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To impart holistic education based on gospel values of love, justice, equality and peace to young women from all strata of society and enable them to develop as intellectually mature, morally upright, socially responsible and spiritually inspired women leaders of our nation. The learning process and experiences are geared to liberate, transform and empower the learner and the learned (Teacher).



*We cannot do anything against the truth,  
but only for the truth. - II Cor. 13:8*

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## ! Editor's Desk

"... you will be a blessing" ... and all peoples on earth will be blessed through you."  
- Gen 12:2

Confiding on this promise Lady Doak stepped into 2021- '22 and the rest exemplifies His incredible grace and boundless favour. This compendium illustrates God's catalytic power in harnessing and transforming each one to be a blessing to others.

This venture of orchestrating the college magazine was a divine assignment that was intensely realised throughout its course of materialisation. Incontestably, the verse "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me" became a maxim that supplied us with the needed insight and commitment; shoving it forward and sculpting it perfectly.

Myriad ruminations that battered the nimble minds of the dokians were penned down with intellectual profundity and spontaneity. The pictures etched on the book's leaflets show the adroit hands driven by aesthetic acuity and each leaf unfailingly crafted a connoisseur of staggering beauty. A sundry of contributions ranging from eclectic perspectives have unbelievably taken this compilation to a new level. Recurrent events hurled several challenges at Lady Doak that she dauntlessly surmounted. Each stumbling block transfigured to a blessing to many and radically changed into a miracle.

While consistently nourishing the generation with life skills and comprehensive education, the invigorating departments and centres put their best foot forward and accomplished great missions on a national and worldwide scale. The conduct of numerous workshops, seminars, conferences, and training sessions demonstrate the college's unwavering commitment towards outstanding education. This significant mission is eye-opening in that it reveals how all invasive limitations and difficulties morph into blessings. Indeed we are 'blessed to be a blessing!'.

**Dr. Daisy Gohain**  
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## ! From the Principal's Desk...



### Bits and bytes, larger than life!

How wonderful to note that the chaotic Covid-19 could not either contain or contaminate the creative spirit of my Doakians! The pages of the magazine are awash with lively write-ups, lovely lays and sketches unsurpassed in beauty and ingenuity. Every piece sparkles new thought. Every leaf of 'Palm Leaves' reflects the robust impulse of an innovative genius.

Be it a 'limited' physical campus or a virtual realm, the reality these articles project is that a curious mind can capture vital moments and vivacious memories and render them as timeless melodies. Kudos to the contributors and the editors. You have learnt to garner good even from the abysmally bad pandemic era.

Continue, my friends, to nurture your faith and to foster hope in humanity through your artistic expressions in word and deed. Rejoice in the remembrance that we are truly blessed to be a blessing!

**Dr. Christianna Singh**  
Principal & Secretary



# 'Cheerio' friends - Sayonara!

## Dr. Suganda Ramamoorthi

- Wonderful Teacher, Colleague and Friend

It is an honour to pen a few words, recording my appreciation and applause, for Dr. Suganda Ramamoorthi, Associate Professor, Department of Economics. I had the honour of being her student for five years—during both my undergraduate and graduate studies—and I now have the opportunity of working with her and continuing to learn from her. I adore Dr. Suganda Ramamoorthi as a professor and colleague. The department will be left with a void after her retirement. Her absence will be deeply felt.

I am very happy to recollect and recount her rich experience, academic achievements and concrete contributions to the department and to the college at large.

Dr. Suganda is known as a teacher, researcher, academician and administrator. In 1986, she began working as a professor. Her 34 years of devotion to this college have been effectively accomplished.

Dr. Suganda was the first NCC officer in Lady Doak College. She has also served as NSS Programme officer for ten years. She was the official research guide for Study Abroad Programme for Wisconsin University, USA and has guided 7 students from USA to do their projects on environment and gender and at present she is guiding students from Denmark and USA. She was the only person to be invited from the south for the 4th OECD World Economic Forum organized by MOSPI, GOI at New Delhi. She served as a Controller of Examinations, Indian Maritime University, Ministry of Shipping, GOI, Chennai.

Dr. Suganda has admirable proficiency in Sanskrit, Tamil, Hindi, and English. She adores instructing and never turns down a new course. She inspires and supports students of all backgrounds and abilities which is highly admired as a result. She is an excellent chef as well, and her culinary prowess has won the admiration of her peers.

Dr. Suganda has a keen interest in sports. She also has a magic touch of her own. We always won the game - whichever game she was part of. She will put all her energy and strength and give her very best in whatever she does. She has excellent dressing taste. Even as a student and now as a coworker, I was and am always in awe of her choice of sarees and jewellery.



She has received two Awards:

1. **Outstanding Faculty Award** by Venus International Foundation, Chennai
2. **Best Associate Professor Award** conferred by Pearl Foundation for Educational Excellence.

She has visited several countries: Thailand, China, Sri Lanka, Dubai, Bali, Malaysia, UK, Germany, France, Italy, Spain and Switzerland.

She is a wonderful teacher, guide, mentor, leader, and friend. I will always be grateful to her for her support and kindness. She made working with her an interesting and memorable experience.

I wish her good health and strength and all God's blessings as she retires from college service and enters into a new phase of her life. I want to bless you with this verse: "The Lord bless you

and keep you; the Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you;

the Lord turn His face toward you and give you peace." Numbers 6:24-26

**Dr. Helen Mary Jacqueline M.**

Dean of Academic Affairs (Humanities) & Associate Professor, Department of Economics

## Dr. Suka Joshua

- The Lady Shashi Tharoor of LDC

We have time and again heard our Principal read out a poem from a plaque which is given to the retiring faculty in honour of their long years of service. The Principal reads, of course she reads well and we listen and we listen well too. Have you ever attempted to understand what was read? I have. Innumerable times. Each time I failed miserably. Who do you think is the author of those poems? The Lady Shashi Tharoor of Lady Doak College! Dr. Suka Joshua. Within minutes she can churn lines. During the unearthly hours of the morning if she is sleepless, she spins poems of the finest taste.

Ours has been a thirty-nine-year-old bond right from our days as postgraduates. This poet used to attend her classes at the American College with her eyes wide open and full of enthusiasm, allowing the lectures to sink in. But as minutes stretched to hours, the eyelids would slowly close under the pressure of words that come from her professors. As months rolled on, her professors became wise to her ways and Suka had to evolve in subtle and effective ways. This is what I'd call, cultivating the art of sleeping with eyes open. A dignified sleeper.

You have seen students writing on papers, in notebooks and sometimes even on the books themselves but never in the history of an institution would you have ever come across a student beginning to write in a notebook and finally crossing the border and continuing to write the notes on the table. So, one of her professors had to remind her that she limited herself to a notebook and not extend it to her table. How is it possible to get awards at the end of the year despite all this? That is Suka for you. A hard worker pouring into the books at the library devouring the length and breadth of each book. Every prestigious prize was hers.

The journey of Suka's life at LDC began with a simple nocturnal phone call to wish me on my birthday. I wanted her to respond to the advertisement from LDC inviting eligible 'English' candidates to apply for the post of an Assistant Professor. Placing her trust in God, she travelled from Bhopal to attend her interview here. Friends from the early 80s we were and it was a celebration to be together in the same place spending time when she got selected. Fatherless Suga grew up, because he died when she was just a year old. She was brought up in a



small town in Sivakasi by her mother who had an unflinching faith in God.

It wasn't a smooth journey. A month after joining Lady Doak College, Suka fell very ill. She was admitted in the Kennet hospital with the doctor's assurance that she would live but would forever be confined to a wheelchair. The steps she took away from her predicted state is a mark of her enduring faith in Christ. Despite all the severe health setbacks, once she was back on her feet, she gladly accepted responsibilities in the college.

Two years after joining LDC she applied for Oberlin Shansi Fellowship and astounded her supervisor, Dr Mary Kirtz, at Oberlin college with her superfast readings and reviews she submitted. Her first presentation on Atwood brought her invitations to speak at several universities in other states during her four-month stay. She got the Indo Shastri Canadian Fellowship which took her on a trip to Canada, to the University of Montreal, Universities of Toronto and Carleton in 2006. She is the first in our department to apply for UGC funding to present a paper at the Windsor University, Canada and had the rare and precious opportunity of giving a talk on novelist Atwood in the presence of Atwood at the Emory university, Atlanta in 2010. Atwood gave her a big hug and said, "you are a brave woman".

In 2012 she was selected to attend the Haggai International Leadership Seminar at Maui, Hawaii, USA and there among the 38 participants from many different countries Suka was chosen to give the graduation speech, which is a rare honour. In 2015, she went to Wesley Theological Seminary,



Washington DC, USA to do her MA in Theology. It is a two-year course but Suka finished it in one year getting a straight 'A' in all the subjects and got the most beautiful opportunity of reading a passage from the Bible from the National Cathedral pulpit. A paper that she presented in Wesley as a student got published in a book titled Gandhi's Non-violent Language. She was the only woman author, only Indian to get her paper published.

In 2018 the Haggai International invited her to be trained as the international facilitator. All this she was able to achieve despite her health constraints and within a span of twenty-five years of her service at

Lady Doak College. She is also a Research Supervisor guiding Ph.D. scholars. If you ask her how all this is possible, her one and only answer would be "It is the sheer grace of my Lord Jesus Christ". What a message her life is!

What with so many valuable lessons she has taught, she is an immortal mortal. The God whom you love, adores you so much that He would shower you and your family with His choicest blessings! I love you. We love you!

**Dr. Geetha Kanagaraj**  
Head & Associate Professor,  
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“இட்டபணி இனிதே முடித்த இறுதி நாளில் இனிய உள்ளங்கள் இணைந்து வாழ்த்தட்டும்! கல்லூரி நினைவுகளை நினைக்குந்தோறும் கணக்கற்ற இன்பஊற்றுப் பெருகட்டும்! வாழும் நாட்கள் வளமாய் அமைந்து வளங்களைக் கரங்களில் ஏந்தட்டும்! இறையருளால் இல்லத்தில் இணையற்ற இன்பம் பெருகட்டும்! இனிவரும் நாட்கள் அன்பு உறவுகளோடு ஆனந்தப் பயணம் தொடரட்டும்! என்றும் இனிதே வளமுடன் வாழ வாழ்த்துகள்!”

36ஆண்டுகள் சிறப்புடன் பணியாற்றிய வசந்தா அக்கா அவர்கள் மகிழ்ச்சி, சமாதானம் மற்றும் ஆரோக்கியத்துடன் இனிவரும் காலங்களில் தொடர்ந்து இன்பமுடன் வாழ, எல்லாம் வல்ல தேவன் தாமே அருள்புரிய வேண்டி, கல்லூரியின் சார்பாக வாழ்த்துகிறேன்.

திருமதி **பி. கஸ்தூரி**

சிறப்புநிலை உதவியாளர் - நிதியாளர் அலுவலகம்.

## வசந்தமான(வசந்தா) அக்கா

எனிய தோற்றம், விருவிறுப்பான நடை, சுறுசுறுப்பான பணி, புன்னகை முகம், மெல்லிய தேகம் இத்தனைக்கும் சொந்தக்காரர். வசந்தா அக்கா என்று பாசமுடன் அனைவரும் அழைக்கும் அழகிய பெயருக்கு உரிமையுடையவர். 1986 முதல் 36 வருடங்கள் முதல்வர் அலுவலகத்திலே ஐந்து முதல்வர்களுடன் பணியாற்றிய பாக்கியசாலி இவர். அன்னாரைத் தெரியாத ஆசிரியர்களும் ஆசிரியரல்லாத அலுவலர்களும் இருக்கவே வாய்ப்பே இல்லை.

கல்லூரியின் அரசு மானியம் பெறும் அனைவருக்கும் பணிப்பதிவேட்டைப் (Service Register) பராமரிக்கும் பணி, இவரின் பொறுப்புகளுள் தலையாயப் பொறுப்பு. அப்பணியைத் திறம்படச் செய்யும் ஆற்றல்சால் பண்பாளர். இவரின் கையெழுத்து பசுமரத்தில் அடித்த ஆணி போன்று அழுத்தமானவை. நேர்த்தியானவை. எப்போதும் எங்கேயும் புன்னகையுடன் உலாவரும் புன்னகையரசி. அதேசமயம் தவறு கண்டவிடத்து அதனைப் பாங்குடனே தட்டிக்கேட்டு, மென்மையாகச் சுட்டிக்காட்டும் தகைமை பொருந்தியவர்.

தொலைத்தொடர்பு வசதி(Intercom facility) இருந்த போதிலும், அதனையெல்லாம் விஞ்சும் அளவுக்கு நேரடியாக விரைந்து சென்று குறித்த நபரிடமிருந்து அவசரமான பணிகளுக்குத் தகவல்களைத் திரட்டும் சுறுசுறுப்பின் தகவல் பெட்டகம் இவரெனில் அது மிகையன்று. காலையில் பணிக்குத் தொலை தூரத்திலிருந்து வந்தாலும் சரியான நேரத்தில் அலுவலகம் வரும்போது, விரைவும் வேகமும் கலந்த உற்சாக நடை இவருக்கே உரிய தனிச்சிறப்பு. இவரின் விரைவு நடைக்கு இணை இவரே.

எடுத்தபணி முடிக்கும் கொள்கைவாதி இவர். அதன்பொருட்டு, முதல்வர் முக்கிய ஆலோசனைக் கூட்டங்களில் இருக்க நேரிடிலும், தயங்காது அங்கு சென்று அது குறித்த ஐயங்களைக் கேட்டுத் தெளிவுபெற்றுச் செயலாற்றும் செயல்திறம் மிக்கவர்.

# Peregrinating Overseas Threshold

## Mary Baldwin Experience

One of the most enriching periods of our life thus far was the time we spent at Mary Baldwin University. Staunton, the place where we resided, is a serene, lovely small town populated by gracious people. Walking through the city's centre never failed to make us happy because practically everyone we encountered always greeted us with a smile and a good morning. Mary Baldwin's academics were interesting and enlightening. They covered many different subjects in depth. Even before we entered Mary Baldwin University, the variety of courses we had to pick from piqued our attention and curiosity. One of our favourite memories at MBU is the classroom setting. Aside from the classroom experiences, Mary Baldwin University entertained us with a variety of events and activities organised for the students to highlight the diversity in culture on campus as well as a range of workshops and chat sessions prior to the final exams to help students deal with exam stress. The supportive and encouraging professors enhanced the value of our experience. Traveling between nations and staying at a location so far from home for five months was a significant adjustment, yet in every way, living in MBU was worth all the fears and challenges!

**Jovita Roselene J. 19ENG033**





## The Japan Summer Service Learning (JSSL)

The Japan Summer Service-Learning (JSSL) programme is a collaboration among the Service Learning Center at the International Christian University (ICU) in Mitaka, Japan, the Middlebury College Center for Community Engagement (CCE), and the Middlebury College School in Japan.

JSSL has taught us innumerable life lessons. To be precise, it made the team understand that one's accent doesn't make their answer any less valid. Most certainly, this is one of the priceless memories from college we would wish to save. This programme altered our way of thinking as well as our communication skills and confidence. It helped us understand that we must start making wise



contributions on our own rather than waiting for someone else to come along and alter the world.

**Jeya Shwetha R. 19COHE014**  
**Vaishali D. 19ECE060**

## International Christian University

It was strange enough sitting in front of a device for four hours, looking at familiar ones, let alone foreigners. That's what the pandemic did to us all. However, seeing people from all over the world who are eager to try something new and learn about another country's culture was a major leap forward for me.

Two of the courses I picked were on Japanese art and literature, which were perfect for filling in the gaps in my cultural understanding. The other anthropology course taught me about a different element of mankind and its evolution. The ICU personnel were exceedingly friendly and thrilled to welcome an exchange student from India. They and my classmates all praised India's cultural history and variety. I felt the responsibility of not only being a doakian but also a proud citizen of India, and that we still have miles to go before we sleep.

The most important piece of advice to remember is that "I am capable of greater things and I must strive for it." Looking around at the casually multi-talented people inspired me to resurrect old interests that I had buried as I grew up. Also, it wasn't always



about meticulous planning, but rather about making the most of what you had when you could.

I believe the student exchange with International Christian University is only the beginning of my educational journey. This experience has fueled my desire to learn more about the world and myself. I will be eternally grateful to my college and ICU for providing me with this opportunity.

**Eishina Jaikumar 19ENG019**

## Oberlin Shansi Exchange Fellowship

— A cut short story with memorable experience down the lane

Oberlin is a campus full of possibilities, and there are a lot of things waiting to be discovered. I want to say how enlightening this exchange programme and visit to Oberlin College were. Learning about the prestigious institution, which has a long history spanning more than 186 years, is really beneficial. Everything, from the icy minus one degrees to the snowfall to the church visits and scrumptious feasts, was enthralling and entrancing. Oberlin provided me with a wealth of priceless experiences that I will remember forever.

The most enriching experience was the class which I audited - International Trade. Ms. Barbara Craig, an energetic senior professor who had excellent knowledge in quantification skills handled the course. Her lectures were engaging, and she forced the class to constantly reflect and respond right away. The next course I voluntarily enrolled in was entrepreneurship, instructed by Ms. Bara Watts, a stylish instructor with captivating energy. She consistently kept the class involved with cram-packed exercises, enabling them to absorb the modules outside of class as well. This made her teaching technique quite unique. I spoke with several of my student acquaintances and carefully studied how they approached their on-campus education. The most incredible opportunity I have had was travelling to Boston to attend the

Asian Business Conference and see the campuses of Harvard and MIT.

To sum up, this exchange fellowship programme has given me a fantastic chance and an unforgettable experience to impart my knowledge to my home institution. It helped me articulate my thoughts about the boot camp, which I observed equip students with viable business concepts in order to help them become future entrepreneurs. It provided me a platform to contribute to the creation of innovative curricula and the framing of courses with distinctive concepts in order to boost underdeveloped regions. Based on my observations of students engaged in community service, I was able to intensify the students' attention to extensive community engagement with a deliberate connection concentrating on real results. Furthermore, despite the fear of a pandemic, they successfully returned to their home nation with a backpack full of lovely, evergreen memories. This fellowship provides excellent possibilities to become a part of a great institution and to foster lifetime relationships.

"A great thanks to all those who made this possible"

**Dr. Angel Christy Praveena**  
Assistant Professor, Department of Commerce





The Scranton Story



Scranton Essay Competition was an environment-related one, more specifically- Ecological Justice for a Sustainable Future. Out of numerous topics I chose ‘Zero Waste’. A brief film presentation was made of my beautiful garden blooming with attractive flowers and lovely fruits for this contest. Me winning this contest was a dream come true. By God's grace, I had been awarded a scholarship for \$500.

First and foremost, I give thanks to the Almighty, my parents for always being there for me, Lady Doak College for giving me a platform to express my views about environmental crisis, and I am ever indebted to respected Yuni ma'am, the scholarship coordinator for the Scranton Essay Contest. So let's make a positive difference and strengthen our fortitude. The maxim says, ‘There is always an opportunity to make a difference.’ When opportunity comes, make optimum use of it. Good luck to you!

Hannah Jessica S. 21BBAE014

I adore and cherish literature. My passion in essay writing was sparked by this pastime. My alarm grew as I soon began reading about the changes taking place all around me.

In my essay, I discussed how to develop a sustainable future in the face of the climate crisis and global warming. In this essay, I've emphasised how our complacency has caused the gifts of nature to mankind to be destroyed, and how the consequences we are experiencing in the form of global warming and climate change are a direct result of our reckless acts.

I've also included some straight forward suggestions that we, as responsible students, should adopt into our daily lives to support the future prosperity of our world.



The purpose of my message in the essay was to serve as a rallying cry for everyone to take responsibility for giving our future generation a decent place to live before it's too late. Through this competition, I was given the chance to express my concerns and make my first worldwide step toward a sustainable future.

Susitha V.K. 21MAT067

"A significant transformation in one's life is caused by passion and willpower to achieve."

The topic of the essay contest, "Who Knows Conservation of Nature Better Than Us? Understanding the Importance of Reviving the Indigenous Origins" focuses on creating a sustainable way of life for the Kadar tribe on the fringes of Tamil Nadu's Valparai district. In order to enhance tribal life and preserve the natural and animal resources in the forest, this initiative seeks to reunify the tribal people with nature. The tribal community of North Sentinel Island serves as an inspiration for the project because it defends its members' rights to their land and acts as a testimony to the preservation of its members' culture, identity, and relationship with the environment. The importance of tribal culture and values should be understood by everyone, and tribal populations themselves should be aware of the fundamental rights they have on their ancestral lands. People's recognition of the importance of tribal existence in their ancestral habitat is the very first step toward conserving and maintaining nature.

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Profound Insights - Faculty Contribution

“Embrace uncertainties with a hope for new opportunities”

The sudden shift to digital teaching was challenging for me and I struggled to adapt to the new teaching arena. Every class was filled with “Am I audible?”, “Is my screen visible?” “Are you there, girls?” were the most frequently mentioned sentences during the course of the online classes when it became mandatory for a while without any other option. This made me think about the silver linings that may lie in the forced move to online learning when UBECHA (United Board for Christian Higher Education in Asia) and Ateneo de Manila University’s Institute for the Science and Art of Learning and Teaching offered a three-month online course from September 1 to November 30, 2021. This course not only taught me to adapt to an online environment but made me revisit the entire teaching-learning process from a fresh perspective. It helped me to understand the importance of competences in learning outcomes, the importance of designing authentic assessments, and how to design engaging content. Earlier I was highly skeptical about engaging students in an online environment and making learning active and interactive. This programme unleashed opportunities to meet many educators around the globe and every interaction mattered, be it through webinars, breakout sessions, or forum discussions. I cherished the experience which ignited my personal aim for providing the best for our students being future leaders.

As I completed this course, I had another double-fold blessing waiting for me. It was the introduction of the Virtual Haggai Leadership program from 8-January, 2022 to 9-April, 2022 which made a spice to the time of doubts, fear, and anxiety. It made me realize my personal vision and the mission statement and the God-driven purpose for my existence. The most transformational experience in VHLE is the topic very close to my heart, “The intrapersonal and interpersonal communication for effective Evangelism”. It made me examine and contemplate the topic and helped me to redefine my life. As I was asked to give a devotion for the morning chapel



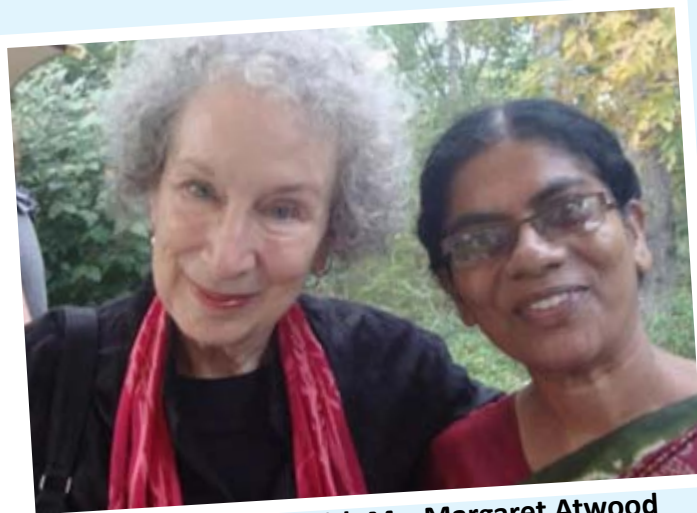
prayer, I shared the same topic with the faculty and students gathered. It was a great blessing for all. I thank and praise God for the transformations He has brought in me through both Virtual programs which were a treat to my academic refreshment and the other fulfilling my soul thirst. I thank God for the facilitators, Program Coordinators, technical team, my co-participants, and both the Portals being designed in a user-friendly way. I learned that I can get off the hamster wheel and turn every disaster into an opportunity if I have trust in the creator and master for He had promised that He will never leave me nor forsake me.

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Dr. Suka Joshua with Ms. Margaret Atwood

Exodus To Nowheresville

Masses moving - another exodus  
Beating sun and cloud of dust  
Piling hunger and killing thirst  
Pillars conglomerate my comrades.  
Carrying ache of restrictive covenants  
On heavy hearts and heaving hips  
The impressive prisoners parade  
The great expanse towards the gloom of  
Nowheresville!

Had there been a Red Sea  
Would have receded in tears  
Had there been a Jericho  
Would have tumbled in shame  
Our Moseses ... oh don't blame  
Are making the right use of rods  
No paucity of spontaneous words  
And the mass move on to the drudgery of  
Nowheresville.

What about the divine manna?  
Don't you know, dainty Hannah  
What the infallible scripture says?  
No work, no food!  
Where then are the plunder  
The silver and the gold?  
Oh dear, are you an alien, inept  
To deem their doom in the land of Nowheresville?

Oh they set their minds on high  
To brave the brutal march  
To bond with their beloveds  
Beyond the blurring borders.  
Onward on the onerous march  
The rough and rugged route  
These hapless beings saunter  
And strive to join kith and kin in domains of  
Nowheresville!

In the grip of misery they ramble  
Through grim and grievous track  
Albeit tough and trying  
Relentless they plod and slog  
The stiff and searing steps  
At all cost all castes for once  
Clustered in the clamour ...  
While grateful Kingpins watch them fade in to  
Nowheresville!

Oh Corona! what you caused is  
Not a havoc nor a hell but  
Gandhi's dream taking shape  
In the high and the low bonding well!  
You fattened political purses  
And flattened infinite houses  
Prophecies of 'peace' fulfilled  
As masses are stilled on the killer track of  
Nowheresville!

Rough ground levelled by  
Million legs plodding the path  
Rugged terrain turned plain  
By the pain and the slain  
Justice has gone down the drain  
To show mercy is the biggest strain  
Our bovine and canine get greatest gain  
When the poor tussle for a grain in the reign of  
Nowheresville.

We truly are the righteous lot  
Who give humane care for perilous pet  
And say "poor thing" when people rot  
A wound in a leopard makes us fret  
A wounded human is seen as a threat  
O Lord, our apathy we regret  
With rue and remorse beset  
We pray, let the realm of Nowheresville justice beget!

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Thanksgiving – a time to Remember, Reflect, Respond and Rededicate

Message given at Wilcox Chapel in July 2021

We are gathered here for a solemn celebration to the Lord – a celebration of 73 years of the College that we are all a part of one way or another and also to remember the founder on her 132<sup>nd</sup> birthday. How do we celebrate when we are living – nay existing – on the cusp between the second and the third wave of a devastating pandemic that didn't leave anyone unaffected in its second wave? Are we justified in such a celebration? Let us then go to our scriptures as always for guidance and help.

The psalm we now read is *A Psalm of Asaph. Who was Asaph?*

When David brings the Ark of God to Jerusalem and sets it up in its tent – that was a day of rejoicing. We read in 1Chr 16:7 that there was considerable planning involved where some people were set apart just to sing praises and give thanks to God. Several names are mentioned of which quite a prominent – if not the most prominent – one is Asaph. It was during this occasion that David first appointed that thanksgiving be sung to the LORD by Asaph and his brothers. Asaph was a composer, a music director, a drummer and a singer – equivalent to any popular worship leader of today. His name means to gather together – an apt name for a musician.

On that day David gives him the first psalm to sing – psalm 105. That psalm is a psalm of thanksgiving – It begins with 'Give thanks to the Lord' and then goes on to tell of His deeds, exhorts the hearers to spread His name abroad and end with recalling God's faithfulness in leading his children to the promised land.

But Psalm 77 – parts of which we read today is not really in keeping with Asaph's role or appointment. It starts in quite the opposite way – full of depression and a hopelessness that almost believes that God has forgotten His people. The first four verses indicate that the psalmist is going through some difficulty – something very intense, something that threatens to rob him of his sleep, something he is to be unable to speak about but he expresses his fear that he might lose his faith in a God who cares. Some Bible scholars believe that the incident that caused so much agony for him was the death of his brother Zechariah, a singer and a prophet who was murdered by Solomon's agents within the temple courts.

We as individuals and as an institution in the throes of the current pandemic have faced severe loss and hardships – not at all of our making. Do we find ourselves in a place where it is difficult to sleep at night, where we are unable to voice our sorrows, where we are on the verge of losing our hope? And so, my original question haunts me again – is it even right to celebrate at this time?

As we go on with the psalm, we find that there are some remedies for this depressive state of affairs.

1. Asaph decides to **remember** and that I believe is what we too are called to do  
Remember
  - a. the songs he sang – songs in the night vs4
  - b. the time when the Lord stretched his right hand – indicating His power
  - c. deeds of the Lord – the miracles we have experienced in the past

Today we remember the life of our founder and see the miraculous power of God working through her in much the same way as Asaph recalled God working through Moses to fulfil His promises. Ms Wilcox certainly had the Spirit of Moses. Recall the story of Moses on Mount Sinai in God's presence when the Israelites built the golden calf and worshipped. God then tells Moses, 'Forget these people whom you are leading I will make you a great nation' – Moses refused. Miss Wilcox wanted God's purpose to be carried out irrespective of whether she got the credit for it or not. Neither of the two institutions that she worked tirelessly to establish, bears her name – rather they carry the names of friends who supported her in the building of the institution. Such was her Christian conviction.

But let us for a moment think of what she must have been going through – the year before she landed on the shores of India in 1915, at a time when travel was a long and arduous affair, the world was plunged into the first world war. During the time she stayed and worked here in this remote corner of the country the world also went through a second world war – she would not have known what and how her large family was – here too, India was slowly and surely moving towards independence and as a foreigner she would have had her own doubts and fears as to the



tenability of her stay and work here. Add to this, the great depression that the world was plunged into in the 1930s which brought to a trickle the donations from abroad. Finally, the person who was her mentor, on whom she depended upon for guidance suddenly died and she was left to carry out their joint dreams to its fruition. Surely that was a red sea moment where you feel hemmed in on all sides not knowing which way to turn. One of Ms Wilcox's favourite hymns, we were told was This is my Father's world. The first verse talks about Gods wonder of creation,

*This is my Father's world, And to my listening ears  
All nature sings, and round me rings  
The music of the spheres.*

*This is my Father's world: I rest me in the thought  
Of rocks and trees, of skies and seas; His hand the  
wonders wrought.*

the second emphasizes that we can listen to God at all times

*This is my Father's world, The birds their carols  
raise,  
The morning light, the lily white,  
Declare their maker's praise.*

*This is my Father's world, He shines in all that's  
fair;*

*In the rustling grass I hear Him pass; He speaks to  
me everywhere.*

but the third verse is particularly meaningful for here is an assertion that God is still the ruler and so we need not be sad even though evil seems to be flourishing

*This is my Father's world. O let me ne'er forget  
That though the wrong seems oft so strong,  
God is the ruler yet.*

*This is my Father's world: why should my heart be  
sad?*

*The Lord is King; let the heavens ring! God reigns;  
let the earth be glad!*

2. Let's move on to consider and **reflect** on how she responded to these innumerable and diverse challenges. In psalm 77, we find that the psalmist did not remember, the event of the crossing of the red sea but also reflected on it and what struck him was that the Lord's arm is powerful – his right hand. For us too, it is good for us to consider the works of the Lord, the wonders of old. When Ms Mary Noyes and Katie Wilcox bought the 31 acres of land in 1924, they realized that the city would soon expand beyond the banks of the river

Vaigai. Their vision was that this land which they developed into a garden, would house a school and a junior college for girls on this campus.

Ms Wilcox was an aide to Ms Noyes very much like Joshua was to Moses but Joshua had 40 years to get acquainted with the new job of leading the people after Moses's death – Ms Wilcox had 15 or 16 years for the mantle was thrust on her after the sudden death of Ms Noyes in 1931. This was when she acted on her own quote "We must hurl ourselves after our prayers." The government went back on the promise to fund the project and soon after, the mission committee told her that due to the economic depression they were releasing the people from their pledge and advised her to shelve her dream of a high school and sell a part of the property. In an interview she has said "Sometimes I get a bit discouraged and I wonder why I am here but these moments are few and far between" This could probably have been one of those moments.

Ms Wilcox did not succumb to the pressure. She was a builder and she was not going to give up on her dream. She built institutions and individuals. She carried the people along with her in her vision and that was how she was able to mobilize funds from the local community and from her former students in India when the overseas funding was not forthcoming. India was on the verge of independence, and Ms Wilcox believed that women educated here will be nation builders. She acted on this belief by appointing the very first principal to be an Indian – something which I think very few if any other missionary institution can boast of. Soon the first batch of 81 college students were admitted and college started for the first time on the 14<sup>th</sup> of July 1948. She continued to build people – both students and faculty – always being concerned about whether the faculty and students had the environment to give their best. Even after her retirement she was keen to know whether the teachers were happy – for she knew that that was what would make them most productive. Students too would be assured that not only was their mind trained but wherever necessary their physical needs too would be taken care of in the form of wholesome meals.

She dreamt, she prayed, she strategized and she worked. Here is an example: During a Founder's day programme in the late eighties, the chief guest told a story of how Ms Wilcox understood

a young girl's plight and enabled her to complete her education while looking after her infant brother in the hostel. This story caused a lot of excitement in the audience as the little baby's daughter was at that time a student of the college attending the funtoin.

Here is the story of that young baby in the words of his daughter, Dr. M. Chitra: *'My (late) aunt, Ms.Ponnammal Rathinasamy was studying in Capron Hall Girls Higher Secondary School located in Mangalapuram, Madurai. Ms Wilcox was her teacher. My grandmother expired in her Village, Karisalkulam near Arupukkottai due to the Cholera epidemic after my father was just born. My aunt left her studies and was looking after the baby in her Village. Ms Wilcox went all the way to the Village and took both my dad as a baby and my aunt to Madurai and raised him in the school only for nearly 2 years. There is a building in Capron Hall named Emerson Building. My father was kept there and given baptism in Mangalapuram Church. His name Mr. R. Thomas Emerson Mangalaraj, originated there. Later, Ms Wilcox started our Lady Doak College*

Prof Emerson Mangalraj went on to study Physics and became the principal of the Velachamy Nadar college in Madurai. Both his daughters studied Physics at our college and Chitra was the college union treasurer. Chitra went on to complete her PhD in Physics at the IIT, Chennai, worked as a Scientist in the Crystal Growth Centre, Chennai and today is an Assistant Professor of Physics at the Anna University. Her sister, Amutha, an IT professional, works in Bangalore. The seed Ms Wilcox planted and nurtured has surely born fruit – fruit that has lasted from generation to generation.

3. What do we take away from her life? What is the message that we can take from psalm 77? In a day and age where it is considered irrelevant to look at the wisdom of the past, let us remember that God always wants us to commemorate significant events. This is seen throughout the Bible – be it the crossing of the red sea, the crossing of the Jordan or the death and resurrection of Christ. Remembrance is good – reflecting is better because we carefully consider. But most important is what has been our **response** to this godly heritage over these past 73 years?

Succeeding generations have come and gone. Each generation of builders had unique problems

– their own red sea moments. Each generation faced it with prayer – maybe coupled with the lament why Lord or How long Lord? And yet they hurled themselves after their prayers. They faltered, picked themselves up, ventured into uncharted territory, moved into communities and neighbourhoods always dreaming, always praying, always strategizing and always working. There were times in each generation where we seemed to be hemmed in on all sides. The God who opened the red sea for the Israelites, the God who made the walls of Jericho fall is the God who allowed Jesus to go to the cross. This God will be with us in our sorrows, our pain, our cross – He will be our burden bearer, our partner in the work and His purpose will shine forth if we yield to His ways. We, as a college, have moved through the phase of establishing ourselves, of formulating a motto, a symbol and a bible verse that is our guiding light in difficult decision-making moments.

We have pioneered in the field of educational autonomy in the country blending academic, cocurricular and exposure programmes to produce wholesome individuals for the society. We have taken the difficult decision of introducing Self-financing courses which were looked on with suspicion at the time but which today is the lifeline of any institution. We have expanded our territory physically and academically as we upgraded our departments to research centres and groomed ourselves and our students into researchers with well thought out collaborators. We have introduced concepts of integrating classroom education with life situations. True to the Spirit of Ms Wilcox and her team we were led by God into a vision for the future when we introduced programmes and centres on Counselling, Women's studies, Human rights, Environment and Life Frontier engagement long before they became 'politically correct' and the norm on campuses in India.

In the recent past exposure to and proficiency in computer-based methodologies before the pandemic struck enabled us to seamlessly transition into this new mode of teaching and learning. Yes, we continued to be a learning and growing community, that was relevant for the times. Today, we have partnerships, collaborators, donors and friends around the world who look out for our well-being as an institution. We have alumnae all over the world



who look back nostalgically and with gratitude as they think of what they have gained and what they can now give because they are a part of this loving, giving and caring community. We also have upcoming institutions who look to us for the guidance which we give without grudging. The dream lives on and so the answer to my initial question is a resounding 'Yes'. We do need to be thankful and yes, we can celebrate because we have a God who has sustained us through several crises and brought us through our different red sea experiences.

4. Today, then, I invite you the present generation of Doakians, to thankfully **rededicate** yourselves to work towards the evolving dream but always working for the truth always praying, dreaming, strategizing and working so as to be relevant in today's world – academically, socially, emotionally and economically. All of us continue to be part of the dream – the dream that has been nurtured by the continuous team of administrators, teaching and non-teaching faculty members and guided by efficient board members who have moved through the portals of this college and helped in building – people, programmes and infrastructure. Each challenge was faced with a team of people dedicated to the well-being of the college who in their time who showed their faith in God by the works they did. Team work has been the forte of the institution and I believe it still continues to be so. In keeping with the tradition set forth by Ms Wilcox the students who come here are made to realize their strength and given the confidence to be able to face any situation in life – an example is in the nationwide star seen today in our own Revathy who is representing the country in the Olympics.

How do you – the present team – take this to the next level. Yes, you have your red sea moment – different from all other such moments – educating a generation of students through a pandemic knowing that your students and you have faced loss and devastation which could and did affect us all at different levels. I know the college has come up with various strategies to meet the needs of the students and faculty – be it emotional, academic or financial. You have used the good will of people, made connections and given yourselves selflessly and that I believe is working by the guidance of the Spirit as did our founder. You have responded to a unique devastating situation with fortitude

and courage and this in itself is something to thank God for.

I tried a little experiment with the counsellor of our college I asked her to find out for me what the current generation of faculty members are grateful for. Several faculty members – senior and fresh faculty – had responded and their answers show that our college still dreams and still hurls their prayers into action to fulfil these dreams for the greater glory of God. A representative number from among you are grateful for a college that stands for the truth, an administration that cares, prays and supports you when we are in a crisis and so you feel like a family. Several of you are grateful for the technological advances on campus. You are grateful for the academic freedom you have, for the new ideas you are introduced to and for the encouragement to do research. You have identified your skills and hidden talents, and you are grateful for having been given administrative roles that you did not know you were capable of, you are able to share your ideas and learn from your students and several of you have mentioned the ambience of the campus and your growth academically and spiritually – these are truly remarkable evidences that the good work started by God in Ms Wilcox is continuing in the current team of administrators, teaching and non-teaching faculty and students.

You do have a godly heritage, you belong to a family that cares for each other, and you can run the race faithfully till the end knowing that you are running this race for God and let me assure you that you have a cloud of witnesses cheering you on – witnesses to the fact that the purpose of this institution is being met in each generation. I too form part of that cloud of witnesses standing on the side lines, cheering you all on as you 'pray tall, dream tall, think tall and live tall' in the service of God and humanity. And on the other side of the globe (in United church of Chester and the town of Chester, Connecticut, Ms Wilcox's church and hometown as also in Mount Holyoke in Massachusetts, her alma mater) are those who join with us as part of that cloud of witnesses as they thank God for the life and work of one who grew up among them – a life that and has inspired a movement here in this part of India.

May God bless you in all your endeavours

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## Serendipity: Accidental Brilliance in Science

Over the years, fortuitous accidents in laboratories have led to new things that are totally unexpected and unsought for, but owing to the sagacity of the scientists who encountered these accidents, they have turned into remarkable milestones of the scientific world. Following are few examples of serendipitous inventions and discoveries

### Saccharin- Artificial sweetener

Saccharin, the artificial sweetener, is around 400 times sweeter than sugar. It was discovered in 1878 by Constantine Fahlberg, who was actually working an analysis of coal tar at the Johns Hopkins University lab. After a long day in the lab, he forgot to wash his hands before eating dinner. He picked up a bread roll, and noticed that it seemed incredibly sweet as did everything else he touched. He concluded that the sweetness came from the insoluble remnants of a chemical named benzoic sulfimide that got spilled over his hands while working in his lab.

### Microwave oven

In 1945, Percy Spencer, an American Engineer was working in a lab testing magnetrons, the high-powered vacuum tubes inside radars. One day, while working near the magnetrons that produced microwaves, Spencer noticed a peanut butter candy bar in his pocket had begun to melt. Percy had accidentally discovered that these signals could make things hot. He used his ideas to make the first ever microwave oven.

### Insulin

In 1889, German physicians Joseph Von Mering and Oscar Minkowski removed the pancreas from a healthy dog in order to study the role of the pancreas in digestion. Several days after the dog's pancreas was removed, the doctors happened to notice a swarm of flies feeding on a puddle of the dog's urine. On testing the urine to determine the cause of the flies' attraction, the doctors realized that the dog was secreting sugar in its urine, a sign of diabetes. Because the dog had been healthy prior to the surgery, the doctors knew that they had created its diabetic condition by removing its pancreas and thus understood for the first time the relationship between the pancreas and diabetes. They discovered that a healthy pancreas must secrete a substance called insulin that controls the metabolism of sugar in the body.

### Teflon

In 1938, Dr. Roy Plunkett and his assistant Jack Rebok, were testing the chemical reactions of

tetrafluoroethylene, a gas used in refrigeration. The gas was contained in some pressurized canisters, one of which failed to discharge properly when its valve was opened. Rebok picked up the canister, only to find that it was heavier than an empty canister would and suggested cutting it open to see what had happened. He found that the gas hadn't accidentally escaped but had solidified into a smooth, slippery white powder which lubricated better and was extremely heat-resistant. Thus Teflon was invented which has now become a household word as it is used to produce the most effective, heat-resistant cookwares

### Tea

Tea was discovered 5,000 years ago by the Chinese Emperor Shen Nung, legendary Emperor of China and inventor of agriculture and Chinese medicine. He liked to boil water before drinking it as he thought it was more hygienic. One day when his servants were boiling up some water, a single leaf from a camellia bush fell into the emperor's pot of boiling water. The emperor took a sip of the brew and found that not only did the leaf improve the taste of the water, but also had a stimulative effect on the body. The rest, as they say, is the history of the world's favourite beverage.

### Lysozyme enzyme

Although, we are familiar with discovery of penicillin antibiotic by Alexander Fleming, the first important discovery of Fleming dates back to 1922 when he was working as a researcher in the laboratory of Sir Almroth Wright. One day while he was analysing the bacterial colonies which he had grown in petriplates, a tear accidentally fell onto the culture plate. Fleming noticed the disappearance of the bacteria at the point where the tear had fallen and thus discovered lysozyme, an enzyme normally present in tears that can destroy bacteria due to lysis. Fleming later tried to use the lysozyme to treat infectious diseases

Thus, serendipity in science are discoveries that occur at the intersection of chance and wisdom and stands true to the observation by the American physicist Joseph Henry who once noted that "The seeds of great discoveries are constantly floating around us, but they only take root in minds well prepared to receive them".

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## Career Journey of a Bank Employee

### Work Atmosphere Anxiety

I felt like a kid entering a new class, with a lot of things racing through my mind. I lacked even the most fundamental understanding of banking when I was at an entry level. I also feared interacting with people. My supervisors and coworkers were always extremely helpful, kind, and encouraging to me. I was able to adjust to the environment at work and all of my anxiety gradually vanished.

### Knowledge and Skill Enhancement

Even though I felt at ease at my workplace, I still faced a significant challenge: how can I increase my understanding of banking and its products? My worst fear concerned my communication skills, particularly in English.

Skill training and product training given by the bank was highly useful and beneficial for expanding my knowledge. The bank's skill and product training was highly useful and beneficial for expanding my understanding. Communication skill development requires individual work and desire. I listened to English news, read papers, and took lessons from my mistakes, which helped me conquer my problem.

### Reaching Business Goals

All my personal and official impediments got settled, it was time to take off. I must reach my business targets, show my uniqueness and travel towards my career growth.

I broadened my horizons, connected with a lot of clients, generated a lot of leads, followed up with the clients frequently, and received support from my seniors, all of which helped me achieve my business goals. Our bank often acknowledges our efforts by giving us honours and rewards, which demonstrates my individuality. This then paved the door for my career to advance, ushering me into the next stage of my professional life, adventure is still ongoing....

### Perspiration and Perseverance

All of the preceding events did not occur in a matter of seconds; they took a considerable time to complete. We must work harder, be more honest and disciplined, give our all to the organisations for which we work, and learn to wait and be patient in order to achieve new heights. We receive what we deserve if we work hard and endure.

“Love your Job; give your fullest, reach your purpose”

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## Gratitude to a Great Service

Miss Katie Willcox, the one who found her purpose of living just by serving ; She is remembered out her of selfless service and her endless efforts, She believed that it's only through the education, young women could earn their recognition ; Her struggles were against the discriminating society thereby putting forward the opportunity, through which the women could earn their dignity The women in the dark, found spark of hope under miss Katie. She proved that her desire to raise an educational institution,

was no more an unattainable illusion; Every step towards her aspiration, turned out in becoming a greater inspiration, Her perseverance in fetching funds, and paitence in handling hurdles and obstacles reveals her magnanimous personality with tolerance skills. All women are born to bring-in change to the society, not to be locked-in denying their priority; and this is well illustrated by Miss Katie . Her altruistic services with endeavour touched several hearts being a forever endearing professor. She left, sowing a tiny acorn of hope, and today it stands as mighty as an oak Hence called , as LADY DOAK!

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## நம் காலத்து நாயகர் மனோகர் தேவதாஸ்

நாமெல்லாம் சிறு இடர் ஏற்பட்டாலும் சோர்ந்து விடும் வேளையில் தமக்கு ஏற்பட்ட பேரிடர்களையெல்லாம் சாதகமாக மாற்றிச் சாதனை புரிந்தவர் ஓவியர் மனோகர் தேவதாஸ். அவர் வாழ்விலிருந்து நாம் கற்றுக்கொள்ள வேண்டிய செய்திகள் ஏராளம் உள்ளன. நம்மை 1950களின் மதுரைக்கு அழைத்துச் செல்பவை ஓவியர் மனோகர் தேவதாஸின் கோட்டோவியங்கள். சித்திரைவீதிகள், வைகைமைய மண்டபம், யானைமலை, திருப்பரங்குன்றம், சென்னை மேரீஸ் தேவாலயம், கோரிப்பாளையம் தர்கா, புதுமண்டபம், தெப்பக்குளம், தேர்த்திருவிழா என மதுரையின் அடையாளமாகத் திகழும் சின்னங்களை எல்லாம் கோட்டோவியங்களாக வரைந்தவர் மனோகர் தேவதாஸ்.

மதுரையில் 1936இல் பிறந்து சேதுபதி பள்ளியில் படித்து பின்னர் அமெரிக்கன் கல்லூரியில் வேதியியல் படித்து ஆராய்ச்சியாளரான மனோகரை அவர் பணிபுரிந்த நிறுவனம் மேற்படிப்பிற்கு ஓபரலின் பல்கலைக்கழகத்திற்கு அனுப்பியது. எல்லாம் சுபமான வேளையில் அவரது கண்ணில் லட்சத்தில் ஒருவருக்கு வரக்கூடிய நோய்குறைபாடு ஏற்பட்டு சிறியவட்ட அளவிற்குத்தான் கண்பார்வை தெரியும் நிலை ஏற்பட்டது. அவர் தனது குறைந்தளவு பார்வையைக் கொண்டு பெரிய லென்ஸ்களின் உதவியுடன் மதுரையை அழகழகான கோட்டோவியங்களாக வரைந்தார். கோட்டோவியம் நேர்த்தியாக வரைவதற்கு இந்தப் பார்வைக்குறைபாடு உதவியது என்று அவர் கூறுவதிலிருந்து, தனக்கு ஏற்படும் பிரச்சினைகளை வாய்ப்புகளாக மாற்றிக்கொண்ட மனப்பக்குவத்தை அவரிடமிருந்து நாம் கற்றுக்கொள்ளவேண்டும்.

அதைவிடப் பெருந்துயரமாகச் சென்னையில் இருந்து மதுரைக்கு வரும்வழியில் ஏற்பட்ட வாகன விபத்தில் அவரது மனைவி மகிமாவிருக்குக் கழுத்துக்குக் கீழே செயலிழந்து போகும் பாரலிசிஸ் அட்டாக் வந்துவிட அந்த தம்பதியர் சோர்ந்து போகவில்லை. மனோகர் வரையும் போது,

அவருகே அமர்ந்து புத்தகங்களை வாசித்துக்காட்டிய அந்த நேசமே அவர்களை உயிர்ப்பித்தது.

நடுவில் ரெட்டினாவால் கண்பார்வை முற்றிலும் பாதிக்கப்பட்ட போது, சோர்ந்து போகாமல் அவரது மதுரை நினைவுகளைக் கதையாகச் சொல்லச்சொல்ல அவரது உதவியாளர் தட்டச்சு செய்ய ‘Green Well Years’ என்ற புத்தகம் உருவானது. அதன் பிறகும் மதுரையின் பன்முகத்தன்மையைச் சொல்லும் ‘Multiple Facets of My Madurai’, அவரது மனைவி மகிமா பற்றிய நூல்களையும் எழுதிக்கொண்டு வந்திருக்கிறார். 84 வயதில் இளைஞரைப் போல மவுத்ஆர்கன் கற்று இசைத்துக் கொண்டிருக்கிறார்.

மனோகர் வரைந்த கோட்டோவியங்களைக் கொண்டு வடிவமைக்கப்பட்ட வாழ்த்து அட்டைகளின் மூலம் வரும் வருமானத்தையும், அவர் புத்தகங்கள் வாயிலாகவரும் வருமானத்தையும் மற்றவர்களுக்குக் கொடுக்கும் மனப்பாங்கு வாய்த்தவர். 2008இல் மனைவியை இழந்து தனிமையில் வாழ்ந்து வரும் அவர் தளர்ந்து போகாமல் 86 வயதிலும் வாழ்க்கை மீது எந்தப்புகாரும் அற்று இருக்கிறார். பத்மபூசன் விருது பெற்ற மனோகரின் ஓவியங்களை இந்தியத் தபால்துறை ஓவியத்தபால் அட்டைகளாக வெளியிட்டுள்ளது.

நமது கல்லூரி குறித்து ‘எனது மதுரை நினைவுகள்’ நூலில் எழுதியிருக்கிறார். 2021இல் நமது கல்லூரிக்கு வந்த போது மிகஉற்சாகமாக மாணவிகளிடையே உரையாடினார், பாடல்களைப் பாடிக்காட்டினார். ‘இடுக்கண் வருங்கால் நகுக்’ என்று வள்ளுவர் சொன்னது போல தனக்கு வரும் இடர்களையெல்லாம் தம் புன்னகையால் கடந்து வாழ்ந்து வரும் மனோகர் தேவதாஸ் நம் காலத்து நாயகர்.

மாமதுரை போற்றுதும்!!

மனோகரைப் போற்றுதும்!!

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# ‘All Things work together for good...’- A Testimony

## Disappointments Turning into Joy Everlasting

*“I may proclaim with the voice of thanksgiving, And tell of all Your wondrous works”.(Psalms 26:7)*

I stepped into Lady Doak College in July, 2017 with much disappointment because my dream of getting into the Christian Medical College, Vellore shattered! In 2016, I applied for Bachelor of Occupational Therapy at CMC, and having cleared the entrance exam, and having attended the interview, I was waitlisted. I had high hopes, because I strongly felt God’s leading in every step. With much confidence, I did not apply anywhere else. Eventually, after months of waiting ,with no response from CMC, I got furious with God and questioned God. I moved away from Him as I felt that God failed to keep His promise which he gave after sincere prayers and recieving affirmations from His word. In 2017 I once again applied and was waitlisted, after which my parents and I lost all hope and decided to join LDC for the course . Through it all, God had His own way of making me understand His greater plan. I was not happy and I only entered LDC with a bitter heart. The Center For Music (CFM) at Lady Doak College is something that gave me hope. I knew I could survive in LDC, as I had much interest in music, since my childhood. CFM and the fellowship is something that got me back to God eventually. In my second year, I was made to be the secretary of the CFM and the College Choir. Leadership was something that was very new to me and I struggled to manage everything because, being the Platinum Jubilee Year of LDC, that year flooded with a lot of programs. It was a real struggle with a lot of shortcomings and I blamed myself for being inefficient. But everything made sense in my third year, during which I was elected to be the President of the CFM and the College Choir. God’s grace was sufficient, thereby, all the mistakes became lessons and all the struggles turned out as experiences which molded me, not just to be a better leader but to be a better person. I still remember my first day at LDC, during the Orientation program, during which our Principal, Dr.Christianna Singh talked about the Holistic Development that Lady Doak facilitates. I didn’t take it seriously then, but now I stand as a living testimony. Lady Doak is one such place that gives the opportunity to bring the best out of ourselves. Now I can’t thank God enough for that closed door in CMC, which has led me to LDC, a place where I had my personal encounter with God. I thank Him for the struggles that brought me closer to God and for His Grace that helped me understand that God has His own plan for my life.

During my school days, I never had an idea of what field to choose, but my parents sowed one thing deep in my heart right from the time i started having ambitions. It

was this: Whatever field I choose, I should be ministering unto God in every way possible. And God had also put that desire in my heart, and by God’s grace I’ve completed my Under Graduate degree in Psychology and sociology at Lady Doak college and I have now applied for my Post Graduate Diploma in Clinical Pastoral Counselling at the Christian Medical College, Vellore. Taking me to CMC after equipping me in LDC was part of God’s grandeur plan. Now as I put everything together, every little and great experience that God took me through, makes perfect sense of the purpose that God has and it’s amazing!

“We know that all things work together FOR GOOD to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose”.(Romans 8:28). This verse is one of the promises with which God strengthened me during the CMC process for UG and with the same verse I fought with God, telling, “You told me that all things work together FOR GOOD, but only bad happens!” But after these three years of molding, God helped me understand the promise in a right way that, “We know that ALL THINGS work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose”. (Romans 8:28). ‘All things’ is the word that is to be highlighted, because all the happy times, hardships, weaknesses, mistakes, struggles and disappointments worked together for good! This change in perspective happened at Lady Doak College. Before that, my understanding of God was based on what my parents taught me, but now I got to experience personally, how great my God is. Lady Doak college offers such a wonderful spiritual environment that makes space for life changing experiences. I would definitely miss LDC, which has given me a lot of wonderful experiences. Not to forget CFM, which has been my second home holding a lot of memories and helping me to develop musically and spiritually.

To the ones who are reading my little testimony out of the oceanic things that God has done, where ever God places you, He has a unique plan for you which you wouldn’t have ever imagined. Our ways are not His ways, but always remember that His ways will be the best! Do not be stumbled just because things didn’t go the way you expected it to be. Above all, God is in control of your life and it’s His job to prepare you towards His purpose. In the process, humble yourself under the Mighty Hand of God, that He may exalt you in due time.(I Peter 5:6) I wish and pray for His sufficient grace to lead you , His strength to be made perfect in your weaknesses, and His peace which surpasses all understanding to guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus, in the journey towards the Great purpose that God has for you! God be with you!

With Love and Prayers,  
**Jerusha Esther Salomi A. Alumni**

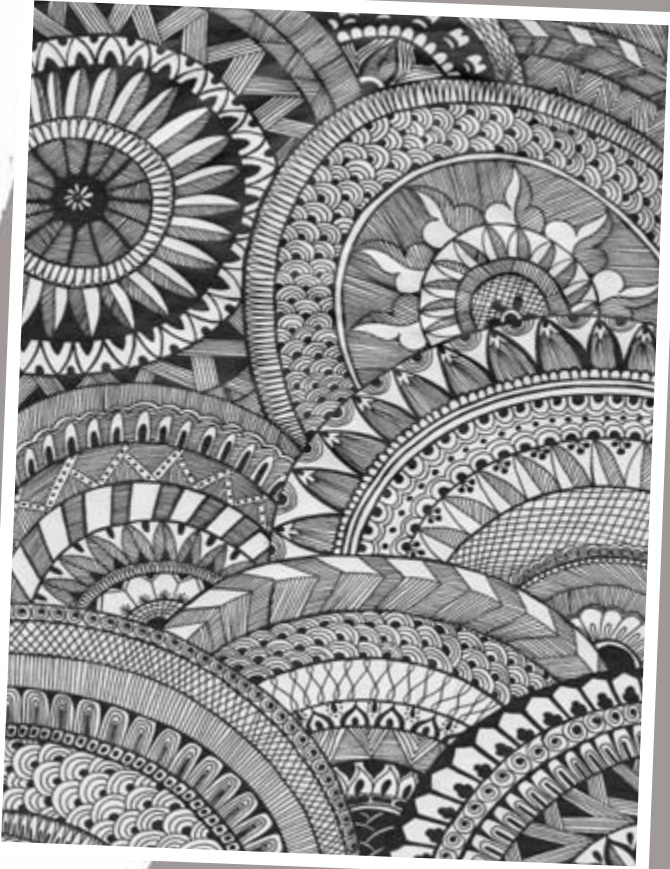
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The Sea and the Shore

The deathless love  
Flying high like a dove  
Though unrequited love,  
Still shines brightly with jove  
Whether its summer or winter,  
Moist or dry, no hinder!  
The flow did not get slow  
The faith in him glow  
In the fullness of time,  
Holding the hope as shrine,  
That they become one someday  
Resulting in human’s doomsday!  
Even it reciprocates the love  
It’s a partial shove  
The living God seated in the throne of mercy  
With His ebb and flow of love  
Clothed in hope  
That we all blend with the Numen  
To produce harmony  
In the lost-cum-regained paradise!

Petcy Velantina S. 21PGE018



Gokularani K. 21PGE037

Where am I ?

I fail to notice  
the new saplings  
peeking out of the land  
in the garden I’ve nurtured  
with love for years.  
  
I misplace my favorite  
bookmark, fold the corner  
of the page instead and  
slam the novel shut.  
  
I miss to maintain  
the streaks of the  
Wordle game,whose tiles  
I used to turn green  
within a couple of attempts.  
  
I forget to wave goodbye  
to the toddler next door  
whose smile once added  
an even bigger one  
to my face.  
  
I try hard to remember  
the feeling of the  
wind on my cheeks  
during an early morning  
ride around the lake.  
  
I cease to weed out  
the self doubts  
eating my brain out.  
  
I begin to crawl  
in my own skin  
trying to fit back in  
all over again.

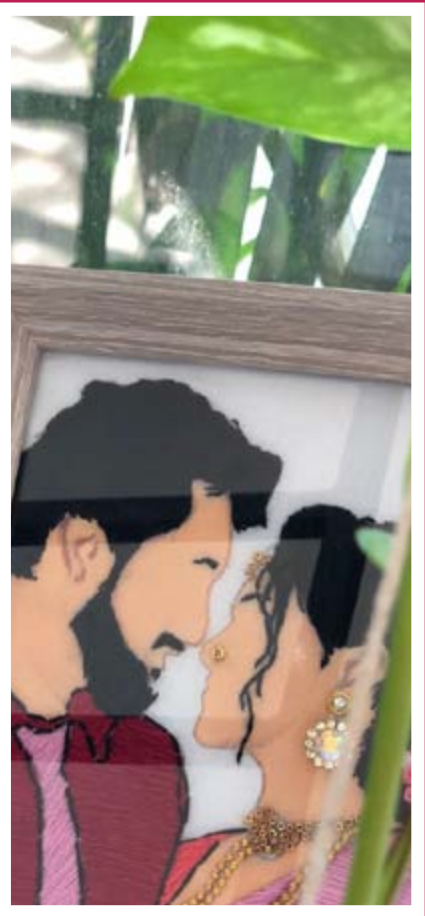
Kavetha S. 19PHYE017

Stop Romanticizing

Do you ever wonder to yourself, "What were you even doing with that person in the first place?" after a breakup or with a toxic friend? I have, but when you look at someone, you tend to see all the potential benefits they may provide even while they are actually doing you absolutely no good.  
  
When we meet someone, we visualise them in our minds. A plan or model of what they would do to us, the consequences, what would happen, and how you might feel if they left you. And we disintegrate when these maps are destroyed. There is now no map that you are familiar with, and all of your patterns have led to your own heartbreak.  
  
So how do you identify that person? Stop flirting or making excuses all the time. Underappreciation

will make you unhappy and prevent all the other positive things in your life from happening. You're sporting a colourful pair of sunglasses. You choose to gaze at that individual depending on how you are feeling and you feel sympathy. Yet why? Why are you exerting so much effort on behalf of someone who only performs 10 percent of your work?  
  
So, you’re telling me but what if? If they are, they would tell you. Not communicating and staying away from pain isn’t a love language. It’s toxic. Are my expectations too high?" I once questioned myself. But then I ask myself, "Would I do the same if I were in the shoes of the person who treated me like trash?" Absolutely not. If your answer is the same, you now understand how not to romanticise someone

Joshikaa Devi K.K. 19PHYE016



Akkshaya 19FDGE002



Destination

The path must be rough for the twinkle toes,  
But this is how the life goes,  
The way may have thorns and rocks,  
Leg may get tied with chains and locks,  
Hurdles should not make legs surrender,  
Rocks like burden may fall on shoulder,  
Reaching you is the role in the play,  
Illusions are never gonna block the way,  
The road to you must be tough and dense,  
But nothing can dare to curb one's confidence,  
It's not about do or die,  
It's all about how much we try,  
Mistakes are the map to reach you,  
Getting burns on the way is not new,  
The drive through will not be smooth and easy,  
Neer can catch you when persostence gets lazy,  
Mind may get tired thinking different ways,  
But never listen to what negativity says,  
You ae not the end, you are a goal,  
Reaching you is the purpose of the soul.

**Prakana Lakshmi B. 21PDGE024**



**Niranjana N. 20COAE034**

The Silent Battle

It's still going to be okay...!!  
Everything is going to be ok..!!  
Sooner or later...you'll find what you have lost  
Maybe from the place where you left...or....  
From even more or the most wonderful place...  
something is waiting for you  
to return or to start over..!!!  
It's just you and Nothing....  
The dark and the moon  
The silence and the struggle...  
Getting deep into the  
The skin and the soul  
The actual night war!!  
Burning like a flame... melting like a wax...  
We burn for something and melt for someone!!  
And yet we always manage to win  
through the night...  
The dual personality...  
the unknown voice which pops up in the dark...  
The exact vulnerable state!!..  
arguing between our inner self....  
this is what I love, this is what I  
hate, this is what I want,  
this is what I have....  
many...many moree....  
actually this is the time you  
know exactly "WHO YOU ARE?"  
This is the time of real painful tears....  
you are fighting with yourself...  
convincing and composed  
for the bitter truth!!  
This is the time you loved and longed....  
Each one of you have your own sort of conflicts...  
may be anything...  
You actually manage to shout in silence  
and cry without tears in the dark...  
yes you made it through...  
and you are winning everyday night battles!!  
You know how strong this is?!  
We are winners in our own battles..  
Crown yourself first!!

**Yuga Priya C. 20ENGE053**

On A Long Journey

On a long journey,  
I make sure to look forward to a place  
where every woman feels secured.  
On a long journey,  
I make sure to teach my people  
that love outlives technology.  
On a long journey, I make sure  
to comprehend the parent community  
to raise their kids as humans and not  
as "boy" or "girl".  
On a long journey, I make sure to  
develop the young minds  
to follow the path of passion  
because satisfaction speaks a lot;  
than just success.  
On a long journey, I make sure to mentor  
my fellow mates  
to create opportunities,  
rather than waiting for them.  
On a long journey, I make sure to  
follow the footprints of their ancestors  
as they know their soul's way.  
On a long journey, I make sure that  
one day the world understands  
to seize each day, to seize, the future!

**Thaamarai Selvi P. 19ENGE069**

The Rainbow I See

Those vivid hues,  
Glimpse you catch,  
Painted across the blue sky.  
Little of this, little of that,  
Different from mine.  
You laugh red, you scowl blue,  
The colors my heart perceives.  
You bawl dark, you rejoice bright,  
This is the rainbow I see.

**Shalina S. 21ENG046**



**Reema Aleem A. 21ENG040**



**Amirtha Valli A. 21ENGE004**



A message that will change your life:

Phone rings! Yes, Hello dear, what's up? You called me yesterday, right, in the evening?And that's why I messaged you stating that I was sipping cappuccino in a cafe coffee day with my bestie!

And yes may I know why you've called me?

Oh dear, Didn't I ever know in this world that the person I am talking to is where I asked her to be!

Yes, I thought of the same and yes, the same..

Impatiently I asked what?

What happened?

I... I was constantly reflecting about yesterday! It was a really busy day! And it was almost 6:00 when I got home, so I had to finish all my unfinished work!

And certainly, my head was already overflowing with flowcharts and code, and at one point, I even considered quitting my job to launch my own business. I phoned you because I thought it would be preferable to have a cup of coffee for this reason.

Oh, I'm so sorry, sweetie! I should consider if a cup of advice would be more preferable to a cup of coffee....

I am well aware of how difficult it is to complete a job cheerfully while yet lacking any joy. AS A COUSIN, I KNOW WHAT YOUR INTERESTS AND NATURAL TALENTS ARE! BUT WHAT DOES THE WORLD KNOW ABOUT YOU? Let me ask a question,"Would you ever watch a movie, with utmost no interest paying hundreds of dollors?" And that's what you're doing now!.

PLEASE REMEMBER THIS.

It's never too late to pursue your ambitions until you've already determined to do so!

If you can spend 8 hours a day frustratedly finishing mundane chores, why can't you spend one hour of your life following your goals... Time is no longer an excuse!

Vedha S.P. 21CORE068



Prakana Lakshmi B. 21PDGE024

To the poets

The stars know the dreams in our eyes and the longingness in our hearts.

The paper knows our pain as the pen bleeds down the anguish that has forever torn us apart. We try to find our meaning in the lines we write and define ourselves according to the thoughts we pen down.

Oh but don't we write just to escape ourselves and hide our lil secrets in between the words?

Kavetha S. 19PHYE017

A Woman I Know

A woman I know  
Who was always kind and sweet,  
No anger neither beat,  
I know her for years,  
Though I didn't see her tears.

A woman I know  
Who wouldn't let anyone to do her work,  
A woman I know  
Who loved me and did everything for me  
Neither mom nor sister.

A woman I Know  
With whom I used to walk,  
A woman I Know  
With whom I spent my past.

A woman I Know  
Who taught me the things that she had learnt,  
A woman I Know  
Who has done many more things  
which I can't compensate.

Ther might be a huge age differnece,  
That doesn't matter when it comes to friends,  
I used to kiss her wrinkled cheek,  
Every night before I go to sleep.

Years passed and I'm here,  
With her beautiful memories  
And with my tears.

A woman I Know  
Who was a super lady  
A woman I Know  
Who's the mother of my daddy.

Reema Aleem A. 21ENG040

A Letter to Self

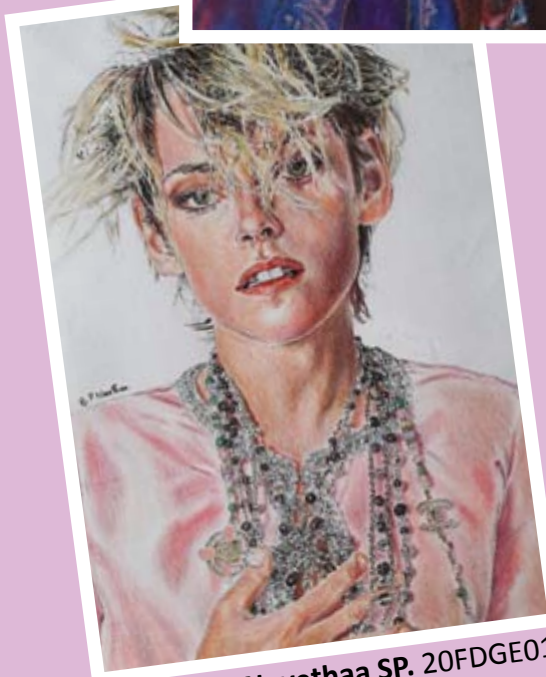
Dear me, I know  
you're not good, because  
Your mind is filled with food  
Remember! You are responsible  
For what you are  
You are not a child now  
Behave like teen  
People leave you for no reason  
Remember no one can shine without haters!  
Remember! by taking response  
She is a shining star  
You're not busy, because  
Of your lazy  
Remember! Lightning danced  
Across the sky!  
Stone will not be moulded  
As a statue mind this!

Jency Derana S. 21ENGE021



Kiruba J. 20BOT049





Nevethaa SP. 20FDGE018

### Daddy

Daddy  
You have loved me and held my hand  
Since my birth.  
There is no better daddy in all the earth.  
I will watch you as you guide me  
Through life.  
With you. I will be able to handle any strife,  
You are my hero, that's the truth.  
I will look to you throughout my youth.  
My handprint and handmade art,  
Is for you to know  
You are always in my heart.

"I LOVE YOU" DAD.

Priya R. 19FDGE044

### The Shapes I See In Clouds

When you seem to be trapped in this mess,  
Take a glance above to fight out stress. There cloth  
yonder the so called cloud, Revealing the peace  
you are bound.

You could hear over the call of those days,  
And now they've begun to resonate.

Your eyes seems to have caught an image,  
Though your heart knows-- 'its a mirage'

You could see your soul set free,

As your memories returns back like Frisbee.  
The clouds do form a maze,

Like the sequence of your life they do trace.

The cloudy mist covers you with shade,  
And your imagination seems to fade.

All you remember is that you have thought;  
You've recalled the life you have forgot .

As the trespassers part and bade,

You realise the reason you were made.  
Thus, the shapes I see in cloud,

Is the shape of life I've found?

Thogaishri M. 19FDGE042

### A Poem with Music

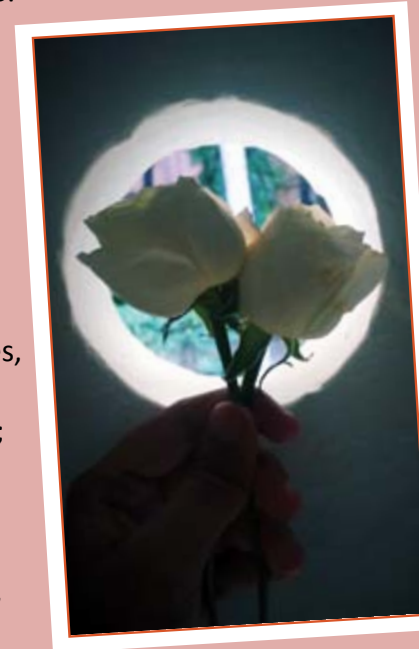
With ten fingers,  
You turn into magic!  
My mind lingers;  
Without any logic.

With every keys,  
Black and White!  
I feel the breeze;  
Without any fright.

With pleasant tones,  
Soothing my ears,  
You heal my bones;  
Without any fears.

With my hymn,  
Breaking the chain,  
I'll praise Him;  
Without any pain.  
Let Your Sickness not take away your happiness!

Krupa Nithya J. 21PGE014



Amirtha Valli A. 21ENGE004

### Shade

Seeing the shade of shade,  
In the shadeless sky,  
Under the shade-full city,  
Crossing the shading house,  
Loitering in a shady dress,  
Dragging my SHADE.

### So Far

So far a wolf cried,  
Here I am, deprived.  
So far the tattered heart,  
Here I am still hurt.  
So far a shipwreck,  
Here I am feeling sick.  
So far the turned back,  
Here I am a weeping sack.  
So far the lighthouse,  
Here I am without a house.  
So far the raging sun,  
Here I am, without a pen.  
So far the blaring horn,  
Here I am in reckless mourn.  
So far the vast sky,  
Here I am not so high.  
So far the helping hand,  
Here I am, don't understand.  
So far the grasping dream,  
Here I am, eyes brimming.  
So far the hopefulness,  
Here I am in emptiness.  
So far the night beauty,  
Here I am a hanging hilarity.  
So far delicious fare,  
Here I am, it's completely rare.  
So where is the fairy rare,  
Here I am, it's not so fair.

Gokularani K. 21PGE037



# தமிழ்ச்சோலை

## கேட்டி வில்காக்ஸ்

பெண்ணாக உருவாகி இம்மண்ணிற்குக்  
கல்விக்கடலைப் பரிசளித்தவர்.....

அம்மை கேட்டிவில்காக்ஸ்

இதயத்தால் உயர்ந்தீர்!  
கல்வியைக் கண்ணைப்போல் காத்தீர்!

ஆங்கிலேயரே வியந்த பெண் நீர்!  
ஆண்டவரால் மதுரைக்குச் சொந்தமானீர்!

கஷ்டங்கள் பல வந்தும் பெண்களின்  
கல்விக்கண் திறந்தீர்!

உம்மைக் கண்டதும் கல்வியே வியந்தது.....

கண்முடிக் குறைகள் பேசும் உலகில்  
பெண்களுக்காகக் கல்விக்கூடம் தந்தீர்!

பூக்களின் தேசம் ஒன்று  
பெண்களாய் ஆனது இங்கே....எங்கள்

உலகமே தாய்மையைப் போற்றும்....  
கல்வித்தாயாய் இருக்கும் உம்மைப்

போற்றி வணங்குகின்றேன்.

பா. வித்யாஸ் 20200033



கௌ. ஆதித்யா 19HIS002



Sagaya Amala Divina S. 19PHY032

## இருளில் ஒளி

தோல்வியே வெற்றியின் முதல்படி அதேபோல்  
இருளின் பின் ஒளியோ? ஒளியின் பின் இருளோ?  
எதுவாயினும் ஒன்றின்றி மற்றொன்றில்லை மனிதா!  
ஒளியற்ற அண்டமும் விழியற்ற பிண்டமும் போல்  
இப்பேரண்டமே தீ நுண்மம் எனும் இருளால் சூழப்பட்ட  
இந்நிலையில் நட்சத்திரங்களின் ஒளியைக் காண  
இருள் இன்றியமையாதது அதேபோல்  
வாழ்வில் இன்பத்தை அடைவதற்கும் அதன்  
அருமையை அறிவதற்கும் துன்பமும் தேவை என்ற  
உண்மையை உணர்ந்து ஒரு நாள்  
ஆயுட்காலம் உடைய  
ஈசலின் இயல்போ ஒளியை நோக்கிச்செல்வதென்றால்  
மனித சாதியில் பிறந்த நீயோ  
ஒளியை நோக்கி அச்சம் தவிர்த்து  
நம்பிக்கையுடன் பயணிப்பாயாக!  
கூடி வாழ்ந்தால் கோடி நன்மை என்பதை மெய்ப்பிக்கும்  
வகையில் யாரும் இருக்கும் இடத்தில்  
இருந்து கொண்டால் எல்லாம் செளக்கியமே எனக்  
கவிஞர் கண்ணதாசன் வரிகளுக்கேற்ப  
இருளை எதிர்த்து ஒளியைக் காணும்  
வெற்றிப் பயணத்தில் ஒன்றிணைந்து  
இருக்கும் இடத்தில்  
போரிடுவோம் மீண்டும் மீள்வோம்  
இருளில் ஒளியைக் காண்போம்  
கொரோனா எனப்படும் கொடிய தீ  
நுண்மத்தை வெல்வோம்  
வா! மனிதா வா!!

கு. சக்திபிரியா 19BTYE034



Divyaa Sri M. 20FDGE005

## குழப்பம்

காண்பதில் குழப்பம்! கேட்பதில் குழப்பம்!!  
காண்பதும் கேட்பதும் உண்மையா? என்ற குழப்பம்!!!  
நீ எங்கிருந்து வந்தாய் என்ற குழப்பம்!  
நீ எவ்வாறு வந்தாய் என்ற குழப்பம் !!  
தினக்கூலிகளின் வாழ்வாதாரம் என்ன என்ற குழப்பம்!  
தீயாய் வேலை செய்யும் முன்களப்  
பணியாளர்களின் மனநிலை என்ன என்ற குழப்பம்!!  
வெளிநாடுகளில் இருக்கும் பிள்ளைகளைக்  
குறித்துப் பெற்றோருக்குக் குழப்பம்!  
வெளியில் சென்றால் சுவாசிக்கும் காற்றே குழப்பம்!!  
வேலையில் இருப்பவர்களுக்குத் தங்கள்  
வேலை நிரந்தரமா? என்ற குழப்பம்!  
வேலை இல்லாதவர்களுக்கு வேலை  
கிடைக்குமா? என்ற குழப்பம்!!  
இத்தனை குழப்பங்கள் தீர்வதற்குள் மீண்டும் குழப்பம்!  
மீண்டும் மற்றொரு அலை! மீண்டும் ஊரடங்கு பீதி!!  
இந்தக் குழப்பங்கள் எப்பொழுது தீருமோ?  
என்ற குழப்பம்...

குழப்பங்களுக்கு மத்தியில் 'நான்'.

செ.பி. கேத்ரின் கோல்டா 19CHE008

## “வாக்கும் வாக்காளரும்”

ஐந்து வருடத்திற்கு ஒருமுறைநடக்கும்  
கேளிக்கைக்கூத்து  
கோமாளிகளோ கூத்துக் கட்ட  
மக்களும் பரிசளிக்க  
பரிசளித்தப்பின் .....  
கோமாளியைத் தேடினால்  
கோமாளிகளைக் காணோம்!  
இறுதியில் தான் தெரிந்தது நாம்தான்  
கோமாளிகள் என்று  
பெற்ற மகிழ்ச்சியும் கொடுத்த பரிசும்  
நிலையற்றுப் போயின!  
நிரந்தரமில்லா உலகில்  
இவை நன்றாகத் தெரிந்தும்  
மீண்டும் மீண்டும் ஏமாறுகிறோம்!  
ஐந்து நிமிட ஆசைக்காக  
ஆயுளையும் உயில் எழுதுகிறோம்!!  
அடிமையாய் ஆவதற்கு!!!

சி. காயத்ரி 20TAM007



வா.ச. கீர்த்தனா 20PGT005

## வறுமை (கொரோனா காலம்)

ஊரடங்கில் கிடக்கிறோம்!  
பிணியின் பயத்தை விட  
பசியின் பிடியில் இருந்து  
மீளத் தெரியாமல்...!!  
உலையின் சூட்டை  
அடிவயிற்றுச்சூடு மிஞ்சியது  
உலையில் ஏதும் இல்லாததால்...!  
பறவைகளுடன் உறவாடினோம்!  
உணவினை இட்டு...  
உறவாட அழைக்கிறது  
எப்படிச் செல்வேன்  
வெறுங்கையோடு...?

பா. ஹேமாபிரியா 20PBTE05



## ஹைக்கூ கவிதைகள்

ஓய்வில்லாமல் உழைக்கிறார்  
ஓட்டம் முடிந்தவுடன்...  
ஓய்வறைக்குச் செல்ல!

புத்தகத்தில் ஒழித்து வைத்தேன்  
புது உலகைக் காண...  
எதிர்காலம்!

நடக்க கால்கள் இருந்தும்  
நீ இல்லாமல் நடக்கமாட்டேன்...  
செருப்பு!

உன்னில் நான் கரைகிறேன்  
உனக்குள் என்னைச் செதுக்கவே...  
எழுதுகோல்!

மு. அர்ச்சுனாதேவி 20BOT003

## நாங்கள் ஆசீர்வதிக்கப்பட்டவர்கள்

தனக்குக் கிட்டாத கல்விக்கனியைத் தாய்  
எனக்கு அளித்திட துடித்த தருணங்கள் அவை!  
மழையின் சாரலுக்கும் வெயிலின் வெம்மைக்கும்  
சத்துணவு திட்டங்களுக்குமாய்  
பள்ளிக்கூடம் ஒதுங்கியவளின் தீராத ஆசை!!  
கல்வியே காக்கும் ஆயுதம் என்று உணர்த்தியது வாழ்க்கைப்பாடம்  
பள்ளிக்கல்வி முடித்த என்னைச் சுற்றும் பெண்கேட்க,  
தயங்காது உரைத்தாள் “என் மகள் படிக்க வேண்டும்” என்று!!  
அகமகிழ்ந்து ஒப்படைத்தாள் டோக் பெருமாட்டியின் கைகளில்!!!  
பல்துறைகளில் கால்பதிக்க உதவிய கல்வித்திட்டங்கள்  
தாயுள்ளம் கொண்ட பேராசிரியர்கள்  
பட்டாம் பூச்சியாய் பறக்கச் செய்த நட்புக்கள்  
பாகிஸ்தான் எல்லைவரை அழைத்துச் சென்ற ‘என்சிசி’  
மழையில் நாவல் பழங்களும் வெயிலில் நிழலும் அரவணைத்தன.  
நினைவுகளுடன் பிரிந்து “டோக் குயின்ஸ்” புலனத்தில் இணைந்து  
கொண்டாட்டங்களைப் பகிர்கின்றோம்! துக்கங்களைப் பங்கிடுகின்றோம்!  
பணியாற்றும் துறையில் தடங்களைப் பதிக்கின்றோம்! - ஆம்  
நாங்கள் ஆசீர்வதிக்கப்பட்டவர்கள்!!

முனைவர் இரா. கலைவாணி  
உதவிப்பேராசிரியர், தமிழ்த்துறை



Urmila N.S. 19BTYE047



Janaran Jani S. 20ZOO012



Rehana M. 20ZOO023

## தமிழும் நவிஞனும் ஒரு சிறப்பான நேர்காணல்

தமிழும் நவிஞனும் நேரடியாகச் சந்தித்துக் கொண்டால் எவ்வாறு பேசிக்கொள்வார்கள் என்று கற்பனை கலந்த உண்மை நிலையை உரக்கச் சொல்லும் உரையாடல்.

[குறிப்பு:- ‘தமிழ்’ என்பது நமது தாய்மொழியான தமிழை ஒரு வயதான பாட்டியாகப் பாவித்தும் ‘நவிஞன்’ என்பது நவீன காலத்தில் வாழும் ஓர் இளைஞனாகப் பாவித்து இவ்வுரையாடல் காட்சிப்படுத்தப் பட்டிருக்கின்றது]

(நவிஞன் டீக்கடையில் நண்பர்களுடன் நின்று கொண்டிருக்கிறான்)

**தமிழ் :** வணக்கம் தம்பி!! “பாண்டிய நாட்டின் தலைநகரான இம்மதுரையை வழிநடத்தி வரும் மீனாட்சி அம்மையின் திருக்கோவில் எங்கு இருக்கிறது?” என்று சொல்ல முடியுமா? தம்பி.

**நவிஞன் :** பாட்டி இப்ப உங்களுக்கு மீனாட்சி அம்மன் கோவிலுக்குத் தான போகணும். அதுக்கு ஏன் இப்படி பழைய Historyயெல்லாம் பேசிக்கிட்டு இருக்கீங்க.

**தமிழ் :** அதெல்லாம் நீ சொல்றபடி இப்ப பழைய வரலாறா தான் தம்பி ஆகி போயிருச்சு. ஆனா, அதோட சிறப்பு வரலாறெல்லாம் நீங்க நியாயகம் வச்சுக்க வேண்டியது ரொம்பவும் அவசியம். இல்லையென்னா உன்னோட சந்ததியினர்களுக்கும் அவர்களுக்கு அடுத்த சந்ததியினர்களுக்கும் இதைப்பற்றி சொல்வதற்கெல்லாம் யாருமே இருக்கமாட்டாங்க.

**நவிஞன் :** ஐயய்ய... இப்ப உனக்கு என்ன பாட்டி? மீனாட்சி அம்மன் கோவிலுக்குத் தான போவணும் நா இப்ப அத தாண்டிதான் போறேன் போகும்போது உன்ன வேணாவுட்டுறேன்.

(டீக்கடையில் இருக்கும் தனது நண்பர்களிடம் சொல்லிவிட்டு விடை பெற்றுக்கொள்கிறான் நவிஞன்) (இருவரும் நடக்க ஆரம்பித்தனர்)

**நவிஞன் :** சரிபாட்டி. நீ மட்டும் தனியா கோவிலுக்குப் போறியே. உங்களுக்கு family, keemilynu(கீமிளினு) எதுவும் இல்லையா?

**தமிழ் :** என்னோட குடும்பம் ரொம்ப பெருசு. மலையாளம், கன்னடம், தெலுங்கு இவை எல்லாம் என்னுடைய சகோதர, சகோதரிகள். எல்லாரும் எனக்கு



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அடுத்துப் பிறந்தவங்க. அவங்க எல்லாரும் அவங்க அவங்கபிள்ளைகளோட சந்தோஷமா இருக்காங்க.

**நவிஞன் :** அப்ப, உன் பிள்ளைங்க தான் உன்ன இப்ப அனாதையா விட்டுட்டாங்களா பாட்டி. அதான் கோவில் குளம்னுதிரிஞ்சிட்டு இருக்கீங்களா?

**தமிழ் :** இல்லையப்பா. இன்னும் முழுசா அனாதையாக்கல. அனாதையாக்கி விடுவார்களோ என்ற பயத்தில் தான் இப்படி சுத்திட்டு இருக்கேன் தம்பி.

**நவிஞன் :** சரிபாட்டி. உனக்கு எது Native Place? உன் பிள்ளைங்கலா எங்க இருக்காங்க?

**தமிழ் :** எனக்குச் சொந்த ஊர் இல்லை தம்பி. இந்தத் தமிழகம் தான் என்னோட சொந்த மண்ணு. இந்தத் தமிழ்நாட்டுல இருக்குற மக்கள் எல்லாருமே என்னோட பிள்ளைங்க தான்.

**நவிஞன் :** அப்ப உங்களுக்குச் சொந்த ஊரு, சொந்த பந்தம்னு சொல்லிக்க எதுவும் இல்ல போலயே.

**தமிழ் :** ... (மௌனமாக இருந்தார்)

**தமிழ் :** அதெல்லாம் இருக்கட்டுமப்பா. நீ என்ன உத்தியோகம் பாக்குற?



**நவிஞன்** : நா இப்ப தான் M.Sc.. Computer Science படிச்ச முடிச்சட்டு Campus Interviewக்காக wait பண்ணிட்டு இருக்கேன். அதுல Select ஆயிட்டா பக்கத்து States இல்லைன்னா நம்ம Stateலயே கூட வேலை கிடைக்கலாம் பாட்டி.

**தமிழ்** : அப்படியா சரிப்பா. உனக்குத் தமிழ்நாடு தான் சொந்த மண்ணா தம்பி?

**நவிஞன்** : ஏன் கேக்குறீங்க? என்ன பாத்தா Foreign பையன் மாதிரியா இருக்கு? (சிரித்தவாறே கேட்கிறான்)

**தமிழ்** : இல்லையப்பா. நீ தமிழ் மொழியோட பிற மொழியையும் கலந்து பேசுறீயே. அதான் உனக்குத்தமிழ் அவ்வளவா வராதோனு நினைச்சு கேட்டேன் தம்பி. (நவிஞன் சிரித்துக்கொண்டே பதிலளிக்கிறான்)

**நவிஞன்** : என்ன பாட்டி நீங்க எந்தக் காலத்துல இருக்கீங்க. இப்பலா யாரு தூய தமிழ்ல பேசிக்கிட்டு இருக்காங்க. இதுதான் இப்ப Trend பாட்டி. உங்களுக்கெல்லாம் அது புரியாது.

**தமிழ்** : இல்லையப்பா. நான் உன்ன தூய தமிழ்ல பேச சொல்லல. பிற மொழி கலப்பில்லாம பேசலாமே. இதெல்லாம் உங்க ஆசிரியர்கள், பெற்றோர்கள் சொல்லி தர மாட்டாங்களா தம்பி?

**நவிஞன்** : இந்தக்காலத்துல பெரியவங்க, சின்னவங்கனு எல்லாருமே இப்புடி தான் பேசிக்குவாங்க. நீங்க வேணா இங்க எல்லா இடத்தையும் சுத்தி பாருங்களேன் எங்கெயாவது தமிழ்ல மட்டும் எழுதிருக்காங்களான்னு. எல்லா Placeலயும் Hindi, Englishனு கலந்து கலந்து தான் எழுதிருப்பாங்க.

(பாட்டி சுற்றிப் பார்க்கிறார் எல்லா இடங்களிலும் Toilet-கழிவறை Kanmani Hotel-கண்மணி ஹோட்டல் என்பது போன்று தமிழிலும் ஆங்கிலத்திலும் எழுதியபடி இருந்தது)

(பாட்டி சிரித்தபடி பதில் கூறுகிறார்)

**தமிழ்** : நம்முடைய தமிழ்நாட்டிற்கும், தமிழ்மொழிக்கும், தமிழ் மக்களுக்கும் பிற மொழிகளை அறிந்து வைத்திருப்பதும் பிற மொழிகளிலுள்ள புதிய செய்திகளை நமது தமிழ்மொழியில் கொண்டு வருவதும் மிக அவசியம். இதனால் என்றும் நம் தமிழ்மொழி அழியப்போவதில்லை.

**நவிஞன்** : அப்பவேற எதுனால இப்புடி சொல்றீங்க?

**தமிழ்** : தம்பி நீ இப்ப வழி முழுக்க என்கூட பேசிட்டு வந்தீயே. அப்ப எத்தனை வாக்கியங்களுக்கு நடுவுல பிறமொழிய கலந்து பேசிட்டு வந்த.

**நவிஞன்** : ஆமா, நா Englishல கொஞ்சம் கொஞ்சம் கலந்து பேசுனேன். அதுக்காக, நா Englishலயே பேசாம இருக்கமுடியுமா?

**தமிழ்** : நான் குறிப்பிட்ட எந்த மொழியையும் பேசவே கூடாதுனும், எந்த மொழியும் குறைவானதுனும் சொல்லல. எல்லா மொழியும் சிறந்தது தான். எல்லா மொழிகளையும் பேசவும் செய்யலாம். ஆனா, நான் என்னசொல்றேனா, தாய்மொழியாகக் கொண்ட தமிழர்களே பொது இடங்கள்ல தமிழைப் பேசுறதுக்கு இப்ப அவமானமாக நினைக்கிறாங்க பிற மொழி கலப்பில்லாம இப்ப உள்ள தமிழ் மக்களால பேசக்கூட முடியுறதில்ல. இதுதான் நம்ம மொழிக்கான அழிவா இருக்கும்னு சொல்ல வரேன். தமிழ் மொழியின் அழிவிற்கு முக்கியகாரணமா இருக்குறதும் தமிழர்களா தான் இருப்பாங்க தம்பி....!!

**நவிஞன்** : எல்லாராலும் Daily பேசிட்டுருக்குற மொழி எப்படி பாட்டி அழிஞ்சு போகும். கண்டிப்பா அதுக்கு வாய்ப்பே இல்லையே.

**தமிழ்** : நீங்க தினசரி தமிழ்மொழியப் பயன்படுத்திட்டு வந்தாலும், இப்ப கொஞ்சம் கொஞ்சம் பிற மொழிக்கலப்புகள் நம் தமிழ்மொழிக்கு ஊடே வந்துட்டுருக்கு. ஆனா, முன்னாடி காலத்துல்ல இந்த மாதிரி பிறமொழிக் கலப்புல யாரும் பேசுனதில்ல. ஆனா, இப்பயெல்லாமே மாறிப்போச்சுல. அதே மாதிரி இப்பவேணா எல்லாருக்கும் கொஞ்சமான கலப்புச் சொற்களைப் பயன்படுத்துற மாதிரி இருக்கலாம். ஒருவேளை நாளைய பொழுதே எல்லா வாக்கியங்களிலும் பிறமொழிகள் மட்டுமே வந்து தமிழ்மொழியே இல்லாமல் போவதற்கும் வாய்ப்புண்டு. இந்த மாதிரி ஒரு சூழ்நிலை வந்தால் உங்களுக்கு அடுத்த தலைமுறையினருக்கே தமிழ்மொழி என்ற ஒன்று இருந்தது என்பதைக் காட்டக்கூட ஓர் அடையாளமும் இல்லாம போயிடும். அப்பறம் தமிழ் மொழியும் அழிந்து போகும். இறுதியாகத் தமிழர்கள் என்ற ஒரு சமுதாயத்தினர் இருந்தார்கள் என்ற தடமே இல்லாமல் போயிடும்பா.

**நவிஞன்** : (மௌனமாக இருந்தான் கண்கள் மட்டும் கலங்கின) (கோவிலின் வாசலுக்கு இருவரும் வந்து சேர்ந்தார்கள்)

**தமிழ்** : பேசிக்கிட்டே வந்ததில் கோவிலோட

பாதையக்கூட நான் கவனிக்கல தம்பி. மரம், செடி, கொடினு இருந்த எல்லாத்தையும் அழிச்சிட்டு வீடும், கடைகளுமா கட்டி வச்சிருக்காங்களா அதான் கோவிலோட தடங்கூட மறந்து போச்சு. ரொம்ப நன்றி தம்பி. எனக்காக வழி காட்டுனதுக்கு.

**நவிஞன்** : பாட்டி “One Minute” அய்யோ, மன்னிச்சிருங்க. ஒரு நிமிடம் பாட்டி.

**தமிழ்** : சொல்லப்பா....(சிரித்தபடியே கூறுகிறார்)

**நவிஞன்** : அடுத்த முறை வரும்போது இப்புடி தனியா வராதீங்க உங்க பிள்ளைங்க யாரு கூடயாவது வாங்க.

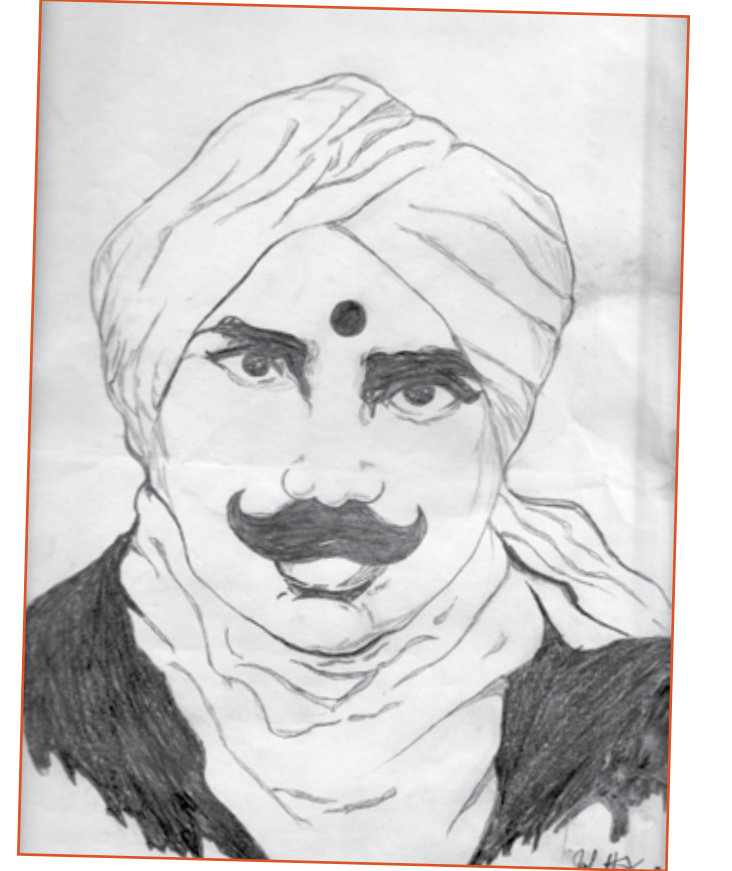
**தமிழ்** : என் பிள்ளைங்க எல்லாரும் எப்ப எல்லா இடத்துலயும் அவர்களது தாயான என்னைப் பேசுவதற்கு அவமானமாக நினைக்காமல் பெருமையாக நினைக்கிறார்களோ அப்ப நான் நிச்சயம் இப்படி அனாதை போல் தனியாக வரமாட்டேன்.

(“தமிழ்” பாட்டி விடைபெற்றுக்கொண்டார்)

“தமிழில் பேசத்தயக்கம் கொள்ளாதே”

“தாய்மொழியோடு பிற மொழியைக் கலக்காதே”

**க. கீர்த்தனா 20TAM016.**



**Keerthana V.S. 20PGT005**

**ஒளிர்வி**



ஒளிர்க்கூடியவற்றை ஒளிர்வி என்பர். இச்சிறுகதைத் தொகுப்பில் உள்ள ஏழு சிறுகதைகளும் உணர்வுகளோடு சம்பந்தப்பட்டவை. உணர்வுகள் ஆழமானவை அதோடு அதில் மூழ்கியவர்களை மீட்டெடுப்பது கடினம். தொல்காப்பியர் கூறும் எண்வகை மெய்ப்பாடுகளில் சிலவற்றை இச்சிறுகதைகள் மூலம் காட்சிப்படுத்த முயற்சி செய்துள்ளேன். புத்தகத்தில் உள்ள சிறுகதைகள் மூலம் உணர்வுகள் ஒளிரும் என்று நம்புகிறேன். சமூகத்தில் மறைக்கப்படுகின்ற குற்றங்களையும் அவ்வப்போது சிறுகதைகள் மூலம் காட்சிப்படுத்தியிருக்கிறேன்.

**மீ. அனு 19TAM003**



# உன் உயிர்கூட உனக்கு உரியது அல்ல

ஓர் அழகான காடு, காட்டுக்குள் மயில், கிளி, ஆந்தை, காகம், கழுகு போன்ற பல பறவைகள் மற்றும் உயிரினங்கள் வாழ்ந்துகொண்டிருந்தன. அந்த அழகான காட்டில் வசிக்க ஒரு கிளியின் குடும்பம் வந்தது. அம்மா, அப்பா, இரு பிள்ளைகள் என அழகான குடும்பம். இவர்கள் அந்தக்காட்டில் தங்கவேண்டுமானால் அந்த மரத்தின் உரிமையாளர்களிடம் அவர்கள் தங்கிக்கொள்ளலாம் என்ற அனுமதியைப் பெற வேண்டியிருந்தது. ஆலமரத்தில் அந்தக் கிளிகள் அதன் சொந்தக்காரான ஆந்தையிடம் கேட்டன. அதற்கு ஆந்தை தனியாக உள்ளவர்க்கு மட்டுமே இங்கு இடம் என்றது. அதனை அடுத்து பலா மரத்திற்குச் சென்றனர் அதன் சொந்தக்காரான அணில் உள்ளே உங்களுக்கு அனுமதி இல்லை என்று கூறியது. அம்மா கிளி ஏன் என்று கேட்கையில் உங்களுக்கு இரு குழந்தைகள் உள்ளன. அவை கீச்சிடும் அதன் கீச்சளினால் என்னால் உறங்க முடியாது வேறு மரம் பாருங்கள் என்றது. அதனைத் தொடர்ந்து பெரிய ஆலமரம் இருந்தது. அப்பா கிளி இது முன்பு பார்த்ததை விட மிகப் பெரியதாக இருக்கிறதே இங்கு நமக்கு அடைக்கலம் கிடைக்குதா? எனக்கேட்டுப்பார்க்கலாம் எனத்தன் கருத்தைத் தந்தை கிளி வெளிப்படுத்தியது. அப்பா கிளியின் பேச்சைக் கேட்ட அம்மா கிளி அதனைத் தொடர்ந்து அந்தப்பெரிய ஆலமரத்தின் சொந்தக்காரான புறாவிடம் கேட்டது. அதற்குப்புறா, கிளிகள் நீங்கள் பார்ப்பதற்கு அழகாக இருப்பீர்கள் உங்களைப் பிடித்து செல்லப்பிராணியாக வளர்ப்பதற்கு மனிதர்கள் வருவார்கள். ஆதலால் எங்களுக்குப் பிரச்சினை வரும். உங்களுக்கு வேறு இடம் பார்த்துக் கொள்ளுங்கள் என்றது. பின் புளிய மரத்தின் சொந்தக்காரான காகத்திடம் கேட்டது. அதற்குக் காகம் இல்லை, இங்கு எங்கள் சொந்தம் இருப்பதற்கே இடம் இல்லை, பின்

எவ்வாறு நான் உங்களைத் தங்க வைக்க இயலும். வேறு இடம்பார்த்துக் கொள்ளுங்கள் என்றது காகம்.

அதன் வழியாக மாமரம் ஒன்றைக் கண்டது. பிள்ளைகள் கிளி, அம்மா, அப்பா இங்கு தங்கிக்கொள்ளலாம். பசித்தால் நாம் சுற்றத் தேவையில்லை. பசித்தால் நாம் இங்கே உணவு உண்டு இங்கேயே உறங்கிக்கொள்ளலாம் என்றது. அதற்குத் தாய் மற்றும் தந்தை கிளிகள், அது தவறு கண்களே நமக்குப் பசி என்றால் நாம் உழைத்து உண்ண வேண்டும். உழைக்காமல், உண்ணும் எந்த உணவும் நம் உடம்பில் சேராது. அவை நல்ல பழக்கம் அல்ல. நல்ல உழைப்பு, உறக்கமே நம் வாழ்க்கையை மேம்படுத்தும் என்றனர். அதனைக் கேட்டு இரு கிளிகளும் சரி என்பது போல் தன் அழகான சின்ன தலைகளை ஆட்டின. பின் உயரமான இரையைத் தேடிப்பறந்து கொண்டிருந்த பருந்து இவைகளையெல்லாம் நீண்ட நேரமாகக் கவனித்துக்கொண்டே இருந்தது. பின் அது கீழே இறங்கி வந்து அந்தக் கிளிகளிடம் நான் பருவத்திற்கு ஏற்ப மலைப்பிரதேசங்களுக்குச் செல்வேன். ஆகையால் என் வீட்டில் யாருமில்லாமல் இருக்கிறது. நீங்கள் இருந்து கொள்ளுங்கள். எவ்வளவு வருடம் வேண்டுமானாலும் தாராளமாகத் தங்கிக்கொள்ளுங்கள் என்று கழுகு கூறியது. அதனைக் கேட்ட குடும்பம் நன்றி கூறி அங்கு மகிழ்ச்சியாக வாழ்ந்து வந்தது. பின் இரு மாதங்களே ஆனது. அங்கு வந்த மனிதர்கள் அங்கு உள்ள அனைத்து மரங்களையும் வெட்டி, பெரிய மனைகள், கடைகள், கட்டிடங்கள் போன்ற அனைத்தையும் கொண்டு வந்தனர். நீர், நிலம், காற்று, நெருப்பு போன்ற இயற்கை வளங்கள் இந்த மண்ணில் வாழும் மண்புழுவிற்குக் கூடச் சொந்தமாகும். இந்த உலகம் அனைத்து உயிரினங்களுக்கும் உரிதானது. இவ்வாறு இயற்கையை அழித்து அவற்றினால் வரும் பழி பாவங்கள் மனிதர்களை மட்டுமே சாரும்.

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# Scintillating Musings - Hindi

## बंद दरवाजों के अंदर

हमारी जिंदगी जा रही थी उसकी राहों में,  
साथ जा रहे थे उसके संग,  
न पता था हम कैद हो जाएंगे  
बंद दरवाजों के अंदर।  
हँसती खिलखिलती हमारी जिंदगी ले आई  
हमे एक मुश्किल राह पर,  
जिस राह का पता भी न था हमको,  
पर कैद हो गए हम  
बंद दरवाजों के अंदर।  
तेज़ रफ्तार में जा रहे थे हम,  
रुकना पड़ा था हमको,  
जिस दिन का न किया था इंतजार  
पर कैद हो गए हम  
बंद दरवाजों के अंदर।  
न सोचा होगा उस दिन का  
जब बिछड़ जाँएंगे अपने- अपनो से,  
न सोचा था जिसका  
हँसता हुआ चेहरा देखा सुबह  
लेकिन न देख पाएंगे कल से।  
न पता था हमको  
कैसे जिये जिंदगी उनके बिना,  
पर चलना पड़ा जिंदगी की राह में  
उनकी यादों में  
बंद दरवाजों के अंदर।  
हमारी सुंदर सी भूमी पर छा गई अंधकार,  
बन गए हम  
कोरोना महामारी का शिकार,  
मुक्त हवा को साँस ले रहे थे हम,  
न पता था लेना पड़ेगा  
आक्सीजन सिलेंडर से साँस।  
भले ही हम कैद हो गए थे बंद दरवाजों के अंदर,  
लेकिन मिला एक सीख अद्भूत  
जिसे जिंदगी भर न  
भूलेंगे हम : जिंदगी का मूल्य।  
मिटने नहीं देंगे हमारी आशाओं को  
जो हमें इन बंद दरवाजों से मुक्त करेगी।

Hemamalini V. 21PGE011

## सोशल मीडिया

सोशल मिडिया ने किया है हम पे ऐसा वार  
कि भूल ही गए हम अपना परिवार,  
व्हाट्सपू, फेसबुक, ट्विटर, इंस्टाग्राम  
अब याद नहीं आती अपने पूर्वजों के नाम।

सोशल मीडिया के फायदे भी है और है नुकसान,  
दुनिया रहती मुट्ठी में पर आँखें होती परेशान।  
सोच समझ के करो इस्तमाल तो है लाभदायक,  
वरना बन जाता है जीवन के लिए खलनायक।

बिल् पेमेंट हो या टिकट बुकिंग,  
मिन्टों में हो जाते हैं सारे काम,  
सदा अप्पेट रहने का न करो अभिमान,  
जिन्हें नहीं आता ये सब उनका भी करो सम्मान।

Shruthi Jain R. 20SOC053



Sharmila N. is the recipient of the 70th Award as  
Socal Activist - A Recognition from Guinness World  
Book of Records - An astounding achievement





Urmila N.S. 19BTYE047

## पृथ्वी का हृदय

ठंडी हवा के साथ बूँदा बांदी  
हर जगह सूरज की रोशनी नाचती है।  
हरे पेड़ों से सांस लें  
प्रकृति हमें मौका देती है जीने को  
प्रकृति मृत्युसंजीवनी है।

बादल ऊँची पहाड़ियों पर तैरते  
दिन और रात होते हैं हर रोज  
कड़वे मीठे अनुभव से  
सुगंध हमारी भावना को अभी भी जगाती  
पर प्रकृति को बदले में हम क्या देते ?  
रातमें आकाश छोटे तारों से चमकता है  
एक शक्ति स्रोत की तरह...

प्रकृति दूसरी माँ के समान  
यह हमें सब कुछ करता प्रदान  
आओ हम इसकी करें सम्मान  
क्योंकि प्रकृति धरती का हृदय है।

Ramitha Shree M. 20ENGE039

## दिल की लालसा

यहाँ हमने बारिष में नृत्य किया,  
अब युद्ध में हमारी भूमि मारी गयी।  
हमारा घर बहुतों का घर था,  
अब हमें मुश्किल से कोई ढूँढ़ पाए !

हम सीमा पार करने दूसरे राष्ट्र की ओर भागते,  
पर घर की दरवाजे पर हमारा दिल है,  
सब को हम पर सहानुभूति है,  
लेकिन सीमा पर सिर्फ हम ही हैं।

युद्ध रोकना सबकी चिंता है,  
पर हमारे लिए यह दिल की लालसा है।  
“कौन जीतेगा”? कई पूछते हैं,  
“हमें सिर्फ शांति चाहिए” हम कहते हैं।

Rehana M. 20ZO0023

निवास अनेक है, पर घर एक है,  
क्या हम अपनी मातृभूमि को अकेला छोड़ देंगे ?  
“नहीं”। हम छुड़ाएँगे और निर्माण करेंगे।  
आप हमारी यह कहानी एक दिन जरूर सुनेंगे।  
Shiny Gloriana F. 20ECE043

## बैंगनी

तुम एक उल्लासपूर्ण अंतिम रंग हो  
बिना तुम्हारे इन्द्रधनुष पूरा नहीं होता  
तुम युग-युग तक प्यार और विश्वास हो।  
जब भी मैं तुम्हें देखता हूँ  
मेरे भीतर के बच्चे को महसूस कर सकता हूँ।

मुझे एहसास होता है कि मैं जल्द  
तुम्हारी दुनिया में नहीं आ सकता।  
यह मेरे दिल को दर्द देता है,  
लेकिन वह दर्द मेरी मामूलियत को लुभाता है।  
एक दिन मैं बैंगनी सागर का हिस्सा बनूँगा।

Logitha V. 20ECE028

## चाँद आई चाँद

एक चाँद आई चाँद  
वह मुझे आयी बहुत पहचान।  
मैंने चाँद को बहुत याद किया,  
तभी मैं बहुत वादा किया।  
चाँद को देखते - देखते नींद आयी,  
विस्तर पर पड़े एक नई सोच आयी।  
सोचते - सोचते भूख आयी,  
तभी तो मुझे रखी हुई खाने की याद आयी।  
उठ भागा चौंके के अंदर,  
माँ को देखते ही भीतर।  
चीख उठा बाहर,  
चाँद गई बादल के अंदर ॥

Sanofer M. 20ENG044

## अच्छा या बुरा नजरिये पर निर्भर

कोरोना महामारी ने हमारे आँखों के सामने सारे विश्व को अपने चपेट में ले लिया। हमें बहुत कुछ सिखाया, कई अनुभव दिए, जिनमें से कुछ अच्छे थे और कुछ बुरे, पर मैंने यह सीखा कि अच्छा हो या बुरा, वो हमारे नजरिये पर निर्भर करता है। हम सबको लगता था और अब भी लगता होगा कि यह कोरोना महामारी का दौरान हमारे जिंदगी का सबसे खराब वक्त है। पर मुझे लगता है कि कई ऐसी चीजें हैं जिनका हमें शुक्रगुज़ार होना चाहिए। हमें कई बातों पर अफसोस हुआ होगा जैसे अक्सर बाहर जाना मना, अपने दोस्तों और रिश्तेदारों से ना मिल पाना, मनपसन्दीदा खाना बाहर से मंगवा न पाना, मास्क पहनकर घूमना आदि मुश्किल लगा होगा। पर हम यह सोचना भूल गए कि जब अनेक लोग कोरोना महामारी से पीड़ित थे और बहुत लोगों ने अपने प्राण खोए, किन्तु हम आज भी जिंदा हैं, स्वस्थ हैं और साँस ले पा रहे हैं। क्या यह काफी नहीं है? इससे ज्यादा हमें और क्या चाहिए?

लॉकडाउन के दौरान पूरा देश चिंतित था कि विद्यार्थियों की पढ़ाई का क्या होगा क्योंकि सारे शैक्षणिक संस्थान बंद किए गए थे। उसका भी समाधान मिला। ऑनलाइन के माध्यम से शिक्षा देना शुरू किया गया। हमें आभारी होना चाहिए कि परिस्थिति के कारण केवल तरीके बदले, पर जो हमें जरूरी था वो हमें मिल रहा था। मेरा मानना है कि इस लॉकडाउन के दौरान मुझे बहुत कुछ सीखने को मिला और मुझे अपने लिए बहुत वक्त मिला। मैं अपने परिवारवालों के साथ ज्यादा वक्त बिता पाई। इन सबसे ज्यादा मुझे यह सीखने को मिला कि यहाँ कुछ भी स्थायी नहीं होता। वक्त बदलते रहता है, हालात बदलते हैं और हर बुरा वक्त हमें कुछ महत्वपूर्ण सिखाता है। हमें चिंता करने के बजाये यह सोचना चाहिए कि जो होना था सो हो गया, पर इस घटना से हमें क्या सीख मिली है? यह सबसे ज्यादा मायने रखता है। हमें हौसला बनाए रखना चाहिए और समझना चाहिए कि जीवन हमें जो भी कठिन परिस्थिति में डाल रहा है, वह वक्त गुज़र जाएगा। हालात हमेशा के लिए नहीं रहता। हमारा बुरा वक्त समाप्त हो ही जाएगा और अवश्य बड़ी सीख देकर जाएगा जो हमें बद्धिमान, स्थिर और मज़बूत बनाएगा।

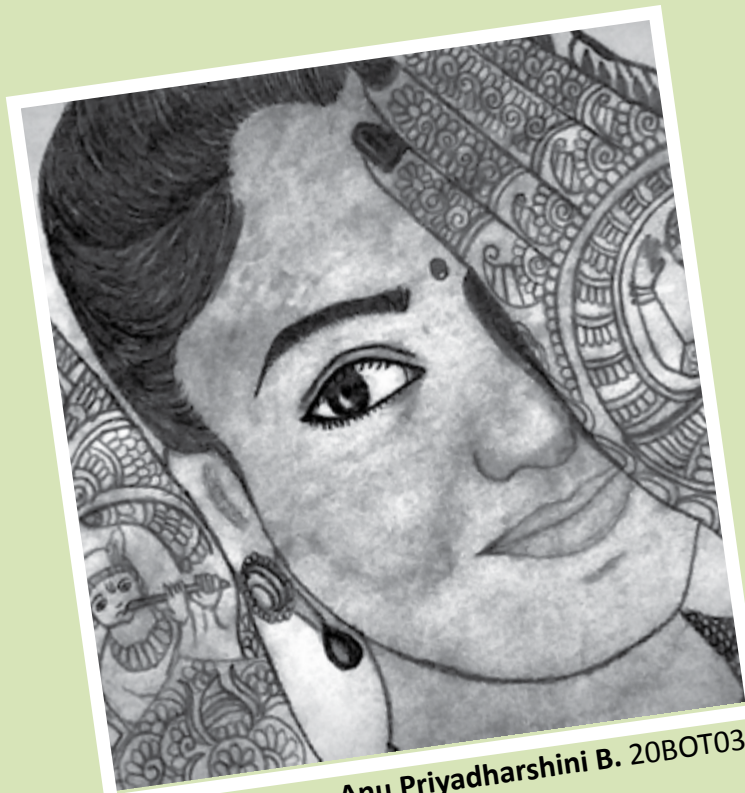
जीवन एक सुन्दर सफ़र है जहाँ मीठे और कड़वे अनुभव के साथ लक्ष्य की ओर बढ़कर सुदृढ़ समाज बनाना हम पर निर्भर करता है।

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Kiruba J. 20BOT049



Anu Priyadharshini B. 20BOT030

## जिन्दगी

दुनिया के इस रंगमंच पर  
कई किरदार मिले,  
किसी से जिन्दगी मिली तो  
किसी से जिन्दगी का सबक मिला।

कोई हमारे दिल का टुकड़ा बना तो  
किसी ने हमारे दिल के टुकड़े-टुकड़े कर दिया।  
कोई दुख के आँसू पोछने मिले तो  
कोई आँखों में सुख के आँसू भरनेवाले।

जिन्दगी के हर एक पन्ने पर  
एक नया दिन, नया उमंग  
अनेक नये सपने जुड़ते गये।

रात के बाद दिन की आशा,  
हर मुसीबतों को झेलने की आशा  
हर दुख के बाद फिर मुस्कुरा कर  
पूरी तरह से जीने की आशा,  
ए मेरी जिन्दगी! सिर्फ तू, तू ही मुझमें  
समा गयी है.....।

Jhanvi J. 20SOC027

## समय का सदुपयोग

समय का सदुपयोग यही है कि प्रत्येक कार्य निश्चित समय पर कर देना चाहिए समय को बरबाद नहीं करना चाहिए क्योंकि हमारा जीवन इसी से बना है। जीवन में सफलता पाने के लिए समय की अनुकूलता का होना आवश्यक है। यदि समय अनुकूल न हो मनुष्य के सारे प्रयत्न निष्फल हो जाते हैं। आमजन में प्रचलित धारणा है कि धन कीमती होता है पर धन की अपेक्षा समय ज्यादा कीमती है। धन को वापस पाया जा सकता है लेकिन समय को वापस नहीं पाया जा सकता। समय निरंतर गतिशील है। इसकी यह गतिशीलता ही जीवन है जिसका बड़ा महत्व है। जीवन क्या है - जीने का कुछ वक्त। मृत्यु के बाद तो समय का कोई अर्थ नहीं रह जाता। अतः समय सबसे मुल्यवान है! समय अच्छा हो या बुरा हो ध्यान रहे यह सतत प्रवाहमान है, जिसे रोका नहीं सा सकता। समय के पाबंद रहकर समय की

अर्थ नहीं रह जाता। अतः समय सबसे मुल्यवान है! समय अच्छा हो या बुरा हो ध्यान रहे यह सतत प्रवाहमान है, जिसे रोका नहीं सा सकता। समय के पाबंद रहकर समय की बचत भी कर सकते हैं। यदि सारी रेलगाड़ियाँ समय पर छोटे और समय पर पहुँचे सारे त्योहार ठीक समय पर आरंभ होकर ठीक समय पर समाप्त हो और सभी कार्य निश्चित समय पर हो तो सभी लोगों का समय बच सकता है। पढ़ाई के वक्त पढ़ाई और खेल के समय खेल अगर बच्चे करेंगे तो वो कभी भी असफल नहीं होंगे। शादी के समय मौज और गृहस्थी के समय जिम्मेदारी- ये सब वक्त पर ही अच्छे लगते हैं। जो व्यक्ति ऐसा नहीं करता वह हमेशा दर-दर की ठोकरे खाता है। वो बाद में पश्चाताप करता है कि मैंने समय को नष्ट किया और अब समय मुझे नष्ट कर रहा है। मनुष्य जीवन की सार्थकता समय के सदुपयोग में है। गोस्वामी तुलसीदास ने लिखा है-

का बरषा जब कृषि सुखाने।

समय चूकि पुनि का पछिताने।

अर्थ: समय रहते अगर खेती का काम कर दिया जाए तो बाद में हमें पछिताना नहीं पड़ता। उचित समय पर काम करने से समय की भी बचत हो जाती है और काम भी अच्छा होता है।

एक बार एक लड़का अपनी शिक्षा ग्रहण करने के लिए गुरु के पास आश्रम में गया वह लड़का बहुत ही आलसी था गुरु को पता चला कि यह बहुत आलसी है। यह अपना काम आज का कल पर छोड़ देता है लेकिन मैं चाहता हूँ कि यह शिक्षा ग्रहण करके जब अपने घर जाए तो आलस को छोड़ कर जाए, तब गुरु ने एक योजना बनाई और उस लड़के को कहा कि मैं दो दिनके लिए पास वाले गाँव में कुछ काम के लिए जा रहा हूँ। मैं तुम्हें यह पारस मणि देता हूँ इससे दो दिन तुम्हें जितना भी लोहा से सोना बनाना है, बना देना। गुरु गए और उस लड़के ने सोचा दो दिन है मेरे पास में बहुत सारा सोना बनाऊंगा जिसके बाद पूरी जिन्दगी मुझे कमाने की जरूरत नहीं पड़ेगी। उस लड़के ने सोचा दो दिन है। एक दिन तो मैं आराम कर लेता हूँ। कल काम करना शुरू करूंगा, और दूसरे दिन सोचा अभी तो पुरा दिन है। यह

काम तो जल्दी हो जाएगा। इसलिए "पहले मैं पेट भर कर खाना खा लेता है फिर करदूँगा"। उसने तो खाना खाया। उसको नींद आ गई वह सो गया। उठा तो देखा सूर्यास्त हो चुका था और गुरु भी आ गये थे। वह आलस के कारण कुछ भी नहीं कर सका, फिर उसको पश्चाताप हुआ की "मैंने अपने जीवन का अमूल्य समय आलस में गवा दिया। आज के बाद मैं कभी भी आलस नहीं करूंगा। समय का हमेशा ध्यान रखूँगा"।

कबीरदासजी कहते हैं-

काल करे सो आज कर, आज करे सो अब्ब।

पल में प्रलय होगी, बहुरि करेगा कब्ब ॥

अर्थ : कबीर दास जी समय की महत्ता बताते हुए कहते हैं कि जो कल करना है उसे आज करो और जो आज करना है उसे अभी करो, कुछ ही समय में जीवन का अन्त हो सकता है फिर तुम बहुत कब कर पाओगे !!

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# Footprints in the Sands of Time - The LDC Photo Wall

It has been a long-time dream of the administrative team of Lady Doak to design a pictorial presentation of the college’s illustrious history.

This task was entrusted to the Photo gallery committee under the guidance of Dr. Sarah Sathyavathi and Mrs. Felicia Vasanthakumari.

The team dived into the Helms archives to pick out the lustrous gems that would be put out for display on either wall of the Lady Doak bust area. The selected photographs were arranged into various clusters, that highlight the journey of Lady Doak college and how she grew from strength to strength over the years.

The enthusiastic and committed team members donned diverse caps as interior decorators, photographers, scriptwriters, and designers. Their browser searches were filled with queries about carpentry, wallpapers, floor designs, photo prints, frames, and lighting.

With the innovative and aesthetic sensibility of the team, the corridor was transformed as a butterfly

breaks out of a cocoon. The dreary, uninteresting corridor became a well-lit museum where everyone began to stop and stare at the pictures that spoke wordless volumes.

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# தமிழ் உயராய்வு நடுவம்

## தமிழ் இலக்கியக்கழகம்

தமிழ் உயராய்வு நடுவத்தின் தமிழ் இலக்கியக்கழகத்தின் தொடக்கவிழா 2021 செப்டம்பர் மாதத்தில் நடந்தது. இவ்விழாவில் முனைவர் நா.சங்கரராமன் சிறப்புரையாற்றினார். இலக்கியக்கழகத்தின் மூலமாக மாணவர்களுக்குக் காணொலி, போன்மி தயாரித்தல், ஓவியம், கட்டுரை, பேச்சு, கவிதை, சிறுகதைப்போட்டிகள் இணைய வழியாகவும் நேரடியாகவும் நடத்தப்பட்டுப் பரிசுகள் வழங்கப்பட்டன. 2022 மே மாதத்தில் இலக்கியக்கழக நிறை விழாவில் திருமிகு. சவுண்ட்மணி கலந்துகொண்டு தமிழர் இசைபற்றிச் சிறப்புரையாற்றினார்

## கணித்தமிழ்ப்பேரவை - தொடக்கவிழா

தமிழ் உயராய்வு நடுவத்தில் சென்னை – தமிழ் இணையக்கல்விக் கழகத்தின் நிதிநல்கையுடன் கணித்தமிழ்ப்பேரவை - தொடக்கவிழா 10.12.2021 அன்று நடைபெற்றது. இவ்விழாவில் கணித்தமிழ்ப் பேரவையின் மேனாள் மாநில ஒருங்கிணைப்பாளர் முனைவர் தமிழ்ப்பரிதிமாரி, தமிழ்நாடு அரசின் கணித்தமிழ் விருதாளரும், தொழில்நுட்ப வல்லுநருமான திருமிகு. நீச்சல்காரன் (எ) இராஜாராம் கலந்து கொண்டு சிறப்புரை ஆற்றினார்.

## நாற்றங்கால்: (பள்ளி மாணவர்களுக்கான திறனறி போட்டிகள் - 2021-2022)

தமிழ் உயராய்வு நடுவம் மற்றும் சோமலே அறக்கட்டளை இணைந்து நிகழ்த்திய “நாற்றங்கால்” (பள்ளி மாணவர்களுக்கான திறனறி போட்டிகள்) 18.03.2022 அன்று நடத்தப் பெற்றது. இந்நிகழ்வில் அரசு மற்றும் அரசு உதவிபெறும் பள்ளி மாணவர்களுக்குப் போட்டிகள் நிகழ்த்தப்பட்டன.



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போட்டிகளில் 60 பள்ளிகளிலிருந்து 250க்கு மேற்பட்ட மாணவர்கள் கலந்துகொண்டனர். நிறைவு விழாவில் கேட்டி வில்காக்ஸ் கல்விக் குழுமத்தின் தலைவர் திருமிகு. ஜான்தேவதாசன் அவர்கள், பட்டிமன்றப் புகழ் திருமிகு. எஸ்.ராஜா அவர்கள் மதுரை மாவட்ட முதன்மைக்கல்வி அலுவலர் திருமிகு. இரா. சுவாமிநாதன் அவர்கள் சிறப்பு விருந்தினர்களாகக் கலந்துகொண்டனர். இந்நிகழ்வில் தமிழ் உயராய்வு நடுவத்தின் மேனாள் மாணவி சொ.நே.அறிவுமதி ‘ஆழிணி’ புதினம் எழுதியதைப் பாராட்டும் விதத்தில் சிறப்பு செய்யப்பட்டது.

## மாணவியர் பெற்ற வெற்றிக்கனிகள்

28.04.2022 அன்று “கந்தக முல்லை-22” என்னும் தலைப்பில் சிவகாசி, அய்யநாடார் ஜானகி அம்மாள் கல்லூரியின் தமிழ்த்துறை நடத்திய போட்டிகளில் 12 மாணவியர் கலந்துகொண்டு முதல் பரிசிற்கான சுழற்கேடயத்தை வென்றனர்.

19.05.2022 அன்று மதுரை, அமெரிக்கன் கல்லூரியின் தமிழ்த்துறை நடத்திய குறிஞ்சி-22 போட்டிகளில் 9 மாணவியர் கலந்து கொண்டு முதல் பரிசிற்கான கேடயத்தை வென்றனர்.

# Department of English



The PG and Research Centre of English has had an eventful time. The Department has been focused on delivering quality education throughout the course of this year by embracing novel pedagogies and techniques.

The ‘Meet the Author’ programme was conducted on 12.10.2021. The resource person of the day was the acclaimed artist and writer, Padma Shri Manohar Devadoss. He moved the audience with his reminiscences of his boyhood years at Madurai, reveries on the love of his life, and touching life-story.

On 25.03.22, the Department organised a seminar titled, ‘From ‘Pillar’ to ‘Post’: Making Sense of the Linguistic Turn’. The resource person was Dr. Manu Mangattu, a literary scholar, critic, poet, translator and literatus. Dr. Mangattu explored the evolution of literary theories and the areas of research prominent in the present literary world.

In addition to this the *Tagore Centenary Prize* competition was conducted on 07.01.22, the *Poetry Writing* contest on 21.01.22, the *Arcadia Quiz*

competition on 28.03.22 and a recital competition titled ‘Oh, My Soliloquy’ on 30.03.22. The student community expressed their creative side and academic merit by taking part in these literary pursuits.

On 23.05.22 the annual literary fest Arcadia was conducted. The chief guest of the day was the illustrious Prof. Raja Govindasamy. The professor’s eloquent speech captured the hearts of the audience as he discoursed upon the origins and evolution of Children’s Literature.

On 24.05.22, the PG and Research Centre of English, Lady Doak College, organised a webinar on ‘Fairy Tales and Ageing’ which is a part of the project, ‘An Interdisciplinary Asynchronous Course on Literature and Gerontology’; funded by United Board for Christian Higher Education in Asia under the Whole Person Education Digital Content Development Grant - 2021 spearheaded by Ms. Hillela P.

The department needed a phenomenal end to a phenomenal year, and so Prof. N. Elango from Mannar Thirumalai Naicker College was invited to deliver some notes for the Club Valedictory on 30.05.2022. Both faculty-members and students involved themselves in research-activities. Several students also published their findings in journals. Ms. Thaamarai Selvi S P published her poetry-collection and Ms. Raj Sweetlin M. co-authored 5 books. The academic year, 2021-’22, has been a highly successful year as a result of the Department’s unending quest for excellence.



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# Department of Hindi



The Department of Hindi had a successful Academic year 2021-2022. Many students participated in different events virtually outside of the College. A certificate was awarded to Khusboo Dugar of II UG (Hist) for participating in the worldwide e-quiz tournament on Hindi literature hosted by Shaskiya Nehru PG College in Dagargarh, Chattisgarh, from June 24 to June 30, 2021. Additionally, on June 6, 2021, she took home the II-Prize in an online Hindi elocution contest titled “Pandemic Challenges 2k21” that was held by the Hindi Department at Parvathy’s Arts and Science College in Dindigul on 26.6.2021. Pravisha. P III- UG History and Makhima Bharathi.R of UG English of Part-I-Hindi students participated in an International Webinar on “Hindi Literature & Cinema” organized by IQAC Sourashtra College, Madurai on 07-7-2021. Five students of II UG participated in a National level E-quiz in Hindi on 30<sup>th</sup>

and 31<sup>st</sup> July 2021 organized by the Mar Athanasius College, Kothamangalam, Kerala. Twelve students participated in National Level E.Quiz competitions conducted by Holy cross College, National College, Trichy and Dharmendra Singh Arts College, Rajkot.

On May 17, 2022, a guest lecture on “Hindi Language on Digital Platform” was given by Dr. Saroj Singh, Assistant Professor, Department of Hindi, Shri Shankarlal Sundarbai Shasun Jain College, Chennai. Students were eager and enthusiastic to know about the higher studies in Hindi in Central Universities. As per students’ interest an Educational Trip was organized to Pondicherry from 22.5.2022 to 23.5.2022. On May 23, 2022, the department of Hindi at Pondicherry University hosted a two-hour presentation for our students that encouraged them to continue their studies in Hindi. They also travelled extensively and enjoyed the sights in Pondicherry.

# Department of French

Les Jeunes Tricolores – The French Club provides a platform for the students to showcase their talents. Comprising Part-I French students of both the Aided and Self-Financed stream, the club has taken immense efforts to hone the linguistic and creative skills of the students. We look back at the various activities of the academic year 2021-22, with a sense of fulfillment.

The French Club “Les Jeunes Tricolores” inaugural started with the soothing prayer of our college choir on 20<sup>th</sup> October 2021 by 6pm. The Head of the Department of French at MKU, Dr. Marie Pierre Augustin, who was our esteemed chief guest, spoke on the value of establishing a language club in the

college. His discussion not only emphasised the value of studying French but also provided information on how to use Campus France to locate employment prospects in France and Canada. Following an interactive session, the Club President revealed the Activity Plan for the academic year 2021–22.

## «Fête de la Francophonie»

Around 220 Part I French students participated in the International Francophonie Day held on 31-03-2022. Our Chief Guest Mme. Daphne Joseph, Former Head, Dept of French, Lady Doak College, delivered a speech about different Francophone people around the world and their culture. The II year students exhibited their talents in the form



of various cultural, linguistic and literary activities. A quiz competition and games were conducted to kindle the students’ interest in learning more and more about French civilisation and language.

The journey of the department and the Club “Les Jeunes Tricolores” continues with plans for an extravaganza in the coming year.

# Department of History

The Department envisions transforming young women to be inclusive, broad minded, wholesome human beings with a critical understanding of the past and the ability to shape the future of nations. In the academic year 2021-2022 an Inter-Collegiate Faculty Programme entitled “Being an Effective History Teacher” was held wherein Dr. M. Solomon Bernard Shaw, Retired Associate Professor, Department of History, Arul Anandar College, Karumatur delivered the lecture. A Two day Virtual Faculty Training Programme entitled “Art History” was conducted. Dr M Seran, Retired Professor, Expert Archaeologist-Keeladi Excavation, Mr K.T Gandhirajan, Traditional Art Historian, Tamil Virtual Academy, Kottur, Chennai and Dr S.Kannan, Associate Professor, Post Graduate and Research Dept. of History, Raja Doraisingam Government Arts College, Sivagangai, Tamil Nadu were the resource persons. Faculty from the department of History and other colleges across India participated.

The Prof. Mrs. Anna Abraham endowment lecture series XI was held on 4.03.2022. The Endowment Lecture was presented by Dr Antony Paul Gnana Sekar, Former Head and Associate Professor, Department of History, Arul Anandar College, Karumathur, Madurai

on the Topic Women’ issues in some Islamic States- Appraisal of some books.

A week long Student’s Training Programme “On Epigraphy” was conducted from 14.3.2022 - 18.3.2022. Dr. V. Vedhachlam, senior epigraphist (Retd) Tamil Nadu archaeology department and Dr. M.Marudhu Pandiyan District Curator, Government Museum, Madurai were the resource persons. Moving from a theoretical reading of inscriptions to practical explorations, on 21.3.22 the students went on a field trip to Kongarpuliyam kulam near Madurai Kamaraj University. The III UG students undertook a field trip to Arittapatti as a part of their LiFE course learning about the traditional way of life and food habits. Mr. K.P. Bharathi, DHAN Foundation and the members of Arittapatti Kalanjiam Self-Help Group coordinated the programme. The Club valedictory programme was held on 2.6.22 and was presided by Mr V.S Nagendra Prabhu. A debate on Eco Tourism was held and the prizes distributed. The interactive session with the second year Post graduates was held on 31.5.22 for understanding the nuances of the PG dissertation and projects. The Orientation was informative and well received.





# Department of Social Sciences

The department of Social Sciences has taken part in several educational and outreach initiatives. This is the department’s annual report for the fiscal year 2021–2022.

## Decennium Celebration

On October 11<sup>th</sup>, a webinar titled “Post Pandemic Relevance and Scope of Counselling” was organized for students. Dr. Sekar, Professor from NIMHANS, Bangalore spoke about the significance of therapeutic techniques such as yoga and meditation in the post pandemic period.

On October 12<sup>th</sup>, the Department in collaboration with the Centre for Human Resources Development (CHRD) of Lady Doak College organized a programme to the Non-Teaching Faculty (NTS) of Lady Doak College on the topic “Importance of Mental Health at the Workplace”.

## Dr. Elizabeth George Memorial Endowment Lecture

Dr. Elizabeth George Memorial Endowment Lecture - a lecture series was organised by the Department of Social Sciences on March 16<sup>th</sup> 2022 through a virtual platform. This endowment lecture is instituted in memory of Dr. Elizabeth George who served as Professor and Head in the Department of Philosophy and contributed in other capacities at LDC from 1953 to '63. Dr. Roderic Owen, Professor Emeritus, Mary Baldwin University, USA delivered the endowment lecture titled “Understanding and Upholding Human

Dignity”. In his speech he highlighted The Role of Dignity: Leadership and Working through Conflict.

## Faculty Development Program:

A two days Faculty Development Program on Storytelling was conducted on 30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022. Dr. R. Kaleeswaran, Director of Alternative Media Center, Chennai was the resource Person for the session. It was a highly educational and useful learning experience on fresh views for teaching.

## Learning Social Action Through Theater Workshop

Social action theatre workshop was organized from 28<sup>th</sup> - 31<sup>st</sup> of March for the Undergraduate Students. Dr. R. Kaleeswaran, Director of Alternative Media Center was accompanied by the best team consisting Mrs. Vinnarasi, Mrs. Vinita and Mr. Vetri who were well versed in the fields of sketching traditional arts like oyilattam, puppet show, Sattai kucchi aatam, parai, street theatre itself.

## Project Management Workshop

Project Management - A one day online workshop was conducted for the II MSW students on 8<sup>th</sup> April 2022 by Mr. Khilesh Chaturvedi, an Advisor, Trainer and Evaluator for the Organization working with the Marginalized. The Resource person explained the various aspects of project management in an interactive way. The students of II MSW gained knowledge on project management techniques.



# Department of Economics

With the start of the academic year taking place online, the “Oikonomia Club” was also inaugurated online on June 21, 2021. Ms. Renuka Iyer, the chief human resources officer of the World Resources Institute in Washington DC, attended the event as the chief guest. The exciting events that were in store for the year had the ideal start with this.

## Wrap the Scrap

The first programme conducted by the Club after its inaugural reflected the department’s solidarity towards a ‘Green Economy’ and a sustainable future. On 26<sup>th</sup> June, 2021 club conducted an activity called Wrap the Scrap with the theme “Green Economy”. Students participated in the contest virtually and came up with creative ideas to reuse the scrap materials. Deepa K of II P.G, Reshmika R of III UG and Harini of II UG won I , II and III positions respectively.

## Mind map

Mind map was a creative academic exercise conducted by the ‘Oikonomia Club’ on 10<sup>th</sup> July, 2021 Each batch was given a different theoretical concept which they were expected to express creatively in the form of a mind map. Fourteen students participated in the programme

## Guessing economic theory with a meme

Making learning enjoyable is always the prime concern of Oikonomia Club. Memes being the enticement of the generation, the club made a try on it! On 29<sup>th</sup> September, 2021 club conducted an activity “Guessing economic theory with a meme” via google meet. This was an absolutely enjoyable academic exercise.

## Career guidance in fashion industry

On the 19<sup>th</sup> of January, 2022 in Microsoft Teams with 168 participants, club conducted a webinar on career opportunities in the fashion industry and the

resource person was Ms. Aamira Maryam, a fashion designer and a Guinness record holder

## Peer Learning Workshop

To enhance the communication skills and soft skills of students Oikonomia club conducted a 30-day peer learning workshop on Spoken English and Spoken Hindi with 29 students and 5 tutors for an hour per day.

## ICM

The most celebrated day of the academic year 2021-22 was the Inter Collegiate Meet held 19<sup>th</sup> May. The novelty of events attracted participants from across the state. Around 350 participants took part in the Inter-Collegiate Meet. Participants from seven Colleges competed for the prestigious overall shield. Jamal Mohammad College, Trichy won the overall Trophy.

## Guest Lecture

Department of Economics, conducted a Guest Lecture on Community Engagement through Social Mapping for the students of III B.A. Economics on 09.03.2022 from 10.30 a.m. to 1.00 p.m. Dr. Anita Christine Tiphagne, Assistant Professor, Department of Social Sciences Lady Doak College, Madurai, was the resource person.

## Awareness Programme On “Field Survey on Focused Indicators of NSSO”

Department of Economics in collaboration with National Statistical Office, Madurai Region organised an awareness programme on “Field Survey On Focused Indicators of NSSO” on 31<sup>st</sup> May 2022. Dr. Christianna Singh, Principal & Secretary, Head of The Department of Economics made the introductory remarks. Session was led by Mr. G. Vishnu Raj, Joint Director and Head of NSSO, Madurai Region.



# Department of Commerce

Multifarious programmes catering to the need and interest of the students are offered by the Department of Commerce. During the academic year 2021-2022 the Department had organized ICT Academy Power Seminar on “Employability Skills”, Awareness Programme on “Professional Courses – CA, CS & CMA” and “GROW @ LDC & Beyond” was conducted in Collaboration with SBOA(CBSE) School, Madurai. ‘VARTHAGA-PRO 2021’ - Preparatory Online Quiz for Professional Courses (CS, CMA & CA – Foundation), ICT Academy Power Seminar on “Introduction of Big Data”, Guest Lectures on “Principles of Investing”, Webinar on Corporate law & Governance – Compliance & Beyond and Recent Trends in Banking were the other programmes. A Faculty workshop on “Proposal writing for projects and article writing skills in Commerce” was organized to encourage research publications. A Training Programme on “Significance of Data Analysis & Report writing in Research” was held which enriched the analytical skills of the participants.

“FOCUS 2022 - SYMPOSIUM ON CONVERGENCE OF INDUSTRY & ACADEMIA” was organized to enable students to interact with industry personnel and equip them with essential skills required for industry readiness. Guest Lectures on “Attitude, Mindset & Passion” and Personality Development” was organized by SPARK (PA) & SHARP (Hons) Club. Guest Lecture on “Career Development” was organized by FINANCIA (B&I) Club and CORSHO (CS) Club observed “CS CELEBRITY DAY” & Guest Lecture on “Goal Setting & Career Planning”. Guest Lecture on “Artificial Intelligence” was organised for II UG Commerce and batches of CA, B&I, CS and Hons.

## “FOCUS 2022 - Symposium On Convergence Of Industry & Academia” 4.04.2022

The students won the overall Champion Shield in the Inter Collegiate Virtual Seminar cum Meet - VVVC COMFEST 2022, at V.V. Vanniaperumal College for Women, Virudhunagar. The students have also cleared the exams for various Professional courses in the year 2021-2022. 27 of our students have cleared



CSEET (Company Secretary Executive Entrance Test), 24 students CA Foundation, 4 students ACS Foundation, 2 students ACS Executive and 2 students CMA INTER GROUP I & II, 5 students CMA GROUP 1, 2 students CA Inter, 3 students Executive Module 1 and 2 students Executive Module 1 & 2. 2 of our PG students have cleared the UGC-NET Examination. Our B.Com Student Madhumitha. R - 19COM031 attended the Republic Day Parade at New Delhi, Prime Minister Rally 2022 at Delhi, CM Rally, Raj Bhavan and Guard of Honor. Our B.Com CA student Subiksha. M – 20COME046 has entered the Pathanjali Book of World Records for her Non-stop relay demonstration of Silambam, Curling sword rotation and blind folded for 4 hrs without break. A total of 12 Paper Publications were made by the faculty members in the UGC Care Listed Journals in 2021-2022.

A vibrant and dynamic year of activities, training and programmes in the department aimed to bridge the gap between academia and industry.



# Department of Mathematics

The Department of Mathematics entered an MoU with Thyagi Dharmakan Amirtham College of Arts and Science for two years. The department arranged an internship program for the students with the State Bank of India . Students went to different branches in Madurai during the semester break and their services were appreciated by the bank officials. Two students attended the prestigious online foundation course in Mathematics called MTTs (Mathematics Training and Talent Search Trust). Two faculty are qualified for the award of Ph. D degree. One faculty defended her thesis and completed her viva voce in March. Three PG students won the first prize in the state level quiz competition conducted by Alagappa University.

One first year UG student has been selected as the Scranton Scholar for 2022 after participating

in the essay competitions and won US\$ 500. One PG student has been selected for “Teach for India fellowship”. Two faculty and five students presented their paper in the International Conference on “Pure and Applied Mathematics” conducted by TBML college at Porayar. Two post graduate students won the first prize and a cash award of Rs. 3000 in the Intercollegiate Science Exhibition model competition conducted by Tamil Nadu State Council for Science and Technology and GTN college at Dindigul.

The department arranged a two days training program for the faculty on “R programming”. A workshop was conducted for the final year undergraduate students on the topic “Applications of statistical tools in analyzing and interpreting the data”. The department faculty published seven papers in international journals.

# Department of Physics

The academic year 2021-22 was adorned with a slew of academic and co-curricular activities that were organized in online and offline modes.

**Proud Moments:** Department of Physics and Research Centre, Lady Doak College, Madurai signed an Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on 28<sup>th</sup> October, 2021 with the Center for Entrepreneurship Development (Tamil Nadu) – Public Charitable trust, Madurai for the Value Added Course on “Solar Panel

Installation”. Ms. Shreeaishwarya R (20PGPE20) cleared GATE 2022 with a percentile of 78.3 adding a feather to the cap.

**Programs organized:** A virtual talk on “*Higher Education Post Covid-19 Pandemic*” was co-hosted with Rajdhani College, Delhi on 7.8.2021. The speaker for the session was Dr. Muralee Thummarukudy, Head, Resilience to Disasters and Conflicts, Global Support Branch, UN Environment Programme,





Geneva. **The virtual inauguration of the Janus Club and the PG Association** was held on 12.08.2021 via MS Teams followed by the installation of office bearers and Dr. Kandasamy Karupiah Consultant, Global Solutions, Tata Consultancy Services, USA delivered the inaugural address.

This year's Intercollegiate Physics Meet (ICPM), Phyxplosion 2022, was conducted virtually through MS Teams on 14.04.2022. The theme of the meet was **"Science, Technology and Innovation for global sustainability"**.

**Student enrichment Programmes:** Webinar on **"Essentials of Solid State Physics in Contemporary Research"** on 3.12.2021 and Dr. Rita John, Professor and Head, Department of Theoretical Physics, University of Madras, Chennai was the resource person

**Virtual Skill Development Program on Problem Solving in Mathematical Physics** for UG & II PG students was conducted on 27.01.2022 & 28.01.2022.

Dr. M. Senthilvelan, Professor & Head, Department of Nonlinear Dynamics, Bharathidasan University, Tiruchirappalli was the resource person

**Faculty enrichment Programmes:** Virtual Faculty Training Programme on **"Molecular Modelling Techniques and its Applications in Current Research"** on 9.02.2022 was conducted by Dr. U. Reeta Felscia, Assistant Professor, Department of Physics, Voorhees College, Vellore

The Faculty Training Programme on **"Quantum Mechanics"** on 19.03.2022 was conducted by Dr. R. Sankaranarayanan, Associate Professor, Department of Physics, National Institute of technology, Tiruchirappalli

**Outreach activity:** Virtual Career opportunity program for the higher secondary students of Mahatma Montessori Mat. Hr. Sec. School was conducted on 7.08.2021 via MS teams by Dr. Lt. S. Sangaranachiar, Librarian, PRO and Placement Officer, Lady Doak College.

## Department of Chemistry

The Department of Chemistry organized a gamut of programmes in the year 2021-22 to address the intellectual and emotional quest and develop the skill sets of the students. A variety of capacity building programs were conducted for the undergraduate and postgraduate students through the AMALCHEM club of the department: Virtual guest lectures were organized for M.Sc. and III B.Sc. students to develop competency to clear national level competitive examinations such as CSIR/NET, GATE, IIT-JAM and other common entrance examinations

in Chemistry on topics Coordination Chemistry and NMR Spectroscopy. Career oriented facilitation was given on the topics, Career Prospects in Chemistry by Dr. Adish Tyagi, Scientist Officer E, Bhabha Atomic Research Center and Opportunities in Intellectual Property Field for Chemists by our alumna Ms. G. M. Deepa, Patent Associate, TekiP Knowledge Consulting Ltd., Bangalore. A Food Corner was organized to create awareness on the concepts such as Nutritive Value of Food products, Food Additives and Food Adulteration on 29.10.21. Skill Training Programme



on Indigenous cosmetics was conducted for interested students in collaboration with the Rotract Club of the College. The participants were trained to prepare products such as Kajal, Kum Kum and Rose water for their own usage. The Department also organized a series of Counselling Programme on Road Maps: A Healthy Reflective Practice on 02.12.2021 and 03.12.2021 for M.Sc. Chemistry Students and on Emotional Regulation on 09.12.2021 and 10.12.2021 for II B.Sc. Chemistry students. The resource person was Mrs. J. Juanita, Counsellor, Lady Doak College. An International webinar on Chemistry towards Sustainable Development in Health, Energy and Environment under Prof. Evelyn Rhine Endowment

lecture series on March 15, 2022. The webinar featured an array of eminent resource persons from Institutes/universities in India and abroad: Dr. Anant Narayan Bhatt, Institute of Nuclear Medicine and Allied Sciences, Delhi, Dr. M. Shaheer Akhtar, Professor, Jeonbuk National University, Republic of Korea; Dr. Ahmad Umar, Professor, Department of Chemistry, Najran University, Saudi Arabia and Dr. S. Thayumanavan, University of Massachusetts, Amherst USA. Nearly 110 participants including teaching fraternity, students and research scholars from India, Taiwan, Malaysia, South Korea and Philippines benefited from the lectures.

## Department of Botany

The PG & Research Department of Botany organized several academic programs such as guest lectures, training programs, workshops, and motivational talks.

A National Webinar on "Soilless Ponics for Sustainable Farming" was conducted on 24<sup>th</sup> September 2021. 120 attendees from various colleges, universities and research institutes participated. Mr. Pradeep Thakar, Managing Director, Thaker Agrotech, Chennai addressed the attendees on "Soilless Farming: A turning point in growing crops". Mr. Muralee Manohar. M, Managing Director, Farm Tech Consultancy, India & Middle east discoursed on "Aquaponics - The future of sustainable agriculture and aquaculture". 10 digital posters were presented, and S. Harshini of Bishop Heber College & S. Adam of Anna University were awarded with the best.

The Centre for Environmental Studies and the Department of Botany band together and inaugurated the Kitchen & Herbal garden in commemoration of the World Environmental Health Day on 29th September, 2021. Dr. Christianna Singh, the Principal and Secretary delivered the introductory remarks. She insisted on the need and the necessity for establishing a herbal & kitchen garden on campus.

The department received an astounding moment of pride for the research work of Ms. Divya Srinivasan guided by Dr. Rachel Regi Daniel, Former Head, Department of Botany for being a recipient of India's World Records. The Department and students are overwhelmed with joy in appreciating the successful research work on the Characterization and utilization of the banana peel, shells of egg, and prawn for the production of bioplastics.





Dr. P. Mehalingam, Assistant Professor in Botany, VHNSN College, Virudhunagar highlighted the working mechanism of Microtomy and conducted Hands – on training to the participants.

The Orchid Club had its happy ending on 24<sup>th</sup> May 2022. Dr. U. Uma Devi, Assistant Professor, Department of Botany, The Standard Fireworks Rajaratnam,

(SFR College), College for Women, Sivakasi and a patent owner for the spray which can heal wounds of diabetes and cancer delivered the valedictory address. Students of the department were encouraged with the prizes for the various competitions conducted throughout the year.

## Department of Zoology

The academic year 2021-22 in the Department of Zoology was abuzz with an array of activities that included webinars, conference, workshop, inter-collegiate meet, etc.

The academic year flagged off with the webinar series 'Wildlife and the Pandemic' organized on 5<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> of June, 2021 as a part of the World Environment Day celebrations. The session was held in collaboration with the NGO Wildlife Portal of India (WPI).

On the 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> of September 2021, the department hosted an International Conference on 'Ecotoxicology – Impacts, Assessment and Mitigation'. The conference provided a platform for discussing the causes, effects and remedies for

environmental contamination. Dr. Zeliann R. Craig, Associate Professor & Director of Graduate Studies, School of Animal and Comparative Biomedical Sciences, University of Arizona, Tucson; Dr. Sakhila K. Banu, Department of Veterinary Integrative Biosciences, College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences, Texas A&M University; Dr. M. Ramesh Professor and Head i/c, Unit of Toxicology, Department of Zoology, Bharathiar University; Dr. M.N.V. Prasad Professor, Department of Plant Sciences, University of Hyderabad, and Dr. Sarah Satyavathi, Former Head and Associate Professor, Department of Zoology, Lady Doak College were the speakers for the session.



The month of October saw the celebration of Wildlife Week. A series of talks by experts in the field of biology was organized. Dr. Brawin Kumar, SERB National Post-Doctoral Fellow, IISER Tirupathi; Mr. N. Raveendran, founder Iragukal Amritha Nature Trust, Dr. Reginald Victor, Retired Professor, Department of Biology, Sultan Qaboos University, Omann, and Mr. Byju H. Executive Member, Wildlife Information Liaison Development Society (WILD), Coimbatore spoke about different aspects on field study and the importance of public volunteerism in conservation efforts.

The year 2022 began with a National Level Virtual Training on DNA Barcoding on 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> January, 2022. Dr. R. Shenbagarathai, former Associate Professor and co-ordinator, Department of Biotechnology, Lady Doak College; Dr. Shantanu Kundu, Senior Research Associate at ZSI; Dr. A. Vanniarajan, Scientist, Aravind Medical Research Foundation, and Dr. Reginald Victor, Retired Professor, Department of Biology, Sultan Qaboos University, Oman, elaborated about the history, applications and techniques of DNA barcoding. The audience was also given a virtual experience of DNA isolation, PCR Amplification & Analysis, Sequencing and *In silico* analysis by Dr. A. Lourdhu Mary, Dr. K. Sujatha & Dr. A. Mahalakshmi, Assistant Professor(s) of the Dept. of Zoology, LDC.

## Department of Biotechnology

The Department of Biotechnology had organised various programmes during the academic year 2021-22 without any encumbrance, despite the unprecedented challenges posed by the pandemic. Realising the importance of igniting scientific inquiry among students, a virtual training on "How to read scientific literature" was organised under Manav-Human Atlas Initiative, IISER, Pune (Funded by DBT

National Science Day was celebrated on campus in collaboration with TNSF (Tamil Nadu Science Forum) on 28<sup>th</sup> February, 2022. World Sparrow Day was celebrated on 24<sup>th</sup> February with a lecture by Mrs. Merlynn Esther Maximellion, a research scholar who specializes in sparrows. As part of the program, the department installed bird baths at 12 different sites on campus. Nilgiri Tahr awareness program by Mr. N. Raveendran, IANT and an awareness campaign on 'Snake and Human Co-existence' by Mr. P. R. Vishwanathan, URVANAM was organized on 7<sup>th</sup> March, 2022 and 30<sup>th</sup> March, 2022 respectively.

As part of the LiFE program, the Department conducted a medical camp to cater to the villages of Velichanatham and Meenakshipuram on 03<sup>rd</sup> April, 2022.

The research forum of the Department organized a training for CSIR aspirants of the department with Dr. Saranya from Unacademy on 21<sup>st</sup> January, 2022. A training session for using the referencing app – Zotero was organized on 28<sup>th</sup> January, 2022 with expertise from Dr. A. Lourdhu Mary. On 5<sup>th</sup> May, 2022, Dr. Richard Gordon, Senior Research Fellow, University of Queensland, Australia visited the department and interacted with the students on his research activities and the opportunities available for them to continue their research in international universities.

and co-funded by Persistent Systems) on 16<sup>th</sup> August, 2021. Dr. Anupma Harshal W, Consultant (Science Communication and Public Engagement) Manav-Human Atlas Initiative, IISER, Pune was the resource person.

Prof N. Whitin Endowment Lecture Series on "Understanding Covid-19 Vaccines: Transforming Hesitancy to Confidence" was conducted virtually





on 24<sup>th</sup> September 2021. Reminiscence of Prof N. Whitin was shared by Dr. Ananthavalli Mahadevan, Former Vice-Chancellor, Mother Teresa Women's University, Kodaikanal & Former Vice-Chancellor, Karpagam University, Coimbatore. Dr. Wilson Aruni, Pro Vice Chancellor, Sathyabama Institute of Science and Technology, Chennai spoke on the efficacy of currently used vaccines Covishield, Covaxin and Sputnik and emphasised on the importance of taking vaccines to combat Covid-19 infection.

Dr. Amita Ajit, Consultant & Scientist Biologics, Head, Research & Development, Science and Technology Park, Savitribai Phule University, Pune highlighted the immunological effects and changes that happen in post vaccinated persons.

The Department of Biotechnology along with Centre for Human Resource Development (CHRD) organized a seminar on "Food as Medicine – Reclaim your Health" exclusively for the non-teaching staff of Lady Doak College on 16<sup>th</sup> December 2021. The Captivating lecture of Dr. Rajalakshmi, Managing Director, Traditional Care Hospital, Chennai

emphasized on the importance of healthy diet and lifestyles to keep diseases at bay.

A two-day national level webinar on Exploring Career Prospects in Life Sciences has been organized on 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> March 2022. The resource persons of the program were Dr. Suresh Govindan, Research Head, N. Ramavarier Ayurveda Foundation, Madurai, Dr. S. Ram Gopal Rao, Academic Manager, Biocon Academy, Bangalore, Ms. Padmini Sundaramoorthy, Project Manager, QVIA RDS Private Ltd, Chennai, Dr. Harvindar Popli, Director, School of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Director, DPSRU Innovation and Incubation Foundation, Delhi Pharmaceutical Sciences and Research University, New Delhi, Mr. Thillai Chidambaram, BLR LIMS Lead, Bayer Crop Sciences, Bangalore. The Department in association with the LiFE Centre of the college also conducted a guest lecture on "Entrepreneurship development and Community reach" on 17<sup>th</sup> March 2022.

Dr. S. Sivaseelan, Professor and Head, Veterinary University Training and Diagnostic Centre, Thirupparankundram, Madurai delivered the lecture.

# Department of Business Administration

The staff and students of the department hosted a Thanksgiving service at the Wilcox Chapel on December 16, 2021, welcoming the former Principal Dr. Nirmala Jeyaraj as the Chief Guest for celebrating years of completion. During her felicitation speech, she recalled how the department had evolved from its inception and the future expectations from it. Dr. Christianna Singh, the Principal and Secretary of the college delivered the message. During her message she acknowledged that the college and the department had existed victoriously only with divine

strength. The faculty friends, distinguished alumnae and the administrative officers of the college graced the occasion and blessed the department.

As a part of Silver Jubilee Celebrations, Business Blaster - Entrepreneurial Workshop for Students was organized in collaboration with National Productivity Council, Madurai on 11<sup>th</sup> March, 2022.

The aim of this competition was to stimulate entrepreneurial spirit among young aspiring entrepreneurs. Dr. M Jegan Mohan, Honorary

Secretary, Madurai Productivity Council graced the occasion as the guest of honour. Students from various departments presented their innovative business start-up ideas. The best proposals were selected by a team of eminent experts from the industry for further guidance. This has helped the students to identify opportunities to convert their plans into reality.

Various executive talks were conducted throughout the year for the benefit of students by experts from the industry. Mr. B. Appavoo, Assistant General Manager, State Bank Institute for Learning and Development, Trichy gave insights on Banking

Sector resilience after Covid-19. Mr. R. Gerold, strategic account manager, Amway India Enterprise, Tamilnadu trained the students with practical sessions on "How to approach a customer?". The department has also facilitated the students on "How to crack CAT exam?", through an efficient trainer Mr. Balsu, Director, Balsu Success Academy, Madurai. This year, the department had the privilege of hosting one of our alumnae Ms. M. P. Kavitha, deputy regional resource management group head, TCS, Chennai, for enlightening the students on Business strategies for the new normal.

# Department of Computer Science

The academic year 2021-2022 was a year with loads of fruitful activities that EQUIPPED teachers to EMPOWER students that ultimately EXPANDED the institution's influence across the globe. A couple of highlights are given below:

## Equipping Teachers:

Several faculty upskilling programmes organized by the department in the areas of Machine Learning, Global Digital Marketing, Plickers for effective interaction with students online and Red Hat Enterprise Linux Networking and Administration and a virtual International Faculty Development Programme on Auto ML helped the faculty members to keep up with the latest trends in IT. As a part of their professional growth, faculty members were actively engaged in a variety of Faculty Development Programmes both inside and outside of the institution. Two faculty members Dr. M. Praveena Kirubabai and Dr. D. Hema were awarded Ph.D. Apart from the various research publications in reputed journals by the faculty members, two of them published chapters in the book, 'Integrating AI in IoT Analytics on the Cloud for Healthcare Applications' by IGI Global Publisher.

## Empowering Students:

Honeywell, in collaboration with ICT Academy, has designated our college as a Center of Excellence for Women Empowerment. One hundred students were trained to become Microsoft Azure AI Engineer Associates as part of a Women Empowerment initiative (AI-102). Eight of our students who performed well in Microsoft Azure Fundamentals were especially appreciated by Microsoft with a Headphone. Students have also been recruited in reputed companies like TCS, CTS, Wipro, NielsenIQ, SynProSoft etc. in this academic year.

## Expanding Influence:

The collaboration with UpuPath was highly informative and useful in the Robots Process Automation (RPA) knowledge ecosystem. The launching of Red Hat Academy Programme with Winways Complete Open-Source Pvt. Ltd., Madurai enables the students to get certified by Red Hat Linu.

Yet another academic year filled with rich experience that contributed to the holistic development of both the learner and the learned as well.





# Department of Fashion Designing



The Department of Fashion Designing, filled with young, passionate, and creative energy had challenged the tough times by encouraging and involving themselves in various activities such as Online National, State, and Regional level webinars and workshops. The year started with virtual reorientation for II and III UG student on 16.06.2021 followed by virtual orientation of I UG student on 16.09.2021.

The 'ELAN' Club of The Department of Fashion Designing actively organized enthralling and enlightening programs throughout the year. Halloween day was celebrated on 1.11.2021 with face painting competitions both inonline and offline mode. A webinar on Stress management was arranged on 05.08.2021 for our students on "how to manage the online environment by Ms. Yuvabala Manimaran. A virtual program was organized to celebrate 'National Handloom Day' on 07.08.2021 to honour the Indian Handloom Weavers and the clothes woven by indigenous communities.

Young student entrepreneurs were created at this difficult time, and we are pleased with the business skills they are acquiring at such a young age. Many aspiring company owners have launched their own blogs and companies using various social media platforms throughout the pandemic. The YUVA SHAKTI award for the best entrepreneur of the year 2022 has been given to our student Ms. A. Indhumathi (19FDGE046) of III UG.

Regardless of the teaching method, we have been improving our abilities in a variety of areas to improve the complete teaching-learning experience and meet the challenges ahead of us. In a nutshell, we had a fruitful academic year working together.

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## Centre for Environmental Studies (CES)

The Centre for Environmental Studies believes that Environmental education provide learners with the knowledge, skill and motivation to address complex environmental challenges in the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

‘Clean and Green Environment’ is the theme for the academic year 2021-22.

The Centre for Environmental Studies organized a Sandalwood Sapling Plantation event at Lady Doak College in collaboration with Mr. Balaguru, President of Rotary Club Madurai West, and Ms. Sharmila, BOOM Welfare Foundation on July 31, 2021. Posters and short videos were created to promote awareness about COVID-19 safeguards in the months of July and August 2021. By developing policies, and conducting surveys related to Zero Waste Campus, awareness was created among the College community on the restriction of plastic consumption in the month of August 2021. Establishment of Kitchen and Herbal Garden in association with the Department of Botany was inaugurated by Dr. Christianna Singh, Principal & Secretary, Lady Doak College and felicitated by Dr. Rachel Regi Daniel, Chief Operating Officer and Dr. Manorama Dhanaseeli, Former Coordinator of Centre for Environmental Studies. ‘SANUS 2K21’

- commemorated World Environment Health Day in association with the National Service Scheme (Part-V NSS) on September 30, 2021. As a part of this program various webinars and competitions for students were conducted via virtual mode. The Centre involved the NSS Volunteers in an activity “Score Up! Toilets on Campus” on November 26, 2021, as directed by MGNCRE. Lady Doak College registered

## World Water Day Celebration – AMANZI 2k22”

Chennai, Mar 25: The Centre for Environmental studies and Part V programme – Lady Disk College, Madurai Eco Brigade of Lady Doak college in collaboration with Nanneer, NGO organized AMANZI 2k22 on 22nd March 2022 to commemorate World Water Day. Mr. Karthikeyan Nachiappan, Founder of Nanneer organization delivered a guest lecture on the theme “Ground water: making the invisible visible”. Mrs. M. Lakshmi, Coordinator, Centre for Environmental Studies welcomed the gathering. Students actively participated in the discussion and came out with tips to save and



water. Competitions like digital poster making, skit and video was also conducted and prizes were announced. Further an awareness programme was also organized to the school students in the adopted village Malaipatti Government High School. Students in the adopted village actively

with the faculty members, gained ideas to save water for the future.

The faculty and non-teaching staff members of the college shared a video to save water. The video was displayed in the LED TV in the entrance of the college. Dr. Anitha Selvaraj, Co-ordinator, Part V programme

as one of the participating institutions under Unnat Bharat Abhiyan, Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India and adopted 5 villages to promote the development of rural areas. The World Water Day-Amanzi 2k21 was celebrated on March 22, 2022 and programmes were conducted in collaboration with (Part-V LEB), Lady Doak College and Nanneer (NGO). As a part of this celebration, the team visited Malaipatti Government High School to create awareness on water conservation among school children on the same day.

### Highlights

The UBCHEA-funded pandemic response project was successfully completed with nine student interns and addressed the valediction programme on December 1, 2021. Green Champions and Green warriors were selected from Part-V LEB and assigned

the monitoring work in campus during break times. Solar street lights were maintained, and the centre started working towards net zero device for the installed solar panels. Under IIRS (Edusat program), 31 faculty and students have completed distance learning certificate courses and 8 members were registered for the ongoing courses. Green audit for the academic year 2020 – 2021 was also done. Fixed steel dustbins were installed in the appropriate places as per the requirement in the campus and it is planned to build a disposal centre in campus to collect the different types of wastes generated in the campus by proper segregation methods. Guest lectures were organized for the I UG Environmental Elective students on March 16, 2022 (Aided) and March 30, 2022 for (SF).

**Ms. Lakshmi M. & Dr. P. Sakthiaswari**  
CES Coordinators

## Centre for Human Rights Education (CHRE)

### Human Rights Day celebration:

The Human Rights Day and Martin Macwan Annual Endowment Lecture on the theme of the year 2021, “Equality – Reducing Inequalities, advancing Human Rights” was conducted on 15<sup>th</sup> December 2021.

**Dr. Soloman Selvam, Professor of Sociology,** Claflin University, South Carolina, USA, a great

Academician with distinguished teaching and research experience for over 30 years was the Chief Guest and delivered a lecture on the theme “Equality – Reducing Inequalities, advancing Human Rights”.

The chief guest distributed the prizes to the winners of the virtual competitions namely Poetry writing - English & Tamil, Logo creation and Digital poster presentation based on the theme of the Human Rights day.





Spl. Guest Lecture:

A special Guest Lecture “**Constitution of India**” was conducted on **16.3.2022**. **Dr. Anita Christine Tiphagne**, Associate Professor and Head i/c., the Department of Social Sciences was the resource person. All the II year Undergraduate (Aided) Human Rights - Value Education (350) students attended the Lecture.

S.No	Place of Visit	No. of Students Participated
1.	Tallakulam - Police Station	51
2.	Anna Nagar- Police Station	41
3.	District Court, Madurai	124
4.	Claretian Mercy Home, Azhagusirai, Ponnangalam Post, Thirumangalam	100
5.	Sakthi Vidiyal, Muthupatti, Madurai	92
6.	Christian Seva Sangh, Azhagappan Nagar, Madurai	92
7.	Hands of Compassion Home, 51/213, Othaveedu, Mathur, Appanthirupathi, Madurai - 625301	99
8.	Adaikalam Old Age Home, 69 GST Road, Thirunagar, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Stop, Madurai - 6	92
9.	Potter’s Community, Vilacheri, Madurai	128
Total		819

Field visit:

The Centre for Human Rights Education (CHRE) organized the **on the spot study (OSS) on 11.5.2022** and visited the following places. 819 Students participated and had enriched their field experiences. 18 Human Rights Education Faculty escorted the Students.

**Dr. S. Julie Ranee & Dr. A. Margaret Divya**  
Convenors, Centre for Human Rights Education

# A Year of Restoration - International Study Centre (ISC)

The year 2020-2021 has been a year of restoration at ISC. With the Covid-19 slowly losing its venom and the travel restrictions gradually being lifted, the barriers between the countries began to blur and exchange programmes and other interactions began to happen in person or virtually.

International Service-Learning Programme

The activities for this year began with an Inaugural of the ISC Club followed by our International Service-Learning Programme which was for the first time conducted virtually. Students from International Christian University, Japan and Singapore University of Social Sciences participated. Sessions on Tamil

Language and Culture, Caste, Religion, Education, Gender and a series of reflections and discussions were held. A panel discussion was also arranged with resource persons from leading NGOs.

International Participation – Students And Faculty:

Ms. Hannah Samuel participated in the 8<sup>th</sup> APRCSL – Asia-Pacific Regional Conference on Service-Learning from 28-29 July 2021 and reported on Service-Learning updates from LDC.

Ms. Elshina of III BA English successfully completed a semester (Sep-Nov) with International Christian University (ICU), Japan virtually.

Ms. Jeya Shwetha of III B.Com., and Ms. Vaishali of III B.A. Economics completed the Japan Summer Service-Learning Programme virtually with ICU, Japan.

Ms. Ezhil Nirai and Ms. Jovita Roselene of III B.A. English were able to do their semester exchange programme at Mary Baldwin University (MBU), USA.

Ms. Catherine, Assistant Professor, Department of English, Ms. Aiswarya Jyothi Bala (English SF), Ms. Shruti Bansal (English SF), Ms. Kaviya (Social Sciences), Ms. Bhavya Kashyap (Commerce SF) and Ms. Devi Meenakshi(English SF) participated in a leadership and communication programme organised by the Women 2 Women virtual University – Pakistan and India programme.

Ms. Serena of B.A. English, successfully completed her Global UGrad Programme by the US Consulate at State University of New York, Plattsburg.

Ms. Susan Vironkar Bastian of B.Sc. Physics has been selected by the US Consulate for the Study of the US Institute (Student Leaders for Young Women Leaders), sponsored by the US Department of State.

Ms. Vrushaa, Assistant Professor of English has been given the courtesy title of “Visiting Scholar

at New York University for a period of one year” (1 June 2022 – 1 June 2023) and is sponsored by the US Department of State as part of the Study of the US Institute (Summer Institute on US Culture and Values)

ISC Club

The activities of the Club began with a “Inaugural,” which was followed by a “Study Abroad Fair,” a workshop on “How to Write Your Application,” a group discussion on “How to Face an Interview,” and numerous festivities such as Thanksgiving, Halloween, and Christmas Party. The US Department of State’s International Visitors Leadership Workshop for Counselors from Semi-urban Cities has chosen Ms. Juanita Alan, Counsellor, LDC, to participate in a leadership programme on “Roadmap to Safe Cyber Space for Young Girls and Women.” Ms. Hannah Samuel, Assistant Professor of English underwent a training programme – 3 phases of Online courses on “Interreligious Cooperation for Peace ” sponsored by the United Board for Christian Higher Education in Asia in Collaboration with MPI, Philippines.

**Ms. S. Vrushaa & Ms. Hannah Sophiah Samuel**  
Joint Coordinators, ISC





# Centre for Women’s Studies (CWS)



The Uliyin Oli – the sound of the shaping chisel at the Centre for Women’s Studies, reverberated with hope and determination to shape new dimensions in the struggle for partnerships and gender equality. Our current student members, led by M.A. Logitha [Secretary], Raja Rajeshwari [Member], and Thangadharshana [President], undertook the annual **16 Days of Activism against Gender Based Violence Campaign under the UN Women theme of UNITE to End the Violence against Women by 2030.** During this campaign they went all out to shape a safe environment with the ‘Safe Spaces for sharing’ with peers and faculty mentors, an Open Forum with Parents, an Art Challenge workshop to invoke expressions that defy the various forms of inequality and a workshop on Gender Equity for non-teaching men staff members. In a unique best practice, three of our non-teaching men staff members, Mr. Silverster Bennet, Mr. Berkman and Mr. Sam who were trained at the Institute of Women’s Studies, St.Scholastica’s

College, Manila, Philippines, conducted a workshop on gender equity for all the men staff members of Lady Doak College and others from the Madurai Law College. The men have affirmed to spread awareness on the POCSO ACT and mobilize public opinion against the sexualized media depictions of women and men.

Two projects with international collaborations increased our strengths in visual media documentaries, and sharpened our methodologies in the teaching of Women’s Studies. The collaboration with the College of Lifelong & Experiential Learning, Singapore University of Social Sciences transcended the socio-cultural differences between students of LDC and the SUSS, giving our students an extraordinary experience of teaming up with an international team. The media production project titled “Breaking Barriers and Building Bridges”, helped our students gain a global exposure to address sexual harassment by interviewing survivors of both India and Singapore and video documentation of their experiences. Two documentaries were produced by two mixed student teams of both institutions titled #NotAlone | How Communities Are Addressing Sexual Harassment, and “#EMPOWER | How Tertiary Institutions Empower Women”.

The Fulbright Nehru Specialist program titled “Gender Constructs in Modern Workplaces” was implemented with the presence of Fulbright Specialist Dr. Robin Chandler, Professor Emeritus of Cultures,

Societies and Global Studies, College of Social Sciences and Humanities, Northeastern University, Boston, USA. Dr. Chandler using interactive and introspective methodologies helped faculty, men staff members and students address discriminatory gender constructs at home and workplaces and incorporate it into the teaching and learning programs of the Centre for Women’s Studies. Dr. Chandler worked with multiple groups of students, teaching faculty, men staff members and NGO partners. The Centre for Women’s Studies gained new knowledge, methods and skills in addressing students’ aspirations, determination, hopes and capabilities. More avenues of working among our men partners and NGO partners were opened. Capacity of Faculty members as mentors to guide students in their professional choices and pursuits has increased. The process of undoing the deep rooted discriminatory patterns on

gender identities among a group of women and men in Lady Doak College has deepened and will enhance women’s dignity.

A final highlight of a year full of new endeavors in overcoming gender inequality is the International Women’s Day celebration on the UN Women theme “Gender Equality Today for a Sustainable Tomorrow” during which District Collector of Madurai, Dr. Aneesh Shekhar released our interim research report, of the sponsored study by the National Commission of Women, titled “Inclusion of Women’s Safety in Urban Transport Planning of Madurai City”. With this we have gained strength in moving towards a sustainable tomorrow with our path of gender equality!

**Dr. Ann Nirmala Carr**  
Coordinator, Centre for Women’s Studies &  
Asst. Professor, Department of Social Sciences

# Centre For Entrepreneurship Development (CED)

The Centre for Entrepreneurship Development continued its journey on skills training in yet another pandemic period of lockdown with the virtual conduct of 24 Vocational Courses. New courses were offered in industries such as Visual media, Tourism and Travel, Self-grooming techniques and the making of organic self-care products. A special highlight is the project initiated to train poor women in the Apparels sector, through the UGC and National Skills Development Corporation Skills Hub Initiative. Twenty six women are trained in the making and

designing of apparels for a period of six months. Lady Doak College is proud to have become an official training partner of the National Skills Development Corporation.

The CED has further actively explored how the competences of being more creative, opportunity oriented, proactive and innovative, could be instilled among students. More than one hundred and fifty students enrolled as members of the Doakian Bootstrappers Club. This club’s active volunteers rebuilt the Students Trade Corner after the pandemic





forced its closure. Around fourteen motivated students helped it get back on its feet by selling locally manufactured goods including resin artwork, nourishing food, reusable cloth bags, and organic self-care items. Students who were advertising their ideas, services, and goods on social media platforms also used the Students Trade Corner as a tangible sales platform.

Seventy seven students have registered as student members of the Lady Doak College Institution Innovation Council of the Ministry of Education & Ministry of Human Resource Development of the Government of India. We could successfully begin the implementation of the IIC action plan modules until May 2022.

In an enlightening lecture, Mr. Nagaraja Prakasam, a full time lead Angel investor, and Founder Chairman of Nativelead Foundation (NLF), inspired more than one thousand women students of II UG, with his personal mantra, “Start-ups should focus on India’s strength – People, Problems, Tech (PPT).

The 10 member multi-disciplinary faculty team of the Centre for Entrepreneurship Development actively attempted to plan, execute a learning by

doing approach and assess entrepreneurship in education to fuel a deep learning among students. The faculty team made a visit to the Madurai Agri Business Incubator Forum of NABARD, Madurai and interacted with the agriculture production, food processing and marketing start-ups. Faculty members interacted with leaders in Start-up organizations such as the founders of the Maxelerator Foundation, a Technology Ideation Nursery, Mr. Nanus Swamy & Mrs. Naveena Swamy, CEO of Panchayat Academy, Mr. Elango Rengaswamy, and Director of the Crescent Incubation and Innovation Council, Mr. Parvez Alam. It has resulted in a MoU with the Maxelerator Foundation for faculty training programs and value added courses for students. Two active student members of the Doakian Bootstrappers Club have been awarded internships with the Maxelerator Foundation.

And so the journey continues in enabling personal development, creativity, self-reliance, initiative taking, and action orientation to grow new organizations that will create value for people for them to overcome economic inequality!

**Dr. Ann Nirmala Carr & Mrs. S. Kathija**  
CED Coordinators

# Career Guidance and Placement Cell (CGPC)

Career Guidance and Placement Centre conducted the following virtual Programmes

- INNOTLE – Digital Marketing Training Programme on 22.05.2021.
- TCS Quiz on 01.07.2021
- Content Writing on 03.07.2021
- SEPC India – Advertising Webinar on 07.07.2021
- Know Your Personality and Choose Your Career on 16.07.2021
- Career Awareness Lecture - Are You Career Ready on 29.05.2021

- TIME Institute - CAT Entrance Examination and its opportunity conducted on 10.06.2021 and 25 students participated.
- TIME Institute - Banking Job opportunity conducted on 11.06.2021 and 38 students participated.
- Madurai Coaching Centre - SSB / RRB / TNPSC Examination conducted on 13.07.2021 and 128 students participated
- 41 students got selected and undergoing paid INTERNSHALA INTERSHIP programme Placement History of our student at Indigo Airlines



## Career Guidance and Placement Centre conducted the following On campus Programmes: UG/PG

Sl.No	Name of the Activity	Training Date	Number of Students who attended / Participated
1.	Honeywell Training	05.01.2022 –17.02.2022	100 Students
2.	EIT Webinar on “Job Opportunities in Healthcare ITES”.	07.02.2022	25 Students
3.	TNPSC and UPSC Guidance Lecture	04.03.2022	72 Students
4.	Postal Department Camp at Ldc to Link Aadhar With Phone Number	08.03.2022 - 11.03. 2022	208 Students
5.	Veranda IAS	22.04.2022	250 Students
6.	Medical Coding Training	25.04.2022	67 Students
7.	Valari Martial Art Demonstration	29.04.2022	550 students
8.	Honeywell Assessment Preparatory Session	09.05.2022 –12.05.2022	Maths and Computer Science Students – 100
9.	Aviation Awareness Progrmme	12.05.2022	118 Students
10.	Red Hat	14.05.2022	Final Year Computer Science students
11.	E Nova Training and Placement	17.5.2022	123 Students
12.	Special Guidance Lecture on Competitive Exams by the Experts from the Employment Exchange	31.05.2022	135 Students
13.	Special Guidance Lecture on Competitive Exams by the Experts from the Race Academy	31.05.2022	135 Students

## Placement Details - UG/PG

Sl. No.	Name of the Company	No of Students Placed	Sl. No.	Name of the Company	No of Students Placed
1.	Amazon Prime	1	13.	M S Chellamuthu Institute of Mental Health and Rehabilitation	1
2.	MYSKYFLY	1	14.	Teach for India	1
3.	NielsenIQ	1	15.	Lady Doak College	1
4.	Jayashree Spun Bond	16	16.	Indium Software (INDIA) Ltd.	1
5.	Vishnu Prasath Auditor	1	17.	Job Fair (10 Companies)	125
6.	G BALU ASSOCIATES LLP Chartered Accountants	1	18.	ILM	28
7.	Cognizant - Chennai	12	19.	Xmplar Mgmt. Solutions Pvt Ltd	3
8.	SynproSoft	5	20.	Goodwill Matriculation school	13
9.	Global International School	12	21.	Bank Streets	19
10.	BS Teknology Pvt.Ltd	5	22.	Bytes Campass Tech	3
11.	Madurai Institute of Social Sciences	1	23.	GK Consultancy	4
12.	Venzo Technologies	6	24.	Ahana Hospital	4
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**Dr. Lt. S. Sangaranachiar**  
Librarian





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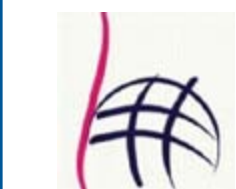
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# Centre for Communications and Multimedia (CCM)

“Technology is best when it brings people together.”

– Matt Mullenweg, Social Entrepreneur

Reciprocating to the workshop organized by the online education committee on 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2021, titled “MOOC Development and Delivery” by resource person Dr. T. Asir, Assistant Professor & Head i/c Department of Mathematics-DDE Director, Madurai Kamaraj University, Staff members from Lady Doak College submitted ten MOOC proposals to SWAYAM Infilbnet under a variety of headings, including Water resources, Social stratification, Money and Banking, Number Theory, Mathematical Methods in Economics-I, and Principles of Marketing Microeconomics II.

The SWAYAM-NPTEL Local Chapter provided the necessary encouragement for the students and staff to complete their online certification courses.



By installing 23 televisions in classrooms, the centre made a significant effort to reinforce their infrastructure. The introduction of four interactive touch panels (MMT1, MMT2, CHWA20, and HB19) was made. In CH10 & NB42, two Smart Classrooms were simulated. At the top of the College Hall entrance, in the J.X. Miller Auditorium, the G.J. Auditorium, and across from the chapel, there are four video walls built. The workstation for 4K video editing was launched. Additionally, it started implementing an ID card printer, ten new PCs for the media lab, two

projectors, and a video mixer for live broadcasting (ATEM Mini-Extreme ISO) (MMT1 & Clapp Hall)

To ensure enormous participation of all the college events OEC & CCM live streamed the Thanksgiving service on 25<sup>th</sup> July 202, Felicitation Ceremony to honour the Olympian Ms. Revathi Veeramani on 12<sup>th</sup> Aug 2021, Student cabinet Inauguration on 2<sup>nd</sup> Sep 2021, college Alumnae meet on 23<sup>rd</sup> October, Students Christian Movement Inaugural on 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2021, College Carol Service on 11<sup>th</sup> December, Ash Wednesday & Lenten Service on 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2022, Focus 2022 by Dept. of Commerce on 4<sup>th</sup> April 2022, College day on 27<sup>th</sup> May 2022. It was a great platform for many participants around the Globe.

All faculty members received a hands-on training on Moodle LMS — Course Design from Dr. T. R. Sivapriya, Dr. G. Sofia, and Dr. Hema, the resource persons, on June 5 and June 8, 2022. On December 16, 2021, CCM & OEC hosted a webinar with the topic “Gamification as an Educational Strategy” with Dr. Brant Knutzen as the guest speaker. There were around 25 external and 58 internal participants. A FDP named “Pedagogy for Learner-Centered Teaching” was held on February 27 and 28, 2022, by OEC & CCM. Dr. T. R. Sivapriya and Dr. Sukanya served as the resource people, and 50 internal faculty members actively participated in this FDP.

On April 28, 2022, a training session titled “Davinci Resolve Color Grading and Video Editing” was held to enhance students’ level of professional ability. Seventy pupils took part and benefited.

To document major turning points in the College’s history, digital archives were established in August 2021.

**Dr. T.R. Sivapriya & Dr. D. Hema**  
Coordinators, CCM & OEC



## Centre for Music (CFM)

The Centre for Music is the perfect place to experience and enjoy Music. The centre provides immense opportunities not only to listen to music, but also to learn and be a part of it. It offers long-term music courses in Piano, Keyboard, Guitar, Violin, Veena, Drums, and Carnatic Vocal and Western Vocal Music as well. The Centre ensures that all the courses are professionally trained by professional musicians to confirm the best learning experience to the candidates enrolled. The Choir is another opportunity for students to sing and harmonise. The choir aims to glorify God with their talent. Many students have benefited from the choir and have shown great progress in their musical journey. The major events of this academic year include Carol

service, Lenten service and Student's retreat. The students of CFM are a vibrant lot with a cheerful smile, leading prayers and songs for various programs of clubs, departments and general assemblies. In addition to this, they have actively participated in several competitions representing the College both at District and State levels and have won prizes. The centre has performed flash mobs to entertain the college community during the Christmas season. Representatives from CFM take part in 'Harmony', the college community's monthly get-together, bringing joy with their music.

**Dr. D. Joy Marjorie & Dr. Evangeline Esther David**  
CFM & Choir Convenors

## Christian Activity Centre (CAC)

The Christian Activity Centre of Lady Doak College focuses on the spiritual, emotional and mental wellbeing of students, faculty members and non-teaching staff. It instills hope in their lives and provides opportunities for them to see their own strengths and strengths they can draw from their faith in God. The various activities planned by the Centre aim at bringing to light their hidden talents.

The faculty members had the privilege of listening to international speakers like Mr. John K. John, Mr. P.K.D. Lee, Dr. Tony Sam George, Dr. Victor Anandkumar and Mr. Sreedhar Subramanian. The

non-teaching staff attended Haggai Webinar and had a session with Rev. Edward Francis.

"More things are wrought by prayer than this world dreams of". When the faculty and non-teaching staff could not meet to pray together, we met virtually every night. That regular prayer time strengthened us in the Lord and helped us to offer emotional support during difficult times. Special days like the College Birthday and Teacher's Day were observed meaningfully.

"Harmony", the brainchild of our Principal, is a welcome occasion to display our children's talents

and to know one another's family members. When restrictions were in force families met virtually.

In view of preparing our young girls to build healthy families of their own, premarital counselling sessions were organised for the outgoing Christian students.

"Thursdays in Black," a solidarity campaign advocated by the World Council of Churches, is gaining momentum in the college. The Student Christian Movement along with the Centre for Women's Studies support the movement through various activities to sensitize the college as well as the global community. Thanks to Rev. Inbaraj Jeyakumar, General Secretary of the Student Christian Movement for motivating our students to show their solidarity against violence

and discrimination. An Easter Cantata was performed on campus by the Baptist Church, New Delhi added colour and meaning to the season of Lent.

Throughout a year of incredible changes and challenges, God's hand has been good on us to make every rough path smooth. "It is neither who plants nor who waters, but it is God who grows". With the abundant grace of the one who orchestrates our thoughts and actions, we rally to gather to offer our best.

**Dr. C. Jessie Ranjitha Jebaselvi**, Chaplin  
**Dr. Suka Joshua**, Coordinator, Chapel Activities  
**Mrs. Preetha Joseph**, Coordinator, Christian Studies  
**Mrs. M. Priyadharsini**, Coordinator, Christian Activities

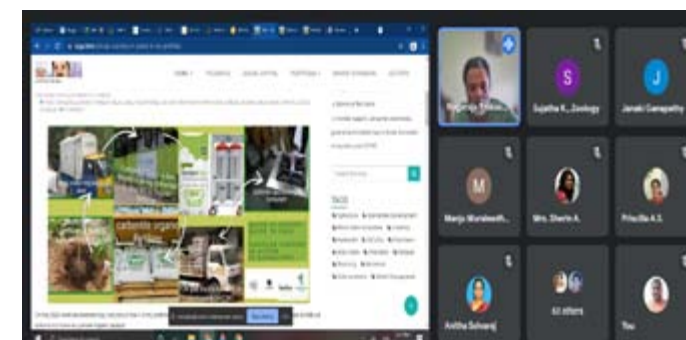
## Centre for LiFE Frontier Engagement

The orientation programme for the LiFE course facilitators on "LiFE - An Experiential Insight" on July 15, 2021, marked the start of the Center for Life Frontier Engagement's activities.

Since many of the LiFE topics are connected to the 17 Sustainable Development Objectives (SDGs) of the United Nations, it is suggested that the Covid-19 effects and their relation to these goals serve as the focal point of the LiFE Projects for the academic year 2021-2022. Therefore, a virtual workshop on "Addressing Sustainable Development Goals via Life Frontier Engagement Projects" was conducted on July 29, 2021, to enlighten the teachers about the UN SDGs. The speakers were Dr. Jyothi Thomas, Campus Coordinator, Centre for Social Action, Christ (Deemed to be University), Bangalore, and Mr. Nagaraja Prakasam, In-Resident Mentor, IIM Bangalore, Co-founder and Chairman, Native Lead. Approximately 68 faculty members representing a variety of disciplines took part in the programme.

Dr. G. Jayanthi Kalaivani and Dr. T. Durga Devi, Coordinators, Centre for LiFE, participated in the virtual training programme on e-Service Learning organized by the United Board for Christian Higher Education (UBCHEA) on 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> Aug 2021.

A project proposal on "Capacity Building to Achieving Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) by integrating e-Service Learning and Research" was submitted by Dr. G. Jayanthi Kalaivani and Dr. T. Durga Devi, along with Mrs. Hannah Sophiah Samuel, Joint Coordinator of the International Study Centre of



Lady Doak College, to the UBCHEA. The proposal was accepted and a Grant of US \$10,000 was sanctioned for a period of two years from 1<sup>st</sup> Dec 2021 to 31<sup>st</sup> Dec 2023.

One paper, titled "Understanding the Impact of Service Learning on College Students' Learning Outcomes," was presented by M. Sowmiya Nandhini and R. Shalu Rathnam (2018 Batch) of the Department of Zoology at the II Global Symposium UNISERVITATE, Argentina - An online event on "Service-Learning, Integral Education and Transformative Spirituality" on 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> Oct 2021. The other paper titled "Projecting the Impact of Integrated Service-Learning Projects on History Graduates of Lady Doak College through Online Learning Approach" was presented by Dr. T. Durga Devi, at the 16<sup>th</sup> eLFA (e-Learning Forum Asia) 2021.

On January 7, 2022, Women's Christian College, Chennai, hosted a virtual training programme on "Service-Learning - Institutionalizing Service Learning - A Significant Experiential Pedagogical Tool," with



Dr. A.S. Priscilla serving as the resource person. Dr. Anita Christine Tiphagne, Assistant Professor, Department of Social Sciences, Lady Doak College, Madurai, was invited to deliver a guest lecture on “Community Engagement through Social Mapping” on 9<sup>th</sup> March 2022. Dr. A.S. Priscilla, was invited to deliver a lecture during the Capacity Building Programme for faculty members on “Institutionalisation of Service-Learning for Whole-Person Development” organized

by the Centre for Service-Learning, Christ University, Bangalore, on 29<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> March 2022.

The various activities planned under the LiFE course by the Departments create opportunities for students to learn in partnership with the community and to develop competencies that promote the advancement of a socially responsible citizenry.

**Dr. G. Jayanthi Kalaivani & Dr. T. Durga Devi**  
Coordinators - Centre for Life Frontier Engagement

# Centre for Human Resource Development (CHRD)

To create a culture of continuous learning for professional development, the Centre for Human Resource Development (CHRD) was established in the year 2005-06 with the following objectives:

- To train and equip the faculty members with necessary skills and professional competence
- To train newly recruited faculty members on basic pedagogical skills for effective teaching and learning
- To impart to all faculty, leadership and organizing skills to effectively implement the academic and co-curricular activities of the college.

The Centre organises need based training programmes for teaching and non-teaching faculty. The Centre has organized the following programmes for the Teaching Faculty:

- Online workshop on 'Question Paper Setting for Quality Evaluation' for teaching faculty having less than 6 years work experience at LDC

- Online workshop on 'ICT Enabled Teaching and Learning – MOODLE'
- Webinar on 'Conflict Management & Resolution'
- Webinar on 'Team Building'

The Centre has organized the following programmes for the Non-Teaching Staff :

- “Panimanai Kalvi – Tamil Karpom” Initiative of CHRD with the LiFE students of Tamil Department to teach communication skills in Tamil
- Seminar on “Food as Medicine – Reclaim Your Health”
- Skill Test for all Department, Office & Center Assistants on MS Office
- Training on Report Preparation

**Dr. S. Srii Latha & Dr. G. Sofia**  
Coordinators - CHRD

# LDC - Celebrating Cultures in Unison



# Counselling Unit

“Be transformed by the renewing of your mind” – St. Paul

Reflecting back on the academic year, it is realised that the onset of the Post-Pandemic Era had an evident impact on the functioning of the Counselling Unit. The new normal has added to the challenge of individuals who navigate through the process of transformation. Individual Counselling Services have been offered to the needy members of the College Community as they journey from their zones of vulnerability to resilience. Monthly get-togethers encouraged people of all ages to spend quality time in campus portals by recognising their solidarity as members of the college community. The Counselling Unit’s first Value Added Course, ‘Discovering the Real Self,’ provided interested students with a meaningful learning experience. The Counselling Unit’s other ventures include the Faculty Members’ Gratitude Journal, the Day of Encouragement, the release of the second issue of the e-newsletter, ‘Pebbles,’ ongoing Training Programmes, Support Group Sessions, Internship Programmes, Pre-marital Counselling, Discussion Forums, Group Sessions, and Outreach Activities. Training, Internship and Outreach Programmes paved ways for learning



from and reaching out to the wider community by networking with organisations like, UBCHEA, EWEA University, Person to Person (Institute for Christian Counselling), Hope Foundation, Global School of Counselling, Arulagam – Home for the destitute women, YWCA Matriculation and Hr. Sec. School, Capron Hall Hr. Sec. School and Inba Illam – Home for the elderly. Relying on God’s gracious hands, the members of the counselling unit look forward to the way ahead with hope and optimism.

**Mrs. J. Juanita**, Counsellor  
Counselling Unit

# 'WE' knitted in a chord - Harmony



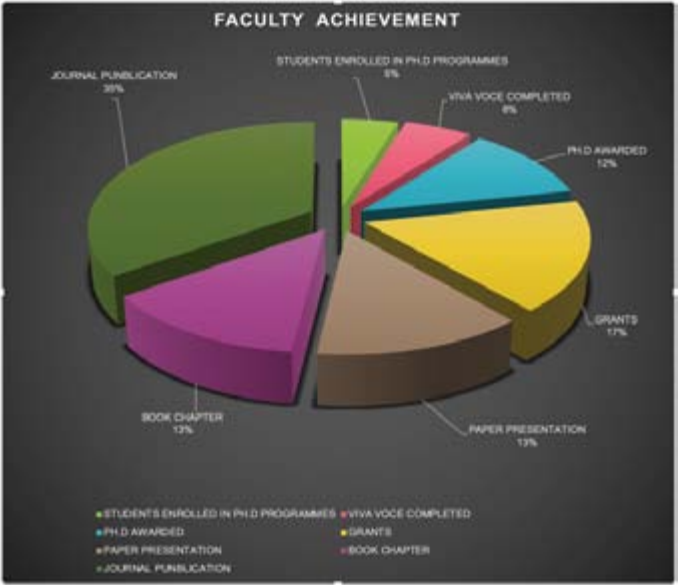


# Research & Development Cell (R&D)

Research at Lady Doak College took great strides during the academic year 2021-2022. Grants amounting to about Rs. 18 Lakh were sanctioned for the faculty of the college from various state, national and international organizations as follows : Dr. J. Jeyamathi, Department of History (ICHR); Dr. Ananthi Jeyaraman, Department of Biotechnology (DST-SERB); Dr. Akshaya, Department of Biotechnology (DST-SERB); Dr. G. Jayanthi Kalaivani and Ms. Hannah Sophiah Samuel (UBCHEA); Dr.Priyatharsini Rajendran, Department of Zoology (TNSCST); Mrs. Rani Rosaline, Department of Chemistry (TNSCST) and Dr. Kavitha Rani, Department of Tamil (Director of Collegiate Education, Chennai).

The college recognised the staff's research progress with numerous awards. Dr. Suganda Ramamoorthi, Associate Professor, Department of Economics received the LifeTime Achievement Award; Dr. Akshaya Murugesan, Assistant Professor, Department of Biotechnology received the Early Career Research Award; Outstanding Research Award was given to Dr. S. Kalaivani Priyadarshini, Assistant Professor, Department of Biotechnology, Dr. S. Sinthika, Assistant Professor, Department of Physics and Dr. Durga Devi T., Assistant Professor, Department of History.

Faculty and students also received awards from various organizations in recognition of their contributions to research. Dr. S. Beulah Mabel, Assistant Professor, Department of Business Administration, received Global Femina Excellence Awards 2022, for her "Outstanding Contribution in Pedagogical Contribution" from Dr. Kalam International Foundation; Dr. Mercy Packiam, Associate Professor, Department of History, received the Outstanding Research Supervisor Award , for the 5<sup>th</sup> International Academic Excellence Award (2022) organised by Environmental Advisory for Sustainable Trust; Dr. Manju Muralidharan, Assistant Professor, Department of English along with her student team (Ms. Aiswarya Jothi Bala, Ms. Jaladhijaa. B, and Ms.Thaamarai Selvi ) received the Scranton Scholar



Fellowship; and Ms. Divya Srinivasan (2018 – 2020 batch), II M.Sc. Botany student of Dr. Rachel Regi Daniel, Associate Professor, Department of Botany was awarded with India's World Record certificate (IWR Foundation, Jamshedpur) and also received the International World Records of Excellence Certificate for being the youngest student to carry out research on the usage of Natural waste for the production of Bioplastic.

Eligible faculty were encouraged and assisted to apply for their research guideship. Dr. Vanitha Malavizhi, Associate Professor, Department of Commerce, Dr. P.S. Bindu, Associate Professor, Department of Physics and Dr. A. Kavitharani, Associate Professor, Department of Tamil were recognized as research supervisor by Madurai Kamaraj University during this academic year. 12 Ph. Ds were awarded, 6 *Viva Voce* examinations were conducted and 6 Ph.D theses were submitted. 5 new students enrolled in the different Ph.D programs of the college. Also, Ms. S. N. Arivumathi cleared UGC-NET JRF. R&D cell has also facilitated the provision of management fellowship for non-stipendiary full time research scholars; 6 scholars availed the fellowship during this academic year.

**Dr. Mu. Akshaya & Dr. T. Uma Maheswari**  
R&D Coordinators

# Part V - Extension Programme

Lady Doak College (LDC) not only imparts academic knowledge but inculcates the values of caring and sharing with the underprivileged community members and make them good human beings. LDC ignites and encourages the students for a continuous journey of community service through its extension programmes. All the 9 programmes viz., National Cadet Corps (NCC), National Service Scheme (NSS), Physical Education Athletic (PEA), Physical Education Band (PEB), Red Ribbon Club (RRC), Youth Red Cross (YRC), Library Service Programme (LSP), Rangering (RAN) and Lady Doak College Eco Brigade (LEB) have been structured under the curriculum to develop volunteerism and leadership qualities. LDC is the only college in India to have a structured curriculum for 9 extension programmes. As a compulsory component, each student in LDC is involved in the activities. The theme of the major programmes that were conducted by Part-V extension programmes during 2021-2022 are highlighted below:

## NSS units 45-50:

Covid-19 helpline; Swachh Bharat Mission Activities & Swachhta Pakhwada; Jal Sakthi Abhiyan; Jan Andolan for Covid 19 appropriate behaviour - Pledge; Tutoring children in community; 75th Independence Day Celebrations - Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav; Swachhta Pakhwada; Fit India Freedom Run 2.0; Kitchen Gardening; Poshan Abhiyan; Pulse Polio Vaccination; Mass Vaccination Mela; Constitutional Day celebrations; MGNCRE's - Institution Swachta Vision and Mission (Score up - Toilets on Campus); Commemorating Gandhian ideas; Performing folk art; Army Day Celebration; National Girl Child Day Celebration; Electoral Literacy for Stronger Democracy - Voters Awareness; Ek

Bharat Shresta Bharat programme; Khadi day - Promoting Handloom industries; Cyber security awareness program; Autism - Guest Lecture; Martyr's Day; World Water day; World Forestry day; Yoga Day Celebrations (13<sup>th</sup> April to 21<sup>st</sup> June 2022); NSS virtual camp (26<sup>th</sup> May to 30<sup>th</sup> May 2022) and Medical camp at Malaipatti village, Satellite campus.

## RRC:

Blood donation campaign; HIV/AIDs awareness; Self Defense techniques; Gender related issues; Vibrance of Youth: Pros and Cons of New Technology Among Youth

## YRC:

Health benefits of Yoga; Wildlife conservation; Road Safety; Disaster Management; First Aid; Aadhar Updation camp volunteerism; Health and nutrition; Guest lectures : Cancer Awareness, Eye Care and Hygiene, Blood Donation Awareness, Women and Nutrition

## LSP:

Guest lectures: Overview on Libraries, Library maintenance service; Talent show; Book review

## RAN:

Scouting and Guiding; Gardening and nature; BP's exercises; Knots; Role of Grandparents; Guide law and Promise; Guest lectures: Rangering uniform; Rangering virtual camp (29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> May, 2022)

## LEB:

AMANZI - 2k22- World Water day; Pollution control; Bird watching; Guest lectures – About Kalpataru, Understanding Plastic Waste, Segregation and Upcycling of the waste, Kalpataru Project initiatives; Solid waste management





Common Major Programmes:

- Snake and Human coexistence Awareness Campaign on 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2022
- Old material donations to Kalpataru, Arogya welfare trust on 31<sup>st</sup> May 2022
- ARC and NAAC visit booth display on 11<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> April, 2022
- Fit India Freedom Run 2.0 Motto “Fitness ka Dose, Aadha Ghanta Roz” on 3<sup>rd</sup> Sep. 2022
- Mass Vaccination Mela in Madurai district during the month of Sep. to Oct. 2022

Participations:

- 6 Faculty and 6 students of NSS participated in MGNCRE SAP WORKSHOP - Ministry of Higher Education in Madurai Kamaraj University on 2<sup>nd</sup> Aug. 2021
- Ms. Evany Kattar A. (20SOC069), NSS Unit – 47 attended the 10 days South zone Pre Republic day parade camp organized by Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, Government of India held at University of Agricultural Sciences, Bangalore from 22<sup>nd</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> Oct. 2021
- Ms. Sharmila J., YRC Programme officer and 4 volunteers participated in Three-Days Zonal Level Orientation Training Programme for Youth Red Cross volunteers and programme officers at Madurai Kamaraj University, Madurai from 5<sup>th</sup> Jan. to 7<sup>th</sup> Jan. 2022
- 8 NSS volunteers participated in Omicron Awareness Quiz organized by Vivekananda College, Tiruvadakam West, Madurai on 10<sup>th</sup> Jan., 2022
- Srri Mridhula (20SOC058), Felina. J. (20COM012) of NSS Unit- 45 and Amritha S. (20ECE005) of NSS Unit-46 participated in National Youth Festival

conducted at Puducherry through virtual mode from 12<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> Jan., 2022

- Dr. Mahalakshmi A., NSS Programme officer, unit 45 and NSS volunteers viz., Grace Gnana Shibulin B. (20ZOO007), Sneka N. (20ECE045) participated in Human Rights Awareness - Online Workshop organised by Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, Government of India on 17<sup>th</sup> Feb., 2022
- Aathika M. (20MATE001), NSS Unit – 50 attended the 7 days National Integration Camp, organized by Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, Government of India at Multidisciplinary College for Women (Govt. Girls PU College) Malleshwaram, Bangalore from 16<sup>th</sup> March, 2022 to 22<sup>nd</sup> Mar., 2022
- Dr. Mahalakshmi A., NSS PO, unit 45 and Dr. Dheepa M., NSS PO, unit 50 participated in Training programme on Psychosocial care during COVID-19 for the Programme Officers organised by MKU, National Institute of Mental Health and Neurosciences (NIMHANS), Bengaluru and MS.Chellamuthu Trust & Research Foundation, Madurai from 24<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> Mar., 2022

Above all, a **MoU with Kalpataru**, Arogya Welfare trust and Part-V extension programme was officially signed by the Principal & Secretary and Ms.Thilaka, Asst. Project Director, Kalpataru Project on 28<sup>th</sup> Feb., 2022. This MoU is applicable for a period of 3 years. LEB volunteers are involved as volunteers to promote fundraising through reusing and upskilling the unused things donated by people. The purpose is to serve the vulnerable members of the community viz., orphans, differently abled and abandoned elders.

**Dr. Anitha Selvaraj & Dr. K. Sujatha**  
Part-V Coordinators



# J.X. Miller Memorial Library

Our library gives all users access to an e-library (digital library) from the convenience of their homes and mobile devices, empowering our pupils. By granting all of its users access to the UGC N list resources, the library has accomplished the fascinating work of establishing and activating user IDs (around 6500 users). With the assistance of CIT, the website has been mapped with access to the digital library. The books in the racks have been replaced and kept in double racks to meet the needs of our students and provide a delightful reading environment.

Lecture to facilitate research:

Information literacy programme for commerce faculty on “PhD- Review of literature – Building the Bibliography- methods to retrieve the interested resources” on January 20<sup>th</sup> 2022.

Research output analysis:

NIRF Ranking Analysis, H-Index for the college and Faculty with reference to the Web of Science/ SCOPUS

QUIZ:

Ist PRIZE - SOUMYA NANDHINI-21PGZO14 & PRIYA DHARSHINI-21PGZ009

IIInd PRIZE - VISHRUTHA M. – 20PHYEO26 & PRIYADHARSHNI-20PHYEO18

IIIrd PRIZE - VISHAKHA RANAWAT -20BBAE062 & KOUSALYA S -20BBAE067

Inter college quiz contest conducted by Fatima College on May 4<sup>th</sup> 2022. 20 to 25 teams participated in the preliminary round and only top 5 teams got qualified to the mains. A Total of 11 rounds were conducted and our team won first place with a major score difference.

SHALMIA KYSAR S - 20PPY035 & JEYASWETHA -19COHE014

STATE LEVEL QUIZ COMPETITION – 2022 Madurai School of Management in association with Analytics Society of India and Operational Research Society of

India conducted Prelims and 19 teams participated in it. My team got selected for the Semifinals ( J. S. Karen, A Maria Vinisha, M. R. Subiksha form II B.Com) won the cash prize of Rs.600.

INTER COLLEGIATE Competition Conducted on 17-05-2022 by VVV College, 18 students participated and won 2 first prize, 7 Second prize and 3 Third Prize in the various competitions.

Special Services of the JX Miller Memorial Library

The use of open source resources, ranging from Tamil sources to scientific research materials, boosted reading habits. Users received and downloaded e-books.

Online / Offline guidance and training sessions were provided to the students for competitive exams – TNPSC/ UPSC/NET.

Digitization Project

An official meeting was conducted on January 6, 2022, to discuss the establishment of the Tamil Nadu Anna Centenary Library.

Library Digital Archive Meeting Project Meeting 6.01.2022

Library Services Programme

The Librarian, Dr. Sangaranachiar demonstrated the usage of Digital Library for academic and research purposes. Through voluntary engagement in becoming group leaders, LSP students were able to comprehend the obligations and responsibilities associated with effective leadership as a result of their election / polling participation. Students were acknowledged and appreciated for their active involvement in rendering services in various capacities in the collectorate during the job fair on December 15, 2021. Students were urged to serve as digital library ambassadors, encouraging their peers and seniors to use the library. Models, wall paper, chart work, and other materials for the LSP booth and stall exhibit were being prepared by students.

**Dr. Lt. S. Sangaranachiar**, Librarian



# Showers of Blessing!

Thou crownest the year with thy goodness. Psalm 65:11



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## As Fit as a Fiddle PHYSICAL EDUCATION



# Physical Education

Physical Education is important for an individual because it enables her to stay physically fit, develop an interest in different types of physical activities, build team spirit and improve focus and academic performance. Part V activities are an integral part of Lady Doak College. Physical Education is one of the Part V activities for the Undergraduate students and it is a requirement for the students to get their respective degrees. A Theory examination is conducted at the end of the II year.

Every academic year, the **Games Captain** and **Vice-Captain** are elected by the students of the college. **G. Devashree of III B.Sc Mathematics** and **R. Yogambika of II B.Sc Chemistry** were elected as Games Captain and Vice-Captain respectively for the academic year 2021-2022.

Lady Doak College has done commendably well in the field of sports and games both inside and outside of Madurai. Our college has participated in the Madurai Kamaraj University Inter Collegiate Tournaments & Trials in the following games and Athletic events, Badminton, Ball badminton, Basketball, Boxing, Chess, Fencing, Handball, Hockey, Judo, Table Tennis, Kabaddi, Kho-Kho, Football, Swimming, Taekwondo, Volleyball and Weight Lifting. 62 of our college players were selected to represent the Madurai Kamaraj University and took part in the All India and South Zone Inter University tournaments and competitions.

Our Athletes & Swimmers qualified in the **All India Norms in 400mts, 4\*400mts Relay, 4\*100mts freestyle relay** and participated in the All India Inter University Athletic Meet & Swimming Championship 2021-2022.

Our college has supported us to participate in the International Tournaments like **The Invitational International INDO-NEPAL Weightlifters Championship, Shaheed Bhagat Singh Indo - Nepal International Games, BKF International Table Tennis Championship 2021**. In that we collected **3 Gold Medals and 1 Silver Medal**.

In the All India and South Zone Inter University and National level tournaments, our players won **30 Gold Medals, 23 Silver Medals and 2 Bronze Medals** with the contribution of 133 participants.

In the State Level our players collected **73 Gold Medals, 50 Silver Medals, 44 Bronze Medals** with the contribution of 235 participants. In the District Level our players won **18 Gold Medals, 6 Silver Medals, 2 Bronze Medals** with the contribution of 38 participants.

### International Representation:

**Harini G of III B.A Economics** and **Sivasathiya.K of III B.A History** won **Gold Medal and Silver Medal** in the **Invitational International INDO-NEPAL Weightlifters Championship** held at Nepal from 14<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> September 2021.

**Haridhra R of PG Diploma in Counselling and Psychotherapy** won the **Gold Medal** in the **Shaheed Bhagat Singh Indo - Nepal International Games (Yoga)** held at Nepal from 2<sup>nd</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> December 2021.

**Bhuaneswari R of III BBA** has won the **Gold Medal** in the **BKF International Table Tennis Championship 2021** held at Srilanka from 10<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> December 2021.

**Arulbala R of III BBA** has participated in **Selangor Badminton Asia Team Championships 2022** held at Malaysia from 15<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> February 2022.

**R. Vishnu Sri of III B.Sc Computer science** and **T.Shalini of I B.Com** are selected to take part in the **International Pentangular Championship** in Mumbai from 25<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> May 2022.

### National Medalist

**R. Arul Bala of III BBA, A. Akshaya of III BBA, C.S. Anusha of III BBA V.S. Varshini of II BBA and S. Dharuniga of I BBA** represented **Madurai Kamaraj University** and won the **Silver medal** in **South Zone Inter University Badminton Tournament** held at Andhra Pradesh from 14<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> December 2021 and won the **Gold Medal** in **All India Inter University Badminton Tournament** held at Mohali from 15<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> March 2022 and also won the **Silver Medal** in **Khelo India University Games** held at Bengaluru, Karnataka from 23<sup>rd</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> April 2022.

The following students represented **Madurai Kamaraj University** and secured the **Second Place** in the **South Zone Inter University Football Tournament** held at Bangalore from 22<sup>nd</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> December 2021, participated in the **All India Inter University Football Tournament** held at Chidambaram from 27<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> December 2021 and also participated in the Khelo India University Games held at Karnataka from 22<sup>nd</sup> April to 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2022.

D. Devi	III B.A Eco (TM)	M.Angala Parameswari	III B.A Eco (TM)
A. Archana	III B.A Eco (EM)	S. Kowsalya	III B.A Eco (TM)
B.Kayalvizhi	III B.A Tamil	K. Anitha	III B.A Eco (TM)
M. Suja	III B.A Eco (TM)	R.Pandi Selvi	III B.A Tamil
M. Pavithra	III B.Sc Botany	B. Kanimozhi	III B.Sc Botany

P. Preethi of II M.Sc Physics won the Gold medal in All India Online Chess Tournament Trichy on 5<sup>th</sup> September 2021 and secured Third place in SGSDF National Competition 2021-2022 held at Tirupur from 29<sup>th</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> October 2021.

R Haridhra of PG Diploma in Counselling and Psychotherapy won the Gold Medal in SGSDF National Competition 2021-2022 held at Tirupur from 29<sup>th</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> October 2021.

G Dhanashree of III B.Sc Physics won the Second Place and G Devashree of III B.Sc Maths won the Third Place in SGSDF National Table Tennis Competition 2021-2022 held at Tirupur from 29<sup>th</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> October 2021 and secured the First Place in All India Federation Cup - Table Tennis held at Goa from 25<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> November 2021. B. Kaviprabha of III B.A Economics won the First Place in All India Federation Cup - Table Tennis held at Goa from 25<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> November 2021.

L. Sneka of III B.A History, G Harini of III B.A Economics, G Rakchana Devi of I B.A History and K Sivasathiya of III B.A History won First Place in All India Federation Cup 2021 – Weight lifting held at Goa from 25<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> November 2021.

The following students won the Fourth place in the All India Intercollegiate Ball Badminton Tournament held at SRM University, Chennai from 9<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> January 2022.

T.Devi	I - B.Sc Mathematics	M.Aarthi	II - B.Sc Mathematics
J.Jasline	I - B.Sc Physics	M.Lekha Shree	II - BBA
R.Sneha	II - B.A Tamil	J.Jenifer	III - B.A English
U.Harini Shree	II - B.A History		

M. Aarthi of II B.Sc Mathematics won the First place in the 66<sup>th</sup> Junior National Ball Badminton Championship 2021-2022 held at Dindigul from 24<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> February 2022.

C.S.Anusha of III BBA won the First place in Mixed doubles and Second place in Women Doubles Mangala Cup 2022 Open National Badminton Tournament held at Mangalore from 4<sup>th</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> March 2022.

The following students secured the First place in Martial Arts Festival National Level Open Championship 2022 held at Coimbatore from 23<sup>rd</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> April 2022.

P.Anitha	III B.Sc Zoology	N.Dharani	II B.A Economics
A.Sheeba Hetchiyal	II B.A English	J.R.Sarika	III B.Sc Chemistry
M.Gokila Eswari	II B.A Tamil		

The following students won the First place in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Senior Federation Cup Due Ball Championship - 2022 held at Goa from 10<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> May 2022.

R.Vishnusri	III B.Sc CS	P.Mohana	II BBA
N. Deepadharshini	III B.Sc CS	T.Shalini	I B. Com
P. Devi	II B. Com	P. S. Vanavi Aathirai	I B.A English

### Madurai Kamaraj University Blues for the year 2021-2022

62 players of our college participated in the All India and South Zone Inter University Tournament by representing Madurai Kamaraj University during this academic year 2021 - 2022.



S.No	Name	Reg No	Game
1	DIVYA. J	21ECE013	ATHLETICS
2	RATHI PANDI. R	21COM050	ATHLETICS
3	DHASHNAVI. H	21CSCE044	ATHLETICS
4	YUGADHI SHREE. K	20SOC066	ATHLETICS
5	SOUNDHARYA. K	20ECT044	ATHLETICS
6	DHARUNIGA. S	21BBAE068	BADMINTON
7	VARSHINI V.S	20COME058	BADMINTON
8	AKSHAYA. A	19BBAE004	BADMINTON
9	ANUSHA C.S	19BBAE006	BADMINTON
10	ARUL BALA. R	19BBAE007	BADMINTON
11	J. JASLINE	21PHY020	BALL BADMINTON
12	SNEHA. R	20TAM022	BALL BADMINTON
13	AARTHI. M	20MAT001	BALL BADMINTON
14	LEKA SHREE. M	20BBAE028	BALL BADMINTON
15	J. JENIFER	19ENG027	BALL BADMINTON
16	T. SHALINI	21COME039	BASKETBALL
17	N.Boomika	20COME053	BASKETBALL
18	P.DEVI	20COM074	BASKETBALL
19	S. LAVANYA MEGHA	19CSCE020	BASKETBALL
20	A. PRATHISA	19COM046	BASKETBALL
21	A.SHEEBA HETCHIYAL	20ENG072	BOXING
22	J.R. SARIKA	20CHE028	BOXING
23	P.ANITHA	19ZOO003	BOXING
24	N.DHARANI	20ECT028	BOXING
25	M.PADMA PRATHIBHA	21COHE019	CHESS
26	P.PREETHI	20PDPE10	CHESS
27	B.KAYAL VIZHI	19TAM019	FOOTBALL
28	R.PANDI SELVI	19TAM030	FOOTBALL
29	ANGALA PARAMESHWARI	19ECT002	FOOTBALL
30	K.ANITHA	19ECT003	FOOTBALL
31	D.DEVI	19ECT008	FOOTBALL
32	S.KOUSALYA	19ECT014	FOOTBALL
33	M.SUJA	19ECT025	FOOTBALL
34	A.ARCHANA	19ECE003	FOOTBALL
35	B.KANIMOZHI	19BOT025	FOOTBALL
36	M.PAVITHRA	19BOT032	FOOTBALL
37	VIDHYA.V	21HIS038	HANDBALL
38	VISHNU SRI.R	19CSCE047	HANDBALL
39	SASIKALA.M	20TAM045	HOCKEY
40	PARANITHA.P	20ECT037	HOCKEY
41	SELVALAKSHMI.D	20BOT050	HOCKEY
42	BHAVANI.D	21HIS010	JUDO
43	MUTHUPRIYA.K	20ENG033	KABADDI
44	THENMOZHI.S	20ENG053	KABADDI



S.No	Name	Reg No	Game
45	DHIVABHARATHY.M	20ECE016	KABADDI
46	LAVANYA.P	20CSCE020	KABADDI
47	YOGAMBIKA.R	20CHE038	KABADDI
48	RITHIKA .C	20ECE040	KABADDI
49	RAJALAKSHMI.A	21PGT006	KHOKHO
50	SINDHU.B	19HIS049	KHOKHO
51	SRINITHI KRISHNAN.T	20COAE059	SWIMMING
52	SRINITHI.N	20COM052	SWIMMING
53	SRI AMUTHAVALLI.V	19PHY044	SWIMMING
54	NEHAA SRI. G	19ECE034	SWIMMING
55	YUVAPRABHA.D	21ZOO034	TABLE TENNIS
56	ANUSHYA.L	20ECE008	TABLE TENNIS
57	BHUVANESHWARI.R	19BBAE008	TABLE TENNIS
58	DHANASHREE.G	19PHY008	TABLE TENNIS
59	DEVASHREE.G	19MAT010	TABLE TENNIS
60	NISHA.N	21TAM012	VOLLEY BALL
61	MOHANA.K	20COME029	VOLLEY BALL
62	SHANMUGA PRIYA.S	19HIS047	VOLLEY BALL

73<sup>rd</sup> Annual Sports Day was held on 28<sup>th</sup> May 2022 in the College Play Ground, Madurai.740 students participated in the Inter - Major March past lead by the college band. Dr.M. Stalin Nagarajan, Indian Chief Tennis Coach, Sports Scientist, and Former Chief Coach, Government of India took the salute and declared the sports meet open and delivered the chief guest address. Col. Rakesh Prasad, Officer Commanding, 2 (TN) Girls BN, NCC, Madurai distributed the prices. And also, special invitee Olympian Ms. Jerlin Anika, Gold Medallist in Badminton, Deaflympics 2022 has enlightened the sports day in colourful. Besides the sports events, there was a mass drill free hand exercise, Zumba dance and Silambam demonstration. K.Soundarya II BA Economics (Tamil) won the individual championship and the Department of Economics won the Intramural Trophy.

**Capt. Dr. T. Shantha Meena**, Director of Physical Education  
**Dr. M. Hemalatha**, Director of Physical Education (SF)







All India Inter Univeristy Badminton Tournament  
Gold Medalist 21-22



Ballbadminton Team



Champion in BKF International Table Tennis Championship  
2021- R. Bhuvaneswari -19BBAE008



Champions in 2nd State Level Dueball Competition-2022



South Zone Inter University Football Tournament -Silver  
Medalist - 2021-22



Gold Medal and Silver Medal in Invitational Indo Nepal Weight  
lifters Championship G.Harini -19ECE018 & K.Sivasathiya - 19HIS050



Table Tennis Team



Winners in Martial Arts Festival -2022



Intramural Day 21-22



Participation in Selangor Badminton Asia Team Championships  
2022 - R.Arun Bala 19BBAE007



Winner in State Level Kho Kho Competition 2021



Winner in Second board of All India Inter University Chess  
Competition -M.Padma Prathiba - 21COHE019



Volleyball Team



Intramural Day 2021-2022



Sports Day



Senior State Championship 2021 - Basketball



# National Cadet Corps

## International yoga day celebrations:

70 cadets participated in Be with Yoga, Be at Home video contest conducted by Ministry of Ayush organized by 2(TN) GIRLS BN NCC, Madurai on 17th June, 2021.

21 Army Wing and Air Wing cadets participated in an 7th international Yoga Day Online Workshop conducted by R. Gangadharan, Yoga Instructor from Mahatma Gandhi Yoga Center, Madurai on 21st June 2021. On the same day, 51 cadets participated in the International Yoga Day 2021 Online Quiz conducted by The American College, Madurai.

## Swarnim Vijay Varsh:

12 Army cadets participated in Painting Competition conducted by 2 TN GIRLS BN NCC, Madurai on the topic Swarnim Vijay Varsh on 30th June, 2021. The first place was secured by Cdt. P. Sweatha and the second place was bagged by L/Cpl Vinotha and Cdt. Selvashree Nachiar.

## Covid 19 Vaccine Awareness:

70 cadets participated in Covid 19 Awareness Poster Presentation organized by 2 TN GIRLS BN NCC, Madurai on 3rd July 2021. 8 Army and Air Wing cadets volunteered for Covid Vaccination volunteer work organized by Voice Trust, Madurai on 12th September 2021.

## Virtual Lecture:

A virtual lecture on health and hygiene by Capt. Dr. Antony Amala Jeyasheeli, ANO, Fatima College, Madurai was conducted on 15th July, 2021 by 2 TN GIRLS BN NCC, Madurai and 3 TN AIR SQN (Tech, Trichy)

and was attended by 58 Army and Air Wing cadets. Dr. T. Ravichandran, Associate Professor, Department of Gandhian Studies from Gandhigramam University delivered a virtual lecture on the topic of National Integration in Nation Building on 14th August 2021 which was organised by 2 TN GIRLS BN NCC, Madurai and was attended by 5 Army cadets.

## Virtual Competitions:

70 cadets from both Army and Air Wing participated in a Connection Activity, a virtual competition conducted by Lady Doak College, Madurai on 15th July, 2021. An Article Writing, Painting and Photography competition was conducted by 2 TN GIRLS BN NCC, Madurai on 20th July 2021 in which 16 cadets participated. In a Connection Contest organised by Nirmala College for Women, Coimbatore 52 Army and Air Wing cadets participated on 22nd July 2021. 36 cadets from Army and Air Wing participated in a virtual quiz competition conducted by Ministry of Defence on the topic 1971 War conducted by 2 TN GIRLS BN NCC, Madurai on 3rd August 2021.

Rashtagaan – National Anthem competition was conducted by 2 TN GIRLS BN NCC, Madurai on 12th August 2021 and 52 Army and Air Wing cadets participated in it and got their virtual certificates.

## Faculty Record:

CT Ms. Sagara, from Lady Doak College, Madurai took part in the NCC Air Wing Officers Training course at Gwalior and Chennai conducted by NCC Directorate, New Delhi for a period of almost 4 months from 23rd July 2021 to 7th November 2021.

## Ek Bharat Shreshta Bharat:

A 6 days virtual Ek Bharat Shreshta Bharat camp was conducted by NCC Tamilnadu Directorate, Chennai from 26th July 2021. L/CPL Hamsavardhini C and Cdt. Rajeshwari. S participated in the camp and benefited from it. L/CPL Hamsavardhini participated in the Ek Bharat Shreshta Bharat Quiz conducted by NCC Tamilnadu Directorate, Chennai on 30th July 2021 and secured the second place. Flying Cadet Aathithya Sree, participated in Ek Bharat Shreshta Bharat Camp from 26th July 2021 to 31st July 2021. Flying Cadet Shiva Dharshini participated in Ek Bharat Shreshta Bharat Camp from 4th October 2021 to 9th October 2021.

## Parade training:

31 cadets participated in Independence Day Parade Training at AR Ground organised by 2 TN GIRLS BN NCC, Madurai from 9th August 2021 and 14th August 2021.

## Fit India:

Fit India Freedom Run 2.0 was inaugurated on 13th August 2021 organised by 2 TN GIRLS BN NCC, Madurai and 15 cadets participated in it. On 16th August 2021, 62 cadets from both Army and Air Wing took their Fit India Freedom Run Pledge which was organised by 2 TN GIRLS BN NCC, Madurai. 4 cadets participated in the Fit India Freedom Run 2.0 organised by Lady Doak College, Madurai on 3rd September 2021.

## 75th Independence Day:

On the occasion of 75th Independence Day, organised by Lady Doak College, Madurai, 6 cadets from Army Wing and 6 cadets from Air Wing participated in the celebrations.

## 73rd Republic Day:

34 Army cadets participated in showing their commitment on the occasion of the 73rd Republic Day Celebration which was initiated by Ministry of Defence on 22nd January 2022.

## Firing Training:

A one day firing training camp was organised by 2 TN GIRLS BN NCC, Madurai on 18th August 2021 at NTA Idaiyapatti in during which 56 Army cadets were trained. On 27th August 2021, a group firing competition was organised by 2 TN GIRLS BN NCC, Madurai in which 8 cadets from Army Wing



participated. Cdt. Hemarathna. M participated in the firing camp at Puducherry conducted by 2 TN GIRLS BN NCC, Madurai from 1st September 2021 to 9th September 2021.

## Republic Day Camps:

6 cadets participated in the RDC Inter Unit Competition Camp organised by 4 TN ENGR COY NCC, Idaiyapatti from 23rd September 2021 to 2nd October 2021. 3 cadets participated in RDC Inter Group Competition organised by 14 TN BN NCC, Dindigul from 3rd October 2021 to 12th October 2021. RDC Training I: 2 cadets participated in the RDC Training I Camp conducted by 34 TN INDEP COY NCC, Thanjavur from 22nd October 2021 to 31st October 2021. RDC Training II: 2 cadets participated in the RDC Training II Camp conducted by 4 TN GIRLS BN NCC, Tiruchirapalli from 11th November 2021 to 20th November 2021. CUO C. Hamsavardhini and SGT J V Infanta Joshil participated in Marina Republic Day Camp organised by Madras A from 4th January 2022 to 9th January 2022. SUO R Madhumitha participated in the Republic Day Camp, Delhi conducted by DG NCC, New Delhi from 18th December to 29th January 2022.

## Guard of Honour:

8 Army Wing cadets were a part of the DDG Guard of Honour organised by 2 TN GIRLS BN NCC, Madurai on 12th October 2021.





Clean India Campaign:

32 cadets from Air Wing participated in the Clean India Campaign conducted by 2 TN GIRLS BN NCC, Madurai on 26th October 2021.

Leadership Camp:

3 Army Wing cadets participated in the Basic Leadership Camp organised by 2 TN AIR SQN NCC, Coimbatore from 9th November 2021 to 18th November 2021.Cdt. Amrita B attended the Advanced Leadership Camp conducted by Hindustan College of Engineering and Technology, Coimbatore from 25th November 2021 to 4th December 2021.Flying Cadets Maheswari, Narmatha, Nalina, Madhumitha and Sreenithi participated in the Basic Leadership Camp from 9th November 2021 to 18th November 2021.Flying Cadet Sreenithi took part in the Advance Leadership Camp from 25th December 2021 to 4th December 2021.

NCC Day:

50 cadets from both Army Wing and Air Wing participated in the cultural activities of NCC Day Celebrations organised by 2 TN GIRLS BN NCC, Madurai on 28th November 2021.

Annual Training Camps:

16 Air Wing NCC cadets from Lady Doak College participated in the Combined Annual Training Camp cum RDC launch from 6th December 2021 to 15th December 2021 held at NTA Idaiyapatti which was organised by 8 TN BN NCC Kumbakonam.A Combined Annual Training Camp was conducted by 28 TN BN NCC, Virudhunagar from 18th December 2021 to 24th

December 2021 in which 7 cadets participated. 25 cadets and 1 ANO participated in Combined Annual Training Camp at NTA, Idaiyapatti, Madurai organised by 2 TN GIRLS BN NCC, Madurai from 26th December 2021 to 1st January 2021.Army Cdt. Shaline. A participated in the Combined Annual Training Camp organised by P.S.R Engineering College, Sivakasi from 3rd March 2022 to 9th March 2022.33 Army Wing cadets and 1 ANO participated in Combined Annual Training Camp organised by 7 TN BN NCC, Madurai at NTA, Idaiyapatti, Madurai from 7th March 2022 to 11th March 2022.

Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav:

Singing and Dancing competition was conducted by 2 TN GIRLS BN NCC, Madurai in which 50 Army Wing cadets and 34 Air Wing cadets participated on 26th January 2022.32 Army Wing Cadets and 2 Air Wing Cadets participated in the 75th Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav Mini Marathon organised by SDAT, Madurai on 24th March 2022.

Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana:

17 Air Wing cadets participated in the quiz conducted by National Health Authority on the topic Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana and got their e-Certificates.

**Capt. Dr. T. Shantha Meena**  
Associate NCC Officer (Army Wing)  
& **F/O Sagara S.G.**  
Associate NCC Officer (Air Wing)



Captain's Troupe



Our Aministration Team  
Our Family - LDC



Our Faculty Team (Aided)



*Our Family - LDC*



Our Faculty Team (Management)



Our Supporting Team

*Our Family - LDC*



B.A. Tamil



M.A. Tamil



B.A. English Aided



B.A. English SF



M.A. English



B.B.A.



Our Family - LDC



B.Sc. Biotechnology



M.Sc. Biotechnology



B.Sc. Botany



M.Sc. Botany



B.Sc. Chemistry



M.Sc. Chemistry

Our Family - LDC



B.Com



M.Com



B.Com Banking & Insurance



B.Com Honours



B.Com Computer Applications



B.Com Professional Accounting



Our Family - LDC



B.Com Corporate Secretaryship



B.A. Sociology & Psychology



B.A. History



M.A. History



B.Sc. Computer Science



M.Sc. Computer Science

Our Family - LDC



B.Sc. Information Technology & Management (A)



B.Sc. Information Technology & Management (B)



B.Sc. Mathematics (SF)



B.Sc. Mathematics



M.Sc. Mathematics



M.A. Economics



Our Family - LDC



B.A. Economics (TM)



B.A. Economics (EM)



B.Sc. Physics



M.Sc. Physics



M.Sc. Information Technology



B.Sc. Physics with Computer Applications

Our Family - LDC



B.Sc. Zoology



M.Sc. Zoology



M.Sc. Psychology



B.Sc. Fashion Designing



MSW



PG Diploma in Human Resource Development





PG Diploma in Counselling & Psychotherapy



Diploma in Apparel Designing



Ash Wednesday and Lenten Service



Community Christmas Celebrations



"This is the Lord's doing and it is marvellous in our eyes"  
Psalms 118:23

*Thus, after spanning the length and breadth  
of this treasury's leaflets, "Palm Leaves"  
bids adieu till we meet again with new  
accomplishments & boundless success.*

- Magazine Committee

## COLLEGE SONG

Glad are the hearts we offer to thee  
True is our spirit of loyalty  
Keen are our minds in our search for truth  
Here is these halls in the days of our youth  
College, Lady Doak! College, Lady Doak!  
Built by many hands of friends in many lands  
With a purpose that's common to all  
answering all our need as we call,  
Now to thee and to them we acclaim Hurrah!



*We cannot do anything against the truth,  
but only for the truth. - II Cor. 13:8*



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