



## INSTITUTIONAL DISTINCTIVENESS

Holy Cross Institution's Innovation Council (HCIIC) Holy Cross Institution's Innovation Council (HCIIC) is the Institution's Innovation Council (IIC) of Holy Cross College to foster the culture of Innovation, keeping in tune with the institution's mission and vision of developing academically excelling individuals as well as socially contributing agents. Its Purpose It organizes activities related to Innovation, Internship, Startup Entrepreneurship, and IPR. Its aim is to encourage, inspire and nurture young students by supporting them to work with novel ideas while they are in the developmental years of their education. Established on 21st November 2018 under the aegis of MHRDs Innovation Cell, Government of India. In 2020 under UGC STRIDE Project component 1 IIC encourages staff and students to develop innovative products. Institutions Innovation Council of Holy Cross College (Autonomous), Tiruchirappalli has organized various events based on IIC Calendar Activities, MIC Driven Activities and Self driven Activities in each Quarter as insisted by Ministry of Education's Innovation Cell. Recognitions received Based on the activities done, IIC of Holy Cross College (Autonomous), Tiruchirappalli has been awarded with Five Stars in the Zone wise Star Rating for the IIC Calendar year 2019-2020 with a Score of 95.83 and Reward Points of 55.83 by the Ministry of Education (MoE), Govt of India. Activities of IIC are directed towards creating a vibrant local innovation ecosystem in the following ways

- o Inculcating culture of Innovation, Entrepreneurship Startups in Campus
  - o Conduct of IIC, MIC Self Driven Activities
  - o Providing Industry Connect
  - o Giving Access to Seed Funding for Faculty Students of HCC for Transdisciplinary Research
  - o Assisting Faculty Students of HCC in all IPR related activities
  - o Aiding Participation of Students in Regional National Hackathons
  - o Conducting Boot Camps Hackathons for Faculty Students of HCC
  - o Utilization of Studio Services, Instrumentation Lab Services by Budding Entrepreneurs
  - o Highlights of HCCIIC To enhance the industrial creativity and professional skills of the students.
- IIC has organized various activities Idea Competitions, Mentoring Camps, Field Visits, Seminars, Certificate Courses, Entrepreneurship Awareness Camp, Innovation Day.



## **Holy Cross College** (Autonomous)

Affiliated to Bharathidasan University  
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Tiruchirappalli - 620 002, Tamilnadu, India.

Women Leadership Camp at Binary University, Malaysia, Bloom Expo, Internal Hackathons, Innovation Contest'20 for kindling the young minds in innovation, startup, entrepreneurship and patenting. An Idea Competition was organized for the students of the department of Computer Science to motivate the students to identify the societal problems and to come up with innovative solutions for the same. As part of MIC activities Leadership Talks were given to the students by the Union Minister of Human Resource Development. Bloom Expo'19, a Startup Initiative was organized for the students to develop new skills among the youth and make the nation a huge resource pool of Startups. Students of various departments hosted various stalls which gave them a practical exposure of startups.

Workshops like :Towards Development of Innovation Culture and Innovation Ambassador Training series were held aiming to provide intense training on Design thinking, Incubation, IPR and Entrepreneurship for college and university faculty. An Innovation Contest was organized to pool in the ideas, which was a preliminary selection and nomination of teams for National Innovation Contest to be conducted by MHRD. The Panel of Judges gave valuable suggestions A Designing Thinking Idea Pitching Workshop was held to improve the ideas and develop the ideas into working prototypes. at Anna University BIT Campus, Trichy. Conclusion HCCIIC through various modes of training offers venues for learning thereby leading to an innovation promotion eco-system in the campus . It provides a platform for students for exploring groundbreaking ideas for solutions to the predicaments faced in the society.

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