



# Lady Doak College



## Palm Leaves 2023



## 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!



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

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## Editor's Desk

*Faith is taking the **First Step** even when you don't see the whole staircase*

**- Martin Luther King Jr.**

Lady Doak College is a labor of love narrating the soul stirring tale of trust vested on our sovereign God. This magnificent abode of learning 'built by many hands' from scratch with 'friends from many lands,' embraced every opportunity, fostering "empowered women" as early as 1948! The ordeal was difficult but the vision was clear. Challenges didn't deter the faith and determination of our founder Ms. Katie Wilcox and she never looked back.

Obeing to the divine call Ms. Wilcox orchestrated an avenue and unlocked a stairway for the young aspiring women of Madurai far and near to walk higher and taller. Swathing across every stumbling block with grit and confidence, Ms. Wilcox labored long, turning each constraint into an opportunity for growth thereby making this 'Ark' a haven of love, knowledge and commitment. Faith charted its own path crossing many milestones towards the promised covenant entrusted by God. The institution flourished producing a dynamic community of scholars disseminating scholarship far and wide.

Lady Doak college strides into its 75th year and continues resonating its heritage to the 21st century audience. 'Success to significance' being the hallmark of the year, the college geared up to give its best shot! and bravo we have won accolades nationally and internationally. The adept hands of the dokians have indelibly woven a tangible tapestry of outstanding workmanship in academia and extracurriculars. Every leaf of this compendium will take us all through the arduous endeavors of the dokian fraternity who have been weathered to uncompromisingly excel towards nothing less than excellence. The synergistic concoction of enthusiastic students, vivacious faculty members and supportive staff had materialised the long seen vision of Ms. Wilcox. From international laurels to creativity, from intellectual investments in academia to service learning, the college has stood strong and steadfast producing incredible recognition that will keep inspiring every reader.

At this momentous juncture of achieving 75 glorious years, Lady Doak college is eternally grateful to the generations of faculty members, students, and proud alumnae who have built the foundation of this robust edifice brick by brick with selfless love and dedication. Kudos to their unstaggering support, determination and good will! The voyage toward excellence does not halt here but will keep marching forward from strength to strength to achieve another milestone as a specimen of excellence. Lady Doak college will continue to spread its wings soaring high till it owns the sky.

**Dr. Daisy Gohain & Dr. J. Jullie Prathiba**

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## From the Principal's Desk...



It is with immense joy and deep reverence that I extend my warmest greetings to all on the occasion of the 75<sup>th</sup> year of Lady Doak College. As we celebrate this momentous milestone, we are filled with gratitude for the rich legacy that has shaped this esteemed institution and transformed countless lives over the years.

Lady Doak College has stood as a beacon of education and empowerment since its inception. From its humble beginnings, this institution has blossomed into a vibrant community of scholars, nurtured by a culture of academic rigor, inclusivity, and holistic development. Countless individuals have walked through these halls, their aspirations kindled, and their dreams transformed into reality. We stand on the shoulders of those who came before us, and it is with utmost humility that we reflect on their vision, dedication, and unwavering commitment to excellence.

As we honor the past, we also acknowledge the present. Lady Doak College continues to be a bastion of knowledge and a sanctuary for intellectual growth. The dynamic faculty, the brilliant student body, and the supportive staff synergize to create an environment that fosters innovation, critical thinking, and a thirst for lifelong learning. This magazine is a testament to the remarkable achievements of our students and the invaluable contributions of our faculty members.

Through the pages of this magazine, we embark on a journey that highlights the diverse talents, passions,

and accomplishments of the Lady Doak College community. From groundbreaking research to artistic expression, from sporting triumphs to social initiatives, each story reflects the indomitable spirit and resolute determination that defines our institution.

We celebrate the visionaries and pioneers who established Lady Doak College, and we pay tribute to the generations of faculty members who have tirelessly mentored and inspired our students. We honor the achievements of our alumni, who have carried the torch of knowledge far and wide, leaving an indelible mark in their respective fields. We recognize the invaluable support of our staff members, whose dedication ensures the smooth functioning of this institution. And, above all, we salute the students who breathe life into Lady Doak College, infusing it with their boundless energy, creativity, and passion.

As we mark this milestone, we also cast our gaze towards the future. Lady Doak College stands poised on the threshold of a glorious tomorrow. We are driven by a collective commitment to move from success to greater significance, to make an enduring impact on society, and to shape a future that is rooted in compassion, innovation, and social responsibility.

In the pursuit of excellence, we shall continue to adapt to the changing needs of the world, embrace emerging technologies, and nurture an ecosystem that fosters innovation and entrepreneurship. Lady Doak College shall remain a center of academic brilliance, a crucible for intellectual growth, and a sanctuary for the pursuit of knowledge.

As you delve into the pages of this magazine, I invite you to witness the tapestry of achievements that adorn the Lady Doak College community. May these stories inspire you, ignite your imagination, and instill a sense of pride in being part of this illustrious institution. Together, let us forge ahead, united in our pursuit of academic excellence, social transformation, and a brighter future for generations to come.

**Dr. Christianna Singh**  
*Principal & Secretary*





## À tout de suite good friend! Adios...

### ROSY - A Ray of Sunshine beaming bright in all seasons

Dr. Rosy Godwin, Assistant Professor and Head of the Department of Commerce has been a source of motivation and joy to all of us. Fondly called as 'Rosy Ma'am', there are no limits to her exuberance and Zest for life. **'I can do everything through Christ, who gives me strength'** is the most befitting verse that reflects her personality. Dr. Rosy, who was an alumna of the college, started her career as an assistant professor in 1987. Her 36 years of dedicated service filled with joy, optimism, bravery, devotion, and enthusiasm is a source of inspiration for us.

Anyone who has crossed her paths knows that her unwavering faith in Christ has given her the spiritual succor to be calm and cheerful amidst any storm. She is cordial and friendly and her smiling demeanor has never failed to lift up our spirits. Her knack of carrying long conversations with any stranger has taught us patience and tolerance, as we wait with severe hunger pangs for her to join us for lunch. Her delicious dishes and humorous anecdotes about her class, her plants, and daily routine has always made this a memorable moment.

Dr. Rosy has a passion for teaching Women's studies right from its inception and she has contributed in terms of teaching material and as a member of the board for women's studies for many years. Her contribution to the department is immense. It is a real challenge to coordinate and lead more than 1000 students and 35 faculty members. Each one is unique but she has binded us with her energy and positivity. When we are in a frenzy to meet deadlines and to complete our evaluation of papers, Dr Rosy will be an epitome of calmness, always optimistic and no deadline can mar her cheerfulness. Her meticulous planning and execution has been instrumental for the successful completion of many conferences and programs.

Dr. Rosy had always wanted each stream of commerce to be tied up with professional organizations and her tireless efforts to achieve this are to be lauded. She always emphasised on imparting professional skills to the students to enhance their career profile. We have always admired her indomitable spirit and determination in planning and implementing any program with a focus on the needs of the students.

Dr. Rosy maintains strong connections with both her pupils and mentors. Her alumni networking abilities are phenomenal. She has always been relentless in her efforts to find, interact and rope in talented alumnae to our Board, seminars and club programs. Her focus is always on the solution, not the problem. She is extremely approachable and welcoming, having a word of kindness or comfort to anyone going through challenging times.

We wish to imbibe her positive attitude, strong faith, courage and kindness. As we bid farewell, we wish to reiterate our stand that we will always strive to fulfill her vision for the department. We thank her for being a source of joy and strength to us all. As she embarks on this journey of retirement, may God bestow his choicest blessings on our dear ray of sunshine.

We wish our dear Rosy Ma'am a life of happiness, good health and peace.

**Dr. Rathika Kathirvelraj**  
Assistant Professor, Dept of Commerce



## ஸ்டைலான 'மயில்' அண்ணா!

மதிப்பிற்குரிய திரு. பாண்டி (பொருளாளர் அலுவலகத்தில் உண்மையும் உத்தமமாய் பணியாற்றிய பண்பாளர்) அவர்களின் தவப்புதல்வனான திரு.மயில்வாகனன் நம் கல்லூரியில் 16.08.1989 அன்று காலடி எடுத்து வைத்தார். மயில் அண்ணா என்று அனைவராலும் அழைக்கப்படும் இவர் அன்று முதல் மார்ச் 2011 வரை பொருளாளர் அலுவலகத்தில் பொறுப்புடனே பணியாற்றினார். அரசு தொடர்பான பணிகளைக் கல்லூரிக்கல்வி இணை இயக்குநர் அலுவலகத்திற்குச் சென்று கல்லூரி தொடர்பான அனைத்து கருத்துரு மற்றும் பணப்பலன்களைப் பெற்று தருவது தொடர்பான பணிகளைச் சிறப்புடனே மேற்கொண்டார்.

அதன்பிறகு 2011 முதல் 2023 வரை கல்லூரி நூலகத்தில் பணிபுரிந்து 31 மார்ச் 2023 அன்று பணி ஓய்வு பெற்றார். அன்னார் பணிபுரிந்த காலத்தில் தன்னால் இயன்றவரை பணிகளைத் திறம்படச் செய்தார். எளியதோற்றம், மெல்லியபுன்னகை, பிறர்நலனில் அக்கறை, அனைத்தையும் அறிந்து கொண்டு செயலாற்றும் ஆர்வம் ஆகிய நற்பண்புகளுக்குச் சொந்தக்காரர்.

உங்களைப் பற்றிய .....

என்றும் அதே உருவ அமைப்பு  
எளிய தோற்றம் எப்போதும் புன்சிரிப்பு  
சகலவழியர் மேல் கொண்ட அன்பால் அவ்வப்போது  
பகிரப்படும் வீட்டு உணவு உபசரிப்பு!  
வீட்டுக்கணக்கு, அலுவலகக்கோப்பு, புத்தகக்கணக்கு  
என அனைத்திலும் சுழன்று உழன்று ஆற்றிய பணிக்கணக்கை  
நீட்டிக்க எண்ணி கணக்குப்பார்க்கும் தருணத்தில்  
அரசுப்பதிவேட்டில் அகவைக் கணக்குத் தீர்வடைகிறது!!  
எஞ்சிய வீட்டுக்கணக்கை மட்டுமே மனம் மகிழ்வாய்ப் புரிந்திட  
வழங்கப்பட்டுள்ளது பணி நிறைவுக்காலம்.  
நேரம் ஆகிவிட்டது.... அலுவலகம் புறப்படும் தருணம்  
என்ற எச்சரிப்பின் சத்தம் இன்றி  
இனி அலுப்பின்றி நடை பயிலும்  
தருணமாய் அமையும்!  
மீதமுள்ள காலத்தை அமைதிப் பாலத்தில்  
கடக்கலாம்!

பணிஓய்வினை மகிழ்வுடனே ஏற்று  
எல்லா நலமும் வளமும் நிறைவாய்ப் பெற்று  
எழிலான குடும்பமாய் ஏற்றம் பல கண்டு  
எல்லாம் வல்ல இறையருளுடன் இன்புற்று  
மகிழ்வாய் வாழ என் இதயம் நிறைந்த வாழ்த்துகள்!!



**திருமதி. பி.கஸ்தூரி**  
கண்காணிப்பாளர்





## விஜய(த்தின்) லட்சுமி அக்கா!

திருமதி. விஜயலட்சுமி எங்களுக்கு “விஜி அக்கா”. எண்பதுகளில் தற்காலிகப் பணியாளராகக் கல்லூரியில் நுழைந்து, மூன்று ஆண்டுகளில் அரசுப் பணியாளராய்த் தன்னைத் தக்க வைத்து ஆய்வக உதவியாளராய் தன் நிலையை உயர்த்திக் கொண்டவர். முப்பத்தியேழு ஆண்டுகள் தன்பணியில் முழுமையும், நிறைவையும் இன்றளவும் நிறைவேற்றிக் கொண்டிருப்பவர்.

வேதியல் துறையில் ஆய்வகப்பணியில் நெடிய காலம் அவருடன் பணியாற்றிய பெருமையோடும், உரிமையோடும் அவருக்கான கட்டுரையைக் கல்லூரி மலருக்காக எழுதுவதில் நான் பேருவகை கொள்கிறேன்.

கடுகடுத்த பார்வை, கண்டிப்பான குரல் அதிகாரத்தொனியில் அடட்டலான பேச்சு அறிமுகமான புதிதில் அவருக்கான அடையாளமாய் நான் கண்டவை இப்பண்புகளைத்தான். ஆனால் பழகப்பழகத்தான் ஒருவரின் பண்புகளை நாம் படிக்க இயலும். காலப்போக்கில் தான் அவரின்,

“கடுகடுத்த பார்வையில் கனிவு தெரிந்தது, கண்டிப்பான குரலில் கரிசனை இருந்தது, அடட்டலான பேச்சில் அக்கறை புரிந்தது”

இதை நான் மட்டுமல்ல ஒவ்வொரு வருடமும் விடை பெறுகின்ற மாணவியர் மறக்காமல் சொல்லுகின்ற மாசற்ற வார்த்தைகள். விஜி அக்கா, படிப்பில் பட்டம் பெறவில்லை, தான் பெற்ற அனுபவத்தையே பட்டயமாகக் கொண்டுள்ளார். எங்கள் ஆய்வகப்பணிக்கு அவருடைய பட்டய அறிவுதான் பல நேரம் உதவியாக இருந்தது.

தன்னுடன் பணியாற்றிய மூத்த பணியாளர்கள் தந்த ஆலோசனை, உடன்பணிபுரிந்த ஆசிரியர்கள் அளித்த அறிவுரை, தான் பட்டு தெரிந்த அனுபவம், இவற்றையெல்லாம் வகுத்துத் தொகுத்து, தன்னையே ஒரு ஆய்வுக்கூட கையேடாக மாற்றிக்கொண்டார். இந்த கையேடுதான் இன்றளவும் எங்கள் பணியில் கைகொடுக்கிறது.

நான் பணியில் சேர்ந்த புதிதில், கனிமவேதியியல் (Inorganic), கரிமவேதியியல் (Organic), இந்த இரு கடினமான ஆய்வக வகுப்புகளில் எங்களுக்கு உதவியாளருக்கான பயிற்சியை அளித்தவர் விஜி அக்கா, அப்போது அவரிடம் கண்ட மாண்புகளைச் சொல்ல விழைகின்றேன்.

“அடர் அமிலமோ, அடர் காரமோ - பயமின்றி பக்குவமாய்க் கையாளுவார் கரைசலோ, கரைப்பானோ - கணப்பொழுதில் கலக்கிக் கொடுத்துவிடுவார் சேர்மங்களோ சேர்ப்பான்களோ - வீணடிக்காமல் விரைவாகச் சேர்த்துக் கொடுப்பார் கண்ணாடி உபகரணங்கள் - நொறுங்கிவிடாமல் நுட்பமாகப் பயன்படுத்துவார் ஆய்வகத்தைத் தூய்மையாக வைத்திருப்பார்”

இத்தனை சிறப்புகள் தன்னகத்தே பெற்றும் ஆய்வக உபகரணங்களில் மட்டும் மிகுதியாக ஆர்வம் காட்டாதவராய் இருக்கிறார். உபகரணங்களால் உதவியைவிட உபத்திரவமே அதிகம் என்று ஒதுங்கி விட்டார் என்று எண்ணுகிறேன்.

“ஆய்வுக்கூட சேமிப்பு அறையில் கணினி எந்திரமே விஜி அக்கா தான்!”

எந்தப்பொருள் எந்த இடத்தில், எத்தனை நாட்களாய் என்ன அளவில் உள்ளது என்பதை, உள்ளது உள்ளபடி துல்லியமாகச் சொல்லும் நினைவாற்றல் கொண்டவர். மூவாயிரத்திற்கும் மேற்பட்ட வேதியல் சார்ந்த பொருட்களின் பட்டியலைத் தன் மூளையில் பதிவு செய்துள்ள முன்னேற்றமடைந்த கணினி எந்திரம் அவர்.

ஆய்வகப்பணி, கல்லூரிப்பணி மட்டுமின்றி தன் குடும்பப்பணியிலும் முழுமையைக் காட்டுபவர் விஜி அக்கா. நல் மகளாய், நல் மனைவியாய், நற் சகோதரியாய், நல்ல தாயாய், நல் உறவினராய் உறவினர்களை எந்தச் சூழ்நிலையிலும் உபசரிக்கும் நல்ல குடும்பத்தலைவியாய் மிளிர்ந்து கொண்டிருப்பவர் விஜி அக்கா. கல்லூரிப்பணி, குடும்பப்பணி இரண்டையும் கண்போல் பாவித்து இரண்டு பணிகளையும் நிறைவேடு செய்கின்ற தங்களுக்கு வாழ்த்துக்கள்.

கல்லூரிப்பணியிலிருந்து தாங்கள் தற்பொழுது விடுபட்டுச் சென்றாலும், தங்கள் குடும்பப்பணியின் நீட்சி நெடிந்து உள்ளது. அப்பணியைத் தொடர எல்லாம் வல்ல இறைவன் நீண்ட ஆயுளும், ஆரோக்கியமும் வழங்க வேண்டி நாங்கள் பிரார்த்திக்கிறோம்.

திரு. தை.இன்னசென்ட்  
ஆய்வக உதவியாளர், வேதியியல் துறை



## ராயலான ‘ராய்’ சார்!

திரு. சிவசங்கரன் ராய் அவர்களைப் பற்றி என் சார்பில் சில கருத்துகள்:

திரு. ராய் அவர்கள் எம்.,பிஎல்., என்ற கல்வித்தகுதியுடன் பல உயர்ந்த பண்புத் தகுதிகளையும் பெற்று நம் கல்லூரிக்குள் 1993ஆம் ஆண்டு பகுதிநேர ஆசிரியராய்ப் பணியேற்றவர். 1987 ஆம் ஆண்டு முதல் 2012ஆம் ஆண்டு வரை உள்ள இடைவெளியில் வழக்கறிஞர் தொழிலையும் மேற்கொண்டவர். காலப்போக்கில் சட்டம் பயிலும் வணிகவியல் மாணவியருக்கு முழுநேர ஆசிரியராகி, சட்டம் பற்றிய பல்வேறு பிரிவுகளையும் அறிமுகப்படுத்தி, அறிவுறுத்தி சட்டத்தின் நீள்பாதையில் வெகுதொலைவு மாணவியரை நடத்தியவர்.

திரு. ராய் அவர்களுடைய வகுப்புகள் அனைத்தும் மிகமிக உயிரோட்டமுடனும் நகைச்சுவை கருத்துக்களுடனும் தற்கால நிகழ்வுகளை வகுப்பறையில் சான்றுகளாகக் காட்டப் பெற்று மாணவியரை வியப்பில் ஆழ்த்தும்.

தன் வகுப்பறைகளில் மிக அமைதியான ஆளுமையுடன் மாணவியரை வகுப்பறைச் சூழலுக்கு இசைவாக அமைத்துக்கொண்டு, அவர்கள் மனம் விரும்பும் வண்ணம் கற்பித்தலில் நம் ஆசிரியர் வல்லவர்.

தான் கற்பிக்கும் முறையில், வகுப்பறைக்கு வெளியேயும் உள்ள வாழ்க்கையைப் புரியவைத்து மாணவ உள்ளங்களை நல்லமுதிர்வுக்கு அழைத்துச் சென்றவர்.

மாணவியர், உடன் பணிபுரியும் ஆசிரியர்கள் எவரைப்பார்க்கினும் அமைதி நோக்குடன் புன்னகை சிந்தும் மனிதர். இவை எல்லாம் வணிகவியல் துறை மாணவியரின் ‘ராய்’ அவர்களைப் பற்றிய துல்லிய கணிப்புகளே!

தனிமனிதராக அவரை நினைத்துப் பார்த்தால் கடமை, கண்ணியம், கட்டுப்பாடு என்ற கொள்கைகளே நம் மனக்கண் முன் வலம்வரும்.

டோக் பெருமாட்டி கல்லூரிச் சோலையில் அன்பு, அடக்கம், சாந்தம், பொறுமை, இனிமை, பெருந்தன்மை மென்மை, பெரியோரை மதிக்கும் தன்மை என்ற பற்பல சுவைமிகு கனிகள் கனிந்து கிடக்கும் ஓங்கி உயர்ந்த ஒரு விருட்சம் நம் ‘ராய்’ அவர்கள்.

மிக இயல்பாகத் தொடங்கப்பெற்ற திரு.சிவசங்கரன்ராய் அவர்களின் வாழ்க்கை அருணோதயம் வந்தபின் மிகஅழகும் நிறைவும் கொண்டு இன்றளவும் இலங்குகிறது. அன்னை திருமதி. கமலா (முன்னாள் தமிழ்த்துறை பேராசிரியர்), மனைவி அருணா, அன்பு மகன் ப்ரீத்தம், மருமகள் என அன்பும் பாசமும் நிறைகுடும்ப உறவுகள் இவர்களின் குடும்பத்தைத் தெளிந்த நீரோட்ட ஆளுன நடத்திச்செல்கின்றனர்.

குடும்பத்திலும் வெளிவாழ்க்கையிலும் திரு.சிவசங்கரன்ராய் அவர்கள் நயத்தகு நாகரிகம் கொண்டவர். நாகரிகம் என்பது வெளித்தோற்றத்தில் அல்ல உள்மையத்தின் மென்மையை உள்ளடக்கியது. இவருடைய வாழ்வில் சொல், செயல், நடத்தை அனைத்தும் நயத்தகு நாகரிகத்தின் உச்சம்தொட்டு நிற்கின்றன.

ஏறக்குறைய முப்பது ஆண்டுகள் வணிகவியல் துறையில் பணிபுரிந்து மறக்கவொண்ணா தடம்பதித்தவர் நம் ‘ராய்’ ஆசிரியர். இனிவரும் காலங்களிலும் திரு.சிவசங்கரன்ராய் அவர்கள் மென்மேலும் சிறந்த விழுமியங்களோடு வீடும் சமுதாயமும் பயனுற நெடுங்காலம் வாழ்ந்து மகிழ்ச்சியுற வேண்டுமென இறையருளை வேண்டுகின்றேன். வாழ்த்துகின்றேன்.

முனைவர் ஆ.மார்க்ரெட் திவ்யா

இணைப்பாடத்திட்ட வரைவு ஒருங்கிணைப்பாளர், இணைப்பேராசிரியர், வணிகவியல் துறை







## Dr. Mary Vinora Mercy - *An Embodiment of love*

Whenever I ruminate about Dr. Mary Vinora Mercy, the one verse that flashes my mind is Proverbs chapter 14, verse 1 that says “The wise woman builds her house”. Yes indeed! She is the anchor, the binding force that harmoniously binds both her personal and professional family. I am thrilled and brimmed with joy to pen down a few reflections on Dr. Vinora.

Dr. Vinora replicates the attributes of the wise women mentioned in proverb 31. She is God-fearing, an excellent partner, a wonderful mother, honourable, wise, kind, and praiseworthy. She carries in her stride and demeanour faithfulness, respect, strength, charity, care, and modesty. Amidst the thick and thin phase of life, she remains calm and composed yet confident in the Lord.

As a family she and her husband serve God in various ways. Family prayer and daily devotionals serve as the anchor keeping them committed and faithful, thereby demonstrating the love of Christ and taking the gospel far and wide. She is a woman with a golden heart and treats everyone with respect. Even a small child will be treated with patience and love. She adorns herself with modesty and neatness.

Ma’am will never engage in idle chatter. She reflects Christ in the way she lives. Her family leads the choir in the church, called “Family of nightingales”. She is helpful and compassionate in nature and unfailingly provides a helping hand to someone in need. The department meetings will be lively thanks to the sense of humour and running witty remarks of Dr. Vinora.

She is undeniably the finest culinarian ever that the department claims without any reservations. Her chicken gravy is legendary. Every piece of chicken with all its mouth watering aroma and flavour demonstrates her 100 percent involvement in culinary and cuisines.

Coming to the academic side, Dr. Vinora served as the Head of Department of Commerce in CSI College of Arts and Science, Madurai. In 2007 ma’am entered into the portals of LDC, as it was her husband’s wish. The department acknowledges her as the MOTHER of B.Com Banking and Insurance stream as she has put tremendous efforts to get into MOUs with the Insurance Institute of India (III) and Indian Institute of Banking and Finance (IIBF). She has introduced mandatory courses for the Banking and Insurance stream equivalent to the professional courses and this has undoubtedly enhanced the value and richness of the course. She is in constant venture to update and enrich the courses and make them applicable to the current trend. This is a testament of her sincerity and commitment. Her thoughtful gestures and care for the department has won the admiration of many. She is a commendable MOM to all and her absence will be fondly remembered.

A few verses from the Bible have been handpicked as a word of blessing for Dr. Vinora. Psalms 92 verses 12 and 13 claims that “The righteous shall flourish like the palm tree, He shall grow like a cedar in Lebanon. Those that are planted in the house of the Lord shall flourish in the courts of our God”. May the gracious God fill her with abundance, peace, joy and contentment forever. God bless you Dr. Vinora !

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## Exchanging Erudition & Scholarship - yonder lores

### J. F. Oberlin university Experience

Being an exchange student in Japan, from Sep. 2022 to Jan, 2023, was a transformative experience for me. Japan is one of the most fascinating regions in the world and has been at the forefront of scientific and technological modernisation for the past several decades. Six months of my exchange journey has widened my knowledge on both academia and culture. I did my exchange programme at J. F. Oberlin university (桜美林大学) which is located in Machida Tokyo. Through the university’s Reconnaissance Japan (RJ) programme, students take a Japanese language course and courses on Japanese culture in English. The educational system in Japan astounded me. The country ranks first on the Life Index for education. Studying in Japan means enriching cultural experiences and academic quality. Learning the Japanese language helped me expand my cultural opportunities. The uniqueness and originality of Japanese traditional culture make it a prime illustration of how historical/traditional and high-tech/modern may coexist.

I had no trouble making friends with foreign students, contrary to my expectations, and they helped me get acquainted with the new culture and educational system, as well as learning about other cultures and being more globally aware. This international experience is a stepping stone to great professional opportunities. It helped me to forge priceless relationships and acquire highly sought-after language abilities and career opportunities, both in Japan and worldwide. The confidence that I gained will help me deal with any difficult situations that arise in the future. I owe the ISC team and the college a huge debt of gratitude for providing me with this incredible opportunity.

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## My Journey to the Centre of the World



My childhood dream of entering into the promised land of Israel got fulfilled when I got selected for a two week research fellowship for doctoral students from 18th to 29th December 2022 by International Institute for Holocaust Research at Yad Vashem, Jerusalem, Israel. The fellowship allows doctoral students from abroad to utilise resources housed in Yad Vashem libraries and archives for their theses. I give all glory, honour and praises to my Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ for giving me this wonderful opportunity to learn from the experts in Holocaust Studies. I consider this opportunity to be a miracle of

miracles because only two to three scholars will get selected for this fellowship from around the world. I'm highly grateful to the prayer and moral support of my husband Godson Samuel, my family members, my research guide Dr. Suka Joshua and my mentors in the Lady Doak College family.

The Holocaust, also referred to as the *Shoah*, was a genocide where Hitler under his Nazi rule methodically killed approximately six million European Jews, around two thirds of the Jewish population of Europe, between 1941 and 1945. Yad Vashem (Hebrew: "a memorial

and a name"), the world Holocaust remembrance centre, stands resolute in its dedication to Holocaust education, remembrance, documentation and research. Established in 1953, Yad Vashem is located on the western slope of Mount Herzl, also known as the Mount of Remembrance, and adjacent to the Jerusalem Forest. The memorial consists of an International Institute for Holocaust Research, a library, a publishing house, the International School of Holocaust Studies, the Holocaust History Museum, the Children's Memorial, the Hall of Remembrance, the Museum of Holocaust Art, the Valley of the Communities and a Synagogue. The non-Jews who saved the Jewish people during the holocaust were recognised as "Righteous Among the Nations" by Israel and were honoured in a section of Yad Vashem known as the Garden of the Righteous Among the Nations. Yad Vashem is the second-most-visited Israeli tourist site, after the Western Wall, with approximately one million visitors each year.

At the International Institute for Holocaust Research, I am grateful to the research guidance of Dr. Iael Nidam-Orvieto (Director), Dr. Eliot Nidam Orvieto (Head, Academic Affairs Section), Dr. David Silberklang (Senior historian), Dr. Robert Rozett (Senior historian) and Dr. Sharon Kangisser Cohen (Editor of *Yad Vashem Studies*). I am highly indebted to the postdoctoral fellows Dr. Ewa Kozminska-Frejlik (Poland), Dr. Friso Hoeneveld (Netherlands) who taught me how to use the library and archival database effectively for my research work. At the International School of Holocaust Studies, I am thankful to Ms. Sheryl Ochayon (Project Director of Echoes & Reflections) and Ms. Lori Gerson (Educational Coordinator, Yad Vashem Overseas Education and Training Department) for their book recommendations on my research topic.

I met a Holocaust Child Survivor Ms. Rena Quint who came to Yad Vashem to give a lecture on her book *A Daughter of Many Mothers: Her Horrific Childhood and Wonderful Life*. I also attended the prestigious International Book Prize for Holocaust Research Award Ceremony on 29 December 2022. The recipient of the award is Prof. Rebecca Clifford, professor of European and Transnational History at Durham University, England, for her book, *Survivors: Children's Lives After*

*the Holocaust*, published by Yale University in 2020. I also met Orthodox Jews, Secular Jews, Messianic Jews, IDF soldiers, Israeli Arabs and Palestinian Arabs by God's grace. My encounter with these different groups of people changed my perspective towards Israeli-Palestinian conflict. I realised all of a sudden that they are ordinary people leading an ordinary life and wanted to live in peace and security like any other country in the world.

This trip was very special to me as I celebrated my birthday (24th December) and Christmas attending a Messianic Worship Service in Jerusalem. I also had the opportunity to witness the eight day festival of lights called Hanukkah (Hebrew: "Dedication") from 18th December to 25th December. The festival commemorates the rededication of the Second Temple of Jerusalem by the lighting of candles (Menorah) on each day of the festival. The Hanukkah lamp recalls the Temple lampstand is a simple or elaborate candelabra with eight branches plus a holder for the shamash (Hebrew: "servant") candle that is used to light the other eight candles. I also observed Jewish day of rest called Shabbat (or Sabbath) from Friday evening to Saturday evening by attending a brief Shabbat service in my hotel synagogue. No public transport operates during this time. All the Jewish shops are closed, and work life comes to a standstill on that day. It enables the people to exercise freedom from the regular labours of everyday life which includes refraining from answering emails and making phone calls. It gives them time to worship God and spend time with family.

The city of Jerusalem is the epicentre of three Abrahamic faiths: Judaism, Christianity and Islam. Jerusalem, also called the city of David, is the place where King Solomon built the first temple during the golden era of Israel's history. It is also the place where Lord Jesus Christ was crucified, buried and resurrected on the third day. I would like to conclude by quoting a verse from the prophetic book of Ezekiel. "This is what the Sovereign Lord says: This is Jerusalem. I have set her in the centre of the nations, with countries all around her" (Ezekiel 5:5).

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## 'My NYU times'

As trite as it may sound, it was indeed a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity for me to represent the country, as a Doakian, at the **Multinational Institute of American Studies, New York University**. The programme on "American Society and Culture" as part of 'Study of the US Institute' was sponsored by the U.S. Department of State. Given the courtesy title of "Visiting Scholar at New York University" for a year, with privileged access to NYU libraries, I lived every scholar's dream. I had little idea what the programme would be like or what takeaways I would have at the end of the six weeks. But slowly and surely, I started enjoying the sessions we had on the various topics pertaining to American culture and society. Being a literature major, learning the social and historical context of a work I read is important to critique and appreciate it. To be in the US and to learn the cultural history of the country, to be able to understand the history of slavery, and to put into perspective the contemporary issues was immensely beneficial. The overturning of the historic *Roe v. Wade*, with the US Supreme Court declaring that there is no constitutional right to abortion, happened on June 24, 2022, when I was in New York. I witnessed the huge protests that erupted around the country.

MIAS 2022, as we called the programme, was also an indulging experiencing as a tourist. Visiting the iconic landmarks of New York City, walking in Times Square gazing at the humungous billboards, watching Broadway shows and ballets, gorging on the celebrated New York pizzas, riding the landmark 'Cyclone' roller coaster in Coney Island, and visiting the MET (Metropolitan Museum of Art) as a New Yorker was surreal to say the least.

Interacting with my fellow participants from 16 different countries was the best part of the programme. With every conversation we shared, I came to realise more and more how similar our experiences are despite our cultural and social differences. What struck me the most was how, as women, we all live the same reality, whether it be a woman in Slovakia or one in Suriname. As I see it, MIAS 2022 was an opportunity for me to engage with likeminded feminists who see academia as a means to promote a gender-blind world where individuals are loved and respected no matter what gender they are.

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## Momentous Moments 2022-23 at LDC



Lady Doak College aims at providing holistic education for the wholesome development of young women. Student Cabinet is one such opportunity which serves as a platform for students to work with the administration team for the benefit of the student body. As the Student Cabinet President for the academic year 2022-23, I am proud to reflect on the accomplishments and achievements which resulted in enhancement of organizing skills, team spirit, proactivity, creativity and so on. Firstly, it was an honor to be elected by my peers to lead the cabinet consisting of passionate leaders who were committed to create a positive impact on campus along with sharpening their management and leadership skills.

We cherish the moments of celebrating our India's 75 years of Independence. We initiated the flag formation on the 'Tricolor Day', the post-it wall of India map, Displays on the freedom fighters by Departments of Tamil and History on the account of celebrating 75 years of Independence Day that displayed our patriotism creatively. Another significant celebration was the Teachers Day with the theme 'Olirvi' to highlight their dedicated calling as Teachers. We had a wonderful time listening to the speaker Rev.Dr.Fr.Godwin Rufus, Principal of Arulanandar College on the topic "Teachers as animators: Leadership cues from a dipping tea bag". We had a time to exhibit our talents including a quiz conducted through the Quiz App 'Kahoot' to say 'Thank you' to all our teachers. We won the hearts of our Teachers through that event.

One of our major accomplishments was Empressa' 22- An event conducted in collaboration with the Center for Entrepreneurship Development for the empowerment of the budding entrepreneurial skills amongst the student community. The event was a huge hit in inspiring and encouraging people to improve their trading expertise, the need of the hour in today's business world. Another highlight was our efforts to promote sustainability. We organized TNSDG Girls Championship' 23 in collaboration with the Center for Environmental Studies of our college, in partnership

with Stella Maris College and UNSDSN. This program was a state-wide initiative to foster innovations for our local problems. Girl students across colleges were invited to voice out their unique solutions to the pertinent issues of our society. This Championship '23 aimed and achieved to sow the seeds for student-inspired pioneering solutions by connecting local action with global advocacy.

Our cabinet also worked to introduce more sustainable practices in the college, such as introducing the color scheme system for vehicle regulation and directing students to park their vehicles accordingly, also surveillance, the practice of proper stairway usage and indulging the students in using the right resting spots. Understanding the trend of short videos, Cabinet has made several video clips to promote the student's life course, practices and routine necessities in college. Our cabinet also took interest in bringing out the communication and altruistic behaviour of Doakians by organizing forum and charity volunteering day, which again proves how Lady Doak College emphasizes the holistic approach of life in its community.

COVID-19 didn't spare an impact on us either. Our tenure marks the period of the post-pandemic, which witnessed the effects of lockdown and isolating nature in students. Encouraging social interaction from the swollen nature of social distancing was the recovery that our cabinet aimed to achieve, which I believe was pretty well achieved as is evident from the participation of our Doakians in 30+ intercollegiate events of other colleges and won Prizes in many events. Mugizh'23 was our intercollegiate event which established the essential bloom needed for the post-corona period as its namesake. Hopefully, the revival needed was accomplished by our cabinet setting the stage for the future enlightenment. I thank our Principal, Deans of student affairs and the College Management for all the encouragement and support in our journey as Leaders.

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*President, Student Cabinet 2022 - 23*





## தூங்காநகர நினைவுகள்

மதுரையின் முழுமையான வரலாறாக வெளிவந்திருக்கிறது, எழுத்தாளர் அ.முத்துக்கிருஷ்ணனின் தூங்காநகர நினைவுகள் நூல். மதுரையில் ஆதிமனிதர்களின் கற்காலக்கருவிகள் கண்டறியப்பட்ட இடங்கள், பாறை ஓவியங்கள், தமிழிக்கல்வெட்டுகள், சங்ககால மதுரை, மதுரைக்கும் தமிழுக்குமான தொடர்பு, மதுரை குறித்த வெளிநாட்டார் குறிப்புகள், பாண்டியர்கள் தொடங்கி மதுரையை ஆட்சி செய்த ஆட்சியாளர்கள், கிழக்கிந்திய கம்பெனியின் வருகை, தாதுவருடப்பஞ்ச காலத்தில் உருவான பெரியாறு அணையும் மதுரா மில்லும், மதுரையின் கல்வி நிலையங்கள், மதுரைக்கு ரயில் வருகை, அஞ்சலகங்கள், மதுரையில் சுதந்திரப் போராட்ட வீரர்கள், மதுரையின் திருவிழாக்கள், கலைகள், கலைஞர்கள் என ஒரு தொல்நகரம் குறித்த விரிவான பார்வையை இந்நூல் தருகிறது. மதுரையின் பழமையான ஓவியங்கள், நிழற்படங்களை எடுத்தது யாரெனத் தெரியாமல் பார்த்துவந்த வேளையில் அதை வரைந்த டேனியல் சகோதரர்கள் தொடங்கி ஜார்ஜ் ஹஸ்த் வரை விரிவாக எழுதியிருக்கிறார்.

ஒவ்வொரு கட்டுரையையும் தொடங்கும்போது அதைக் குறித்த விரிவான அறிமுகத்துடன் தொடங்குவது சிறப்பு. உதாரணத்திற்கு “ஒளி ஒரு சிறிய துளை மூலம் ஓர் இருண்ட இடத்திற்குள் நுழைகிறது. துளையின் எதிர்ச்சுவரில் அல்லது திரையில் ஒரு தலைகீழ்ப்படம் உருவாகிறது. இதனை நாம் அனைவரும் நம் பள்ளியின் இயற்பியல் வகுப்பில் செய்திருப்போம். சீனப் பயணியும் தத்துவவாதியுமான மோசி 5-ம் நூற்றாண்டிலேயே உலகின் முதல் ஊசித்துளை போன்ற செயல்முறை பற்றித் துல்லியமாக விவரித்திருக்கிறார். இதன் அடிப்படையில் உருவான நுண்துளைக் கேமராவே இன்றைக்குப் புகைப்படம் எடுக்கும் கேமராவாகப் பரிணாம வளர்ச்சி அடைந்தது.” இந்த வரிகளை எடுத்துரைக்கக் காரணம் நிழற்படக்கலைஞர்கள் பற்றிய பதிவைத் தொடங்கும்போதே அதன் ஆதிவரலாற்றையும் எளிமையாக எடுத்துச் சொல்லிவிடுகிறார். ஒவ்வொரு கட்டுரையை முடிக்கையிலும் முத்தான சொற்களில் முடிக்கிறார். உதாரணமாக “ஒரு நிலத்தின் மக்கள் உயிர் மூச்சாக மொழியைச் சுவாசித்திருக்கிறார்கள் என்றால், அது உலகத்திலேயே மதுரை என்கிற வரலாற்று நகரத்திற்கு மட்டுமே பொருந்தும்”. இதுபோல ஒவ்வொரு கட்டுரையிலும் இருந்து பல வரிகளை எடுத்துக்காட்டலாம். தாதுவருடப்பஞ்ச காலத்தில் மக்களின் பசிப்பிணி போக்க தம்முடைய வீடு, நகை என எல்லாச் சொத்துக்களையும் இழந்த தாசி குஞ்சரத்தம்மாள் பற்றி வாசிக்கும்போது அவரது சேவை நம்மை நெகிழ்த்துகிறது. லட்சக்கணக்கான மக்களைப் பலிகொண்ட பஞ்ச காலத்தில் மதுரைக்கு நீர் கொண்டுவர உழைத்த பென்னிகுயிக் பிறந்தது இந்தியாவில் என்ற புதிய தகவலையும் இந்நூல் தருகிறது.

'விடுதலை வேள்வியில் மதுரை' கட்டுரையை வாசிக்கும்போது நம் காலத்து நாயகர்களைப் பற்றி அறிய முடிகிறது. வைத்தியநாதப்பாரின் மகன் வை.சங்கரனைச் சந்தித்து சுதந்திரப் போராட்ட காலம் குறித்து உரையாடியது, கே.பி.ஜானகியம்மாளின் இறுதி ஊர்வலத்தில் கலந்து கொண்டது, ஐ.மாயாண்டிபாரதியுடன் உரையாடியது குறித்து விரிவாக எழுதியிருக்கிறார் அ.முத்துக்கிருஷ்ணன். J. H. Nelson எழுதிய The Madura Country Manual தொடங்கி நா. வானாமலை தொகுத்த கான்சாகிபுச்சண்டை வரை இந்நூலுக்காக வாசித்திருக்கிறார். தூங்காநகர நினைவுகள் தொடர் எழுதிய காலத்தில் மாங்குடிமருதனாரைப் போல மதுரை வீதிகளை மனதிற்குள் சுமந்தபடி ஒவ்வொரு கட்டுரையையும் எழுதியிருக்கிறார். தூங்காநகர நினைவுகள் வாயிலாக நாம் செய்ய வேண்டிய பல செயல்களை நினைவூட்டுகிறார். பாறை ஓவியங்கள், தொல்லெச்சங்களுக்கான உலகத்தரமான அருங்காட்சியகங்களை நிறுவுவது, பழமையான வீதிகளை அதன் தொன்மை மாறாமல் காப்பது, வானிலிருந்து பார்க்கும்போது விமானம் போல தெரியும் அஞ்சலகத்தை தொல்லியல் சின்னமாகப் பராமரிப்பது என பல விசயங்களைக் குறிப்பிடுகிறார். மதுரையின் பன்முகத் தன்மையை அறிந்துகொள்ள விரும்புபவர்கள் அனைவரும் வாசிக்க வேண்டிய நூல் எழுத்தாளர் அ.முத்துக்கிருஷ்ணனின் தூங்காநகர நினைவுகள்.

**திரு. சொ.சுந்தர்**

இயற்பியல் ஆய்வக உதவியாளர்

## ஒரு கூட்டுப்பறவைகள்

1998... முதலாய் நினைவு.

வெவ்வேறு பள்ளிகளிலிருந்து வந்திருந்தோம். பெயர் அறிந்திராத ஊர்களிலிருந்து அறிமுகமானோம். வெவ்வேறு இருக்கைகளில் அமர்ந்திருந்தோம். மூன்று வருடம் முடிகையில் மனதால் ஒன்றானோம். திருமணம், உயர்க்கல்வி, வேலை எனக் காலம் உருட்டியது. இணையம் இணைக்க வழிகாட்டியது. புலனக்குழுவில் இணைந்தோம்.

தேடித்தேடி முகவரிகளைக் கண்டறிந்தோம்.

2023.... திட்டமிட்டோம். ஒருநாள் சுற்றுப்பயணம்...

சிறுமலை மலையேறுவோம்... வேண்டாம் வெயில் கொளுத்துகிறதாம்..

கொடைக்கானல் சுற்றுலாவோம்... வேண்டாம் தலைசுற்றும்...

இப்படியான 'வாய்ஸ் மெசேஜ்' களால் வீட்டார் திணறத்தான் செய்தனர்..

குதூகலமாய்க் குடும்பத்துடன் கிளம்பினோம் கும்பக்கரைக்கு...

முதல் வருடத்தில் நாங்கள் சென்ற 'OSS' என்றே மனம் ஆர்ப்பரித்தது...

ஆடலும் பாடலுமாய் அதிர்ந்து தான் போனது பேருந்து..

உடன் வந்திருந்த எங்கள் துணைவர்கள் எங்கள் உள்முகத்தைக் கண்டிருப்பார்கள்

என்பதில் ஆச்சரியமில்லை...

முனைவர் இரா.கலைவாணி

உதவிப்பேராசிரியர், தமிழ் உயராய்வு நடுவம்







## Agility

Young adulthood is a beautiful phrase that everyone cherishes forever. Everyone feels like travelling back to their student life again, it's because of the endless happiness, and peace it gives. The most admirable quality in the life of a student is agility which stuns everyone. It can drive us closer to success. Agility increases our self esteem and self confidence. It helps us to be more receptive to learning new skills, and assists us in moving towards our goals in life. It has the supernatural ability to turn an ordinary person into a perfect leader.

A person can stay agile no matter how old he grows and he will be always reflected young. Agility is something that is easy to learn but hard to master. With the world of work changing at an alarming pace, agility has become the top most secret to success. To conclude, agility can be adapted by all as it helps an individual find a better version of himself and brings back the energy which the golden age of life gave.

**A. Arockia Ashika Rayen**  
20COM003



**D. Sreelakshmi**  
21PGCE29

## Woman of Faith

I'm confused. I'm feeling alone.  
I don't know what's happening within  
This is something I've experienced before  
I don't know how I overcame it,  
that time.  
It's here again.  
Bringing hopelessness, frustration and  
An urge to be at home...  
Something's not right,  
Either in my body or in my mind.  
Oh, it's my mind.  
I'm alright.  
But I'm mentally sick.  
What's this feeling called?  
I don't want to be like this!  
I need to fly!  
I need to stay strong.  
A woman of Faith!  
Is my problem great?  
My God is greater than my problems.  
He gives me peace.  
I slept peacefully yesterday!  
And so,  
He will sustain me forever.  
My God will take care of me!  
Who should I be afraid of?  
All powers tremble at His name.  
And I am His child,  
I will not be afraid of anything!  
My Soul, rest, rest in Christ.  
Slow down, take a deep breath;  
Listen to His voice,  
That gives you strength and peace  
Peace that cannot be taken away!  
He knows everything, He will take care!  
Find tranquility in the tempest,  
Let the waves settle, Give some time.  
Find rest in the chaos,  
Let the noises cease,  
Wait till you hear His voice.  
God, Help me to trust You,  
When I struggle to understand  
Your ways.  
Help me to Love you,  
With all my heart, soul and mind!

**J. Krupa Nithya**  
21PGE014

## Three Inches far

IN the dazzling evening of Pre-Winter  
Lounging on the sundeck suffused with air  
Lookin at the soothing sly 's glitter  
Closed my eyes with care ...  
  
Staring at the fluffy white clouds  
evergreen woodland, appealing sounds of birds  
and animals.  
  
Mesmerized with the charming purleues.  
Pressing my feet on the cushiony grass  
Heard euphonious rhythm of birds and joined in.  
At the nook of a towery tree, perceived a swarm  
of bees  
  
Being meticulous in their work  
Fortunately, One of the beehive scattered  
beneath the tree!  
  
The Honey in the beehive flows like The River Nile  
And penetrates through every inch of grass  
Never ever seen such a divine honey!  
Shining dark brown in color through which  
-one can spot their fair face.  
The Quasi-liquid part makes my mouthis water  
Getting out of the fascination...  
Stepping forward to taste the ambrosial honey  
It's a knife-edge situation, either to taste the  
heaven or to get the bite of hell.  
After a moment of dilemma, moving ahead  
Three inches far-

A sudden yell from my altruistic dame!  
A wide open of my eyes with care!

**R. Harini Sri**  
22COBE016



## My Hero

He was my first provocation, my first hero,  
This person was my companion in everything.  
Everything felt exceptionally perfect  
The safest place in the world of anguish and evil was  
his arms,  
Everything felt very safe and secure when I wasunder  
his arms.  
As time passed I realized that somehow I've lostthe  
closeness I had with him,  
Even though I have thousands of mates and people  
to make me happy nothing feels sufficient,  
Because no one is going to give us endless time and  
love at once  
Once it felt like I was the fish stuck in a fishing rod,  
Whereas the fishing rod was saving me from other  
piranhas,  
Once when I realized that if I don't have him  
I can't even look after my obligations.  
He must have thought, I didn't care to take notice of  
his words  
But I got every single word.  
He is none other than my dad.

**A. Anne Jeba Christina**  
21ENG002



**J Kiruba**  
20BOT049





**E. Nandhini**  
21PGM022

## War and Peace

We live in a cool ambiance,  
For which we lost our champions.  
They fought only for peace,  
Since we see happiness in our niece.  
They roared in pain,  
We should never forget their blood stain.  
Family lost their dear one,  
There is nothing matter to make fun.  
Their bodies are planted as seed,  
Because of the rules greed.  
The soldiers flocked together,  
And will live with us for ever.  
They wanted only unity,  
There is nothing wrong to lose our dignity.

**Z. Mufeetha**  
20ENGE034

## A Warm Evening

In that surrounding definite silence  
the feet of sweet labour  
touched the sand with gratitude.  
The vision was enthralled by  
the scorching roofs all around  
The roads well laid turned half-quarter stones  
The leaves froze in all those mulberry trees  
The tears of constellation dropping off  
The feet with flecks of sand as  
the throbbing beauty  
had her road to those stones.  
The girl was in a stupor; with awe.  
Those tears touched those thin arms,  
as she faced those clouds  
her companion in this darkest night.  
As pleased as a just-born's touch,  
to the warmth of her new comrades.  
Her sobbing tears are now of those happy ones,  
the stones were delicate paths,  
the mulberry, a wish-fulfilling butterfly.  
The edges of her lips, curved into a smile.  
A satisfied smile. The butterfly whispered,  
"You are not alone."

**S.P. Thaamarai Selvi**  
22PGE031

## 'Mother Nature'

The pristine blue sky;  
I took a mere glance  
The ravishing beauty of  
which landed me in a trance  
From frilled flowers to  
moss green trees,  
they graciously sway to  
the tune of the breeze  
All my hectic thoughts  
came to a standstill  
My soul began to fill  
with an unknown tranquil  
A perpetual symbol of  
beauty as well as rage  
She embraces and comforts us  
no matter the age  
Thus is the power of  
the enticing MOTHER NATURE  
To all of our needs  
she ceaselessly cater.....

**P. Nivetha Lakshmi**  
22COAE041



**V. Trishani**  
20CSCE038



**S. Suriya Sankary**  
21BTYE029

## Grey

Find pleasure in spanking?  
Strive like embers' fiery sparking!  
Do you think we will bend our heads out of fear?  
No, we will rage like a lion's roar!  
Are we weak?  
Maybe physically, but mentally a hawk!  
Why is our world abyss black?  
In the age of painting rosy pink  
We are always getting panic attacks,  
In the life of wanting to see idyllic twilight.  
Can't we have a silhouette of peace?  
In the constant violence  
We are screaming, shouting, crying, ...are we that  
invisible?  
Epiphany!- We are easily ignorable.  
Our life is always grey!...pure white but still dark!!!

**S. Gracelin Joans**  
20ENG016





## Blessed till eternity

Look here my child  
Do not find places to hide  
You are precious my dear  
Don't hold on to anything that you can't bear  
The world may be cruel and unfair  
But don't limit yourself for the people you care  
Mocks, Criticism, Comparison  
But keep going even if you have none  
You are magic in the form of human  
And hope in the place of shutdown  
Close the door of negativities  
For you are blessed till eternity :)

**V.S. Harini**  
21SOC019



**M. Swetha**  
20CSCE037



**R. Mariya Rancy**  
20PHY026

## Dream

Dream is not a dream; have craze  
To race towards success  
Like a fast stormy breeze  
Pull over the distress  
Folks always criticize ;Ignore  
Show them what you are made up off  
Don't setback ;Battle more  
Break obstacles move off  
Dreams makes you suffer  
Gives you glee and tears too  
It becomes your life; torchbearer  
Gives understanding on life too  
It Combines with your bloods  
Push you towards success  
Dream's success fills eyes  
With tears hard hearted joyiness  
Don't leave your Dream As dream  
Be successful in your dream always

**A. Jeveha**  
22TAM008

## Obstacles

It was the strong wind, which attacked me  
I didn't see  
how those uncertain troubles came on my way?  
I dint get time to realize on that day.  
I was blown away in an unknown place,  
I couldn't replace.  
I got a mighty blow,  
It was very hard and made me very slow  
my days of life were tough.  
I had no dare to rise up,  
when i opened my dull eyes,  
I saw the glowing sun,  
which turned into a big size  
it said something to me, i heard its voice  
it asked me to stand and fight.  
then i found my self-belief,  
I felt relief i rediscovered myself,  
I dare to face the challenges without any help.  
it was my great move,  
it was the obstacle,  
which taught me,  
how to tackle!

**Z. Inushaa Begum**  
20ZO0010



**Sneka**  
22PGH018



## Failure is Never Final

Failure is never final! The only time you can't afford  
to fail is the very last time you try.  
Failure doesn't mean I'm a failure;  
it just means I haven't yet succeeded.  
Failure doesn't mean I have accomplished nothing;  
It just means I've learned something.  
Failure doesn't mean I've been a fool;  
It just means I had enough faith to experiment.  
Failure doesn't mean I've been disgraced;  
It just means I dared to try.  
Failure doesn't mean I don't have what it takes;  
It just means I must do things differently next time.  
Failure doesn't mean I'm inferior;  
It just means I'm not perfect.  
Failure doesn't mean I've wasted my time;  
It just means I have a reason to start over.  
Failure doesn't mean I should give up;  
It just means I must try harder.  
Failure doesn't mean I'll never make it;  
It just means I need more patience.  
Failure doesn't mean I'm wrong;  
It just means I must find a better way.  
Failure doesn't mean God has abandoned me;  
it just means I must diligently seek His will.

**S. Suriya Dharshini**  
21BTYE037





**S. Domina**  
20PHY007

## One Fall Day

A walk in a foggy morning,  
With crisp sounds of dried leaves.  
Vibrant maple leaves on the way,  
Create a blanket to play.  
In cozy sweaters,  
And hot chocolate in my hands.  
Painting on canvas,  
Surrounded by scented candles.  
Children carve pumpkins,  
For the nearing halloween.  
Enjoying the last rays of sun  
And the serene warmth.  
Feels euphoric,  
Which makes me fall for The Fall.

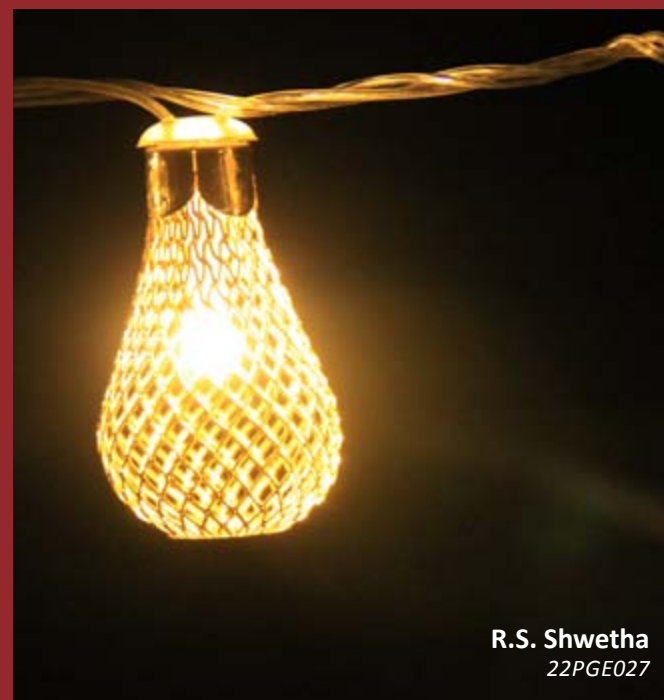
**S.A. Asmitha**  
21ENG063



## Three Precious Things...

Three Things to respect  
Oldage, religion and law.  
Three things to admire  
Intellect, beauty and music.  
Three things to cultivate  
Sympathy, cheerfulness and contentment.  
Three things to stick to  
Promse, friendship and love.  
Three things to govern  
Tongue, temper and action.  
Three things to prevent  
Idleness, falsehood and slang.  
Three things to watch  
Word, behaviour and character.  
Three things to avoid  
Drinking, smoking and gambling.  
Three things to love  
Honesty, purity and love.  
Three things to be followed  
Duty, dignity and discipline.

**S. Suriya Dharshini**  
21BTYE037



**R.S. Shwetha**  
22PGE027

## Nothing , But you ....!!

Nothing will be more peaceful than you !  
Nothing will have good insight than you !  
Nothing will be more appeal than you !  
Nothing will be comrade than you !  
Nothing will make me more joy than you !  
Nothing will makes me so spacious than you !  
Nothing will admire my cuteness than you !  
Nothing will be with me forever than you !  
You are the master of my life ,  
Let's cherish and move together .....

**M. Aathika**  
20MATE001



Blessed is she who has believed - Luke 1:45

**Dr. P. Silviya Reeta**  
Assistant Professor, Department Of Chemistry



## My dear four walls.....

You were there when i was born,  
You were there when i crawled,  
I stood up with your help,  
And starting walking.  
After school i came to you,  
Shared my stories,  
When i was left with no one,  
You were there.  
We chatted for hours  
Is there any secret you didn't know about me?  
Or there any crying went unheard from you  
That wouldn't have been possible because  
i was there only with you.  
It's okay to be with you  
When i was a child,  
A young girl, or  
As a teen,  
But look at me now  
I'm all grown up  
Don't you think i have to see  
what's outside beyond you?  
Your too selfish to have me all for your self  
You forgot that i have a life,  
You forgot my desire to fly,  
You forgot that i love to see trees,sky and Colors.  
It's time now!Let me go  
Holding on is hard  
Not for you  
For me.

**Sathya Soundharya**  
20ENGE041



## Return of the Beam

Our dark clouds yield it's silver lining  
Wailing noise of unread stories  
What can be more intimidating?  
Left behind to drown in our own fret  
Stepping forward to holding hands for aid  
SHE cannot be put until she wishes for  
Chic attires to conceal the drying soul  
Night's darkness confining the room of happiness  
Sunlight of the sisterhood suppressed the woe

**B. Pushparani**  
20ENGE054



**A. Reema Aleem**  
21ENGE040



## GREEN CAMPUS

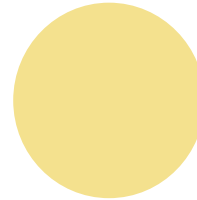
Let us  
All join our hands in  
Digging the soil and  
Yielding plants and trees on campus!  
Deciding to make  
Our college  
A greenery  
Kind of a little forest!!  
Coz, today's planting yields tomorrow's blessing  
Onset making our Earth cool  
Live our lives peacefully  
Live the fullest as a student  
Educate the uneducated and make the campus  
GREEN! GREEN! GREEN!  
Everywhere you turn, everywhere you see!

**C.P. Catherine Glada**  
22PGM032

## All because of grace

Who said you have fallen because of unsteady legs,  
Who said you have lost because of ambiguous ways,  
Who said you have won because of your luck,  
Who said you are wicked because of your mind,  
Who said you have been left helpless because of the people,  
Who said you are talented because of your knowledge,  
Who said you are worthy because of your effort,  
Who said you are gifted with a voice to raise up ,  
Who said you have been all here by yourself,  
But I say this is all because of thy grace who beholds  
and upholds within you.

**S. Ebisha Iyni**  
21ENG011



## தமிழ்ச்சோலை

### இயற்கையோடு ஓர் உலா

அடர்ந்த காடுகளில் மரங்கள் வரவேற்கின்றன தம் கைகளால்!  
பல வகையான பறவைகள் வரவேற்கின்றன தம் பாடல்களால்!  
ஒன்றல்ல இரண்டல்ல பல நூறு பறவைகளின்  
ஓசையைக் கேட்க இந்த இரு காதுகள் போதுமோ!  
ஒவ்வொரு பறவைகளின் அழகைக்காண்பதற்கு  
இந்த இரு விழிகள் போதுமோ!  
நாம் பாடினால் மறு உத்தரவு தருவதற்கு  
பறவைகளுக்கும் தெரியுமோ!  
மழை மேகங்கள் சூழும்போது வானம் பார்த்துப் பாடும்  
வானம்பாடியாய் அழகாய் மழையை வரவேற்கின்றதே!  
பகலில் மட்டுமோ இரவிலும் கூடத்  
தன் வெளிச்சத்தினால் உலகிற்கு அழகாய்  
ஒளி சேர்க்கின்றனவே மின்மினிப்பூச்சிகள்!  
வண்ண வண்ணமாய் வானில் பறக்கும் வண்ணத்துப்பூச்சியே!  
நீ எத்தனை வகை வகையாய் உள்ளாய்!  
இத்தனை வகைகளையும் எண்ணுவதற்கு  
இரு கைகள் போதுமோ!

**ச.சந்தியா**  
22ZO0026



**R. Yuthiksha**  
21BTYE033

### விதை

தாழ்ப்பறந்த சிட்டுக்குருவியின் சிறகு மடிப்பில்  
சிக்கிப் போனது விருட்சங்களின் விதைக்கூட்டம்!  
காற்றாடி பறந்து வீழ்ந்தது சருகு மறைவில்!  
முளைக்கத்தானே நிலம்?  
ஈர நிலத்தின் கூட்டுடைத்து முளைத்து போனது...  
இயேசு சுமந்த சிலுவை மரங்களுக்காய்...!? விதை..!

**த.நவந்தா**  
20TAM058



## அழகியல்

பிரிவு என்பது தற்காலிகமே...  
சூரியனை வழி  
அனுப்பி தலைசாய்த்து,  
மலரும் சூரிய காந்தி போல  
மறுவிடியல் வரைகாத்திருந்து, வருகைதரும்  
நாளுக்காக  
காத்திருக்கும் ஏகாந்தம் தான் - அழகியல்...!

வே.சரவணப்பிரியா  
22PGT009

## பிரியா விடை

உன் பிரிவை எண்ணி மனம் வருந்தவா?  
இல்லை உன் உயர்வினைக் கருதி மகிழ்வதா?  
இன்னும் கொஞ்சம் நேரம் இருந்திருக்கலாம்  
இன்னும் கொஞ்சகாலம் செமஸ்டர் நடந்திருக்கலாம்  
கடிகாரம் சற்றுநேரம் ஓடாமல் ஓய்வெடுத்திருக்கலாம்  
- எனினும்  
காலம் கடந்த நம் நட்பிற்கு நேரம் தேவை இல்லை  
பிரிந்தாலும் நேரம் ஒதுக்கி புது நினைவுகளை  
உருவாக்குவோம்!  
நீங்கா நினைவாக, நீளும் நட்பாக!

ஜோ.கிருபா நித்யா  
21PGE014



J. Jemima Joyce  
21PGT003



## தமிழர் பெருமையைப் பறைசாற்றுவோம்

கல் தோன்றி, மண் தோன்றி,  
கடல் தோன்றும் முன்னே  
தோன்றிய பொக்கிஷம் தமிழ்!

தமிழால் தமிழருக்குப்பெருமை  
தமிழரால் தமிழுக்குப்பெருமை!

பாரதியார் முதல் வேலுநாச்சியார் வரை  
சுந்தர் பிச்சை முதல் நர்த்தகி நடராஜ் வரை

தமிழ்த்தென்றல் படாத துறைகளும் இல்லை  
தமிழர் கால் பதிக்காத இடங்களும் இல்லை

பொங்கல் வைத்து காளைகளை  
வணங்கவும் செய்வோம்  
ஜல்லிக்கட்டில் விளையாட்டாய்  
மல்லுக்கட்டவும் செய்வோம்!

காளையின் திமில் பிடிபட்டால் - அடக்கிய  
தமிழன் 'வீரன்' ஆகிறான்!

பிடிபடாமல் குதித்தோடினால்-கொம்பு  
வைத்த காளை வீரன் ஆகிறான்!

நீதிதவறினால் உயிர் விடவும் அஞ்சமாட்டோம்  
தமிழ் ஓங்கி வளர, ஒன்றுபடவும் அஞ்சமாட்டோம்!

வாள் பிடித்த கையில் ஏர் பிடிப்போம்  
தேர் இழுத்து இறைவனுக்குத் தலைகுனிவோம்!

இளமை குன்றா தமிழ் வாழ்க!  
வீரத்தமிழர் பரம்பரை வளர்க!

தி.சுபானுமித்ரா  
21ENG052

நிலையான எதிர்காலத்திற்கான  
பசுமை ஆற்றல்

இருள்நீக்கி புது ஒளியேற்றும்  
கதிரவக்கதிர்கள்  
மாலைநேர மயக்கத்தில்  
மறைந்து போனாலும்  
மின்விளக்கை ஒளிரச் செய்யும்!  
சிறு மழைத்துளியாய்  
மண் நுகரும் மழைநீர்  
பெரு துளியாகி  
குடிகாத்து, செய்த தொழில் காத்து  
தொட்டால் சுண்டி இழுக்கும்  
மின்சாரம் தரும் !  
மேனிதழுவும் தென்றலாய்  
உயிர் சுவாசம் தரும்  
அன்னையாய்  
தான் இல்லாவிட்டால்  
இவ்வுலகில்லை என  
அண்டவெளி கலந்த  
காற்றுதரும் மின் ஆற்றல்!  
மானுடம் இன்புற  
இயற்கை அள்ளித் தந்த  
தலைமுறை, தலைமுறையாய்  
நம் கையிருக்க.....  
அனல் கக்கும்  
அனல்மின் நிலையமும்,  
உயிர் குடிக்கும்  
அணுஉலையும் நமக்கெதற்கு?  
வாழட்டும் நம்  
வருங்காலச்சந்ததிகள்  
வளமுடன் !  
இன்று  
வாயையும் மூக்கையும்  
துணியால் மறைக்கும் நாம்  
நம் எதிர்கால தலைமுறையை  
ஆக்சிஜன் சிலிண்டர்  
சுமக்க வைக்க வேண்டாமே!

ச.திவ்யா கஸ்தேலியா  
21PHY009



## விழ விழ எழுவோம்

தோல்வி வீழ்வதற்கல்ல எழுவதற்கு  
முயற்சி சோர்வதற்கல்ல சீருவதற்கு  
வலி வருத்துவதற்கல்ல - நாம்  
நோக்கத்தை அறிவுறுத்துவதற்கு  
வயிற்றில் அடித்தாலும் வெற்றிப்  
பசியோடு எழுவோம்!  
தடுப்புகள் இட்டாலும் தாடிப்புடன்  
துள்ளிஎழுவோம்!  
வாய்ப்பூட்டு இட்டாலும் செயலோடு  
செம்மையாக எழுவோம்!  
பயம் எனும் பேயை ஆன்மாவிலிருந்து  
பிரித்து எழுவோம்!  
அரக்கனின் அகம் கண்டஞ்சாமல்  
அறிவோடு எழுவோம் ஆடம்பரமாக!  
கள்வனின் கரம் கண்டு கனியாமல்  
கண்ணியத்துடன் எழுவோம்!  
அசுரனின் உருவம் கண்டு உதிராமல்  
கர்வத்துடன் உயிர்த்தெழுமோம்!  
தடையை எதிர்த்துப் படையெடுத்து  
தரமாக எழுவோம்!  
எழுவோம் எழுவோம் வீழாது எழுவோம்!

ஆ.ஜீவிஹா  
22TAM008



C. Joshiba  
22PGT006





சமத்துவம் பேணுக!

ஓரறிவு உயிரினமாம் மரம்  
ஒதுங்கும் மழை, வெயிலுக்காக  
மானுடர்களை உயர் தாழ்ச்சி குலம் என்று  
பகுக்காமல்  
உயர்ந்து நின்று சமமாகக் குளிர் நிழல்  
தருகின்றனவே!!  
நீயோ!! ஆறறிவு படைத்த மானிடந்தானடா?  
நீதிக்குத் துணைநில்லாய்  
அநீதிக்குக் குரல் கொடுக்கமாட்டாய்!  
நீதியையும் விலைபேசுவாய்! அநீதியையும் நீயே  
புரிவாய்!  
நீயா மானிடன் என்று கேள்விகேட்டபின்...  
நகைத்துக்கொண்டே மொழிகிறாய்  
காலம் மாறினாலும் நாகரிகம் வளர்ந்தாலும்  
சாதி மதத்தை இரு துலாத்தட்டில் தாங்கிப்  
பிடிக்கும்  
நான் மானிடமிருகம் என்கிறாயே?  
தாமதித்து கொண்டு நில்லாமல் - ஓடிச்சென்று  
ஓரறிவு மரத்திடம் தஞ்சம் புகுந்திடு மண்ணோடு  
மண்ணாக..!

க.கீர்த்தனா  
20TAM016

### நிறம் இழந்த நிஜங்கள்

மரங்கள் இல்லா சாலைகளையும்  
மலர்கள் வளராச் செடிகொடிகளையும்  
மழைபெய்யா ஆகாயத்தையும்  
காய்கனி விளையா நிலத்தையும்  
காற்றில்லா சுற்றத்தையும்  
பறவைகள் காணா மரக்கிளைகளையும்  
நீர் ஓடா ஆற்றங்கரையையும்  
நிறம் இழந்த வெறுமை இயற்கையையும் - நம்  
அடுத்த சந்தியினருக்காக - நாம்  
விட்டுச்செல்லப்போகும் நரகப்பரிசுகள்.....!!

### தனிமை....

தனிமையில் இரவில் நட்சத்திரங்களை  
எண்ணினேன்.  
காலவெள்ளம் கரைபுரண்டு ஓட நான் மட்டும்  
சலனமற்ற ஆழ்கடல் ஆனேன்....  
இறுகிய மனத்துடன் திரும்பினேன். இந்த  
மனிதர்கள் வாழும் உலகத்திற்கு...  
எனக்கு நான் மட்டுமே துணையாய் தனியாக ஒரு  
விண்வெளி பயணம்....  
உலகத்தைச் சுற்றி ஒரு நொடியில் வந்து  
பயணத்தை முடிக்கையில் ...

சி.சௌந்தர்ய நாச்சியார்  
20SOC056R. Yuthiksha  
21BTYE033

### நிலநடுக்கம்

சீட்டுக் கட்டுகளைப் போல  
சரிந்து கிடக்கின்றன - குடியிருப்புகள்!  
அப்படி என்ன தான்  
ஆனதோ பூமிக்கு!  
ஐந்து முறை நிலநடுக்கமாம்!  
ஆறாத வடுக்களைப் பதித்துச்  
செல்கிறது....  
ரிக்டர் ரீங்காரமே ஓய்ந்து போ...  
குவியல் குவியலாகக் கட்டிடம்...  
குழந்தை ஒன்றை மீட்டுவிட்டோம்...  
மண்ணில் புதையுண்டது கட்டிடம்...  
நெஞ்சில் புதையுண்டது மனிதம்...  
நேசக்கரங்கள் நீட்டுகிறோம்...  
நெஞ்சில் தீபம் ஏற்றுகிறோம்...

ஞா.கீர்த்திகா  
20SOC025R. Mariya Rancy  
20PHY026

### அறியா உண்மை

உருகும் மெழுகு மட்டுமே நம் கண்ணிற்குப்  
புலப்படுகிறது  
மெழுகிற்கு மத்தியில் நித்தம் நித்தம் உயிர்  
துறப்பது திரி.  
தன்னுயிர் கொடுத்து தன் பிள்ளைகள் வாழ்வை  
ஒளிவீசச் செய்பவள் தாய்  
தந்தைவழிச் சமூகத்தில் உதாசீனப்படுத்தப்  
படுகிறாள்.  
  
தன்னைச் சுட்டெரிக்கும் திரிக்கு மதிப்பு உண்டோ?  
உன்னைக் கருவறையிலும் மணவறையிலும்  
சுமந்து,  
தனக்கான வாழ்வை ஒருநாளேனும்  
வாழ்ந்திருப்பாளோ?  
அவள் கண் இமைக்குள் உன்னை அடைகாத்து  
எத்தனையோ புயல்களைக் கடந்தும் அயராது  
போராடுகிறாள்.

அவள் இல்லையெனில் உம் குடும்பத்தை  
இருள்குழும்  
உன் வாழ்க்கைப் பாதை முட்படுக்கை போல்  
ரணமாகும்.  
'அம்மா' என்ற ஒற்றைச் சொல்லுக்கு  
அடிமையானவள் தாய்  
தன்னை எரித்து உன்னைக் காக்கின்ற அவளின்  
அளப்பரிய தியாகத்திற்கு ஈடுஇணை இல்லை.

உன் குடும்பம் ஒளிவீசக் காரணமானவள் - தாய்  
அவள் தான் உன் குடும்பவிளக்கு.  
தன் உயிர்க்கொடுத்து, உன்னை உயிர்ப்பித்து  
உன் வாழ்வு சிறக்க உழைத்துக் கொண்டிருக்கும்  
உன் தாயைத்  
தலைவணங்கு, உன்னைப் பெற்றதற்காகப்  
பெருமிதப்படுத்து!

ச.தமீனா  
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# Hindi

## गुजरा जमाना

ऐ जिन्दगी किसे पता था  
कंधो पर वस्ते का वजन भी हल्का था।  
न बीते हुए कल का गम था  
न आने वाले कल का डर था  
वस जिस पल में जी रहे थे  
उसे खुशियों से भरने का दम था।  
न कोई महंगा खिलौना था,  
वस छोटी सी आशाओं का घरौंदा था  
बचपन का प्यारा सा याराना था,  
अपने यारों को कुछ ऐसा फैसाना था।  
पर बदला वक्त जबसे, भूल गए वह याराना  
आखिर जिन्दगी के संघर्ष में जो खुद को था खपाना,  
हँस कर जी लो इन पलों को यारो  
न लौट कर आएगा फिर वो जमाना।

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## श्याम रंग

श्याम का रंग ऐसे चढ़ जाता है कि,  
मोह माया, सब छूट जाता।  
जिस दुनिया के पीछे पागल होते,  
उस दुनिया के रंग फीके लगने लगते।  
ईश्वर प्रेम के विरह के रोने में जो आनंद है,  
वो इस संसार के हंसने में भी नहीं।  
अब यह संसार हमें न भाये,  
मेरे मन को वस श्याम ही भाये।  
इम्तिहान में अक्सर इंसान कमज़ोर हो जाता है,  
पर जब श्याम साथ हो तो सारी चिंता छूट जाती है।  
धीरे-धीरे हम सब का सहारा छोड़ देते हैं,  
श्याम और उनके नाम का सहारा लेते हैं।  
जब जब श्याम की लीलाओं का स्मरण होता है,  
तब तब हृदय आनन्द से उछल उठता है।  
श्याम के प्रेम में रमने के बाद,  
हृदय परिवर्तित होता है।  
हृदय जो लोभ से ग्रस्त था,  
अब कृष्ण प्रेम मांगता है,  
वह अब सब में श्याम को देखता है।  
भौतिक लालच की तृष्णा करने वाला हृदय,  
अब कृष्ण प्रेम की मांग करता है।  
हृदय अब वस प्रेम, ईश्वर प्रेम के विरह और आनंद से भर जाता है।

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## भारत में अंधविश्वास

बचपन से ही हमें ऐसी बातें कहीं गई हैं कि जो हम आँखें बंद करके माने लेते हैं। ऐसी बातें जिस का कोई तर्क ही नहीं होता।

भारत ऐसा देश है जहाँ अंधविश्वास बहुत फैला है। हम उसके लिए कुछ भी करने को तैयार हैं। हमारे यहाँ जब हम अस्वस्थ दिखते हैं तो हमारी माँ कहती है कि "तुझे नज़र लगी है"। भारत में सिर्फ नहीं पूरे विश्व में विभिन्न प्रकार अंधविश्वास हैं। हमारे यहाँ डॉक्टर से ज्यादा पंडितों को पैसे दिए जाते हैं और पंडितों को हर शुभ काम के लिए बुलाया जाता है।

अंधविश्वास उनको ही आता है जिनके मन में निराशा भरा हो। अगर कोई व्यक्ति कुछ शुभ काम के लिए बाहर जा रहा है तब अगर रास्ते पर काली बिल्ली रास्ता काट देती है तो उसे अशुभ माना जाता है उसके बाद काम को नहीं जाता, घर वापस आ जाता है। उस दिन को अशुभ मान लेता है।

विश्वास होना चाहिए अंधविश्वास नहीं। इसी को समझाने के लिए बहुत सारे लेखकों ने अपने कहानी के माध्यम से समझाया है। भगवतीशरण वर्मा जी ने अपनी 'प्रायश्चित' कहानी में अंधविश्वास के बारे में बोला है।

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## भारतीय शिक्षा-प्रणाली

भारत एक ऐसा देश है, जहाँ विद्यालय को मंदिर माना जाता है। भारतीय शिक्षा प्रणाली ब्रिटिश शासन की देन मानी जाती है। इसमें संदेह नहीं है कि भारत ने कई रत्नों को पैदा किया है परंतु अन्य देशों की तुलना में हमारी शिक्षा प्रणाली बहुत विकसीत नहीं है।

हम अभी भी उसी सिद्धांत और परीक्षा पैटर्न पर अटके हुए हैं, जो छात्रों को इतनी मदद नहीं करता। विद्यार्थी ऐसी दौड़ में हैं, जहाँ उनका लक्ष्य सिर्फ अंक पाना है। उन्हें कोई मतलब नहीं कि बहुत कुछ जो वे पढ़ रहे हैं वो उन्हें नहीं समझ आया। भारत में पाठ्यक्रम पर विद्यार्थियों को इतना केंद्रित रखा गया है कि उन्हें पाठ्येतर की परवाह नहीं है।

जब वे नौकरी के लिए जाते हैं, तब उनके अंक ही देखे जाते हैं। शिक्षक भी विद्यालय और महाविद्यालय में पढ़ाते हैं परंतु हैं परंतु जिंदगी की परीक्षा में कैसे अवल आए वो नहीं सिखाते।

हमें सैद्धान्तिक ज्ञान ही नहीं व्यावहारिक ज्ञान पर बहुत ध्यान देना होगा। ऐसे करे तो बच्चों को समझ में आएगा कि क्या पढ़ रहे और उन्हें दबाव भी नहीं लगेगा।

अभी भारत बहुत धीमे से आगे बढ़ रहा है। हमें अगर दुनिया की दौड़ में अवल आना है तो हमारी शिक्षा प्रणाली को बदलनी होगी।

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22ECE087





## जिंदगी, दो पल की....

जिंदगी..... क्या है जिन्दगी? जितना छोटा यह शब्द है उतना ही इसका मतलब है। सबको एक ही जिन्दगी नसीब होती है, किसी को अपनी जिन्दगी अच्छी लगती है तो किसी को खराब, किसी को मौका। मैं कहूँगी जिन्दगी एक सफ़र की तरह है जो हमारे पैदा होने पर ही शुरू हो जाता है, एक बड़ा अनजान सफ़र, जहाँ आगे क्या होगा किसी को नहीं पता, लेकिन हम फिर भी जिज्ञासा और उत्साह से आगे बढ़ते रहते हैं। सबके जिन्दगी में काफी मुश्किलें, रूकावटें और उतार-चढ़ाव आती हैं। फिर भी जिन्दगी का सफ़र चलता रहता है। हमारे मरण पर ही यह सफ़र खत्म होता है। लेकिन तब तक हमें जितना हो सके हमारी जिन्दगी को खुल के जीना चाहिए, सच्चे दोस्त और उनके साथ अविस्मरणीय यादें बनानी चाहिए, जितना हो सके जिन्दगी को एक सूरूप देना चाहिए। उसके बाद चाहे यह सफ़र खत्म क्यों न हो जाए, हमें कोई गम न रहेगा, क्योंकि हम हमारे साथ बहुत कुछ लेकर सफ़र करते हैं। यही है जिन्दगी, "यह तो आसान ही होती है, लेकिन हम इसे मुश्किल बना देते हैं।"

R. Kushi  
21SOC068

## भाग्य

जिंदगी के भाग में तुम्हारा भाग्य।  
चलते-चलते तू गिरा, वह तेरा भाग्य।  
गिरते-गिरते तू संभल गया, वह तेरा भाग्य।  
संभलते-संभलते तुझे खुशी हुई, वह तेरा भाग्य।  
खुशी के पीछे जो दुख हुआ, वह तेरा भाग्य।  
हर समय हर वक्त जो होगा, वह तेरा भाग्य।  
हर पल हर कदम पर जो होगा वह तेरा भाग्य।  
हर पल अच्छा ही होगा, यह तेरा भाग्य।  
आजा, आज बदलते तेरे भाग्य को,  
जिंदगी के भाग में तुम्हारा नया भाग्य।

Bhavana Kumari  
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A. Jeveha  
22TAM008



## मैं कौन हूँ ?

मुक्त पैदा हुआ था, जिसका कोई नाम नहीं था  
कोई वर्ग नहीं, कोई जाति नहीं, बस एक और  
एक साधारण नश्वर और कोई प्रसिद्धि नहीं।  
जिसमें कोई बंधन नहीं, कोई जंजीर नहीं।  
और फिर एक पहचान दी, एक नाम दिया,  
जैसे समाज मुझे उसकी सारी महिमा में स्वीकार करता है,  
लेकिन मेरे सपने, सपने ही रहते हैं, हमेशा बढ़ते और चिरस्थायी।  
आज़ादी की जिंदगी, उड़ने की जिंदगी, दौड़ने की जिंदगी  
बिना तार जुड़े हुए,  
हवाओं के खिलाफ दौड़ना, लहरों के शिखर चढ़ना,  
महासागरों के गहरे गर्तों तक पहुँचने, ऊँची चोटियाँ को चढ़ाई से जीतने  
इतने ऊँचे पहाड़ों से और इतने गहरे जंगलों में घुमने,  
लुढ़कती पहाड़ियों और हरी भरी घाटियों की घास के किनारे पर लेटने,  
बसंत के फूलों को सूँघने और अथाह नींद में खो जाने,  
नीले अनंत की छत्रछाया में जगाने के लिए,  
पास से गुजरने वाले लहरदार नाले की प्यास बुझाने के लिए,  
इन स्वप्निल अभिलाषाओं के बीच  
जीवन की सच्चाई मेरे मन के द्वार पर दस्तक देती है।  
और फिर भी मैं जिस चीज़ के लिए आयी हूँ उसे जारी रखने का वादा करती हूँ।  
जीवन जीने के लिए, जीतने के लिए, उड़ने के लिए,  
और मेरे जीवन को इंद्रधनुषी रंगों में रंगने के लिए,  
खुशियाँ के रंग में और हँसी के स्वर में,  
और रोमांच और उत्साह के बीच  
अपने जीवन की प्रतिबद्धताओं को पूरा करने के लिए  
आविष्कार करना, खोज करना  
और दुनिया में मेरी इकाई को तराशने के लिए,  
कल, आज और कल के लिए।

M. Gangavarshini  
22ECE020



S. Suriya Sankary  
21BTYE029(1)



D. Sreelakshmi  
21PGCE29



V. Trishani  
20CSCE038

## माँ

जब अकेला रहा तो उसकी याद आयी,  
अँधेरे में था तो उसकी याद आयी।  
जब भूख लगी तो उसकी याद आयी  
नींद नहीं आयी तो उसकी याद आयी।  
सोचने में कितना आसान लगती थी ये जिंदगी,  
जब खुद से जीना सीखा तो उसकी याद आयी।  
जो हमको खिला के खुद भूखी है।  
माँ तो माँ है।  
माँ तो जन्नत का फूल है,  
प्यार करना उसका उसूल है,  
दुनिया की मोहब्बत फिजूल है,  
माँ की हर दुआ कबूल है,  
ऐ इंसान .... माँ को नाराज़ करना तेरा भूल है  
माँ के कदमों की मिट्टी ...  
जन्नत की धूल है।  
मुझे कोई और जन्नत का नहीं पता...  
क्योंकि हम माँ के कदमों को ही जन्नत कहते है!!

N. Perena Saini  
22BTYE029

## बुढ़ापा

सुबह-सुबह किसी ने द्वार खटखटाया ,  
मैं लपककर आयी ,जैसे ही दरवाजा खोला,  
तो सामने बुढ़ापा खड़ा था, भीतर आने के लिए।  
ज़िद पर अड़ा था...  
मैंने कहा.. अभी नहीं, अभी तो मेरी उमर ही क्या है...  
वह हँसा और बोला-बेकार की कोशिश ना कर,  
मुझे रोकना नामुमकिन है...  
मैंने कहा... अभी तो कुछ दिन रहने दे,  
अभी तक दूसरो के लिए जी रहा हूँ,  
अब अकल आयी है तो कुछ दिन,  
अपने लिए और दोस्तों के साथ भी जीने दे...  
बुढ़ापा हँस कर बोला ...  
अगर ऐसी बात है तो चिन्ता मत कर ,  
उम्र भले ही तेरी बढ़ेगी,  
मगर बुढ़ापा नहीं आएगा,  
तू जब तक दोस्तों के साथ जीएगा  
खुदको जवान पाएगा।

H. Saloni Rajpurohit  
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20CSCE037

## संगीत

जीवन में खुशी और व्यस्त रहने के लिए संगीत सबसे अच्छा माध्यम है। इस संसार में जहाँ हम समस्याओं से घिरे होते हैं, ऐसे समय में संगीत हमें खुश रखता है और हमारे दिल को शांति देता है। संगीत एक आशीर्वाद है, क्योंकि यह मनुष्य जीवन में बहुत महत्वपूर्ण भूमिका निभाता है। यह सत्य है कि बिना संगीत के जीवन की कल्पना नहीं की जा सकती। संगीत के बिना हमारा जीवन विल्कुल अधूरा हो जायेगा। यह मेरे लिए भगवान का तोहफा है, जिसे मैं अपने आनंद के लिए प्रयोग करती हूँ और इसके साथ ही दूसरों को भी संगीत इसका लाभ उठाने की सलाह देती हूँ।

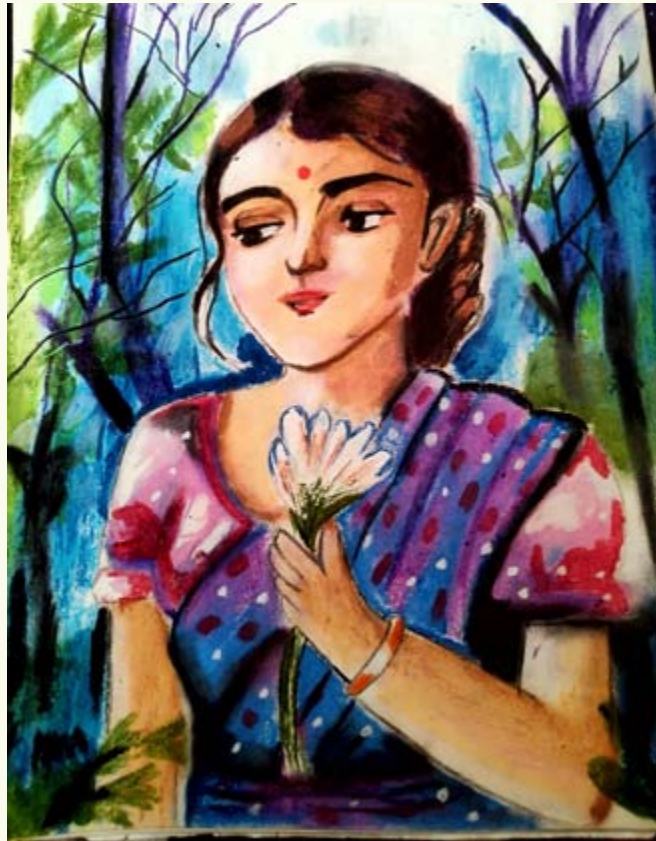
संगीत योग की तरह है जो हमें हमेशा खुश रखता है। इसके साथ ही यह हमारे शरीर में हार्मोन का संतुलन भी बनाये रखता है। संगीत, शरीर को स्वस्थ तथा मन को शांत बनाये रखने का एक उत्तम तत्व है। जब मित्र हमसे दूर चले जाते हैं या मित्रविन जीवन में संगीत ही हमारा मित्र बनता है। संगीत हमें खुश रखता है और मस्तिष्क को राहत पहुँचाता है। मैंने भी अपने जीवन में इस बात को कई बार महसूस किया है कि संगीत हमें खुश रखने में भी काफी मदद करती है।

मैं हर रोज अध्यात्मिक संगीत सुनती हूँ क्योंकि मेरे पिता मेरे कमरे में सुबह 6 बजे संगीत चला देते हैं। वह मुझे हमेशा यही बताते हैं कि संगीत वो शक्ति है जो हमें स्वयं भगवान से साक्षात्कार कराता है। इसे कभी भी बंद न करना चाहिए। संगीत वो शक्तिशाली मंत्र जैसा है, जो एकाग्रता की शक्ति को बढ़ाता है और हमेशा हमें आगे बढ़ने में मदद करता है।

संगीत ब्रम्हाण्ड को आत्मा देता है, मन को पंख देता है, कल्पना और जीवन को उड़ान देता है। इसलिए हम संगीत सुनेंगे और सुनाएँगे और हमारे मन की खुशियों को एक-दूसरे से साझा करेंगे।

K.P. Janani  
22PHY018S. Jessica  
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R. Yuthiksha  
21BTYE033

## बारिश

हल्की बारिश महसूस की  
हवा की ठंडक।  
बरसती हुई बारिश की आवाज़  
संगीतमय.... संगीत बनती गयी,  
फूल सभी पानी में  
उस बारिश में फूल भीगे और मुस्कुराए,  
सभी को उस बारिश में भीगने की कामना  
बारिश ने धीरे-धीरे,  
धरती को चूमा  
अपनी माँ से मिलने की खुशी के साथ।

R.V. Shatvika Sri  
22IFTE043

## संघर्ष

कठिन समय में चलना सीख,  
उठकर फिर से लड़ना सीख।  
औरों से भिड़ने से पहले,  
खुद के अंदर भिड़ना सीख।  
कहते हैं जो दुनिया वाले,  
उन बातों को सहना सीख,  
आए रोना तो भी,  
मुस्कुराना सीख।  
मंजिल को पाने से पहले,  
कठिन डगर पर चलना सीख।  
जीवन में कुछ बनना है तो,  
माँ बाप की सुनना सीख।  
कठिन समय में चलना सीख,  
उठकर फिर से लड़ना सीख।

Kolam  
22COM034



D. Sreelakshmi  
21PGCE29

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## Department of Tamil

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இணையதள உருவாக்கப்பயிற்சி

தமிழ் இணையக் கழகத்தின் நிதி நல்கையுடன் கணித்தமிழ் பேரவையின் இணையதள உருவாக்கப் பயிற்சி 17.10.2022 முதல் 21.10.2022 வரை நடைபெற்றது. அதன் தொடக்கவிழாவில் தமிழ் உயராய்வு நடுவத் தலைவர் முனைவர் அ.கவிதாராணி அவர்கள் தலைமையுரையாற்றினார். இந்நிகழ்விற்கு டோக் பெருமாட்டி கல்லூரியின் கணினி அறிவியல் துறையின் தலைவர் முனைவர் ந.ஜெயச்சந்திரா அவர்கள் சிறப்புரையாளராகக் கலந்து கொண்டு சிறப்புரை நல்கினார். இணையதள உருவாக்கப் பயிற்சியினை, டோக் பெருமாட்டி கல்லூரி ஆங்கிலத்துறையின் இளங்கலை இரண்டாமாண்டு மாணவியர் செல்வி சோ.ரா.ஸ்வரண பைரவி மற்றும் செல்வி ஜா.சு.பிரிசில்லா ஆகியோர் பயிற்றுவித்தனர். நூற்றிற்கும் மேற்பட்ட தமிழ்த்துறை மற்றும் பிறதுறை மாணவியர் கலந்து கொண்டு பயனடைந்தனர். இந்நிகழ்வை திருமிகு ஆசோபியா அவர்களும் திருமிகு வி.திராவிடச்செல்வி அவர்களும் ஒருங்கிணைத்தனர்.

**மின்னூலகம் பயிற்சிப்பட்டறை**

தமிழ் உயராய்வு நடுவத்தில் சென்னை – தமிழ் இணையக் கழகத்தின் நிதிநல்கையுடன் கணித்தமிழ்ப்பேரவையின் “மின்னூலகம்” பயிற்சிப்பட்டறை 01.02.2023 அன்று நடைபெற்றது. இந்நிகழ்விற்குத் தமிழ் உயராய்வு நடுவத்தலைவர் முனைவர் அ.கவிதாராணி அவர்கள் தலைமை தாங்கினார். இந்நிகழ்விற்கு டோக் பெருமாட்டி கல்லூரியின் தலைமை நூலகர் மற்றும் மக்கள்தொடர்பு அலுவலரான முனைவர் Lt. எஸ். சங்கரநாச்சியார் அவர்கள் சிறப்பு விருந்தினராகக் கலந்துகொண்டு ‘மின்னூலகம்’ குறித்துச் சிறப்புரை நல்கினார். மின்னூலகத்தின் செயல்பாடுகள், மின்னூலகத்தின் பயன், கல்லூரியின் மின்னூலகம், தேசிய மற்றும் பன்னாட்டளவிலான மின்னூலகங்கள் குறித்தும் அதைப் பயன்படுத்தும்முறை குறித்தும் செய்முறைப் பயிற்சியளித்தார். மேலும் கருத்துத்திருட்டிற்கான (Plagiarism Software) மென் பொருள்கள் குறித்தும் அதன்பயன்பாடு மற்றும் பயன்படுத்தும்முறை குறித்தும் செய்முறை விளக்கம் கொடுத்தார். இந்நிகழ்வை திருமிகு ஆ.சோபியா அவர்களும் முனைவர் த.மணிமேகலை அவர்களும் ஒருங்கிணைத்தனர்.

**மறைதிரு ஜி.யு.போப் & முனைவர் இராணி ஜான்சிபாய் அறக்கட்டளைத் தொடர் சொற்பொழிவு**

தமிழ் உயராய்வு நடுவம் மறைதிரு ஜி.யு.போப் & முனைவர் இராணி ஜான்சிபாய் அறக்கட்டளைத் தொடர் சொற்பொழிவு 21.01.2023 அன்று நடைபெற்றது. ‘தேம்பாவணியும் தமிழ்ச்சந்தங்களும்’ என்னும் தலைப்பில் சிறப்புரையாளர் முனைவர் இரா.பிரான்சிஸ் சேவியர் - துணை முதல்வர் (ம) இணைப்பேராசிரியர் செயின்ட் சேவியர் கல்லூரி, பாளையங்கோட்டை, திருநெல்வேலி - உரையாற்றினார். அவரது சிறப்புரை சந்தங்கள் பற்றிய அறிமுகம், தமிழ் இலக்கியங்களுக்கும் சந்தங்களுக்குமான தொடர்பு, சந்தங்களை அறிந்து கொள்வதன் இன்றியமையாமை, தேம்பாவணியின் சிறப்பு, தேம்பாவணியில் சந்தங்கள் அழகுற இடம்பெறும்



பாங்கு ஆகிய கருத்துகளை உள்ளடக்கியதாக அமைந்திருந்தது. இந்நிகழ்வினைத் தமிழ் உயராய்வு நடுவத்தின் பேராசிரியர்களான முனைவர் ஜா.ஜுலி பிரதிபா, முனைவர் த.மணிமேகலை ஆகிய இருவரும் ஒருங்கமைத்திருந்தனர்.

**இராஜம்மாள் செல்வநாயகம் அறக்கட்டளைத் தொடர் சொற்பொழிவு**

தமிழ் உயராய்வு நடுவத்தில் 14.03.2023 அன்று நடைபெற்ற இராஜம்மாள் செல்வநாயகம் அறக்கட்டளைத் தொடர் சொற்பொழிவில் சிறப்பு விருந்தினர் தோழர் ஓவியா- “வரலாற்றுப் பார்வையில் பெண்கள்” என்னும் தலைப்பில் சொற்பொழிவாற்றினார். மௌனம் என்பது சம்மதத்தின் வெளிப்பாடல்ல மாறாகத் தயக்கத்தின் அடையாளம் என்றும் தாய்வழிச்சமூகமாக இருந்த மனித வாழ்வியல், ஆணாதிக்கச் சமூகமாக உருமாறிய வரலாற்றினையும் தோள்சீலைப்போராட்டம், சதிஒழிப்பு, தேவதாசிமுறை ஒழிப்பு முதலிய பெண்உரிமைப் போராட்டங்களையும் சுட்டிக்காட்டினார். பெண்கள் தமக்கெதிரான அடிமைத்தளையிலிருந்து விடுபடுவதற்குக் கல்வியும் வேலைவாய்ப்புமே பேராயுதங்கள் என்று வலியுறுத்தினார். இந்நிகழ்வினைத் தமிழ் உயராய்வு நடுவத்தின் பேராசிரியர்களான திருமிகு ஆ.சோபியா, முனைவர் நா.வெண்முகில் ஆகிய இருவரும் ஒருங்கமைத்திருந்தனர்.

**தமிழ்வனம்**

5.4.2023 அன்று தமிழ்வனம் நிகழ்வில் முற்பகலில் கல்லூரி மாணவர்களுக்கிடையே ஒரு சோற்றுப்பதம், இலக்கிய ஆளுமை, பசிக்குப் பசிய உணவு, நேர்படப்பேசு, விளம்பரக்கலை, அற்றைத்திங்கள் ஆகிய போட்டிகள் நடத்தப்பட்டன. மதுரை அமெரிக்கன் கல்லூரி அதிகப்புள்ளிகள் பெற்று சுழற்கோப்பையை வென்றது. பிற்பகல் நிகழ்வில் அயலி (இணையத்தொடர்) திரைப்படத்தின் இயக்குநர் திரு. முத்துக்குமார் சிறப்பு விருந்தினராகக் கலந்து கொண்டார். முற்போக்குச் சிந்தனையை வெளிப்படுத்தும் அத்திரைப்படம் குறித்த வினாக்களுக்கு விடையளித்து கலந்துரையாடலுடன் நிகழ்ச்சி நடைபெற்றது. கல்லூரி முதல்வர் முனைவர் கிறிஸ்டியானா சிங் வாழ்த்துரை வழங்கினார். தமிழ் உயராய்வு நடுவத்தலைவர் முனைவர் அ.கவிதாராணி மற்றும் உதவிப்பேராசிரியர் முனைவர் சி.தமயந்தி இருவரும் இந்நிகழ்வினை ஒருங்கிணைத்து வழிநடத்தினர்.



## “பெண் ஏன் அடிமையானாள்? என்கிற கலகக்காரர் தோழர் பெரியார்– 2”

**வேயாமுற்றம் - நாடகம்**

டோக்பெருமாட்டி கல்லூரியின் 75ஆம் ஆண்டு நடப்பினை முன்னிட்டுத்தமிழ் உயராய்வு நடுவத்தின் நாடக அமைப்பான “வேயாமுற்றம்” பிப்ரவரி 15, 16, 17 ஆகிய நாள்களில் “பெண் ஏன் அடிமையானாள்? என்கிற கலகக்காரர் தோழர் பெரியார்– 2” என்ற நாடகத்தினை அரங்கேற்றியது. பிப்ரவரி 15 அன்று நடந்த தொடக்கவிழாவிற்குத் தலைமை ஏற்று உரை நிகழ்த்திய கல்லூரி முதல்வர் முனைவர் கிறிஸ்டியானா சிங் பெருமை வாய்ந்த திராவிட நாட்டில் வாழ்வதை எண்ணிப்பெருமிதம் கொள்வதாகவும் அனைவரும் இயற்கையின் படைப்பு அதனால் பாகுபாடு நமக்குள் தேவையில்லை என்றும் கூறினார்.

நிகழ்ச்சியைத் தொடங்கி வைத்துச் சிறப்புரை ஆற்றிய தமிழ்நாடு அரசு, சமூகநீதிக் கண்காணிப்புக் குழுத்தலைவர் சுப.வீரபாண்டியன், நாடகத்தில் நடித்த மாணவக் கலைஞர்களின் நடிப்புத்திறனைப் பாராட்டிப் பேசினார். வீணையைச் சரஸ்வதியிடம் கொடுத்து விட்டு மாணவியர் பறையைக் கையில் ஏந்தி இசைத்து வரவேற்றது மாற்றத்திற்கான அடையாளம் என்று கூறினார். பெண் தனது முன்னேற்றத்திற்கான அளவுகோலாக ஆண்களை எண்ணத்தேவையில்லை என்றும், ஆணும் பெண்ணும் சமம் என்பதனைப் பெண்ணும் ஆணும் சமம் என்று கூறலாம் என்றும், நூறு மேடைகளில் தான் பேசிய கருத்துக்களை, ஒன்றரை மணிநேரத்தில் இந்நாடகம் வெளிப்படுத்தியுள்ளது என்றும் கூறினார். நாடகம் முழுவதும் இருபாலருக்கும் பொதுவான தோழர் என்னும் சொல்லாட்சியைப் பயன்படுத்தி, நாடகத்தின்

நெறியாளரான பேராசிரியர் மு.இராமசுவாமி சமத்துவத்தை வலியுறுத்தியிருக்கிறார் என்று அவரைப் பாராட்டினார்.

ஆண் இனத்தின் மீது நமக்கிருப்பது வெறுப்பு அல்ல கரிசனம். சரிநிகர் சமான்ம் என்னும் தோழமை. அதை நிச்சயம் ஒருநாள் அடைவோம் என்பதே இந்நாடகத்தின் மையக் கருத்தாக அமைந்திருந்தது. இந்நாடக நிகழ்வினை நாடகப்பேராசிரியர் முனைவர் மு.இராமசுவாமி அவர்களின் நெறியாளராகையின் கீழ்த் தமிழ் உயராய்வு நடுவத்தின் தலைவர் முனைவர் அ.கவிதாராணி, முனைவர் ஆ.பாப்பா, முனைவர் நா.வெண்முகில், முனைவர் பொ.ஸ்டெல்லா ஜீஜீபாய் உள்ளிட்ட நால்வரும் ஒருங்கமைத்திருந்தனர்.

மூன்று நாள்கள் நடைபெற்ற இந்நாடகத்தினைக் காண டோக் பெருமாட்டி கல்லூரி மாணவியர் மற்றும் மதுரை மாவட்டத்தைச் சார்ந்த செந்தமிழ் கல்லூரி, மன்னர் திருமலை நாயக்கர் கல்லூரி, யாதவா பெண்கள் கல்லூரி, மதுரை சிவகாசி நாடார் பயோனியர் கல்லூரி, ஸ்ரீ மீனாட்சி கல்லூரி, பாத்திமா கல்லூரி, அமெரிக்கன் கல்லூரி, சி.எஸ்.ஐ.கலை அறிவியல் கல்லூரி, விருதுநகர் மாவட்டத்தைச் சார்ந்த சாத்தூர், ஸ்ரீ எஸ்.ஆர்.என்.எம். கல்லூரி, வே.வ.வன்னியப்பெருமாள் கல்லூரி, அய்ய நாடார் ஜானகி அம்மாள் கல்லூரி, திண்டுக்கல் மாவட்டத்தைச் சார்ந்த எம்.வி.எம். முத்தையா அரசு மகளிர் கல்லூரி ஆகிய கல்லூரி மாணவர்கள் நாடகத்தைக் கண்டுகளித்தனர். மேலும் பொதுமக்களுக்காக நடத்தப்பட்ட ஒரு காட்சியில் 500க்கும் மேற்பட்டவர்கள் கண்டு மகிழ்ந்தனர்.







## Department of English

The **PG Department and Research Centre of English** has had a phenomenal year, conducting numerous programmes for the benefit of students and hosting various competitions to offer new avenues for them.

Mr. Joel Timothy, the Assistant Professor from the Department of English delivered the inaugural address of the Arcadia club. He asserted that books or literature will be around us in different avatars, and that reading literature empowers us and makes us sensitive to others and the societal issues around us. He highlighted that literary associations support rigorous academic work.

On 14.09.2022, the department hosted a Workshop titled 'When Jove Nods to Jove - Theatre Experience'. The resource person of the day, Prof. N. Elango, who currently heads the PG and Research Department of English at Mannar Thirumalai Naicker College focussed on the subtleties of acting like body-language, voice-modulation, accentuation and delivery.

The Annual Literary Day, **Arcadia** was conducted on 20.10.2022. The Chief Guest of the day, Mr. Brama G., Film Director, Writer and Lyricist and National Award Winner of the film, Kuttram Kadithal, addressed the gathering. He spoke on how films with good stories and characters are now highly appreciated by audiences. He also remarked that film and literature are intimately intertwined with each other, with films based on literary works.



"More Can We Be!- A Stage production of Arthur Miller's 'All My Sons'" was held on 16.11.2022 and directed by Ms. Preetha Joseph and Dr. Vijayarani. The play offered students an opportunity to exhibit their theatrical skills.

The Seminar "Theory at Work" was conducted on 06.01.2023. The guest invitee Dr. D.E. Benet, Associate Professor of English, National College, Trichy began with an introduction to literary criticism starting from Plato's *Republic Book X*, to recent critical theories like Magical Realism, Queer Studies, Critical Race Theory, Disability Studies, Gastronomic Literature and Indian Aesthetics. He also gave a comprehensive view of the different literary theories that students can apply to interpret literature.

Further, the department organised "A Talk on American-Japanese Culture on 24.02.2023. Ms. Joanna, whose parents had served as American missionaries in India and her husband, Shigeto Itoh, were the speakers.

Dr. J. John Sekar from the Department of English, The American college served as the Guest Speaker of the Workshop "Effective Manuscript Writing" held on 02.03.2023. Emphasising on the importance of research and publication he listed a number of journal databases like SCOPUS, Web of Science, Academia, Research Gate, Google Scholar and other Open Access Journals. He emphasised on the importance of publishing in online journals.



"We are not the Others: Reflections of a Transgender Activist" was a discourse hosted by the department on 28.03.2023. Ms. Kalki Subramaniam, artist and activist was the speaker. Her session was moderated by Prof. N Elango. On 31.03.2023, the independent play "Vellai Mozhi: A Trans Woman's Story of Resistance" was put up by Ms. A Revathi, activist. Both sessions proved revelatory to the students to make them more socially conscious and politically aware.

The Annual Play, "The Admirable Crichton" was held from 10.04.2023 to 12.04.2023. The play also featured original music by students from the college. There were two shows every day; the audience enjoyed the play as recorded in their feedback. In addition to this, the department conducted several competitions

such as the "Tagore Centenary Prize", "Poetry Writing Competition", "Litphony" and "O My Soliloquy".

The year has also witnessed faculty members receiving awards in academia and research. Dr. Hillela received her doctorate degree successfully. Dr. Daisy Gohain received the "Early Career Researcher Award" conferred by Lady Doak college and 'Award for Excellence in Research (India) 2023' by The 'Asia Education Leadership Summit & Awards (AELSA) 2023', Mumbai, India.

The department fully embraced the possibilities of a pandemic-free, offline based academic term. Conducting these programmes also gave the students a much needed exposure to focus on career needs in addition to finding their creative voice.



## Department of Hindi

The year 2022-2023 has witnessed success and growth making it a memorable year with enlightening activities and achievements. The Hindi Day Celebration and Inter-departmental Meet on 9th September 2022 marked the beginning of the journey. The guest of honour Dr. A. Bhavani (Retd Prof.) from the Department of Hindi, The American College in her speech emphasised the glorious history of the Hindi language.

Students' enthusiastic participation marked the success and completion of all the events throughout the year. The Overall Trophy in a State Level Inter-

Collegiate competition organized by the Department of Hindi, Sourashtra College was won by the Hindi department. Three of III UG students participated in a National Seminar on "Role of Indian languages in National Unity" organised by The American College, Madurai in collaboration with Kendriya Hindi Sansthan, Agra and Tamil Nadu Hindi Rashtravadi Lekhak Sangh. Participation marked the involvement of students in many events. The National Level Workshop on 'Creative Writing' drew around twenty students of Aided and SF streams who participated in various events at The American College campus.





On the occasion of International Hindi Day, the PICK & SPEAK Elocution competition was organised by the Department of Hindi in Lady Doak College.

A National Level Neo-Hindi writers Workshop at Central University of Tamil Nadu at Thiruvavur was attended by four of I & II UG Part-I Hindi students. It was organised by the Central Hindi Directorate, New Delhi.

Dr. Sugantha Ramamoorthy (Retd.) from the department of Economics delivered the keynote address

in the State Level Inter-Collegiate Meet “PRAGATI 2023”. 76 participants from different colleges of Tamil Nadu participated in various on-stage and off-stage events. Participants of St. Joseph’s College won the overall winner Trophy.

The department looks forward to more achievements and working together to provide greater language expertise, and Ekta Club will keep striving for success.

## Department of French

The club **Les Jeunes Tricolores** has put in substantial effort to develop the linguistic and artistic abilities of the pupils in both the Aided and SF streams. During the club’s launch, Dr. I. Rahul, Assistant Professor in the Department of French, discussed his professional expertise in the field of French. He also emphasised the variety of jobs available in this industry for those with combo degrees and French language proficiency.

137 French Part-I students were taken in two batches on an OSS to Subbalakshmi Lakshmipathy College of Sciences on November 8 and 10, 2022, where they participated in a one-day programme on “La cuisine Française”. There, they gained a deep understanding of French cuisine that inspired them to learn more about the culinary techniques that the French have created through the centuries and have employed. In addition to learning how to pronounce food and ingredient

names correctly, the participants in this programme received practical cooking instruction.

A State Level Workshop on “French in/for Culinary, Hospitality & Tourism Industries” was organised by the Department of French graced by the keynote speaker Dr. Beulah Jeyashree, Vice Principal of LDC. This accredited programme is intended for existing and prospective professionals in the catering and tourism areas.

Inter-Departmental Meet titled “Toi ou Moi ’23” drew around 130 students from various departments of the College and the Department of English won the Rolling Franco Trophee of this year.

The Department organised a study trip to Pondicherry to provide students the chance to learn via experiential means. Their visit to the Pondicherry University provided them an opportunity to interact in an educational way with the faculty, students, and



researchers from the Department of French. A session of cultural exchange between the students of the two universities was also held. Students witnessed the marvellous French architecture by taking a stroll around the streets of the French colony (White Town of Pondicherry). Additionally, they went to Auroville (Pondicherry’s International City), where they dined on French food and indulged in sweets at Baker’s Street, a French concept store.

Dr. Rosy Godwin, Head of the Department of Commerce, LDC, officiated the Valedictory event that

marked the end of the club’s 2022-2023 activities. The president, Ms. Priyadarsini N, and vice president, Ms. Hepsy, gave the annual report. The always-excited French students then treated the audience to a cultural presentation. The awards, diplomas, and congratulations of our Chief Guest served as the proper icing on top of the students’ enthusiastic involvement in the Club’s yearly activities. With preparations for an extravaganza in the upcoming year, the adventure of the department and the Club “Les Jeunes Tricolores” is still ongoing.



## 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 the nation. In the academic year 2022-2023, various programmes were organized starting with the **Phoenix Club** Inaugural held on 5.8.2022. The Inaugural Address was delivered by Mrs. R. Kanmani, Correspondent & Senior Principal, Dolphin Group of Schools, Madurai, an alumna of the department.

The 75<sup>th</sup> Independence Day Celebrations was flagged off by the department on 12.8.2022 on the theme ‘Celebrating Freedom Fighters’. Competitions including Posters, Charts, Models, Craft work, Tableau, Role play, Traditional Dance, National integration songs were conducted and all the students from the department participated. An Inter Departmental Essay Writing Competition English / Tamil was held on 12.8.2022

on the topic ‘Lessons Learnt from the Indian Freedom Struggle’. 43 students from Aided & SF departments participated.

31<sup>st</sup> October 2022 marked the 147<sup>th</sup> birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel. Since 2014, India has celebrated Rashtriya Ekta Diwas or National Unity Day celebrating his life and achievements. A successful exhibition emphasising the life and accomplishments of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel in English and Tamil was organised this year by the department. The exhibition featured charts, poetry, models, and other student-prepared materials.

The Faculty Training Programme on ‘Oral History: A Source for the Reconstruction of the Past’ was held from 27.02.2023 to 01.03.2023 at BCMMT and Clapp Hall. Faculty and students from the department of History and Tamil benefitted from the session.







A Guest lecture on team building for I UG students was held on 17.11.22. The Chief Guest was Dr. Synthia Mary Matthew, Associate Professor and former Head of the Department of Social Sciences, Lady Doak College. A guest lecture on the topic “Environmental Movements in India” by the former Head of the Department of Zoology Dr. Sarah Satyavati was organized for the II UG students. Further, the Postgraduate students benefited from the guest lecture by a renowned lawyer and alumna of the college, Mrs. Shobhana on ‘Judicial administration’.

Dr. A. Mahalingam, Assistant Professor and Head, Department of Medieval History, School of Historical Studies, Madurai Kamaraj University was the Resource Person for the workshop Manuscript Writing jointly organized by IQAC, Research & Development Cell and the PG & Research Department of History. The PG & Research Department of History, Lady Doak College, Madurai organized an awareness programme on *Meendum Manjappai* – a campaign of the Government of Tamil Nadu, in the Middle School at Arittapatti in collaboration with the Centre for Environmental Studies, Lady Doak College, as a part of the Life Frontier Engagement (LiFE) course. In addition to that, the Department conducted essay writing, poem writing, drawing and exhibition of traditional household objects to observe the International Forest Day and World Water Day. The school students actively participated in the awareness campaign and the competitions. Arittapatti was declared as the First Biodiversity Heritage Site

(BHS) of Tamil Nadu by the Government of Tamil Nadu along with Meenakshipuram on 22 November 2022. Arittapatti was initially an LiFE site for the department. The Tamil Nadu Biodiversity Board invited Dr. Priyadharshini Rajendran, Head and Associate Professor of Zoology and Dr. T. Durga Devi, Assistant Professor of History as the stakeholders for the Preparation of the Biodiversity Management Plan for Arittapatti. Ilakiya from II PG History has made a historic record unearthing an inscription belonging to the Pandya period at Vallalapatti near Melur in Madurai district during an exploratory tour during her PG research project and got a taste of life as an archaeologist through this new discovery.



## Department of Social Sciences



The Department of Social Sciences witnessed a highly productive year. Students were able to gain a thorough understanding of research methods, thanks to the numerous workshops and seminars that were organised for the benefit of the student community on a variety of topics, including research methods and statistics, multivariate data analysis, SPSS Analysis, APA Writing skills, Gestalt therapy and Dialectical Behaviour Therapy, Family Therapy, Arts Therapy, Cognitive Behaviour Therapy, and Rational Emotive Behaviour Therapy.

‘Social Action through Theatre’ – A training programme on Oyilattam, Bommalattam, Parai and Karakattam was organised for select UG and MSW students under the heading “Social Action through Theatre.” The Researcher in Comparative Religion and Philosophy, Dr. Amos Swaminathan delivered the endowment lecture titled “Keep your Distance: Rethinking Touch through Tact”.

The department observed ‘Grand Parents Day – Uravukku Uyir Koduppom’ to honour and celebrate the adorable bond between the grandparents and their grandchildren. Dr. Roopa Ravikumar was the resource person for this occasion.

The department observed the importance of Mental Health which is imperative at all stages of life, from childhood and adolescence through adulthood and includes one’s emotional, psychological, and social well-being. To observe Mental Health week the event ‘Psychofest’ was organized. Students from M.Sc. Psychology and PGDCP conducted psychological assessments on Mental Health-related variables

for Lady Doak Faculty, Student community and our NTS. To disseminate happiness and optimism around campus, “Happiness Week” was a highly interesting and successful initiative. Hugs and wishes with a warm smile did magic to release stress and spread happiness. It included various events like Catharsis booth, Balloon bursting, screening movies and Selfie Booths for both faculty and students.

Through the planning of several camps around the outskirts of Madurai, the Negizhchi forum of MSW accomplished great work. In the S. Pudhur block of Sivagangai District, the Wockhardt Foundation and MSW jointly organised a medical mobile van project and the Integrated Community Health Awareness Programmes.

By serving as experts and delivering papers at various conferences, our faculty members demonstrated their abilities and intervention skills in research. Dr. Uma Maheswari was the resource person for a programme organized by CEDAR. Dr. John Joyce Georgina Thomas and Dr. Anita Christine Tiphagne have created two modules of e-content for the National MHRD and EMMRC of MKU, due in June 2022.

The United Board sponsored Workshop on Service Learning titled, “Systematic Implementation of Service-Learning practices integrating Whole Person Education” witnessed many participants far and near. Dr. Anita Tiphagne was an Advisory Board Member for the Research Project titled, “International Research Project on Peace Education” for the Network for Religious and Traditional Peacemakers and Tallinn University of Technology.





## Department of Economics



2022–2023 was an incredibly productive year for the Department of Economics. To meet the requirements of the students and faculty, a wide range of academic co-curricular activities were offered. Professor Masanori Kondo, the session's resource person from International Christian University in Japan, examined the current trends and historical views in Indo-Japanese ties in the inaugural programme on 20th July 2022.

A conference on "Economics from a Christian Perspective" was hosted by the Oikonomia Club on 23rd September. The day's special guest speaker was Dr. Gnanavaram Masilamani. Participants in the programme gained understanding of the relationship between economics and Christian beliefs. With 94 students from various college departments participating, the programme was a huge success.

A two-day programme on faculty capacity building with the theme "Mathematical Approach to Economics" was conducted on September 29. The resource person Dr. Vijayamohan Pillai, an honorary fellow at the Gulati Institute of Finance and Taxation familiarised the faculty in using a quantitative approach to the theories and ideas. The Oikonomia club set up a peer learning circle with the aim of improving students' employability and assisting them in passing competitive exam.

A rural camp was organised for the PG students from October 10 through October 14, 2022, in conjunction with People's Action and Development in Vembar, a coastal village in Thoothukudi district with 25 students from I and II MA courses. Learn and Let Others Learn was the camp's theme. Students carried out field research in

the village and participated in a variety of community interventions, including school-based activities, skill development programmes, and raising awareness of the many welfare programmes available within the local fishing community.

The interdepartmental meet focusing on the "Economic Significance of Diwali" involved five events that includes debate, fireless cooking, photography and model making.

The resource person, Dr. C. Jerome Samraj, Assistant Professor of Economics from Pondicherry University, opened his address with a biography of Sir William Arthur Lewis at the One Day Students' Seminar on Sir William Arthur Lewis's Contribution to Economics on February 27, 2023.

The annual Intercollegiate Meet INNOWIZ '23 was the most awaited event of the year that took place on April 5, 2023. "Contemporary Economic Downturns" served as the meeting's theme. In her opening remarks, Dr. Christianna Singh, the Principal and Secretary and the Head of the Department of Economics reminded the students of the importance of studying economics and how it would improve their comprehension of the world around them and brace them to face new challenges in a changing world. The day's chief guest was Dr. Dhulasi Birundha Varadharajan, an emeritus professor and senior fellow at the ICSSR in New Delhi.

The department continues to grow by nourishing its stakeholders through its programmes. All the activities conducted this year have helped the students and staff of the department grow academically and personally.



## Department of Commerce

2022 -'23 was a fruitful academic year for the Department of Commerce in terms of richness and diversity in its activities. In order to strengthen students' employability skills in the fields of management, banking, law, and accounting, the Department offered a variety of programmes. The Department hosted a two-day international conference on "Global Trends in Accounting and Finance - A Paradigm Shift".

Faculty members, research scholars, industry professionals and students participated and presented papers in the International Conference. A State Level Mega Corporate Law Quiz Programme 2023 was organized by collaborating with ICSI Madurai Chapter. 40 teams from different colleges in and around various districts in Tamil Nadu participated in this competition. C S Ram Prasad N. Senior Audit Officer, Comptroller and Auditor General of India (CAG) conducted the Quiz. "FOCUS 2022 - SYMPOSIUM ON CONVERGENCE OF INDUSTRY & ACADEMIA" was organized and students interacted with startup entrepreneurs and industry experts in order to learn the indispensable skills required for industry readiness. 18 Guest lectures were organized by VARTHAGA CLUB and the stream clubs COMMERCIA

(AIDED) SPARK (PA), SHARP (Hons), FINANCIA (B&I), CORSHO (CS), and TECHNO COMMERCIO (CA).

The students participated in various Intercollegiate Competitions and Quiz Events organized by other institutions and bagged prizes. The students won the overall Champion Shield in the Intercollegiate Meet – COMMAS 2023 at The American College, Madurai and TALENTINA.COM'23 at Mannar Thirumalai Naicker College, Madurai. 69 faculty members participated in various events like FDP, Webinars, Lectures, Workshops, Trainings, Conferences and Refresher courses.

Students have also cleared the entrance exams for various Professional courses during the year 2022-2023. 43 students have cleared CSEET (Company Secretary Executive Entrance Test), 4 students CA Foundation, 1 student ACCA and 2 students CAT LEVEL -I. A total of 24 Paper Publications and 5 Book Chapters were published by the faculty members in the UGC Care Listed Journals. A vivacious and zestful year of activities, training and programmes in the department positioned to bridge the gap between academia and industry.







## Department of Mathematics

The department of Mathematics reaped a rich harvest this academic year. Two international seminars on “New Avenues in Applied Sciences” and “Applied Mathematics” were successfully organised. Additionally, the departments of Physics, Botany, Computer Science, and Biotechnology jointly organised the international conference on “New Avenues in Applied Sciences” (ICNA MAS ’23) on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> of February 2023. A three-day training course on “R & Python programming” for the faculty was highly beneficial. For III UG students, a session on “Interpretation of Data through Statistical Tools” was held. Around 14 articles by the department faculty members have appeared in reputable international journals.

Students participated in several intercollegiate competitions outside the college and won 5 overall shields and 2 runner up positions. The Intercollegiate meet Maths Carnival was conducted on 24<sup>th</sup> March 2023. Twelve colleges participated and the students actively involved themselves and conducted competitions.

The department has arranged an internship programme 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 Summer Training Programme in Mathematics 2022, Online Platform - STPIM 2022 - organised by The Academy of Sciences & Department of Mathematics, Anna University, Chennai. Three Students attended the National Level Workshop on Differential Equations and Dynamical Systems, organised by the Government Arts College for Women. One second year student has been selected as the Scranton Scholar for 2023 after participating in the essay competitions and received US\$500 additional scholarship. Five students attended the five days workshop on “Differential Equations and its Applications” under DBT-Star College Scheme organized by the Department of Mathematics, Vivekananda College, Thiruvudagam West, Madurai. One faculty submitted her thesis on “Investigation on Impact of Nano Topology and its Functionalizations” in July 2022.



## Department of Physics



The Department of Physics and Research Centre ensured a vibrant academic year 2022-23 with a wide spectrum of academic and co-curricular activities. The Department embarked on a memorable academic year by conducting two International Conferences back-to-back in the month of January and February 2023. The International Conference on “Functional Materials for Sustainable Energy and Environment (FMSEE’23)” was jointly organised by the Department of Physics and Chemistry on 30.01.2023 and 31.01.2023. 35 PG students and 16 faculty members from the Department of Physics, 12 International and 48 National participants enthusiastically participated and presented papers on various topics. International Conference on “International Conference on New Avenues in Applied Sciences (ICNAAS’23)” was jointly organised by the Department of Physics, Mathematics, Botany, Biotechnology and Computer Science on 02.02.2023 and 03.02.2023.

**Janus Club and PG Association** inauguration was held on 18.08.2022 followed by the installation of office bearers. Our alumna Dr. Maria Thava Christy, Researcher, Department of Chemical Engineering, Hanyang University, South Korea and Ms. Abiraami D, Associate Software Engineer, Accenture, Coimbatore delivered the inaugural address. Dr. Krishnakumar Venkateshwaran, Founder of IMAI, LLC Partner of TATVUM, LLC, Aliso Viejo, California, USA delivered a guest lecture on 02.09.2022 titled “Adaptive Optics & Human Vision”. Ms. Rasha Shanaz, our promising alumna, Research Scholar, Bharathidasan University, Trichy gave a talk on “Chasing the Butterfly: How Machine Learning is Changing the Game for Complex Systems Research” on 02.02.2023. Dr. Reji Philip, Senior Professor, Ultrafast and Nonlinear Optics (UNO) Lab, Raman Research Institute, Bangalore

delivered guest lecture on “Ultrafast Lasers”. As a mark of National Science Day celebration Mr. Nachiappan Raman, Tejas Lithium Battery Consulting, LLC, Portland, Oregon, USA delivered a guest lecture on Lithium Ion Battery (Technology, Applications, Advantages and its Limitations). This year’s Intercollegiate Physics Meet (ICPM), Phyxpllosion 2023, was conducted on 27.03.2023 on the theme “Smart Energy Utilisation” and Dr. T. Arockiadoss, Assistant Professor & Head i/c, Department of Physics, Directorate of Distance Education, Madurai Kamaraj University, delivered the inaugural address on the topic “Invention, Innovation and Intellectual Property Rights”. Dr. J. Merline Shyla, Associate Professor, Department of Physics, Loyola Institute of Frontier Energy (LIFE), Loyola College, Chennai addressed the PG students on 03.04.2023 on the topic “Nano Materials”.

The department organised an endowment lecture in memory of Ms. R. Andal, our former Head on the theme “Integrating Physics with Society” on 25.03.2023. Dr. Hari Haran Balakrishnan, Scientific Officer (E), Cosmic Ray Laboratory (CRL), Tata Institute of Fundamental Research, Ooty delivered a lecture on “Role of Cosmic Rays on Societal Applications”

### Faculty enrichment Programmes:

Workshop on Effective Manuscript Writing was organised by the department on 24.02.2023. Dr. P. Malar, Research Professor, Department of Physics and Nanotechnology, SRM Institute of Science and Technology, Chennai was the Resource Person. Online faculty training programme was organized on 10-4-2023 with Dr. G. Govindaraj Ph.D., Professor (Retd), Department of Physics from Pondicherry University as the resource person.





## Department of Chemistry

The year 2022-23 being the 75<sup>th</sup> year of the college, the Department of Chemistry organized several first of its kind programmes including capacity building programmes for students and faculty members, the most momentous one being the **International Conference on Functional Materials for Sustainable Energy and Environment – FMSEE’ 23**.

On November 15, 2022, the department observed the International Year of Millets 2023 as part of the Life Frontier Engagement Course on Food Analysis. Mr. Pamayan, a supporter of organic farming, addressed the students and an interdepartmental competition on fireless cooking was held. Additionally, the National Science Day was observed on February 28<sup>th</sup> to honour Nobel Laureate Sir C.V. Raman's discovery of the "Raman Effect" and the 100<sup>th</sup> birthday of former Department Head Prof. Evelyn Rhine. To mark these occasions, an Endowment lecture was held at the Bhabha Atomic Research Centre in Mumbai on February 28, 2023, in collaboration with the Society for Materials Chemistry.

The National Science Day Endowment Lecture on **"Research in Science: Necessity driven to sustainability driven"** was delivered by Dr. Vinita G. Gupta Scientific

Officer (G), Chemistry Division, BARC, Associate Professor, Homi Bhabha National Institute, Mumbai. She emphasized that science is the greatest tool in the hands of mankind and is providing solutions to tackle complex challenges faced by society in the areas of energy, environment and healthcare.

**Virtual guest lectures and quizzes** were organized through the AMALCHEM CLUB of the department for M.Sc. and B.Sc. students to develop competency to **clear national level competitive examinations** such as CSIR/NET, GATE, IIT-JAM. The training helped the students to compete at the national and state-levels to clear examinations: IIT-JAM, GATE 2023 and other state-level examinations. One student got selected under National Science Academies' sponsored summer research programme in Bhabha Atomic Research Centre (BARC) Mumbai. Many students cleared NPTEL courses with silver medal (1), elite scores (2) and certificates (6). Students bagged the overall trophy in the State Level ICM (SYNTHON 003) organized by the Department of Chemistry, Vivekananda College, Tiruvudakam West, Madurai on 3.2.2023.



## Department of Botany



The department surged through an array of activities in awareness programmes and training sessions. During the launch of the **ORCHID club** Mrs. U. Fabiha, a former student of the Department of Botany inspired the young people to initiate their own businesses by displaying the several kinds of cacti she had grown on her own and also raised awareness on the cultivation of cacti at home, which may efficiently block electromagnetic radiation.

Dr. Sherrie Jesulyn David acted as the resource person on the event "Taxonomic Key Preparation" that highlighted the value of plant taxonomy in scientific research and discoursed on plant nomenclature, typification, symbols, and abbreviations. An international conference on "New Avenues in Applied Sciences" - A multidisciplinary approach in a blended format was hosted in collaboration with several departments and the Internal Quality Assurance Cell. The importance of interdisciplinary research and learning was emphasised as the key to success by Dr. J. Kumar, Honourable Vice-Chancellor from Madurai Kamaraj University.

Dr. D. Stephen, Associate Professor from the Department of Botany, The American College, facilitated the faculty to identify the flora using prominent characteristic features and gave tips and tricks for easy identification in the one day faculty training on "Angiospermic flora of Lady Doak College"

The Field Officer, Mrs. Gayathri gave insights on farm management, landscaping, lawn making, nursery techniques in fruit crops, production of vegetable protrait seedlings, production of vermicompost, and grafting techniques in major fruit crops in the one-day student training on Nursery Techniques in the State Horticulture Farm.

Dr. Anita R J Singh, in her intuitive discourse facilitated the participants by giving practical tips and tricks for writing and structuring the Scientific findings for publishing articles in well-reputed journals in the virtual workshop on Manuscript Writing.

A State Level Intercollegiate Meet "ZERA 2023" was organised by the department on 29th March, 2023. Dr. Hepzibah Joseph, Associate professor of History delivered the inaugural address. Students from four different colleges participated in various competitions such as Brain Quest, Ted Talk, Videography, Caque, Dhanya, Flutter Crew, Smell and Tell and Folium Artis. The Gandhigram Rural Institute, Dindigul bagged many prizes and won the over-all trophy and Thiagarajar College got the Runner up trophy. Dr. Mary Vinora Mercy, Associate Professor of Commerce gave the valedictory address and distributed the prizes to the participants.





## Department of Zoology

The department hosted a plethora of academic activities throughout the year. The wildlife author, photographer, and research associate Mr. H. Byju from Anna University, Chidambaram had an engaging discussion on “How to write Science”. The Prof. N. Whithin Endowment Lecture Series had “Biodiversity and Climate Change - A Collective Endeavour for Change” as its theme. Eminent TEDx speaker and activists Ms. Ridhima Pandey; Scientists - Dr. Paul Rajamani (Dean, School of Environmental Sciences, JNU), Dr. S. R. Ganesh (Deputy Director, Chennai Snake Park), and Dr. Balachandran Sethurathinam (Head, Regional Meteorological Centre, Chennai) were the speakers for the session.

Breastfeeding has health benefits for both babies and mothers, provides a baby with ideal nutrition and supports growth and development. With this fact in mind Breastfeeding week was commemorated with an Inter-Departmental Poster Making Competition on the theme “Breastfeeding – A Shared Responsibility”.

International Moth week was celebrated by organizing a “Moth Night” an activity that required observation of moths on campus and witnessed the dynamic participation of students from different departments. The numerous events organised during Wildlife Week was a great success. This was followed

by the Inter-Collegiate Meet **Faunae '22**, inter-departmental and inter-school competitions, and a guest lecture by Mr. Balaji Loganathan, an award-winning Wildlife Photographer.

A three days hands-on training on “Taxidermy” with expertise from the Government Museum, Madurai trained the participants on preparing, stuffing, and mounting of fishes, crabs, birds, etc. The Faculty Development Training program at BIOME, Live Analytical Centre, Karaikudi included faculty members who were trained in handling high end analytical instruments like SEM, TEM, XRD, FTIR, etc. Further, a guest lecture on the topic “Vulture Conservation in India” was organized with Dr. Nikita Prakash, Centre Manager of Vulture Conservation Breeding Center from Pinjore.

As part of the Pongal Bird Count organised by the Department every year, bird counts were carried out by the staff and students of the department in Velichanatham, Kulamangalam and Lady Doak College campus. A census of coastal birds in Ramnad district was also organized during the month of January. The department of Zoology continues to engage in activities that creatively inculcate a genuine wonder for the living beings and the environment around, and at the same time keep the students and staff abreast with the recent technical developments in the field of life sciences.



## Department of Biotechnology



The Department of Biotechnology geared ahead adding surplus academic activities throughout the year. The dynamic post-doctoral researcher Dr. Ruby Priyadarshini Ponnudurai, EMBL addressed the eager audience on “A Career as an Academic Scientist: What Comes After”. Further, the lecture on “PhD and Postdoctoral Jobs Abroad: Thoughtful Advice” delivered by Dr. Ramasamy Rajesh Kumar from the University of Zhejiang, China enlightened the audience on shaping their career in research. An intriguing talk on the “Role of Stomach Microbiota and Infections in Fostering Neurogenic Heterotopic Ossification after Spinal Cord Injury” by the Research Scholar, Dr. Selwin Gabriel Samuel from Mater Research Institute, Brisbane was highly informative and interactive. It unveiled the importance of stomach microbiota and their significance is heterotopic ossification.

The International Conference “New Avenues in Applied Sciences (ICNAAS '23)” gathered a wealth of knowledge and skills from resource persons all over India such as Dr. Manoj Prasad from NIPGR, New Delhi, Dr. Bithiah Grace Jaganathan, Indian Institute of Technology, Assam, and Dr. M. Muthamilarasann from the University of Hyderabad, Telangana. The focus of the symposium was on cancer research and climate-tolerant plants. Academicians, researchers, and students from the conference’s host university and other universities attended the programme. The student training program “Inquiry and Experimental

Learning in Biology” on February 22, 2023 was conducted to popularise science among the school children. In total, 60 students from Class IX and three staff members from Tamil Nadu Government School, Maalaipatti participated and benefited. Student’s Skill Development Program on “Employability Skills for 21st Century worker” was organised for the Postgraduate and final year Undergraduate Biotechnology students. Ascertaining the importance of research writing, a workshop on “Effective Manuscript Writing” co-hosted with R&D Cell and IQAC was held on February 24, 2023. Faculty members and NTS of the department visited the A.V.N. Ayurveda formulations and research institute to attend a training programme that highlighted the Ayurvedic classical medicine formulations, their preparation, quality control, and R&D operations.

The highly qualified and vibrant faculty members showcased their talents by their enthusiastic participation in various research and academic activities. Dr. P. Suguna received the Young Researcher Award from the Institute of Scholars on July 20, 2022. Dr. Mu. Akshaya received a mobility research grant for three months to visit Tampere University in Finland, and other faculty members also received seed grants/institutional grants for their research projects. Dr. T. Mowna Sundari, Dr. Mu. Akshaya, Dr. J. Ananthi, Dr. S. Kalaivani Priyadarshini, and Dr. R. Christynal Olivia have served as resource persons, doctoral committee members and external examiners.



## Department of Business Administration

The academic year 2022-2023 was yet another year loaded with fruitful activities that EQUIPPED the teachers to EMPOWER students that ultimately EXPANDED the institution's influence across the globe. An enrichment programme 'Aptitude and Verbal Ability for MBA Entrance Exam and Campus Placement' along with the Career Guidance & Placement Cell and TIME Institute for the final year students was organised to cater to the career needs of the students. Prioritising the importance of Soft Skills, a training programme was conducted with eminent resource persons from the Balsu's Success Academy, Madurai for the BBA and PGDHRD students to improve their body language, situational conversation, group discussion, public speaking, time management and stress management skills.

With the aim to stimulate entrepreneurial spirit among young aspiring entrepreneurs, an Interdepartmental competition entitled 'Business Blaster' was conducted on the theme 'Traditional Rural Artifacts of India'. The intercollegiate management

meet 'Griffindor '23' was a whopping success drawing participation from 10 colleges all over the state in various competitions like Business blaster, Business quiz, Best manager, Ad dazzle, Corporate parade and As you like it etc.

The **Vitta and Vrithik club** helped students demonstrate their management expertise by holding a variety of competitions throughout the year including Case Analysis, Business Debate, Jingles Creation, Brand Ambassador, Poster Making, Group Discussion, and Product Launch. In addition to the publications by faculty members, five PGDHRD students have also contributed two papers to the journal of the Oriental Institute, a UGC-approved, Group I, peer-reviewed, and refereed journal. About 42 students have completed the online courses like (offered through the NPTEL Platform) Design Thinking - A Primer, Psychology of Everyday, Stress Management, Patent Drafting for Beginners, Environment and Development, and Classical Sociological Theory.



## Department of Computer Science

The department had a productive year with many academic and co-curricular activities. To obtain the greatest expertise, guest lectures, workshops, seminars, and training sessions were held. The Director of **Steps Knowledge Services Private Limited** Mr. V.S. Ramesh conducted a practical session demonstrating the significant components of the kit-(IoT and embedded system) light, humidity sensors, ADC and DAC, potentiometer, display monitor and processor through an experiential hands-on learning in the Faculty Development Programme "**Internet of Things**".

In the "Institution-Industry interaction with Tringapps, Madurai" Mr. Prashanth Gnanadesikan, Senior Technical Head, Tringapps Chennai Division acted as the resource person and discoursed on Top IT Trends and Prediction such as Accelerated Digital Transformation, Artificial Intelligence, Internet of Things, Cyber security and 5G Network.

The intercollegiate meet "TECHVISTARA 2022" was held on 18<sup>th</sup> October 2022 with the theme "Expanding Horizons by Creating and innovating Sustainable Technology", aligned on par with United Nations SDGs. Various Arts and Science Colleges in and around Madurai were invited on campus to exhibit their talents in competitions such as Paper Presentation, Quiz, Mime, Software Debugging, Graphical Output and Model from e-waste.

One of our faculty members Dr. Melba Rosalind completed her Ph.D. on the research topic "ASPECT

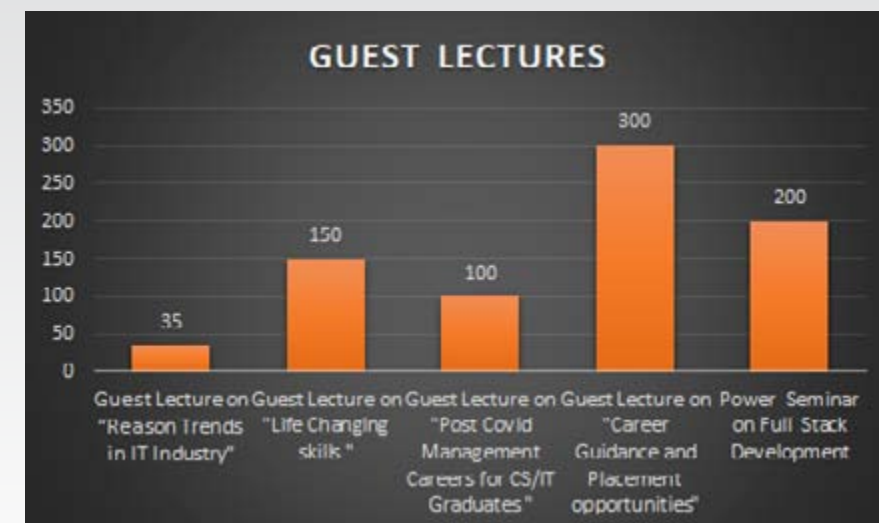
- BASED SENTIMENT ANALYSIS ON ONLINE COURSE REVIEWS USING MACHINE LEARNING ALGORITHMS" during the academic year 2022-2023 in the field of machine learning.

Ms.P. Sudhasini published a book chapter titled "Grouping of Mushroom 5.8s rRNA Sequences by implementing Hierarchical Clustering Algorithm" in the Book title "Applications of Machine Learning and Deep Learning on Biological Data"

Dr. Melba Rosalind published a book chapter titled "Computer Communication and Signal Processing - Predicting Students' Satisfaction towards online courses using Aspect-Based Sentiment Analysis" in the eBook "Springer Nature Switzerland AG 2022".

The Department of Computer Science and CGPC jointly organized an Industry-Institution interaction on 16<sup>th</sup> February 2023 with Sprout Knowledge Solutions Pvt. Ltd., Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu, India. The programme focused on elucidating the software courses in an interactive and interesting way to the students across all age groups and also gave an insight on how to generate new ideas by changing the thinking towards "How are you doing?".

On behalf of the Department of Computer Science an Institution-Industry Interaction was organized with JJ Transformation Solutions, Madurai on 6<sup>th</sup> April 2023. The Resource Person Mr. Rufus Nirmal Sujai explained about the need for statistical analysis, robotics and cyber security projects in order to prevent the people's data from being attacked.





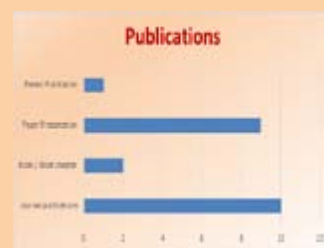
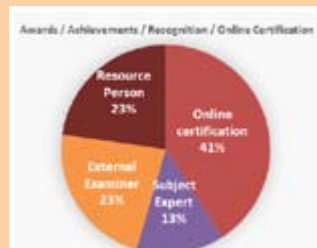


The above visual presentation displays the various guest lectures organized by the Department of Computer Science.

To up-skill themselves the faculty members of the Department of Computer Science participated in various programmes such as National / International Conferences, Seminars and Webinars, Workshop, Faculty Training Programmes and published papers in various Books and Journals.

Mrs. R. Sangeetha served as a resource person in the National Level Workshop on “Cloud Computing” organised by Department of Computer Applications, Idhaya College for Women, Sareugani on 26<sup>th</sup> november 2022. Dr.N.Jayachandra served as a resource person in the International conference on Data Analytics in/ Business, Marketing & Finance - ICDABMF ‘23 in Nadar Saraswathi College of Arts and Science, Madurai on 9<sup>th</sup> February 2023.

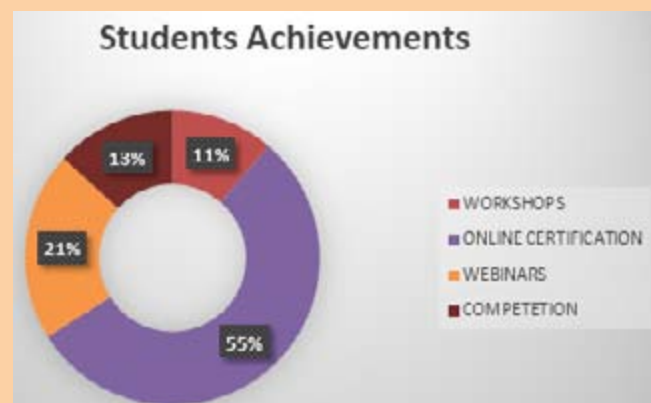
Dr. T. R. Sivapriya served as a resource person in the National Level Conference on Artificial Intelligence for Digital Transformation in the Department of Information



Technology, Arul Anandar College, Karumathur on 15<sup>th</sup> March 2023.

The students completed various Online courses and got certified on various courses (NPTEL, ICTACT, ANDROID, MATHWORKS, LEARNATHON).

The students participated in various Intercollegiate Meet conducted by various colleges (The American College, Fatima College, Mepco College, Mannar College) and won prizes. Their achievements were given as pictorial representation.



## Department of Fashion Designing

The Department of Fashion Designing, loaded with dynamic youngsters exhibit creativity by organizing a variety of events including guest lectures, training, conferences, competitions, fashion shows and workshops, to provide best exposure to staff and students.

The **‘ELAN’ Club** of the Department of Fashion Designing has actively organized enlightening programmes throughout the year. The Club celebrated the Handloom Day on 30.08.2022 and conducted a Draping competition to honour the weavers and create awareness on hand-woven fabrics. Fashion show competition - FIESTA '22 was held on the theme ‘Contemporary Styles of Kerala’. A workshop on jewellery painting was held where Mr. Arun Kumar of

Camlin contributed his artistic knowledge on how to embellish gems with imaginative patterns. By taking home awards in competitions held by fashion institutes and other schools, like the Designer Contest, Fashion Photography, Fashion Show, etc., the students of the Fashion Designing department have brought honour and pride to the department.

Ms. Harisha, a distinguished alumnae, shared the industrial experience through an interactive session with all UG students on 28.02.23.

“Photography is catching a moment which is passing, and which is true.” A fashion photography competition was conducted on 18.02.2023. An event titled “ANYTHING BUT BACKPACK (NO BAG DAY)” – with

an objective to appreciate and enhance creative and innovative thinking was held on 18.02.2023. Colours Day was celebrated on 4.03.2023 with the splash of colours. Workshop on “Textile Screen Printing” was held on 15.11.2022. Fashion Illustration workshop was conducted on 17.03.2023 titled “Portrait Sketching and techniques”.

To improve the overall teaching-learning process and overcome the obstacles ahead, the department has been encouraging young talents in a variety of areas. Ms. J. Josalin Jemima Gnanamary, Assistant Professor of Fashion Designing won the International Twin

world record, whilst a team performed Bharatanatyam continuously for one hour in Cholan Book of World Record held on 13.11.2022. Through numerous social media platforms and websites, many aspiring company owners have launched their own blogs. Ms. Sameera Banu from the III B.Sc. (Fashion Designing) received the Favourite Jewellery Art Chic Bangles Winner Award at the Madurai Business Awards, which were hosted by Midtown Events and Nigal. At their Portfolio Presentation on 11.4.2023, the students of the Department of Fashion Designing displayed their ingenuity and originality via a magnificent performance of their developed clothing.







## The small wonders on campus

We, a small group of students and faculty, name ourselves the Moth seekers, butterfly watchers and many more random names, as and when we congregate to explore the natural wonders in our campus and outside. We are frequently exposed to some gorgeous, grotesque, fluttering, and eerie creatures that intrigues us to capture and cherish these beauties. The instantaneous posting of the images in our group piques our interest, and we begin to compete with one another to identify the common name, the genus, the species, whether it is a resident species or a migrant, is it common to our location, have we stumbled upon a rare find? These interactions are truly fascinating. More than 50 species of butterflies, 4 types of frogs, 6 types of lizards, skinks, and still counting the dragonflies, moths, and spiders have been identified thus far. We are surrounded by thousands of small wonders which we fail to observe because of our busy lives. Sit quietly in a tranquil place on the College campus and observe, you will definitely find some of these incredible beauties!

**Dr. Priyatharsini Rajendran**

*Associate Professor and Head, Department of Zoology*

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## Centre for Environmental Studies (CES)



The academic year 2022–2023's theme, "Towards Zero waste campus," inspired the Centre for Environmental Studies to take steps to create a healthy and trash-free campus. Lady Doak College believes in maintaining a sustainable ecosystem! Initiatives like Guava sapling plantation on October 2, Green Tamil Nadu Mission (Government of Tamilnadu) & Green Bharat Abhiyan by the Government of India were taken to enhance the green cover to restore the environment for a healthy living. A herbal garden was inaugurated in collaboration with the Department of Botany on September 30, 2023 to educate the students about the uses of medicinal plants and their benefits.

Lady Doak College believes in the power of teamwork that requires partnership. Successful collaboration makes the most of each team member's distinct viewpoints, fosters a sense of empowerment among them, and opens up new channels for real-time communication. In partnership with Stella Maris Sustainable Development (SMSD), Students Hub of Stella Maris College (Autonomous), Chennai, and United Nations' SDSN Youth and SDG Students, Lady Doak College in association with Student Cabinet organized a zonal level (Madurai, Theni, Dindigul and Tenkasi) SDG Girl's Championship 2022 Program. World Water Day was observed with nearly 5000 students taking pledge towards World Water Day to mark the occasion and participated in a signing campaign.

*Manjappai Campaign* Programme was organized by LDC EcoBrigade with Centre for Environmental Studies in collaboration with "Manjappai Foundation" an organisation, promoting usage of cloth bags for environmental protection held on March 15, 2023.

Cleanliness measures were taken where fixed metal dustbins were placed in the appropriate locations in our college campus to maintain cleanliness and sanitation of the campus. The college installed five sanitary napkin incinerators in the Faculty and Student restrooms to ensure an easy and simple method of disposal of napkins by burning the pads in an environment-friendly way.

### Unnat Bharat Abhiyan – A flagship - Ministry of Education

On January 11, 2023, the Centre for Environmental Studies launched a campaign with the slogan "Creating awareness on Plastic ban and Promotion of Eco-friendly materials (Manjappai)" in the adopted villages of Velichanatham, Malaipatti, Pulanpatti, Meenakshipuram, and Chinnalapatti. Unnat Bharat Abhiyan team from the Lady Doak College's Centre for Environmental Studies visited the UBA villages of Velichanatham, Maalaipatti, Pulanpatti, Meenakshipuram, and Chinnapatti in order to start a transformational change in the rural development process and to analyse the needs of the village and educate the next generation about the need of maintaining a clean and green town.

The Centre for Environmental Studies has been working relentlessly to educate people from all social classes on healthy living and to participate in the creation of environmentally friendly and long-term solutions and will continue striving to reach success through service.

**Ms. M. Lakshmi & Dr. P. Sakthieaswari**  
Co-ordinators, CES



## Centre for Human Rights Education (CHRE)

The centre has been active in spreading a word of awareness to the Lady Doak community on Human Rights Education. Guest lectures and other events focusing on human rights and responsibilities have been organised by the Centre for Human Rights Education (CHRE). Nearly 400 students from the Aided and Self-financed streams who undertook the course "Human Rights and Duties" were benefited from the special guest lectures on the topic of "Indian Constitution," delivered by Dr. Anita Tiphagne from the Department of Social Sciences.

On September 20, 2022, the Centre additionally organised an On-the-Spot Study (OSS) and went to various locations. The participation of around 600 students from the 2020 batch led by 13 professors had hands-on experience which eventually improved their fieldwork. Human Rights Day and the Martin Macwan Annual Endowment Lecture were both held on November 25, 2022, at Lady Doak College.

"Equality implies individuality." Lady Doak college firmly advocates the maxim "All Human All Equal". Advocate, Selva Gomathy, the Joint Director – SOCO Trust; Managing Trustee, Justice Shivaraj Patil Foundation from Madurai delivered the Martin Macwan Annual Endowment lecture and enlightened the students on the theme of equality and discussed

further on the necessity for women to be aware of breaches of human rights citing on several recent infractions that she has battled.

Many OSS were held in various locations, and students received practical instruction during in-depth field trips.

Series of informational guest lectures were organised like the "Right to Information Act – An Overview" by Mr. K. Samidurai that focused on the prominent provisions related to RTI including Section 6 of the Act that mandates timely response to a request for information by a citizen. It even allows a citizen "to obtain any information under this Act" by requesting in writing or through electronic means accompanied by such fees as may be prescribed. The provisions of Sections 8, 9, 11 & 24 dealing with provisions of disclosure and non-disclosure of the information and regarding parliamentary discussions, problems connected to atomic energy, and crime against women were all clarified. He cited Justice Banumathy as saying that "crime against women is not only a crime against women, it's a crime against fundamental rights and human rights." The students learned from this presentation how a woman may make more space in her life despite the challenges she encounters.

**Dr. S. Julie Ranee & Dr. A. Margaret Divya**  
Convenors, CHRE







## International Study Centre (ISC)

### International Service-Learning Programme

After a hiatus of almost three years, the International Service-Learning Programme (ISLP) 2022 was hosted on campus by the ISC between 11 July and 12 August 2022 with three students participating from the International Christian University, Japan. This was the first of the in-person international activities from the ISC post-COVID.

### Service-Learning Asia Network Business Meeting (SLAN)

Ms. Hannah Sophiah Samuel, representing Lady Doak College, participated in the virtual SLAN Meeting 2022 on July 1, 2022, hosted by the International Christian University, Japan. A total of 15 institutions from around Asia participated, with each member presenting their role in promoting service-learning amongst students.

### ISC Club

With our campus life affected in all ways imaginable by the effects of the pandemic, it was delightful to have our own Oberlin Shansi Representative on campus again, after a break of two years, with the arrival of Ms Phoebe von Conta in September 2022. The ISC Club had an eventful year beginning with the Certificate courses, Korean and Mandarin Language Learning Programme, organised through the Association of Christian Universities and Colleges conducted in two phases. Nine students attended the two-day session with the topic "Fool-proofing Tomorrow: Lessons from the COVID-19 Pandemic and Solutions for the Future, a Student's Perspective" at the ACUCA Student Camp on October 7 and 8, 2022. On March 24, 2023, there was a discussion on Korean popular culture.



### Promoting Inclusive Democracy for Young Leaders

8 UG students from the Departments of English, Social Sciences, and Business Administration are attending a one-year certificate course on "Promoting Inclusive Democracy for Young Leaders" between September 2022 and August 2023. It is jointly organised by the U. S. Consulate General Chennai and Justice Shivaraj V. Patil Academy for Democratic Values, a unit of Society for Community Organisation (SOCO) Trust, Madurai. As an initiative to create awareness on Dalit Rights, a movie screening was organised as part of the activities of this course, where the award-winning documentary, *India Untouched*, was screened. A virtual lecture on Know Your Rights (3 April 2023) was conducted as part of the activities as well. Mr. Farvez Basha D., the guest speaker is a Project Fellow at the University of Madras. The students will engage in a week-long internship at the Member of Parliament, Mr. Su. Venkatesan's office in June 2023 as part of the programme.

### Student Exchange

One of the major aftermaths of COVID on academia was the shutting down of in-person international exchanges for students and faculty. The international student exchange programmes resumed this year with an overwhelming number of virtual and in-person exchange opportunities for our students.

### Guests from Overseas

Prof. Kondo from the International Christian University, Japan visited LDC as an observer of the ISLP conducted this year (11 - 25 July 2022). Ms. Jennifer

Hardacker and Dr. Keya Mitra were on campus from 11 January to 13 January 2023 on a Reconnaissance visit from Pacific University to revive the partnership between LDC and Pacific. This visit was hugely beneficial to both the institutions and helped us explore new ideas. ISC plans to host a Cultural Immersion programme for Pacific students in the Summer of 2024. Ms. Joanna Itaoh (sister of Cynthia Dettman, former Oberlin rep. in LDC) and her husband, Mr. Shigeto Itaoh visited our campus and conducted a workshop on post-graduate studies in Japan and the United States. The programme focused on the application process, requirements for studying in the US and Japan, and the opportunities available for Indian students. Mr. Gavin Tritt, Executive Director of Oberlin Shansi, visited LDC in the first week of March 2023 to reconnect and plan future collaborations. Mr Gavin had a lunch-meet with the Oberlin Shansi Alumni during the visit. He interacted with the ISC Club students and the ISC faculty team to learn about the activities that happen in ISC. He also met with potential FEPA candidates for an information session for the Oberlin Shansi Visiting Scholar programme 2023-2024. 2 faculties and 2 students from SUSS visited LDC for furthering their association with LDC from 14 - 18 March 2023. The ISC club members and volunteers accompanied SUSS students on various recon trips to partner organisations within Madurai. The visit strengthened the bond between SUSS and LDC through various interactions with the ISC team, Centre for Women's Studies, and administrative team.

Hannah Sophiah Samuel & S. Vrushaa  
Coordinators, ISC

## Centre for Women's Studies (CWS)

The Centre for Women's Studies attempted to improve employability skills and boost women's participation in the workforce with the introduction of two skills-based courses on food processing technology and nutrition & dietetics. Around 18 students have successfully completed the courses with intense hands-on training and relevant industry internships. We are further enriched with the post pandemic revival of annual events and networks with the District Legal Services Authority and the Tamil Nadu Rural Livelihoods Mission to host the annual bazaar for products made by women self-help groups in Madurai and the weekly

visits of a lawyer from the District Legal Services Authority, who receives legal complaints free of cost from the College community. The gender specific targets of Sustainable Development Goals and Goal 5 – Achieve Gender Equality and Empower all Women and Girls, were specifically focussed in all our programs and activities in this past one year.

To enhance Effective, Responsive, Accountable and Transparent Institutions of Marriage, students were taught the importance of mediation skills. To eliminate all forms of violence against all women and girls in the public and private spheres, including trafficking and





sexual and other types of exploitation, the World Day against Human Trafficking was observed and deliberated upon with the Family Court Judge, Inspector of District Women's Crime Prevention Unit, Department of Social Welfare, One Stop Centre of Nirbhaya Fund and Voice Foundation, Madurai. To ensure universal access to sexual and reproductive health-care services, students interacted with a panel of experts of a gynaecologist, mental health care professional and a dietician to emphasise on the need for a multipronged approach to women's health, led by Cyster Care, Chennai.

To promote decent work and economic growth of women, CWS with sustained collaboration with the Counselling Unit and Centre for Environmental Studies has conducted two skills training programs on catering services and kitchen gardening among destitute women of the Association of Arulagam. To enhance the use of technology, in particular information and communications technology, to promote the empowerment of women, CWS with the Counselling Unit and Centre for Information Technology conducted a program on "Introduction to Cyber wellness" and engaged in an evidence based Collaborative research project on "Roadmap to Safe Cyberspace for Young Girls and Women", carried out by Dr. Sangeetha, Coordinator, Centre for Information Technology.

The localised gender-based indicators of inequality and discrimination to achieve the targets of SDGs, were highlighted through the production of short films/

documentaries on women in an international media workshop, sponsored by the Association KARANGAL, Nyon, from 22nd February - 7th March 2023. 15 students were trained in film making skills. Emboldened with knowledge on human rights and fundamental freedom, they deliberated on how to eliminate the various forms of discrimination against women with landless poor women, and successful women entrepreneurs and shaped powerful narratives for their films, based on the information gathered. The films looked at opposing the effects of discrimination and asked questions related to stereotype body images, property rights of women, dowry system and economic independence of women with inclusive entrepreneurial initiatives.

An intercollegiate regional workshop on Gender and Caste co-sponsored by the Student Christian Movement of India, Bengaluru enabled us as a community of faculty, students and SCMI team members to examine the forms of caste-based discrimination within higher education campuses and reflect on the impacts of caste-based gender violence. Reflections were facilitated on how to move towards equality and inclusion, by the SCMI team from Bengaluru. On 15th November 2022, to nurture a space for sharing of experiences as a tool to heal the wounds of sexual violence, Uliyin Oli Members of Centre for Women's Studies, Lady Doak College and Women's Forum of the American College, conducted a program at the American College, Madurai. Women students from both institutions reflected deeply on the challenges faced in addressing harassment. The

deep sense of shame which made conversations on harassments a taboo, and the complex consequent emotions along with the institutional barriers imposed on women's progress were discussed.

A special highlight is the International Women's Day observed on the theme "DigitALL – Innovation and Technology for Gender Equality on 8th March 2023. Mrs. Naveena Swamy, founder and CEO of Maxelerator Foundation, Madurai as the chief guest invited all students to create digital products that will combat the intrusions of legitimate cyber citizenship of women.

We are further encouraged that the College of Experiential and Multi-Disciplinary Learning of the

Singapore University of Social Sciences joins hands with CWS, Lady Doak College to enable students to build narratives on gender inequality in families/communities and how it can be addressed by the individual/community/families, and government policies. The project includes narratives using media and involves content building and film making workshops, that are due to be held twice a year in June and January of each semester of the academic session!! So, we invite all students and faculty to stay tuned with the Centre for Women's Studies!!!

**Dr. Ann Nirmala Carr**  
Coordinator, CWS

## Centre for Entrepreneurship Development (CED)



Economic independence has long been a major focus to empower women at Lady Doak College. The year began with the multidisciplinary team of faculty members of the Centre for Entrepreneurship Development completing the Innovation Ambassadors Advanced level training certified by the Institutions Innovation Council, Ministry of Human Resource Development and Ministry of Education. A series of online lectures on Design Thinking & Critical

Thinking, Incubation and Pre-Incubation, Innovation for Entrepreneurship and IPR for Entrepreneurship delivered by illustrious professionals hailing from reputed institutions gave an enriching experience to all. More than seven hundred students from the II UG actively participated as the lectures focused on shaping problem solving and critical thinking skills and promoting positive role models and stories of successful women led enterprises.





Lady Doak college believes in dreaming big and achieving big! Startups are crucially the engine of economic growth. Around 15 students pitched their ideas and business plans for initiating their own enterprises: a. EMPRESA b. DREAM START UP and c. NEXT BIG IDEA. Through internships and product development workshops, pre-incubation activities also sought to introduce interested students to the evolving business culture and practices and to improve their digital abilities. Through this they could design the tools required to put their company ideas into action.

Six teams of five members each from the department of computer science, who had completed their LiFE projects were trained at the Maxelerator Foundation, Madurai to develop IOT based solutions to the problems identified from the communities. They have created IOT based products for mapping water levels to plan crop irrigation, for visually challenged people to deliver commands to their guiding sticks, GPS management for emergency response systems. Four faculty teams from Dindigul and Coimbatore districts submitted interesting ideas to a hackathon for faculty members of higher education institutions on addressing the gender specific targets of Goal 5 of the Sustainable Development Goals.

The Students Trade corner became a sought-after space when students were invited to put up trade/

selling corners all over the campus for one month under the aegis of the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Entrepreneurship Month in October 2022. Sales and promotional expos of traditional food products, handmade jewelry, artifacts, and even scented candles made from solar powered wax from the students of the Physics department made the celebration of the National Women Entrepreneurship Day successful.

Through the delivery of 22 vocational skills courses, Skill Development has improved students' knowledge, attitudes, and entrepreneurial abilities. Vocational courses and technology skills in maintenance of appliances/vehicles, making of aromatic self-care products, organic farming, creative arts, video/ photography and digital skills widened and enriched the experience of students. Collaborations with industry partners led to the development of professional skills in students.

Lady Doak college has taken a huge leap from being a training partner to a training centre status for the 2023-24 academic session with the approval of three new courses for students in Apparels & Home Furnishings, IT & ITES and Food Processing sectors and this marks the new beginning of the coming year.

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

## Career Guidance and Placement Cell (CGPC)

### Training Programme

- Reunion Programme with Madura Coats on 16.06.2022 with 2 Alumna, 5 Experts from the Company, Computer science Students and Staff attended.
- Placement Training on Industrial Expectations – Honeywell Experts on 06.08.2022
- 100 Students Trained, 6 Students “Microsoft Certified: Azure AI Engineer Associate”
- Big Data Analytics – Gyan Cast (Computer Science Department students) - Webinar Series’ on ‘Machine Learning’ on 24.08.2022, 36 Students attended.
- Naan Muthalvan – Government exams and Placement on 23.09.2022, 59 Students attended.
- Special Lecture – Career Opportunities - Madurai Employment Exchange Experts on 28.10.2022 , 227 Students attended.
- Competitive Exam Awareness Camp – Vetri Tamila on 12.11.2022, 120 Students attended.
- Vidhvaa - Competitive Exam / Quiz on 19.01.2022, 265 Students attended.
- CGPC and UPSC Study Circle - Cognitive ability (Qualitative & Quantitative) on 19.01.2022 & 20.01.2022, 145 Students attended.
- ICT ACADEMY- LEARNATHON 2022, 7 students completed.
- Institution - Industry - Interaction - Sprout Knowledge Solutions Pvt. Ltd.
- Department of Computer Science and Career Guidance and Placement Cell on 16.02.2023,



Computer Science Department students attended.

- Department of Business Administration and Career Guidance and Placement Cell in collaboration with T.I.M.E Institute organized the Training Programme on 09-03-2023.

### Placement Drive

- TVS Supply chain on 08.08.2022 , Attended - 98 Students , Selected - 5 Students.
- Pick your Trail on 18.10.2022, Attended - 59 Students, Offered - 27 Students, Accepted - 3 Students.
- HCL on 20.12.2022, Attended - 158 Students, HCL - 24 students selected.
- Opportunity at ACCENTURE on 04.01.2023, Registered -105 Students, Attended - 84 Students, Selected - 59 Students.
- ETV & News 7 on 24.01.2023, Attended- 9 Students Selected - 1 Student.
- Job Fair (7 Companies) on 20.01.2023 , Attended- 85 students, Selected - 70 Students

1. KGISL
2. TAAC
3. Conti Trainers
4. Akshaya Academy
5. Indian Public School
6. Canbridge English Academy
7. Nice

### Education

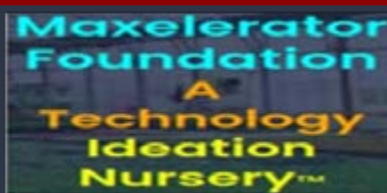
- Mahatma School on 11.01.2023, Attended - 41 Students, First round Selected - 27 Students, Selected - 9 Students.
- Quintessence Business Solution on 08.02.2023, Attended -34 Students, Selected - 21 Students.
- ILM on 09.02.2023, Attended - 64 Students, Selected - 60 Students.
- TCS – 14 Students selected.
- Placement Drive – Rainbow International Educate on 18.04.2023 on 18.04.2023, 43 students attended, 16 students selected.
- Job Fair (11 Companies) – 28.04.2023 at JXM Auditorium, 126 students attended, 68 students selected.

**Dr. Lt. S. Sangaranachiar**  
Placement Officer





## PLACEMENT COMPANIES



## Centre for Communications and Multimedia (CCM)

The centre's incredible accomplishments this year have kept Lady Doak College up to date with the most recent developments in technology and multimedia. Thanks to the timely instruction, training sessions and workshops from various experts that have helped the faculty to be updated and equipped with all information. An online course titled "Literature and Gerontology" designed by Dr. Hillela P and sponsored by UBCHEA was successfully launched in Udemy with the able assistance of CCM.

The National level Faculty Development Program on "Digital Pedagogies for Achieving Sustainable Development Goals in Education- Equitable Quality Education and Skill Development" was organized in collaboration with AIACHE. To equip the faculty with current ICT-enabled technology, Techno Sharing Sessions on "Tools for Interactive Teaching and Learning," "Puzzle Tools," and "Demo of Ubcast (Video Management Platform)" were conducted. The centre took the initiative to create and launch LDC MOOC. Faculty members generated educational resources that were shared with the campus community through the Moodle platform. A few faculty members have contributed to the production of e-content and translation of MOOCs

given in SWAYAM through EMMRC at Madurai Kamaraj University.

Under the competent leadership of the active local chapter SWAYAM, Lady Doak College, around 177 students completed NPTEL courses, of whom 14 earned Elite+Silver and 17 Elite certificates. 8 Faculty members have been recognized as Mentors for the NPTEL MOOC Courses. Students' Audio Visual (AV) Club was inaugurated by the wildlife Photographer Mr. Raveendran Natarajan. A total of 54 submissions were collected online for the AV Club members' photography contest. For a three-day photography camp run by DHAN Foundation with assistance from the HCL Foundation, Guna Varshini C of II B.Sc. Biotechnology and Shahithya Chinnamani M of II B.Sc. Computer Science were chosen.

The camp themed as 'Minute Matters in Biodiversity' was set up in and around Madurai area in the revered woods called "Koyil Kadu" locally. A Photowalk to Kaarangadu Bird Sanctuary, Ramnad was organized for AV Club Students in collaboration with Iragukal Trust.

**Dr. T. R. Sivapriya & Dr. D. Hema**

*CCM Coordinators*

**Ms. R. Deepa & Ms. V. Meenakshi**

*AV Club Coordinators*







## Centre for Music (CFM)

*Sing unto God, sing praises to his name: extol him that rideth upon the heavens by his name JAH, and rejoice before him. - Psalms 68:4*

The Centre for Music is an ideal destination for music enthusiasts seeking to immerse themselves in the art of music and appreciate its beauty. It offers abundant opportunities, not only to revel in the melodies but also to acquire knowledge and actively participate in the musical journey. One of the main objectives of the Centre for Music is to provide opportunities for students to develop their musical skills and gain valuable performance experience. To achieve this, the centre offers long-term music courses in Piano, Keyboard, Guitar, Violin, Veena, Drums, Carnatic Vocal and Western Vocal.

The courses offered by the centre are taught by highly skilled musicians, ensuring an exceptional and professional learning experience for all the students enrolled. The students are also given the opportunity to participate in a recital where they can showcase what they have learned during their course of study, and they are evaluated based on their performance and consistency.

The major services of the choir include Carol Service, Lenten Service and Thanksgiving Service. The CFM students lead prayer songs for different events organized by clubs, departments, and the college in general. Furthermore, they have enthusiastically taken part in various competitions outside such as ICM at Fatima College and won II prize and ICM at Arul Anandar college and won I prize in A cappella competition, representing the college at both district and state levels, and have achieved success by winning prizes. During the Christmas season CFM students participate in carols organized by various churches and institutions. The Centre for Music commemorated the 25<sup>th</sup> year of this formation by joining hands with Kodai

## Christian Activity Centre (CAC)

The Christian Activity Centre offers emotional and spiritual nurture to the college community, hosting many programmes throughout the year.

The centre is invariably on its toes to provide spiritual and emotional support to the Lady Doak fraternity and conducts numerous programmes to keep all focussed and nurtured. On July 14, 2022, the day of the college's birthday, a special worship service was held to commemorate the institution's 75th birthday.



International School who performed a Musical Concert. The Centre for Music also hosted Bliss' 23 - A Musical Evening and Musical Recital. The CFM conducted annual competitions called Blizz '23 for the students to showcase their talents in the field of music. CFM representatives participate in the monthly gathering of the college community - 'Harmony' bringing happiness through their musical performances. The CFM also took part in the celebration of the College's 75<sup>th</sup> year and gave a special performance. Overall, the Centre for Music plays an important role in the campus community, providing opportunities for students to explore their musical passions, gain valuable experience, and connect with like-minded individuals.

**Dr. Evangeline Esther David**  
Convenor, Choir & CFM

Faculty members had the privilege of attending the annual retreat at 'His Rest', Saranhangi.

The conduct of confirmation classes on campus has been reintroduced after decades. Four resident students attended the classes and were confirmed by Rt. Rev. Dr. M. Joseph (Former Bishop, Madurai & Ramnad Diocese) on 13th June 2022 at the Wilcox Chapel.

Regular Bible studies gave resident students the opportunity and space to reflect on biblical ideas while



also inspiring them to read the Bible more passionately. Individual and group Bible contests held by the SCM promoted teamwork and provided a stage for students to showcase their skills.

The centre strives to build each individual as good Samaritans to reach the unreached! Outreach ministries were effectively carried out in addition to on-campus events for students, wardens, teachers, and non-teaching personnel. In addition to visiting orphanages, resident students also taught special sessions on Sundays. They also visited patients admitted in the Christian Mission Hospital, interacted with them, and shared the love of God.

"Prayer is the inner bath of love into which the soul plunges itself." The weekly prayer fellowships and chain prayers gave spiritual strength and support to the college community. Bible-based competitions and get-togethers for non-teaching staff have become sought after programmes that bring together students, teachers, and non-teaching staff.

Christian student leaders had the opportunity of listening to global leaders who have impacted society

through the Global Leadership Summit Programme. To sensitise the young generation on gender issues, a regional level workshop was conducted on "Gender and Caste". This was a collaborative venture by the Student Christian Movement of India and the Centre for Women's Studies, Lady Doak College.

Commemorating Christ's sacrifice on the cross and the resurrection 'Easter Cantata', a colourful musical drama was staged by the India Youth Forum. During the Holy Week, faculty, non-teaching staff and students went on a procession with palm leaves singing hosanna. All the programmes conducted by the Christian Activity Centre brought forth a harmonious blend of joyful learning and charitable interpersonal relationship.

In accordance with this year's Christmas theme 'Jesus: The Light of the World', the Christian Activity Centre availed all opportunities to carry 'the Light' wherever possible.

Praise be to the One who works in and through us!

**Dr. C. Jessie Ranjitha Jebaselvi**  
Chaplain



## Centre for LiFE Frontier Engagement (LiFE)

"Service - learning is a pedagogy integrating academically relevant service activities that address human and community needs. Students connect knowledge and theory to practice by combining service with reflection in a structured learning environment." Lady Doak college has made strategic movements to render the best services to the community in various capacities. Focussing on this year's vision "Success to Significance", there were incredible achievements made by the college.

The historic and heritage site of Madurai, Arittapatti, has a long-standing relationship with Lady Doak College. With the help of the DHAN (Development of Humane Action) Foundation, Madurai, and the residents of

Arittapatti, the Department of History at Lady Doak College undertook their LiFE initiatives in Arittapatti from 2015 to 2018 after observing the village's potential. A total of 119 final-year undergraduate history major students were involved in the meticulous research process and undertook projects on tourism, birds, water resources, food, medicines, arts, monuments, temples and festivals, environmental protection, and women empowerment. In compliance with the required standards, the College supplied the essential data of all the LiFE research activities. The LiFE reports and data were considered as a valuable resource by the Tamil Nadu Biodiversity Board. The Government of Tamil Nadu proclaimed Arittapatti as the First Biodiversity





Heritage Site of Tamil Nadu on 22nd November, 2022, amidst the celebration of World Heritage Week.

Dr. G. Jayanthi Kalaivani and Mrs. Hannah Sophiah Samuel, from the departments of Chemistry and English, organised the Phase I programme - "Two-Day Capacity Building Workshop for Faculty on Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and Community Based Participatory Research (CBPR) through Service-Learning" on 22nd and 23rd August 2022 as a part of the two year project on "Service-Learning for Whole Person Education (SL-WPE) funded by the United Board for Christian Higher Education in Asia (UBCHEA).

Further the Centre for LiFE offered Service-Learning consultancy services to the Colleges that received funding from UBCHEA to either introduce Service-Learning into their curriculum or to strengthen the existing Service-Learning programme. The colleges listed below, Maris Stella College, Vijayawada, Scottish Church College, Kolkata, Women's Christian College, Chennai, Bishop Heber College, Tiruchirappalli, and Christ Deemed to be University, Bangalore actively participated in the sessions.

The Centre attempted to incorporate the features of the SAANSAD Adarsh Gram Yojana - Scheme of the Government of India together with SDGs in order to

strengthen the collaboration for the LiFE activities and projects. Dr. G. Jayanthi Kalaivani, Dr. Anita Tiphagne, and Ms. R. Vidhya Lakshmi, Assistant professors from Chemistry and Social Sciences department had a discussion with Mr. Su. Venkatesan on September 10, 2022 on the college's LiFE programmes. The research areas of Arittapatti, Veerapandi, Chinnapatti, and Thuvariman were finalised as focused study areas during a meeting with Mr. S. Saravanan, I.A.S., Additional Collector, Madurai, on December 30.

As part of the three day Service-Learning Workshop co-organized by UBCHEA and Lady Doak College on Participatory Learning and Evaluation, the LiFE centre organised the LiFE Open House on 31.03.2023 at the G.J. Auditorium. The final year undergraduate students of humanities and science disciplines exhibited their LiFE activities, research process and the reflections in a creative manner in the respective booths allotted to them. The visiting teams from the different Institutions highly acknowledged and appreciated the creative display of the community based participatory learning and research activities demonstrated by the students from all different disciplines.

**Dr. G. Jayanthi Kalaivani and Dr. T. Durga Devi**  
Coordinators, LiFE

## Centre for Human Resource Development (CHRD)



The Centre for Human Resource Development (CHRD) organises need-based training programmes throughout the year for the professional development of the faculty. The Centre promotes a culture of teaching excellence among the faculty members and has since expanded to train the non-teaching staff in communication and computer skills.

Many training programmes Training Programmes and Workshops were organized for the Academic Year 2022-23

S.No.	Activity	Date
1.	FDP on Innovative Assessment Methods for Learning Enhancement.	12.07.2022 & 13.7.2022
2.	State Level Workshop on "Public Financial Management System" Resource Persons: Mr. S. Francis, Senior Accounts Officer, Ministry of Finance – Government of India, New Delhi & Dr. P. Mehalingam, PFMS Nodal Officer, VHNSN College, Virudhunagar	16th & 17th August 2022
3.	Orientation on "Being an Effective Teacher" Resource Persons: Internal Faculty Members Target Group: Newly appointed faculty	8th & 9th September 2022
4.	Workshop on "Organisational Culture" Resource Person: Fr. Arun Antony Chully Director & Principal, Christ College, Pune	15th September 2022
5.	Orientation Programme on Communication Skills in English for Teaching Faculty by Cambridge University Press	5th January 2023
6.	Panimanai Kalvi: Enhancing Communication Skills in Tamil –Reading & Writing In collaboration with LiFE Students of Tamil Department	6th January 2023
7.	Reorientation Workshop on Design Thinking with Student Centric Approach (UBCHEA PROJECT) Resource Person Dr. Anbu Rathinavel Head - School of Design Thinking & Chief Design Officer Intellect Design Arena Ltd.	10th to 13th January 2023
8.	Workshop on "Teaching, Learning & Evaluation" Resource Person Dr. Edamana Prasad Professor, Department of Chemistry, Indian Institute of Technology - Madras & Head of Teaching Learning Centre at IIT Madras.	8th, 9th, 10th, 13th & 14th March 2023

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





## Centre for Information Technology (CIT)

The Center for Information Technology (CIT) at Lady Doak College has made significant strides in its infrastructural enhancements since its establishment in 1993. Initially starting with a 512 kbps connection, the CIT has now developed into a state-of-the-art technological hub. The network infrastructure is supported by single-mode fiber optic cables, which ensure high-speed and reliable data transmission. Additionally, a firewall is employed to maintain a secure environment for the network.

At present, the CIT provides a high-speed bandwidth of 200 Mbps through leased line connections, deployed via fiber optic cables across the campus with 145 access points. This ensures that students and faculty members have access to fast and reliable internet connectivity within a secure network environment. To maintain track of our students' activities and to be alert to any unusual events, our campus is watched by more than 200 CCTV cameras around the clock. Also CIT provides more than 40 biometric devices for attendance tracking.

To promote open-source software and foster a diverse learning environment, more than 50% of the computers in the CIT are installed with open-source operating systems such as Linux, along with applications like JAVA, C, C++, Python, Blender, Scilab, and Gimp. This allows students and faculty to explore and utilize a wide range of programming languages and tools.

Cloud-based solutions have been implemented to enable easy access to various academic and administrative services, starting from the admission process and continuing throughout a student's journey until their exit from the college. These solutions encompass features such as chatbot, attendance tracking for resident and non-resident students, e-assessments, exams, results, and feedback. By leveraging cloud technology, the college ensures that these services are accessible from anywhere, at any time.

The college is continuously working on upgrading its automation facilities. The goal is to develop a comprehensive database that houses all relevant college-related information. This database will facilitate efficient retrieval and usage of information for both academic and administrative purposes. By centralizing and digitizing data, the college aims to streamline its operations and enhance overall efficiency.

Overall, the Center for Information Technology at Lady Doak College has evolved into a cutting-edge facility, equipped with modern infrastructure and innovative solutions to meet the technological needs of the college community.

**Dr. S. Padmaja**, Co-ordinator, CIT  
& **Mrs. R. Sangeetha**, Assistant Co-ordinator, CIT



## Counselling Unit



*How good and pleasant it is when brothers live together in unity! - Psalm 133:1*

By the great mercy of the Almighty, Lady Doak College's counselling section received amazing opportunities for the academic year 2022–2023. This tranquil area on campus served to foster optimism in people's lives and the lives of other social groups by providing emotional support and spiritual nourishment.

The unique opportunities of the team include: a) the participation of the full-time counsellor, who was selected as one of the 5 participants from Tamil Nadu, in IVLP – International Visitors Leadership Programme organised and funded by the US Consulate and the US State Department of Cultural Affairs for the counsellors of semi-urban cities from 3rd July 2023 to 23rd July 2023 in the United States of America. The theme of the programme was 'Roadmap to safe cyberspace for young girls and women', b) Award of UBCHEA grant for the Peace Project of the College as part of the United Board's PE\_WPE followed by the inauguration of the

Peace Club, and c) Publication of an article on Women Research in the book titled 'Invisible to Visible: Role of Women in Development' in association with the Centre for Women's Studies.

Harmony – the monthly get-together, Value Added Course on 'Discovering the Real Self', Skill training programmes, Internship, Workshops, Support Groups and Group sessions for the Counselling Unit members, wardens, residential and non-residential students, extended community which is inclusive of the neighbouring schools and organisations were the other meaningful efforts taken by the members of the team. Relying on the divine purpose, the team will continue to function by making conscious efforts towards enhancing resilience, promoting peace and striking a right balance between human literacy and digital literacy in this era.

**Ms. J. Jaunita**  
Counselling Team





## Research & Development Cell (R&D)



*Research is formalized curiosity. It creates new knowledge...*

Lady Doak college has put in a lot of impetus to strengthen research and encourage researchers through acknowledgement and recognition. To hone research skills a discipline wise Manuscript Writing Workshop with discipline specific resource persons was conducted from 20th February to 13th March, 2023 benefiting many staff and students. Further, a workshop on data analysis using 'R' Programming was also conducted on 28th April, 2023.

The success of research has spread its boughs overseas. Dr. Mu.Akshaya from the department of Biotechnology is currently working as a post-doctoral researcher under the supervision of Prof. Olli Yli Harja in the Computational and Systems Biology Group, Faculty of Medicine and Health Technology in Tampere University, Finland. The title of the project is "Regulation of mitochondria function in Pediatric diffuse midline gliomas".

### AWARDS RECEIVED BY THE FACULTY:

- **Dr. Helen Mary Jacqueline**, Associate Professor of Economics, Dean of Academic Affairs, Lady Doak College, Madurai has been awarded **Best Academic Award** in Recognition and appreciation of outstanding performance in Administration, Teaching, Research and Publication towards Academic Excellence at University Putra, Malaysia on 23rd February 2023.
- **Dr. J.Nirmala Devi**, Associate Professor of Tamil, Lady Doak College, Madurai has been awarded **Best Academic Award** in Recognition

and appreciation of outstanding performance in Administration, Teaching, Research and Publication towards Academic Excellence at University Putra, Malaysia on 23rd February 2023.

- **Dr. M. Priyadharshini**, Assistant Professor of Business Administration, Lady Doak College, Madurai has been awarded **Maanbumigu Magalir Virudhu – 2023** by Vaagai Tamil Sangam on 25th March 2023.
- Postgraduate Teaching Programme in Biotechnology, Lady Doak College is recommended for financial support by the Department of Biotechnology, New Delhi on July 2022, with the sanctioned amount of Rs. 2,16,02,000/-

### AWARDS RECEIVED IN THE COLLEGE DAY

- **Early Career Award** was bagged by **Dr. Daisy Gohain** of the Department of English, **Dr. Beulah Mabel** of the Department of Business Administration and **Dr. P. Abirami** of the Department of Biotechnology, Lady Doak College.
- **Annual Research Award** was bagged by **Dr. Mu. Akshaya** of the Department of Biotechnology and **Dr. J. Nirmala Devi** of the Department of Tamil

**Dr. J. Vinita & Dr. A.Mahalakshmi**  
Coordinator(s), R&D Cell



## Centre for Value Education (CVE)

Value-based education lays a strong focus on the personality development of individuals to shape their future and reinforce their mindset to handle challenges with ease.

Lady Doak college holds prime importance to the holistic development of students. Through the conduct of numerous training programmes and guest lectures the centre had sensitised students on honing moral values and ethical standards. The Value Education centre held a faculty training programme for teachers on the theme "Healthy Transition from Adolescence to Adulthood". Mrs. C. Alice Eliza Sherin, the coordinator for MSW from the department of social sciences was the resource person. Nine VBC faculty members took active participation in the course.

Dr. Sankari, Chief of Obstetrics and Gynecology/ Infertility Specialist, Clarity Multi-specialty Hospital,

Madurai delivered a guest lecture on the topic 'Re-imagining Beauty' on 10.8.2022. Around 143 VBC and IVBC Students participated in this session. This was followed by one more Guest Lecture on 'Civic Rights and Family Life Education' on 8.8.2023 and 16.8.2022.

Mr. K. Samidurai, Senior Advocate from Madurai Bench of Madras High Court, Madurai was invited as the resource person. Around 655 VBC & IVBC Students from II UG SF took active part in the sessions. Guest Lecture on 'Pre-Marital Counselling' was conducted by the guest speaker Dr. Praisie, Assistant Professor from Velammal Medical College. Guest Lecture on 'Fundamental Duties and Family Laws' RP Mr. K. Samidurai, Senior Advocate, Madurai Bench of Madras High Court, Madurai was organised on 18.02.2023.

**Dr. Hepzibah Joseph & Dr. J. Jullie Prathiba**  
Convenors, CVE







## Part V - Extension Programme

Lady Doak College encourages students to work towards an ongoing path of volunteerism through its extension programmes. All the 10 extension programmes viz., National Cadet Corps (Army wing & Air wing), 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 LDC 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 10 extension programmes. As a compulsory component, each student in LDC exuberantly volunteered in all the Central and State government-initiated programmes. Few major extension programmes conducted by Part-V during 2022-2023 are highlighted below:

- Dr. M. Deepa and Dr. S. Sivakami, NSS Programme Officers attended **3 days training programme on 'Psychosocial Care during COVID-19' from 27<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> July 2022**, organised by Madurai Kamaraj University in collaboration with the National Institute of Mental Health and Neurosciences, Bengaluru and M.S. Chellamuthu Trust.
- **NSS students and Teachers participated in the Training Programme on "Basic Life Support (BLS)" on 10<sup>th</sup> August 2022.** Dr. Jude Vinoth and his team, Apollo Hospitals, Madurai explained the importance of Basic Life Support.
- **Part-V students took oath on "Drive Against Drugs" on 11<sup>th</sup> August 2022** along with the Honourable CM. Stalin M. followed by Police personnel from Tallakulam Police Station has created awareness about the POCSO act and highlighted the woman helpline number 181.
- **76<sup>th</sup> Independence Day Celebrations at LDC on 15<sup>th</sup> August 2022**, Part-V students actively participated in the cultural events which were followed by a tricolour rally and a walkathon on Drive against Drugs.
- Library Service Programme (LSP) students participated in the **Book Reading programme on 21<sup>st</sup> September 2022** along with Honourable Member of Parliament Dr. Venkatesan, organised by RJDCE and Madurai District Collector office.
- **Part-V students and Teachers Celebrated World Mental Health Day on 10<sup>th</sup> October 2022**, the session was organised by Dr. Dheep, Founder and Chairman, NCC TN battalion officer, Top kids

Foundation, Madurai & Department of Physical Education of LDC. In this session, Col. Rakesh Varma insisted on the importance of physical health and mental health and maintaining good relationships with others.

- **National NSS meet on 19<sup>th</sup> October 2022**-NSS students actively participated in the competitions such as art from waste, photography, poster making, poetry writing, and unity walk which was held at St. Xavier's College, Palayamkottai, Tirunelveli. The following students **P.Monisha - 22BBAE033, R.Swarna Meenakshi - 22BBAE062, Swathi R - 22BBAE063, N. Ramya Meenakshi - 22BBAE042, Nagamuthu Harini M - 22CORE034, Aashika M R - 22COBE001, Subhashri M A - 22BBAE061, Swarna Rathna A - 22CSCE043** won third prize in the unity walk.
- YRC, RRC and Rangering students attended **Breast Cancer Awareness Programme on 19<sup>th</sup> October 2022**, Dr. Deena Dayalan, Medical Oncologist, Assistant Professor, Madurai Medical College and Consultant Medical Oncologist, Apollo Speciality Hospital created awareness among students.
- **LEB students and faculty members attended the Workshop on Water Audit – on 26<sup>th</sup> October 2022**, Mr. Karthikeyan Nachiappan, Founder of Nanneer, A Public charitable trust emphasized and ensure water conservation and the importance of rainwater harvesting systems among students.
- YRC Students sensitized the students on **Road Safety on 26<sup>th</sup> October 2022**
- Part V students attended the **Voter's awareness programme – Walkathon on 9<sup>th</sup> November 2022**, organized by the Madurai collectorate office.
- **Part-V students and Teachers** participated in the **'National Minorities Rights Day' celebration on 18<sup>th</sup> Dec 2022** and imbibed the concept that everyone should 'treat all human communities equally'.
- **'NSS special camp' from January 6<sup>th</sup> -12<sup>th</sup>, 2023** LDC NSS Units 45-50 have organized a 'special camp' from January 6<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at Velichanatham, Malaipatti, Pulanpatti, Meenakshipuram, and Chinnapatti. 290 NSS students were learnt and inspired by the

NSS qualities such as leadership, teamwork, appreciating each other, and understanding the importance of rural development.

- **Rally Against Drug Abuse and Open Defecation on 7<sup>th</sup> January 2023** - The volunteers of NSS created awareness about the ill effects of drug abuse on 07.01.2023. To power up the rally, each student prepared handmade placards to reflect the ill effects of drug abuse in Chinnapatti village.
- **NSS –Medical Camp** was arranged on **9<sup>th</sup> January 2023 & 10<sup>th</sup> January 2023** with the support of Dr. Prabhakar, Orthopaedic Consultant, Dr. Alagarsamy, General Physician and eight other Nurses and medical staff of Devadoss hospital, Madurai and Meenakshi Mission Hospital, Madurai.
- **NSS – Veterinary Camp on 9<sup>th</sup> January 2023 & 11<sup>th</sup> January 2023** - The NSS units 45 & 49 of Lady Doak College, Madurai organized a veterinary camp for two villages along with Dr. Girija, Assistant Director, Dr. Ramalakshmi, Assistant Veterinary Doctor, Ms. Mahalakshmi, and Ms. Parvathi, Veterinary Assistant at Velichanattam & Meenakshipuram village in the outskirts of Madurai.
- **Rangering Special Camp – 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2023 & 24<sup>th</sup> January 2023** - Rangering students along with faculty experts and trainers attended the rangering camp which was organized along with Mr. Rajasekar, National Trainer, District Officer, Madurai Region, The Bharat Scouts and Guides, Ms. Shanmuga nachiar.
- **Blood Donation Camp – 25<sup>th</sup> January 2023** - YRC, RRC & NSS faculty members of Lady Doak College organized a "Blood Donation Camp" in Collaboration with the Government Rajaji

Hospital and HDFC Bank on 25<sup>th</sup> January 2023 at College Clinic.

- **Anti-Drug Club activities – 26<sup>th</sup> January 2023** -The President and Vice-President of NSS (I and II-year students) were trained by Ms. Juanita, the Counselor regarding the formation of an 'anti-drug club' and its key role in the fight against drugs.
- **Unsung Freedom Fighters of Tamil Nadu – a programme organized by the Central Bureau of Communication in the World Tamil Sangam Meeting Hall**
- **Govt. School Student's visit under Nan-Muthalvan scheme on 27.2.23** - Government school students (46 nos) and their teachers from Alanganallur, T. Ayyankottai, Kondayampatti, Achampatti, Muduvarpatti, Vellaiyampatti, Palamedu, T. Mettupatti were invited to visit Lady Doak College under Nan Muthalvan scheme to motivate Government school students to pursue higher education. **Ms. Dhanalakshmi (12<sup>th</sup> Std) from Government Girls Higher Secondary School, Alanganallur said that she got inspired by the college and vowed to do her higher education at Lady Doak College.** The programme was successfully convened by Dr. M. Dheepa, Ms. G. Priscilla and Dr. S. Sivakami - NSS Units 48, 49 & 50.
- **Dr. A. Mahalakshmi (Unit 45) and Dr. S. Sivakami (Unit 49)** attended **One-Day Training Programme on PUBLIC FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (PFMS) for the NSS Programme Officers on 08.03.2023.**

Dr. Anitha Selvaraj, Dr K. Sujatha  
& Mrs P. Poongodi  
Part-V Coordinators







## J.X. Miller Memorial Library

J.X.Miller Memorial Library functions with 9 Departmental Libraries and 5 Special Libraries with the Collection of 1,51,366 Books and 45 Periodicals 6000 E-journals.

29-09-2022	New Faculty Orientation -Lecture about Digital Library Lecture on KNOW YOUR LIBRARY- All UG Students (Morning Self Finance & Afternoon Aided)
29-09-2022	Organized Pattimantram- Nam Viduthalai Uravu Sollila-Seyalila- By All India Radio with Friends of the Library, UPSC Study Circle & Tamil Department.
30-09-2022	Library Collections for research and Review of Literatures ( Botany IIIrd B.sc & IInd PG)
03-10-2022	Friends of the Library (UPSC Study Circle) Department of Social Science- "Social Justice: by Dr. Thamizhachi Thangapandian, Member of Parliament.
07-10-2022	Digital Library / e-resources – Orientation <a href="https://www.ladydoakcollege.edu.in/Library_automation.html">https://www.ladydoakcollege.edu.in/Library_automation.html</a>
12-10-2022 & 14-10-2022	Book Exhibition/Inter departmental Quiz Competition base on "Books (Famous Ones, Authors Etc..) & LDC Staff-who has published books were honoured. They created awareness about the Importance of Reading and Writing
14-11-2022	Guest Lecture-Social Science III UG (Plagiarism & How access e-resources)
01-02-2023	Tamil ("மின்னூலகம்" - மின் வளங்கள், தரவுகளைப் பயன்படுத்தல்)

### RFID

09-01-2023	Phase I	Phase II
	Implementation of RFID Technology	RFID Label Pasting and Registration
	Installed RFID Two Panel Security Gate (Footpath Counter)	The tagging process was completed (From 11/01/2023 to 06/04/2023) for 96,390 Books
	Installed Tagging Software	The tagging processing will be completed in the month of MAY
	Installed Station Software	

### J.X.MILLER MEMORIAL LIBRARY SPECIAL ACTIVITIES

- Extension services – Helped Rotary Thirunagar in Establishing the Library.
- Madurai Public School – Assisted Library Collection Building
- External Expert - CAS – Three Colleges - Librarian Promotion Interview
- Guest Lecture – In Digital Era how to be an e -access expert and Guidance to crack competitive exams at Fatima College – for Whole Final Years .
- International - Clavirate – Attended Web of Science – Webinar Series - Online Resources – Research output
- Resource person for the Seminar organized by R.M.S.Sermathai Vasan College, Internal Quality Assurance Cell & V.P.R.G.Memorial Library on 08/03/2023
- Chief Guest for the HOSTEL DAY at Holy Cross College, Trichy on 19/03/2023, Honoured by Former Principal Dr. Elizebeth Rose and former Vice principal Dr.Petricia
- ISBN NUMBER is successfully allotted by the Raja Ram Mohan Roy Government Agency – Registered by the LIBRARY
- ASPIRE (ISSN-2229-4953) JOURNAL- 2 special issues got released.
- Vol.5, 2023 and Vol.6 2023 as an outcome of TWO INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES



## VISITORS TO ARCHIVES

- Faculty and Students are visiting the ARCHIVES regularly and utilizing the resources for their Project and for the reports.
- Mrs.Sakuntala (Paul) Samuelson (1973- 77 ) Dept. of Chemistry
- Niranjala Manorathy Edward (now-Premnath) -Australia (1975-78) Dept. of Special Mathematics visited archives with Mrs. Hepsil Ramani Mehanathan on 13-03-2023
- Rev.Dr.Godwin Rufuss Principal of Arul Anandar College, Karumathur, Madurai Visited on 03-04-2023
- A.Ahamed Riaz – Grand son of Mrs.Jawahar Nisha (Warden) - Batch 1950's
- Stephenie Duclos King, University of Toronto and Rukma Anil, French Institute of Pondicherry.. referred our Archival Collections from 17-04-2023 to 19-04-2023

## QUIZ CLUB

- Golden Jubilee-A V Tilak Inter-Collegiate Quiz Competition -conducted by Fatima College on 21-03-2023 Soundarya P J – 20His028 & Sarumathy A -21PHG008 Won the Overall Rolling Trophy

## National Level Certificate

- "Sanskriti Ke Rang" International Painting Competition 2022 -40 Students Participated and 7 won the medals
- Government of India Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports -NEHRU YUVA KENDRA-MADURAI -DISTRICT YOUTH CULTURAL FESTIVAL-YUVA UTSAV 2022-14 Students Participated
- Kalam's World Records : The Place of Legends -KALAM'S WORLD RECORDS 9 -7 Students Participated

## Annual Report of Library Services Program (2022 – 2023)

The students of the Library Services Program actively participated in many activities this academic year. The activities of LSP Units I and II commenced with their participation in "Puthaga Thiruvizha " conducted by the Collegiate Education department at Therku Masi Veethi, Madurai on 21.09.2022. This was

conducted to encourage the habit of reading among youngsters. The World Mental Health Day was observed on 9.11.2022 and students attended the guest lecture by Dr.Dheep, Psychiatrist and Founder of Top Kids Foundation who spoke about the importance of mental health. Col. Rakesh, NCC TN Battalion Officer spoke about the connection between body and mind and highlighted aspects such as how physical fitness promotes mental health. The Librarian Dr. Nachiar oriented students on library access, open & close user system and rainbow library project and her guidance helped the students gain in-depth knowledge about Library Service Programs throughout the semester . Students created awareness on Digital Library access to all the I UG year students of various Part V activities. Library maintenance and book arrangements were done by students. Book donation campaign was conducted and students created awareness in the college community about book donation. The collected books were donated to the inmates of the prison. Students visited the book exhibition at JX Miller auditorium and helped the College library with data entry, labeling and sealing of new books. 18 LSP students participated in National Minorities Rights Day held at The American College, Madurai. Students represented LSP in competitions and bagged prizes.

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







Our proud alumnae **Sharmila N** has received 'The Most Prestigious Alert Being Award' at the Music Academy, Chennai at the show inaugurated by Honorable Health Minister Thiru Ma Subramaniam. This is her 90th award as a social activist



Our proud alumnae (B.Sc special Physics) **Mrs. Usha Elangovan** received the international award titled 'BEST LIFE TIME ACHIEVER AWARD IN ART' organised by Women Icon in association with Times Women



Our dear proud alumnae **Mrs. Saraswathi Thiagarajan** (of 1964-68, Chemistry, LDC) is the contributing editor of 'தென்றல்' (THEENDRAL), a monthly magazine for Tamils living in North America. She has been featured in this month's magazine with her interview where she shares about her beautiful memories and the experiences.

## The Alumnae Association

*"No distance of place or lapse of time can lessen the friendship of those who are thoroughly persuaded of each other's worth"*

– Robert Southey

**A**nnual Alumnae Meet: On the first of April 2023, J.X. Miller auditorium buzzed with an unusual spirit of youth as the daughters of Lady Doak aged between eighty five and eighteen breezed in for the 70th Alumnae Annual Meet. Nearly 850 alumane gathered to recall memories, renew friendships, refresh dreams and reconnect with the alma mater. It was truly a rewarding time as their hearts were reloaded with precious memories, hands were filled with cute souvenirs and stomachs were filled with sumptuous lunch.

The Alumane Sports events was the highlight of the day. Friendly Volleyball, Kabaddi and Football tournaments were played between the players of yesteryears and current students.

The Association caters to the needs of the students, teaching and non-teaching faculty. The CRIB (Caring Residence for Infants and Babies) provides a safe and secure day care for the children at an affordable cost; The CHILD (Children's Haven in Lady Doak) library provides access to hundreds of children's books; The Tailoring Unit offers courses at a subsidized price; the college bus helps in hassle free transportation and the Alumnae Stores is a . The association functions effectively guided by Dr. Beulah Jeyashree, Vice-Principal, Mrs. Felica Vasanthakumari, President, and Mrs. Beryl Jeniffer, Vice-President. A blessed addition to the association is Mrs. Brindha, Alumnae Development Officer. Thanks to the enthusiastic and committed Mrs. Banu Murugan, facebook and instagram pages of the Alumnae Association is kept active and vibrant. Indeed, our alumnae are our pride and joy!

**Mrs. J. Deborah Christina**, Secretary

**Ms. Deva Sangeetha**, Treasurer

The Alumane Association, Lady Doak College

Sports  
**TURF**







## Physical Education

**“Intelligence and skill can only function at the peak of their capacity when the body is healthy and strong.”- John. F. Kennedy**

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-Games Captain** are elected by the students of the college. **L. Anushya of III B.A. Economics (EM)** and **J. Jasline of II B.Sc. Physics** were elected as Games Captain and Vice-Games Captain respectively for the academic year 2022-2023.

Lady Doak College has done commendably well in the field of sports and games both inside and outside Madurai. Our college has participated in the Madurai Kamaraj University Inter Collegiate Tournaments in the following events and games: Athletics, Badminton, Ball badminton, Basketball, Boxing, Chess, Fencing, Football, Handball, Hockey, Judo, Kabaddi, Kho-Kho, Powerlifting, Swimming, Table Tennis, Volleyball, Weightlifting and Yoga. 78 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 college has won many laurels during the academic year 2022-2023. We have retained the **Madurai Kamaraj University Aggregate Team Championship Trophy** for team games for the **last 28 years** donated by **Thangabasbam Kalaikavalar M. A. Marimuthu** with **55 points** by emerging as **winners** in team games during the year 2019-2020 in **Badminton, Ball Badminton, Football & Table Tennis and Runner-Up in Football, Volleyball & Basketball**.

The College has also retained the **University Blues Champion Trophy** from the year of inception except the academic year 2003-2004 for contributing a maximum number of **62 players** to represent Madurai Kamaraj University in the All-India and South zone Inter University Tournaments and competitions for the academic year 2019-2020. Our college has won

the **Mother Annociate Memorial Rolling Trophy** with a total of 89 points consecutively for the **16<sup>th</sup> year** in the **56<sup>th</sup> Madurai Kamaraj University Inter-Collegiate Athletic Meet for Women** which was conducted at Dr. MGR Stadium, Madurai from 20<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> December 2022. College has won the Championship Trophy in team games during this academic year 2022-2023 in **Badminton, Ball Badminton, Basketball, Table Tennis & Volleyball and Runner-Up Trophy in Football, Hockey & Kho Kho**.

In the **All India & South Zone Inter University, National & International Level** tournaments, our players won **22 Gold Medals, 6 Silver Medals and 5 Bronze Medals** with the contribution of 132 participants. In the **State Level** tournaments our players received **65 Gold Medals, 47 Silver Medals and 41 Bronze Medals** with the contribution of 227 participants. In the **District Level** tournaments our Players won **47 Gold Medals, 29 Silver Medals, 28 Bronze Medals** with the contribution of 152 participants.

### Programmes Conducted by our Department

Our department has conducted the 44th Chess Olympiad awareness program on 20th July 2022. It included competitions like Slogan Writing, Selfie Contest, Facial Art Contest and Intramural Chess Competitions. We also conducted the Inter collegiate 44th chess Olympiad awareness quiz program on 21st July 2022. We organized the Fit India Movement for all freshers with Zumba Dance on 1st of August 2022. We conducted Life Skill class on the topic of Basic knowledge of English and Communication Developing program on August 2022. The department also conducted the intramural competitions on 1st of August 2022 in the theme of Traditional Tamil Games like Silambam, Thayam, Pallankulli, Thattankall, Lame game, Relay and Kabaddi from 22nd August to 29th August 2022. We also conducted the Inter Department Faculty Chess Tournament on 1st September 2022.

We conducted the Madurai Kamaraj University Table Tennis Inter Collegiate Tournament for Women on 19th October 2022 in the American College. Life skill programme was conducted on 7th October 2022 in the topic of ‘Team management’ for all sports students. We conducted the Carrier Guidance Program for sports students on 21st September 2022.

We conducted the South Zone EPF Office Kabaddi Tournament on 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> December 2022. Inter-Hostel Sports Competitions were conducted from 19th to 25th January 2023. Also, the Intramural competitions were conducted from 1<sup>st</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> February 2023 and the prize distribution ceremony cum Intramural Day was celebrated on 12th March 2023. On 27th January, the life skill program was organized for sports students on ‘Job Opportunities in Indian Armed Forces’. We organized the Fit India Movement Programme - Aerobics and Zumba Dance Training Programme from 18th to 23rd January 2023.

The Felicitation Ceremony was conducted for Arjuna Awardee Deaf Olympian J.Jerlin Anika of I B.A Eco (TM) on 6th March 2023. Thiru. Udhayanidhi Stalin, Hon’ble Minister for Youth Welfare and Sports, Dr. PTR. Palanivel Thiagarajan, Finance Minister and Thiru. Moorthy, Minister for Registration were invited to felicitate her. Dr. Atulya Misra IAS, Dr.S. Aneesh Sekhar IAS, Mr. J. Meghanatha Reddy IAS, Mrs.V.Indirani Ponvasanth, Mayor of Madurai, Mr. G. Thalapathi, MLA, Mr. P. Pon Muthuramalingam, Joint Director Of College Education, Ms. Beulah Jane Susila, Regional Senior Manager were invited as Guests of Honour.

We conducted the State Level Volley Ball Tournament for NTS Men on 23rd and 24th March 2023. Mr. E. Rajendran, Chairman, Madurai District Volleyball Association invited as Inaugural Chief Guest and Dr. M. Davamani Christofer, Principal & Secretary, The American College, Mr. M. Ragavan, Secretary, MDVA and Mr. Arun Vallappan, Correspondent, Vallaba Vidyalaya, Madurai were invited as Valedictory Chief Guests. Our department has conducted the Volleyball, Kabaddi and Fives Football Tournaments in Alumnae Sports Meet on 1st April 2023.

### International Representation And Awards

**Arjuna Awardee Deaflympian J.Jerlin Anika** of I B.A. Economics (TM) won **Gold Medals** in Singles, Doubles & Mixed Doubles event in the **APDSE International Badminton Championship** held at Thailand from 14<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> November 2022. She received the prestigious **Arjuna Award** from the honourable President of India Droupadi Murmu on November 30<sup>th</sup> 2022.

**R.ArulBala** of PGDHR and **V.S. Varshini** of III B.Com won a **Silver Medal** in the **Infosys Foundation Open International Badminton Championship** held at Malaysia on 16<sup>th</sup> October 2022. **R.ArulBala** of PGDHR

has secured a **Bronze Medal** in the **Maha Metro Inter Nationals Badminton Championship-2022** held at Nagpur from 14<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> November 2022. They also secured the **Bronze Medal** in Doubles in the **Ciputra Hanoi – Yonex Sunrise Vietnam International Badminton Challenge Tournament 2023** held in Vietnam from 21<sup>st</sup> March to 26<sup>th</sup> March 2023.

**A. Sheeba Hetchiyal** of III B.A. English secured a **Gold Medal** in +70 kg Light Contact, **J.R. Sarika** of III B.Sc. Chemistry secured a **Gold Medal** in -70 kg Full contact, **M.Gokila Eswari** of III B.A. Tamil secured a **Gold Medal** in -60 kg Full contact, **N.Dharani** of III B.A. Economics won a **Gold Medal** in -56 kg and **P.Anitha** of UG Diploma in Fitness Training won a **Gold Medal** in +70 kg Full contact in the **2<sup>nd</sup> Wako India Open International Kickboxing Tournament** at Talkatora stadium, Delhi on 6<sup>th</sup> November 2022.

**G.Harini** of I M.A. Eco. (EM) secured a **Gold Medal** in 64Kg category, **L.Snekaof** I M.A His. secured a **Gold Medal** in 76Kg category, **K.Sivasathiya** of I M.A His. secured a **Gold Medal** in 71Kg category and **S.Pooja** of I B.Com. secured a **Gold Medal** in +87Kg category in **Indo Nepal Weightlifting Championship** held at Nepal from 1<sup>st</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> August 2022.

### National Medalists

**A. Sheeba Hetchiyal** of III B.A. English, **J.R. Sarika** of III B.Sc. Chemistry, **M. Gokila Eswari** of III B.A. Tamil, **N. Dharani** of III B.A Economics won **1 Gold Medal & 3 Bronze Medals** in the **Wako India Nationals senior and Master Kickboxing Championship** held at Chennai from 19<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2022.

**J.Jenifer** of I M.A. English secured a **Silver Medal** in the **South Zone National Ball Badminton Championship** held at Thiruvallur, Chennai from 20<sup>th</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> July 2023.

**R. Rathi Pandi** of II B.Com. won a **Gold Medal** in the **16<sup>th</sup> Junior Athletic Nationals Championship** held at Assam from 11<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> November 2022.

**G. Ponradha** of I B.A. Economics secured a **Bronze Medal** in the **National level Silambam tournament** held at Chennai on 1<sup>st</sup> October 2022.

**J. Jenifer** of I M.A. English and **M. Aarthi** of III B.sc Mathematics won a **Gold Medal** in the **Senior National Ball Badminton Championship** held at Kerala from 24<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> December 2022.

**S. Yazhisai** of II B.Sc. Fashion designing won a **Gold**





**Medal in the Due Ball Senior Nationals Championship** held at Nagpur from 9<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> January 2023

**P.S. Vanavi Aadhirai** of II B.A. English, **P. Mohana** of III B.B.A. **V.Vidhya** of IIB.A. History, **T.Shalini** of I B.Com. won a **Gold medal** in the **Due Ball Senior Nationals Championship** held at Nagpur from 9<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> January 2023 and also secured a **Bronze Medal** in the **National Due ball Premier league Championship** held at Mumbai from 15<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> February 2023.

**K.Muthu Priya** of III B.A. English, **K.Sundaraselvi** of I B.A. Economics, **V.Elangeshwari** of I B.A. Economics won a **Silver Medal** in the **All India Kabaddi Tournament** held at Nalumavadi, Thoothukudi from 15<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> January 2023.

**R.ArulBala** of Diploma in H.R. and **V.S.Varshini** of III B.Com. won a **Gold Medal** in the **Doubles All India Senior Ranking Badminton Tournament** held at Bareilly from 23<sup>rd</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> December 2022.

**K.Varsha** of II B.A. Economics participated in the **Khelo India Kho Kho Nationals Championship** held at Madhya Pradesh from 27<sup>th</sup> January to 6<sup>th</sup> February 2023.

**M.Padma Prathiba** of III B.Com. secured the **8<sup>th</sup> Position** in the **National team Chess Championship** held at Makkinampatti from 10<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> February 2023.

**J.Jasline** of II B.Sc. Phy. and **M.Aarthi** of III B.Sc. Mat. won a **Gold medal** in **Junior Nationals Ball Badminton Championship** held at Maharashtra from 30<sup>th</sup> March to 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2023.

**Boya Dasari Anitha** of II B.A His., **PYDI Gayathri** of II B.A. Eco. and **Manthireddy Jothi Swarupa** of I B.A. His. participated in the **Senior National Football Championship** held at Goa from 10<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> March 2023.

**V.S. Varshini** of III B.Com. won a **Gold Medal** in the **All India Senior Ranking Badminton Tournament Doubles** held at Bareilly from 23<sup>rd</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> December 2022. She secured a Bronze Medal in Doubles in the **All India Senior National Championship** held at Pune from 24<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> February 2023. She secured a **Silver medal** in the **All India Senior Ranking Badminton Tournament** held at Haryana from 12<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> April 2023.

**R. Arulbala** of PG Diploma in H.R. won a **Gold Medal** in the **All India Senior Ranking Badminton Tournament Doubles** held at Bareilly from 23<sup>rd</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> December 2022. She secured a Bronze Medal in Doubles in the **All**

**India Senior National Championship** held at Pune from 24<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> February 2023.

Madurai Kamaraj University Blues for the year 2022-2023:

78 players of our college participated in the **All India and South zone Inter University Tournament** by representing **Madurai Kamaraj University** during this academic year 2022 - 2023.

S.No	Name	Reg No	Game
1.	K.SANJU SHREE	20CSCE029	Athletics
2.	K.SOUNDARYA	20ECT044	Athletics
3.	P.SUTHA	20HIS029	Athletics
4.	K.YUGATHI SHREE	20SOC066	Athletics
5.	R.GAYATHRI	21COM012	Athletics
6.	R.RATHI PANDI	21COM050	Athletics
7.	H.DHASNAVI	21CSCE044	Athletics
8.	J.DIVYA	21ECE013	Athletics
9.	N.SNEHA VALLI	21HIS033	Athletics
10.	S.AISWARYA	22ECE005	Athletics
11.	P.MANI MUTHU	22ECE046	Athletics
12.	C.JANCIE STELLA	22ENG067	Athletics
13.	V.S.VARSHINI	20COM058	Badminton
14.	S.DHARUNIGA	21BBAE068	Badminton
15.	A.AKSHAYA	22DPFM02	Badminton
16.	J.JERLIN ANIKA	22ECT030	Badminton
17.	R.ARUL BALA	22PDHE30	Badminton
18.	M.LEKA SHREE	20BBAE028	Ball Badminton
19.	M.AARTHI	20MAT001	Ball Badminton
20.	R.SNEHA	20TAM022	Ball Badminton
21.	J.JASLINE	21PHY020	Ball Badminton
22.	J.JENIFER	22PGE034	Ball Badminton
23.	P.DEVI	20COM074	Basket Ball
24.	T.SHALINI	21COME039	Basket Ball
25.	J.RANJANA DEVI	22BBAE043	Basket Ball
26.	V.SANDHIYA	22BBAE048	Basket Ball
27.	J.R.SARIKA	20CHE028	Boxing
28.	N.DHARANI	20ECT028	Boxing
29.	A.SHEEBAHETCHIYAL	20ENG072	Boxing
30.	M.GOKILA ESWARI	20TAM047	Boxing
31.	P.JASMINE MARY	20ENG021	Chess
32.	M .PADMA PRADHIPA	21COHE019	Chess
33.	V.C.SNEHA	22PGCE42	Chess
34.	R.YAMINI	22ZOO038	Chess
35.	G.DHANA SHREE	22PGPE05	Fencing



36.	M.NANDHINI	21HIS024	Fencing
37.	S. MAHARANI	20HIS051	Foot Ball
38.	P GAYATHIRI	21ECE064	Foot Ball
39.	B D ANITHA	21HIS012	Foot Ball
40.	P.P. JYOTHIRAJ	22DPFM07	Foot Ball
41.	U.V. ASHWATHI	22PDHE31	Foot Ball
42.	G. DIVYAK	22PGHE032	Foot Ball
43.	S. YAZHISAI	21CDFE041	Hand ball
44.	P.PRANITHA	20ECT037	Hockey
45.	D.SETHU NACHIAR	20ECT037	Hockey
46.	D.SELVA LAKSHIMI	20ECT042	Hockey
47.	M.SASIKALA	20TAM045	Hockey
48.	A.ARUNA	21ECT004	Hockey
49.	D.BHAVANI	21HIS010	Judo
50.	K.MUTHU PRIYA	20ENG033	Kabaddi
51.	K.ARI	22PGCE43	Kabaddi
52.	K.INDHU PRABHA	21ECT020	Kho Kho
53.	T.VARSHA	21ECT021	Kho Kho
54.	S.DHANALAKSHIMI	22PGSE06	Kho Kho
55.	B.SINDHU	22PGSE18	Kho Kho
56.	N.SRINITHI	20COM052	Swimming
57.	T.SRINIDHI KRISHNAN	20COAE059	Swimming
58.	J. AERYN VARSHA	22COAE004	Swimming
59.	S.B.AKSHAYA	22HIS004	Swimming
60.	V.SREEAMUTHA VALLI	22PGSE20	Swimming
61.	L.ANUSHIYA	20ECE008	Table Tennis
62.	S.BHAVYA	21HIS046	Table Tennis
63.	B.YUVA PRABHA	21ZOO033	Table Tennis
64.	G.DEVA SHREE	22PGM003	Table Tennis
65.	G.DHANA SHREE	22PGPE05	Table Tennis
66.	A. ANUPRIYA	20ECT040	Volley Ball
67.	N. NISHA	21TAM012	Volley Ball
68.	K.SHALINI	20TAM032	Volley Ball
69.	S.DHARSHINI	22CSCE007	Volley Ball
70.	K. MOHANA	20COME029	Volley Ball
71.	R.BHAVANI	22ECE012	Weight Lifting
72.	P.BARANI DEVI	21BBAE008	Weight Lifting
73.	A.S.POOJA	22COM041	Weight Lifting
74.	G.HARINI	22PEC002	Weight Lifting
75.	L.SNEHA	22PGH018	Weight Lifting
76.	K.GAYATHRI	22PGM007	Weight Lifting
77.	K. MOHANA	20COME029	Weightlifting
78.	A.S.POOJA	22COM041	Powerlifting



South Zone Kabaddi Tournament



Four Chess players participated in All India South Zone Inter University Chess Tournament at Bangalore



Hockey Team won the MKU Inter Collegiate Runners Up Trophy

The department conducts its Annual Sports meet in a grand manner and it was held on 7<sup>th</sup> March 2023. A total of 657 students participated in the Inter-Major March past competition, led by the College Band. 30 Faculty members participated in the March Past with equal vigour and enthusiasm as the students. Dr.M.Sundar, Vice Chancellor of Tamil Nadu Physical Education and Sports University Chennai, declared the sports meet open and delivered the Chief Guest's address. Ms.J. Beulah Jane, Regional Senior Manager, SDAT, Madurai distributed the prizes. Besides sports events, there were other fitness and eye stealing spectacles to behold, like the Sports Students' Display and Gymnastics and Aerobic Dance Mass Display of I UG aided and SF students.

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





Volleyball players secured Winner in MKU Intercollegiate Volleyball Tournament



T.Varsha of II BA Eco participated in the Khelo India Kho Kho Championship at Madhya Pradesh



Basketball Team won the MKU Intercollegiate Championship Trophy



Boxing Team won the MKU Intercollegiate Championship Trophy



Football Team won the MKU Intercollegiate Runners Up Trophy



Swimming Team won the Madurai Kamaraj University Intercollegiate Swimming Championship Trophy -2022



Ballbadminton team won the MKU Intercollegiate Championship Trophy



8 Weightlifters won the Championship Trophy in the MKU Intercollegiate Weightlifting Tournament



J.Jenifer 22PGE034 & M.Aarthi 20MAT001 secured Championship Trophy in the Senior Nationals Ball Badminton Tournament



R.Tharunika of I B.Sc Chemistry secured Gold Medal in Open State Level Silambam Competitions

## SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENTS



President of India presenting the Arjuna Award 2022 to Deaflympian J. Jerlin Anika - 22ECT030 on 30.11.2022



Chief Minister of Tamilnadu honouring Arjuna Awardee Deaflympian J. Jerlin Anika



Our Sports Alumnae Ms. Rosy Meena (2015-2018) has created National record in pole vault and won the gold medal by clearing a height of 4.20 m in the National Games in Gujarat in the Asian Athletic Meet, 2023







## National Cadet Corps

The NCC (Army Wing & Air Wing) of Lady Doak College has been adding feathers to the cap of Lady Doak College by achieving accolades in many camps and competitions at regional and national levels.

2/2 NCC company was led by Capt Dr T. Shantha Meena and F1 Flight NCC Air Wing was led by Fg Offr S.G Sagara throughout the academic year and they carried out various NCC activities. The NCC orientation cum inauguration program was organized by both Army and Air Wing of Lady Doak College on 17th August 2022.

On the day of NCC first training activity, the whole Army company was divided into four platoons namely – Alpha, Bravo, Charlie and Delta. Each platoon was led by ‘Company Commanders’, Alpha – L/CPL Selvashree Nachiar.k, Bravo – L/CPL Gomathi S, Charlie – CPL Tejaswini.M and Delta – L/CPL Sherun Infanta Jemmima A. Air Wing was divided into three platoons namely - Prithvi, Agni and Tejus. This was done in order to promote the aim of NCC – ‘Unity and Discipline’ among the cadets of the company. Regular competitions and assessments were conducted to add on to the scores of the Inter Platoon Competitions. Various TSC, RDC and VSC events like Drill, Culturals, Test and Quiz on theory based on NCC were conducted as part of the Inter Platoon Competitions for the year 2022-23.

71 cadets participated in the celebration of International Day of Yoga organized by Mr.Gangadharan, Mahatma Gandhi Yoga Centre, Madurai on 21<sup>st</sup> June, 2022.



CPL S.Santhiya Shri received NCC Best Cadet Cash Award Rs.3500



Capt Dr T Shantha Meena took part in the NCC Officers Refresher Course, Officer Training Academy Gwalior, Madhya Pradesh - Received Best Firer Award and Certificate of Excellence

A lecture was organized by 2/2 NCC Coy, Madurai on the topic “Exploring the Career Opportunities in Indian Armed Forces” along with F1 Flight NCC Airwing, which was attended by 625 first year students on 17th August 2022.

Commodore A.K.Rastogi, Deputy Director General NCC Directorate, Tamil Nadu, Pudhucherry, Andhaman & Nichobar and Col. Amit Gupta, Group Commander, Madurai visited Lady Doak College on 3rd November 2022 during which 383 cadets from various colleges were present.

A Lecture on World Mental Health Day was organized by 2/2 COY NCC, Madurai and F1 Flight NCC Air Wing held at Lady Doak College, Madurai on 10th October 2022 in which 548 Part V students were participated and Dr. Dheep delivered a special lecture about world mental health day.

To inculcate the spirit of social service activities, the Army and Air Wing cadets were taken to Puneet Sagar Abiyan at Kannirajapuram, Sayalkudi, Ramnad District, Tamilnadu on 9th January 2023.

Associate NCC Officer (Army) Capt Dr Shantha Meena T. attended the Officers Refresher Course at Officer Training Academy, Gwalior, Madhya Pradesh from 30th January 2023 to 18th February 2023. She received the certificate of excellence in firing and triumphed with Alpha Grade in the course.



AIR FEST 2023 – F1 Flight cadets won the Overall Championship Trophy

National Cadet Corps Inter Collegiate Program ‘Yuva Yodha 23’ was organized on 25<sup>th</sup> April 2023 at Lady Doak College by 2/2 COY NCC, Madurai and F1 Flight NCC Air Wing and the overall trophy won by Kamaraj College of Engineering.

The NCC valedictory cum Farewell 2022-23 was organized by the NCC juniors for the passing out seniors on 29<sup>th</sup> April 2023.

### ARMY WING

#### Republic Day Parade, New Delhi:

SGT Mayuri A took part in the prestigious Republic Day Camp held at Delhi cantt, New Delhi from 1st January to 26th January 2023.

#### All India Thal Sainik Camp, New Delhi:

SGT Sinoshree took part in All India Thal Sainik Camp conducted by the Directorate General NCC, New Delhi from 14th September 2022 to 25th September 2022.

#### All India Army Attachment Camp:

SUO Vinotha R participated in All India Army Attachment Camp at OTA Chennai from 3rd November 2022 to 12th November 2022 organised by OTA Chennai.

#### SSB Camp:

SUO Vinotha R participated in Staff Selection Board Camp from 12th November 2022 to 18th November 2022 held at MIET College, Trichy.

#### Basic Leadership Camp:

CPL Laya C, L/CPL Divyabharathi C, L/CPL Esther G attended Basic Leadership Camp from 19th November 2022 to 26th November 2022 conducted by 2(TN) AIR SQN NCC Coimbatore.

#### Advance Leadership Camp:

CPL Laya C attended the Advance Leadership Camp conducted by 2(TN) Artillery Battery Unit NCC, Coimbatore, from 3rd January 2023 to 12th January 2023.

#### Marina Republic Day Camp, Chennai

CPL Santhiya Shri and CPL Dhivya Shalini took part in the Republic Day Camp in Marina, Chennai from 5th January 2023 to 12th January 2023 which was conducted by 1(TN) BN, NCC, Madras-A Group.

#### Guard of Honour:

A Guard of Honour by 6 Cadets was given to the Group Commander, Madurai Group, at the NCC Headquarters, Madurai organised by 2 TN Girls BN on 28<sup>th</sup> August 2022.



SGT Sinoshree took part in All India Thal Sainik, New Delhi -2022





Commodore A.K. Rastogi Deputy Director General NCC Directorate, Tamil Nadu, Pudhucherry, Andhaman & Nicobar visited LDC on 3rd November 2022

#### Weapon Training:

A Weapon Training class was conducted on 3rd September 2022 organised by 2 TN Girls BN, Madurai in which 66 Cadets from Army Wing got benefitted.

#### “Run for Run” NCC Day Celebration Mini Marathon:

A mini marathon was conducted on the event for NCC Day Celebration “Run for Run” in which 50 Army wing cadets took part on 27th November 2022 at AR Ground, Madurai.

#### Republic Day Parade, AR Ground, Madurai

17 Cadets from 2 TN Girls BN Madurai participated in the Republic Day Celebrations at AR Ground Madurai on 26th January 2023.

#### Honours and awards:

SUO Vinotha of III B.Sc Zoo, CPL Dhivya Shalini of III B.Sc Maths and SGT Sinoshree of II B.Sc Zoo received

Tamil Nadu Government Scholarship for outstanding NCC Cadets from NCC Directorate, Chennai on 12<sup>th</sup> March, 2023.

CPL S. Sandhiya Shri of II B.Sc Zoo received Best Cadet Cash Award Rs.4,500/- On 24<sup>th</sup> April, 2023.

#### AIR WING

##### Republic Day Camp, New Delhi:

CUO Aathithya Shree took part in the prestigious Republic Day Camp at New Delhi on 26th January 2023.

##### Ek Bharat Shresht Bharat Camp:

A camp organised by NCC Tamil Nadu Directorate, Chennai which falls under the Ek Bharat Shrestha Bharat Campaign in which CDT SGT Sreenithi participated from 24th August 2022 to 4th September 2022.

##### Ek Bharat Shresht Bharat Camp - II:

SGT Madhumitha took part in Ek Bharat Shrestha Bharat Camp - II at Jeppiaar College, Chennai from 6th November to 15th November 2022.

##### Air Show:

An Air Show was organized at Air Force Station, Thanjavur on 28th December 2022 in which 37 air wing cadets participated.

##### AirFest-2023:

27 Cadets of the Air Wing participated in Air Fest-2023 organized by B2 Flight, 3TN AIR SQN (TECH) NCC, Trichy at National College, Trichy on 26th March 2023 and won the Championship Trophy.

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



SGT Mayuri took part in Republic Day Parade, New Delhi - 2023



## Episodes of Sweet Imprints - A tribute...

### Dr. Hannah Sulochana, Adieu...

.....and from now on, she lives happily ever after

Dr. Hannah Sulochana strode through the department of Zoology, Lady Doak College, like a colossus – literally and figuratively. Her tall, erect bearing and brisk walk were identifiable anywhere. If she came across a familiar face, she would take time to put the brakes on that walk and with a broad, warm smile wreathing her face, greet and enquire with the person.

Dr. Hannah passed away in early December, 2022. Her charisma and dynamism cannot be contained within finite pages but it is hoped that glimpses of these will show through in the memories I recount herein.

#### In the beginning.....

February, 1990. Having been chosen for a faculty position, I stood outside the faculty room of the department of Zoology, Lady Doak College, along with Mrs. Pushpam David, a mutual friend, who brought me to meet Dr. Hannah. Pushing back her chair, she walked out of the room to welcome me. That image of her remains fresh to this day. A delicate pink floral saree, hair up in a signature knot, soft loose wisps of hair framing her face and that lovely, open and radiant smile, beaming on Mrs. David's and my face. Not just because of our mutual friend but also because I was from Madras Christian College, one of the many institutions that Dr. Hannah taught in, a friendship slowly bloomed between me and her, cutting across age and seniority. Do not call me, “Madam”, she said, call me, “Akka”. Being new, a proper teaching schedule wasn't yet assigned to me and I would spend my time sketching or doodling anything that took my fancy. Every time Dr. Hannah left the faculty room and re-entered it, she would wander over to my desk, look at whatever I was doodling, smile or pass a comment and then go back to her desk.

#### A gem of a colleague.....

An ardent zoologist, from whom I learned so much and with whom I shared a love for animals, Dr. Hannah chose to teach the subjects that she loved – Invertebrata, Chordata, Developmental Biology, Biochemistry, Molecular Biology. Her keen mind was knowledgeable about Microbiology and Biotechnology,



but combining them with Zoology was not acceptable to her. Known to be a very good teacher, her teaching prowess stemmed from her ability to simplify concepts and use simple terms to explain them. To test students in examinations, her questions would be simple and uncomplicated – putting students at ease.

A love for insects and Entomology drew us close. Water samples would be brought from the Vaigai for Environmental Biology practicals. Tiny black beetles would be whirling around on the surface of the polluted

water. Dr. Hannah would come and peep into these tubs holding water. “Sarah, look at these beetles, Whirlwig beetles”, she'd say excitedly. She had a way of pronouncing words by stressing every syllable and in this case, in a rare deviation from her usual style, she pronounced the word as, “Whirlwig” instead of “Whirligig”. The whirling movements of these beetles resembled a, “gig”.

Many of us in the department consulted her for identifying zoological specimens. Her opinion was like the confirmatory test used in Chemistry practicals. With her phenomenal memory, she'd rattle off the genus and species of many invertebrates and vertebrates. In the 90s, she would show me bats roosting behind the notice boards in the corridors of the Zoology department!! Inserting her hands in the gap between the notice board and wall, she would cup into her hands bats tiny enough to be held within her palm - unresisting, as they were fast asleep !!

In one instance, while discussing common interests in Sawyerpuram, a small town in Thoothukudi district, Dr. Hannah, excitedly added that *Apus*, a shrimp-like crustacean, commonly called a tadpole shrimp and considered a living fossil was found in Sawyerpuram, in fresh water. Sawyerpuram, also has red sand dunes called *Theri* in Tamil. As I google, ‘Theri landscape’, amazing facts pop up. The landscape, it says, consists of sediments dating to the Quaternary Period and the red soils are thought to have originated during the Pliocene!! I discovered the geological importance





of this town because of a zoological fact shared by Dr. Hannah! Who knows, Sawyerpuram may eventually share the same space as Ariyalur for its richness of fossils.

Being a creature of habits, Dr. Hannah taught the same subjects year after year and did not like deviating from this schedule. One such subject was Radiation Biology. Pulling her leg one day, I said, "You have been teaching this subject for so many years, tell me what is "Nuclear Winter"?" Clueless, she looked askance at me. I was familiar with the term from teaching Environmental Biology classes and shared the reference with her. She sat and read through the reference – ever the learner – no ego hang-ups there.

We were co-course teachers of Developmental biology. One of our textbooks, Developmental biology by Gilbert, would have interesting tidbits as, 'Sidelights and Speculations' that added on to the main narrative. Under one such add-on was the caption, "Saga of the Germ Line". The aptness of words fascinated her to no end. "Nalla irukku illa?", she'd say, with happiness radiating her broad smile.

By 1992, Dr. Hannah had moved from her Kamala Street residence to that in Iyer Bungalow. Like a child going to school, she would pick up the food packed for her at home and clutching the change needed as bus fare from Iyer Bungalow to Lady Doak College, she would be the first to arrive at the faculty room of the Zoology department along with Mr. Samson, our Lab Assistant, who would unlock the door for her. Invariably, before entering, she would stand at the entrance and look towards her desk. It had to be just the way she had left it the previous evening, with her writing board placed on her desk. Anything alien, placed on her desk would make her anxious even before she entered the room. If it was a late evening communication that was placed on her desk, she had to know what it was and what she had to do about it and when it had to be completed etc. She had to be reassured and calmed. These were charming, predictable quirks that we were used to in the department, invariably bringing a smile to our faces.

#### **A wonderful human being.....**

Spiritual strength was the core of her being. Despite all her struggles, if she could achieve as much as she did in her life, it was on account of this strength and her strong circle of friends. The untimely demise of her father and then her mother saw Dr. Hannah taking on the role of a parent to her three siblings. Working, cooking for them, educating them and getting them married - she did it all with God-given strength. Much later, bonding with her nieces and nephews kept her young, energetic and

updated. All of these responsibilities did not deter her from academic pursuits as well. She was a researcher in Madurai Kamaraj University, a Post-Doctoral fellow with Nobel Laureate, Dr. A.L. Lehninger and held subsequent teaching positions in Isabella Thoburn College, Lucknow, Madras Christian College, Chennai, The American College, Madurai, St. Mary's College, Thoothukudi and finally, Lady Doak College, Madurai. So much exposure and experience!! Lady Doak College was fortunate to have her indeed!

A compassionate, empathetic and loving person, Dr. Hannah held on to friendships, writing letters and sending greeting cards. Her wonderful gift of making friends across all age groups stemmed from a brilliant memory and a genuine interest in knowing people – their names, their hobbies and their relationships. She loved the children of her friends and acquaintances and remembered their names, interests and professions accurately. Unfortunately, she ended up being possessive in relationships and often got into trouble with friendships. Those who understood her medical condition, overlooked these behavioural quirks but those who didn't, never forgave her.

Dr. Hannah had an aesthetic eye and her appreciation was whole-hearted and without any guile. She dressed modestly and for comfort. When I compared her loose blouse to a T shirt, she'd laugh. "It has to be comfortable and airy", she would say. Blessed with a wonderful sense of humour, she allowed one to pull her leg and could laugh at herself. The child in her and her broadness of perspective showed in her liking for movies, movie stars, music, Elvis Presley, the magazine Sportstar and collecting its centre-spreads. These centre-spreads she gifted to children of her friends.

The last time I visited her in Shalom Gardens was in 2019, before the pandemic and its social distancing. I brought her her favourite biriyani and ice-cream. She very proudly announced to her kitchen staff about not wanting any lunch or dinner as she was having biryani and I, indulgently watched her enjoying the food and licking up her ice-cream like a child. While taking leave, she would want constant reassurance that I would visit again. "I will", I said but it became impossible during the pandemic. There were phone calls at all times of the day from her and then they stopped.

Dr. Hannah liked love stories with a fairy tale ending of, "and they lived happily ever after". That's what is wished for you, Hannakka, that you will live happily ever after.

**Dr. Sarah Sathyavathi**

*Associate Professor and Head (Retd), Department of Zoology*



## **Celebrating Our Alumna (Late) Ms. S.E.G. Chinniah (Sweety): 1935 – 2023**

Time : 12 Midnight

Date : 23<sup>rd</sup> August, 1992

Place : TVS Hospital, Madurai.

*An auto rickshaw stuttered to a halt. Two ladies got out and hurried up the hospital staircase. While the elder of the two went into the operation theatre, the younger waited outside with the family giving them the much-needed support.*

*As the patient in the OT awaiting my Caesarean section, I remember my eyes covered with a cloth and feeling extremely nervous. As the anaesthetist was placing the mask on my face for GA, someone touched my hand and said "Latha, don't worry. I have come." I recognised Dr. Betty Chinniah's voice (the elder of the two) and went into a blissful slumber. The younger.... dear old Sweety Aunty was with my mother. The Chinniahs were such close friends of the family and what a blessing that has been!*

*'Sweety' Aunty, as she was aptly named, radiated warmth and sweetness.*

Born in 1935, into an illustrious family that revered education, the youngest of the Chinniahs - Sweety Chinniah pursued her under graduation in Economics at Lady Doak College in the early 1950s. She taught for a short time and thereafter went to Bombay to qualify herself as a Physiotherapist. She served as a physiotherapist in JIPMER, Pondicherry for 14 years until her service took her abroad. Friends and associates from JIPMER cherished her company. She dutifully and cheerfully returned without a second thought to Chennai to attend to a family need and thereafter, came back to Madurai, her hometown, with her elder sister, Dr. Betty Chinniah, to the community and friends that were as much her own 'family' and quite close to her heart.

During an interview with Dr. Betty D'Couto, Sweety Aunty had shared: "My sojourn at Lady Doak College continues to be the most remarkable phase of my life." She recalled the little joys that she had treasured in



her memories saying, "There was no compound wall, just a barbed-wire fence that some of us naughty ones used as a shortcut to college when late."

The innocent child in her leapt with raptures of joy when she recollected the days she had been NAUGHTY saying, "I distinctly remember the day I cut an Economics class just to attend a Psychology class with my friend. You guessed right, I didn't actually bunk class now, did I? ... We NEVER bunked a class or failed a test either - that was how serious or committed we were

as students. We studied not for marks but for the love of gaining knowledge."

Sweety Aunty was overwhelmed by the wealth of precious memories while reminiscing the Assembly Programmes conducted in the quadrangle, the cultural celebrations, the Sports Days, an exciting event that all looked forward to, where "everyone ran for the love of participating, sharing the simple joys of cheering and being cheered." She fondly recalled the requests and pleas for a holiday as conventionally every year Sports Day fell on a Saturday and was followed by Sunday, a holiday. "And oh, the joy that flooded our souls when the Principal declared a holiday following Sports Day!"

Sweety Aunty had enjoyed infusing the next generation with memories of the scholarly knowledge received from the lecturers of her times, Mrs. Nallathambi (HOD of the Department of English) whose Poetry and Drama classes had transported her soul to ecstasy and Mrs. Vedha R. of the Economics Department, whose in-depth knowledge and erudition had led her to discover the joys of reading thereby whetting and quenching her intellectual appetite.

A book lover and an ardent reader, Aunty would eagerly anticipate grabbing a cosy corner in the JX Miller library and enjoy the sheer delight of reading in serenity from the collections of the medical thriller Robin Cook, the American novelist. She continued borrowing from the JX Miller Library collection even





as a resident of the Senior Citizen's home, Shalom Gardens. An unrealised dream of hers was to help with funds to build a reading room annexe to the JX Miller Library, to ease its space constraint and to name it the 'Chinniah Reading Room'.

The 'Dr. Betty Chinniah Multimedia Theatre' located in the College Hall is a testimony to the efforts of Sweety Auntie to renovate and provide the much-needed facelift to our multimedia room in 2018 with a generous donation given by her late brother, Dr. Balraj Sokkappa. Sweety Auntie remained inextricably associated with her Alma Mater and generously extended her wholehearted contributions in various capacities. Vibrant and proactive, she took keen interest in all the affairs of the college, attended college events and alumnae meetings enthusiastically, most often with her classmate and lifetime friend, Mrs. Gnanasoundari Johnson. (The love that they had for Lady Doak College was so strong that they sought ways to give wherever they saw a need.)

Dr. Sriilatha recalls, "Sweety Auntie had a remarkable knack for making all feel cherished and valued. On every special occasion or momentous achievement, she would arrive with a sweet smile and a thoughtful gift in hand. She never failed to surprise us with her gifts. Be it a colourful bouquet of flowers for my husband on Doctor's Day, a chocolate cake with a stethoscope as the icing for my son, a special card for me for completing

Ph.D., her knack for spreading joy was as reliable as the sunrise. She believed in the power of celebrating life's joys and encouraging others through her gestures of kindness."

Sweety Auntie was a clarion voice for the voiceless and she went the extra mile to reach out and bless. Auntie was endowed with many admirable qualities, including a cheerful outlook and a genuine desire to lend a helping hand to those in need – particularly in terms of securing admission for the underprivileged and paying for their scholarship. Her last days were spent joyously in the company of her two great grandchildren who adored her immensely. Her legacy of kindness and generosity will continue to inspire those who knew her to follow in her footsteps, spreading love and compassion all around.

As Katie Wilcox wished, this was a Doakian who dreamt tall, thought tall, prayed tall and lived tall both as a student and as an alumna, till the very end. We pledge to 'Rise Tall' with the example and legacy she leaves behind.

*Shared by*  
**Dr. Christianna Singh**  
*Principal & Secretary, Head, Department of Economics*  
**Dr. Beatrice Anne D' Couto (Betty)**  
*Retd. Head, Department of English*  
**Dr. Sriilatha**  
*Department of Commerce*



### A tribute to (Late) Dr. S. Vasantha

I feel deeply honoured to share the beautiful memories about Dr. S. Vasantha, who had left indelible and impeccable marks in her three domains of life: department, college and family.

Dr. S. Vasantha completed her pre university course in LDC in 1978 and finished B.Sc. chemistry in 1981. After completing her M.Sc. in American College, she joined the Department of Chemistry at LDC as lecturer in the year 1983 and dedicated 36



long years of valuable service. In the department, Dr. Vasantha worked with two sets of generations, a batch of senior colleagues who joined before 2000 and a set of younger colleagues who joined after 2000.

She was an amicable and excellent co-worker transcending the boundaries created by age differences, with both the group of colleagues. She played a pivotal role as a co-teacher, team member, team leader and, finally, as the Head of the



Department succeeding Dr. Geetha Sivasubramanian from 2010 to 2019. She had a great reverence for her teachers right from Miss. Evelyn Rhine, Miss. Sulochana, Dr. R. Victoria, Dr. Kalaneethy Christopher, Dr. Geetha Sivasubramanian and an association with boundless love and warmth with Mrs. Laxmi and Dr. Mercy Pushpalatha.

We, all her younger colleagues look upon Vasantha ma'am for her amazing punctuality, utmost commitment, sincerity and hard work. I remember, even in the last semester of her retirement year Vasantha ma'am was the first person to get ready with the preparation of a summative lab examination for her lab course. She was such a meticulous worker and she is also very careful with figures and facts, that no wonder, our former Head of the Department Dr. Victoria relied upon her for years together to handle the Chemistry Department Bank account which we had separately for each department in those years. As a teacher, Dr. Vasantha had a profound impact on her students with her unique traits: sincere and dedicated teaching, meticulously prepared class materials, her willingness to help financially needy students at any time and of course, her beautiful smile and the ever-fresh flowers that adorned her.

Dr. Vasantha was a very God-fearing and pious person and I remember how enthusiastically she used to take Christian Studies Classes regularly when it was offered outside the class hours in those years.

Vasantha ma'am had the grit and determination to complete any task either given to her or taken up by her which includes, the completion of her part-time M.Phil and Ph.D programme, her study- abroad visit to Philippines under Women Studies programme and ten long years of headship and she overcame all the health setbacks too with the same spirit.

In college life, Dr. Vasantha was well-known for her contribution to the prizes committee as the convenor for so many years. During those years, without the support of the technology and computing tools, she

worked meticulously for weeks, spending long hours in the college, to compile voluminous data manually and arrive at the correct data accurately. Dr. Vasantha had contributed immensely for many of the common college programmes and worked with full involvement in any committee work assigned to her without a second thought.

Next to Chemistry, the Women's Studies programme was very close to her heart and she loved teaching the course to the students. She completed her intercultural training programme at St. Scholastica's College, Manila, Philippines. She was very resourceful and trained many young faculty members to teach the Women's Studies Programme in the college. Dr. Vasantha had a strong inclination towards sports activities since her school days. None of our college sports day have gone without us witnessing her active participation in tug of war for many years and faculty March Past in the latter years.

In family, as I have heard through her, she had been a very indispensable person for her sibling families and for her own family. She enjoyed cooking a variety of delicious food for her loving family with her excellent culinary skills. Nobody would have ever seen Vasantha ma'am, in the college canteen buying food or having a drink, as she prepares and brings everything from home. Again, a personification of her exemplary dedication and commitment to the call as a family woman. As a loving and caring mom of her two sons, she loved her daughters-in-law equally and addressed them as her own daughters to us. They too reciprocated the same.

Our dear Vasantha ma'am will be deeply missed but her legacy of kindness, dedication, sincerity and commitment to the life's call in all domains will be ever remembered, cherished and engraved in our memories. Her life is a shining example of how one can rise above all boundaries and challenges and reach greater heights with grit, determination and true faith in God.

May her soul rest in peace!

**V. Sridevi**  
*Associate Professor & Head, Department of Chemistry*







Our Faculty - Our Fortitude



Our Faculty Team (Aided)



Our Faculty Team (Management)



Our Administration and Support Staff



Our Family - LDC



B.A. Tamil



M.A. Tamil



B.A. English Aided

Our Family - LDC



B.A. English SF



M.A. English



B.B.A.



*Our Family - LDC*



**B.Sc. Biotechnology**



**M.Sc. Biotechnology**



**B.Sc. Botany**



*Our Family - LDC*



**M.Sc. Botany**



**B.Sc. Chemistry**



**M.Sc. Chemistry**





*Our Family - LDC*



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**M.Com.**



**B.Com. Banking Insurance**

*Our Family - LDC*



**B.Com. Homours**



**B.Com. Computer Applications**



**B.Com. Professional Accounting**



*Our Family - LDC*



**B.Com. Corporate Secretaryship**



**B.A. Sociology & Psychology**



**B.A. History**

*Our Family - LDC*



**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)**

*Our Family - LDC*



**B.Sc. Mathematics**



**M.Sc. Mathematics**



**B.A. Economics (TM)**



*Our Family - LDC*



**B.A. Economics (EM)**



**M.A. Economics**



**B.Sc. Physics**

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**B.Sc. Physics with Computer Applications**



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**B.Sc. Fashion Designing**



**M.Sc. Zoology**



**M.Sc. Psychology**

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**M.Sc. Information Technology**



**MSW**



**PG Diploma in Human Resource Development**



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*Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the  
glory of the Lord has risen upon you.*

*- Isaiah 60:1*

**Candle Lighting**

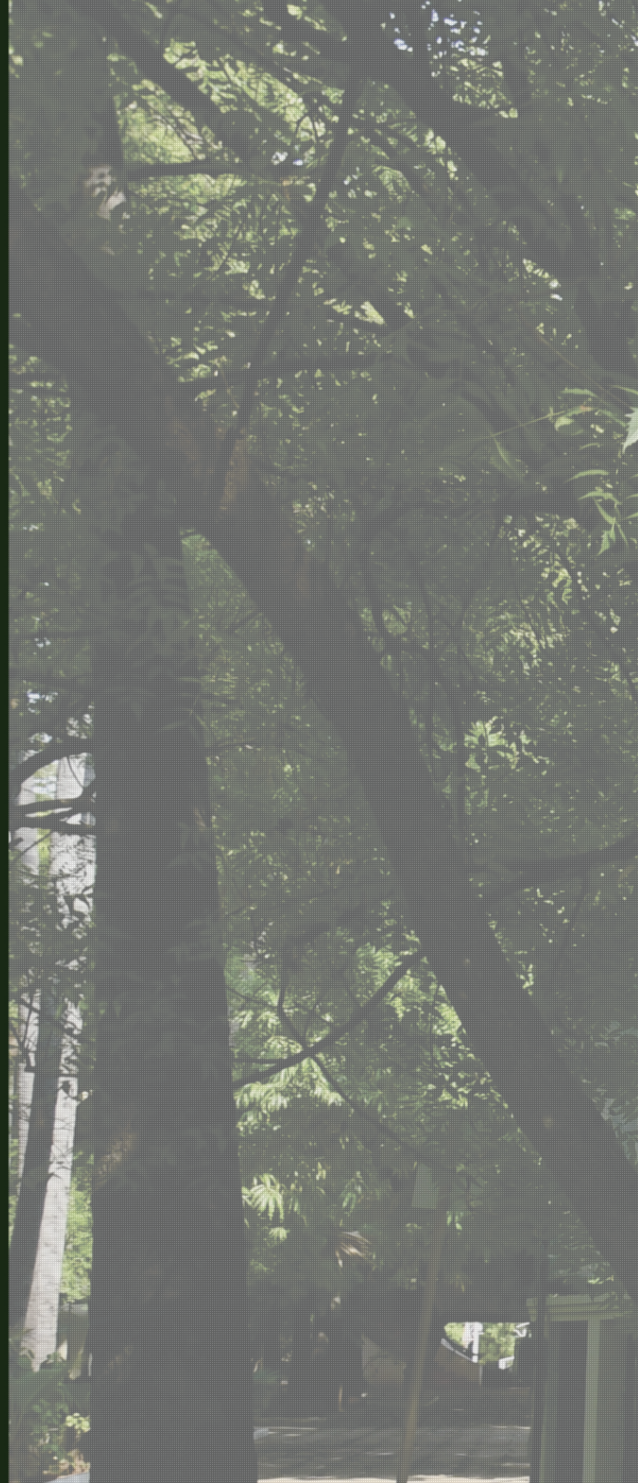


## MISSION STATEMENT

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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