Memory Techniques”. The esteemed chief guest of the day was Ms. A.Mubin Banu, HR Director, Bloom Waves Academy, Trichy.



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MONETARY GROWTH
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PRODUCTION
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GOODS
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BEHAVIORAL
APPLIED
MARKET
INFLATION
POSITIVE
MICROECONOMICS
SERVICES
COST FISCAL
COMPETITION
EFFICIENCY
SUPPLY
WORLD
POLICY
UNEMPLOYMENT
DEMAND

On 11th January 2018, one day seminar on “GST and Demo” was conducted in the Department of Economics, Holy Cross College, Trichy. The esteemed chief guest of the day was Dr.B,Bala Murugan, Assistant Professor, Post Graduate and Research, Department of Economics, HH The Rajah’s College, Pudukkottai. One session on “Black Money” and another session on GST and its impact on Indian Economy were conducted.



On 7th February, 2018 Intra-Departmental Competition was conducted by the Department of Economics, The judges of the day were Ms. Punitha. J, Assistant Professor, Department of English (Shift-II) and Dr. Prema, Assistant Professor, Department of Tamil (Shift-I). UG and PG students of Economics Department participated in Essay writing competition in Tamil and English. The topic was Budget -2018. The papers were evaluated by Dr.M. Viji, from the Department of History.

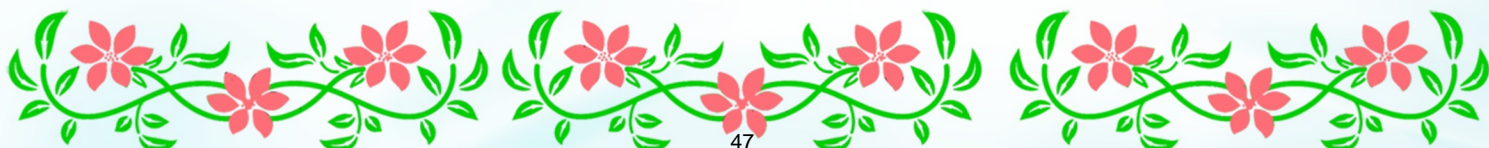
On 1st March, the activities of planning forum was conducted by the Department of Economics, Holy Cross College, Trichy. It was an Intra - Departmental Quiz Competition and the Valedictory function was held on that day. The inspiring chief guest of the day was Professor G.Balakrishnan, former Vice Principal and head of the Department of English, St.Joseph’s College Trichy.



ENTREPRENEURIAL DEVELOPMENT CENTER (EDC)

Various courses offered by Entrepreneurial Development centre for the academic year 2017-2018 to the day college students, evening college students and outsiders are Basic Tailoring and Chudithar, Hand Embroidery, Flower Making, Beautician, Paper Quelling and Woollen Work. Totally 218 students have joined these courses from July 2017 to February 2018 for which they have received lot of benefits. EDC opened stalls during pongal celebration (11th January 2018 and 12th January 2018) for sale of articles like lunch bag, travelling bag, purse, mat, fridge top cover, fridge handle cover and bedsheets.

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✓ July to September (2017 – 2018)

S.No.	COURSE DETAILS	NO. OF BENEFICIARIES			TOTAL
		Day	Evening	Outsiders	
1.	Basic Tailoring and Chudithar stitching	20	21	-	41
2.	Hand Embroidery	2	-	-	2
3.	Flower Making	-	-	-	-
4.	Beautician	1	3	-	4
5.	Paper Quelling	3	-	-	3
6.	Woolen Work	2	-	-	2
Total					52

✓ October to November (2017)

S.NO	COURSE DETAILS	NO.OF.BENEFICIARIES			TOTAL
		Day	Evening	Outsiders	
1.	Basic Tailoring and Chudithar	15	12	3	30
Total					30

✓ December (2017)

S.NO.	COURSE DETAILS	NO.OF BENEFICIARIES			TOTAL
		Day	Evening	Outsiders	
1.	Basic Tailoring	4	9	-	13
2.	Hand Embroidery	-	1	-	1
3.	Beautician	1	-	-	1
Total					15

✓ January (2018)

S.NO.	COURSE DETAILS	NO.OF BENEFICIARIES			TOTAL
		Day	Evening	Outsiders	
1.	Basic Tailoring and Chudithar	7	4	-	11
2.	Hand Embroidery	-	-	-	-
3.	Flower Making	-	-	-	-
4.	Beautician	-	-	-	-
5.	Paper Quelling	-	-	-	-
6.	Woollen Work	-	-	-	-
Total					11

✓ February 2018

S.NO.	COURSE DETAILS	NO.OF.BENEFICIARIES			TOTAL
		Day	Evening	Outsiders	
1.	Tailoring	4	3	-	7
2.	Hand Embroidery	-	-	-	-
3.	Doll Making and Hand Embroidery	33	28	-	61
4.	Flower Making	-	-	-	-
5.	Paper Quelling	-	-	-	-
6.	Beautician	28	14	-	42
TOTAL NO. OF BENEFICIARIES					110



English

English, Language Lab and Communication Lab

The business meeting of the English Literary Association was conducted on 3rd July 2017. The representatives were chosen and arrangements were made for the Inauguration.

The inauguration of the association took place on 7th July 2017. The chief guest of the day was Dr. M. Angkayarkan Vinayaka Selvi, Assistant Professor Bharathidasan University. She began by enlightening the students on the role of English in an era of innovation and networking and later traced the evolution of the English language and how it has become synonymous with technology. The Chief Guest also released the Association logo.

The Department of English introduced the Book Club which was inaugurated by Dr. D. E. Benet, Associate Professor, National College, Trichy on 11th July 2017. In his presidential address, he spoke about the importance of reading in order to build communication skills and improve a person's self esteem.

On 21st July 2017, Rev. Sr. Dr. Judy Gomez, Head and Assistant Professor Department of English and Dr. K. Suganthi, Assistant Professor, Department of English conducted an orientation - Lets Celebrate and Speak English, for students of KAP Viswanathan School. A total of 55 students of III UG undertook an educational tour to Kanyakumari and Trivandram between 3rd and 5th August 2017.



A workshop on Critical Writing was conducted on 28th August 2017 in the Rehab Auditorium. The Resource person of the day was Dr. Xavier Pradeep Singh, Assistant Professor, St. Joseph's College. He enriched the students on the nuances of writing for research and higher studies. Poetry writing competition was conducted for all the General English students of various Departments on 19th September 2017 wherein a total of 30 students participated.

Between 24th and 28th November 2017 the students of II PG and M. Phil visited Santiniketan at Kolkata – an embodiment of Rabindranath Tagore's vision of a place of learning. They also attended an orientation at Visvabharathi University Library and Jadavpur University Library's – Comparative Literature Study Centre and benefitted for their research.

On 29th November 2017 a workshop on "The Importance of Business English in Career Development" was conducted. Ms. Savelin Gomez, Trainer, Dinky's Global HR and Edu Consultancy, Trichy was the resource person.





A Two-Day International Conference on Contemporary Trends in Journalism was conducted on 4th and 5th January, 2018. On day one, Professor Justin James, E-Learning Coordinator and ICT Teacher Trainer, English Language Centre, Nizwa College of Technology, Sultanate of Oman and Ms. Dipna Jacob, Editor of Special Supplements, Times of Oman, Sultanate of Oman were the resource persons. The inaugural witnessed the Release of the Special Issue of the journal Academia and Society, Vol. 4, No. 2 comprising of 43 papers from the participants of the conference. Day two witnessed a panel discussion featuring Ms. Dipna Jacob, Editor, Spl. Supplements, Times of Oman, Mr. Felix Gerald, Owner- Red Pix, Chennai. Sri.V. Ganapathy, Spl. Correspondent, the Hindu (Retd.) and Ms. Nahla Nainar, Assistant Editor/ Spl. Correspondent, Metro Plus, The Hindu, Trichy. The panel discussion showcased the different approaches which can be adopted in the field of journalism. In the valediction, Dr.Elango, National Secretary of The English Language Teachers' Association of India (ELTAI) inaugurated the Trichy chapter of ELTAI.

In commemoration of the 200th Death Anniversary of Jane Austen, an intra Departmental quiz competition was conducted on 23rd January 2018. The quiz master was Dr. Catherin Edward, Associate Professor, Department of English, Holy Cross College, Trichy.

On 25th January 2018 an intra Departmental drama competition was conducted to celebrate the theatrical skills of the students of the Department of English. The judges were Ms. Punitha, and Ms. Charmaine Owenita, Assistant Professors, Department of English, Holy Cross College, Trichy.

Guest lectures on Post Colonial Literary Theory and Applications and Teaching English through ICT were conducted on 7th February 2018. for the PG and M.Phil students. The resource persons were Dr. D. Laura Dameris Chellajothi, Assistant Professor, Bharathidasan University, Trichy and Dr. Xavier Pradeep Singh, Assistant Professor, St. Joseph's College respectively.

On 15th February 2018 an Inter Departmental Drama Competition was organised. The first and second year General English students participated with enthusiasm. The judges were Dr. Prema Joshua, Assistant Professor of English, Cauvery College, Trichy and Ms. Annie Karunya Bagyam, Assistant Professor of English, Bishop Heber College, Trichy.

On 28th February 2018 - ACME '18 one- day state inter-collegiate literary fiesta was organised on the theme Into the Mythos – Celebrating World Mythology. The inaugural address was delivered by Dr. R. Nandhini, Head and Assistant Professor of English Anna University, BIT Campus, Trichy. Participants across the state participated in both on stage and off stage events with enthusiasm. The valedictory address of ACME'18 was delivered by Mr. Hermon Carduz, Head of the Department of French, St. Joseph's College, Trichy.

On 1st March 2018 an essay writing competition was conducted for all the students of the college on the topics "Innovation is the Change that Unlocks New Values" and "Networking is more about team work than individual success."

On 7th March, 2018 guest lectures on Research Methodology and Recent Trends in Post Colonial Literature were organised for the PG students of the Department. The resource person was Dr. Abdul Mohammed Ali Jinnah, Associate Professor, Jamal Mohammed College, Trichy.





Research is given the prime focus and hence paper presentations for students are made mandatory in the Department. All the 12 students of M.Phil, 57 students of III B.A and 54 students of both I and II PG English have presented papers at various colleges. A total of 24 papers were published, that included 1 student from M.Phil., 19 students of III B.A and 5 students from both I and II PG English. Almost 60 papers were sent for publication.

Language Lab

The Language Lab activities commenced for the academic year 2017-2018 under the directorship of Rev. Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget, Principal, Holy Cross College, Trichy. The focus was to open the doors of the lab for a wider usage and also equip the lab technically to enhance self-learning in students.

Spoken English Course and LSRW skills training for five Novices started on 19th June 2017 and ended on 31st July 2017. The course was on Basic English for Everyday Use focusing on Listening, Speaking, Reading and Writing skills. The resource person was Ms. Leethiyal Nancy Crocker, Language Lab Co-ordinator (Shift I).

One day workshop on Teaching and Presentation Skills for Teachers of Holy Cross Girls' Hr. Sec. School, Trichy was held on 1st July 2017. The training included activities related to Teaching and Presentation Skills. The resource persons were Ms. Leethiyal Nancy Crocker, Ms. Steffi Sahaya Mary Assistant Professor in English, and Ms. Rosy Lidia Assistant Professor in English.

A Demo Class on Language Lab Activities and Exercises for 11th and 12th Std students of KAPV School, Trichy was held on 21st July 2017.

This session included Ice-Breakers, Queen of Sheeba games, and Ad-Zap to develop their communication skills. The resource persons were Rev. Sr. Dr. Judy Gomez Head, Dept. of English and Dr. Suganthi, Assistant Professor of English.

iTell Software Training for the staff of Department of English (both Shift I and II), for the Undergraduate Students of Shift – I and II started on 6th September'17 and ended on 8th September 2017. This was a demonstration session on the usage of iTell software. The resource persons were Mr. Shaajan Dinesh (iTell Software Trainer) and Ms. Leethiyal Nancy Crocker.

Ten Hour Crash Course on Business English for Non Teaching Staff of Holy Cross College, Trichy was started on 13th October 2017 and ended on 27th October 2017. This session focused on Bio-Sketch, Pronunciation, Situational Dialogues, Presentation and Delivery, Emails and Telephone Etiquettes, Letters and Reports. The resource persons were Dr. M. Mary Jayanthi Language Lab Course Consultant and Assistant Professor of English, Ms. Leethiyal Nancy Crocker Language Lab Co-Ordinator Shift I, Ms. Britto Jenobia, Language Lab Co-Ordinator (Shift II) and Ms. Merlin Depsy Nithya Assistant Professor of English.

A three day Workshop on iTell Software for the Spoken English Staff of Holy Cross College, Trichy – 620002 was started on 4th December 2017 and ended on 6th December 2017. This session was on the usage of software and how to create ID. The resource person was Ms. Leethiyal Nancy Crocker.

On 5th January 2018, the Language Lab team had a discussion on ICT Methods for the Language Lab with Professor Justin James, E- Learning Coordinator, EFL/ESL/ICT Teacher and Teacher Trainer, ELC, Nizwa College of Technology, Sultanate of Oman.





A four day Introductory Workshop on Basic English for Everyday Use - Level 1 for the Novices was started on 22nd January'18 and ended on 25th January'18. The objectives of the course was to learn LSRW skills through activities, develop confidence to express and interact in simple English, acquire grammar accuracy by learning to avoid errors incidentally and write a bio-sketch and learn to introduce themselves with fluency. The sessions were on writing and presenting a Bio-Sketch, Warm up exercises on Reading, Listening through i-Tell, Magic with Words, Language Learning through Movie: David and Talk shop. The resource persons were Dr. M. Mary Jayanthi, Ms. Merlin Depsy, Ms Rosy Lidia and Ms. Steffi Sahaya Mary, Assistant Professors, Dept. of English and Ms. Nancy Crocker and Ms. Britto.J, Language Lab Co-ordinators.

Remedial course for II B.Com 'B' (Shift -I) Students started on 5th February 2018 and ended on 9th February 2018. Ms. Britto Jenobia facilitated reading sessions for 10 regional medium students.

Training on iTell Software for the Communicative English Trainers of Holy Cross College, Trichy was held from 7th February 2018 to 9th February 2018. The resource persons were Mr. Joby Thomas (iTell Software Trainer) and Ms. Britto Jenobia.

Training on Communicative Skills through iTell software for III UG Students (Shift-I and II) started on 13th February 2018 and ended on 28th February 2018. The resources persons were Ms. Leethiyal Nancy Crocker and Ms. Britto Jenobia along with Communicative English trainers of Holy Cross College.

The Language Lab offered 10 sessions for 25 children of Hope Home from 8th – 12th standards. A tie-up programme between Hope Home and the Language Laboratory, Holy Cross College was started on 9th September 2017, the second session was on 23rd September 2017, the third session was on 14th October 2017, the fourth session was on 21st October 2017, the fifth session was on 4th November 2017, the sixth session was on 18th November 2017, the seventh session was on 9th December 2017, the eighth session was on 6th January 2018, and the ninth session was on 3rd February 2018. These sessions included New Words and Meanings, Usage of Dictionary and Exercises based on Dictionary, Listening and Speaking Skills, Reading and Writing Skills, Role Play and Action Songs, Anagrams and Introducing New Words, and iTell Software Exercises. The resource persons were Ms. Leethiyal Nancy Crocker and Ms. Britto Jenobia.

Communication Lab

The Communication Lab, functioning under the Department of English conducted programmes for all II year General English students to develop their LSRW skills. The students were given a good exposure to the English Language through various movies that were screened in the Lab. The movies included animation movies, movies related to the prescribed syllabus and other famous classics. The students watched the moves and gave an analysis and peer group discussions were also conducted in the classrooms related to the happenings of the Communication Lab. The Lab also has Power Point Projectors, which are used to teach the students the language.



English

Shift II

The Inauguration of the English Literary Association Shift II was held on 11th July 2017. The programme commenced with the Investiture Ceremony bestowing badges to the newly elected members by the chief guest Dr. Cheryl Davis, Assistant Professor in English, St. Joseph's College, Trichy, who presided over the function and gave a lecture on the topic, "Teaching Life Through Literature".

A competition was conducted by the English Literary Association on 14th July 2017. The students of the English Department actively participated and enacted the scenes from Shakespeare's plays. Ms. Owenita, Co-ordinator, Department of English presided over the function.

The English Literary Association conducted a meeting on 19th July 2017. The resource person was Dr. K. Suganthi, Assistant Professor of English, Shift-I, Holy Cross College who gave an interactive lecture on the topic "Dynamics of Behavioural Skills".

The English Literary Association conducted a meeting on 28th August 2017. The resource person was Ms. R. Annie Karunya Bagyam, Assistant Professor of English, Bishop Heber College, Trichy, who gave a productive lecture on the topic "Lit-Wits-Milestones- Wordsworth."



The English Literary Association conducted a meeting on 12th September 2017. The resource person was Ms. Nahla Nainar, Associate Editor/ Special Correspondent, Metroplus, The Hindu (Trichy Edition). She gave a productive lecture on the topic, "Equipping Yourself For Journalism".

The English Literary Association conducted a program titled Litfest 2017 on 26th September 2017 with the theme Jane Austen -A Legacy. The Chief Guest was Dr. Catherine Edward, Associate Professor of English Shift I Holy Cross College. She spoke on Jane Austen's writing style, her way of expression and her contribution to the literary world. Competitions like Spell Bee, Just a Minute, Book Cover Design and Tableau were conducted and the students participated enthusiastically.

The English Literary Association conducted a meeting on 4th October 2017. The resource person was Dr. M. Angkayarkan Vinayaka Selvi, Assistant Professor of English, Bharathidasan University. She gave a lecture on the topic, Techniques of Writing a Research Paper.



English

The Department of English (Shift II), Holy Cross College organized a National Seminar titled “Current Trends and Themes in Contemporary Literature” on 7th December 2017. The guest of honour Rev. Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget, Principal of Holy Cross College, Trichy elaborated upon the title by giving a brief speech on the progression of trends in English literature from Old English till today. A special lecture on ‘Miclization as a New Trend in Contemporary Indian English Novel’ was given by Dr. P. Kannan, Professor of English and Chairman, Department of PG Studies and Research in English, Akkamahadevi Women’s University, Bijapur. The guest of honour Dr. Sr. Isabella Rajakumari, Vice Principal, Holy Cross College, Trichy, insisted that the students read the contemporary books. The spokesperson Dr. D.E. Benet, Associate Professor of English, National College, Trichy gave a lecture on the topic “Literature of Our Times” and enlightened the students with the recent authors and books.

AROMA’18 - Inter-Departmental Literary Fiesta was held on 9th January 2017. The theme of the day was Women’s Writing in English. The Chief Guest Dr. K. S. Dhanam, Associate Professor, Periyar EVR College, Trichy, declared AROMA’ 17 open and gave a special lecture on ‘Shattered but not defeated: Reading Feminist Writings.’



The English Literary Association conducted One-Day Workshop on English Language Teaching on 21st February 2018. The resource person for the first session was Ms. Benita. N, Assistant Professor of English, Shift-I, Holy Cross College, who gave a productive lecture on the topic ‘Introduction to Phonetics: Vowels’. The resource person for the second session was Ms. Akila. D, Assistant Professor of English, Shift-I, Holy Cross College, who gave an Informative speech on ‘Introduction to Phonetics: Consonants’. The resource person for the third session was Dr. Catherin Edward, Associate Professor of English, Shift-I, Holy Cross College, who spoke on the topic ‘Nuances in Using English Sounds’. She explored the various English Sounds with the help of numerous examples.

The Valediction of the English Literary Association was held on 7th March 2018. The Valedictory function included prize distribution for the competitions that were conducted in Lit- Fest 2017 and Aroma’18 which were held earlier in the academic year 2017-18.



French

On 17th July 2017, the Department of French conducted HOLFREST-2017, the French Association Inaugural. The function was presided over by Rev. Sr. Zelig Elengical-a missionary to France, Holy Cross Convent, Trichy. In her presidential address, she highlighted the salient features to learn French and ways to reach out to the needy. This was followed by cultural programmes by students of French. This was followed by an appreciation of the French language, by Rev. Sr. Dr. Isabella Rajakumari, Vice Principal and sister in charge of Shift II.

On 3rd September 2017, the Department of French organized a study tour, for the French students to Pondicherry. It was a very exciting experience for the students to journey in the sight-seeing boat which took them to the Paradise beach. Next was their visit to "Aurobindo Ashram". They learned that silence, meditation and prayer are equally important to be in touch with the self. Based on this study trip, they are given a "Creative Writing Essay Question" in their II internal exam, to express their lovely experience of the trip.

French conducted the installation ceremony of the photo of late Rev. Sr. Marie Rita, at Holy Cross College. Rev. Sr. Lizy spoke about the life of Rev. Sr. Marie Rita and the contribution she had made to this institution. This was followed by the unveiling of the portrait by Rev. Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget, our Principal. The photo was carried by Rev. Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget and Rev. Sr. Lizy George, with the escort of girls dressed as angels carrying Bible, Rosary, Candles, Cross. The others followed them and placed the portrait in front of the college office.

On 8th January 2018, the Department of French conducted "Holfrest 18, French Cultural Day", an Inter Departmental competition in French. The programme began with a short prayer. Professor A. Antony Raj, Director, Genial, a French Study Centre presided over the function. In the presidential address Director Antony Raj spoke on "How French study is a passport to cross Frontiers". This was followed by French Quiz which was conducted by him. Then Rev. Sr. Lizy conducted French Dumb Charades. This was followed by French Dialogue, French Elocution, French Picture reading, French group songs, and Western dance.





Geethanjali Samithi members met on 19th June 2017. The inaugural of Geethanjali Samithi was held on 24th July 2017. Ms. Amuthavalli, Senior lecturer, Ministry of Home Affairs, Department of Official Languages, was the chief guest. The thrust of her message was 'Women Empowerment'.

At the state level inter collegiate meet, Rastra 2017 at Ayya Nadar Janaki Ammal College, Sivakasi held on 15th September 2017, ten of our students participated in various programmes in Hindi such as paper presentation, Elocution, Quiz, Memory Play, as you like it (Reflection of Skills) and singing competition. Our students won the overall runner's up trophy.

Thirty students of the Department of Hindi accompanied by Dr. Indra, HoD of Hindi, went on one day educational tour to Pondicherry on 19th September 2017.

All the Association activities of Geethanjali for the academic year 2017-2018 came to a closure with Valedictory Function held on 10th March 2018. The Chief Guest Dr. M. Saleem Baig Professor and Head; Department of Hindi; Gandhigram Rural Institute – Deemed University, inspired the students with his talk on the Importance of National Language and the opportunities gained through the same.



HISTORY

The Business Meeting of the History Association for the Academic year 2017-2018 was held on 23rd June 2017.

The Inaugural Meeting of the History Association for the Academic year 2017-2018 was held on 6th July 2017. Dr.K.Mannivanan, Assistant Professor, Department of Archaeology and Culture, Government Arts College, Kumbakonam presided over the meeting. He gave an interesting and informative talk on the temple architecture.

The Department of History organized a visit to Kumbakonam on 24th July 2017. The History students visited Tanjore Brihadeeswara temple and eagerly saw the Gopurams of the temple built by the Rajendra I Rajaraja and Rajendra I.

In commemoration of the 70th Independence Day, on 8th August 2017, the History Association has organized a lecture by C. Thomas, Associate Professor (Retd) E.V.R College, Trichy.

A special lecture on “Writing History: Simple Approach to Scientific History” was given by Dr. Vinoth Vincent on 24th August 2017.

The Department of History and Holy Cross IAS Academy jointly organized a guest lecture on 24th October 2017. Dr. K. Ashok, Assistant Professor, Madras Christian College, Chennai was the chief guest. The lecture was on “The Political History of the Mughals”.

The Department organized a visit to Rockfort and Tiruchirappalli Museum on 23rd November 2017. The students from I UG, II UG and I PG participated in this visit. Students visited the Rock-cut temple built by the Mahendravarman I and the Uthchipillaiyar temple built by the Pallavas.

A study tour to Kerala was arranged for the outgoing students of History Department on 27th November 2017. They visited Athirappalli falls, Cherai Beach, Cochin, Guruvayur temple and Malampuzha dam.

The History Association conducted a meeting to commemorate the Human Rights day on 5th December 2017. Dr.Bharathi Jawaharlal Nehru was the Chief Guest and he spoke on “Legal Rights of Women”

The Department of History conducted an Invited Lecture on “Retrospective View on Freedom Struggle-A Multi-Dimensional Focus” on 25th January 2018. The key note address was given by Dr.Arul doss, Assistant Professor, Head, Department of History, St.Joseph’s College. He highlighted the different perspectives of freedom movement and freedom fighters. The presidential address was given by Mr. S. Durairaj (Freedom Fighter) who was a veteran in the freedom struggle together with Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose. He spoke about Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose and his Indian National Army and its functions.



HISTORY

The Department conducted a National Seminar on Tribal Culture, Art forms and Indigenous Knowledge on 8th February 2018. The Presidential Address was delivered by Dr.Sr.Christina Bridget, Principal Holy Cross College,Trichy who gave a wide perspective on the diversification of tribes with their cultural practices and highlighted the concept that the tribes followed team work and an important component of tribal culture was their cordiality and magnanimity. The special address was by Dr.S.Udhaya Kumar, Deputy Director/ Senior Lecturer, Tribal Research Centre, Government of Tamil Nadu, Nilgiris who narrated the distinctions achieved and developmental progress made by the tribes. Rev.Fr. Damian Tudu, S.J. from Dhumaka Jharkhand delivered the key note address and gave a bird's eye view of the Tribal Life of Central India.

The Department of History conducted a Symposium on 22nd February 2018 titled "Socio-Cultural Dimension of Diversity in India-A Constitutional Perspective".

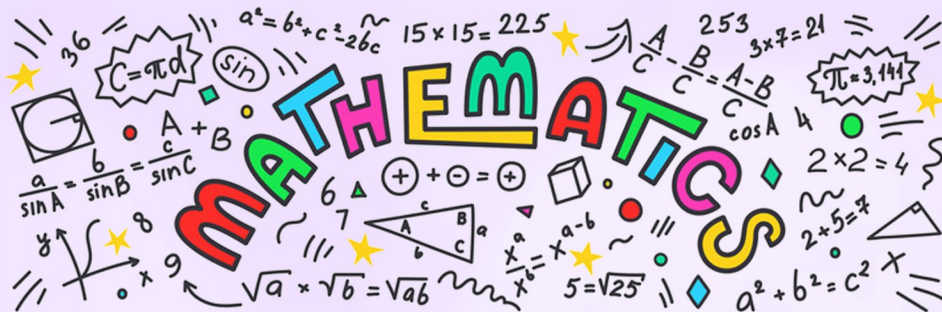
The Chief Guest was Dr.T.Asokan, Assistant Professor and Head, Department of History, Bharathidasan University, who spoke on the social cultural interlink in a constitutional perspective and cited references from history. The other chief guest was Dr.Ramajeyam, Assistant Professor, Centre for Social Exclusion and Inclusive Policy who spoke on the caste, class and gender divide.

The Department organized an invited lecture on 2nd March 2018 on Capacity Development and Social Etiquettes. The Chief Guest was Rev. Fr.Stanly, OFM who spoke on the importance and the need to show respect and consideration to others, and the various forms of corporate and domestic etiquettes techniques.

The Valedictory function of the History Association was organized on 9th March 2018. The Chief Guest was Dr.A.Rajendran, Associate Professor and Head, Department of History Bishop Heber College (Autonomous), who spoke on the importance of historical writings in research.



SHIFT - I



The inauguration of Mathematics Association was held on 3rd July 2017. The guest of honor was Ms.V. Mohana Selvi, Assistant Professor, PG and Research Department of Mathematics, Nehru Memorial College, Trichy. The chief guest addressed the gathering on the topic “Taxonomy of Mathematics”.

The alumnae meet was conducted on 3rd July 2017. Alumnae of our Department shared their memorable events and views in Holy Cross College campus.

On 7th July 2017 the students from the Department of Mathematics, were taken to Kodaikanal for an one day tour. 113 UG students and 20 PG students accompanied by 5 staff members participated in the tour.

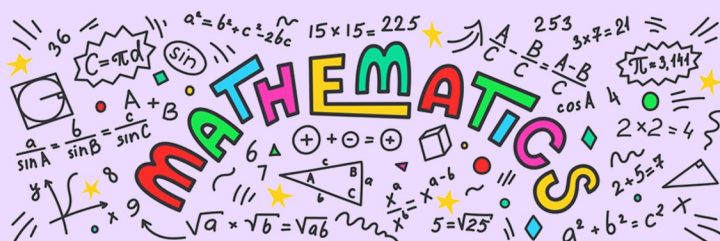
The next association meeting was held on 21st July 2017 on the topic “LATEX – Scientific Documentation “. The chief guest was Dr.M. Paramasivam, Assistant Professor, PG and Research Department of Mathematics, Bishop Heber College, Trichy.

On 4th August Dr. B. Gayathri, PG and Research Department of Mathematics, Periyar EVR College, Trichy addressed the students on the topic “An introduction to Domination Numbers”.

This year the genius club had decided to conduct a series of NET/SET coaching classes for the benefit of PG, M.Phil and research scholars of Department of Mathematics, Holy Cross College. Dr. Kaladevi accepted to conduct these classes. The first and second classes were conducted on 11th and 12th September. The topic was real and complex analysis. The Department conducted the intercollegiate competition Math Spark’17 on 12th December 2017. Eleven colleges participated in the competition.

The association meeting was held on 4th January 2018 on the topic “General Awareness about Eyes”. The chief guest was Dr. John Wycliffe, Chief Consultant Optometrist, Optometry Council of India, Trichy. Dr. John Wycliffe explained the long sightedness, short sightedness with its technical terms like Myopia, Hyperopia and relative ideas.

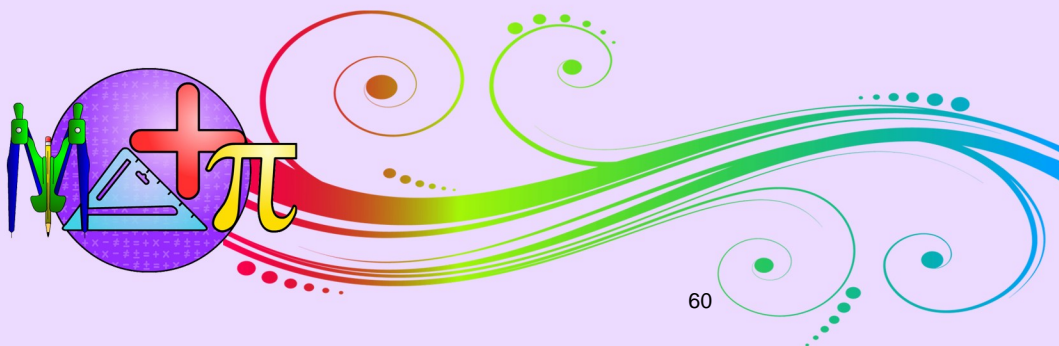


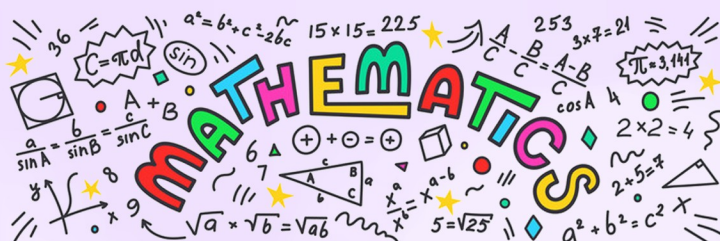


One day seminar entitled “Fuzzy Set Theory and its Applications” was conducted on 11th January 2018. Dr. T. Rajaretnam, Professor, St. Joseph’s College, Trichy gave some interesting information about the “ Mathematical approach in pattern recognition”. The next session was taken by Dr. A.Savarimuthu, Professor, St. Joseph’s Institute of Management, St. Joseph’s College (Autonomous), Trichy. He gave an informative and interesting lecture on “Importance of life skills”. Finally Dr. Anusiya, Associate Professor of Mathematics, Seetha Lakshmi Ramaswamy College, Trichy screened the “Fuzzy soft sets in decision making problems”.

A two - day workshop was organized by the Department of Mathematics on 7th and 8th February 2018 for I, II PG and selected students of III UG both Shift I and II on the topic “ Pure and Applied Mathematics”. The workshop had two sessions. The first session was inaugurated by our chief guest Dr. R.Raziya Begum, Associate Professor, Department of Mathematics, Periyar EVR College (Autonomous), Tiruchirappalli, who delivered a guest lecture on “Graceful Labeling”. The second session was handled by Dr.N. Sridharan, Retired Professor, Department of Mathematics, Alagappa University, Karaikudi.

A lecture was delivered on “Problems in Complex Analysis”. On 8th February 2018, the second day of the workshop had two sessions. The first session was piloted by the chief guest Dr.N. Sridharan, Retired Professor, Department of Mathematics, Alagappa University, Karaikudi. A lecture was delivered on “Problems in Algebra”. The last session of the two -day workshop was presided over by the chief guest Dr.L. Benedict Michael Raj, Associate Professor and Head, PG and Research Department of Mathematics St. Joseph’s College, Trichy. The lecture was delivered on “Problems in Linear Algebra”.





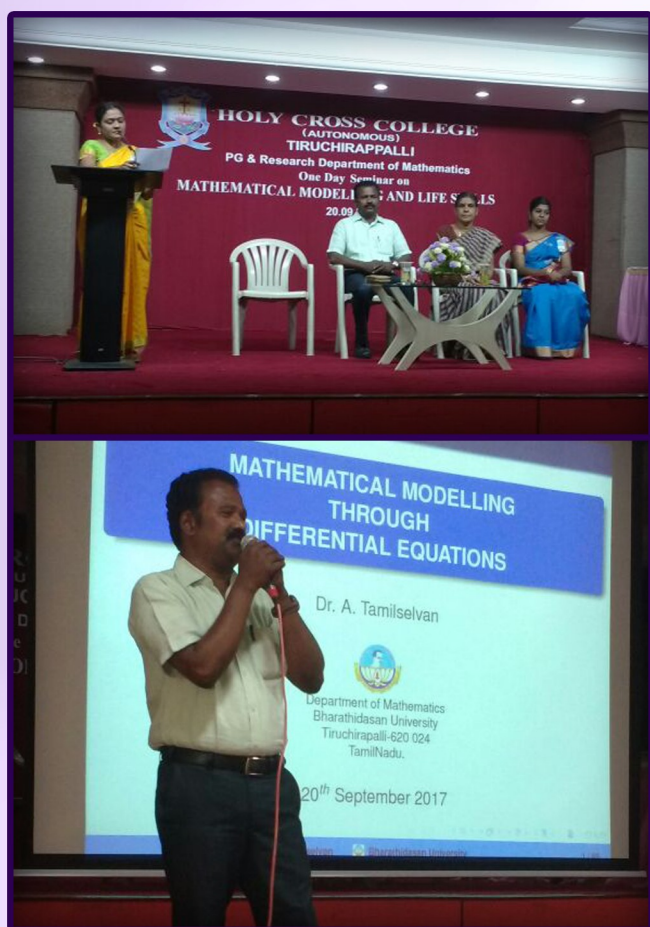
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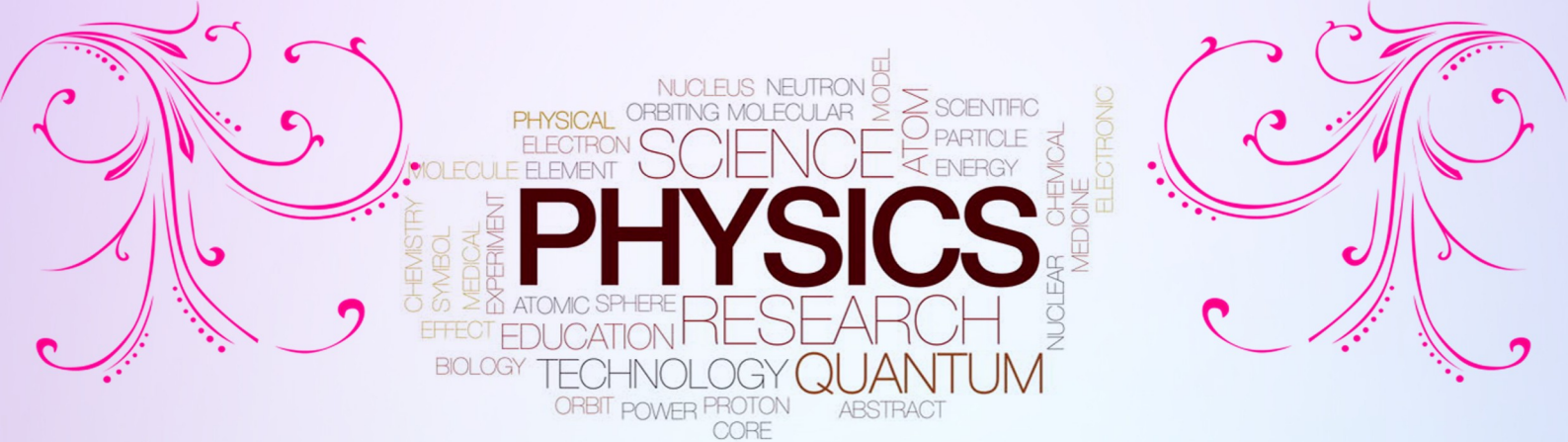
The Mathematical Association inaugural meeting was held on 4th July 2017 for the academic year 2017-2018. The chief guest was Dr. P. John Robinson, Assistant Professor of Mathematics, Bishop Heber College, Trichy. The chief guest addressed the gathering on the topic “Flying High with Mathematics”.

The second mathematical association meeting was held on 21st July 2017. The guest of honour was Dr. V. Kala Devi, Professor Emeritus, Department of Mathematics, Bishop Heber College, Trichy. The chief guest addressed the gathering on the topic, “Paraletrix and Rhotrix”.

The third association meeting was held on 4th August 2017. The guest of honour was Dr. P. Thirunavukarasu, Assistant Professor of Mathematics, Periyar E.V.R. College, Trichy. The chief guest addressed the gathering on the topic “Introduction to Formal Languages”.

The next association meeting was held on 7th September. The guest of honour was Dr. J. Maria Joseph, Assistant Professor of Mathematics, St. Joseph’s College, Trichy. The chief guest addressed the students on the topic “Continuity and Uniform Continuity Using Epsilon Delta Property”.





SHIFT - I

The Business meeting of the Physics Association was held on 4th July 2017. The activities for the year were planned.

The Inauguration of Physics Association was held on 11th July 2017. Dr.K.Jeganathan, Professor and Head, Department of Medical Physics, Coordinator, Center for Nanoscience and Nanotechnology, School of Physics Bharathidasan University, Tiruchirappalli, was the chief guest. He gave a lecture on the topic of “Advances in Material Science”.

The II M.Sc. students went to Pondicherry on 22nd July 2017. They visited Aurobindo Ashram, and Archeological Museum. They got the opportunity to know about the old French culture, the life style of French people and architecture.

On 28th and 29th August 2017, as a part of Skill Based Elective course on Physics for Life Sciences, students of III Botany and II Zoology students visited GVN hospital, Trichy, and gained knowledge on basic principles and working mechanism of Ultra sound sonogram, Mammogram and CT scan.

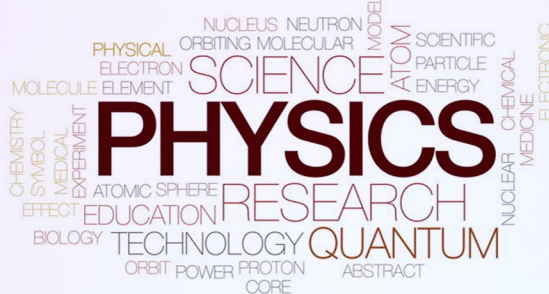
On 8th September 2017 Dr.V.Subramaniam, Head and Associate Professor of Geology from National College, Trichy, gave an impressive talk on “Applications of Physics in Geology”. He displayed many mineral stone samples to the participants.

A second field visit was on 9th and 21st September 2017 to A.G Eye Hospital, Puthur, Trichy to know about the instruments its mechanism, defects in eyes and its rectification and students watched live cataract surgery.

On 5th December 2017, Dr.H.Joy Prabu, Assistant Professor, Department of Physics, St. Joseph’s College, Trichy gave a talk on the topic “Advances in Nano Technology Research”.

On 8th December 2017, Dr. T. Ramani Devi, MD, Ramakrishna Nursing Home and Janani Fertility Centre, Trichy, gave a talk on the topic “Environmental Pollution and Impact on the Reproductive Outcome”.





SHIFT - II

On 21st January 2018 Indian Association of Physics Teachers (IAPT) conducted National Graduate Physics Examination (NGPE - 2018) for the Physics students in our college. 66 students from Shifts I and II enrolled their names. 44 students were present.

A national seminar on Astrophysics was conducted on 9th February 2018, by the Department of Physics. Dr. Selvendran, Principal Scientific Officer, IIAP, Kodaikanal, gave a talk on the topic "The Sun-Our Star". Dr. C.S. Stalin, Associate Professor, IIAP, Bangalore, gave a talk on the topic "Astronomy in optical and ultraviolet wavelength". Dr. Chrisphin Karthick, Assistant Professor of Physics, from Loyola College, Chennai, delivered an impressive talk on the topic "Astronomical Co-ordinates to Astrophysical Research". Finally Dr. Ruban Raj, Associate Professor of Mathematics, St. Joseph's College, Trichy, gave a talk on "Basic Astronomy".

On 21st and 22nd February 2018, III B.Sc. Physics went on a tour to Kerala. They had an opportunity to see live rocket launching in "Vikram Sara Bhai Space Center"- Thumba and Kochi-Hill Palace Museum.

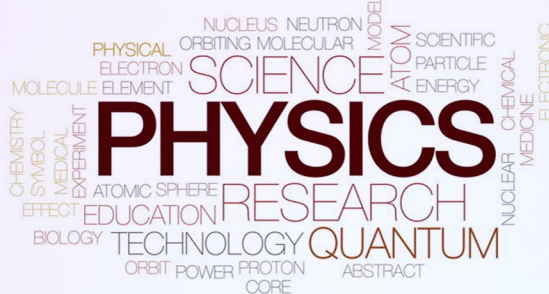
The Inaugural meet of Physics Association was held on 18th July 2017. Dr. A. Josephine Prabha, Assistant Professor of Physics, Bishop Heber College, Trichy was the chief guest. The thought provoking speech of the chief guest was based on the topic "View the World through Physics".

The Department organized Parent teachers meet on 28th August 2017. Parents met the staff in charge of the students and they discussed the performance and activities of their children. Teachers gave suggestions for the higher studies of the students.

The Physics association meeting was held on 23rd November 2017. Ms. P. Sathya, Assistant Professor, Department of English, St. Joseph's Institute of Management, Trichy was the quiz master of the Science Quiz.

The Department of Physics held its association meeting on 8th December 2017. Dr. Sivam and Dr. Thilakavathy, Doctors of Apollo Hospitals, Trichy were the chief guests of the meeting. They spoke on "Awareness of mensuration and first aid action".





The state level seminar of the Department of Physics on “Nano: Small Wonders, Endless Frontiers” was held on 24th January 2018. Dr. S. Manivannan, Assistant Professor, Department of Physics, National Institute of Technology, Trichy, Dr. T. C. Sabari Girisun, Assistant Professor, School of Physics, Bharathidasan University, Trichy, Dr. M. Baby Mariyatra, Assistant Professor, Department of Chemistry, St.Xavier’s College, Palayamkottai, and Dr.E. M. Mothi, Assistant Professor, Centre for Scientific and Applied Research, PSN College of Engineering and Technology, Tirunelveli were the guests of honour on that day.

In session-I, Dr.Manivannan, Assistant Professor, Department of Physics, National Institute of Technology, Trichy gave a speech about “Nanomaterials and their Applications”. In session-II, Dr.T.C. Sabari Girisun, Assistant Professor, School of Physics, Bharathidasan university, Trichy gave a inspirable talk on “ Laser from past to future”. In session-III, Dr. M. Baby Mariyatra, Assistant Professor, Department of Chemistry, St.Xavier’s college, Palayamkottai, spoke on the topic “NANO – A World of Opportunities”. In session- IV, Dr. E. M. Mothi, Associate Professor, Centre of Scientific and Applied Research, PSN College of Engineering and Technology, Tirunelveli gave a speech on the topic “Artificial Leaf using Nano- materials : Towards Sustainable Energy”.

The Department of Physics organized a study tour for final year students to Bangalore and Mysore from 9th February 2018 to 10th February 2018. The students visited Visvesvaraya Industrial and Technological Museum.



PSYCHOLOGY

The inauguration of Halcyon Club was held on 10th October 2017. Sr. Dr. S. Catherine, Head, Department of Psychology welcomed the gathering. The chief guest of the day was Dr.A.R. Syeeda Sheerin, Psychiatrist from Sana Hospital, Trichy. The guest of honour for the programme was the secretary of the College, Rev. Sr. Dr. Lilly. V. The club was inaugurated by Rev. Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget, Principal of the college, who in her address spoke about the importance of mental health for students and its influence on their academics. The chief guest gave an enlightening speech on mental health. She emphasized on the role of psychologist in preventing and treating mental illness through counseling and psychotherapy.

Seven students and two staff presented research papers in two day “International Conference on School Mental Health” on 25th and 26th October 2017, organized by Department of Social Work, Bharathidasan University, Trichy.

Two students from the Department of Psychology participated in one day workshop on “Learning Disability” on 29th November 2017, organized by Athma Institute of Mental Health and Social Science, Trichy. They were taught strategies for remedial intervention to help the children with learning disability.

The students accompanied by the staff went for the rural camp to “Government Higher Secondary School” Thiruvallurai, Trichy, organised by RESCAPES on 31st November and 1st December 2017. The PG students administered psychological test to measure the Self-Esteem and the level of Stress for 338 students of stds. X, XI, XII. The test revealed student’s self-esteem falls in average and students of X and XII experienced high level of stress compared to XI standard. The students and staff gave input sessions on Stress Management.

The Department of Psychology conducted a seminar on 21st January 2018 on “Psychotic Disorder”. The resource person for the session was Mr.D.Randeep Rajkumar, Clinical Psychologist from SRM Medical College and Hospital. 12 students from M.Sc first year attended the session.

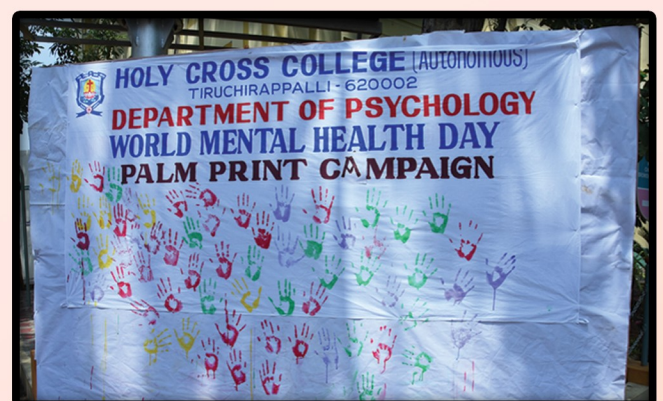
The resource person explained about various psychotic disorders based on criteria in Diagnostic Statistical Manual and International Classification of Disorders.

A seminar on “Self-Identity and Group Behaviour” was organised on 25th January 2018 in the Department of Psychology (Halcyon Club). The resource person was Mrs.J.Aruna, Researcher, Tamil Nadu Prison Department. 12 students from M.Sc Psychology attended the session. The session dealt with various components of self and its influence on various aspects of life. The second part of the session was on Group behaviour, its influence on the team and behaviour.

A session was conducted by the Department of Psychology for the students of Community College on “Conflict Management and Positive Approach towards Life” on 6th February 2018.

A workshop on “Self - Motivation and Communication Skills” was held on 6th and 7th February 2018. The special invitees were Mr.Peer Basha, Assistant Professor of Information Technology, Jamal Mohamed College, Trichy and Mr. Mohammed Iqbal, Placement Officer, S.A. Career Development Center, Trichy.

The valedictory meeting was held on 20th February 2018. Rev. Sr. Dr. Catherine Savarimuthu, Assistant Professor of Psychology, Holy Cross College gave a lecture on “Goodness of life”.



Rehabilitation Science

The business meeting of the Rehab Association for the academic year 2017 – 2018 was held on 30th June 2017. Dr. Sheila Christopher, Associate Professor gave a brief introduction about the various activities of the association.

The inauguration of Rehab Association/ Rehab Wings and Signing of MoU was held on 10th July 2017. Mrs. Shirley Devraj, Chief Operation Officer and Head, IDFC Branch Ltd. Trichy, was the Chief guest. In her address she motivated the students to achieve their goal.

On 17th July 2017 a career guidance program was organized for the students of III BSc and II PG Rehabilitation Science. Miss. Rebekah Samuel, Learning Disability Intervention Specialist, Dubai Learning Disability Centre was the speaker of the program.

The Department of Rehabilitation Science and Holy Cross Blossoms – Thai Suvai jointly organized Food Carnival from 24th to 28th July 2017. Rev. Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget, Principal

of the college and Mrs. Shirley, Director, Asha Grama Vidiyal inaugurated the program. The main objective of the program was to increase awareness on disability and empower parents specially mothers of Children with Disabilities in the special school. Mrs. Shirley sponsored a rolling vehicle to support the project. Many healthy and delicious foods like bread sandwich, chapatti roll, jigarthanda, corn, groundnuts, kammankool, lemon juice, chicken 65, Biryani etc were prepared and provided by the parents.

A workshop on arts and crafts was conducted by the students of I M.Sc. Rehab. Science on 5th August 2017. The session started with a prayer. Mr. Karthick of I M.Sc oriented the students on the significance of art and craft activity and how students can contribute to the society by learning these skills.

On 8th August 2017, the workshop on “Specific Learning Disability” was held in the Auditorium for the students of Rehabilitation Science. The workshop was conducted by Mrs. Nageswari Ph.D Scholar. In this workshop students were given detailed information on Learning disability and its types.

The Department of Rehabilitation Science organized one day workshop on Integrative Approach towards holistic health care in Special education on 24th August 2017 with Ms. Pramila Chandrasekar from Vaikuntha Consultancy as the resource person. The one day workshop was conducted in collaboration with Mcks Yoga Vidya Centre, Chennai and World Pranic Healing Foundation, Inc. Manila, Philippines. The focus of the workshop was on orienting the students in integrative health practices such as yoga and pranic healing for common health ailments and disturbances and instilling the need to supplement these easy, indigenous and day to day practices through good dietary habits. A total of 45 enthusiastic students from UG, PG and diploma classes participated in the one day program.

A workshop on Occupational Therapy was conducted on 1st September 2017. Ms. Sheeba, Occupational Therapist from Madurai was the resource person. Students of III BSc and I MSc were the participants. The therapist gave a brief introduction about occupational therapy and its significance for children with special needs. She gave a practical exposure to students by taking them to the therapeutic unit and gave awareness about various equipments and method of giving occupational therapy.



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A Workshop on Research Writing – From Paper to Publication was conducted on 14th September 2017. Dr. Hemakumar Devan, Physiotherapist cum Post Doctoral Fellow, University of Otago, Newzealand was the resource person. The need for researching and paper publishing was elaborated by the speaker. Students were also separated into groups and given few writing activities on research problem.

One day Workshop on Writing Project/ Proposal was held on 26th September 2017. Mr. Antony Stephen, Assistant Professor of Social Work was the resource person. The post graduate students of Rehabilitation Science were the participants. A brief introduction about writing project proposals and role of projects in successful NGO management was given to the students.

A workshop on Autism was conducted on 27th September for the students of I M.Sc. This workshop was at Pravaag Transitional Centre for Children with Autism in Udaiyanpatti, Trichy. Mrs. Geetha, Director of the institute was the resource person. Parents and Special educators of Children with Autism, participated in this workshop. Detailed information on what is autism, its characteristics and behavioral issues was provided.

Students of I M.Sc had a group presentation on “The Study” on 4th October 2017. Previously these students were asked to carry out a mini project in their area of interest. Dr. Sheila Christopher, Associate Professor headed the program. Each student was made to present their study and all the participants had question session at the end. All the students presented their projects creatively. Students were separated into groups. Ms. Raja Rajeshwari of I M.Sc. gave a short training on some art and craft activities like paper flowers, basket, butterfly and paper stand etc. students were given hands on experience to work on it.

Staff Enrichment program for Special Educators was conducted on 19th October 2017. 20 special educators from Holy Cross Blossoms Opportunity School participated in the program. Faculty of the Department of Rehabilitation Science served as the resource persons. They attended four sessions on Individualized Educational planning, file maintenance, parent counseling and Innovative teaching practices.

On 24th November 2017 staff and students of the Departments of Rehabilitation Science and Audiology attended a program on Best Practices in Rehabilitation. Mrs. Karola Wood, Director of Ladakh-Hilfe e.V.Koetz, Germany was the resource person. She shared her experience in developing the best rehabilitation centre.

World Vision Organization visited the PG and Research Department of Rehabilitation Science on 27th November 2017as an exploratory learning visit in regard to services to children with Special Needs. They consisted of 5 members namely Dr.Anjana Purkayastha - Senior Director for Special Projects, Mr. Newton Isaac, Director for Thematic Solutions Projects. Mr. Eliyazar, N.A., Manager - Institutional Project, Mr.Moses Palmer - Programme Manager – Perambalur / Marungapuri programmes and Mrs. Christabel Kalaiselvi, Group Director - Operations. Initially they interacted with the Head and staff of the Department with regard to the services provided. They also requested for webinar classes on disability which will be initiated by the Department soon. Then they visited the Blossoms Opportunity School, Rainbow therapeutic centre and HEPSN project.

One day workshop on Learning Disability was conducted on 29th November 2017 in Athma Hospital for the students of I M.Sc. Rehabilitation Science. Mrs. Manasi, Psychologist, was the resource person of the program. Students were given a brief introduction about Learning Disability and its types.



Rehabilitation Science

Youth 4 Jobs is a pioneering organization focusing on diversity and inclusion. It set up placement-linked training centres for youth with disabilities for job training and placement. One such training centre is established in collaboration with the Department of Rehabilitation Science. This program was inaugurated on 6th December 2017. Mr. Sai Raghavendra, Trainer, Hyderabad Centre and Mr. Shahed, Project Executive of Hyderabad centre inaugurated the program. Nearly 50 youth with disability participated in the program. Among them 15 youth with Hearing Impairment were selected for the first batch. They are trained in soft skills, computer skills and marketing.

In order to Commemorate World Disability Day and Christmas in a special way, the Department of Rehabilitation Science planned and visited St. Joseph's Hospice on 19th

December 2017. All the staff members and the students of I M.Sc visited the Hospice. More than 200 people, on death bed, mentally ill people and old age people were there. Students and staff visited various places of the institute and met the people over there. A small christmas function was conducted. As per the requirements mentioned by them few clothes, buckets, eatables and other materials were presented to the institute as a token of love for them.

A three day CRE program on understanding sexuality in Persons with Multiple Disabilities was conducted from 10th to 12th January 2018 in the Department of Rehabilitation Science. There were 30 participants in the program. Rev. Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget, Principal, Holy Cross College was the chief guest for the inaugural function. She felicitated the gathering and emphasized the need to update one's knowledge in the field and also to change one's attitude accordingly.

There were six sessions per day. Staff of the Department of Rehabilitation Science, and few medical professionals like Dr. Ravi Stephen and Dr. Sripriya Pragasam served as the resource persons of the program. Rev. Sr. Dr. Lilly Varghese, Secretary, Holy Cross College was the chief guest for the valedictory function of this CRE programme. In her address she said compassion and patience are the virtues of serving such children.

On 25th January 2018 a puppet show on social issues was organized and conducted by the D.SE.MR students of the Department of Rehabilitation Science. Rev. Sr. Dr. Lourdu Mary, Head of the Department was the chief guest of the program. Students were separated into four groups. Each group selected social issues like bus fare hike, healthy food habits, inclusive education, and difference in urban and rural life and demonstrated through the puppet show.

Holy Cross Blossoms Opportunity School for the Special Children was started for the benefit of the special children of Trichy on July 17th 1997 with the vision, "looking beyond ability" in order to enhance the quality of life of children with special needs. This School provides all around formation in developing self confidence and prepares them to join the main stream.



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At present we have 86 children and among them 30 children are attending mainstream school. We have 10 Special Educators, two Physiotherapist and 4 caretakers to mould the children for their better future. In our vocational unit we prepare candles, appalam, soap oil, pineoil, binding, arica plate, soup and snacks.

The children entertained and expressed their gratitude towards our sisters on the occasion of the feast of the exaltation of the Holy Cross. "Grow a Tree to eradicate poverty". Along with the Department of RESCAPES our school children planted Trees in the village Thirupanjeeli.

30 children participated in the sports events conducted by Bishop Heber College Team of Social Service and won the Rolling Shield for over all runners. 20 of them participated in the sports cultural events conducted by Andavan College, 50 Children participated in the sports events conducted by District Differently Abled Welfare Office District level sports meet, 20 of them participated in the cultural events arranged by Poornathaiya Trust and 36 students participated in the sports conducted by St. Joseph's Institute of management and won the prizes and the overall runner's Shield.

the school's children are given training in academic skills, physiotherapy, occupational therapy, speech therapy, sand therapy, water therapy, yoga, exercise, sports, dance and singing in order to tap their talents. Once in three months parent's teachers meeting is held to assess the level of children and to get the opinion and feedback from the parents.

Lions club, Thillainagar, sponsored and constructed three rest rooms for our children of Blossom's School. Their noble gesture of special concern for special kids is appreciated.









SHIFT - I

On 10th July, an orientation was held for the Department staff. The resource person was Dr. Julius Caesar, Associate Professor of Commerce, St. Xavier's College, Palayamkottai. He spoke about ways to write project proposal and about funding agencies and ways to get funds.

On 12th July 2018, the Veeramamunivar Tamil Elakiya Peravai was inaugurated by Rev. Fr. Anburaj, Parish Priest, Kulithalai, and Rev. Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget, Principal, Holy Cross College. Father spoke on the topic Tamilum, Tamilarin Vazhviyalum.

An International Seminar was organized by the Department of Tamil on the topic "Present Generation and Society Based Education" on 26th July 2017. The international Cultural coordinator and education advisor Mr. Mathivathuni, the special guest, participated and gave a speech highlighting the seminar topic. Students from neighboring colleges participated in the seminar.

The Tamil club conducted a speech competition on 18th November 2017. The students spoke on the topics like :Aim Higher, The Dying Nature, Challenges and Today's education. The competition was judged by Dr. Prema, Department of Tamil.

On 13th February 2018 Periyar Uyaraivu Maiyam and the Department of Tamil, Holy Cross College jointly conducted a discourse on Periyar. Dr. Govindarajan, Director of Periyar Uyaraivu Maiyam, welcomed the gathering. Dr. Ravichandran was the guest of Honour. He spoke on the views of Periyar about God.

The valediction of the club was held on 21st February 2018. The guest of honour was P. Thanabakiyam, former Associate Professor, Department of Tamil, Holy Cross College, Trichy. She spoke about how life has to be viewed and lived.





SHIFT - II

The Inaugural function of Veeramamunivar Tamil Literary Association was held on 18th July 2017. The chief guest was Dr. Kennadi, Tamil Professor, St. Joseph's College, Trichy. He gave an inspirational talk on the topic "Nattupura padalkalil Thirai Issaien Thakkam". He talked about the message revealed by songs in olden days. He also highlighted the role of Kannagi.

A special lecture was held on 2nd August 2017 which was given by Rev. Sr. Dr. Isabella Rajakumari, Sister in charge of Shift II Holy Cross College, Trichy. She gave an inspirational talk on the topic "Kappiyangal Sitharikkum Pengal". She spoke in detail about the characters in the story and the role played by them.

On behalf of the Association a poem, essay writing and elocution competition was held on 7th September, 8th September and 22nd September 2017 respectively. These competitions were held to bring out the talents of first and second year students.

Veeramamunivar Tamil Ilakiya Mandram for the II Year Students was conducted on 22nd January of 2018. The Guest of honor was Dr. M. Jayalakshmi, Assistant Professor, Department of Tamil Cauvery College. The Chief Guest spoke on the topic "Sanga Ilakiyathil Anbum Panbum".



VALUE EDUCATION



The Department focuses on the spiritual animation and growth in maturity of all the inmates of the college. MAM classes were conducted regularly for I and II UG classes. The regular annual retreats and orientation sessions for students of Shifts I and II were conducted for

U.G. classes, P.G. classes and for staff (teaching and non teaching) at different times during the academic year.

The retreat for UG students started on 28th August 2017 in the college ground. Rev. Fr. Raphael from Divine Centre, Pudukkottai, started the session by interacting with the students about God. It was followed by Holy Mass. First session on 29th August was about "How to praise God". It was followed by Holy Mass. "Confession" was the message of the mass. The orientation for III UG students held on 29th August 2017 was given by Mr. Venkatraman Prakash. He spoke about mind body and soul and he explained to the students about how to control it in order to use its power effectively. On the second day, the speaker was Ms. Arthi Rajarathinam. She spoke on many great values and how to balance the relationship with family, friends and the outer world.

On 30th August 2017 the session was about the purity and life history of Mother Mary. In the evening session there was blessing and healing prayer.

The Department of Value Education organized one Day National Conference on Youth and Values on 1st December 2017. In the inaugural speech Rev. Sr. Jyothi Selvaraj, Provincial, Sisters of the Cross of Chavanod, Province of Trichy insisted on the youth to channelize their values to make a difference in every individual's life with life giving values which will enable one to serve society. This was followed by the felicitation by the Secretary, Rev. Sr. Dr. Lilly V. She pointed out how values give direction and add peace to life. In his inaugural address Rev. Fr. David Arockiam, the CEO of Madha TV pointed out the difficulties faced by the youth and said that the youth have to react to the current situations and stand for the cause and learn the value of hard work. The presidential address was given by Rev. Fr. Varghese Alengaden. In his speech he focused on building a civilization of love through value education for peace. The guests of honour were Rev. Fr. Joe Lawrence, Animator, St. Mary's Cathedral and Advisory member of this conference and Rev. Fr. John Alexander, Youth Director, Trichy Diocese. Technical session I was rendered by Rev. Fr. John Alexander, Youth Director. The Technical session II was rendered by Dr. F. X Lovelina, Head, Department of Social Work, Bharathiar University, Coimbatore.



An orientation programme on personal and professional development was held on 20th January 2018 at Retreat Centre, Poondi, Thanjavur for both Shift I and Shift II non- catholic staff members. The speaker was Rev. Fr. Suresh from Anugraha Capuchin Institute for Counselling and Psychotherapy, Dindigul. He gave many guidelines and suggestions for the staff on healthy life and joyful living. The session was interesting and inspiring aided by a video show and it created a great impact on everyone's mind.

A retreat / orientation for the administrative staff was held on 10th March 2018. Rev. Sr. Jansi from Holy Cross College of Education facilitated the retreat. She mentioned the parable of the prodigal son and compared the father with parents in today's families. She also mentioned how we are saved by the love of Christ, and mentioned the need to have a place for prayer and worship in our homes. The retreat ended with the Holy mass celebrated by Fr. Pughal, Assistant Parish Priest, our Lady of Lourdes's Church. 69 non teaching staff benefitted by this retreat.

The orientation for non catholic administrative staff was given by Mr. S. Eronimus, Director, THRUST, a research and resource centre for children's education. He is also the editor of 'Otrukkann', a creative, monthly for teachers and students. He also emphasized the need for rules and importance to follow the spirit behind the rules with love and concern for others.

Retreat for Catholic staff and orientation for non-Catholic staff was held at retreat centre, Poondi on 20th January 2018. The retreat for the catholic staff of Shifts I and II was preached by Rev. Fr. James Thamburaj. In the morning session he spoke about the importance of the word of God and how powerful it is. He stressed on the power of the Holy Spirit, that is within us. The retreat ended with Holy Mass at Poondi Madha Basilica. The retreat was a spiritually refreshing experience for the staff to live in faith, prayer and brotherhood.



VISUAL COMMUNICATION

COMPUTER BUSINESS LIGHT
DISPLAY INFORMATION ICON TECH
DATA GRID CLOSEUP
PROTECTION
GRAPHIC GLOBAL
ABSTRACT
CIRCUIT SECURITY PEOPLE
INTERFACE
CONCEPT
TECHNOLOGY
VIEW FUTURISTIC ILLUSTRATION
MAN IDENTITY INTERNET
DIGITAL
VIRTUAL
TEXT
FUTURE
EYE ART
SYSTEM

The Department Association was inaugurated on 20th July 2017, on the topic 'Mediosmora'. The chief guest was Ms. Blessy, Head of Department of Visual Communication from EVR College, Trichy. She spoke about the importance of media in today's scenario.

On 19th August 2017, one of the top Newspapers, 'The Hindu' conducted the Photography competition on World Photography Day. Our students participated in the competition and won prizes in many categories. First three prize winners were awarded with shield and top photography books. The senior photographers Mr. Gnanavel Murugan and Mr. Kathiravan from The Hindu, were the judges and conducted workshop on the topic 'How to take a better photograph'. The students were taken to the theatre as a part of our Department activity- 'Filmic tryst' to watch the movies 'Vivegam', 'Magalir Mattum' and 'Aram'. It was followed by a review.

On 6th September 2017 III UG students of the Department were taken to Hyderabad Film City on a study tour. The II year students were taken on an Industrial Visit to Kodaikanal on 22nd and 23rd September 2017 to hone their photography skills. They were also taken to 'GOLDEN LITHOS' printing press in Trichy on December 2017 for their subject, Printing Process. Mr. Ravi, the Proprietor explained the printing process that was in use since the invention of printing till date.

In order to equip the students with the knowledge of communication skills, interactive thinking and talent embedding for radio production, a workshop was conducted on 8th December 2017. Dr. G. Swaminathan, Assistant Station Director of All India Radio, Karaikudi was the resource person.

On 6th January 2018, one day seminar was conducted on the topic "Recent Trends in Journalism" to instruct the students about Journalism with professional and ethical standards. Mr. Micheal Collins, Senior Reporter Daily Thanthi and Mr. Joe Maheswaran, News 18 TV channel, Chief of News Bureau of Trichy region addressed the students. The topics discussed were, Journalism in print media, coverage of news stories, various job opportunities in the field and sustainable development.

The Department conducted a seminar and workshop on 22nd February 2018. Mr. K. K. Mahesh, Edit Page Editor, The Hindu Tamil, Madurai, spoke on 'Youth and Politics'. Mr. Rajesh, Chief Sub-editor (Design), Madurai, gave training in Photoshop and also explained about the 'Role of Cartoons, Illustration and Pictures in Newspaper'.





The inaugural meeting of Aristotle Club, Department of Zoology was held on 7th July 2017. Rev. Fr. Dr. A.J Mathew, Parish priest, Missionary of St. Antony's Church, Amalasharam was the Chief Guest of the day. The Chief Guest enlightened the students with his sound knowledge on Ethical Values based on wellness and wholeness.

The Final year UG students along with two staff members went for two days educational tour on 20th and 21st July 2017 to Coonoor and Ooty. On the first day they visited Pasteur Institute of India at Coonoor, where they visited Research Labs, Animal House, Museum and they had one hour lecture on Rabies disease and its immunization.

On 3rd August 2017, the Aristotle club of Zoology organized an Association meeting on the topic "Zoology through Radio". The chief guest of the day was Ms. Shirley Deepak, Coordinator of HCC Community Radio, Holy Cross College. The chief guest gave a brief view on the importance of giving programmes in HCC Community Radio in college.

The study tour to CFTRI (Mysore) and IISc (Bangalore) on 23rd and 24th August 2017 was planned by the Department for II M.Sc. Zoology students. The study tour as per the curriculum was an exposure to motivate the students to pursue research in central research institutes like CFTRI (Mysore) and IISc. (Bangalore). They also visited Mysore Maharaja's palace, Chamundaeswari temple, Krishnaraj Sagar (KR) dam and Brindhavan garden.

On 31st August 2017, I B.Sc students of Zoology Department along with four staff members went on an educational tour to Rameswaram. They visited Dhanuskodi, late Dr. Abdul Kalam's house and his memorial, Villondi Theertham and CMFRI (Central Marine Fishery Research Institute).

On 6th September 2017, the Aristotle club organized an association meeting on the topic "Environmental conservation for the betterment of our biosphere". The chief guest of the day was Dr.Priscilla Suresh, Head of the Department of Zoology, Bishop Heber College, Tiruchirappalli.

In commemoration of the Wild Life Week Celebration, the Department of Zoology, organized "FESTOTLE -17" an intercollegiate meet on 20th October 2017. Rev. Sr. Dr. Lilly Varghese, Secretary of Holy Cross College, delivered the inaugural address. She stressed the role of youth in wild life conservation and ascertained the initiative as an innovative one being the need of the hour to save mother earth. Mr.V. Sundararaju IFS., Former Deputy Conservator of Forest, President of SOFCON spoke about the importance of wildlife and its conservation. The celebration was followed by intercollegiate competitions such as Quiz, Hand painting, Poster presentation, Mime and Photography. Students from colleges in and around Trichy and Madurai participated in the events.

On 5th December 2017, the Department of Zoology, Holy Cross College, Trichy organized an Industrial visit to Aavin milk production unit, Kottapattu, Trichy. Around 65 students of both UG and PG visited the Unit.

On 8th December, 2017, the Aristotle club organized an association meeting on the topic "Recent trends in Aquaculture". The chief guest of the day was Dr. S. Kandan, Ph. D, Project Director, Rajiv Gandhi Centre for Aquaculture (RGCA) (MPEDA, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India), Nagapattinam.





The Department of Zoology organized an International Conference cum Webinar on “Recent Innovation in Biosciences” on 7th February 2018. The chief guest of the day was Dr. Mohamed Shamsudin, Head, Department of Zoology, Registrar (Attendance), Jamal Mohamed College, Trichy and he delivered the presidential address. The souvenir of the conference was released by the Principal of Holy Cross College, Rev. Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget and the first copy was received by the chief guest Dr. Mohamad Shamsudin, Head, Department of Zoology, Jamal Mohamed College, Trichy. The Department signed two Memorandum of Understanding (MoU), one with Sathyabama Institute of Science, Chennai and the other with Chennai Medical College Hospital and Research Centre, Irungalur, Trichy. There were seven technical sessions delivered by eminent National and International speakers which include oral and poster presentations on Biosciences.

There were participants from sixteen colleges and four universities. Dr.Nagarajan.R, Principal, AVC College, Mayiladudhurai delivered the valedictory address.

The Valedictory function was held on 23rd February 2018. Dr.N.Thajuddin, Professor and Head, Department of Microbiology, Bharathidasan University gave a talk on Microalgae for Human Health. He enlightened the students on the uses and cultural methods of Microalgae.

On 28th February 2018, PG and Research Department of Zoology, Holy Cross College, Trichy organized an educational visit to Bharathidasan University, Tiruchirappalli for I M.Sc Zoology students to enrich their knowledge on various fields of life sciences.



The Inauguration of “Paramedical Technologist Association (PTA)” was held on 26th June 2017 in the Department of MLT where staff and student secretaries were selected.

As a part of Association activity, the Department conducted “Blood Group Screening Camp” for I year UG, PG and M. Phil students of our college on 27th and 28th June 2017. 1,903 students benefited from this camp.

On 11th September 2017, the Department of MLT in collaboration with RESCAPES conducted “Blood group, BMI and anaemia Screening camp” for the people in Sirpathur village, Manachanallur, Trichy. 60 people benefited from this camp.

On 30th November and 1st December 2017, the Department of MLT in collaboration with RESCAPES conducted “Blood Group Screening Camp” for 800 Students of Government Higher Secondary School in Thiruvellarai, Manachanallur, Trichy.

On 8th February 2018, the Department of MLT in collaboration with RESCAPES conducted “Blood group and BMI Screening camp” for the tribal people from Koothamangalam. 25 people benefited from this camp.

In collaboration with RESCAPES the Department of MLT conducted “Blood group and BMI Screening camp” for 1000 Students of Government higher secondary School in Thirupancheeli village on 26th and 27th February, 2018.

Library

- The library collection has reached to 1,23,318 books, 2,809 CDs and 154 newly subscribed journals, spending Rs.12,81,794 for books and Rs.1,66,561 for journals during the academic year.

- Online journals were subscribed to such as Delnet, N-list and Sage e-journals.

- 59,294 transactions were carried out in circulation session

- The orientation programme for the fresher’s were held from 20th July 2017 to 22nd July 2017 and 1,706 students participated in it.

- 108 library volunteers contributed their service each from 30-150 hours.

- Crossians virtual library continued to be updated and the usage kept increasing. Question paper was added to the virtual library for remote access.

- 710 Research thesis/dissertations and 90 multimedia documents were uploaded into D Space and D space collection reached to 5000 documents.

- 23 Articles were published by Library Staff in the academia and society journal

An Orientation programme on the use of the library facilities for the freshers was held from 7th to 11th September 2017 and 1,650 students participated in it.

Training Programme on Issue / Return of books: A self service programme was conducted for 10 days in the month of September-2017. At the primary level, 10 students each were selected as leaders from I UG year from all the Departments, and training was given to these 160 student leaders by the Library Staff, for issue/ return of books by the students themselves. At the secondary level, training was given by the 160 selected leaders to the remaining UG students.

A book exhibition cum sale was conducted on 22nd, 23rd and 24th January 2018. 2,092 students and staff benefited from it.

A workshop for II P G students and M.Phil scholars was conducted on 22nd January 2018 on the topic “Bibliography Tools” by Dr. Jayaprakash, Assistant Professor, Department of Library Information Science, Bharathidasan University, Trichy.

Our Pongal day celebration show casing a joint family celebration was held on 12th January 2018 and a pamphlet with the message about Pongal was circulated from the library.

Exam results

Success is the inevitable result of sincere and persistent hard work with a zeal and determination to achieve the worthy goal set by oneself.

Results at a glance

UG - SHIFT I

- The Departments of Economics and Audiology secured 100% passes.
- The Department of Commerce secured 98% passes and above.
- The Departments of Mathematics and Physics secured 97% passes.
- The Departments of Computer Applications and English secured 95% passes and above.
- The Department of Botany secured 95% passes.
- The Departments of Business Administration and Zoology secured 91% passes.
- The Department of Biochemistry secured 89% passes.
- The Department of Chemistry secured 88% passes.
- The Department of History secured 85% passes.
- The Department of Rehabilitation Science secured 83% passes and above.
- The Department of Visual Communication secured 80% passes.

UG - SHIFT II

- The Department of Computer Science secured 100% passes.
- The Department of Physics secured 95% passes and above.
- The Department of Chemistry secured 93% passes and above.
- The Department of Commerce secured 88% passes and above.
- The Department of Mathematics secured 88% passes.
- The Department of English secured 82% passes.
- The Department of Business Administration secured 70% passes.

PG

- The Departments of Biotechnology, Bioinformatics of Shift I and Computer Science of Shift II secured 100% passes.
- The Department of Mathematics secured 96% passes.
- The Department of Physics secured 93% passes and above.
- The Department of English secured 91% passes.
- The Department of Botany secured 88% passes and above.
- The Department of Commerce secured 88% passes.
- The Department of Chemistry secured 86% passes.
- The Departments of Social Work and Computer Applications secured 84% passes.
- The Department of Economics secured 75% passes.
- The Department of Rehabilitation Science secured 73% passes.
- The Departments of Media and Communication and Zoology secured 66% passes and above.

M. Phil

- Nine out of ten Departments offering M.Phil. secured 100% passes.
(Biotechnology, Botany, Chemistry, Commerce, Mathematics, English, Physics, Zoology, Tamil).
- Media and Communication secured 25% passes.

Ranks

- The Department of Mathematics secured 88% passes.
- The Department of English secured 82% passes.
- The Department of Business Administration secured 70% passes.

Our students secured 10 university ranks at the PG level with four 2nd ranks, two 4th ranks, two 5th ranks, one 7th rank and one 19th rank.

UNDER GRADUATES

S. No.	Name	Department	Rank
1.	A. Amala Jenifer	Mathematics	21
2.	P. Joselene Suzan Jennifer	Physics	2
3.	A. Antony Haritha Mercy	Chemistry	1
4.	S. Anushya	Botany	5
5.	M. Anisha Marina	Zoology	2
6.	K. Sathya Pavithra	Biochemistry	4
7.	S. Dhivya	Computer Science	7
8.	H. Elakya	Computer Applications	16
9.	M. Nagalakshmi	Visual Communication	1
10.	M. Padmavathi	History	10
11.	C. Desman Christy	Economics	8
12.	D. Adrin Sanchia Jason	English Lit.	2
13.	S. Anugraha	Commerce	4

POST GRADUATES

S. No.	Name	Department	Rank
1.	A. Hemalatha	Mathematics	7
2.	P. Divya Sri	Physics	4
3.	A. Jaini Flora	Chemistry	5
4.	K. Kaviya	Botany	2
5.	M. Sharmila	Zoology	5
6.	S. Indu	Biotechnology	2
7.	S. Sathyapriya	Computer Science	19
8.	R. Buvaneswari	Economics	2
9.	V. Shinee Rozario	English	4
10.	M. Mary Peter Sherley	Commerce	2

Graduation Day

The Graduation Day was held on 15th March 2018. The Graduation ceremony commenced in the College grounds with a grand procession by the Chief Guest, Dr. M. Bhaskaran, Vice Chancellor, Tamil Nadu Open University, Chennai, along with the Secretary, Rev. Sr. Dr. Lilly, the Principal, Rev. Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget, the Vice Principals, Deans, and Heads of various Departments of Holy Cross College, Trichy. After the invocation, the Principal, Rev. Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget, welcomed the august gathering and gave a brief report highlighting the achievements, awards received and activities of the College during the academic year 2017-2018.

The Chief Guest in his graduation address mentioned the remarkable growth attained by the institution from its humble beginning. He highlighted the milestones achieved by the college and appreciated the achievements made by the college in various fields. He said that education has to be focused on quality, equity, affordability and accountability rather than just quantity. He urged the graduates to dream big, convert their idea into a product and move on to become successful women entrepreneurs. In his address he also focused on the importance of Shifting from teacher directed monologues to learner centered explorations as the methodology of teaching, so that students become equipped with adequate skills that render them employable.

He mentioned the three levels of skill development program which are self development, societal development and national development. He concluded by asking the young graduates to be courageous to think differently so as to achieve the impossible. Finally he wished the new graduates all success in life to reach excellence in their pinnacle of life.

The Heads of various Departments then presented the candidates to receive their degrees from the chief guest, Dr. M. Bhaskaran. The candidates were presented with their certificates by the chief guest and sworn in as graduates after taking the oath. The Graduation Ceremony was dissolved by the Principal, Rev. Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget.

Totally 1,723 Graduates from 18 Departments were qualified to receive their diplomas on this graduation day and among them 1,460 were U.G., 207 were P.G. and 56 were M.Phil. Graduates. 23 Under Graduates and 15 Post Graduates were Gold Medalists.



Extra curricular

Physical Education

Holy Cross College, Trichy, conducted its 94th Sports Day on 28th July 2017 with its characteristic pomp and grandeur. Yellow, the color of felicity and positivity was splashed all over as all wore shades of that hue. The sports meet began with the invocation to the Almighty. The esteemed chief guests of the day were, the renowned Olympian P. Subramanian, a proud athlete of the 1980 Moscow Olympics and Group Captain Alex Mathew, commanding officer Air Squadron. The other dignitaries were our Secretary Rev. Sr. Dr. Lilly. V, our Principal Rev. Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget, Rev. Sr. Dr. Isabella Rajakumari, Sister-in-charge of Shift II, the Physical directresses Mrs. Diravia Gladina and Mrs. Vasantha Kokilam, the Vice Principals and the Deans. The March Past was a colourful parade wherein 358 students from 22 Departments participated in perfect synchronization. It was followed by the grand spectacle of the opening ceremony. The sports events showcased the zest and fervor of the students on the field. The Chief Guest Mr. P. Subramanian declared the sports meet open. Group Captain Alex Mathew, commanding officer Air Squadron in his presidential address, spoke of a healthy body being a pre- requisite for a healthy mind and about sports being an integral part of the curriculum.

Over all championship for Shift I was bagged by the Dept. of Commerce, for Shift II by the Dept. of Chemistry and for PG by the Dept. of Rehabilitation Science. Individual championship was won by B. Roopa, Dept. of Physics, for Shift II by N. Ramya, Dept of Chemistry and for PG by S. Anita Selvamary, from MCA. The Department of Computer Science, Maths, Commerce and English marched away with the shield for the best performance in March Past.

NSS, NCC and the Department of Physical Education of Holy Cross College (Autonomous), Tiruchirappalli celebrated International Yoga Day on 21st June 2017 at 8.30 in Our lady's hall. The programme was presided over by Rev. Sr. Dr. Lilly V, Secretary and Rev. Sr. Dr. A. Christina Bridget, Principal, Holy Cross College. The chief guests were Dr. Lakshmi Prabha, NSS Coordinator, Bharathidasan University, Trichy and Dr. Jeevajothe, Nature Therapist, Sri Jeyaranga Nature Cure hospital, and Yoga Research Centre, Trichy. They spoke about the importance of yoga for a healthy life span followed by a practical yoga session.

At the District level Taekwondo Championship held at National College, Trichy on 1st July 2017 our students Ms. P. Shalini of II, Economics got the Gold Medal in senior girls, Under 46 kg and Ms. R. Pavadharani of II, Rehabilitation Science got Gold Medal in (senior girls, Under 57-62 kg) and Gold Medal in (junior girls Under 44-46 kg).

District level athletics championship held at Anna stadium on 31st July and 1st August 2017. Ms. N. Ramya of III- Chemistry got the first place in Triple Jump (Meet record 10.18mts) and the second place in long jump (4.95mts). Ms. L. Krithika of I- Computer Science got the second place in Long Jump, Ms. Darathi Marina of II-BBA got the third place in triple jump, Ms. V. Girija Devi of II- History got the third place in Javelin throw, and our relay team got the third place in 4×100mts relay and 4×100mts medley relay.

The Holy Cross College Ball Badminton Team participated in district ball badminton tournament on 3rd August 2017 at Srirangam Boys Hr. Sec. School, Srirangam Trichy.

In the Bharathidasan University Inter Collegiate Sports and Tournaments 2017-2018, our college participated in fencing Tournament at Bharathidasan University, Trichy on 7th August 2017. Ms. Yamini of III- B.Com and Ms. Tamilarasi of II- BCA participated in Ball Badminton Junior state championship at Tindivanam on 12th and 13th August 2017.

Holy Cross College Shuttle and Table Tennis team participated in Inter Collegiate Tournament at Cauvery College, Trichy, on 23rd and 24th August 2017.

Ms. N. Ramya of III- Chemistry and Ms. L. Kiruthika of I Computer Science participated in Athletics Junior state championship at Madurai from 1st to 3rd September 2017.

The Holy Cross College Kho-Kho team got the third place in inter collegiate Kho-Kho tournament held in our campus on 20th and 21st September 2017.

Holy Cross College (Autonomous) Tiruchirappalli hosted Bharathidasan University Women Kho-Kho Tournament on 20th and 21st September 2017. The Tournament was inaugurated by Rev. Sr. Dr. Lilly, Secretary, Holy Cross College, Trichy, in the presence of Rev. Sr. Lizy George, Vice-Principal and Rev. Sr. Dr. Isabella, Sr. In charge Shift-II, Holy Cross College, Trichy. 36 colleges affiliated to Bharathidasan University participated. The first four places were won by the following colleges: Seethalakshmi Ramasamy College, Trichy, Government College for Women, Kumbakonam, Holy Cross College, Trichy, Bharathidasan University, Trichy.

The tourism development tournament was held at Anna stadium on 23rd and 24th September 2017. The Holy Cross College Kho-Kho team got runners up (Rs. 2000 cash award). Volleyball team participated. In athletics Ms. N. Ramya of III- Chemistry got the first place in long jump (Rs. 300 cash award), Ms. Rani. G of II- Physics got the third place in Discus Throw (Rs. 150 cash award) and Ms. Rooba. B of II Physics got the second place in High Jump (Rs. 250 cash award).

The Holy Cross College Kabaddi team participated in Inter Collegiate Tournament at M.R.C Thathanur on 4th and 5th October 2017. Ms. L. J. Jorish Sneha of I- Maths and Ms. L. Krithika of I- Computer Science were selected to represent Bharathidasan University for South Zone Inter University Kho-Kho Tournament held at Mysore University, Mysore from 4th to 7th October 2017. The Kho-Kho Association organized district match on 8th October 2017 at Anna stadium, Trichy. The Holy Cross College kho-kho team got the third place.

The Holy Cross College Volleyball team got the fourth place in inter collegiate Volleyball tournament held at Annai College, Kumbakonam, on 9th and 10th October 2017.

The Holy Cross College Swimming team got over all championship in Inter Collegiate Swimming Tournament held at Nagapattinam on 12th October 2017. Our swimmers Ms. M.J. Keerthana, of II BCA secured the first place in 200mts free style and 100mts butterfly. Ms. P. Miroslava of III - English has secured the first place in 50mts free style and 50mts butterfly and the second place in 100mts free style. Ms. M. Pothumponnu of III-BBA secured third place in 100mts breast stroke. Ms. S. Nalini of III-Physics secured the third place in 100 mts back stroke. And our relay team got first place in 4x100 mts Medley Relay and 4x100mts Free Style Relay.

Dr. M.G.R centenary tournament was held on 14th and 15th October 2017 at Anna Stadium, Trichy. The Holy Cross College kho-kho and Kabaddi team got runners-up and volleyball team participated. In athletics Ms. N. Ramya of III- Chemistry got the first place in long jump, Ms. Rooba. B of II- Physics got the first place in High Jump, Ms. Darathi Marina. A of II-BBA got the second place in Long Jump, Ms. Rani. G of II- Physics got the second place in Discus Throw, Ms. Girija Devi of II- History the second place in Shot put, Ms. Prema. T of III- History got the third place in 400mts and Ms. Ramya. A of II- English got the third place in 800mts.

In swimming Ms. M.J. Keerthana of II –BCA got the first place in 100mts free style, Ms. P. Miroslla of III- English got the first place in 50mts butterfly, Ms. S. Nalini of III- Physics got the first place in 50mts Breast stroke and Ms. M. Pothum Ponnu of III- BBA got the second place in 200 free style.

Ms. M. Bhavithra of III- Maths was selected to represent Bharathidasan University for South Zone Inter University Volleyball Tournament held at Kannur University, Mangattuparamba Kannur from 20th to 25th October 2017.

Ms. R.Thangamani of III-History, Ms. N. Ramya of III- Chemistry, Ms. Ramya. A of II- English, Ms. Rooba. B of II Physics secured the runners up in 7th Senior State Softball Championship held at Thambaram on 28th and 29th October 2017.

Ms. R. Thangamani of III-History and Ms. M.J. Keerthana of II –BCA participated in 44th Tamil Nadu State Junior Kabaddi Championship held at Natrampalli, Vellore from 16th to 19th November 2017.

The Chief Minister Trophy was held from 2nd to 4th December 2017 at Anna Stadium, Trichy. In that our Kabaddi team secured runners up and each player got Rs.750 as a cash award, Volleyball team participated and in Athletics Ms. L. Krithika of I- Computer Science secured the first place in Triple Jump and got cash award (Rs.1000), Ms. N. Ramya of III- Chemistry secured the second place in Triple Jump and got cash award (Rs.750), Ms. Rani. G of II- Physics secured the third place in Discuss Throw and got cash award (Rs.500), Ms. Girija Devi of II- History secured the third place in Shot put and get cash and get award (Rs.500), Ms. Rooba. B of II- Physics secured the third place in Javelin Throw and got cash award (Rs.500) and Ms. R. Rosemi of II- Botany secured the third place in Hurdles and got cash award (Rs.500).

Our Handball team participated in Inter Collegiate Handball Tournament held at Shrimati Indira Gandhi College, Trichy (Anna Stadium) on 7th December 2017.

Ms. R.Thangamani of III-History, Ms. S. Gowthami of III-History and Ms. S. Yamuna Rani of II-History participated in 65th Tamil Nadu State Senior Kabaddi Championship held at Adhiyamaan College of Engineering, Hosur on 22nd and 23rd December 2017.

Holy Cross College organized Bharath Rathna Purachi Thalaivar Dr. M.G.R Centenary Celebration State Level Kabaddi and volleyball tournament on 9th and 10th January 2018. Rev. Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget, Principal inaugurated the tournament. From five regions 6 teams participated in the state level volleyball and Kabaddi Tournament. The prize winners of the various tournaments are as follows:

Volleyball: I-place: Bishop Heber College, Trichy, II-place: Lady Doak College, Madurai, III-place: Idhaya College for Women, Kumbakonam, IV-place: Adhiyamaan Women's Arts and Science College, Krishnagiri.

Kabaddi: I-place: Yadava College, Madurai, II-place: Kamaraj College, Tuticorin, III-place: Govt Arts College, Karur, IV-place: Seetha Lakshmi Ramasamy College, Trichy.

Ms. Shali Gellinda. A of I year English participated in open Senior National Championship held at Shanti Gaya International School, Dwarka, New Delhi on 2nd to 5th January 2018. Ms. M. Bagyalakshmi of I-B.Com secured the bronze medal in 25th Junior National Fencing Championship held at Bangalore, Karnataka from 9th to 12th January 2018.



The enrolment of the first year N.C.C. cadets took place in the month of July 2017. An additional strength of 20 cadets for Air wing was enrolled. As per the schedule, Drill, Map Reading, Military subjects, Signals, First Aid and Home Nursing, Firing, Mother and Child care and training in other subjects were also given. In the first year, 90 cadets attended the combined Annual Training camp at Tiruchirappalli and won prizes for Drill, Map Reading, Flag Area, Quiz competition and Firing.

Cadets attended Trekking at Ooty and Shillong. The cadets won the National level Award for National integration Awareness presentation and cultural events. Our cadets who attended advanced leadership camp at Andhra won the Best Directorate Award. CUO. Naveena Princy III B.Sc. Physics and Sgt.Arulmonolisa III BA Lit.(Shift-II) attended special NIC camp at Kargil,Leh Ladhak. They won the Best in Drill and Dance. In Vaysanik camp our cadets won Best Cadet Award, Ski Shooting award by LFC. Dhanalakshmi II BA.Lit(Shift-II) and Overall Best cadet Award for the Rock Fort Group for the year 2016-17 in Airwing was won by our CFUO.Janet Ivans III B.Sc. Physics.

Our second year cadets have attended many camps. Cadet S.Archana attended the National Level Thal Sainik Camp which was conducted in New Delhi. Cadets Gayathri, M. Rapheal Macriena, R. Abirami, B. Muthumeenal, K. Arivu, A. Josephin Mary attended the state level Thal Sainik camp and secured places and medals. Cadet S.Archana was selected as All Wing firing nominee.

Our cadets attended many training camps in RDC and got many places and medals in various competitions. Our cadets B.Muthumeenal, R.Abirami, K.Chandra, Yamuna Devi, Arul Surya Mary participated in the inter-unit competition in the Republic Day Camp held in Vallam.

Our Cadets S.Nandhini, M.Kokila Priya, P.Jebario have participated in AAC –Army Attachment Camp conducted in Bangalore where the cadets were trained to be as an army soldier and participated in various adventurous activities. They brought laurels to our college.

Many second year and third year cadets have attended Combined Annual Training Camp in the month of October 2017. On 5th October Blood Donation Camp was held our cadets J.Niviya and S.Priyatharshini donated their blood.

N.C.C Officer Major Dr.Viji. M and nearly 200 NCC cadets participated in the camp. On 24th November 2017 the cadets continued the Social Service Activities and planted nearly 100 saplings in the college and gave saplings and kitchen garden plants in the adopted villages. By doing these activities the cadets were high in spirit with greater enthusiasm.

NCC Day Celebration:A cleaning programme at Coleroon River on 15th December 2017 was organized. All the NCC cadets both Army and Air wing worked hard towards making the environment clean and nearly one kilometer area was cleaned.

In the All India Thalsanik camp Archana of II B.A. English attended and also won the cash Award from the Chief Minister. In the State Level Competition Sgt. Raphael Macriena, Sgt. S.Abirami, Sgt. K.Arivu participated and won many medals in the competition.

Our cadets have attended All India Vaysanik camp held at Jodhpur LFC Keerthika and LFC Backiyalakshmi; V.C attended the State Level competition and won the Gold Medal in Firing. LFC Keerthika won the cash award of Rs.3000 for her excellent performance in the All India Vaysanik Camp.

FC. Meenakshi attended Vaysanik State Level Competition and won in Ski shooting. Sgt.N.Shivaranjani, Sgt. Kokila Priya, Sgt.P.Saranya attended the State Level Republic Day Camp held at Madurai and won the first position in the Drill and Cultural.

UO. Naveena Princy and Sgt.Arul Monolisa attended the Special National Integration camp held at Kargil, they won first position in Cultural and NIAPresentation. They visited the Kargil War spot, War Memorial and many place in Jammu and Kashmir.

A Blood Donation camp was organized in National College. NCC Major. Dr. Viji, M and 52 cadets donated blood. A Tree Plantation was organized and nearly 200 saplings were planted in the college adopted village and also inside the college campus.

The 70th Republic day was celebrated on 26th January morning. Wing Commander Gunasekaran enlightened and motivated the youth towards the development of the Nation.

The cadets participated in the competitions at Jamal Mohammed College and HERO'S Day in Bishop Heber's College, Trichy in which they won many prizes in Best Cadet, Obstacles, NIAP, Flag Area and Cultural events. The cadets volunteered for helping the Blind as scribe.

Our cadets attended the Camp held at Bengaluru in the month of November UO. Nandhini, UO. Jebario and Sgt. Kokila Priya won medals for the Drill and NIAP presentation.

Cadets participated in the Swachh Bharath campaign joined hands with the RESCAPES and cleaned the Coleroon river area and were appreciated by the Collector. All cadets participated in the cleaning.

Our cadets participated in Blossoms School Sports day and helped the students of Blossoms. Rockfort Group Commander visited the Institution during the 'B' Certificate Exam and appreciated the cadets for their commendable services. Cadets also involved themselves in the Pulse Polio Programme and had done laudable services and brought laurels to the Institution.



Fine Arts

SHIFT I

Fresher's Day

SCINTILLA 2017 – The Fresher's Day celebration of the college took place on 1st July, 2017 in the College ground. Mr. Dongry David- RJ cum producer, Radio City, FM, Coimbatore and Ms. Mirchi Lavanya - RJ, Radio Mirchi, Coimbatore were the Chief Guests. The Theme of the event was "Interact with Nature". Freshers from all the departments showcased their performance with a scintillation vibration. The Department of Mathematics bagged the coveted first prize Scintilla Golden award. The Departments of Zoology and Commerce walked away proudly with the Second prize Scintilla Silver award. The Department of Visual communication edged off with the third prize Scintilla Bronze award. The students were also adorned with Best Singer, Best Dancer and Best Actor awards. The Secretary, Rev. Sr. Dr. Lilly Vargese and Principal Rev. Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget, A. presided over the function.

The Fine arts club of Holy Cross College, Trichy, organized a two day workshop on Performing Arts – Sculpt Yourself on 1st and 2nd August 2017, to develop creative expression among the students and to make them learn the skills in the zone of theatre arts, music and dance forms. The workshop began with an inaugural function held at Sophie's hall. Kalaimamani Mr. M. Ilangovan, Secretary and Director of Kavin Kalai Kuzhu, Trichy and Folk dance trainer, spoke on the need of the workshop. Ms. Devika Suganthi, professional Bharathanatyam artist and founder of Mayure Natyalaya, shared her expertise in classical dance. Dr. Franklin of Bishop Heber College handled the zone of music and Mr. Sathish, a popular choreographer, trained the students in western dance. Mr. Anand of Murasu Cultural Community, Aralvaimozhi, enlightened the students on the nuances of theatre arts like skit, mime, one-act play, monoacting and so on.

Nearly 258 students from various Departments of the college participated in the workshop and got trained from the experts in the respective field of arts. The workshop enabled the students to reach their full potential in various art forms through individual focus, technical training, creativity and artistry. Rev. Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget, Principal, Holy Cross College, encouraged the event, which was the first of its kind in the cultural history of Holy Cross College. The workshop came to an end with the valedictory function held on 2nd August 2017.

The Fine Arts Club of Holy Cross College, Tiruchirappalli, organized various events to commemorate the Birth Centenary Celebration of Late Chief Minister, Dr. M. G. Ramachandran, on 19th June 2017. The event was initiated by the Government, to celebrate the life of Dr. MGR, as a great political leader, philanthropist and an actor and thereby creating an inspiration among the younger generation students. Various events like elocution, essay writing, quiz, singing and pencil sketching, based on the life of Dr. MGR, were conducted. The students actively and enthusiastically participated in all the events. The topics given for essay writing were MGR – a legacy, MGR's film history and MGR in public life. The students spoke about the political legacy of MGR, MGR as a timeless leader, his celluloid charisma and his revolution through films in elocution competition. Quiz competition was conducted based on the political and film history of MGR.



SHIFT II

The annual fresher's day "Scintilla 17" for Shift II was held on 1st July 2017. The chief guests were Mr. Reni Joe, Performer of Junior Senior Programme, Mimicry Artist, Zee Tamil and Ms. Ranjitham, Dance Teacher, Montfort School, Trichy. The theme given was "Elements of Nature and Seasons". The winners of the fresher's day were the Department of Computer Science" and the runners up were the Department of Mathematics" Second runners up was "Department of Business Administration" and the individual prize for "Best Actor" was given to "Ms. Asha" I B.Sc. Computer Science and "Best Dancer" prize was given to Ms. Swetha I B.Sc. Mathematics and the Special award "Scintilla 17" was given to Ms. Mariya Jenifer, I B.Sc. Mathematics.

SPRINGS 2K17, an intercollegiate cultural fest was conducted by Fatima College, Madurai on 26th August 2017. 30 students participated in all the events and won in almost all events. They also won the overall runners up position.

Our students participated in "Thuimai '17", an intercollegiate cultural meet organized by Lady Doak College Madurai on 15th September 2017. The students eagerly participated in nearly 14 events out of 19 events and won prizes in almost all the events. They also won the overall winner's trophy with 125 points among 16 competing institutions.

Our fine arts team participated in an intercollegiate competition conducted by the Trichy city corporation on 19th September 2017 and won the following prizes. Short Film: I Prize

–Chithara, I M.Sc. Media and communication. Group Dance-II Prize - The students were given cash award Rs.2,000 as the first prize and Rs.1,500 as the second prize.

Our students participated in "Medha 2K17" and "VIBGYOR 17", an intercollegiate cultural meet organized by Prist School of Commerce and Management, Prist University, Vallam, Thanjavur on 21st September 2017 and won the overall runner's up trophy among 52 colleges.

BDU FEST'17, an annual intercollegiate cultural convergence, among the colleges affiliated to Bharathidasan University, was held from 27th to 29th October 2017, at Bharathidasan University campus, Trichy. Our college cultural team enthusiastically participated in almost 30 events and won 16 prizes. In the cultural procession, held on the inaugural day, the students gave a performance on various Indian dance forms, in traditional attires, creating awareness on various social issues which fetched them the coveted 2nd place, among the participating colleges. Among the other events our college secured the 5th place in Classical Vocal Solo, 4th place in Light Vocal Solo and Western Vocal Solo, 2nd place in Group Song (Indian), 1st place in Group Song (Western), 2nd place in Debate, 5th place in Elocution (English), 3rd place in One Act Play, 4th place in Skit, 1st place in Classical Dance and Short Film, 5th place in Spot Photography, 2nd place in Rangoli and Poster Making and 4th place in Installation.

Department of News and Broadcast, Government of Tamilnadu invited our college folk team through Kavin Kalai Kuzhu, to perform at the International Trade and Cultural Fair at Pragati Maidan, New Delhi which was held from 20th to 24th November 2017. Our college folk team students performed pinnal and karagam on 20th November 2017 on Tamilnadu Day organized by the Government of Tamilnadu. Sri Thalavai Sundaram, Tamilnadu Special Representative for New Delhi, was the guest of honour. Impressed by the performance of our students, the chief guest felicitated and honoured our students with shawls.

On 20th and 21st December 2017, the annual cultural extravangance of Holy Cross College Tal-entia was held in the college premises in a befitting manner. The college Secretary Rev. Sr. Dr. Lilly, Principal Rev. Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget and Mr. Muthamil, lyricist, singer and musician presided over the function.

The two day fest was attended by many students from various Departments, who participated in different contests and competitions. The Chief Guest delivered a valuable speech which encouraged students for their laudable performances. The highlights were events like foot notes, classical dance, literary pageant, culture and costume and group events like Indian dance, western dance, singing and mime. There was also an interesting contest called Frame. The valedictory function was presided over by “Kalakapovathu Yaru” season 7 star Mr. Azhar. He entertained the students with his outstanding performance. The overall championship was won by the Department of Audiology. Holy Cross College has constantly strived over the years to include diverse events so that students can exhibit their various talents and make it a grand success. The show concluded on a high note, as everybody danced and enjoyed the cultural function. Talentia revealed many aspects of our culture before the audience.

The cultural team of our college participated in “Hilario’18”, in intercollegiate competition held at Nandha College of Arts and Science, Perunthurai, Erode on 24th and 25th of January 2018. They participated in nearly 18 events and won first place in Mehendi, Rangoli, Hair dressing and Ad zap. The students won a cash prize of Rs.6000 for the events.



The cultural team of our college participated in the intercollegiate competition “Annai Siragugal” organized by Annai group of institutions, Kumbakonam on 8th February and won the overall runners up position among 40 arts and science colleges with a cash prize of Rs. 10,000. The students won the overall runners trophy at Naksathra 2k18, organized by Mangayarkarasi college of Arts and Science for women on 22nd February 2018. Our students won the 1st prize in Rangoli, 2nd prize in Mehendi and 3rd place in Solo singing at Pranaya 2k18, an intercollegiate meet at Karpagam University Coimbatore on 23rd February 2018. Our students also took part in ‘Cascal 2k18’ held at PSG college of Arts and Science on 24th February 2018 where they won rich laurels and accolades for their outstanding performances and were awarded the most coveted winner’s trophy among 400 participants. They also won cash prize worth Rs. 16,500.



Extension Activities

RESCAPES

On 8th August 2017, to create awareness and make the student community become economically independent, our College, constructed Terrace Garden in our college and interested students and Nature Club Volunteers got training on Terrace Gardening and were asked to practise in their houses and help others to practise this method. Our Principal, Rev. Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget spoke about the need and importance of Kitchen Garden and Terrace Garden in houses and then Rev. Sr. Josphine Chinna Rani explained about the cultivating method in terrace garden, she explained the uses of grow bag and about seeds selection and the how to sow seeds and how to water the seeds and the cultivation methods.

Importance of Emergency Service: Rural people were unaware of Emergency service, to create awareness on the importance of emergency service among them our college joined hands with Tamil Nadu 108 Emergency Service and conducted a programme to show the importance of emergency service periodically in our adopted villages, community college and schools. This year our college conducted the Importance of emergency service program at Ayikudi Community College on 28th August 2017. EMT. Sasi Kapoor explained about the importance of 108 Ambulance Service and the facilities available in the Ambulance to the Community College students.

This year our college conducted the Importance of 108 Ambulance service program at Government AWD Higher Secondary School, Thiruvaz on 30th August 2017. EMT. Sasi Kapoor explained about the importance of 108 Ambulance Service and the facilities available in the Ambulance to the school students. And then EMT. Divagar, explained about the importance of BIKE Ambulance and facilities of 104 services to the school students.

Service Extended to Other Village on Need Basis: Holy Cross College (Autonomous) Tiruchirappalli extends its hands in service where people are in need of empowerment and knowledge. The Self Help Group (SHG) Women were in need of economic empowerment for their daily livelihood and for their future. So our college extended its service to Pillaiyarpatti, on 2nd September 2017.

Tree Plantation and Economic Development: Mr. Karthik, Coordinator, RESCAPES, explained to the SHG women how Tree Plantation empowers their economy and how it will be helpful and how it can become a source of asset for their future. Mr. Karthik explained about planting and growing of sandal and red sandal tree sapling that will be a source for future investment and it will be helpful for their children's education and also for their family programs. He also explained about the procedure for planting, growing and harvesting of these trees.

Kitchen Garden a Source of Daily Income: Following that the coordinator explained about the uses of Kitchen Gardening and how it is useful for the family and how SHG members develop the economic condition of their SHG through kitchen gardening.

Tree Plantation the Source of Investment for Future: Mr. Ramanathan, naturalist from Neduvasai, the proud recipient who got award from our former President, Late. Dr. APJ. Abdul Kalam Sir, for planting and growing various varieties of trees in his land, explained about the importance of Tree Plantation and the need for growing trees and how it protects us from natural hazards and how it empowers the economy of the SHG members of Pillaiyarpatti. Our college provided Red Sandal Sapling to the Self Help Group Women.

Swachh Bharat – Role of Students: The students of II Year BBA (Shift-I) joined with Self Help Group Members and cleaned in and around the Temple of Pillaiyarpatti.

To motivate the rural girls and to make them realize their role in higher education our college extension Department RESCAPES conducted this program for the Government AWD School, Thiruvashi, girl students on 9th September 2017. 76 girl students belonging to 11th and 12th standards participated in the program. Rev. Sr. Lizy George, Vice Principal, Holy Cross (Autonomous) Tiruchirappalli-2 explained about the history of Holy Cross Sisters and about the College and for whom the college was started and asked the school girl students to utilize the opportunity. Dr. Subashini, H.D., Dean of Extension, motivated the school girls through valuable information. Mr. Antony Stephen, Assistant Professor, of Social Work, was the chief Guest. The school girls students visited all the Departments in the college. The college students and staff of the Departments explained about the special features and scope of the Departments and the job opportunities for the students. Lunch was provided to the school students. They explained about “What we expect from our parents” and “What our parents expect from us”. This session helped the rural school students as an eye opening session. Following that Students from Rehabilitation Science Department conducted educational cum recreation program. I PG students conducted, “Ice Breaking Session”, Street Theater on “Causes of Disability”, “Women Empowerment”, and “Flash Mob” and then II UG students conducted a Street Theater on “Cleanliness”.

To bring awareness on Personal Health and Menstrual Hygiene among rural girl students, this program was organized on 9th September 2017 at Govt.Awd Higher Secondary School, Thiruvashi. Ms. Anita, P. Assistant Professor, Dept of Social Work, interacted and explained the problem faced by girls and how to overcome it and the importance of Hygiene and Good Health to the school girls of 11th and 12th standards. She also explained how poor hygiene affects the health and how health affects the education of the individual.

This year RESCAPES planned to plant tree saplings in four and a half acres in various concepts which will benefit the rural villagers and rural environment. With this focus our college extension Department communicated with the Thulir Foundation at Thirupanjalee village and got permission from the Village Temple Department for planting saplings in the four and a half acres. Then Thulir Foundation and RESCAPES shared their duties professionally, saplings providing, removing the Julifera from the land was done by Holy Cross College (RESCAPES), watering, fencing and maintaining will be done by the Thulir Foundation. The land was divided into 3 parts. In the first part of 1 acre land 500 saplings were planted. (Mahakani, Neeirmaruthu, Vangai and Red Sanda- 125x4=500). On 21st October 2017, with the concept of “We Can, Why You Can’t”, to create awareness among people about the need of Tree plantation, our Blossoms School Special Children took part in the program and started the Tree plantation.



NSS and Red Ribbon Club

Mr.Selvaraj from Thirupanjalee welcomed the Sisters, staff, villagers and students and shared his views about tree plantation and then Mr.T.M. Muthu., Head, Thirupanjalee School Building Association and Mr.Jayachandran., Head Master of Thirupanjalee School shared their views and explained the need of Tree Plantation and the role of students in Tree Plantation. Mr.C.Yoganathan, Head, Pasumai Sigaram Trust explained the benefits of pulses, millets and the uses of traditional Trees. Rev. Sr. Dr. Rajakumari, P. Sister In charge of Shift-II, shared her views and how people depend on trees. Rev. Sr. Niranjana, Head Department of Social Work and Dr. Subhashini, H.D. shared their views regarding Tree plantation. Rev. Sr. Dr. Rajakumari, P. Sister In charge of Shift-II, and the Special Children from Blossoms Special School planted the first saplings. Following that the remaining saplings were planted by Mr.A.V.Kannan, Managing Director, Thulir Foundation and by the villagers and students. After the Tree Plantation, our college students participated in Swachh Bharath Campaign and collected plastic bags in the plantation area around the village.

Breast Cancer Awareness Program was conducted on 24th and 25th October 2017. The Resource Person was R. Baskar Rao, MD., DM., Clinical Oncologist, Cauvery Hospital, Tiruchirappalli. The audience comprised of III U.G. Students (English (S-I / S-II), B.COM (S-I/S-II) and Economics).

A Thyroid and Diabetes Awareness Program was conducted on 25th October 2017. The Resource Person was Dr. Vignesh, Endocrinologist, Specialist in Diabetes, Thyroid, Obesity and Hormone Problems, Vignesh Endocrine Clinic, Tiruchirappalli. III U.G. Students of English, History and Economics were benefitted. Dr. Vignesh explained the signs, symptoms, various types, preventive measures and treatment methods for Thyroid and Diabetes to the students.

The NSS Unit of Holy Cross College Trichy and Trichy Corporation jointly organized Swachhata App programme on 21st June 2017. Rev. Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget, Principal Holy Cross College (Autonomous), Trichy, presided over the function. Mr. Balasubramaniyan, Assistant Commissioner Trichy Corporation and Mrs. Pushparani, Junior Engineer explained how to download the Swachhata App and its uses. They also highlighted how to keep Trichy clean by making use of Swachhata app to help our city get first rank in future. 300 students and staff members participated in this programme.

The NSS and the Red Ribbon Club students of Holy Cross College, Tiruchirappalli, participated in a rally against drug abuse on 29th June 2017. The rally was presided over by the Collector of Tiruchirappalli district Mr. Rajamani I.A.S. From his office it proceeded through the central bus stand and ended in Vestery's Anglo Indian Higher Secondary School. In the rally the students created awareness by carrying posters and they marched up the roads chanting against drug abuse. About 574 students from our college participated in the rally.

The inauguration of NSS and Red Ribbon Club of Holy Cross College (Autonomous), Trichy was held on 6th July 2017. Rev. Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget, Principal, Holy Cross College (Autonomous) Trichy presided over the function. She spoke on leadership qualities and encouraged the students to do the service whole-heartedly. The chief guest of the day was Dr. Lakshmi Prabha, NSS Co-Ordinator, Bharathidasan University, Trichy. She spoke about various avenues for NSS students in their career and the importance of doing service to other people. The NSS leaders took the pledge.

The advisory committee meet for the National Service Scheme 2017 was held on 18th July 2017. The Chairperson of the committee was Rev. Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget, Principal, Holy Cross College.

The members of the committee were Rev. Sr. Josphine Chinna Rani, Director, SOC Sead, Holy Cross College (Autonomous), Tiruchirappalli. Mr. Kannan NGO, Thulir foundations, Thirupanjeeli village, Trichy. Ms. Ruby Merlin, Assistant Professor, Department of English, Mr. Karthick, Rescapes In – charge. Dr. P. Shanthi, NSS Co-ordinator, Ms. M. L. Eileen Brisha, Dr. Maria Sophia, Ms. Brinda Noel, Ms. Elizabeth Rani, NSS Program officers.

The following decisions were taken:

1. To adopt new villages and plant trees.
2. To encourage and involve the NSS volunteers in various activities.
3. To celebrate all the common National programmes.
4. To create awareness in the villages about rain water harvesting, impacts of plastics, importance of breast feeding, water conservation, importance of cereals in food, child marriages, child abuse, women empowerment, women education, to reduce child labours and school drop outs.
5. Removal of water plant in river Kaveri. On 31st July 2017, the NSS unit of Holy

Cross College (Autonomous), Tiruchirappalli, organized one day orientation program on “Leadership Skills and Personality Development” for NSS leaders. Rev. Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget, Principal, Holy Cross College, gave the presidential address. She highlighted the importance of leadership and explained the good qualities of a leader. The chief guest Dr. M. Mahendren, Placement Officer, St. Joseph’s College (Autonomous), Tiruchirappalli, spoke on Personality Development. He insisted that, the personality development is one of the important qualities for being a good leader. This was followed by a talk given by the chief guest Mr. Mohamed Faizbasha, Department of Computer Science, Jamal Mohamed College, Tiruchirappalli. He enlightened the students on “Leadership skills”. Following this, the Principal bestowed the badges to the NSS leaders and distributed the certificates.

In commemoration of the International Breast Feed week celebration, the NSS unit of Holy Cross College (Autonomous), Tiruchirappalli and EKAM foundation jointly organized an awareness programme on importance of Breast Feed, to the NSS students of Holy Cross College (Autonomous). Rev. Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget, Principal, Holy Cross College, gave the presidential address. She highlighted the importance of breast feed. Dr. Sudharsana, Pediatrician, Government Hospital, Tiruchirappalli was the chief guest. She spoke on the impact of breast feeding for the baby and the young mother. Following this, Mr. Vanamailan, Training officer, EKAM Foundation, Chennai, spoke about the importance nutrition for healthy life.

As per the instructions of the ministry Swachhta Pakhwara, the NSS students of Holy Cross College (Autonomous) Tiruchirappalli, cleaned the campus area and segregated the degradable and non degradable waste frequently in the campus. It was started on 7th August 2017.

On 15th August 2017, Holy Cross College celebrated the 70th Independence Day in the College premises at 7.30 am. The program was presided over by Rev. Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget, Principal, Holy Cross College (Autonomous), Trichy. The chief guest of the day was Dr. C. Thomas, Retired Professor of History, E.V.R. College, Trichy. The national flag was hoisted by Dr. Thomas followed by the oath taken by the students. The students pledged that they will make India free from poverty and fight against terrorism, corruption, communalism, casteism and will build a ‘New India’ by 2022. The chief guest highlighted the remarkable contributions of women in the Quit India Movement and the flag Procession along with their male counterparts to bring freedom to our nation. He also recalled the lives of great leaders who died as martyrs for the nation.

Bring smile to faces. Save life. Donate blood. The NSS unit of Holy Cross College (Autonomous) Trichy and Doctor’s Diagnostic Center, Trichy unitedly conducted the blood donation camp on 1st September 2017 in the college campus.

The camp was presided over by Rev. Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget, Principal and Rev. Sr. Dr. Isabella Rajakumari, Vice-Principal and Sister in-Charge Shift II, Holy Cross College (Autonomous) Trichy. Rev. Sr. Dr. Isabella said that the importance of blood is known only to the people in the ICU and encouraged the students to donate blood. Dr. Ram Kumar, Doctor's Diagnostic Center, Trichy highlighted the functions of blood banks and the high demand for blood in the society. He informed about the types of blood and the rare blood groups. He also focused on the idea that donating blood will make life healthy. Nearly 200 students attended the camp and 84 students donated their blood actively.

The NSS Unit of Holy Cross College, Trichy and Trichy Corporation jointly organized Swachhata App downloading programme on 19th September 2017. Rev. Sr. Dr. P. Rajakumari Vice Principal & Sister-in-charge (Shift – II) Holy Cross College (Autonomous), Trichy, presided over the function. The students pledged to make 'clean India'. Mr. Balasubramaniam, Assistant Commissioner and Mr. Nallusamy, Health Inspector, Trichy Corporation explained how to download the Swachhata App and its uses. They insisted to collect biodegradable and non- biodegradable waste separately in the houses. They also highlighted how to keep trichy clean by making use of Swachhata app to get first rank in future and screened a documentary to insist on the importance of cleanliness and the responsibility of individuals towards the society. In this programme 500 students and staff members participated. Nearly 100 students brought their smart phone and downloaded the SWACHHATA APP. in their mobile to make clean India, as a responsible citizen.

The NSS unit of Holy Cross College (Autonomous) Trichy, celebrated the NSS day as Joy of Giving week. 30 NSS volunteers along with the NSS Program Officers Dr. P. Shanthi, Ms. M.L. Eileen Brisha and Dr. P. Maria Sophia visited an orphanage at Fathimapuram, Perambalur on 5th October 2017.

The NSS volunteers entertained the children with dance, songs and skit. The NSS volunteers distributed sweets to the children. They also conducted games for the children and the children participated enthusiastically. Basic things were given to the children by the NSS unit of the college. Rev. Sr. Amali Joseph presided over the program.

The lighting Trichy programme was conducted by YUGGA on 7th October 2017 to create awareness on clean Trichy drive and to keep our city and water bodies clean and tidy. The esteemed chief guest of the day was Thiru K. R a j a m a n i IAS, District Collector, Collectorate, Trichy and Ms. Allirani Balaji, President, Yugaa Trichy. The NSS Programme Coordinator of the University, Trichy City Police Commissioner and City Corporation Commission also participated in this lighting Trichy programme. The NSS Programme officers of Holy Cross College (Autonomous) Trichy along with 112 NSS volunteers participated in lighting of lamps around Teppakkulam area.

Nilavembukudineer was distributed to all the students of our college for the prevention of dengue fever from 10th October 2017 onwards. It was continued for 15 days. Each day more than 500 students and staff took the nilavembukudineer.

The NSS unit of Holy Cross College, Trichy, celebrated the day of Corruption Free India on 30th October 2017 in the college premises. The NSS volunteers took the integrity oath to follow probity and rule of law, to neither take nor offer bribe, to perform all tasks in an honest and transparent manner, to act in public interest, to have integrity in personal behavior and to report any incident of corruption to the appropriate agency.

The NSS unit of Holy Cross College celebrated Sarthar Vallabai Patel's birthday as National Unity Day on 31st October 2017 in the college premises. The NSS volunteers took oath to promote and safeguard the qualities of unity, integrity and protection of the nation among the people and to uphold Sarthar Vallabai Patel's futuristic vision of national unity and to support and protect the defense system of our country.

A free Medical Camp was arranged for the people of the villages of Punganur, Iniyanur and Malaipatti on 21st November 2017 with a team of eight doctors and six nurses from Chennai Medical College Hospital and Research Center (SRM group), Irungalur, Trichy. About 210 people benefitted and 27 patients were recommended to visit medical College for major problems. On 24th November 2017 another Medical Camp was organized with the same team of doctors for the people of Naachikurichi and Solinganallur villages. Nearly 180 people in and around the villages benefitted from this camp.

Awareness rallies were conducted in the villages highlighting the issues of planting more trees, Dengue fever, usage of plastics, personal hygiene and clean surroundings, rain water conservation, preservation of underground water level and disadvantages of open toilet. 250 students participated in these rallies. The main anchor of the camp was tree plantation and issuing of free coconut saplings to the adopted villages.

Nearly 50 saplings were planted and 500 saplings were distributed to the villagers free of cost. Another activity of the camp was the visit to the old age home at Punganur. The NSS volunteers performed cultural programs to entertain the old people.

The Valediction of the Special Camp was conducted on 26th November 2017 at Punganur. Rev. Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget, Principal, Holy Cross College (Autonomous), Trichy, presided over the function. She appreciated the NSS volunteers for their fruitful services and active participation throughout the camp. The Chief Guest of the day was Dr. Lakshmi Prabha, NSS Coordinator, Bharathidasan University, Trichy. Dr. S.A. Sebastin, S.A.S. Group of Institutions, Trichy, Mr. K.R. Periyasami, Ex-President, Punganur and Mr. P. Ravichandran, Superintendent, Primary Health Centre, Kulumani felicitated the function.

The Multi- Purpose Club was inaugurated in the valedictory function. In order to commemorate the 125th birthday of Dr. Ambedkar the NSS volunteers took an Oath. Dr. Ambedkar's birthday was observed as Constitution Day.

The National Service Scheme of Holy Cross College conducted a Special Camp for II UG NSS Volunteers in the adopted villages such as Punganur, Naachikurichi, Malaipatti, Iniyanur and Solinganallur from 20th to 26th November 2017. The camp was inaugurated by Dr. S.A. Sebastin D.Litt (USA), S.A.S Group of Institutions, Trichy. Dr. L. Jenitra, Vice-Principal and Associate Professor, Department of Commerce, Holy Cross College presided over the function. She spoke about the importance of service. Mr. K.R. Periyasami, ex-President, Punganur village, also graced the function with his presence.

Various training programs like Herbal oil preparation, Sanitary Napkin preparation, Handicrafts and Mushroom Cultivation were conducted to enrich the entrepreneurial skills of the villagers and the self-help groups of the adopted villages. Significant sessions were conducted for the NSS Volunteers and the school students. These sessions focused on healthy body care and food habits, Youth development, Counseling, First Aid and Disaster Management, Sanitation and Hygiene, Nutraceuticals, Awareness about basic Law and its procedures and Yoga. World AIDS day is celebrated on 1st December every year since 1988. In this regard the NSS unit and Red Ribbon Club of Holy Cross College (Autonomous), Trichy jointly organized AIDS awareness programme on 1st December 2017. The chief guest of this programme was Mrs. Tamil, HIV positive, trained speaker, Trichy. She gave awareness on the causes of AIDS. She advised the students about their responsibilities in the society to prevent AIDS and to help AIDS patients with love and care.

The NSS Unit of Holy Cross College participated in a rally emphasizing eye donation on 8th December 2017. The rally was presided over by the Commissioner of Police, Tiruchirappalli district Mr. Mayilvaganan I.P.S. He spoke on the importance of eye donation, road safety and the importance of wearing helmet. The rally commenced from Indira Gandhi College ground, near E.R. Hr. Sec. School to St. Joseph's College (Autonomous), Trichy. About 125 students from our college participated in the rally.

The NSS Unit of Holy Cross College participated in the Marathon conducted by the Trichy Corporation on 10th December 2017, to create awareness about the “clean city”. The marathon was inaugurated by District Collector Mr. Rajamani, Commissioner of Trichy Corporation, Brand Ambassador of the marathon Mr. James Vasanthan, music director started marathon from Ullavar santhai to Anna stadium. Nearly 60 NSS volunteers and sports students of Holy Cross College participated in the Marathon. Out of 60 students, 4 of the sports students won the 4th, 5th, 6th and 7th places.

The NSS Unit of Holy Cross College (Autonomous) Trichy participated in the Jogging yoga conducted by the Mansa Yoga studio, Trichy along with Trichy Corporation on 17th December 2017, to create awareness on “Clean and Healthy Trichy”. The event was inaugurated by Commissioner of Trichy Corporation, Mr. Ravichandran. Nearly 150 students of the NSS volunteers and sports students of Holy Cross College participated in the jogging yoga and slogan writing competition.

The NSS Unit and the Multipurpose club of Holy Cross College conducted an awareness program on road safety. Mr. Mayilvaganan, Deputy Commissioner, Crime and Traffic, Tiruchirappalli was the chief guest of the day. He insisted that wearing helmet while driving will ensure the safety of a person and also highlighted the do’s and don’t’s in road safety. This speech was followed by an awareness rally by the NSS volunteers in two wheelers with helmet.

One day State level Intercollege Cultural Meet ‘VOLS-SPL 2018’ was jointly organized by Bishop Heber College (Autonomous) and Bharathidasan University, Tiruchirappalli, for all the NSS volunteers in and around Trichy on 5th January 2018. The NSS unit of Holy Cross College also participated in this cultural meet. A total number of 20 participants from our college along with a cheer leader participated in various events held in the cultural meet such as short story writing, Quiz competition, Variety show, Nesithu pesu, For and against, Rangoli, painting, wealth out of waste, photography and group song.

The students were accompanied by NSS Programme Officer Ms. Kavitha. The NSS volunteer, Ms. Deepika Sri of II B.Sc. Zoology won I prize in Nesithu pesu and Ms. Shanthini of II B.Sc Zoology won III prize in Short story writing.

On 10th January 2018, the NSS volunteers of unit II and III of Holy Cross College, (Autonomous), Trichy cleaned the college campus and removed the weeds from the ground. Nearly 50 volunteers were involved in the cleaning process.

The National Youth day was conducted by the NSS unit of Holy Cross College on 10th January 2018. The chief guest of the day was Ms. Chitra Devi V, Heartfulness Institute, Trichy. She focused on the development of entrepreneurial skills in the students.

On 23rd January 2018, Campus cleaning was done by NSS units of Holy Cross College (Autonomous), Trichy. Unit I and Unit V students cleaned the herbal garden which is situated in front of the college office. They removed the weedy plants and swept the dead and decayed materials found in the garden.

The NSS unit and women studies centre of Holy Cross College jointly celebrated National voters’ day on 25th January 2018. The chief guests of the programme were Mr. K. Devi Padmanaban, Field Publicity Officer, Trichy and Mr. K. Ravindran, Assistant Field Publicity Officer, Trichy. They spoke about the role and responsibility of voters and the importance of Election Commission. This was followed by a pledge on ethical voting taken by all the students of our college.

Cancer awareness programme was jointly conducted by NSS unit of Holy Cross College, Trichy and Harsha Mitra Hospital on 25th January 2018 for the NSS students. Dr. Yamini was the chief guest of the day and she delivered a lecture on cancer awareness. After the lecture, quiz competition was conducted for the participants regarding cancer and its effects. All the students actively participated in quiz and they were given the certificates. Two NSS volunteers won awards for the first and second places.

Our college received the Best NSS unit award for the year 2016 -2017 by Bharathidasan University. NSS unit programme unit officers Ms. R. Umarani Assistant Professor in Economics, Ms. Kanmani Assistant Professor in Chemistry, Ms. Elizabeth Rani Assistant Professor in Tamil, Ms. Mariena Brinda Assistant Professor in English Shift II received the award from the Vice chancellor of Bharathidasan University and overall NSS coordinator Lakshmi Prabha. Ms. R. Umarani Assistant Professor in Economics was awarded the Best NSS Programme officer for the year 2016 -2017 on 3rd April 2018.

Red Ribbon Club

Red Ribbon Club was inaugurated on 6th July 2017. The Chief Guest was Mrs. Lakshmi Prabha, NSS & Red Ribbon Club Coordinator, Bharathidasan University, Tiruchirapalli. The volunteers of both NSS and Red Ribbon Club participated in the inaugural function. The Chief Guest Mrs. Lakshmi Prabha gave an overview of Red Ribbon Club functions and its importance among students. The session was very useful and it enlightened the volunteers to work more enthusiastically in the field.

In order to celebrate the International Youth Day 2017 Red Ribbon Club volunteers of Holy Cross College, Trichy participated in the Mini Marathon organized by TANSACS – Tamilnadu State AIDS Control Society, District AIDS Prevention and Control Unit on 13th October 2017. 89 volunteers of Red Ribbon Club of Holy Cross College participated in the Mini Marathon and showed their support against AIDS. The Mini Marathon started from UzhvarSandhai, Trichy to Anna Stadium which is about 5.2kms. Our student volunteers participated enthusiastically in the Marathon Event.

In order to celebrate World AIDS Days –1st December 2017, Tamilnadu State AIDS Control Society organized a competition for the students on Tag Line Creation and LOGO creation. Some of our volunteers participated in the competition.

To commemorate World Aids Day, Red Ribbon Club of Holy Cross College, Trichy conducted a Posters and Charts Making campaign where all the volunteers participated in this event and presented the poster and charts based on the theme ‘Prevention of AIDS’ and it was displayed around the campus.

Red Ribbon Club conducted a meeting on 7th of December 2017. The meeting was started with the invocation. The Chief Guest was Dr. G. Anitha, Dean and Professor of Department of Medicine and Neurology, KAPV Government Medical College, Trichy. Dr. Anitha gave talk on the topic “Women - Celebrating Life”.

Red Ribbon Club conducted a meeting on 10th January 2018 at NBH. The Chief Guest was Mrs. A. Thamil, M.Sc. (Psychology), Director of NPT and Care Support Centre. She is an HIV positive patient. It was an Interactive Session and she explained her life experience with AIDS. She also insisted on AIDS - Causes and Prevention. She also emphasized giving a helping hand to the HIV affected persons.

A Red Ribbon Club meeting was conducted on 23rd January 2018. The topic was “ RRC Celebrating Life”. The session was handled by Ms. Vimal Arockia Mary, MA Psychology, ICTC Counselor, Government Hospital, Srirangam. She is a trained ICTC counselor and gave lot of information about ICTC center. She also gave awareness to the volunteers regarding AIDS.

The Red Ribbon Club programme officer with two volunteers attended a training programme organized by TANSACS & Red Ribbon Club, Bharathidasan University, Tiruchirappalli held on 8th February 2018.

Red Ribbon Club meeting was conducted on 20th February 2018 at NBH on the Basic Legal Awareness Programme. The session was handled by Ms. Indhumathi, Advocate District Legal Services Authority, Trichy. She enlightened the students by imparting knowledge on Legal services provided by the District Legal Service Authority for Women.

The Red Ribbon Club Valediction was held on 28th February 2018 and the session was handled by Dr.S.Martin Manivannan, Medical Officer, ART Center, MGM Government Hospital, District Program Manager, District AIDS Prevention and Control Unit(DAPCU), Trichy. Dr.S.M.Manivannan created awareness about AIDS and Prevention of AIDS amongst the volunteers. He also added the role of ART Centers and enlightened the volunteers by giving them awareness about Zero Stigma on AIDS patients.



Exnora

The business meeting of the students' ExNoRa Club of Holy Cross College for the academic year 2017 – 2018 was held on 5th August 2017 and the office bearers of ExNoRa club were elected. Activities of the ExNoRa Club for the year 2017-2018 were also planned. The 20th year installation of 'Students' ExNoRa Club of Holy Cross College' was held on 31st August 2017. Dr. Cecily Rosemary Latha, Assistant professor, PG & Research Department of Zoology & Staff Advisor of Student's ExNoRa Club of Holy Cross College installed the office bearers. Mr. Senthil Kumar, HR Trainer & Social Activist and the President of Youth ExNoRa International, Trichy, gave a special lecture on the various activities and achievements of Youth ExNoRa and made the new office bearers to take oath.

The Chief Guest, Dr. T. Preethi Pushkarini, Assistant Medical Officer, KAPV Government Medical College Hospital and Naturopathy & Yoga consultant, Tiruchirappalli gave a very interesting and useful speech on the topic 'Natural Way of Healthy Lifestyle & Yoga for Youngsters' on 4th August 2016..

A special programme on "Women Mental Health" was organised on 5th October 2017. The Resource persons, Mrs. Meera Ramesh, Psychologist and Mrs. K. Rajani, Social Worker cum Counselor from Athma Education & Research Foundation, Trichy explained various factors that play a key role in Mental health issues more common among women. Mrs. Meera Ramesh highlighted the significant role of factors such as Gender Discrimination, Trauma, Stress, Pregnancy, Birth and Parenting in women's mental health..

On 7th December 2018, Advocate Mr. Chinnamani delivered an informative and useful lecture on 'Basic Fundamental laws that pertain to the Rights of women and Senior citizen'.

Awareness program on 'Prevention of Environmental Pollution, Health and Hygiene, Dengue, Biodegradable Wastes, Environmental mitigation, Usage and disposal of plastics, Food adulterants and Healthy Food Habits were conducted to about 900 school students in 18 schools in and around Trichy District. Also about 150 tree saplings were planted in these schools. Competitions such as Drawing, elocution, word building, singing, Quiz and Dumb charades related to the environmental issues were conducted for school children in 15 schools and prizes were distributed.



An Intercollegiate Meet/Competition, 'NoRa FEST -2K18', which comprises of a number of exciting competitions such as JAM, Wealth out of waste, Photography, Face Painting, Movie Making and Collage pertaining to the environmental issues was conducted on 19th February 2018. Mr. V.Sundararaju, Indian Forest Service officer and President of 'Society for Conservation of nature' (SOFCON) and Dr. Umera Begum, Head of the Department of Biochemistry, Holy Cross College were the chief guests. About 50 students from 9 colleges in and around Trichy participated. Overall Championship was won by MIET College of Engineering and Technology. All the winners were awarded prizes, medals and certificates. Valedictory meeting was organized on 6th March 2018. Mr. M. B. Nirmal, Social Reformer, Environmentalist and Founder of ExNoRa International all over the World gave an enlightening talk on "Climate Change and Solutions to Environmental problem". Staff Advisors, office bearers and Student leaders of the ExNoRa Club from 10 different colleges in and around Tiruchirappalli participated in the event.

Rotaract

The activities of the Rotaract club of Holy Cross College commenced with the election of the office bearers, held on 22nd June 2017. The installation of the Club office bearers was held 18th September, 2017.

The academic year 2017-2018 was a remarkable one with the induction of members for the club from shift II as well. The action plan for the year 2017- 2018 was proposed with an objective to undertake Community Service, Professional Development and club service programmes as well.

The Rotaract club of our college won the following awards, in appreciation of the activities of the academic year 2016-2017. Award in appreciation of TOPS and DOTS '16, Community service and Professional development.

As a part of the Professional development programme, Rotaractors of our college participated in the following leadership training programs conducted at the District level in RI 3000:

- PETS and SETS '17 held at Anna University, Tiruchirappalli on 22nd July 2017
- Zonal Forum held at Jamal Mohammed College, Tiruchirappalli on 30th July 2017
- District Assembly held at Thirumalai Naikar College, Madurai on 13th August 2017
- SHYLA 2017 held at Jamal Mohammed College, Tiruchirappalli on 24th September 2017
- Awareness on legal issues as part of professional development programmes was organised as a joint venture with Legal aid clinic of Holy Cross College on the 20th of February 2018. Advocate Ms. Indhumathi, addressed the students and insisted on basic rights of the students in legal issues, as well as on matters pertaining to theft of documents.

The following community service programmes were organised by the Rotaractors this year:

- Independence day celebrations with children at Mudhaliyar Sathiram, Tiruchirappalli, was held on 15th August 2017. A few competitions were conducted and prizes were distributed.
- World Hand washing day on 15th October, 2017, instigating the importance of cleanliness was celebrated at Mudhaliyar Chathiram, Tiruchirappalli.
- Safe entry exit as part of road safety was organised by Rotaractors of shift II during the months of January and February.
- Bed sheet distribution to the road side destitutes in Tiruchirappalli was undertaken in January 2018.

As a part of club service project the first year Rotaractors addressed about 1000 students in groups on 3rd January 2018. They spoke to the fellow students to take up resolutions for the New Year (2018) and consider the following:

- Keeping the campus clean as a part of Swachh Bharat Campaign.

25 Rotaractors spent their time with the special children at BLOSSOMS School as a part of club service initiative, and 10 students had an interaction with students of Audiology and Speech Language Pathology lab of our college on 3rd January 2018.

The valedictory function of the Rotaract club was held on 13th March 2018. The President and Secretary of the parent club- Rotary club of Tiruchirappalli Fort was the chief guest. RAYS' 18 - the club bulletin was released during the occasion. The certificates were distributed to the office bearers.



Youth Red Cross

The Inaugural meeting of the Youth Red Cross was held on 30th June, 2017. The Chief guest of the day was Dr. Annamalai Periyannan MBBS, MCEM (UK) Consultant Emergency Physician, Apollo Hospitals, Trichy. He spoke on the importance of emergency medication, trauma and life support intervention. The Youth Red Cross members offered their first aid assistance during the college sports day. A Legal awareness program was conducted by the Women's Cell of Holy Cross College for I UG YRC students.

The resource person Advocate Indhumathi, District Legal services authority enlightened the gathering about the importance of documents like birth certificate, community certificate and the ways to apply for the services online.

The Youth Red Cross students participated in the inaugural of Noel Nook which is a sharing and caring programme of Holy Cross College. The members as promoters of this programme displayed posters in all the department notice boards. Special discussions were held in the class by the students regarding identification and reducing human suffering.

An awareness program on Oral Dental Health for the Youth was conducted on 20th February 2018. Dr. Keerthana, BDS was the chief guest, who spoke about the importance of dental health. The students visited destitute home of Holy Cross (SHANTHI VILLA), Tiruchirappalli on 8th March 2018. The students entertained the inmates of the Home.



The activities of the year 2017-2018 commenced with the election of leaders for this year. The selected leaders attended the state council meeting which was held from 29th July to 31st July 2017 at St. Joseph's College, Tiruchirappalli. The Ice Breaking Session was conducted by Mr. Perumal at Jubilee hall. The inaugural ceremony started with lighting of Kuthuvillaku by the Chief Guest for the day Mr. Henri Tiphagne, Director, People's Watch, Fr. Leonard Fernanado Rector, St. Joseph's College, Trichy, Fr. Paulraj (State Advisor, Mr. Christopher State Full Timer and Mr. Vanavan ExCo member. Fr. Leonard Fernando gave an inaugural talk on AICUF and his past experiences with AICUF. Mr. Henri Tiphagne, ex-AICUFer and Director of People's Watch is a Human Rights Activist and Lawyer and has fought to safeguard the human rights of the marginalized. His enthusiastic speech on student's protest threw light on the current mindset of students. Fr. Henry Jerome, former National Advisor presented a talk on the history of AICUF and the framing of the AICUF Constitution. Students clarified their doubts regarding AICUF Constitution during his talk. Later, each unit presented their annual report and clarifications from the crowd were also addressed. Mr. Perumal taught awareness songs regarding abolition of caste system and the importance of education. Newly elected State Executive Committees were oriented about their roles and responsibilities as an Executive Committee Member.

The Inauguration of All India Catholic University Federation was held on 4th September 2017, the welcome address was given by Dr. R. Pricila, AICUF In charge, Department of History, Holy Cross College. The Inaugural address was given by Rev. Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget A. Principal, Holy Cross College. The elected office bearers were installed by the Principal. The chief guests were Rev. Fr. Emmanuel, National Advisor, National Secretariat AICUF House, Chennai, India and Rev. Fr. Paul Raj, State Advisor, AICUF, Tamilnadu. They enlightened the AICUF members about the history of AICUF and also about the importance of AICUF.

Tamil Nadu STATE AICUF Leadership Camp South was held from 29th September to 2nd October 2017. The event was organized by Arul Anandar College Karumathur, Madurai. The program commenced with the inaugural speech given by Fr. Rufus SJ followed by awareness song and later the students were divided into groups. In the evening Mr. Christopher (Full-timer) gave a brief history about AICUF and its beginning to the gathering which was inspirational to the students. A workshop was held on 9th December 2017 on the topic as "Ithanalsagala Maanavargalukkum" in St. Joseph's College on behalf of AICUF in sail Auditorium and discussed the "Contemporary Problems, Political situation and their solutions". The speaker of the programme was Mr. S.P. Udayakumar, a Nuclear reactor fighter who shared his experiences. AICUF organized a street play every Friday to created awareness among the students of Holy Cross College. The following programmes were conducted 1. Penniya Vizlipunarvu, 2. Pollution Awareness, 3. Women's Rights, 4. Education System in India, 5. Anita and NEET, 6. Traffic Rules, 7. Health and Hygiene, 8. Awareness Song about Society, 9. Dengue Awareness and 10. Problems of Fishermen in Tamilnadu.

The AICUF meeting was held from 29th to 31st July 2017 at St. Joseph's College (Autonomous) Tiruchirappalli. In this meeting AICUF leaders participated. It highlighted students protest. The AICUF organized a NEET protest meeting outside the college on 12th September 2017.

MAGIS 2018 was held from 12th to 15th January 2018 at Loyola College in Chennai. The main theme of MAGIS 2018 was Peace and Reconciliation. More than 850 youth attended the programmes from all over India. It gave the the students spiritual and humanitarian awareness about the society. In MAGIS 2018 the students performed Mime which dealt with problems and issues of the fishermen community.

Come Alive

The first meeting of come alive was conducted on 9th September 2017. The guest of honour was Fr. Stanley. He gave a talk on the topic “Emotional Intelligence “. He explained the various types of Emotional Intelligence and also interacted with students.

Come Alive Center:

- Two issues of Academia and Society journal was published during this year
- 25 e-books were published in amazon.com
- Regular classes for Come Alive students are conducted for the day and evening shifts.
- Emotional intelligence session was handled for the evening session students by Fr. Stanley, the psychotherapist, Thilainagar, Trichy.



Leo Club

The Leo Club of Holy Cross College, Trichy was started under the banner of Lions Club of Tiruchirapalli Thillainagar, Club no: 058684 to inculcate leadership abilities among the students and to build up their sense of service to human kind. A total of 45 students from various departments enrolled in the club which had its first business meeting under the guidance of MJF Lion Er. B. Chandrakanth on 16th October 2017. The office bearers were chosen, with Ms. S. Gayathri as the President, Ms. J. Jonafer as the Secretary and Ms. Z. Lucia Hainita as the Treasurer. The Installation Function of the Leo Club was conducted on 24th October 2017. The Chief Guest was MJF Lion Dr. S. Veerapandiyar, District Governor, LIONS CLUB, who also installed the office bearers.

The Office bearers and co-ordinators of the Leo Club attended a Region Meet of the Leo Clubs at Cauvery College for Women on 23rd January 2018 and received an award.

YOUTH AGAINST DRUGS (YAD) CLUB

The YAD Club of Holy Cross College, Trichy was started under the banner of The Rotary Club of Tiruchirapalli Metro, RI Dist 3000 to inculcate awareness among the students about the ill effects of drugs and to build up their sense of service to human kind. A total of 130 students from various departments enrolled in the club. The inauguration of the club took place on 16th February 2018. The chief guest of the day was Rtn. RVN Kannan, Dist Governor Elect, RI Dist 3000 and the Guest speaker was Dr. T. Ramani Devi, Consultant (OBG) Ramakrishna Nursing Home, Infertility Specialist, Janani Fertility Centre. She spoke about how drugs can destroy peoples' lives especially the youth. She urged the students to fight against drug addiction so that their future may be bright. The Principal of Holy Cross College, Rev. Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget presided over the inauguration along with Rty Ann. Annam Annamalai, Founder YAD, Rty Ann. Bhargavi Raja Co Founder YAD, Rtn. M. Ramasamy. M, President and Rtn. R. Elankovan, Secretary. The students were inducted into their leadership posts.

Student Council

SHIFT I

The Investiture Ceremony of the student council was held on 30th June 2017.

Mr. Senthil Kumar, Deputy Superintendant of Police was the Chief Guest. The newly elected Student Council Members took the oath. They were adorned with Sashes by our Secretary- Rev. Sr. Dr. Lilly with badges by our Principal- Rev. Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget and with bouquets by our Chief Guest, Mr. Senthil Kumar. He spoke on the qualities of a good leader.

STUDENT COUNCIL MEMBERS SHIFT – I

S.NO.	POSITION	NAME	DEPARTMENT
1.	President	A. Judith Monicka	English
2.	Vice – President	S. Marie Sharelin	Rehabilitaion Science
3.	Secretary	M. Sophiya Jenifer	Chemistry
4.	Member	T. Monisha	Audiology
5.	Member	S. Dhasaradha Bai	Bio Chemistry
6.	Member	P.F. Mishel	Botany
7.	Member	Dhvani k. Sheth	Business Administration
8.	Member	E. Akshaya	Commerce
9.	Member	M. Raaja Rajeshwari	Computer Application
10.	Member	Shonam Kumari Gupta	Economics
11.	Member	M. Reshma	History
12.	Member	A. Jene Marina	Maths
13.	Member	S. Susancy Sherin	Physics
14.	Member	R. Gayathri	Visual Communication
15.	Member	Faustina Ive Hilda	Zoology
16.	Fine Arts President	Roweena	Physics
17.	Sports President	M. Bhavithra	Maths



Student Council

SHIFT II

At the Investiture ceremony for Shift II, the Chief Guest was Fg. Offr. Dr. Sheeba Princess, Assistant Professor of English, Bishop Heber College, Trichy. The student council members, with the student President in lead, came in procession, each with a placard representing their departmental symbols based on the theme “Networking and Innovation”. They were presented with badges, sashes and bouquets.

STUDENT COUNCIL MEMBERS

SHIFT - II

Sl. No.	POSITION	NAME	DEPARTMENT
18.	President	B. Kaavya	III B.Sc. Physics
19.	Secretary	M. Shofia	III B.Sc. Computer Science
20.	Member	A.Jenifer Mary	III B.B.A.
21.	Member	M.R. Nivetha	III B.Sc. Chemistry
22.	Member	M. Rizwana	III B.Com.
23.	Member	M. Rashika Esther	III B.A. English
24.	Member	V. Gayathri	III B.Sc. Mathematics
25.	Fine Arts President	R.M. Akhsheya	III B.Sc. Computer Science
26.	Sports President	N. Ramya	III B.Sc. Chemistry



Student Forum

The activities, trainings and workshops for the students focused on the theme of the year 'Networking and Innovation' for the academic year 2017-2018.

The following were the various Students' Initiated Activities:

An Anti-Ragging Campaign was conducted on the re-opening day 16th June 2017 in the college ground for the seniors to promote zero tolerance towards Ragging.

To stand in support of the National Child Labour project – CHEERS, the Student Council Members conducted an Anti-Child Labour Campaign on 16th June 2017. A signature campaign was conducted with the motto "DO A FAVOUR, AVOID CHILD LABOUR".

A Documentary movie "Salaam to Kalam": was screened on 12th July 2017 for the shift I students of Holy Cross College in Our Lady's Hall. A total number of 2,500 students watched the movie.

Students' Initiatives: Janet Evans Annie Joseph III BSc Physics and Merline Priya III B.Com. put up a stall 'Insuvai Adisal'. This was an initiative to promote homemade native savouries.

Student's Day celebration in commemoration of Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam's birthday was organized on 6th October, 2017 by the Student Council Members. Dr. Margaret Suganthi, Head of the Department of Visual Communication and Mr. Rex Johnson were the judges of a Poster Presentation Competition titled – 'Kalam's Vision For Student's Mission'. Two students from twelve departments enthusiastically participated and showcased their talents.

A digitalized Awareness Programme on Pollution – Free Diwali Celebration was conducted as per the letter received from the Directorate of Collegiate education with reference to the Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board Circular, for a smokeless and noise free Diwali, on 13th and 14th Oct 2017.

Student Voices: On 8th December, 2017, Ms. Nirupama, Journalist, Indian Express interviewed 9 of our students on their First Voting Experience. The article was published on 15th December, 2017 in "The Indian Express". On 8th January, 2018, Journalist Karumuthu from 'The Hindu' – Tamil Daily had a discussion with the students on their opinions on the trending current issues of the society. A total of 23 Students actively shared their opinions and voiced out their views.

Student Council and Student Forum meets: On 4th July 2017, the meeting for the student council members was conducted by Dr Mary Jayanthi, Dean of student affairs for the allotment of portfolios for the welfare of the college which included Students Finance Minister, Information And Networking Minister, Discipline Minister, Women Empowerment Minister, Welfare Minister, Health Minister, HRD Minister and Go Clean Minister.

The First Students Forum meet for the academic year was conducted on 21st July, 2017. The agenda of the session was 'Know your College' and 'My Voice.' Rev. Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget, the Principal began the discussion on 'Know your College' asking the students about what they liked in the college. Dr. M. Mary Jayanthi, Dean of Student Affairs spoke on the various extension activities and facilities offered by our college. During the 'My voice' session, students were asked to present their suggestions and grievances.

The second meeting with the student's forum took place on 2nd August 2017. Dr. M. Mary Jayanthi, Dean of Student's Affairs addressed the gathering. A presentation on the various opportunities to become a Holy Crossian of Excellence was discussed. She explained the various forums and facilities available in the college.

The third student's forum meeting was held on 27th November 2017. The session was interactive and Rev. Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget, enquired about the experience which the students had with Mrs. Padmaja, CEO, Victory Insights, Chennai.

The students' grievances represented in the Students' Forum were addressed and solutions were discussed. The leaders represented the need for a Napkin Vending machine. Two napkin vending machines were installed in the student's restrooms in July 2017. Cleanliness of the campus and washrooms were addressed with timely cleaning. Canteen points near NBH and Mother Claudine Block were set up to avoid rush during break time.

Workshops and Training: A three day leadership training program titled 'LEADERS FOR TOMORROW – AS TEACHERS' was conducted from 21st to 23rd August 2017. This was conducted by the All India Institute for Human Value and Resource Development, a unit of AIACHE and hosted by the Bishop Heber College, Tiruchirappalli. This was a special training program for students in Higher Educational Institutions to become committed teachers. 12 students from our college attended the training. The sessions were facilitated by luminary trainers like Dr. Jeyakar Chellaraj, Master Trainer and Executive Director, IMPART Organization, Prof. Thiyaugukumar from AIACHE, Dr. Sheila Christopher, Dean of Research, Holy Cross College and Dr. Mary Jayanthi, Dean of Students Affairs, Holy Cross College.

All India Association for Christian Higher Education (AIACHE) organized a special National Level Training Program – Leaders for Tomorrow as Civil Servants from 19th – 21st October, 2017 in Chennai. Civil service aspirants from various states participated and benefitted. The resource persons included senior IAS Officers, Professors and CEOs from various organizations like Mr. P.W.C. Davidar, IAS, Additional Chief Secretary to Government Transport Department, Tamil Nadu, Dr. Pradeep V. Philip, IPS, Additional Director, Government of Police, Dr. G. Sundaram, IAS, Ex-Secretariat, Cabinet of Home Ministry, Dr. Sharmila Stanley, MCC, Dr. Celestine Paulraj, Rophekha Consultancy, Dr. Venkataramanujam, MCC, Dr. Sandra Joseph, Stella Maris College

Dr. Alfred, CEO, Alfred Group of Educational Institutions, Dr. Winfred Chelliah, Dean, St. John's School, Dr. Susan Paul, Stella Maris College, Mrs. A. Christian Nancy, WCC and Dr. Samuel Rufus, MCC. Seven IAS Aspirants from Holy Cross College, Trichy underwent the training. They were accompanied by Ms. M. Baby Nirmala, Assistant Professor in Computer Science.

The initiatives of the Forum for the student community aimed at providing holistic development and signpost innovative platforms to empower every Holy-Crossian to seek excellence.

Mentor System

Mentors hour for all the students is followed and it goes according to schedule planned by the College. Students get a chance to meet their mentors twice in a semester on Fridays, during the last hour as per schedule. So all the UG and PG students have mentors hour through which the students are benefitted.

The schedule followed for mentors hour is as follows :

Odd Semester

I U.G.	14.07.2017	15.09.2017
II U.G.	07.07.2017	11.08.2017
III U.G.	30.06.2017	04.08.2017
I P.G.	14.07.2017	15.09.2017
II P.G.	07.07.2017	11.08.2017

Even Semester

I U.G.	15.12.2017	09.01.2018
II U.G.	08.12.2017	19.01.2018
III U.G.	24.11.2017	12.01.2018
I P.G.	15.12.2017	09.01.2018
II P.G.	08.12.2017	19.01.2018

Debate, Speech and Essay writing club

Murasolimaran Arakattalai conducted recitation competition on 5th August 2017 on the topic “Puratchi kavingnar Pavendar Bharadhidasan Padalgal” Ms. Mariya Jenifer of I B.Sc Mathematics won II Prize and cash award of Rs. 3000/- and the shield. Ms. Abirami of I

B.A. English Literature won IV Prize.

In Indira Gandhi College, Ramalingar Panimandram conducted a district level poem writing competition on 12th August 2017. G.Priyadarshini, M.Sc. Zoology got I Prize in the competition and received a cash award of Rs. 5,000 and a certificate.

Mavatta Tamil Valarchithurai conducted speech competition on 15th September 2017 on the topic “Vazhviyal Mozhi Tamil” Ms. Abirami of I B.A. English literature won III Prize and cash award of Rs. 5000/-.

In Jamal Mohammed College, Tamil Valarchi Thurai conducted a district level competition on 15th September 2017. G.Priyadarshini, M.Sc Zoology got III prize in that competition and received a cash award of Rs. 5000 and certificate from the District Collector of Trichy.

In Mahalingam Engineering College, Coimbatore the Ramalingam Panimandram conducted a State Level poem writing competition on 29th August 2017. G. Priyadarshini, M.Sc Zoology got I place and received cash award of 15,000. The prize distribution was held at Chennai in the Head office of the Ramalingam Panimandram.

In St. Joseph’s College, Tiruchirappalli a poem writing competition was conducted

G. Priyadarshini, M.Sc. Zoology got I prize in that competition and received a cash award of Rs.1,000 and certificate on 15th December 2017.

Tamil women’s SEYARKALAM conducted one day seminar on 24th February 2018. In this program 17 students participated and got the participation certificate. Priyadharshini of 1st M.Sc. Zoology, Subathra of IInd B.Sc. Maths and Karuppayie of IIM.A.Tamil got Prizes.

Bishop Heber College conducted the training for writing short stories on 2nd March 2018. Meenatchi and Bazila Begam of II B.Com. participated in this training.

Consumer Club

The inauguration of the activities of the Consumer Club was held on 13th July 2017 in the Department of Commerce. Mrs. Velambigai, Deputy Commissioner, Labour Department inaugurated the activities by emphasizing consumer rights amongst students, she also explained about the recently launched mobile app, The Legal Metrology Complaint Tracking System (LMCTS) which enable citizens to Submit Grievances related to Weights and Measures, MRP, Packaged Commodity regulations, etc. through Online or SMS communication between registered mobile numbers of citizens and the Labour Department by taking photographs of commodity and shop and submit them through the Mobile App or Website. Citizens can send a detailed complaint to facilitate the Department to take necessary corrective actions and launch prosecution on defaulters. The app also helps in tracking the status of the complaint and interact directly with the Department of Labour.

On 19th September 2017 the students were briefed on the consumer rights and laws enacted for the protection of consumers. The violations against consumers were also discussed with regard to under weighing, adulteration, not providing proper bill, poor quality goods/spoilt/ damaged goods, price higher than Maximum Retail Price on cover (MRP), misleading advertisements, selling goods whose expiry date is over and unsafe goods.

On 29th November 2017 Mr. Shahul Hameed educated the students on their rights as citizens and the laws and regulations that safe guard them as consumers. He encouraged the students to seek redressal with proper and appropriate evidence when they encounter any unfair business practice. He insisted that students perform their duties as a good citizens towards the betterment of the society.

On 23th January 2018 Ms. Kousalya, advocate gave awareness for the club members on the legal systems which they can approach in times of need. She also informed the basic legal aids which are available to help women.

The club members celebrated the Consumer Rights Day on 15th March 2018 to create awareness on the basic consumer rights and information amongst fellow students for the protection of their rights.

Financial Literacy Club

The members of the Financial Literacy Club are provided with the knowledge, skills and attitudes required to adopt good money management practices for earning, spending, saving, borrowing and investing through various role playing activities, detailed discussions etc. They are educated specifically on the basics of Personal Financial Planning like budgeting, cutting expenses, ways and means to get out of debt, saving, insurance etc. Students were sent to banks to find out the procedures to open various deposit schemes. They are encouraged to exchange real experiences they face in the area of financial literacy. "I'm now a Rupee Rani" scheme was introduced to the club members through which the members maintain a financial diary & calculate their finances. Frequently verbal tests were conducted on key learning of financial matters. On 9th February 2018, Mr. Selvaraj from SEBI addressed members on the various issues in the stock market dealings.

Disaster Management Club

The Disaster Management Club of Holy Cross College for I UG students was inaugurated on 8th September 2017. Ms.R.Marie Sheila, Assistant Professor of Commerce spoke about the disasters, rules and regulations of the club.

The second meeting was conducted on 29th November 2017. The resource person for this session was Mr. Shahul Hamid, Coordinator of Trichy Disaster Management and Disaster Risk Reduction, Trichy. He focused his talk in creating knowledge about Disaster and the Management process, various types of disasters, Environmental pollution threats which occur in daily life.

The third meeting was conducted on 7th December 2017. The resource person for this session was Dr. P. Subburethina Bharathi, Director, MAM B School and he focused on the various types of Disaster and immediate life saving measures during disasters, Disaster Mitigation Process etc and he showed various latest videos regarding disasters like Japan Earth quakes, Bhopal Tragedy etc.

The fourth Meeting was conducted on 10th January 2018. The resource person was Mr. Maria Antony Pappuraj, Additional Deputy Inspector of Central Prison, Trichy. He briefed the students about the recent disasters that occurred in our state and he spoke about the various contributions of NGOs and various relief funds given by Government during disasters. He stressed on the ways of managing disaster and hazards, measures to safeguard during disaster, early warnings of disasters and creating awareness among public about disaster and vulnerabilities.

The next meeting was conducted on 22nd January 2018. The resource person of this session was Ms. R. Marie Priya, Head of Paediatrics, Saudi Arabia. She conducted the BLS and ACLS class for the Students. She trained the students with the practical classes and she demonstrated how to safeguard the people during the time of disasters and how to give immediate basic treatments and medical care to the people and she taught about the escape routes and emergency operations, relief measures, and how to save people and how to bring them to safe places. She also urged the Disaster management club students to take steps in case of any disaster.

HRD

On 22nd July 2017, HRD organized an event titled "Interview Skills" for the interested students, Mr. Richard Carol, Director, Sure jobs Placement Training Centre motivated the students and gave them more tips about body language, presentation skills, interactions in interview for their better understanding.

On 3rd and 4th August 2017 a two day orientation program on Pre-placement Training was organized for the final year UG Students. Mr. Devanathan Ragunathan a professional trainer from Abnersoft Group addressed the students with Mr. Jacob, Training Dean, Abnersoft.

On 21st September 2017, a common aptitude test was conducted on behalf of TCS. Mr. Shakthivel and his team briefed our students and 270 students took the test.

On 29th and 30th November 2017 an aptitude test from Barclays was conducted by Mrs. Subha from Global Talent Track. Final year students of Commerce and BBA took the test.

On 12th December 2017, an orientation program on Goal Setting was conducted by Mr. Sashi Ranjan, Founder and Director, idreamz for first year Commerce and BBA Students, and an orientation program on Current Job Scenario was conducted by Dr. Ashok Natrajan, Professor of Finance and accounts, Presidency University for final year Commerce and BBA Students.

Two wheeler and four wheeler driving classes were conducted for our students. So far 33 students have learnt four wheeler driving and 10 students have learnt two wheeler driving. Guitar and Keyboard classes were also conducted. 30 students learnt Guitar and Keyboard.

Holy Cross Community Radio

The year started with an orientation to the Student Council Members. The SCM's were explained the usefulness of participating and producing Radio programmes. 60 UG and PG students from various departments benefitted from the 30 hours Certificate course in Radio production offered by Holy Cross Community Radio. Studio visit was encouraged. More than 200 students visited the studio and learnt the functioning of the radio station.

Student volunteers who registered with the station were specially trained in transmission and production. We have 10 fulltime Radio volunteers. The students along with the community have produced more than 100 programmes apart from the regular live shows.

Marconi Radio Club, - a radio club for all radio enthusiasts of HCCR was launched on 7th March 2018. This club is a free membership club providing inspiration, ideas, articles, news and activities to expand their horizons, build confidence, harness creativity and develop new skills. More than 250 students have enrolled as members.

Women's Studies Centre

Gender Studies

A course on Gender Studies is offered to all II UG students except II B.Sc. Audiology and Speech Language Pathology. Bharathidasan University approved Certificate course in Gender and Development was offered to the students of Shift - II in the even semester for the sixth year. A total of 30 students from the departments of Chemistry, Computer Science, English and Mathematics studied this course.

The training programme Life Skill Education on the Children module was conducted for I UG students of Gender Champion Club of Shift I and Shift II members on 22nd October 2017 and 24th October 2017 to educate the children from 9 years to 12 years of age who are living in slums in Tiruchirappalli. Ms.R.Saraswathi, Co-ordinator, Women's Studies Centre trained the students on the activities. Ten students attended the training programme. Mr.R. Vigneshwaran and Ms.S. Mangaiyarkarasi, I MSW students of Urumu Dhanalakshmi College, Tiruchirappalli underwent a field work training as part of their curriculum. at the Centre in the even Semester.

The Certificate Course students conducted qualitative study i.e. interviews with 31 women as part of practical work. They recorded the sorrows, achievements and motivation of women. These videos help to motivate many other women to get encouragement. Research on Pregnant Women's Attitude towards Child Sex Preference and menstrual hygiene was conducted. Ms.R. Saraswathi, Co-ordinator, Women's Studies Centre, Holy Cross College got seed money from the College to conduct a research on Life Skill Education for Adolescent Girls in the slums of Tiruchirappalli.



Women's Studies Centre of Holy Cross College started its first day of National Nutrition Week Celebration with Matching the Vitamins competition for male students on 1st September 2017 at Holy Cross College, Tiruchirappalli. Rev. Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget, Principal, Holy Cross College, Tiruchirappalli inaugurated the event. Ms. P. Shuganya., Social Worker, PRATHAM, Tiruchirappalli was the judge of the event.

The competition on Nutritional Quiz was conducted on 2nd September 2017. The judge of the event was Ms.N. Jayalakshmi, Teacher, New Bharath Nursery and Primary School, Thanjavur. On 4th September 2017, 'Poster Presentation on Nutrition for Adolescents' was conducted at Sophie hall for UG students of Shift – II. There were eight students who participated in the competition and won 3 prizes. Speech Competition on Nutrition for Adolescents was conducted at Sophie's hall for UG Students of Shift – I. There were 14 students who participated in the competition and won 3 prizes.

On 6th September 2017, Oral Quiz on 'Nutrition for Adults' was conducted for student sisters. Rev. Sr. Dr. Rajakumari, Head, Department of History and Vice Principal, Holy Cross College (Autonomous), Tiruchirappalli judged the event and selected 3 winners. The second activity was 'Princess Parade on Nutrition' for administrative staff on 6th September 2017. Dr. M. Isai, Assistant Professor of Zoology, Seethalakshmi Ramaswami College (Autonomous), Tiruchirappalli was the judge.

The valedictory function of National Nutrition Week Celebration was held on 7th September 2017. Dr. Nagalakshmi, Vice Principal and Associate Professor of Rehabilitation Science, Holy Cross College presided over the valediction. Dr.J. Prabha., Well Care Hospital, Tiruchirappalli was the chief guest and she emphasized that cleanliness and hygiene are more important than nutrition. All the winners of various competitions conducted during the national nutrition week from 1st to 6th September 2017 were given prizes.

District Legal Services Authority, Tiruchirappalli and Women's Studies Centre, Holy Cross College, Tiruchirappalli jointly conducted a 'Seminar on Women Laws and Cyber Crime' on 22nd September 2017 at Holy Cross College with the aim of creating awareness on women laws. Rev. Sr. Dr. Isabella Rajakumari, Vice Principal, presided and spoke about the importance of legal awareness to women. Advocate Gowsalya talked about the present problems and structure and services of District Legal Services Authority. Mrs. Geetha, Sub-judge and Secretary, District Legal Services Authority, Tiruchirappalli talked about rules and regulation to be followed by the college students and the importance of licence while driving. Advocate Jothilakshmi addressed the students about the ragging issues and the working of laws in stopping ragging. Advocate Sridevi spoke about the social media and its role in women empowerment. II B.Com. and III B.A. History students benefited from this programme. The National Service Scheme (NSS) programme officers namely Dr.P. Shanthi, Assistant Professor of Botany, Dr.P. Maria Sophia, Assistant Professor of Economics, Ms.M.L. Eileen Brisha and Ms.S.Mariena Kamala Brinda Noel, Assistant Professors of English, and Ms.G. Elizabeth Rani, Assistant Professor of Tamil attended the seminar.

The legal awareness programme was conducted on 5th October 2017. The programme was presided over by Rev. Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget, Principal, HCC. The resource person Advocate.M.Chinamani delivered a talk on rights and responsibilities of Indian citizens, procedure to obtain birth certificate, community certificate, marriage registration, women's property rights and domestic violence against women act. There were 61 participants in the training programme.

As per the guidelines of National Commission for Women, the Centre conducted "Legal Awareness competition on Legal Rights of Women" on 24th November 2017. There were 410 students from various departments of Shift I & II who participated in it.

The Chief Guest was Dr.G. John, Associate Professor, Department of Commerce, St. Joseph's College (Autonomous), Tiruchirappalli who appreciated the initiative taken by the college through the Centre and distributed the prizes on 30th November 2017. Rev. Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget, Principal, Holy Cross College (Autonomous), Tiruchirappalli presided over the function.

A Programme on Health and Hygiene was held on 23rd January 2018 at Kudi Street, Sembattu, Tiruchirappalli for the people. The resource persons were Mr. K. Devi Padmanaban, Field Publicity Officer and Mr. K. Ravindran, Assistant Field Publicity Officer, Directorate of Field Publicity, Tiruchirappalli.

The NSS unit and Women Studies Centre of Holy Cross College(Autonomous), Trichy, jointly celebrated National Voters' Day on 25th January 2018. The chief guests of the programme were Mr. K. Devi Padmanaban, Field Publicity Officer, Trichy and Mr. K. Ravindran, Assistant Field Publicity Officer, Directorate of Field Publicity, Tiruchirappalli who spoke about the role and responsibility of voters and the importance of Election Commission

Women's Studies Centre in collaboration with Child Line, SOC SEAD, Tiruchirappalli conducted an awareness programme on Life Skill Education for the female children on 6th February 2018 at Koothur, Manachanallur block, Tiruchirappalli. Ms.R.Saraswathi, Co-ordinator, Women's Studies Centre, Holy Cross College, Tiruchirappalli along with Ms.Monisha and Ms. Debo of I B.A English helped in conducting the activities.

Programme on Gender Sensitization through Life Skill Education for boys was conducted on 8th February 2018 at Saveriyar Kovil Street, Puthur, Tiruchirappalli from 5.30 p.m. to 6.30 p.m. by Ms.R.Saraswathi, Co-ordinator, Women's Studies Centre, Holy Cross College, Tiruchirappalli along with Ms.S.Merlin, Ms.S.Santina and Ms.Monisha of I B.A English and Gender Champion Club members.

Gender Champion Club (Shift - I)

Basic legal awareness programmes were conducted for all Shift I Part VI wings in the college such as Rotaract, Exnora, Red Ribbon Club, AICUF, Come Alive and Youth Red Cross during their Part VI contact hours on different dates such as 5th October 2017, 21st November 2017, 29th November 2017, 10th January 2018 and 20th February 2018.

As part of dissemination of information, the Women's Studies Centre has been documenting newspaper clippings on various issues and success achieved by women. Articles on gender are also documented in the Centre. The Women's Studies Centre notice board acts as a resource for students and staff to learn present condition of women. The Women's Studies Centre also disseminates the programme reports which were published in newspaper for the benefit of all the students. The Women's Studies Centre guides students to register for UGC – NET and supplies material to prepare for Paper I. If anyone finds it difficult to get their online NET qualified certificate, the Centre gives guidance. The pamphlets containing the functioning of Legal Aid Clinic and information about persons eligible for the free legal service (Advocate for case) is pasted in almost all the class rooms. Ms. R.Saraswathi, Co-ordinator, Women's Studies Centre, HCC went to the class rooms and association meetings to create awareness about the activities of legal Aid Clinic.

The Women's Studies Centre Representative concept is a new initiative suggested by Dr. M. Mary Jayanthi, Assistant Professor of English and Dean of Students. The members have been selected from II UG in all the departments to disseminate the Centre's activities to their respective departments.

Legal Aid Clinic

The free Legal Aid Clinic in collaboration with and funded by District Legal Services Authority, Tiruchirappalli has been functioning in the college. It functions on all Wednesdays and the legal aid advocates give advice to the persons in need.

Gender Champion Club of Women's Studies Centre and District Legal Services Authority, Tiruchirappalli jointly conducted a Seminar on Legal Rights of Women on 12th July 2017. Rev. Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget, Principal, Holy Cross College presided over the Seminar. Mrs. Geetha, Secretary and Sub-Judge, District Legal Services Authority, Tiruchirappalli explained the ways in which the Mobile phone, Two wheeler driving and internet help women and if they fail to use them properly they face lot of problems. Advocate Sridevi advised students to acquire voter identity card at the correct time and they should exercise the voting power. Mr. Gowthaman, Magistrate, District Court, Tiruchirappalli mentioned the importance of various laws for women's protection and advised to use the laws properly.

The Programme on Women's Condition was conducted on 3rd August 2017. The resource person Ms. Sasirekha, Assistant Professor of Tamil, Cauvery College for Women, Tiruchirappalli spoke about women achievers, importance of women's education and quoted some courageous words from Tamil sangam.

Dr. William John Bosco, Assistant Professor & Head, Department of English, Periyar EVR College, Tiruchirappalli delivered a speech on 'Gender and Media' on 23rd January 2018 for the students of Gender Champion Club.



Women's Cell (Shift - I)

Women's Cell conducted an awareness programme on Women's greatness on 11th July 2017. Rev. Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget, Principal, Holy Cross College presided over the meeting. Rev. Fr. Paneer Selvam spoke about the values and greatness of being women.

A programme on Data Mining was conducted on 10th January 2018. Ms. Chitra, K., Assistant Professor of Computer Science, Holy Cross College Tiruchirappalli explained about the basic usage of data mining in our day-to-day life.

The programme on 'Women Empowerment' was conducted on 23rd January 2018. The resource person of the programme was Ms. V. Daisy Rani, Assistant Professor of Social Work, Holy Cross College (Autonomous), Tiruchirappalli.

A programme on Self-Motivation was conducted on 20th February 2018 at Holy Cross College, Tiruchirappalli. Mr. S. Santosh, Board Member of Lions Club Tiruchirappalli delivered the speech.

Women's Cell & Gender Champion Club (Shift-II)

Gender Champion Club and Women's Cell students of shift-II were the participants for the programme conducted on 29th November 2017. The resource person was Dr. S. Karuthan, Assistant Professor of Tamil, National College, Trichy, who addressed the students on the topic "Bravery of historical Tamil Women".

In order to create Gender sensitization among the students, a programme was conducted on 4th December 2017. Professor. P. Sathya, Assistant Professor, St. Joseph's Institute of Management, Trichy spoke on the "Need for Gender Sensitization".

On 10th January 2018, a programme was conducted for I UG Shift II Gender Champion Club students to insist on the necessity of maintaining good health especially for adolescent girls.

Ms. A. Priya, Assistant Professor of English, Holy Cross College, Trichy spoke on the topic, "A healthy woman is a happy woman" and advised the students to have their food at regular intervals.

Dr. Catherin Sara, Assistant Professor of Botany, Holy Cross College, Trichy gave a talk on "Women and Nutraceuticals" to the first year shift -II students on 23rd January 2018. In her speech, she highlighted the nutritional values of foods which are forgotten in the present modernized era.

The club conducted a meeting on 7th February 2018, Dr. Prema Joshua, Assistant Professor of English, Cauvery College, Trichy was the chief guest and she spoke on the topic "Feminism in Tamil movies". She screened the scenes from famous Tamil movies and insisted on how a woman should be bold enough to face the problems. Around 200 Shift-I and Shift-II members of the Gender Champion Club and Women's Cell organized a 'Rally on Gender Walk' on 22nd February 2018. It was inaugurated by Mr. A.K. Kamal Kishore, IAS, Sub Collector, Trichy in the presence of Rev. Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget, Principal, Holy Cross College. The theme of the Rally was "Women and Men are equal" and gender roles of women could be shared by men and vice versa.

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Counseling

Holy Cross College has a Counseling Centre. It functions during working days. The student counselor and the psychologists from the department of Psychology address the 1st year students in their own class rooms, department wise. Since, they are new to the college the college counselor gives orientation to the students regarding counseling, its need and importance. Students of II year and III year also visit the counselor when they encounter difficulties. From this year there are two forms that are used : 'Initial Form for Counseling' which is issued to the students when orientation is given, in which the students mention the need for counseling and the 'Personal Data Form' is issued to the student when he/she meets the counselor as client, through which the information about each student was collected,.

From the data collected the counselor recognizes the students who actually require counseling. The names of the students who need counseling were registered. On the basis of registration they were helped. There is a preference for students who need urgent counseling. The Counseling Centre meets the need of the staff and the clients from outside too. So far 80 students have benefitted from counseling this year. Each session takes minimum 45-60 minutes, and some were in need of 2nd and 3rd sitting, even at times 7 as it depends on the intensity of the problem. Students come for vocational counseling, career counseling and most of them come for personal counseling. They come for counseling for the problems such as poor academic performance, lack of concentration, poor memory, not able to study, friendship problem, negative influences of the peer group, unhealthy relationship, lack of decision making ability, suicidal tendency, mal- adjustment behavior and some personality problems. For students who have come for counseling, their 'Personal Data Forms' would be filed and kept confidential for further reference and to check their progress.

Students were helped to solve their problems which could be solved and the counselor also facilitated them to face their problems which have to be faced squarely. When there was need for psycho-therapeutic intervention help is given. To the needed clients who need it Psychological tests are conducted by the clinical psychologist such as Intelligence Test, Personality test, Anger Inventory etc. Group counseling was organized whenever required. Behavioral modification has brought in, positive change in the life of the students. Many students have benefited by counseling. Three students were referred to other experts; they continue their follow up with the counselor.

Extension Programme : The Sister in-charge of the counseling also served as a resource person and gave lectures to the students of other departments. She addressed the participants of the State seminar sponsored by Xavier Board of Higher Education, organized by Department of Value Education on the "Goodness of God and Nature". She has conducted 'Personal Growth Session' for the Sisters of the Cross of Chavanod, the province of Angamali at Mysore.

Hostel

Realizing the need for safety and security the sisters of the Cross run a hostel for UG students, the hostel is the beehive of activity providing an atmosphere of care and compassion. It's indeed a home away from home. The students are accommodated in 6 different blocks namely Little Flower, Christ the King, Maria Villa, Holy Family, St. Joseph and Jubilee Hall. The hostelites are placed under the care of four warden sisters in 6 blocks, Rev. Sr. Dr. Catherine Savarimuthu, Rev. Sr. Bridget Chelladurai, Rev. Sr. Judy Gomez the Head warden and Rev. Sr. Jasmine. The hostel has a strength of 1,132 students.

The hostel reopened for the academic year on 15th June, 2017. The first year students entered the hostel on 20th June. The events of the hostel began with the twin programme of Fresher's day celebration and investiture ceremony on 11th, July 2017.

The hostel leaders for the year 2017 to 2018 were elected and the investiture ceremony was held. The leaders were elected from each block for various responsibilities like block leader, cultural leader, spiritual leader, choir leaders and mess leader for the efficient management of the hostel. Rev. Sr. Dr. Lilly Varghese, Secretary and Rev. Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget, the Principal, honored the various leader of the hostel with badges during the investiture ceremony. An oath was taken by the leaders to discharge their respective duties for the welfare of the hostel students. Rev. Sr. Dr. Lilly Varghese, in her address to the hostel students insisted on the importance of values to be lived, the discipline to be maintained and the joy that is to be shared in the hostel.

Holy Cross College Hostel is always enwrapped in a spiritual atmosphere. To strengthen the spiritual growth of catholic students they are encouraged to attend Holy Mass daily, adoration to the Blessed Sacrament and provision to receive the sacrament of reconciliation. BCC group prayers and Lay Associates were formed as part of the Holy Cross family. Charismatic prayer and procession as a sign of devotion to Mother Mary are held once a month in the campus.

On 24th July 2017 the hostel students went to Holy Redeemers Church, Palakari, considered as one of the minor Basilica's in South India, on an annual pilgrimage in gratitude to Christ the king for protecting them. The hostel blessing was on 6th August.2017 wherein all the hostel rooms were blessed by 4 catholic priests from St. Joseph's College.

A video coverage was arranged by the Madha T.V. channel on 8th December 2014 in Our Lady's Hall where the catholic students devotedly prayed the Rosary.

Christmas Carols were held in different places. It was not only a time of celebration but it was an extension of our solidarity with the sick and the suffering humanity namely Panjapur, lepers colony, Devadanam the substation of our parish, Manikandam, Krish a destitute home and also to inmates of our house. Christmas Day in the hostel was celebrated on 17th December 2017. Rev. Sr. Saveri, the Head Mistress of Holy Cross Girls higher secondary School spread the Good Tidings of Joy amidst the students.

Pongal was celebrated on 9th January 2018, Dr. Neduchezhian.T, Associate Professor from the Department of Tamil, St. Joseph's College was the chief Guest of the day. He spoke about the importance of Tamil Culture and the significance of Pongal Celebration.

A journey of commitment and supplication to Velankanni and Brahedeeswar temple and infant Jesus Church, Tanjore by the final year students on 4th February 2018 was an enriching spiritual experience.

On 9th February 2018 it was walk the talk with the Lord as all the students went on a Pilgrimage to Our Lady of Lourdes Church, St. Joseph's College.

Nostalgia and jubilation were in the air on 24th February 2018 as hostel Day was celebrated. It was a three-day celebration starting with the Camp Fire.

Students' Scholarships

A total of 2926 students were provided with the Central and State government scholarships and management scholarships during this academic year 2017-2018.

- An amount of Rs. 32,62,209 was sanctioned to 533 students from SC/ST/SCC and
- Rs.14,72,402/- to 608 students among BC/MBC/DNC Category who have benefited.

- Sr. Elizabeth Rose Endowment, Sr. Rosy Endowment, Sr.Sarguna Endowment, Platinum Jubilee Endowment and other Endowments provided by the College Management have given scholarship and education aid to 704 students with an amount of Rs. 15,65,987/-. Financial help was also given to the children of 55 Non- Teaching Staff with an amount of Rs. 23,100.

- Rs. 10,06,000/- was sanctioned to 134 SC/ST/SCC students who are staying in the hostel and applied for Higher Educational Special Scholarship Grant by the State Government.

- Under Chief Minister Award for meritorious student in higher secondary examination (I Place in State level) one student was awarded Rs. 4,000/-.

- Sita Ram Jindal Foundation Scholarship Rs. 33,600/- was given to 7 students.

- 3 students received Rs. 11,600/- as Gandhi Memorial Award Scholarship.

- This year 513 students of both regular and self-financing session, were benefited by the Farmers' Welfare & Social Security Scheme of Tamil Nadu government.

- 54 Freshers received the post-matric minority welfare scholarship (FRESH) and 28 students received for Renewal of the post-matric minority welfare scholarship offered by the Tamil Nadu State Government.

- 6 first year under graduate students as freshers received Central Sector Scheme Scholarship worth Rs.10,000/- each and 15 under graduate and post graduate students received scholarship worth Rs. 10,000/- each through renewal of Central Sector Scheme Scholarship.

- 10 under graduate SC/ST/SCC students received PM Award worth Rs. 3,000/- each and 4 post graduate SC/ST/SCC students received PM Award worth Rs. 5,000/- each for the year 2016 -17 on merit basis.

- One student received Rs. 21,940/- from JAINS India Trust

- IMAN Education and Charitable Trust, Dubai sanctioned Rs. 14,000/- to 2 under graduate students.

- KALAAM Trust award of Rs. 17,000/- was received by 7 students.

- Vidhyadhan Educational Trust Online Scholarship was received by one I - B.Com., Student in +2 exam, appeared in March 2017.

- One student received Rs. 10,500/- from Lion's Club.

- In addition, 198 students received various scholarships from organizations such as Railway, Ex-serviceman, Army, Police, Church, Parish Priest, Vaniyar Sangam, Muslim Literary Society, Disability Scholarship, Building Workers, Tamilnadu Building Workers NLC and ONELLA TRUST, PM Scholarship, BSNL Scholarship, LIC Scholarship, Tea Board Scholarship and LSD & Mines scholarship.

Endowment

The following generous contributors towards the Endowment Funds are gratefully appreciated:

- Rev. Sr. Lizy George Prize Endowment for the Department of French, Rs. 20,000

- Mr. Arumugam Endowment for the Department of Chemistry, Lecture Fund Rs. 15,000

- Ms. Maimoona Begum Endowment for the Department of Chemistry – Gold Medal for Chemistry student, (Rs. 50,000)

Celebrations of Life

International Yoga Day

NSS, NCC and Department of Physical Education of Holy Cross College Tiruchirappalli celebrated International Yoga Day on 21st June 2017. The programme was presided over by Rev. Sr. Dr. Lilly V, Secretary and Rev. Sr. Dr. A. Christina Bridget, Principal, Holy Cross College (Autonomous), Tiruchirappalli. The chief guests were Dr. Lakshmi Prabha, NSS Coordinator, Bharathidasan University, Trichy and Dr. Jeevajothi, Nature Therapist, Sri Jeyaranga Nature cure hospital, and Yoga Research Centre, Trichy. They spoke about the importance of yoga for a healthy life span, followed by a practical yoga session.



Independence Day

The 70th Independence day was celebrated with patriotic fervor in the college. Dr.C.Thomas, Head of the department of History (Retd.), E.V.R. College, Trichy was the chief guest of the day. The chief guest was honoured by the Secretary of the college Rev. Sr. Dr. Lilly. The chief guest hoisted the national the flag and gave an inspiring speech about how the Youth force should stand to protect India, should eradicate the evils in the society and also help to build the Nation by their tireless hard work & synergy.

Mother Foundress' Day

With great happiness, we celebrated our Mother Foundress day on 10th August 2017 in our college grounds. The theme of the day was the innovative person of Mother Claudine. The chief guest of the day was Rev. Sr. Jyothi Selvaraj, Provincial, Sisters of the Cross of Chavanod, Province of Trichy. She enlightened us with her inspiring and innovative speech. The meaningful prayer service and programme was conducted by all the sisters of the cross. There was an inspiring tableau enacted by the college students which highlighted the day's reality and how it would be if the noble and humble Mother Claudine lived in today's context.



Teachers Day

Students' Programme

Teachers' Day was celebrated on 5th September 2017. The programme commenced with the prayer service. Rev. Sr. Dr. Lilly. V, Secretary, Rev. Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget, Principal, Rev. Sr. Dr. P. Isabella Rajakumari, Vice-Principal and Sister In-charge (Shift- II) presided over the function. Dr. M. Subburaman, Executive Member of State Sanitation Committee, DRDA Government of Tamil Nadu and Managing Trustee of SCOPE, Trichy was the Chief Guest of the Day. He insisted on the importance of Eco-Sanitation for better India. Games and Cultural programmes were conducted for the teachers and prizes were distributed.



Staff Programme

The Teacher's Day Celebration was held on 5th September 2017. DASKALOS FEST 2017 was organized and prizes were distributed. Competitions like Mehendi, Hairdo, Poem writing (English and Tamil), Cooking without fire, Connexion, Rangoli, Solo singing, Artificial Flower arrangements and Dumb Charades were conducted from 16th to 24th August 2017. Judges were arranged by the staff in-charge for the events and prize winners were declared. The Teacher's Day Celebration for the Teaching Faculty(S-I) was conducted with festivity and fervor on 5th September 2017. After an enlightening and evocative prayer service the prizes were distributed by Rev. Sr. Dr. Lilly, Secretary and Rev. Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget, Principal. Our Secretary crowned the Queen of the day. The Teacher's day celebration drew to a happy close with a splendid lunch. The management gave gifts for all the staff of both shift I & II.



**HAPPY
TEACHERS'
DAY**

Holy Cross Feast

Students' Programme

The Holy Cross Feast was celebrated on 13th September 2017 by staff and students of both shift I & shift II. Our Secretary Rev. Sr. Dr. Lilly was the chief guest of the Day. The Feast Day celebrations commenced with a prayer service. The prayer was in the form of a Tableau. The various services rendered by the Sisters of the Cross were depicted. The prayer was made to the Almighty to shower his blessings on the Sisters to continue to render such valuable services to the society. It was followed by a Classical dance. Our Secretary Rev. Sr. Dr. Lilly highlighted the history of the Holy Cross in her chief guest address. She also advised the students to face challenges in their life and bear the fruits of joyful living as Jesus Christ surrendered himself to the Cross and brought Salvation for all. The celebration was taken over by the Orchestra, which made the crowd go into raptures with their scintillating performance. It was followed by a dance by the Special children of Blossoms Opportunity School. They stood as personification of self- Confidence and self- Courage. Then a game was conducted for the sisters and the “Queen of the day” was selected. Rev. Dr. Sr. Lilly our Secretary crowned the “Queen of the day”.

Staff Programme

The Holy Cross Feast was celebrated with solemnity and enthusiasm on 9th September 2017. The guest of honour was Rev. Sr. Saghayamary, Librarian, Holy Cross College. She addressed the gathering by expressing her thoughts on the significance of the Cross in our lives. After an inspiring prayer service the welcome address along with words of felicitation was delivered by Mrs. Shanthi, PG Assistant, Holy Cross Hr. Sec. School. This was followed by the lighting of the lamp and the cutting of the cake by the sisters of the Cross. The gifts were given by the Staff both teaching and administrative, of the College, School, B.Ed college and Blossoms and were received by Rev. Sr. Dr. Lilly, Secretary of the college.

Games were conducted for the sisters, and they participated with great zeal and cheer. The Queen of the day was awarded the prestigious sash, gift, bouquet and tiara. This was followed by mind blowing programme comprising of melodious, soulful, sweet-sounding songs, fascinating dances, thoughtful drama and tableau.



Bible Day

Shift I

Holy Cross College celebrates Bible day to emphasize the importance of following the Word of God and practising it in our day to day life. The Bible Day celebrations were initiated with the theme Goodness of God and Nature. Various competitions like Essay writing, Quiz, Oration, Solo and Group singing, Drama, Classical dance and Group dance were conducted from 8th to 19th of September 2017. Fifteen departments participated enthusiastically in the competitions. The final Bible day celebration was held on 27th September 2017. The Chief Guest for the day was Dr. R. Aruna Devaraj a leading magneto therapist and a pioneer in Holistic Herbal Rejuvenation Therapy. The student sisters of the college performed the prayer service and the installation of the bible. The first prize winners of various events displayed their performances on stage. The final of the Bible Quiz Competition was also conducted on stage by the quiz master Dr. Michael Sammanasu from St. Joseph's Institute of Management, Trichy. The prizes were distributed for various competitions and the trophy for the overall winners was awarded to the Department of Chemistry. The celebration came to an end with a hymn of praise for the successful completion of the day.

Shift II

The Bible day celebration for shift II was based on the theme 'Goodness of Nature and God'. All the students of various departments participated in events like, Group singing, Solo singing,, Tableau, Classical Dance, Group dance, Tamil Speech and English speech, Recitation, Drama and Quiz. The gathering witnessed a Procession with our chief guest Rev. Fr. Dr. Dionysius Lawrence, Prof and Registrar, St.Paul's Seminary,Trichy, in the lead carrying the Bible. The best events were presented on the stage during the occasion. The Chief Guest spoke about the difference between knowledge and wisdom and said that one's life should be the message that speaks of Christian values to others. He also distributed the prizes to the winners. The department of mathematics won the rolling shield for the fourth consecutive year. The department of computer science were the runners up. The programme was an enriching experience for the staff and students.



Christmas Celebration

Students' Programme

The Christmas day celebration started with the prayer service offered by the students of Department of Botany in the form of a skit. The Secretary Rev. Sr. Dr. Lilly, Principal Rev. Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget, the Vice Principals, Deans and Staff of various Departments graced the occasion. A classical dance performance was given by the students of the Department of Chemistry. A western dance performance was given by the students of the Department of Botany. The Chief Guest of the Day was Rev. Fr. Michel Pugazhendhi, Parish Priest of Our Lady of Lourdes church. A skit performance was given by shift (II) students. He addressed the gathering by his thoughtful words and explained about trust in God and the real meaning of Christmas. A meaningful skit on the topic "how people prepare themselves for Christmas nowadays" and how we should prepare ourselves to celebrate it, was staged by the students of the Department of chemistry. The skit expressed the thought that love and sharing is the real way to celebrate Christmas. A special mime was performed by the differently abled students as an awareness on Youth for Jobs.



Staff Programme

The Christmas get to-gether of the families of teaching and non-teaching staff was held on 16th December. The chief guest was Rev. Fr. Irudhyaraj (OFM) Capuchian. The celebration began with the prayer service by the teaching staff. Father in his Christmas message, spoke about the meaning and importance of birth of Christ and our preparation for his birth in our hearts and homes. This was followed by Christmas carols and games for children of different age groups and also for adults. The programme ended with a sumptuous dinner hosted by the management and also Christmas gifts for all the family members present.



Pongal Celebration

The Pongal Celebration (Thamizhar Thirunaazh) for the academic year 2017-2018 was titled as “yettram pongi maattram tharum vizha” and was celebrated on 12th January 2018. The celebration started with the procession which included our Principal Rev. Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget, Our secretary Rev. Sr. Dr. Lilly, Vice Principals, Deans and Heads of Various Departments. Students and Teachers of various Departments eagerly prepared pongal in a traditional way, which was known as “Sooriya Pongal”. They shared pongal and sugarcane as a symbol of love. Jallikattukaalai, Raatinam, Maatuvandi, Gramathuunavu, Silambattam graced the celebration. The students enjoyed the silambattam and fire stunts performed by the team. Sugarcane and Pongal was distributed to all the students as a part of the celebration. The whole Tamil Culture and Tradition was replicated in our college ground. The special folk dance was given by the college team and at last all the students danced and the campus was full of happiness. The students wore traditional dresses. The whole day was blissful and Pongal Celebration was full of surprise and enthusiasm.

Republic Day

The 69th Republic day was celebrated on 26th January 2018. Mr. Gunasekaran, Wing commander, Commanding Officer, Indian Air Force, was the chief guest of the day. The National flag was hoisted by the chief guest. He motivated the students to become good leaders to build an uncorrupted nation. He also insisted that the students should take up responsibilities and also to face civil service exams to equip themselves to meet the challenges of the society.

Hostel Day

Nostalgia, celebration, jubilation was in the air on 24th February 2018 as hostel Day was celebrated. It was a three-day celebration starting with Camp Fire igniting the excitement of the celebration; Fr. Joe Arun was the celebrant of the Holy Mass. Conglomeration of Cultural events in the evening lent additional joy and happiness to the inmates. Final year students with an ache of separation bid adieu to their friends with Cherished memories on the farewell Day. Throughout the year the Holy Spirit pervaded the Hostel and His Presence was felt in every activity.



 **Pongal Festival**
the harvest festival of South India



Women's Day

International Women's Day celebration started with a prayer on 8th March 2018. Mr. Seeman, Chief-Coordinator, Naam Tamilar Katchi was the chief guest of the programme. Rev. Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget, Principal, Holy Cross College and Rev. Sr. Dr. Lilly, Secretary, Holy Cross College honored the chief guest with a shawl and memento. The Chief Guest gave an elaborative speech on the current situation of women and need for their empowerment. On the eve of Women's Day, the College conducted various competitions for shift-I students namely What is in your bag?, Balls with Chopsticks, Tossing the Coin, Time Management game, Sculpting, Essay writing and debate. For shift II students competitions such as Essay writing competition in Tamil and English, Elocution in Tamil and English, Group singing, Rangoli, Mime and Tableau were conducted. Winners of various competitions received their prizes. More than 4,500 students participated in the programme.



Excursion

Non Teaching Staff:

More than 60 non-teaching staff of shifts I & II accompanied by the Principal Rev. Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget and Rev. Sr. Dr. Rajakumari P, Sister In-charge of shift II went on an excursion to Delhi, Agra and Jaipur during the Christmas Holidays from 26th December 2017 to 2nd January 2018. It was an exciting, enriching and unforgettable experience for them.

Teaching Staff:

90 teaching staff of shifts I & II accompanied by the Principal and Sister In-charge of shift II went on an excursion to Alleppey and Cochin on 10th and 11th February 2018. They visited places of importance such as Paradesi / Jewish Synagogue, St. Francis' Church and Tomb of Vasco da Gama, the Beach and Lullu Mall. The highlight of the trip was the stay in a boat house - a new and exciting experience for the staff with the sound of music and the happy rhythm of dancing which was sheer delight to the dancers and non dancing viewers. It was a time of selfie delight capturing the beauty of nature in God's lovely state of Kerala.



Parent Forum & PTA

The Parent-Teachers Association, Holy Cross College, started its activity, for the academic year 2017-18, with the meeting, arranged exclusively for the parents of I year UG and PG students, on 28th September, 2017. The chief guest Dr. J.O. Jeryda Gnanajane Eljo, Assistant Professor, Department of Social Work, Bharathidasan University, enlightened the parents on the topic "Parental Counseling". The objective of the meeting was to give counseling to the parents on handling their wards, in the backdrop of cultural impact caused by media and technology. The meeting organized by PTA coordinator Dr. Amala Fathima Rani and her team, was presided over by Rev. Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget, Principal of Holy Cross College, who offered felicitations. The chief-guest urged the parents to spend quality time with their children, so that they could follow traditional values and culture. Around 1,500 parents, actively participated in the meeting. After the session, the parents met the class teachers of their wards in the respective Departments.

Shift II

On 28th September 2017 Parents Teachers meet was conducted for the parents of I year UG students of Shift II at the college grounds. The guest of honor was Dr.J.O.Jeryda Gnanajane Elja, Assistant Prof. of Social work, Bharathidasan University, Trichy. She addressed the parents on handling emotional intelligence of the present day generation. The main purpose of the meet was to create a common platform, where teachers and parents can come together to enrich the student's educational experiences and discuss variety of issues, regarding overall development of students. The Parent-Teachers Association of Holy Cross College, organized a meeting for the members of the "Parents Forum" on 21st October 2017. Around 200 selected parents, from all the Departments attended the meeting. The objective of the meeting, was to encourage the parents to give their insights and suggestions, for the betterment of the institution. A video presentation based on "Effective Parenting" was well appreciated by the parents.

Mr. S. Senthil Kumar, Head Master, Govt. High School was elected as the President of Parents Forum and Mr. A. Poul Raj, HR, Dalmia Cements and Mr. Shakir Ahamed, Plant Engineer, BHEL were elected as the Vice-President and Secretary respectively. The Parents shared their views regarding the conduct of coaching classes for the group exams, extension of bus facilities, SMS alert for exams and other programmes and modification of dress code etc was discussed.

Teaching Staff:

Mr. Libory, Teacher at St. Mary's School, Madurai, appreciated the management and the staff of the college, for inculcating good values among the students. The President, Mr. Senthil Kumar, appreciated the counseling given to the students by the teachers. He came forward to offer books to the college, in such a way that the students could prepare well for the group exams. Mr. A. Poul Raj, Vice-President, urged the parents and the students, to realize their responsibilities, by using various anecdotes. Mr. Seelan Stephen, Principal, Christian Matriculation HS School, Ottanchatram, gave suggestions for imparting values, ethics and principles to the students. He also urged that English knowledge and business ethics should be imparted to the students. Ms. B. Arputha Mary, appreciated the spirituality inculcated among the students, in the form of retreats.

Ms. Dhanaselvi Jayarani, Principal, Shakespeare Matriculation School, Palakarai, insisted that English knowledge among the students should be enhanced. Mr. Senthil Kumar, Advocate, suggested that changes can be made in shift II timings. Mr. Jayapal from Lalgudi, appreciated the discipline in the college and insisted on interactive teaching. Ms. Arockia Selvi, suggested conducting the parents forum on Sundays and Government holidays. Mr. A. Joseph Soundararajan, Deputy Collector, Anna Institute of Management, IAS training centre, appreciated the discipline and the safety in the college. He insisted that coaching classes should be conducted in the college for group exams.



Outcomes

- Coaching classes for the group exams
- Extension of bus facilities
- SMS alert for exams and other programmes
- Modification of dress code

Departmental PTA Meeting

After the session, the parents met the class teachers of their wards in the respective Departments. The Departmental PTA meeting was also attended by the parents of II and III year UG and II PG students. The academic progress of the students was discussed by the class teachers. Feedback forms were filled up by the parents, which was later consolidated by the PTA in-charges.

The Parents Forum organized a meeting exclusively for the parents of rural background of all the Departments on 22nd December 2017. The objective of the meeting was to encourage the rural based parents to shed their inhibitions and come forward to give their suggestions and insights. The parents appreciated the folk dance programme given by the students. Rev. Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget, Principal, addressed the parents and motivated them to share their views. The parents were overwhelmed as a “Lucky Dip” was conducted and many parents received gifts from the Principal. Christmas songs were also rendered by the students, as a part of glorifying the Christmas celebrations. The parents were also delighted to have lunch in the college. Parents insisted on the development of communication skills among the students, SMS alert, sanction of a minimum of five days leave per semester for the students without affecting the internal marks, offering scholarship for the needy students and so on. After the meeting, the parents met their respective class in-charges regarding their children's prudence and morality. Totally 150 parents met their respective class in-charges. Finally, the class in-charge staff requested the parents to join the Parents Teacher Forum to bridge the gap between the parents, teachers and students and give their valuable suggestion to groom their children.

Department wise Report of the Annual Parent – Teacher Meeting :

Computer Science

SHIFT I

The Parents Teachers Meet was held on 28th September 2017. The Chief guest of the occasion was Ms. Gerdyia Gnana Jane Elijo, Software Department Professor, Counsellor, Bharathidasan University and she spoke on “The relationship between Parents and Children”. After the meeting, the parents met their respective Class In-charges. Totally 273 parents came for this meet. Parents Forum was held on October 21. Totally 16 parents actively participated. During Christmas season, Parents Forum was conducted on 22nd December 2017. 11 parents participated in it.

SHIFT II

The parents teachers meet was held on 28th September 2017. On that occasion the topic regarding the relationship between parents and children on the basis of parental behaviour was spear headed by Ms. Gerdyia Gnana Jane Elijo, Software Department Professor, Counsellor, Bharathidasan University.

Department of Mathematics (Shift II)

Parents Teachers Association meeting for the academic year 2017-2018 was held on 28th September 2017. It was held for the parents of the first year students in the college ground and parental counseling session was given. II and III year students' parents met their children's class teacher in their respective class rooms and the overall performance of the students were discussed.



Department of Physics

On 28th September 2017 the Department conducted Parent – Teachers meet for I B.Sc students and for II B.Sc., III B.Sc, I M.Sc and II M.Sc students. The parents came and met the staff in-charges with the students individually. They discussed the students performance and their activities in the college. On 16th February 2018, the Department of Physics conducted second parent-Teachers meet for I B.Sc., II B.Sc., III B.Sc, I M.Sc. and II M.Sc. students.

Department of Social Work

Parent Teachers Association of Social Work Department had the parent teachers meeting on 28th September. Total students strength I and II MSW were 39, of which 25 student's parents participated. A thorough awareness of fieldwork components and all the anticipated curriculum events of the dept including job placements were given to the parents, which made them have trust in the two years of learning.

Department of Rehabilitation Science

The Parent Teacher Meet was held on 28th September 2017 in the Rehab auditorium. Fifty three parents attended the meeting. Parents were given orientation about the department, general rules and regulations about the college, details about summer placement and job opportunities by Dr. (Sr). Lourdu Mary, Head of the Department and Dr. Uma Kanagala, Associate Professor of Rehabilitation Science. This meeting helped the parents to know about the expectations from their wards.

Department of Chemistry

PTA meet was conducted on 28th September and 16th February for all UG and PG students of the department. Parents participated in large numbers and were eager to know about the performance of their wards.

Alumnae

The General Alumnae Meet of Holy Cross College was held on 9th December, 2017, in Our Lady's Hall at 10 a.m. The Chief Guest of the day was Mrs. K.S.Revathi, Senior Accounts Officer, BSNL, Bengaluru. The special invitees were Rev.Sr.Elizabeth Rose and Rev. Sr. Dr. Anne Xavier, former Principals of Holy Cross College, Trichy, and Rev. Sr. Dr. Rosy Antony Former Provincial, Sisters of the Cross of Chavanod, Province of Trichy & Former Principal of Holy Cross College, Trichy. The occasion was graced by the Alumnae who were present for the meeting. The Newsletter of the Alumnae Association "In Touch" Vol: 11, December 2017 was released by the Principal Rev. Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget and the first copy was received by the Chief Guest Mrs. K.S.Revathi. In her address she thanked the institution for the opportunity and shared her experiences as a student during her education. She inspired the gathering to face challenges bravely never giving up, for the growth of the individuals. Rev. Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget thanked the alumnae for their presence and wished them God's blessings, in the years to come.

The special invitees Rev.Sr.Elizabeth Rose and Rev. Sr.Dr.Anne Xavier through their messages, inspired the gathering to look back on their wonderful days spent as students in Holy Cross College that explained the implication of alumnae reunion, for the growth of the institution and the individuals. A Cultural presentation by the Fine Arts Club of Holy Cross College was appreciated. A game Tombola was conducted by the English Department and Connections Quiz was prearranged by the Mathematics department. The Alumnae actively participated in the games. The Alumnae meet ended with lunch hosted by the college and every one bid each other and their friends a touching farewell.

All outgoing students from all the departments contributed Rupees One lakh, two thousand and two hundred toward the Alumnae Book Bank Fund.



Marital Counseling

The marital counseling for third year UG Students was held on 7th and 12th September 2017, Dr.Kingsley Jebakumar and Dr.Ranjani Jebakumar were the chief guests. Dr.Ranjani Jebakumar spoke on how to be mature in handling relationships and shared her own life experiences. She also explained about menstrual cycle, female reproductive system and biological changes occurring in women. She also clarified the doubts of the students. Dr.Jebakumar spoke on 10 steps to lead a happy and healthy life. He also mentioned many Gandhian quotes and explained their importance in the life of students. He also shared important points on how to lead a successful life. Students actively participated in the complete sessions followed by active questioning and fun way of discussion on their future marriage life.

Valedictory

The valedictory of all the associations and clubs of the college was held on 14th March 2018. The chief guest, Dr. G. Gopinath, Registrar, Bharathidasan University, appreciated the prize winners and distributed the prizes.



College Day Mass

The college day mass was celebrated on 15th March 2018 to praise and thank God for all His manifold blessings showered on the institution and its inmates during this academic year. The celebrant of the mass was Rev. Fr. Suresh, a Capuchin Priest.

College Day

The college day was celebrated on 16th March 2018. The chief guest was Dr. S. Sundar Manoharan, former Vice Chancellor, Karunya University, Coimbatore and Periyar Maniammai, Institute of Science and Technology, Thanjavur. He delivered the college day address and distributed the prizes.



Farewell

The following staff retired after several years of committed service rendered to the college and the student community.

Teaching staff:

- Dr. Maria Eugenie Pia, Associate Professor of Physics
- Dr. K. Raji, Associate Professor of Physics
- Dr. Kanagala Uma, Associate Professor of Rehabilitation Science
- Ms. Maimoona Begum, Associate Professor of Chemistry
- Dr. Noreen Antony, Associate Professor of Chemistry
- Rev. Sr. Dr. Lilly. V, Assistant Professor of Zoology

Administrative staff:

- Ms. Mathalai Mariyana, Lab Assistant.

Thank You

Appreciation or Gratitude expressed from the heart is pleasing to the ears of the receivers. It is indeed a blessing to receive thanks and a greater blessing to render thanks. On this occasion of the 95th College Day, the pleasure is mine to express my sincere thanks to all the people who have willingly extended a helping hand for the smooth functioning of the college and its various activities during this academic year. I deem it my special privilege to thank the chief guest of today's function, Dr. S.Sundar Manoharan, former Vice Chancellor, Karunya University, Coimbatore and Periyar Maniammai, Institute of Science and Technology, Thanjavur, for being present with us today, for his inspiring college day address and for distributing the prizes to the prize winners of this year. Thank you Sir!

I place on record my sincere thanks to our guest of honour Rev. Sr. Jyothi Selvaraj, our Provincial, for her guidance and support.

. I thank our Secretary, Rev. Sr. Dr. Lilly. V, for her constant support and concern generously extended to me for the welfare of the institution. I thank Rev. Sr. Dr. P. Rajakumari, Vice-Principal and in charge of shift II, and Rev. Sr. Lizy George, for their co-operation and support. I also thank Rev. Sr. Dr. Georgia, Controller of Examinations, Rev. Sr. Petronilla, our Campus Minister and the sisters of the community for their help and prayer support.

I owe my special thanks to the two lay Vice Principals, Dr. Nagalakshmi and Dr. Jenitra, for their co-operation in the conduct of academic programmes. I am grateful to the Deans, Heads of the various departments, staff in charge of various associations, staff both teaching and administrative, Student Council members, and all those who helped me for the welfare of the students and the growth of the college. I also thank the wardens, Rev. Sr. Jasmine, Rev. Sr. Catherine Savarimuthu, Rev. Sr. Dr. Judy Gomez, Rev. Sr. Bridget Chelladurai for nurturing the inmates of the hostel with their guidance and encouragement. I thank the media personnel and technical staff, for their technical service and help.

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I humbly render my gratitude to God Almighty for His manifold blessings, support throughout this academic year and for the laurels won through His divine grace that rewarded our human efforts.

In the words of the Psalmist I say: We will always praise you and give thanks to you forever Ps 44:8.

