

DEANERY OF STUDENT AFFAIRS



The Deanery of Student Affairs organized an event for Felicitating distinguished sportspersons of our College, in the Council Room, on Thursday, 30th November 2023 at 10 am. The event saw the felicitation of 20 students, from both Day and SFS. Dean of Student Affairs, Dr. Annet Pearl gave the opening prayer. Bursar gave the closing prayer and benediction. Dr. Huldah Samuel did the MC. Dr. Rufus proposed the Vote of Thanks.

A Meeting of the Class Representatives and Department Representatives [Aided & SFS] was convened by the Deanery of Student Affairs at 12 noon on 29th November 2023, to apprise them on the features of the University Information Management System (UMIS). Dr. Samuel Rufus, Associate Dean of Student Affairs (Aided), gave the introductory remarks on the importance of the UMIS, and Prof. Tony Thomas, Associate Dean of Student Affairs (SFS), briefed the students on the rubrics to be followed while filling up the UMIS forms.

A GRANDSON'S GRATITUDE TOWARDS HIS GRANDPA'S ALMA MATER



The grandson of late Shri Nageswara Rao Pantulu, Shri S. Sambhu Prasad, had endowed the College with the Amrutanjan Scholarships, in honour of his grandfather Shri Nageswara Rao, our illustrious alumnus, who had graduated from Madras Christian College in the year 1891.

The scholarships were given to the 44 meritorious and deserving students in the presence of Mr. S. Muralidharan, Non-Executive Independent Director, Amrutanjan Healthcare Limited, and Mr. M. Srinivasan, Company Secretary and Compliance Officer, Amrutanjan Healthcare Limited in the Council

Room, Madras Christian College. Speaking on the occasion, Mr. Muralidharan said that, Mr. Sambu Prasad was very particular about MCC, since his great grandfather, Late Shri Nageswara Rao, founder of Amrutanjan, had graduated from MCC in the year 1891.

He had founded and patented Amrutanjan two years later, in 1893. He also founded the famous weekly Andhra Patrika, in 1909 in Bombay, which went on to become a famous daily newspaper.

Mr. Muralidharan also offered to assist our students with their internships and placements with Amrutanjan.

Our Principal Dr. P. Wilson welcomed the gathering, after the ceremonial reading of the college prayer by the Dean of Women Students, Dr. Huldah Samuel. Dr. Annet Pearl, Dean of Student Affairs gave an introductory note on the scholarships. Prof. R. Sridhar, Vice Principal [Admin] gave the vote of thanks, followed by the benediction by our Bursar Mr. Cyrus Kallapurackal.

MCC RESEARCH COLLOQUIUM

Madras Christian College Research Colloquium (MCCRC), a virtual community learning program of our college began during pandemic, constantly strives for creating an educational ecosystem through a series of webinars on different aspects of research methodology and teaching-learning process to enrich our faculty to achieve excellence in research and teaching. Between September - December 2023, MCCRC organized seven sessions where topics like R&D ecosystem, Data Science, Review Writing, Journal Selection, infographics and plagiarism are discussed. The list is given below and about 339 participants attended.

Date	Title of the Talk	Speaker
02.09.2023	R & D Ecosystem: An Inevitable Parameter in The Branding, Accreditation, and Sustainability of Liberal Arts and Science Institutions	Dr. S. J. Samuel Justin, Manager-R & D Lab, MCC-MRF Innovation Park
16.09.2023	Exploring Data Science- Unleashing the Power of Data In Diverse Fields	Prateeksha Dawn Davidson, Statistician, Indian Council of Medical Research-NIE
23.09.2023	Fostering Scholarly Expression: Crafting Scientific Papers and Reviews	Prof. (Dr.) Sachidanand Singh, Professor Biotechnology, Sankalchand Patel University, Mehsana, Gujarat, India.
14.10.2023	The Art of Journal Selection: Lessons from Captivating Case Studies	Dr. Gowtham R CHRIST university
21.10.2023	Academic Writing: Understanding and Organising the Mechanics of Words	Ms. Christina Dhanasekaran, MCC
25.11.2023	An initiative to Enrich the Essence of Scholarly Articles with Infographics for an amplified visibility in Research Publication	Dr. S. Ida, MCC
02.12.2023	Preventing Plagiarism and Effectively Managing Citations in Scholarly Writing	Dr. Santhosh Kumar, Kristu Jayanthi College, Bangalore

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DEANERY RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT

Research Scholars Meet – Department of Tamil

A one-day seminar was organized by Dr. Paul Prabu Santharaj for the doctoral research students, Department of Tamil and the Deanery (Research & Development) of Madras Christian College on August 15, 2023. The seminar, titled “Tamil Studies in Diversity,” aimed to explore various dimensions of Tamil culture and literature. The keynote address was delivered by Dr. Gnanachandra Johnson. A congratulatory audio-visual presentation from the Principal, Dr. Paul Wilson, was also screened. Subsequent sessions featured presentations by scholars. Dr. Paul Prabhu Santaraj delivered the closing speech, marking the end of an enriching exploration into the diverse dimensions of Tamil studies.



Inter-institutional visit by Voorhees College, Vellore

The II MA English students of the Voorhees College, Vellore accompanied by their two teachers visited Madras Christian College on 28 August 2023. They



attended a workshop on Research Methodology organized by the Deanery. As part of the workshop, the students visited Miller Memorial Library and were oriented by Librarian Dr. P. Yesudoss about library resources. Followed by this, the students had a lecture by Dr. R. Vijay Solomon on Research Publication Ethics and about predatory journals. The students considered this visit highly informative and beneficial.



Research and Publication Ethics Course - Valedictory



The Research and Publication Ethics Course Valedictory Program was held on September 26, 2023, at 9:00 AM in the Seminar Hall of the International Guest House, presided over by Dr. P. Wilson, Principal and Secretary of Madras Christian College, with Dr. D. Gnanaraj Thomas, former Assistant Professor of Mathematics and former Dean of Research and Development at Madras Christian College, as the Chief Guest. The highlight of the event was the distribution of certificates to all participants who attended the Research and Publication Ethics Course for the Ph.D. scholars organized by the Deanery-Research and Development.

Faculty Development Program – INCHE on Nuances of Scientific Writing and Publication

In a collaborative effort, the International Network for Christian Higher Education (INCHE) and MCC orchestrated a transformative three-day Faculty

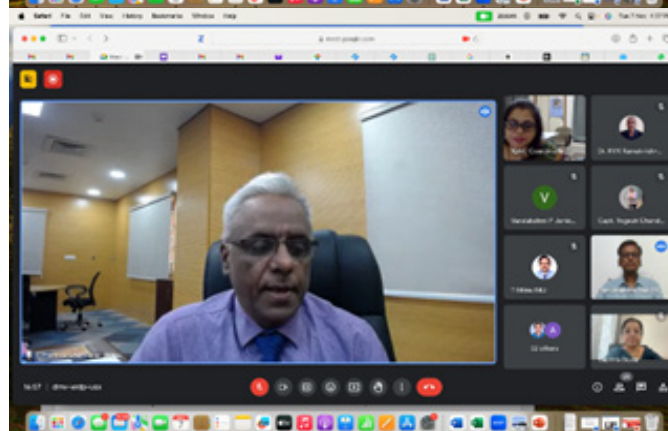
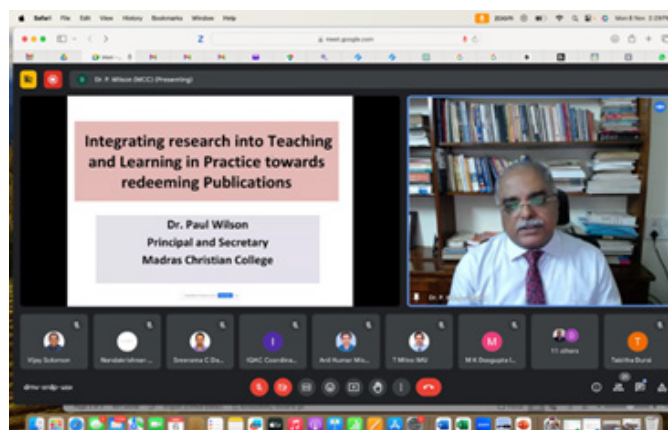


Development Program on the Nuances of Scientific Writing and Publication. Hosted at the CSI College of Engineering in Ketti, Nilgiris, the program unfolded from September 28th to 30th, 2023, drawing participation from approximately 45 faculty members hailing from various CSI Colleges in Tamil Nadu. The comprehensive curriculum of the program delved into crucial aspects of scientific writing, offering insights into theoretical frameworks, research ethics, types of research papers, literature review, research gap identification, data analysis techniques, research metrics, and the intricacies of journal publications. The topics were meticulously crafted to enhance the faculty's proficiency in these critical domains. The resource persons included Dr. P Wilson, Dr. Feminna

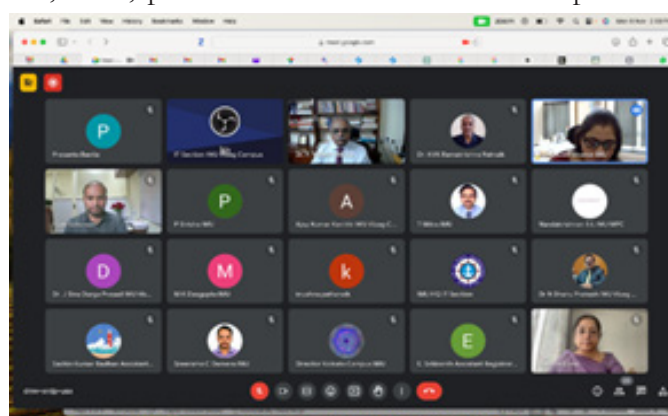


Sheeba, Dr. Tabitha Durai, Dr. R Vijay Solomon, Dr. A Jabarali, and Dr. Senthilkumar Umapathy. The Faculty Development Program proved to be a valuable experience for the attendees from CSI Colleges in Tamil Nadu. The acquired skills in scientific writing and publication are poised to have a ripple effect, contributing to the enhancement of knowledge dissemination and ultimately fostering an improved learning environment for students.

Faculty Development Program - INDIAN MARITIME UNIVERSITY



The "Introduction to Scientific Writing & Publishing" workshop, conducted by Madras Christian College (Deanery – Research & Development) on November 6-7, 2023, proved to be a transformative experience



for participants from the Indian Maritime University. The two-day event, organized as Phase 1, aimed to equip attendees with a comprehensive understanding of research methodology and the manuscript writing process. Dr. P. Wilson initiated the first day with the session on research design. Following this, Dr. R. Vijay Solomon led a session on types of research and research publications. The second day commenced with a session on the publication process, facilitated by Dr. P. Hanumantha Rao. The final session, conducted by Dr. Tabitha Durai centered on manuscript writing. By providing a holistic understanding of research methodology and unraveling the intricacies of scientific writing and publishing, the workshop played a pivotal role in empowering attendees with the indispensable knowledge and skills requisite for the effective conduct and publication of impactful research. The comprehensive nature of the workshop facilitated a deep dive into the fundamental principles of research design, enabling participants to discern and select the most fitting design for their specific research inquiries.

Mentorship Program for WEnyan Scholarship Winners

Misconceptions
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Are Heating and Stirring Required to Dissolve Salt in Water?
Answers from Quantitative Experimental Evidence
Perla Valdez and K. Christopher Smith[®]

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CONCLUSIONS
The data and results reported here quantitatively demonstrate that sodium chloride dissolves in water without heating or stirring.

The Pune Knowledge Cluster, Pune, Maharashtra, and the Deanery Research & Development, Madras Christian College (Autonomous) in Chennai, Tamil Nadu, collaborated to organize a Mentorship Program for WEnyan Scholarship Winners 2023-2024. Sponsored by BASF Chemicals India Pvt. Ltd and facilitated by Pune Knowledge Cluster's Capacity Building division, this program targeted female students in Maharashtra pursuing undergraduate and masters' projects in Chemistry and Sustainability. Throughout November and December 2024, 28 selected students across Bachelor's, Master's, and PhD levels received guidance from mentors Dr. R. Vijay Solomon and Dr. N. Nirmal Thyagu from Madras Christian College. The

mentorship unfolded in three phases: the first phase, held on 8th and 9th November via Zoom, focused on drafting research proposals and understanding proposal components. Phase-I knowledge was pivotal as students refined proposals for resubmission, receiving insightful comments from mentors. Phase-II involved one-on-one interactions with mentors on 29th and 30th November, providing personalized feedback for proposal revisions. Phase-III, aimed at finalizing proposals with mentor input, concluded the two-month project, empowering students with skills to craft effective research proposals.

Day 2/Session 2
Title: Drafting Proposal - Part 2:
Outcome Based Research

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Wenyan Workshop on Writing Better Proposals -- 9 Nov 2023

DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH (AIDED)

English Literary Forum Inauguration



On the 6th of October 2023, the Department of English inaugurated the English Literary Forum (ELF) for the academic year 2023-2024. The event was presided over by the Head of Department, the Office bearers of the ELF and the distinguished chief guest, Dr. V. Rajagopalan, former Head of the Department. Dr. V Rajagopalan is a celebrated professor, teacher and research scholar who served in Madras Christian College for more than four decades. He gave an enlightening lecture on the ideas of Language, Literature and Life. After his address, Dr. David Abraham Albert and Dr. Mekala Rajan, honoured the guest with a warm felicitation. Ms. Priyadharshini Panchapakesan, former student of the department, having done her Masters and M.Phil. in the University of Hyderabad and the English and Foreign Language University (EFLU), had the pleasure to release her new book *The Guardians of the Forest* in light of the inauguration. Felicitations were given to both the author and publisher Ms. Samyuktha Nair, Chief Editor and CEO of Paper Lantern Publications, also an alumna, followed by the presentation of the published book to the Head of the Department.



12th T.G Narayan Endowment lecture

The 12th T.G Narayan Endowment lecture was conducted on 11th December 2023 in the Centre for Media Studies. Dr Avishek Parui, Associate Professor in English and Memory Studies, IIT Madras, and Associate Fellow of the UK Higher Education Academy, delivered the lecture on the topic, “Memory Studies and Posthumanism: Research Possibilities and Praxis.”



Publication of *Cornucopia*, Department Magazine

Cornucopia, Department Magazine, ISBN 978-93-6039-258-1 was published on 11th December 2023 by Dr. Avishek Parui during the TG Narayan Memorial lecture. It was edited by Ms. Christina Dhanasekaran, Assistant Professor, Dept. of English.



THEATREYRIE

Theatre wing of the department

TheatreYrie performed “Antigone,” A Collage Play on 3rd October 2023 at the University of Madras.



They enacted the same play on 6th October 2023 at IIT Palakkad.



Lectures Given by Faculty as Resource Persons

Dr. Mekala Rajan, HOD was invited to be the Inaugural Chief Guest for ELITE 2K23-An Inter-Collegiate Literary Fest on 18th October 2023 by Hindustan College of Arts and Science, Padur.

Dr. Samuel Rufus delivered the Inaugural Address on the occasion of Inkspire '23, the Inauguration of Crescent Readers Club, Crescent Institute of Science and Technology, Vandalur, Chennai, on 25 September 2023.

Dr. Samuel Rufus delivered the Plenary Talk titled, 'Multimodality as Discourse', at the Two-Day International Conference on 'Literature as Discourse', organised by the Department of English, Pondicherry University, Pondicherry, 5th October 2023.

Dr. Samuel Rufus delivered an Online Talk via Zoom, on the topic, 'Essential Rubrics for a Purpose-Driven Research: An Overview', at the One-Week International Virtual Workshop on 'Research Methodology', organised by the Department of English and Foreign Languages, SRM Institute of Science and Technology, Ramapuram, Chennai, 9 October 2023.

Dr. Samuel Rufus delivered a lecture in A National Seminar on Pluralism and Diversity in South Asian Literature on 11th October 2023. It was organised by St. Mary's College, Thoothukudi.

Dr. Samuel Rufus served as a resource person for A Faculty Development Programme on Recent Trends in Language Teaching and Learning, on 13th October 2023, organised by SDNB Vaishnav College for Women, Chrompet.

Dr. Samuel Rufus delivered a Lecture in 'Refresher Course on Language and Literature' organized by the University of Madras in collaboration with the UGC-HRDC on 21st November 2023.

Dr. Phebe Angus G delivered a lecture on “Retelling the Music and Magic of Literature” on 14th October 2023 at the Shree Niketan Patasala, Mannivakkam, Chennai.

Ms. Christina Dhanasekaran, Assistant Professor delivered a lecture titled 'Academic Writing: Understanding and Organizing the Mechanics of Words' at MCC Research Colloquium on 21st October 2023.

Dr David Wesley was invited as Resource Person to the Refresher Course conducted by the Department of English, University of Madras on 23.11.2023. Dr Wesley gave a lecture on “Performing the Classroom”.

Dr David Wesley was invited as Resource Person to conduct a “Theatre Workshop” by Women's Christian College, on 12.12.2023.

Faculty Achievements

Dr. Phebe Angus G. was selected for the Online Professional English Network (OPEN) course for summer 2023 and received a scholarship to complete a course on “Developing and Teaching Academic Writing” – a 64-hour Online Training Course offered by the Iowa State University from 11th July to 5th September 2023.

Dr. Phebe Angus G., translated technical content from English to Tamil for wider reach for a US State Department-funded project titled “Establishing a Consortium of Excellence for Sustainable Biorisk

Management in 'Tamil Nadu, India' in the month of November 2023.

PhDs produced

Mr. Bhuvanesh Kumar V successfully completed his Ph.D viva voce examination on 26th October 2023 under the guideship of Dr. Mekala Rajan. The title of his doctoral thesis is "Seeing 'Ability' in 'Disability': A Study of Select Life Writings of Erik Weißenmayer and Marla Runyan."

V. Iswaryia successfully completed her PhD viva voce examination on 27th November 2023 under the guideship of Dr. K. Ganesh. The title of her doctoral thesis is "Our Human Mystery: the Romantic Exploration of Consciousness in 'Tom Stoppard's Later Plays.'"

Faculty Publications

Dr. J Aruna published an article titled "Re-visionism - Exposition of the Untold: A Study of Anand Neelakantan's Asura, The Tale of the Vanquished" in ISHAL PAITHRKAM (UGC Care), ISSN:2582-550X.

Mr. Arun Kumar J. and Dr Ann Thomas published an article titled "Embedded Poetics: The Presence of Apocalyptic Imagination in a few major British Poets" in Literary Voice: A Peer Reviewed Journal of English Studies, ISSN 2277-4521 (Print). Indexed with Web of Science ESCI, Cosmos, ESJI, I2OR, Cite Factor.

Dr David Wesley published a paper titled "He Stoops to Dissent: Vadivelu and His Comic Body" in Education and Society, UGC CARE Journal. ISSN: 2278-6864, Vol. 47, Issue. 02, No.12, Apr-June 2023

Student Publications



Abraham T from II BA English published a book titled 'I Admire You – A Self-Admiration of My Inner Feelings' on 17th November 2023. BookLeaf Publishing. ISBN-13:978-9358316506 ISBN-10: 9358316500

Paper Presentations by Students in Conferences/Seminars/Workshops

Harikrishnan of II MA English presented a paper titled "Mythical Echoes in Modern Cinema: Ghatotkach and Asi Maniyan's Struggles with Caste Bias" at the two-day International Seminar on Literature as Discourse on 5th and 6th October 2023 organized by Department of English, Pondicherry University

S. Jennifer Sandra of I MA English presented a paper titled "History Repeats Itself: A Comparative Reading of Select Poems Written During the Great Plague and Covid-19 Period" at the two-day international conference on Social Sciences, Languages and Culture organized by the Department of English, Crescent Institute of Science and Technology on 12th and 13th October 2023.

Souparno Bhattacharya of I MA English presented a paper titled "Exploring Ecological Harmony: Similarities Between Bengali and Tamil Tinai Landscapes" at the International Conference on "Reimagining Planetary: Planetarity and the Earth Family" organized by The Department of English, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi, on 24th and 25th November 2023. He was awarded the Best Presenter for his presentation of the paper titled "The Women Behind Rabindranath Tagore" online at the Webinar organized by Lunar Lingua on "An Exploration of Women Empowerment in IWE: Novel and Drama."

Student Achievements



A team of students from both UG and PG won “The Ever Rolling Trophy-Coffee House”, as part of LITOPIA '23, a cultural fest organized by the Department of English, Loyola College, Chennai on 15th December 2023.



Department of English (Aided), MCC was declared the “Overall Winner” of the cultural fest RUSTICA '23 organized by the English Literary Association, Department of English (Shift II), Loyola College, Chennai on 16th December 2023.

T.G. Narayanan Essay Writing Competition

The department conducted the T.G. Narayanan Essay Writing Competition for the II PG students and prize money was distributed to the following students from the T.G. Narayanan Endowment Fund:

- 1st prize Rs. 4000 - Sharan Srinivasan SR
II MA English
2nd prize Rs. 3000 - Sneha Dominic
II MA English
3rd prize Rs. 2000 - Kevin Michael Woods
II MA English

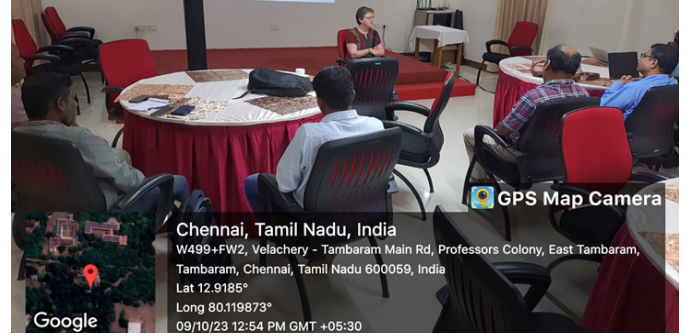
The department also issued a special prize of Rs. 1000 each for the following four students whose essays have been appreciated along with the prize winners:

A Anderlin Victor
Vivilia D
Jaysudha N
Dhanavaishnavi M

தமிழ்த்துறை

துறை நிகழ்வுகள்

09.10.2023 அன்று சென்னைக் கிறித்தவக் கல்லூரியின் வரலாற்றுத் துறையும், தமிழ்த்துறையும் இணைந்து மார்கிரெட் இல்ல உள்ளாங்கில் நடத்திய பயிலரங்கில் அமெரிக்க ஆய்வாளர் பேராசிரியர் அமண்டா வெய்மன் (AMANDA WEIDMAN) அவர்கள் தென்னிந்தியப் பின்னணிப் பாடல்களில் அரசியலும் பண்பாடும் என்னும் தலைப்பில் உரை நிகழ்த்தினார். அதனைத் தொடர்ந்து பன்னாட்டு விருந்தினர் இல்லக் கருத்தரங்க அறையில் இருதுறைப் பேராசிரியர்களோடு கலந்துரையாடி துறைகளின் அடுத்த கட்ட வளர்ச்சிக்கான முன்னெடுப்புகளைப் பகிர்ந்து கொண்டார்.



28.11.2023 அன்று தமிழ்நாடு அரசின் தமிழ்வளர்ச்சித்துறை சார்பாகச் சமூக நீதிக் காவலர் கலைஞர் என்னும் தலைப்பில் துறைகளுக்கு இடையேயான பேச்சுப் போட்டி நடைபெற்றது.

13.12.2023 அன்று பேராசிரியர் பொன்னு. ஆ. சத்தியசாட்சி அறக்கட்டளைச் சொற்பொழிவு ஆண்டரசன் அரங்கில் நிகழ்த்தப்பட்டது. மேனாள் தமிழ்த்துறைத் தலைவர்களான முனைவர் தி. இராசகோபாலன் அவர்களும், முனைவர் மோசஸ் மைக்கேல் பாரடே அவர்களும் சிறப்புரை நிகழ்த்தினர்.



14.12.2023 அன்று சென்னை ஒய்.எம்.சி.ஏ. மாணவர் மன்றத் திட்டக் குழுவும் சென்னைக் கிறித்தவக் கல்லூரித் தமிழ்த்துறையும் இணைந்து கல்லூரிகளுக்கு இடையே குறுநாடகப் போட்டி நடத்தின. இதில் 17 கல்லூரிகள் பங்கெடுத்தன. முதல் மூன்று பரிசுகள் வழங்கப்பட்டன.

15.12.2023 அன்று தமிழ்நாடு அரசின் தமிழ் வளர்ச்சித்துறை நடத்திய செங்கல்பட்டு மாவட்டத்திற்கான இளையோர் இலக்கியப் பயிற்சிப் பாசறை ஒரு நாள் நிகழ்ச்சி சென்னைக் கிறித்தவக் கல்லூரியில் சிறப்பாக நடைபெற்றது. பத்துறை அறிஞர்கள் பங்கேற்று மாணவர்களுக்குச் சிறப்பான முறையில் பயிற்சியளித்தனர்.



19.12.2023 அன்று தமிழ்த்துறையின் கிறிஸ்மஸ் விழா நடைபெற்றது. இதில் சிறப்பு நிகழ்வாக கிறிஸ்மஸ் மார்கழி என்ற தலைப்பில் குன்னத்தூர் பூ.ஜெகநாதன் குழுவினரின் தவில் நாதஸ்வர இசை நிகழ்ச்சி கல்லூரியில் நடைபெற்றது. மேலும் காலை - மில்லர் சிலை, முற்பகல் -குத்துச்சண்டை மேடை, பிற்பகல்- ஆண்டரசன் அரங்கம் ஆகிய இடங்களில் இசைநிகழ்ச்சி நிகழ்த்தப்பெற்றது.



தமிழியல் ஆய்வு மன்றம்

18.10.2023 அன்று தொல்லியல் ஆய்வுகளும் மனித நாகரீகமும் எனும் தலைப்பில் செ.கி.க.யின் வரலாற்றுத்துறைப் பேராசிரியர் ச. தீபிகா உரை நிகழ்த்தினார்

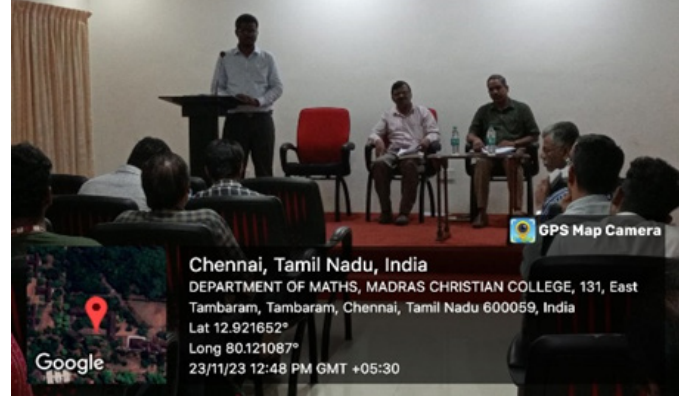


தமிழ்ப்பேரவை

25.10.2023 அன்று கல்லூரியின் தமிழ்ப்பேரவையின் தொடக்க விழா நடைபெற்றது. சிறப்பு அழைப்பாளராகப் பேச்சாளரும் எழுத்தாளருமான ஜோ. அருள் பிரகாஷ் கலந்து கொண்டு சிறப்புரை வழங்கினார். பின்னர் மாணவர் கலைநிகழ்ச்சிகள் நடைபெற்றன.



முனைவர் பட்ட வாய்மொழித்தேர்வு



23.11.2023 அன்று டி. செல்வராஜ் வாழ்வும் படைப்பும் எனும் தலைப்பில் திரு. ஆ. லியோ கிளமண்ட் அவர்களின் முனைவர் பட்ட வாய்மொழித் தேர்வு நடைபெற்றது. நெறியாளர் முனைவர் து. மேஷாக். புறநிலைத் தேர்வாளராக முனைவர் மூர்த்தி (இணைப்பேராசிரியர், குருநானக் கல்லூரி) செயல்பட்டார்.

வனம்

06.10.2023, 06.11.2023 ஆகிய நாள்களில் படைப்புக்களை ஊக்குவிக்கும் களமாக வனம் நடைபெற்றது.

ஜெபக்கூடுகை

வியாழக்கிழமைகளில் பகல் 1.30 மணிக்கு நிகழும் தமிழ்த்துறையின் ஜெபக்கூடுகை அறை எண் A.111 நிகழ்ந்து வருகிறது. பொறுப்பாசிரியர் முனைவர் செ. மேரி.

இல்ல மன்ற நிகழ்ச்சிகள்

05.10.2023 அன்று சேலையூர் இல்லத்தின் கம்பன் மன்றத் தொடக்க விழா நடைபெற்றது. இதனை இலயோலா கல்லூரிப் பேராசிரியர் முனைவர் அமிர்த லெனின் தொடங்கி வைத்து தற்கால இந்தியாவும் எதிர்கால இந்தியாவும் எனும் தலைப்பில் உரை நிகழ்த்தினார். மன்ற நெறியாளர் முனைவர் சி. முத்துகந்தன்.

பேராசிரியர் பணிகள்

முனைவர் ப. டேவிட் பிரபாகர் 19.10.2023 தாசூர் கலை மற்றும் அறிவியல் கல்லூரி நடத்திய ஆசிரியர் திறன் மேம்பாட்டுப் பயிலரங்கில் மொழிப்பாடம் கற்றல் கற்பித்தல் எனும் தலைப்பில் சிறப்பு அழைப்பாளராகப் பங்கேற்று உரைநிகழ்த்தினார். 15.11.2023 அன்று சென்னைப் பல்கலைக்கழகத்தின் அறக்கட்டளைச் சொற்பொழிவில் வஜ்ரமணி கிரிஸ்தியான்

வழிவந்த கவிமணிகள் இசை இலக்கிய ஆக்கங்கள் எனும் தலைப்பில் உரை நிகழ்த்தினார். 08.11.2023 அன்று எம்.சி.சி. பள்ளிக் பள்ளியின் சிறப்பு அழைப்பாளராகக் கலந்து கொண்டு சிறப்புரை நிகழ்த்தினார். 28.10.2023 அன்று பேராசிரியர் பொன்னு. ஆ. சத்யசாட்சி 100 என்னும் நிகழ்ச்சியில் சிறப்புரை நிகழ்த்தினார். இந்நிகழ்ச்சி சென்னை சி.எஸ்.ஐ .எப்பாஸ் பள்ளி மயிலாப்பூரில் நடைபெற்றது.

முனைவர் பு.ஜார்ஜ் தமது முனைவர் பட்ட மாணவரான, திரு. கா.விக்னேசனவுடன் தமிழரின் வரலாற்றைக் கல்வெட்டுகள் வழி எழுதும் முயற்சியில், சான்றுகளை நேரில் சென்று பார்வையிட சில ஆண்டுகளாகத் தமிழ்நாட்டின் பல்வேறு பகுதிகளுக்குப் பயணம் செய்கின்றார். அவ்வகையில் அக்டோபர், நவம்பர் மாதங்களில் அவர்கள் பயணம் செய்துள்ள வரலாற்றுச் சின்னங்கள் உள்ள பகுதிகள்: அக்டோபர் மாதம் Andhra Pradesh, Bhatiprolu, Amaravati, Pedavegi caves, Undavalli caves, Vijayawada, Sangaram caves, Arakku valley, Rajamahendravaram, ஆகிய பகுதிகளையும், நவம்பர் மாதம் Maharashtra, Pune, Bhandarkar research institute, Deccan college museum, Junnar, Manmodi caves, Ganesh pahad, Shivneri, Naneghat, Ghorawadi caves, Bedsa caves, Bhaja caves, Karla caves, Kol caves, Thanale caves, Kuda caves, Kondhane caves, Ambivali caves, Nasik, Pandavleni caves, Mumbai, Elephanta, Kondivite mahakali caves, ஆகிய பகுதிகளுக்கும் சென்று தரவுகளைச் சேகரித்து வந்துள்ளனர்.

முனைவர் ஏ.பால்பிரபு சாந்தராஜ் 31.10.2023 அன்று மாநிலக் கல்லூரி நடத்திய தமிழில் தலித் இலக்கியம் எனும் கருத்தரங்கில் என் தந்தை பாலையா; வலியும் விடுகதையும் எனும் தலைப்பில் உரை நிகழ்த்தினார்.

முனைவர் து.மேஷாக் 17.11.2023 அன்று சென்னைப் பல்கலைக்கழகத்தின் அறக்கட்டளைச் சொற்பொழிவில் காப்பியப் புனைவுகளில் கிறிஸ்தவம் பேராசிரியர் மு. பவுல் ராமகிருஷ்ணன் மீட்பதிகாரம் எனும் தலைப்பில் உரை நிகழ்த்தினார்.

முனைவர் நா. காணிக்கராஜ் 27.11.2023 முதல் 03.12.2023 வரை ஆக்சுலியம் கல்லூரி நடத்திய ஏழு நாள் பன்னாட்டு ஆசிரியர் திறன் மேம்பாட்டுப் பயிலரங்கில் பங்கேற்றார்.

முனைவர் ஜெ.சுடர்விழி 06.10.2023 அன்று எஸ்.ஆர்.எம். அறிவியல் மற்றும் தொழில்நுட்பக் கல்வி நிறுவனம் அறிவியல் மற்றும் கலையில் புலம் தமிழ்த்துறை ஒருங்கிணைத்த தமிழ் ஆய்வின் தடங்கள் எனும் பயிலரங்கில் நவீன கவிதை மரபில் பாரதியல் ஆய்வுகள் எனும் தலைப்பில் உரை நிகழ்த்தினார். காலச்சுவடு டிஸ்கவரி புக் பேலஸ் ஒருங்கிணைத்த நினைவில் வாழும் சு.ரா. என்னும் நிகழ்ச்சியில் சு.ரா. வாழ்வும் படைப்பும்

எனும் தலைப்பில் உரை நிகழ்த்தினார். டிசம்பர் 23 புதிய அவியம் எனும் இதழில் மாதிகா சமுதாயத்தின் பண்பாட்டுப் பதிவுகள் எனும் தலைப்பில் கட்டுரை வெளியிட்டார்.

முனைவர் சு.சதாசிவம் 14 .10 .2023 அன்று சுயவீரம் பொதுநலச் சங்கம் ஏற்பாடு செய்த தமிழ் அன்னையைப் போற்றும் விழாவில் சிறப்புரையாற்றினார். 15.10.2023 அன்று தாம்பரம் தமிழ்ச் சங்கத்தில் சங்க இலக்கியங்களில் தமிழ்ப் பண்பாடு எனும் தலைப்பில் உரை நிகழ்த்தினார்.

முனைவர் த.செபுலோன் பிரபுதுரை 25 .10. 2023 முதல் 02. 12. 2023 வரை கலை மற்றும் பண்பாடு அறக்கட்டளை நடத்திய ஆசிரியர் திறன் மேம்பாட்டு நிகழ்ச்சியில் தமிழில் பக்தி இலக்கியங்கள் எனும் ஏழு நாள் பயிலரங்கின் ஒருங்கிணைப்பாளராகச் செயல்பட்டார். 16.11.2023 அன்று தாம்பரம் தொடர் வண்டி நிலையப்பயிற்சி நடுவத்தின் மாணவர்களுக்கு தமிழர் கலை மரபுகள் குறித்து உரைநிகழ்த்தினார். 07.12.2023 அன்று கலை மற்றும் பண்பாடு அறக்கட்டளை நடத்திய ஆசிரியர் திறன் மேம்பாட்டு நிகழ்ச்சியில் ஆய்வு என்னும் கலை எனும் ஒரு நாள் பயிலரங்கின் ஒருங்கிணைப்பாளராகச் செயல்பட்டார். 27.12.2023 அன்று கிருஷ்ணகிரி அரசு பெண்கள் உயர்நிலைப் பள்ளி மாணவர்களுக்கு பல்லவர்கால சிற்பங்கள் குறித்து விளக்கி கூற அவர்களுடன் துறைவல்லுநராகச் சென்று வந்தார்.

முனைவர் சி. முத்துகந்தன், 04.10.2023 அன்று தஞ்சைப் தமிழ்ப் பல்கலைக்கழகம் நடத்திய தெருக்கூத்து வரலாறு எழுதியல் என்னும் சிறப்புக்கருதரங்கில் உள்ளூர் வரலாறும் வழக்காறுகளும் என்னும் தலைப்பில் உரைநிகழ்த்தினார்.

முனைவர் செ.ஸ்டாலின், நவம்பர் 2023- Indian journal of natural sciences (science indexed) எனும் சர்வதேச ஆய்விதழில் (web of science) Pedagogical approach towards storytelling based on Bloom's Taxonomy என்ற தலைப்பில் வெளியிட்டார். 07.12.2023 அன்று கலை மற்றும் பண்பாடு அறக்கட்டளை நடத்திய ஆசிரியர் திறன் மேம்பாட்டு நிகழ்ச்சியில் தமிழ் ஆய்விதழ்கள் என்னும் தலைப்பில் ஆய்வுரை நிகழ்த்தினார்.

முனைவர் ஏ. மேரி நேசபிரியம், 27.11.2023 முதல் 03.12.2023 வரை ஆக்சுலியம் கல்லூரி நடத்திய ஏழு நாள் பன்னாட்டு ஆசிரியர் திறன் மேம்பாட்டுப் பயிலரங்கில் பங்கேற்றார். 25 .10. 2023 முதல் 02. 12. 2023 வரை கலை மற்றும் பண்பாடு அறக்கட்டளை நடத்திய ஆசிரியர் திறன் மேம்பாட்டு நிகழ்ச்சியில் தமிழில் பக்தி இலக்கியங்கள் எனும் ஏழு நாள் பயிலரங்கில் கலந்து கொண்டார். 23.11.2023 அன்று உலகத் தமிழராய்ச்சி நிறுவனமும் தமிழ் மொழி மற்றும் மொழிப்புலமும் இணைந்து நடத்திய பள்ளி ஆசிரியர்களுக்கான மொழிப்பயற்சி பயிலரங்கில் சொல் வகை வகைப்பாட்டுக் கொள்கைகள் எனும் தலைப்பில் சிறப்புரை நிகழ்த்தினார். டிசம்பர் 2023 புதிய அவியம் இதழில் சங்க இலக்கியங்களில் பண்பாட்டுக் கூறுகள்

எனும் தலைப்பில் கட்டுரை எழுதியுள்ளார்.

மாணவர் செயற்பாடுகள்

இக்கல்வியாண்டில் முதுகலை இரண்டாமாண்டு மாணவர்களான கண்ணதாஸ், பரமேஸ்வரன், பரத், ஜஸ்வர்யா. சொக்கலிங்கம் ஆகியோரும் முதுகலை முதலாண்டு மாணவரான ஸ்ரீகாந்த் ஆகிய ஏழு மாணவர்கள் தேசியத் தகுதி தேர்வில் .(NET) தேர்வில் வெற்றி பெற்றனர்.

மாவட்ட அளவிலான போட்டி

23.11.2023 அன்று தமிழ் வளர்ச்சித் துறையால் செங்கல்பட்டு மாவட்ட அளவில் நடத்தப்பட்ட பேச்சுப் போட்டியில் இளங்கலை முதலாம் ஆண்டு மாணவர் எஸ். இளங்கோவன் மூன்றாம் பரிசைப் பெற்றார்.

நூல் வெளியீடு

11.10.2023 அன்று மூன்றாம் ஆண்டு இளங்கலை மாணவர் சு. வருண் குமார் அவர்களின் கழிவறைக் கவிதைகள் (ISBN: 978-81-19449-73-6) எனும் கவிதை நூல் வெளியிடப்பட்டது. இந்நூல் ஸ்ரீ செண்பகா பதிப்பகத்தால் வெளியிடப்பட்டது.

கேளிர் இதழ்

தமிழ்த்துறை மாணவர்கள் முன்னெடுப்பில் கேளிர் இதழ் வெளிவருகிறது. இதன் ஆசிரியர் இளங்கலை மூன்றாம் ஆண்டு மாணவர் சு. வருண் குமார். அவருடன் இணைந்து ஒவ்வொரு வகுப்பிற்கும் ஒரு பேராளர்களாக மாணவர்கள் இணைந்து நடத்துகின்றனர்.

கலைக்குழு செயல்பாடுகள்

25.10.2023 தமிழ்ப் பேரவையின் தொடக்கவிழாவில் பறையிசையை ஜான் பீட்டர். பா,ரோகித் . ரா,விக்னேஷ். சு,உமா. க,சுவேதா. ஈ,லே,தனுஸ்ரீ. சீ, ஹரிஷ். ந,திவ்யா. மகேஷ்வரி ம, ஆகியோரும் மேளத்தை ர. எபிசேசர், பால். வினோத். வெ ஆகியோரும், கரகாட்டத்தை ,பத்ம பிரியா.டி, மகேஷ்வரி ம, திவ்யா.கு, வினோத். வெ, ஆகியோரும். ஓயிலாட்டத்தை தனுஸ்ரீ . ஈ.லே ,மகேஷ்வரி ம, திவ்யா. கு, நந்தன் பூ,ஹரிஷ். ந,உமா , ஆகியோரும் களியல் ஆட்டத்தை பத்ம பிரியா. டி, தனுஸ்ரீ.ஈ.லே,சுவேதா. சீ,உமா.க,வினோத். வெ,திவ்யா.கு ஆகியோரும்., சிலம்பாட்டத்தை வினோத். வெ,கிருத்திகா.நா ஆகியோரும். நிகழ்த்திக்காட்டினர்.

முனைவர் பட்ட மாணவர்

29.10.2023 அன்று சென்னையில் நடந்த 42 ஆவது தென்னிந்திய வரலாறு மாநாட்டில் தமிழ்த் துறையின் முனைவர் பட்ட ஆய்வாளர் கா. விக்னேஷ் Understanding Thithiyan and thidiyan malai through the sources of sangham era எனும் தலைப்பில் ஆய்வுக்கட்டுரை வழங்கினார்.

DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY

Visit to the Government Museum, Chennai



As part of experiential learning the Department of History arranged a study visit to the Government Museum, Egmore, Chennai, on 13th July 2023 for the final year students of BA History (Vocational): Archaeology and Museology. Study

of Museums and the techniques of display is part of the students' coursework. Students visited all the galleries in the Museum and spent more time in the Archaeology and Sculpture galleries. This visit enhanced the students' knowledge about different display techniques and the pre-requisites for museum architecture. 25 students participated in this learning process which helped them to corroborate their theory knowledge into practical experience.



Excavation Training at Vadakupattu (July 31 to August 4, 2023)



As a part of experiential learning the Department of History organized practical training on archaeological excavation for 25 final year B.A. History (Vocational):



Archaeology and Museology students between July 31 and August 4, 2023. The students participated in the Vadakkupattu excavation, which was conducted by the Archaeological Survey of India. The five-days training in excavation at Vadakupattu enabled the students to experience a variety of tasks involved in archaeological excavation and exploration. The students benefitted by learning basic cleaning of the site to laying down trench to recording of evidences.

An Academic Discourse On “Understanding Manipur - Historical, Political & Social Dimensions” in commemoration of International Indigenous Day on 10th August 2023



An Academic Discourse on “Understanding Manipur – Historical, Political and Social Dimensions” was organized in respect to commemorating the UN’s International Day of World’s Indigenous people. It was jointly organized by the Departments of Social Work (Aided), History and Political Science. It was held on 10th August 2023 in the Martin Hall Auditorium. The moderator of the academic discourse was Dr. Christopher Chandran, Head, Department of Political

Science. A lecture on the historical perspective on Manipur and the current issues was delivered by Dr. R. Venkataramanujam, Head, Department of History. The social perspective was given by Dr. Miriam Samuel, Head, Department of Social Work (Aided). The political perspective was provided by Mr. Ranjith, the guest speaker of the day. After a detailed exploration of Manipur in historical, social and political aspects, Dr. S. Sudharsan, Assistant Professor, Department of Social Work (Aided) initiated the reading of the Preamble of the Indian Constitution. A copy of the Preamble was distributed among the students and the general audience.

DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE

MUN-Day

The Model United Nations for Development Amongst Youth took place on 12 September 2023 at the Conference Hall, Department of Social Work, organised by the Association of Political Science.

The event aimed to foster discussions and generate ideas among young minds on the vital issue of gender equality, focusing on the role of the United Nations Women Committee. Fifty students of the Department participated in the event, and the young delegates delved into discussions surrounding the agenda of enhancing gender equality. Delegates exhibited a deep understanding of the global challenges in achieving gender parity.

The committee sessions were marked by intense debates, diplomatic negotiations, and collaborative efforts to draft resolutions that addressed the multifaceted aspects of gender inequality. The engagement of youth in such meaningful discussions is imperative as they emerge as advocates and leaders in the ongoing fight for gender equality.



Institution of

Dr. Alexander Mantramurti Endowment

Dr. Alexander Mantramurti Endowment was instituted on 15 September 2023 at the Anderson Hall. The Head of the Department, Dr. S. D. Christopher Chandran, handed over a cheque of around Rs. 10,00,000/- to the Bursar. The interest incurred shall be used to promote research and publications in the field of Political Science among faculty and students. The event was graced by a galaxy of dignitaries, including Dr. Alexander Mantramurti and Dr. Mithra J. Augustine, the former Principals of the College, Mr. Ravikumar, IPS (Retd.) and, former members of the faculty and their families. Mr. P. W. C. Davidar, IAS (Retd.) delivered the first Endowment Lecture on "Narratives and Truth".



Young Scholars Conference



The Department of Political Science organised the transdisciplinary Young Scholars Conference (YSC) on "World Today through the Lens of Political Science(s)", on 09 October 2023. The Conference was attended by students from across the city colleges and Universities. The Conference brought together emerging scholars and researchers in the field of Political Science and beyond to engage in meaningful discussions and exchange innovative ideas. By focusing on the sub-themes of Indian Government and Politics, Public Policy, and International Relations, the Conference helped develop a comprehensive understanding of

the complex socio-political landscape of today's world. Around 40 papers were presented by the young scholars from various Universities and colleges, and 30 papers by the students of the Department of Political Science, Madras Christian College. The Conference facilitated transdisciplinary discussions by encouraging the integration of Political Science perspectives with other fields of study, promoting holistic understanding.

Constitution Day 2023



The Association of Political Science commemorated the Constitution Day 2023 by conducting a Quiz on the Indian Constitution on 30 November 2023. The event provided the students of the Department an opportunity to test their knowledge, engage in friendly competition, and celebrate the principles that shape our democracy. The Association of Political Science expressed its commitment to justice, liberty, equality and fraternity and celebrated the spirit of democracy. The event paid homage to the architects of the Constitution, highlighting the contributions of the women members of the Constituent Assembly.

Christmas Programme



The Christmas Programme was organised by the Upper Room, the Prayer Cell of the Department of

Political Science, on 16 December 2023. Dr. Miriam Samuel, Head of the Department of Social Work, shared the word of God. The choir presented soulful renditions of classic Christmas carols. The skit offered an artistic representation of the life of Jesus Christ. It also served as a powerful reminder of the significance of the season.

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS

Eric Prabhakaran Endowment Lecture

The Department of Economics hosted a distinguished event, the Eric Prabhakaran Endowment Lecture, on September 1, 2024, at 10:30 A.M. in the Centre for Media Studies.

Dr. J Amalorpavanathan, a renowned vascular surgeon, former Director, Professor, and Head at the Institute of Vascular Surgery, Madras Medical, graced the event with his presence. His extensive experience and notable contributions to the field of healthcare have made him a pivotal figure in shaping healthcare policies and systems.

The lecture, titled “Leading the Gift of Life: Pioneering Organ Donation through TRANSTAN for a Healthier Tomorrow,” encapsulated the essence of Dr. Amalorpavanathan’s tenure as the Member Secretary of Transplant Authority of Tamil Nadu (TRANSTAN). The thematic focus delved into the critical role of TRANSTAN in advancing organ donation practices, emphasizing its significance for a healthier future.

The Eric Prabhakaran Endowment Lecture featuring Dr. J Amalorpavanathan was a resounding success, showcasing the Department of Economics’ commitment to fostering knowledge-sharing and academic excellence. The insights gained from this event contribute significantly to the department’s mission of staying at the forefront of contemporary economic issues. Looking ahead, the department remains dedicated to organizing similar impactful events that promote intellectual growth and academic synergy.

Educational Trip:

Bengaluru, Hampi, Badami, Pattadakal, Aihole

The Department of Economics successfully organized a five-day educational trip from 27th September to 1st

October 2023, with the primary objective of providing students a comprehensive experience encompassing a metropolitan city and historically significant towns. The chosen destinations, Bengaluru, Hampi, Badami, Pattadakal, and Aihole, offered insights into the glorious past of the Vijayanagara and Chalukya dynasties.

A total of 74 students and 3 faculty members (two male and one female) actively participated in this educational endeavour which provided a unique opportunity for bonding and camaraderie among students and faculty members. Upon reaching Bengaluru, the educational agenda kicked off with a visit to the Institute for Social and Economic Change (ISEC). Here, students and faculty members gained valuable insights into the history and relevance of the institution. Those pursuing the MA programme seized the chance to interact with ISEC faculty, exploring potential research opportunities in economics and other social sciences.

The other key locations visited in Bengaluru, included Tipu Sultan’s Summer Palace, the Visvesvaraya Technical Museum, and the Lalbagh Botanical Garden. These visits provided students with a glimpse of the city’s cultural and historical facets, enriching their overall educational experience.



The subsequent phase of the trip led the participants to the historical towns of Hampi, Badami, Pattadakal, and Aihole. In Hampi, students explored the captivating ruins of the Vijayanagara empire, followed by a visit to the monolithic Badami cave temples. Pattadakal and Aihole, two significant sites of the Chalukya empire,

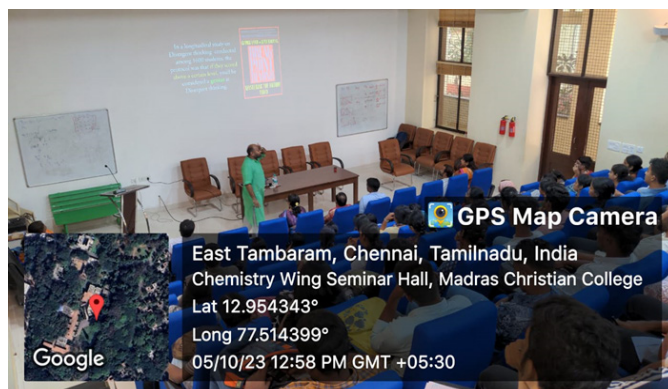
were explored over the next two days, offering students a first hand encounter with ancient architecture and historical significance.



The five-day educational trip orchestrated by the Department of Economics successfully blended academic exploration with cultural immersion. The journey not only provided students with a multifaceted understanding of the historical and economic landscape but also facilitated meaningful interactions with institutions like ISEC. The trip stands as a testament to the department's commitment to holistic education and experiential learning, leaving an indelible mark on the participants' academic journey.

Guest Lecture by Mr. Anand Mathew Kurien

On 5th October 2023, at 11:30 A.M., the guest lecture will took place at the Seminar Hall located in the Chemistry Hall. Mr. Anand Mathew Kurien, Teacher educator, Azem Premji University was the guest speaker. His lecture was tilted "Making Connections: A School Teacher's discussion with those who "don't understand" or "do not like" Mathematics!



Department of Economics Christmas Celebration Report

The Department of Economics embraced the festive spirit with a joyous Christmas celebration held on 16th December at Macphails Art Centre. The event was a culmination of creative endeavours, musical performances, and reflections on the significance of Christmas. The students and faculties participated in the programme enthusiastically.



The Performing Arts club presented a skit on the theme "Why are we celebrating Christmas." The storyline, distinct from the usual narratives, garnered special appreciation for its uniqueness. This theatrical presentation added a thought-provoking dimension to the celebration.

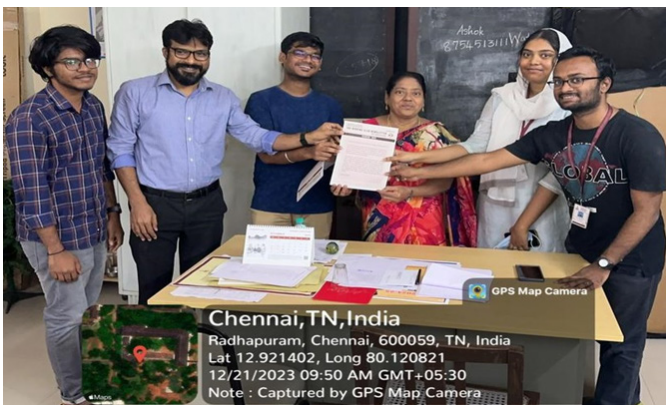


The esteemed Chief Guest, Pastor Marshal, an alumnus of MCC, shared his wisdom on college life, the essence of Christmas, and the pursuit of a fulfilling life through goodness. His insights resonated with the audience, providing valuable perspectives on the festive season and personal growth.

The event concluded with a closing prayer and an enigmatic performance by our choir, leaving attendees with a sense of warmth and festive joy. In summary, the Department of Economics Christmas celebration proved to be a harmonious blend of creativity, music, reflections, and festive cheer, fostering a sense of community and celebration among all participants.

Reading Club newsletter for the month of November 2024

On 21st December 2023, the department unveiled a newsletter spotlighting the remarkable talents of its students.



DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE (AIDED)

Christmas Celebration 2023, Natale Radioso

The Department of Commerce held its Christmas celebration, "Natale Radioso," on December 18, 2023, at Anderson Hall. The event was a festive and culturally vibrant occasion where students dressed in red and white attire, creating a visually spectacular atmosphere.

The programme included captivating performances, starting with a soulful opening prayer and a beautiful hymn by the department choir, Euphoria.

The event featured a warm welcome by the Chairperson, Ms. Anugraha Treessa, and Mr. Sabareesh S, the Student Vice-President, then introduced the Chief Guest, Mr. Allen Augustine, the Southern Africa Hub Head of IFC, World Bank. The esteemed Head of the Department, Dr. Mrs. Tamilarasi M, who honoured Mr. Allen Augustine with a memento, acknowledging his significant contributions to the field of commerce.

The programme included readings of Bible verses in English and Tamil, followed by an insightful address from Mr. Allen Augustine.

The cultural segment showcased the talents of students through fusion dances, group songs, skits, and a special violin performance. Santa Claus and III B. Com boys added joy with a stunning dance, and the event concluded with a vote of thanks from Ms. Anitha P, the Programme Coordinator, and closing prayers. The festive atmosphere was highlighted by the joyful notes of "Jingle Bells."

The celebration concluded with refreshing refreshments, leaving everyone with lasting memories of unity and joy. "Natale Radioso" truly reflected the Christmas spirit and the vibrant culture of the Department of Commerce.



Alumni Meet 83 Batch

The Alumni Meet for the Batch 83 took place on 22nd November 2023. It was a nostalgic and heart warming event as the former students returned to their college to reconnect with the institution and each other. The occasion provided a platform for them to reminisce about their college days and discover the current state of the Department. The alumni began their visit by gathering at the college premises, where they were welcomed by the current faculty and staff.



A highlight of the Alumni Meet was a meeting with the college Principal. The alumni had the opportunity to engage in a meaningful discussion with the Principal, gaining insights into the present functioning of the department, recent developments, and the overall growth of the institution since their graduation. Following, the alumni were taken on a tour of the college campus, including visits to their former classrooms. As part of the Alumni Meet, there was a session dedicated to providing information about the current curriculum, subjects, and academic offerings of the Department. The Staff Advisor Dr. Mr. Chinnamuthu B presented an overview of the curriculum, highlighting any new subjects, innovative teaching methods, and additional opportunities available to current students. The alumni were keenly interested in understanding how the academic landscape had evolved since their time.

The Alumni Meet concluded with a heartfelt interaction between the alumni and the current students. This mentorship session allowed the former students to share valuable insights and experiences from their professional lives, offering guidance and inspiration to the current generation. The event ended on a positive note, with a renewed sense of connection and pride among the alumni for their alma mater. The joyful

atmosphere was evident as old friends and classmates reunited, sharing stories and experiences from their post-college journeys.

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WORK (AIDED)



On 2nd September 2023, Mr. Yuvar Shankar II MSW student of Madras Christian College was honoured by the Mugavari Foundation and was awarded the Mugavari Foundation Appreciation award from Dr. V. IraiAnbu I.A.S (Former Chief Secretary to the Government of Tamil Nadu).



On 4th September 2023, the students of the Social Work Department (Aided) commemorated the Teacher's Day by distributing wishes cards to all the faculty of Madras Christian College. The students acknowledged the professors of Department of Social work (Aided) and thanked them for their dedication and service with special honor to Dr. Miriam Samuel on her retirements.

On 11th September 2023, the II MSW, Community Development students organized an exhibition showcasing innovative rural and urban schemes. This event provided the valuable insights into the



sustainable development, highlighted the initiatives that bridge gap between urban and rural communities.

On 12th September 2023, the students of I MSW participated in the puppetry training that was facilitated by Children Mission India. The students learnt about the various types of puppets and the techniques to use a puppet to spread awareness and educate people.



In commemoration of the International Day of Democracy, the Youth for Human Rights and Democracy (YHRD) Club organized a Preamble Reading and Consciousness Raising Programme. The event was conducted on 15th September 2023, and it aimed to educate and inspire participants about the significance of democracy, the preamble of the Constitution, and the principles of democracy.



On 16th September 2023, Tamil Nadu Urban Habitat Board trainees Mr. Benjamin and Mr. Ponusamy (II MSW) conducted a General Medical Camp at Perumbakkam resettlement area.



On 21st September 2023, Tharani, Jacob, Vinitha I MSW and MA Public administration students of MCC along with a faculty Dr Kalyani attended a training session titled "Special Campaign for Sensitization of Gram Panchayat" at the Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS). The objective of the campaign is to sensitize the Presidents and Secretaries of Gram Panchayat regarding Indian Standards and the Quality Ecosystem.



On 23rd September 2023, the students of I MSW and II MSW from the Department of Social Work (Aided) participated in the National Level Cultural Event for budding social workers Catharsis at the Bishop Heber College, Trichy. They competed against 25 Social Work colleges and won the overall trophy. Karthick Rohan G of I MSW, won the Mr. Catharsis title.



Misha Anjali, II MSW was awarded the Best Presenter award for her paper Presentation in the “International Conference on Application of AI in Social Work Practice”, Sri Ramakrishna College of Arts & Science, Coimbatore on 25th September 2023.



Four researchers of Tel Aviv University, Israel, from various departments have been committed to a project named “Clean Water Monitoring Project” in which they have been testing the quality of drinking water using various parameters in India on a wide range.

They test the quality of drinking water in areas of Chennai in collaboration with various colleges and Madras Christian College. Department of Social Work (Aided) was also one of the collaborators with the Project. The I MSW students helped the researchers to conduct their tests in Tambaram and nearby field areas such as, Kannadapalayam, Annai Sathya Nagar, Annaianjugam Nagar and Vengadamangalam from 16th – 26th September 2023.

On 4th October 2023, the I MSW Group Project trainees (Ancy, Immanuel, Karthick, Paul and Steffi) placed in the Kannadapalayam community conducted the Medical Camp in collaboration with the Sairam Ayurveda Medical College. They had 30-plus people from the community who attended the medical camp.



The national Study Conference - 2023, titled “Transformative Innovations in Social Work Practice” held on 9th & 10th of October. These two days of conference involved various resource persons and students from all over the country. This conference was completed initiated, planned and organised by Social Work department (Aided) students of Madras Christian College. The conference had 8 themes with special session for each theme. This is the 31st conference conducted by the department.



On 11th October 2023, the IMSW trainees placed at Annaianjugam Nagar for their Group Placement, conducted a medical camp in their community in collaboration with the Sairam Medical College.



On 17th October 2023, the I MSW student trainees placed at Vengadamangalam for their Group Placement conducted an educational awareness programme for the children at their community. 60 members of the community were sensitized on the need for education to uplift their community.



On 18th October 2023, the student trainees of I MSW placed at Agaramthen for their Group Placement, interacted with the Panchayat President, VAO and Counselors and facilitated in obtaining 12 community certificates for Irular Tribe community of Agaramthen Panchayat.

Rural Camp (23rd November – 02nd December 2023): The I MSW students went to Odhappai Village, Thiruvallur District for their rural camp on the title “Metanoia 2023” meaning ‘a journey to



change oneself’. This camp was facilitated by Dr. Sudhasan and Mr. Johannes Samuel. The campers were divided into groups and worked in four different villages –Kurangathandalam, Attrampakkam, Govindharajakuppam and Odhappai. They performed various activities like Participatory Rural Appraisals, Sports and Cultural programmes, Awareness programmes, Preamble reading in schools on the Constitution Day and also they assessed the villages as per the indicators of the Localisation of Sustainable Development Goals.

Dr. Chandran D.S. Devanesen & Dr. Mithra G. Augustine Endowment Lecture.

The Department of Social Work, Madras Christian College, in collaboration with Pennsylvania Center For International Exchange and Partnership (PCIEP), USA, organized the Dr. Chandran D.S. Devanesen & Dr. Mithra G. Augustine Endowment Lecture. This programme took place on 11th December, 2023 (Monday) in Chemistry Wing (S120) Seminar Hall, Madras Christian College on the topic “International Social Work: Practice Standards for Cross-Cultural Engagement” delivered by Mrs. Melissa D. Brown, Assistant Professor of Social Work in Cedarville University, USA. This lecture was inclusive of participants from various Departments of Madras Christian College. She highlighted some countries by differentiating them as high context and low context perspective in accordance with the Cross-cultural engagement across the world.



The YHRD club convenor had led the participants to take pledge for the Human rights day 2023. The programme was closed by the vote of thanks and by providing refreshments to the participants and guests of the programme.

Convergence - 2023

The SEWA Social Work Students Association, Department of Social Work (Aided), Madras Christian College, collaborated with Martin Luther

Christian University, Shillong, for Convergence 2023. Convergence derived from the Latin prefix 'con-', meaning 'together', and the word 'verge', signifying 'toward'. Therefore, convergence simply implies 'Coming Together'. They shared and exchanged differences and similarities in ideas, practices, knowledge, and experiences within the field of social work. This collaboration provided perspectives from two distinct directions—South and Northeast.



This programme was held on December 7, 2023 (Saturday), from 11:00 am at the Seminar Hall, Department of Social Work (Aided). The Guest speakers for this event were Rev. Chongthu, Dr. Prince Solomon (Faculty at MCCSWD), Dr. Seilienmang Haokeip (Faculty at MLCU), Dr. Melissa D. Brown (Faculty at Cedarville University, USA). Following this, Melissa D. Brown from Cedarville University, USA, talked about International practices.

University of Houston Downtown, USA Visit & Special Lecture

On 14th December 2023, the Department of Social Work organized a Special Lecture on the topic "Media Representation on Suicide." Delivered by Dr. Shahnaz Savani, Assistant Professor of Social Work University of Houston Downtown, Texas, USA. The event, held in the Seminar Hall, commenced at 10:30 AM.

Dr. Sudharsan from the Department of Social Work shed light on "Oppression and Caste" in Indian society. Dr. Miriam Samuel, the Head of the Department of Social Work. An interactive session on the diversities

between India and the USA was facilitated by Dr. Miriam Samuel.

Cross-cultural interaction report outlines an interactive group discussion, where students from Madras Christian College and the University of Houston were divided into four groups to discuss Social Work Education in the US and India. Enriching platform for knowledge exchange and discussions on critical social issues.



On 12th December 2023, Mr. Bil Graham, F.W. trainee placed in Surabhi organisation, did relief work through Don Bosco Emergency Relief 2023 at Vysarpadi Jeeva, Chennai.

On 12th December 2023, Ms. Sivaranjani & Ms.

Rolanda from I & II MSW respectively, distributed 10 kits (Groceries) along with our faculty to the (Irular hamlet) Karunagarachari village, Vangadu Panchayat, Somangalam, Kanchipuram district.



On 13th December 2023, MCCSWD met the Educational needs in collaboration with LMES Foundation for the cyclone affected fisher folk Community in NaduvurMadhaKuppam, Pulicat, Tiruvallur District. Coordinated by Ms. Margret, II MSW.



On 14th December, 2023 the students of Social Work Department (Aided) organized a special lecture of Media Representation on Suicide with collaboration of University of Houston, Downtown. Dr. Shahnaz Savani, Assistant Professor, University of Houston, Downtown gave the lecture, in the lecture she said about how suicide is being prominent around the world and how social media is affecting each and every individual and how it leads to suicide. Dr. Sudharsan gave a lecture on Indian Society in which it was about the Administrative division, Indian Population, e-government, Indian Preamble. The participants had a student discussion on the topic Social Work in the US and India in that which mainly focused on field works, curriculum, and how to balance personal and professional life as a social worker.

On 14th and 15th December 2023, Mr. Yuvan Sankar. V – II MSW, Mr. Asahel Miracson Doss – I MSW and Mr. Timothy Tyndale. S – I MSW were involved in the



LSDG Video Film making along with the SIRD&PR expert team at Vellaiputhur Panchayat, Chengalpattu District.



On 21st December 2023, Ms. Vinitha, Ms. Jessie and Mr. Karthick from 1st MSW had a meeting with the Commissioner of Police, Tambaram. In this meeting, it was discussed about the changes that need to be made in the research study report. The commissioner appreciated us and the work we've done. He asked us to move further with the report. He asked us to share our experience. The commissioner said that he'll provide us an appreciation letter for those who have been involved in it.



On 22nd December 2023, as part of the initiative of Raj Benson, a I MSW student, who has been placed in Community College for his field work internship. He was last year's Selayur Hall prayer secretary and also served as interim Chairman. He brought several other Selayurians and meticulously planned this Social Action as part of his field work training.

Relief work during December 2023 floods

After the devastating floods of December 2023 in Chennai and surrounding areas, the Department of Social Work at Madras Christian College, Tambaram, played a crucial role in post-flood relief efforts. With the city severely impacted, the department's professors and students engaged in grassroots initiatives to assist affected communities. The department also took part in flood relief activities in Tirunelveli and Tuticorin District Tamil Nadu.



Operating informally initially due to network disruptions, the department later coordinated relief work using resources from Samaritans of the Nation, Hyderabad, Chennai Volunteers, and philanthropists leveraging social media platforms. The flood relief objectives included identifying unreached areas, ensuring efficient resource distribution, promoting equality, and addressing the needs of vulnerable communities.

The relief work involved a systematic approach:

1. Setting up a major helpline through mobile phones to assist when traditional relief camps were unavailable.
2. Identifying overlooked areas and communities requiring aid.
3. Conducting need assessments to prioritize and authenticate requests.
4. Mobilizing resources based on community needs.
5. Delivering relief materials systematically to communities.



Regular meetings at the Department of Social Work facilitated data updates, documentation, and coordination. The relief efforts extended to various communities, such as Kolappanchery, Rajaan Kuppam, Thirukovilpathu, Ramapuram, Pallaverkadu, Sirupaadu, Athimarapattu, Sathyanagar, Kaalangarai, Lakshmipuram, and Ramaiyanpatti. The Field action programme (Tiruvallur) Field work trainee Mr Philip, Mr Abishek and Ms Leena Sandra II MSW Field work trainee were facilitated by Dr Sudharshan FAP II Fieldwork Supervisor in order to mobilise and also to distribute the relief materials in flood affected area.

Detailed accounts from fieldwork trainees highlight the diverse needs addressed, including trauma support, tarpaulin, bedsheets, sanitary napkins, biscuits, and milk powder. The department's collaborative efforts showcased the importance of community engagement and adaptability in responding to evolving post-flood challenges.

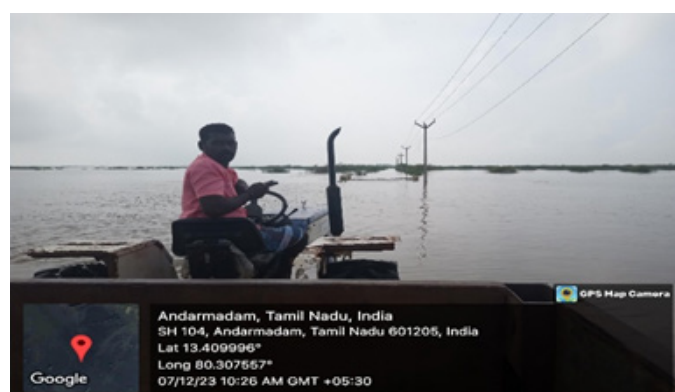


Ms. Margret, social work trainee placed in Adani Foundation a CSR initiative. This CSR is closely working with fisherfolk community and also with underprivileged people especially concentrating PVTGs in Pulicat regions. This Adani foundation opened the arms during the time of Michaung Cyclone 2023. The trainee worked in the rescue and relief process by joining hands with Adani. The people were rescued and sent to the Tsunami stay centre and food materials, groceries were distributed to meet their daily needs.

On 6th December 2023, the students of II MSW provided relief materials to the people affected by Michaung Cyclone at Mudichur, West Tambaram.



07th December 2023 MCCSWD – Michaung Cyclone Relief Work: Madras Christian College, Department of Social Work (Aided), Field Action Project (FAP) II (Tiruvallur District) in collaboration with Chennai



Volunteers and Mr. Ram (sponsor) distributed the relief materials (Tarpaulin sheets, Bedsheets, sanitary pad, Milk powder and Biscuits.



The team distributed 360 bedsheets, 40 Tarpaulin sheets, 230 biscuits and 50 milk powder packets, and 65 sanitary pads for the Irular Community Households of Pulicat Panchayat, Ponneri Block, Tiruvallur District. Through this relief material nearly 260 families benefited, 10 pregnant women, 20 children under the age group 1- 10 and elderly people especially.

Resources mobilised by the field work trainee Mr. Philip. And Mr. Caleb & Ms. Margret helped him for distribution.

Through the flagship programme of Social Work Department (Aided) – Field Action Programme I (Thirukazhukundram), Dr Prince Solomon, Mr Ponnusamy and Mr Nigin (II MSW Field work Trainees) distributed 100 bedsheets to the Amanjikarai and Vitlapuram village on 8th December 2023.



On 9th December 2023, Field Work Trainee Ms. Margret, II MSW distributed Food and Groceries to the cyclone affected fisherfolk Irular Community through Adani Foundation in Pazhaverkadu (Pulicat), Tiruvallur District.



On 10th December 2023, Mr. Philip, F.W. Trainee, FAP Tiruvallur distributed relief materials to the Tribe Irula (10), Vettaikaran (15) and Pandaram (5) families in the Thirukovilpathu Village, Thirumanam Panchayat, Tiruvallur District.

On 20th December 2023, Prof Ninan John sir and FAP (Field Action Programme) II field work trainees Mr Abhishek and Mr Philip distributed 23 Taurapualins to Thirukovilpatu (Irular and Hunter Community) Hamlet, Tiruvallur District.

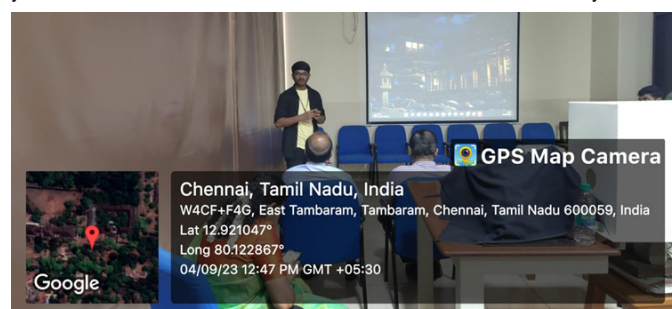
DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICS (AIDED)

The Physics Society for the academic year 2023-'24 was inaugurated on September 4, 2023. Prof. S. Balakumar, Ph.D., FRSC (UK), FInstP (IOP, UK), SMIEEE (USA), Lab Head, Laboratory for Sustainable Health Care, Environment and Energy Materials, National Centre for Nanoscience and Nanotechnology, University of Madras gave an inaugural lecture titled 'Nano-architectonics: Compliments of oriented confinements' and steered the Physics society activities. The new cabinet pledged and took charge of their duties.

The intra-departmental Physics competitions 'Spectral Shadow' was organized on 4th September 2023. The overall was won by the students of II M. Sc Physics. The Students and Faculty of the department joined Physics Society and celebrated 'Onam' to maintain cultural and social harmony on 8th September 2023.



The Intra-department sports day for the academic year 2023 – '24 was conducted on Wednesday, 20th



September 2023 to select sports team that would represent department at college level.



The students of the department of Physics (Aided) won the runner up trophy at 'Ignis', an inter-collegiate Physics competitions conducted by JBAS college on 27th September 2023.



The Prayer cell of the department was inaugurated with a message by Dr. E. Caroline Victoria, Associate Professor, Department of Physics on 21st September 2023.

The students of the department of Physics (Aided) won the overall trophy at 'Physica', an inter-collegiate Physics competitions conducted by Loyola college on 12th December 2023.

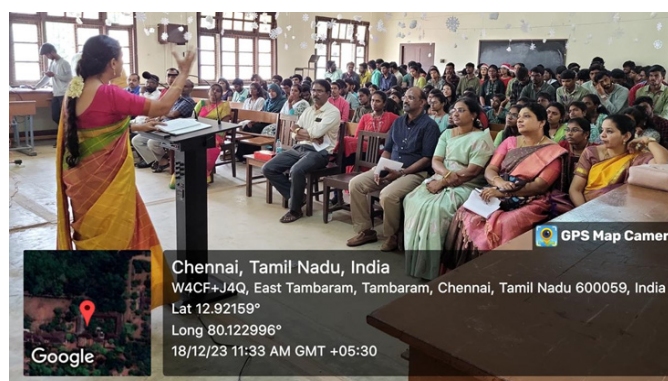


The Physics society and the department prayer cell together celebrated Christmas 18th December 2023. Dr. Miriam Samuel, Head, Department of Social Work shared the word of God.



DEPARTMENT OF CHEMISTRY (AIDED)

Silver Jubilee Reunion (Batch of 1995-98)



During the Silver Jubilee Reunion (batch of 1995-98) held on 9th Sep 2023, the department had planned an interaction of the alumni with the current students and former faculty of the department. The event was attended by 14 alumni who are currently serving in various organizations in high positions. The former faculty, UG and PG students, and the present faculty members have participated in the alumni meet. The alumni interacted with the audience, sharing their memories of MCC, their current positions and responsibilities. They recalled that in addition to academics, the department strived for the holistic development of students and it had helped them to get moulded with professional competences. The former professors of the department were felicitated in the event by the principal. As an act of giving back to the department, Mr. Kalyan Reddy Gorantla (batch of 1995-98) made a generous contribution of Rs. 10 Lakhs towards the Dr. R. Gopalan Endowment fund.

Intra-Departmental Sports

The intra-departmental sports event was conducted from 4th Sep to 9th Sep 2023. The events were scheduled during the afternoons to balance academics



and extracurricular activities. The events were conducted in the pavilion and in the indoor sports stadium of the college. This event has promoted students' participation in sports activities for their physical, mental and social well-being. A total of seventy-nine students belonging to UG and PG participated in the various sports activities. This exciting event featured a range of sports such as cricket, football, volleyball, throwball, badminton, chess and carrom. The students of III UG won the overall trophy of the intra-department sports.

Onsite Water Quality Analysis



International Centre for Clean Water (ICCW), IIT Madras and the researchers from Tel Aviv University, Israel, were involved in a project for monitoring the quality of drinking water in areas in and around Chennai region during the month of Sep 2023.

Mr. J. Jaison Samuel and Mr. R. Yukesh of II B.Sc. and I M.Sc. Chemistry respectively were part of this project team. They assessed the quality of portable

water in the houses of Tambaram region with the hand-held kits by analyzing the crucial parameters. This exposure provided them a hand-on experience on analyzing water quality and helped them to understand the water quality available to people of different socio-economic backgrounds.

Demonstration of Water Quality Analysis - Tel Aviv University



Research scholars from the Tel Aviv University, Israel have conducted a demonstration on 26th Sep 2023 in the department on the analysis of various parameters that affect the quality of potable water. Initially, they elaborated on the various steps involved in carrying out water analysis and shared their experiences on mapping the quality of water in Chennai regions. Subsequently a demonstration on assessing the water quality with the hand-held kits using water samples of MCC campus was performed.

Alumni Meet (Batch of 2022)



An interaction between the alumni of the UG and PG (batch of 2022) and the current III UG and II PG students was held on 30th Oct 2023. The Alumni interacted with the current students, sharing their memories of MCC. They shared the experience of their one-year journey towards pursuing higher studies or getting placed in premier industries after completing the degree programmes. They encouraged and guided the current students for higher education in universities of high repute in India and abroad. This event was an eye opener for the present students as they were able to understand the state of affairs in the current education and employment scenario.



Best Performing Department Award

The Department of Chemistry had received the “Best Performing Department Award” for the academic year 2021-2022 under the science category from the college. A rolling trophy and a cash prize of one lakh was awarded by the chief guest during the convocation ceremony held on 30th October 2023. This award was granted based on the profile of the department, performance of faculty and students, flagship programmes, learning resources, and future prospects of the Department.



Cultural Immersion Programme for Tribal Students

The Chemistry Department has organized a Cultural Immersion Programme tailored for Tribal Students, welcoming 12 students from tribal schools and 7 tribal school teachers associated with Viswa Bharathi Vidyodaya Trust, Nilgiris, on 20th Nov 2023. The tribal students, accompanied by their teachers, had the opportunity to explore our state-of-the-art laboratories of Chemistry department, engage in meaningful interactions with our faculty and students, and gain insights into various aspects of science.



Four of our II MSc. students, namely Nivetha S, Sujatha V, Yuvanthika M, and Manojguru V, actively participated in explaining the diverse career opportunities in science. They also emphasized the pivotal role of education in transforming lives. Following this, the students were guided to our college farm, where the processes of vermicomposting and sewage treatment plant operation were explained in detail. The overall experience left the tribal students and teachers delighted, as they greatly appreciated the chance to enhance their understanding and knowledge during this insightful visit.

Institution of Prof. R. Venkataraman Endowment

The Institution of Prof. R. Venkataraman Endowment was organized by the department of chemistry on 12th Dec 2023. The endowment was initiated and contributed by the former students and family members of Prof. RV. The annual interest will be utilized in providing scholarships on merit cum means basis in addition to procuring text books for the department library.

The institution of the endowment was made by Dr. P. Wilson, Principal and Secretary, MCC. Dr. R. Gopalan, Former Head, Department of Chemistry, paid tribute to Prof. R. Venkataraman describing

his passion towards teaching and the compassionate nature towards students. Subsequently, Mr. Jayaraman, brother of Prof. RV, shared captivating memories of his brother, providing an insightful glimpse on his brother's passionate life at the Department of Chemistry, Madras Christian College.



Dr. V. J. Philip Endowment Lecture

The department has organized the Dr. V. J. Philip Endowment lecture on 12th Dec 2023. Dr. P. Anbarasan, Professor, Department of Chemistry, IIT Madras has delivered a captivating lecture on “The Art and Science of Organic Synthesis.” He emphasized on the importance of imagination in science, described the history of organic synthesis, and highlighted the contributions of organic chemists. His discussion on the carbenylative amination of alkenes, the challenges faced during his research, and the eventual success achieved, greatly inspired the students. Dr. Anbarasan concluded his talk by encouraging students to delve into the synthesis of natural products. The UG, PG students and faculty members of the department had participated in the endowment lecture and got benefited. Dr. V. J. Philip during his reflections shared his experiences as a student and teacher at Madras Christian College. He spoke fondly about his teachers and their role in shaping his career.



Achievements by Students in the Inter-Collegiate Event



Students of the Department of Chemistry have won the first runner-up trophy in Gracias Kemia, an Inter-Collegiate Event conducted on 16th Dec 2023 by the Department of Chemistry, Loyola college. This academic fest witnessed enthusiastic participation from chemistry students of various colleges, showcasing talent, intellect, and creativity. Department of Chemistry, MCC had a strong team of nearly 30 students who actively participated in both on-campus and online competitions. The team achieved notable positions in various competitions: First and second prizes in Chem Photography; First prize in Chem Debate; First prize in Laugh of Thoughts and Chem Set; Second prize in Treasure Hunt and Chem Tunes; Third prize in UG Quiz; and Third prize in Chem Auction and Surprise Event.

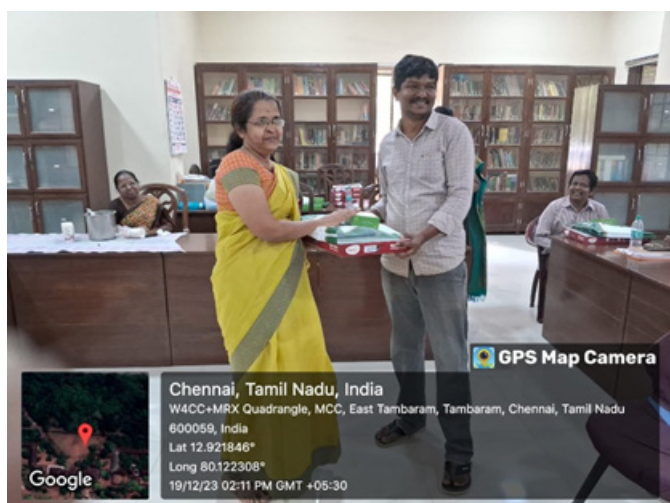
Christmas Celebration



The Department of Chemistry joyfully and fervently celebrated Christmas on 19th Dec 2023. Dr. E. Iyyappan, Head of the Department, extended a warm welcome, setting the stage for the festivities and emphasized on the importance of focusing on the virtues of the individuals rather than on the weakness. Students of the Department presented a skit conveying the theme of God's love and forgiveness. The narrative portrayed the divine sacrifice of the Lord sending His only son to bear the sins of the world. The Department choir further captivated the audience.

with melodious renditions of Christmas carols. Dr. T. Shirmila, Associate Professor, Department of Commerce, MCC shared the insights of the Christmas story. She delivered a thought-provoking Christmas message, highlighting the journey of the wise men in search of baby Jesus and encouraging all to seek the truth in this world and to be a true Christian. The celebration served as a meaningful reminder of the spiritual significance of Christmas within the academic community of the Department.

Christmas Celebration for non-teaching Staff



The department has a rich culture of honoring the services of the non-teaching staffs during the Christmas season. The Christmas celebration for the non-teaching staff was held on 19th Dec 2023 in the department staff room. In the programme the non-teaching staff of the department was individually felicitated for their contributions and support to the department by providing Christmas gifts from the faculty members. A group of faculty members added warmth to the event by singing Christmas carols. The event concluded with a fellowship lunch.

Illustrious Alumni Lecture Series

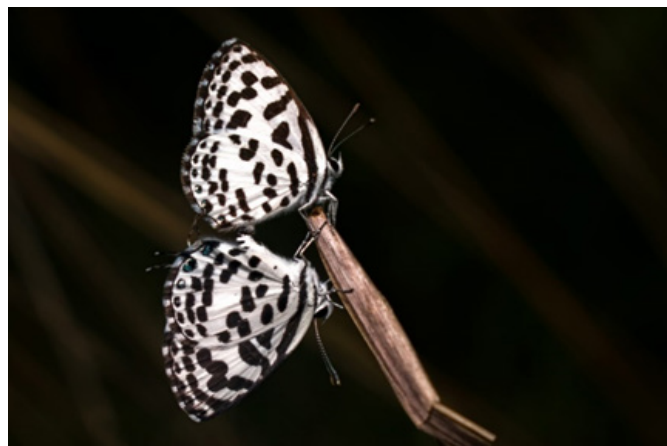
As part of the Illustrious Alumni Lecture Series, Dr. B. Venkataraman (PG batch 1992-94), President, Head-Global Sales and Marketing, Aditya Birla Chemicals, presented a lecture titled 'Charting Opportunities in Specialty Chemicals Industry' on 20th Dec 2023. Dr. B. Venkataraman is a top-ranking industrial chemist, specializing on chemical coatings. The lecture was an inspiring session combining concepts of chemistry, marketing and managerial skills. At the end of the lecture, he shared his memories of the student life in MCC, and described the role of the department



and college in shaping his career. His insights on the industry's future and the potential avenues for growth left a lasting impact on the audience. The Department of Chemistry remains committed to providing valuable learning experiences by connecting current students with accomplished alumni who inspire and share their expertise.

DEPARTMENT OF ZOOLOGY

Big Butterfly month photography competition

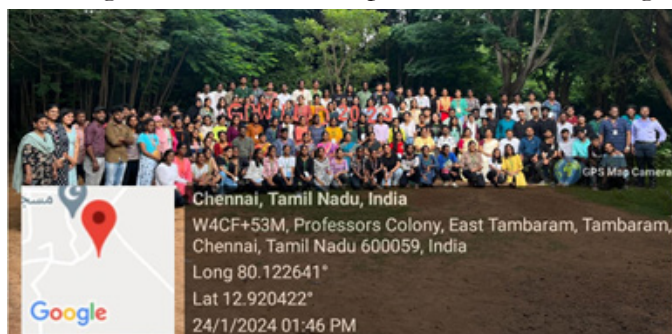


For the Big Butterfly Month of September, a month-long photography competition to capture the beautiful butterflies of MCC was conducted. The winning photograph was a male and female mating pair of the *Castalius rosimon* captured by Mr. Pranay Umesh (Department of Zoology).

Go Wild' 2023

The event of the year for the Department of Zoology was 'Go Wild 2023' conducted on 3rd, 4th, and 5th of October. The theme of this year's event was 'Extinctus – rediscover, resurrect, rewild' was chosen to highlight the rise of resurrection biology. Mr. Gowri Shankar, Ms. Ashwatha Biju, Ms. Vedhapriya Ganesan and Ms. Deepika M. graced the occasion with their presence. The

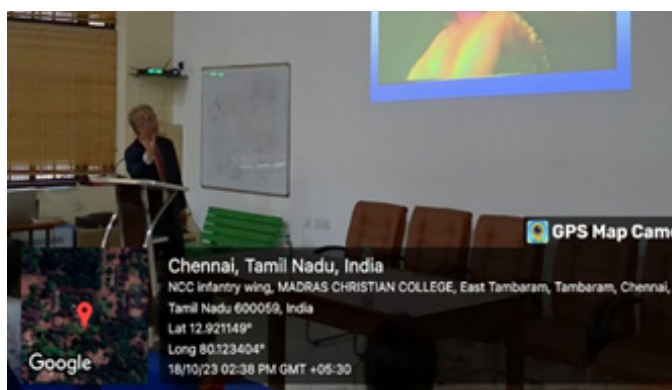
3-day extravaganza saw participation from 5 schools, 15 colleges and around 18 departments of the college.



Stalls were set up around the department for food and entertainment. The interschool trophy winner was the Indian Public School, the intercollegiate trophy winner was Loyola College and the inter-department trophy was won by the department of Microbiology.

A Talk on 'New technology for behavior research on aquatic micro-organisms

On 18th October 2023, the Zoological Society of the Department of Zoology, in collaboration with the Deanery of Madras Christian College, organized an interactive session featuring guest speaker Dr. Jiang-Shiou Hwang from the Institute of Marine Biology at the National Taiwan Ocean University. The event aimed to educate Zoology and Microbiology students



on new technologies for behavioral studies on aquatic organisms, particularly copepods. Dr. Hwang shared insights into his research on copepods and barnacles,

emphasizing the use of innovative technology to simulate tidal cycles in the lab for understanding barnacle behaviour. Notably, his research facility successfully controlled barnacle feeding behaviour by manipulating tidal waves. Dr. Hwang also highlighted educational opportunities for international students at the National Taiwan Ocean University. Dr. Hwang's exploration of Taiwan's shallow water hydrothermal vent, documented in multiple languages, added a unique perspective to the session.

Bird walk



The zoological society conducted bird walk on 30th November 2023. The walk had started at 2:00 pm from the department of Zoology and came to an end by 3:30 pm. It was conducted under the guidance of Dr. Ananthi Rachel Livingstone, President of Zoological Society and Dr. Akila M, Vice President of Zoological Society. On the walk, 21 students were taken part and observed 25 bird species at MCC campus. A bird observation was conducted through binoculars and cameras, also with the help of field guide. The aim of this bird walk is not only fostered a deeper appreciation for the avifauna but also instilled valuable skills in the participants, equipping them with the ability to recognize and appreciate the diverse birdlife within their natural habitat.

Christmas celebration

Christmas celebration was conducted on 19th December 2023 in Room no.1, Department of Zoology. This celebration was highlighted by the presence of the chief guest Rev. Lalthanzuala Chongthu, Associate Chaplain, Bishop Heber chapel, Tambaram. The chief guest addressed the event with the word of God. The main purpose the Christmas celebration is to express love and goodwill towards others. Many students and department faculties were performed. The head of the department had distributed Christmas gifts to the non-teaching staffs and attenders on behalf of

the Zoological Society and of faculty side in order to appreciate them for their dedication and hardwork. The celebration includes gift giving, music and choirs and other performances.



A visit to good life centre on behalf of Christmas day celebration

On 20th December 2023, the Zoological Society cabinets visited the Good Life Centre, an orphanage near Madras Christian College. The Good Life Centre, established in 1996 and recognized by the government of Tamil Nadu, focuses on serving homeless children, those with physical and mental challenges, destitute individuals, abandoned children, and senior citizens. As part of the Christmas Day celebration, the Zoological Society cabinets generously donated 200 blankets to the children at the Good Life Centre. The visit included an interactive session, featuring playful activities such as games, singing, and dancing, fostering an enjoyable and festive atmosphere for both the students and the children at the orphanage. This act of kindness aimed to bring warmth and joy to the lives of those in need during the holiday season.



DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH (SFS)

Lumos sessions were organised on an eclectic range of subjects. A total of four Lumos sessions were conducted from September to December. The sessions were attended by faculty and students both from the Department of English (SFS) as well as by faculty and students from other departments of the college. The sessions are conducted under the supervision of Prof.K.Samuel Moses Srinivas. Given below are brief descriptions of the happenings of each Lumos session conducted from September through December -

04th September 2023 - On Romanticism

An exploration of Romanticism unfolded, linking diverse individuals like Goya, Goethe, Blake, Wordsworth, Beethoven, and Balzac. The session questioned the existence of a unifying 'romantic' thread amidst its wild excesses and its role as a precursor to Modernism. Edward Said's ideas introduced the intriguing notion that Romanticism is a product of colonization.

15th September 2023 - Madras Memories

Dr. K. Ashok, Assistant Professor, Dept. of History, Madras Christian College delivered a discourse on the erstwhile Madras City. The session delved into linguistic classifications, recognizing F.W. Ellis as the first scholar to classify Dravidian languages as a separate language family. The discourse also covered the establishment of the Madras Literary Society, the pioneering role of Andrew Bell in the Madras System of Education.

22nd September 2023 - Fantasy Through Tolkien

Mr. Daniel J. David, Head of the Department of English (SFS), delivered a lecture on the topic of Fantasy through Tolkien. J.R.R. Tolkien's unparalleled influence in 21st-century literature was discussed, probing the reasons behind his universal appeal. The menace of imitating or countering Tolkien was discussed, delving into the boundaries between real and unreal, and the distinction between pure and impure fantasy.

13th December 2023 - Who is Indra for Zeus and Amon?- A Session on Comparative Mythology

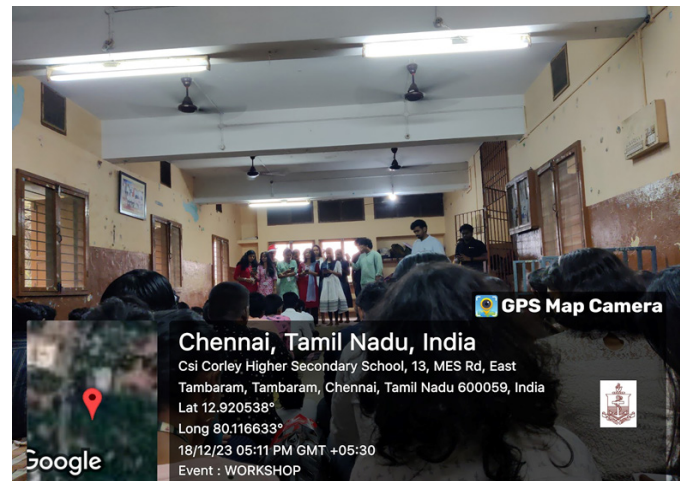
During the discussion, topics such as metempsychosis, cosmogony, and eschatology were explored. The universality and cultural specificity of myths were

scrutinized, and the discussion touched on characters like Vasishta and Vishwamitra, Parashuram and Kartavirya Arjuna. The importance of Kamadhenu as a symbol was also discussed. The portrayal of women in myths was also examined, particularly their objectification and associated blame.

Lumos' Theatre wing's second production, Henrik Ibsen's *A Doll's House*, directed by Samanvitha Challa (II BA), was staged in Selaiyur Hall Lawn for a small audience on 9th October 2023. Nora was played by Rangineetha (II BA), Helmer by Ksheera Sagar (II BA), Kristine by Fedora S (II BA), Dr. Rank by Sneha K P (II BA), Krogstad by Megha Ann Mathew (II BA) and the maid by Samanvitha Challa (II BA). The performance was followed by a discussion about the production. Dr. David Wesley, Assistant Professor, Department of English (Aided), shared his views on the production. Mr. K. Samuel Moses Srinivas Kuntam, Ms. Pavithra Mahendran and Dr. B. Bersiya Grace also shared their insights on the performance.



The Merriest Outreach Programme



The Christmas season has always been one that evokes the spirit of joy and giving. The Department of English (SFS), on 18th December 2023, organised a heart-warming outreach programme at the hostel premises of The Corley's Higher Secondary School – aiming to spread love, and festive spirit to the 34 children residing in the orphanage. The programme commenced with a solemn opening prayer by the Department Prayer Secretary, Joel Jayaraj (II BA). Following the opening prayer, the First and Second Year students of the Department sang Christmas Carols. Carrying the festive mood forward, Beulah Sweetlin (II BA), Shainy Sharal (II BA), Jemimah (II BA) and Jenova (I BA) conducted a worship session which included fun action songs that had everyone putting their best foot forward in dance. The session ended with a beautiful message of hope, love and compassion. Unbeknownst to all, the children of Corley's Higher Secondary School had put together an ensemble of dance and music to celebrate the Christmas spirit. Accompanied by talented drummers and singers, the children proved themselves to be an immensely talented lot. Their performance was followed by a song by Beulah (III BA). Her song resonated with the emotions of the season, leaving a lasting impact on the attendees. With the conclusion of the cultural events, the Hostel Warden, Mr. Wilson, shared his message of love and gratitude. As a parting gift, students from all three years of the department distributed the hand-made cards and gift hampers that they had put together for the children. Finally, the array of programmes was closed by a prayer by Dr. Jayanthi Rajendran. The joy and excitement on the faces of the children in the hostel and the members of the department, reflected the success of the outreach event in creating a memorable and meaningful experience for everyone involved.

Workshop

The Department of English (SFS) organised a one-day workshop titled, 'In the Middle of Writing a Dissertation' in association with the Centre for Writing and Pedagogy, Krea University, Andhra Pradesh on the 29th September 2023 at the International Guest House. The workshop was aimed at the III B.A. English Language and Literature students who would have to submit a 30-page research project in their final semester as part of their coursework. The workshop was conducted by Dr. Anannya Dasgupta, Director, Centre for Writing and Pedagogy and Associate Professor, Literature and Arts, Krea University. The resource person took the students from the process of research to the product of research. She dwelt on the importance of each stage in research and emphasised that the "middle" or the process is as important as the finished draft. The outcome of the programme was that the students felt at ease about the process of research and were equipped with the nuances of carrying out research in the discipline of humanities. The programme was attended by a total of 39 attendees which included students and faculty of the department, the Manager, R & D lab, MCC-MRF Innovation Park and students representing the Department of English (Aided). In addition, possibilities of an MoU between the Department of English (SFS) and the Centre for Writing and Pedagogy, Krea University in collaboration with the Meston-CTL, MCC were discussed.

DEPARTMENT OF LANGUAGES - HINDI (SFS)

Dr. V. Jayalakshmi, Associate Professor and i/c Languages (SFS) was invited as a Chief Guest for the Inaugural of the Hindi Pakwada Celebration in K.V No. 1, Air Force Station, Tambaram, Chennai on 1st September, 2023.

राजभाषा हिन्दी पखवाड़ा भारतीयता की भावनाओं को मजबूत करती है हिन्दी



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A report of the same was also published in the Hindi Newspaper Rajasthan Patrika on 3rd September, 2023.

Staff As Resource Person

Dr. V. Jayalakshmi, Associate Professor, Hindi and i/c Languages (SFS) was invited as a Resource person to conduct a workshop on the topic "Jeewan ke Rang, Manch ke Sang" (Natak, Ekanki, Kahani, Upanyas evum Vyangya ke sandarbh mein) organized by the Dept. of Hindi (SFS) of Shrimati Devkunvar Nanalal Bhatt Vaishnav College for Women, Chromepet, Chennai on 19th December, 2023. A report on the same was covered in the Hindi Newspaper Rajasthan Patrika.



Students Accomplishments- (September – December 2023)

Halan Grace Joseph of I Year BSW (SFS) and Dinesh Chetri, of BSc Computer science, II Year (SFS) both individually presented their poems in the Poetry Symposium organized by the Hindi Dept. of Women's Christian College, (Shift – II), Chennai on 2nd October, 2023. Dinesh Chetri, BSc Computer science, II Year (SFS) got the fourth place in the intercollegiate poetry writing competitions of Women's Christian College, (Shift – II), Chennai on 2nd October, 2023. A report on the above was covered in the Hindi newspaper Rajasthan Patrika.



Karishma .R. of B.Com (Section C) I Year, and B. Rithika of BBA (Section A), I Year, both individually took part and presented their papers on the Topic "Shri Mahaveer Swami's life and his philosophy" in the Hindi Seminar for the intercollegiate students organized by the Hindi Dept. of DG Vaishnav College – Shift- II, Arumbakkam Chennai on the occasion of National Hindi Day Celebration on 14th September, 2023.

Nandita Nayak of II, BSW won the Second place for the event 'Hindi solo song' (Topic: Badhuttva ki bhavna)



Halan Grace Joseph of I BSW won the Second Place for the event "poetry Writing" (Topic: Mata-pita) in an intercollegiate Hindi competitions organized by the Hindi Department of SRM Institute of Science & Technology, Kattankulattur, Chennai on the occasion of National Hindi Day Celebration on 14th September, 2023.



Shrutika Kumari of BBA, II Year (SFS) and Ankita Das of BBA, II Year (SFS) both, individually presented their poems in the Poetry Symposium organized by the Hindi Dept. of MOP Vaishnav College for Women, Nungambakkam, Chennai on the occasion of National

Hindi Day Celebration on 14th September, 2023. They were awarded certificates for their wonderful presentations.



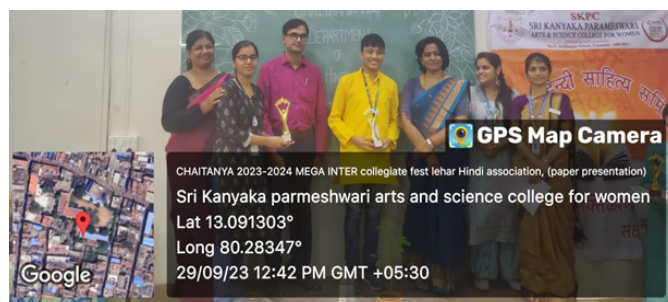
Halan Grace Joseph of I BSW won the Second Place for the event “poetry Writing” (Topic: Rishte) in an intercollegiate Hindi literary fest ‘Karishma’ organized by the Hindi Department of Guru Shree Shantivijai Jain College for Women, Vepery, Chennai on Thursday 21st September, 2023. A report on the above was published in Hindi Newspaper Rajasthan Patrika too.



Anjana A Patel of BSc. Psychology, I Year, Vandana R Patel of BBA (Sec.A) I Year and Diksha of BA English, II Year as a team won the second Place for the event “Shabd ek, Kahani Anek” in the Mega inter-collegiate cultural fest (Hindi) organized by the Hindi Dept. of Shrimati Devkunvar Nanalal Bhatt Vaishnav College for Women, Chromepet, Chennai. On 21st September, 2023.

Dinesh Chetri, BSc Computer science, II Year (SFS) and Ayushi of BSc Maths, III Year (SFS), as a team

won the First Prize (as the best paper presenters) for presenting their papers and in the Mega inter-collegiate Fest “Chaitanya 2023-2024” organized by the Hindi Dept. of Sri Kanyaka Parameswari Arts and Science College for women on 29th September, 2023. It was also covered in the Hindi newspaper Rajasthan Patrika.



Shreya Saha of BSc. Microbiology, I Year, Tibra Hani BSc. Psychology, I Year, Jeslin Mary Varghese of BSc. Psychology, I Year, Anjana A Patel of BSc. Psychology, I Year, K. Shifa Jaleel of BSc. Mathematics, I Year, Humaira Nousheen of BCA, I Year, Fathima of BCA, I Year as a team of seven won the third prize (Cash Award of Rs. 3000/-) in an intercollegiate Hindi Online Competitions for the event “Online Hindi Skit Presentation” organised by Anna Adarsh college for women, Annanagar on 28th September, 2023. The event was sponsored by central Hindi directorate. The prize distribution ceremony took place on 20th October, 2023.



Ayushi of BSc Maths, III Year won the First Prize for the event “Creative Writing”; Shweta Shalini of BSc Maths, II Year won the First Prize for the event “Ship Wreck”; Ujjwal Tripathi of BSc. Geography, I Year won the second Prize for the event “Spin A Yarn”; Ayushi of BSc Maths, III Year and Ujjwal Tripathi of BSc. Geography, I Year as a team won the second prize for the event “Hindi Debate”; in an intercollegiate Hindi - festival ‘Pratibha 2023’ organized by the Hindi Department of Loyola College, Chennai on 16th December, 2023. They won the OVERALL TROPHY too.

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WORK (SFS)

An Exhibition on Challenges and Opportunities of Organizational Behaviour was organised by II MSW students on 15th September 2023 at IACS classroom between 2:00 pm onwards to showcase the creative talents of the students.

Halan Grace Joseph of I BSW participated and won Hindi poem recitation competition conducted at SRM college on 14th September 2023. She also participated and won Hindi poem writing competition conducted at Guru Shree college on 21st September 2023.

18 students of IMSW created awareness through an outreach programme on Childhood Cancer through street play, songs and dance at Pondy Bazar on 22nd September 2023 from 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM. The programme was organised for creating awareness among the general public. This awareness campaign was organized in collaboration with CanKids - T. Nagar.

A team of I MSW students participated in a workshop at Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Youth Development and won prizes in photography and mime competitions.



The ‘Best Performing Department Award’ for the

academic year 2021-22 was given to the Department by the College. The award was conferred at the Graduation Day held on 30th October 2023 at the Anderson Hall.

A Symposium was organised on 4th October 2023 at 9:30 a.m. on ‘Contemporary Indian Social Problems’ at the Conference Hall at the International Guest House. The following are the topics deliberated by the respective resource persons:

1. The Conditions of Internally Displaced People and The Role of The Government in Resettlement and Rehabilitation - J. A. Nirmal Raj, Chief Community Development Officer, Tamil Nadu Urban Habitat Development Board.
2. “Social accessibility and opportunities for people with disabilities in urban areas” presided by Mrs. Ramya Venugopal, an entrepreneur, social welfare activist, Proprietor – Cloves Inc Manufacturer/ Exporter of unique solutions and products within the Medical Waste Supply Chain. Independent Parent Counsellor.
3. Challenges faced by the transgender community- Delfina kanchana Sundaran activist, a trained artist in playback theatre. They have been associated with Nirangal trust for eight years fulfilling works like documentation, advocacy and creating sensible awareness.
4. “The challenges faced by homeless women and girl children in Chennai.” Chief guest of the session was Mrs. Poonkodi Prakash, Centre administrator, One Stop Centre, District social welfare office, South Chennai.
5. Study of Dangers and Discrimination, and their Psychological Consequences on the Mental Well-being of the SC/ST Community. Chief guest - Mr. Gokulakrishnan and Mrs. Jhona Kala Advisor’s and Mentor’s at FFA (Forever For All).

At the symposium, the I MSW students also present a documentary prepared on each topic and a the findings of a research they did. Department Prayer was conducted on 8th September 2023, 10th October 2023 and 4th November 2023.

The students of the department participated in 'Catharsis' -the inter collegiate competitions organised by Bishop Heber College, Tiruchirapalli on 15th September 2023 and won prizes in group singing, street play, mime and collage.

Udhayam', one of the hallmark intercollegiate events of the department, was organised on October 05, 2023 on the theme 'Aram Sei'. The chief guest for the inauguration was Dr. (Mrs.) Miriam Samuel, the Head of the Department, Department of Social Work (Aided), Madras Christian College. The chief guest for the valedictory was Mr. Sylvester Dileepan, Director of Neeva Naana TV show.



In lieu of World Elders Day, eleven students of I MSW students organised an outreach programme at Athulya Trust - Home for the elderly located at Pallavaram on 9th October 2023. The programmes included activities like games, singing, sharing memories and dance performances. The elders enjoyed the programme which was very obvious from their laughter and excitement.

In lieu of World Mental Health Day, the movie 'Super 30' was screened for all the faculty and students of the department on October 10, 2023 at the Centre for Media Studies, MCC.

Jeslin Jovitha, Minulin Beulah and Dhanush of I MSW and Dr. Baily Vincent presented a paper on "Societal Impacts of Drug Abuse on Young Women" at the National Conference organised by Loyola College Chennai and ICSSR on the Impact of Substance Abuse organised on 1st and 2nd of December 2023.

The following Community programmes were organised by the MSW students :

- Picnic for the differently abled children to Blue Flag Beach at Kovalam on 28th September 2023.

- Employability training for internally displaced youth at Perumbakkam resettlement area on 29th of September 2023 at Perumbakkam. Resource persons for the workshop were Mr. Samuel (associate HR, payroll generalist Xerago, India) and Ms. Aurelia (Medical psychologist, CSI Kalyani Hospital, Chennai).
- An eye camp was organised for the elders of Aadhikesavapuram Community at Chengalpattu district on 2nd October 2023 by a medical and paramedical team from Dr. K.K Eye Hospital.
- An awareness session for young girl students at MCC RSL School was organised on 05th October 2023. The session addressed the issue of the challenges faced by girl children due to the lack of awareness about helpline numbers, SOS app, schemes for women and girls, and importance of education among the young girls in and around Tambaram. An awareness programme was conducted on the schemes specifically allocated for women and young girls, 181 and 1098 helpline numbers, the type of abuses that prevail in this society and the ways to reach out for immediate help, the purpose and functions of the SOS app and finally a career guidance session to help the young girls have a broad spectrum of knowledge on the opportunities available for them.
- An awareness on gender equality and gender inclusion among general public was organised at Tambaram Bus Terminal on 5th October 2023. PACE Events.

Study tour was organised for the II MSW students to Delhi from 17th November to 24th November. The Students visited Haier at Greater Noida, Bisleri at Shahidabad and TATA AIG at New Delhi. They also visited historically important sites like Taj Mahal at Agra, Agra Fort, Qutub Minar, Red Fort, Jamma Masjid and India Gate.



In lieu of World AIDS Day, an online campaign was organized on the theme “Let Communities Lead” on 01.12.2023. A poster on the theme was created and was put up as whatsapp profile & status.

The Intra Department Sports Day on the theme UYAR (RISE) was conducted on 2nd December 2023 at MCC Pavilion between 8.00 am and 1.00 pm. Separate events were conducted for boys and girls. Kabadi, Cricket and Foot Ball were conducted for boys. Badminton, Throwball and Tennikoit for Girls were conducted on the day. The students participated with a spirit of sportsmanship and realised the importance of team spirit and team work.

The students of the department participated in the inter-collegiate competition organised by the Department of Social Work, Loyola College on 15th December 2023 & bagged the overall championship. The students won prizes in Public Speaking English & Tamil, Essay writing, Street Play, Group Singing, Solo singing, English Debate, Documentary and Wall Painting .

An hybrid seminar in lieu of commemorating the 75 th Year of Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR) was organised on 15.12.2023. Mr. Livingston-Special Rapporteur, UNO, South Asia facilitated the webinar online and Mr. Thiyaagu, co-ordinator, Joint Action Committee Against Custodial Torture, Tamil Nadu facilitated offline at MCC.

In lieu of World Human Rights Day, an exhibition was conducted on the theme ‘Freedom, Equality and Justice for All’ on 19.12.2023 at S111 classroom between 1:45pm and 3:00pm. The exhibition was organized as an intra-department competition, where the students from each class got the opportunity to exhibit their models and posters.

As part of outreach, II BSW students organised a Christmas programme for the inmates of MANASU – a mental health home for wandering men suffering with mental illness on 20th December 2023. The Department Christmas celebration on the theme ‘Jingle All the Way’ was conducted on 19.12.2023 at Anderson Hall between 3:15pm and 6:00pm. The highlight of the event was the presence of the grandparents of the students.

Out Reach - Cyclone Michaung Relief and Rehabilitation:

As an immediate response to the cyclone Michaung affected Anjugam Nagar, the department planned for a relief & rehabilitation work at the community, based on their needs. The various relief work organised were:

1. Community Mapping
2. Medical Camp in collobration with Tambaram Corporation.
3. Provision of gift coupons for the purchase of new clothes for the six college going students of the community.
4. Conduct of FGDs & Post Disaster Need Assessment tool.
5. Distribution of 2 pots, 1 bucket and 1 mug to 120 families.
6. Distribution of 70 tarpaulin sheets to 70 houses that had lost their thatched roof in the cyclone.

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Exousia ‘23

Exousia ’23 was one epic inter school competition which was organised by the Department of Business Administration on 8th September 2023. 350+ students from 35+ schools participated in the event and made it a success. Best manager, shark tank, quiz and debate competitions were conducted. They fought for victory, not with physical strength but with mind power.



Innovation Contest

It's not a simple task to conceive an innovative idea that has a scope in the market. Provided that...our business administration students have no shortage of it. On 14th September 2023, Members of the Tycoons Incubation Club (TIC) presented their B-plans to the Institution's Innovation Council (IIC) and to their fellow students in an event called the Open House



Display. Their plans were judged and given remarks by judges; two from IIC and two externals who were none other than our very own alumni. This event proved to be a kickstart for the small business ideas of the students.

Basic Life Support Training



Gleneagles Global Hospital recently conducted an informative and hands-on Basic Life Support (BLS) training session that left a lasting impact on the students. The hospital's expert instructors provided detailed guidance on Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) using lifelike models. Participants were given the opportunity to practice CPR themselves, ensuring they gained confidence and proficiency in this life-saving skill. In addition to CPR and choking responses, the session also covered first aid for snakebites.

Tycoons Talk – The Pathfinder

Youths today are growing up in a digital world where the internet plays a pivotal role in shaping their educational experiences and the skills they acquire. Their ability to navigate the vast sea of online information, critically

assess sources, and effectively utilize digital resources has never been more important. Mr. Dhinesh Khanna, Global Head Customer Success of Zoho gave our students a real path finding insight in the Digital Age.



Convocation 2019-2022 batch



Take pride in how far you have come and have faith in how far you can go. The convocation ceremony of Business Administration students batch 2019-2022.

Christmas Celebration





Blessed is the season which engages the whole world in a conspiracy of love. The joyous Christmas Celebration of the Department of Business Administration. The event was made even more miraculous with the unexpected entry of Santa.

Alumni Talk

Workplace Challenges and Opportunities



Our Precious Alumni Mr. Rajesh Kumar Sharma, senior manager (learning and development) was invited to give valuable insights to students regarding workplace challenges and opportunities. It proved to be an eye opener for students as they are now looking forward to enter the corporate field and workplace environments.

Tycoons Talk – Insights on Study Abroad Programme



December 19, 2023 – Mr. Syed Saleem enlightened our students with an insight of how to proceed for higher education & pursue their career, shaping them properly. He also highlighted the support given from their side to the students to pursue their higher education, along with internships.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNICATION

Seminar – Overview of Mixed Methodology



The seminar, 'Overview on Mixed Methodology' led by Dr. B. Prince Solomon Devadass, proved to be an insightful session. As Associate Professor and fieldwork coordinator in the Department of Social Work at MCC, Dr. Prince brought a wealth of expertise to the discussion. Held on 5th September 2023, at the preview theater in the Center for Media Studies, the seminar provided attendees- II M A communication with a comprehensive understanding of mixed research methods, enhancing their knowledge in the field. The engaging presentation and coordination by Dr. Prince contributed significantly to the seminar's success, leaving participants with valuable insights for their academic and professional pursuits.

World Literacy day

The Department of Communication marked World Literacy Day on 8th September 2023, with a creative initiative – the release of a podcast on Instagram Reel. Produced by students from the 1st-year MA Communication programme, the podcast served as a dynamic platform to share insights, stories, and perspectives on the significance of literacy. Through this engaging medium, the department showcased its commitment to promoting awareness

and celebrating the transformative power of literacy in our interconnected world. The Instagram Reel podcast resonated with the digital-savvy audience, effectively contributing to the global conversation on the importance of literacy.

Photo walk Mahabalipuram

The 1st MA Communication batch embarked on a captivating photo walk on September 8th, 2023, exploring the historical marvels of Mahabalipuram. Guided by faculty members Dr. Deborah Raj, Head of the Department of Communication, Dr. Janet Mary, Assistant Professor, and Ms. Aswitha, Assistant Professor, students visited iconic sites including Arjuna's Penance, Five Rathas, Krishna's Butter Ball, and the Shore Temple. Against the backdrop of the golden hour, participants enthusiastically captured the essence of these landmarks, enriching their visual storytelling skills and fostering a deeper appreciation for the cultural heritage of Mahabalipuram.



International Media Conclave

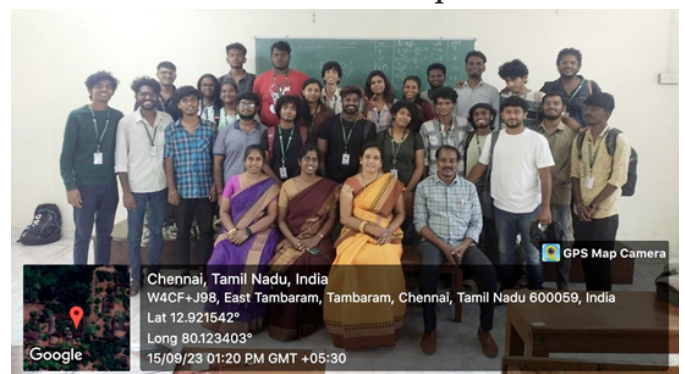


The Department of Communication orchestrated an impactful International Media Conclave on the Digital Media Industry and Innovation on September 13th, 2023, held at Anderson Hall, MCC. Renowned figures like Mr. Phil Cooke, American writer, TV producer, and consultant, along with Dr. Ronald L. Harris, President of MediAlliance International, and Ms. Kathleen Cooke, Founder and Director of CWIMA - Hollywood Chapter, served as distinguished keynote

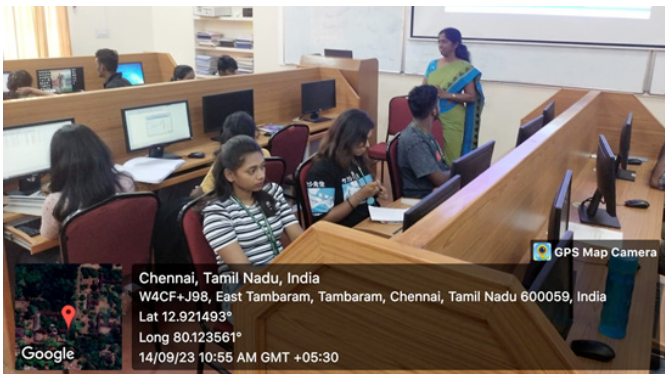
speakers for the first session. Their collective expertise illuminated the event's theme, leading a compelling panel discussion on "Digital Media's Changing Landscapes: Latest Trends and Innovations." The conclave served as a dynamic platform for insightful conversations and knowledge-sharing within the ever-evolving realm of digital media.



SPSS Workshop



The Department of Communication hosted a comprehensive SPSS workshop on 14th & 15th September 2023, at the Statistics Lab. The workshop was skillfully presented by a lineup of esteemed faculty members, including Dr. Miriam Simon, Dr. E. Johanna Kezia, Dr. G. Kumarapandian, Dr. S.P. Deepa, Dr. L. Pari Dayal, and Dr. S. Jasmine Rathi, all experts from the Department of Statistics. Attendees gained valuable insights into the application of SPSS, enhancing their analytical capabilities and research proficiency under the guidance of these experienced



facilitators. The workshop contributed significantly to the academic and practical skill development of participants in the field of statistical analysis.

Ozone day



On 15th September 2023, observed as Ozone Day, the Department of Communication organised a compelling rally to raise awareness about ozone depletion. Enthusiastic participants, primarily students from the 1st MA Communication batch, actively engaged in the initiative. Carrying placards adorned with impactful slogans, sporting sunglasses, and

wielding umbrellas, they embarked on a spirited rally around the campus. This visually striking event not only drew attention to the critical issue of ozone depletion but also showcased the department's commitment to fostering environmental consciousness among the student community.

Lecture on Basics of Photography



The Department of Communication hosted a lecture on the basics of photography at the Center for Media Studies on 17th July 2023. Professor Akshay from DG Vaishnav College, Chennai, delivered an enlightening session, providing valuable insights and a nuanced understanding of the fundamentals of the art of photography. The lecture, tailored for the students of I MA Communication, offered a comprehensive exploration of essential photographic principles, enriching their knowledge and appreciation of the craft.

Kalaiyugam

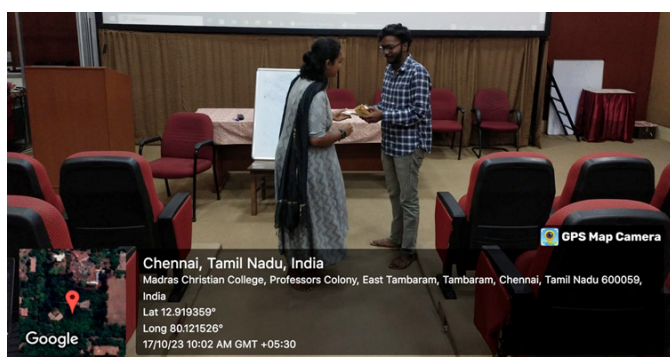


The PR Campaign, “Kalaiyugam,” organised by second MA Communication students at AeroHub, unfolded as a vibrant celebration of Tamil Nadu’s artistic heritage on an extraordinary scale. The event, centred around preserving and promoting endangered local art forms and crafts, featured an array of stalls showcasing the mastery of indigenous artisans. Handcrafted treasures such as handloom sarees, Terracotta pots, and handmade clay dolls provided visitors with a captivating glimpse into Tamil craftsmanship.



A noteworthy aspect was the enthusiastic response from the audience, underscoring the event’s success in emphasising the importance of preserving cultural legacies. The initiative offered local artists the opportunity to exhibit their creations at no cost within the Aerohub Mall, a gesture that resonated well with both artists and attendees. The positive reception and successful sales underscored the event’s impact in fostering appreciation and support for Tamil Nadu’s rich artistic traditions.

Student Guest Lecture



On 17th October 2023 a session on Bakhtin’s Theory of Dialogics was organised by the department of communication. Mr. Rambabu Iyappan from I MA Communication was the resource person. Ram is a passionate theatre screenplay writer and also has a

bachelor’s degree in English Literature. The session was organised under the students’ guest lecture series, one of the best practices of the department of communication.

Workshop on Art of Storytelling



On 18th October 2023, the Department of Communication hosted a captivating workshop on the ‘Art of Storytelling’ at the Preview Theater, Center for Media Studies. Ms. Anu Hasan, distinguished actress, Creative Media Professional, and entrepreneur, served as the key speaker, leading an engaging session that delved into the nuances of effective storytelling. The event provided participants with valuable insights, allowing them to refine their narrative skills and explore the diverse facets of the storytelling craft. This initiative underscored the department’s dedication to offering diverse and enriching educational experiences for its students.

Performing arts

The 1st-year MA Communication students showcased a dynamic blend of performing arts communication through their engaging MIME, Musical Drama, and Street Play performances. Each mode was carefully chosen to cater to diverse audiences, aiming to entertain and capture the attention of the general public. On 19th September 2023 the whole I MA

communication performed their work in Govt. Hr. Sec. School Kanchipuram as a part of their academics - Performing Arts Communication.



In the Street Play, the narrative centred on the societal impact of education, following the struggles of the Dhanraj family. The storyline highlighted the importance of education, exploring themes of regret, resilience, and the transformative power of knowledge. The play aimed to create awareness about educational phases, government schemes, and the evolving landscape of education.



On the other hand, the Musical Drama featured a rebellious theme, symbolised by a team entering the stage wearing masks. As the story unfolded, false promises from a party leader were exposed through music and dance. The Rebel Team leader eventually revealed her true intentions, leading to a powerful expression of protest by removing masks, symbolising unity against deceit.

The performances collectively aimed not only to entertain but also to convey significant social messages. Through thoughtful storytelling, impactful dialogues, and expressive performances, the students succeeded in delivering a compelling presentation that resonated with the audience. The event showcased the students' creativity, talent, and commitment to using performing arts as a medium for effective communication and social awareness.

Kannagi movie screening



In a collaborative effort, the Department of Communication and the Department of Viscom presented the exclusive preview show of the movie "Kannagi." Following the screening, an enriching discussion unfolded with the cast and crew in attendance. Director Yeshwanth Kishore, actresses Shalin Zoya and Keerthi Pandian, along with other key actors, engaged in a dialogue about the movie with students from both departments. This interactive session provided students with a unique opportunity to gain insights into the filmmaking process, discuss artistic choices, and deepen their understanding of the industry. The joint initiative exemplified the departments' commitment to fostering interdisciplinary interactions and offering valuable real-world insights to aspiring professionals.



Scriptwriting session

On December 15th, 2023, the Department of Communication hosted a specialised session on scriptwriting presented by Mr. S. Selvaraj, Head of the Department of Visual Communication. Held at the Preview Theater, Center for Media Studies, the

session catered to students of the Department of Communication. Mr. Selvaraj, bringing his expertise to the forefront, provided invaluable insights into the art and craft of scriptwriting. The event facilitated a dynamic learning environment, equipping students with essential skills and knowledge in the realm of storytelling and screenplay construction. This initiative exemplified the department's commitment to offering comprehensive and interdisciplinary education in media studies.



Scriptwriting session

On 18th December 2023, the Department of Communication organised an insightful session on scriptwriting, featuring Mr. Harish Sundarajan, an independent filmmaker. The event took place at the Preview Theater, Center for Media Studies, and was tailored for students of the Department of Communication. Mr. Sundarajan, with his expertise in filmmaking, shared valuable perspectives on the intricacies of scriptwriting. The session provided students with practical insights into the creative process, enhancing their understanding of narrative structure and storytelling techniques. The initiative underscored the department's commitment to exposing students to diverse voices and experiences within the field of communication and media studies.



Christmas celebration

The Department of Communication kicked off the Christmas festivities at the MCC farm, featuring lively dance performances and a feast. Subsequently, the

department extended its celebrations to the 'Good Life Center,' a home for homeless children. On December 19th, 2023, students engaged the children with vibrant dance performances, fostering a heartwarming atmosphere. The interaction was not only filled with joy but also reflected the department's commitment to spreading cheer and creating meaningful connections within the community during the holiday season.



DEPARTMENT OF GEOGRAPHY TOURISM AND TRAVEL MANAGEMENT

UNWTO celebrates World Tourism Day every year on 27th September to raise awareness about the importance of tourism in employment generation, environmental protection and upliftment of the society. This year's theme "Tourism and Green investment" emphasizes the need for more and better-targeted investments on 3P's - People (by investing in education and skills), Planet (by investing in sustainable

infrastructure and accelerating green transformation) and Prosperity (by investing in innovation, technology and entrepreneurship). As Madras Christian College is one of the pioneer institutes in Chennai with the vision of transforming lives through quality education with a commitment to service, the Department of Geography, Tourism and Travel Management celebrates World Tourism Day as an event of innovation, year after year. This year it was celebrated on September 22, 2023 with the introduction of Eco-Awards to Inspirers on Carbon Neutral Tourism along with inter-collegiate competitions to gather young minds from various colleges and universities under one platform to exhibit their skills which are required by the travel and tourism industry.



The quality education through experiential learning provides quality human resources for tourism and travel industry. The intercollegiate competition such as Creative Writing in English and Tamil (Themes - Humans influencing Tourism and Tourism influencing Nature / Upgrade your Equipment for Green Investment in Tourism and Hospitality Industry பண்பாட்டு சுற்றுலாத்தலத்தினை அழியாமல் பார்த்திருவோம் இயற்கைத்தரத்தினை/ நவீன சுற்றுலா உலகில், பசுமை விதைப்போம் அருகில்) helps the participants to choose their career as Content Writer, blogger etc with the revamped writing skills to ensure sustainability. Poster

Making (Themes - Tourism and Sustainable Energy/ The Grey to Green Transition of Hospitality/ Keep it Green, Keep it Clean) and other competitions enables the participant to think and inspire to live by adapting nature. The enhancement of critical thinking and Experiential learning by conduct of campus walk is introduced to lead a sustainable ecosystem through the launch of an event called “Explore the Heaven” a guided campus walk for participants from other colleges to digitalise the glimpses of MCC by learning the importance of nature-based tourism. The total of 165 students registered from 12 colleges and 3 universities in and around Chennai and the students of MGR University won the overall Champion of the event.



The rapid expansion of urbanization with increased deforestation leads to man-animal conflict which also disturbs the ecological balance of the region. In order to make people aware about its importance and to adapt the lifestyle along with the nature, “Eco-Awards” were rewarded to Inspirers on Carbon Neutral Tourism such as Miss T.A Thaaraigai Aarathana, Youngest Scuba Diver (Kids Category), Ms. Vedhapriya Ganesan, Chief Co-Ordinator & Wildlife Rehabilitator of

Western Ghats Wildlife Conservation Trust (Women Category), and Mr. Kumaran Mahalingam, Stand Up Paddler (Men Category) for their outstanding contribution in the preservation of environment. These awards motivated youngsters to reduce their carbon footprints for environmental sustainability by acting as responsible tourists in the destination.



Enchanting Excursion

In a vibrant celebration of cultural diversity and artistic expression, the Department of Geography Tourism and Travel Management hosted its Intra-Department cultural event, “Enchanting Excursion,” on the 15th of September 2023. The event proved to be a captivating showcase of talent, featuring a mix of both formal and informal activities.

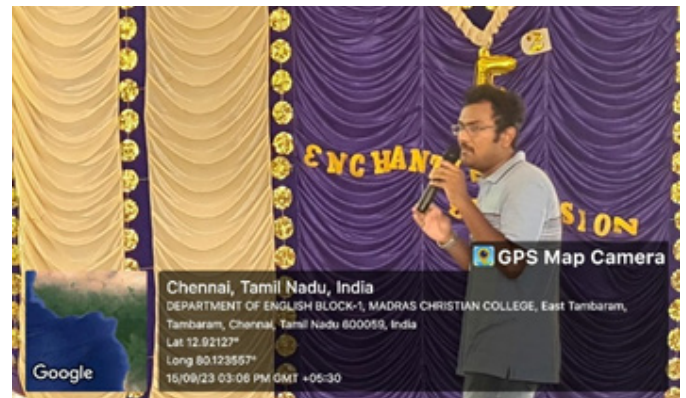
Among the formal events, participants engaged in energetic and creative activities such as Jam sessions, Adzap, and face painting. These structured competitions not only brought out the competitive spirit among the participants but also added a colorful and dynamic element to the overall event.

On the other hand, the informal events provided a platform for participants to express their artistic flair through various performances. The rhythmic and synchronized Group Dance performances, soulful Solo Dance routines, melodious Solo Songs, thought-provoking Mime acts, and entertaining Skits collectively wove a tapestry of cultural richness.

One particularly intriguing event was the “2mins to fame,” challenging participants to showcase their

quick thinking and improvisational skills within a tight timeframe. This spontaneous activity added an element of surprise and excitement, keeping both participants and the audience engaged.

The amalgamation of formal and informal events not only reflected the diversity within the department but also highlighted the multifaceted talents of the students. Beyond the competitive aspect, “Enchanting Excursion” served as a platform for fostering a sense of community and camaraderie among the participants, bringing together individuals with a shared passion for culture and the arts.



As the echoes of laughter, applause, and cheers filled the department, it was evident that “Enchanting Excursion” had successfully created a space for creativity and expression to thrive. The event not only celebrated the rich tapestry of cultures within the department but also provided a unique opportunity for students to showcase their talents in a supportive and encouraging environment.



In conclusion, the Intra-Department cultural event, “Enchanting Excursion,” stands as a testament to the vibrant spirit and creativity within the Department of Geography Tourism and Travel Management. It not only showcased the diverse talents of the students but also fostered a sense of unity and pride in their cultural heritage.

Food Fiesta

The students of III B.Sc. Hospitality and Tourism exhibited the Regional Cuisines of India on 5th October 2023. The budding chefs prepared regional recipes of Jammu and Kashmir, Punjab, West Bengal and Kerala along with the theme oriented gorgeous menu card under the guidance of Mrs. S. Sivakami.



The authenticity of regional cuisine is supported by ambience, costumes and other accessories to portray the cultural value of the region. Through the event students developed their ability to master in different recipes apart from cooking staple food of the region. They also marketed their recipes by unveiling its significance based on the nutrients its poses.

Industrial Conclave

The Department of Geography, Tourism and Travel Management organised an industry Conclave on 28th October 2023 at Martin Hall from 10.30 am to 3.30pm. The total of 60 students from B.Sc. Geography, Tourism and Travel Management and B.Sc. Hospitality and Tourism participated in the meet to get clarified with the skills to acquire to become an industry ready graduate. The inaugural address was delivered by Dr. J. Isravel Prabhakaran, Head, Department of Tourism and Travel Management, A. M. Jain College, Chennai and spoke about the Skill enhancement in increasing the job opportunities of the upcoming workforce in Tourism and Travel Industry. Dr. P. Karmenivannan, Assistant Professor, Institute of Hotel Management, SRM Institute of Science and Technology gave



presentation on Employment and Internship opportunities in Geography and Tourism Industry. He highlighted the abundant job opportunities in tourism, travel, hospitality, and geography, spanning private and government sectors. Emphasizing diverse career paths, he detailed job designations and specific skill requirements.

Mr. Raju Arumugham, Hubert H Humphrey Fellow insisted the students to enhance their networking, problem solving and team working abilities along with the computer skills to do a successful business in the digital world. Ms. Agila Murthy, Manager, Tamil Nadu Tourism Development Corporation mentioned about the internship opportunities in TTDC and explained about the nature of tourism jobs and skills to be developed before attending internship. Mr. Gautama Guevara, Event Manager, SP Jain Global School of Management, Australia who joined with us in Google Meet put forwarded the international demand for tourism jobs and tourism opportunities in Australia.

Mr. C. Tony Maria Hope, GIS Technician, Noxstrocks LLP pointed that Cartographic software offers efficiency and versatility. It allows for the creation of dynamic, interactive, and up-to-date maps used in various fields, from urban planning to environmental analysis. Mrs. Grace Selvarani, TNECC, GIS Cell added that the field of map making has experienced remarkable changes due to the technological revolution. However, manual precision is still valued

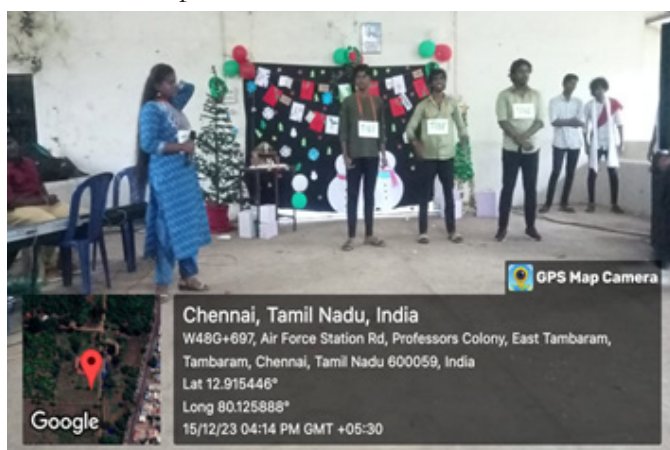


in certain niche areas, the advent of GIS (Geographic Information Systems) and other mapping software has largely transformed the industry. Dr. Leo George, Centre for Pastoralism, New Delhi revealed that the influence of software has significantly impacted employment in cartography, favouring those who adapt to digital tools and suggested students to learn the fundamentals of cartography in depth with the hands-on experience with QGIS or any GIS software during under-graduation. All the speakers gave insightful presentations about the scope of geography and tourism industry which enabled the students to opt their career either in tourism or geography discipline based on their passion.



Christmas Celebration

Christmas is an occasion that brings people together, fostering a sense of unity and togetherness among various cultures. The enlightening event took place in the Department of Geography, Tourism and Travel Management on 12th December 2023 at MCC Farm. This event was held under the stewardship of Mrs.P. Subhashini and Dr. Obed Jackson. The event started with a prayer, followed by welcome address by Dr. S. Eswari, Head of the department and message by the most stunning speaker Dr. Deborah Raj, Assistant Professor, Department of Mass Communication.



Christmas 2023 of Geography, Tourism and Travel Management was held under the theme of transformation, symbolising Jesus who gave his own life to transform people. This festival spreads the season of love and joy of giving and it is celebrated in the honour of the lord Jesus Christ. There are different ways of celebrating Christmas festival, but one thing that remains common everywhere is the decoration of Christmas tree which symbolizes growth and harmony and spreads the message of love and living in unity. The students of GTTM made the Christmas tree, crib resembling the birth of Jesus Christ and decoration by themselves and had events that glorified the lord almighty. They also performed western and classical dance, skit on transformation, a tabula and many more

with a mesmerizing choir to cheer up the audience all through the Event. The final spark of our event was the dazzling performance of Santa who fulfilled the event. And last but not the least, the event was concluded with gratitude to lord almighty and vote of thanks delivered by Ms. Beul, Prayer Secretary.

Achievements

Mr Kingsly Raja A of III BSc GTTM secured Runner Up position in the State level inter-collegiate tournaments Rolling trophy (2023-24) organised by DPE-TNPESU Tamil Nadu Physical Education and Sports University from 12.09.2023 - 15.09.2023



Mr Kingsly Raja A of III BSc GTTM and Mr Prem Kumar R of I BSc GTTM have secured Runner up in Open Men's Doubles organised by De smash Badminton Hub held on 24th September 2023.



Mr Arun pandi U and Vishal of III B.Sc. GTTM got 1st and 2nd position respectively in the Eco-marathon conducted by Scrub society, MCC on 21st September 2023.



25 Students BSc GTTM and H&T Participated in the Intercollegiate competition conducted by the IHM Chennai during World Tourism Day Celebrations 2023 on 27th September 2023. Ms Edleen and Ms M Dheetshita secured second position in the English Essay Writing, Ms. Maria Sarabova L and Ms. Renuka B got second place in Floral Rangoli Making. Mr Madhav A and Mr. Ujjwal Tripathi also got second place in quiz.



DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS (SFS)

The department of Mathematics (SFS), Madras Christian College organized its annual math-based event ENIGMA '23 for school students on 28th November 2023. An exciting event for students who like solving puzzles and showcasing their creativity as Mathematicians to set up a stage to fall in love with Mathematics little more. The event was a success, with 8 schools and 143 participants.



The opening prayer was rendered by the department Prayer secretary and the Head of Department, Mrs. Asha Thomas, welcomed the gathering and highlighted the importance of such fun competitions in a student's life so that they can enjoy what they study. She also stressed on the growing need of mathematics and encouraged students to pursue it in their futures. Dr. Janet Vennila, the Vice Principal and Director SFS, delivered the presidential address and motivated students to explore the world of Math.

Dr. N. Padmapriya, Assistant Professor at SSN College of Engineering was the chief guest of the day, an established Mathematician and Alumnus of UCD, graced the event with her presence and gave a wonderful presentation on 'Mathematics in Artificial Intelligence.'

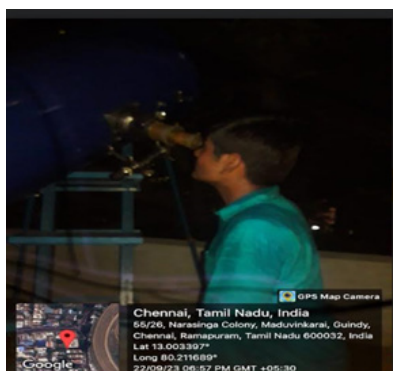
The event consisted of several competitions a few to mention were: Quiz, Math Modelling, Olympiad, Medley, Open Mic, Integration Bee and Grab a Hint. Each competition was carefully concocted to challenge the young minds and push them to perform their best. From singing a song about math in the event Open Mic, to solving tricky integrals in Integration Bee, from figuring out puzzles in the event Grab a Hint, to recalling names of Mathematicians in Quiz, the school students really were on their A-game.





The overall trophy was again taken home by Boaz Public School, Sembakkam they had won the title for the second consecutive year. Mrs. Asha Thomas gave away the trophy while also reminding the other students to not be discouraged and keep up the effort so that they can take the win in the upcoming year. The event was well organised by the faculty and student volunteers of the Mathematics department (SFS).

DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICS (SFS)



Students of the I BSc Physics served as volunteers in popularizing astrophysics and astronomy in association with Devadas Observatory, Guindy on 22.09.23. More than 100 public were benefited and the students were also trained by the proprietor Mrs. Komala to handle the armature telescopes.

The Department of Physics (SFS) astro club in association with Tamilnadu Astronomy and Science Society, Tamilnadu Science and Technology Centre, Ariviyal Palagai conducted Astronomy in 1000 places Seminar on 25.09.23. Chennai Astro Club, Senior Vice president Mr. Sivakumar was the chief guest and Mr. Udhayan State activist initiated the talk on why astronomy and Whats wrong in astronomy? Through scientific songs and the session gradually gained

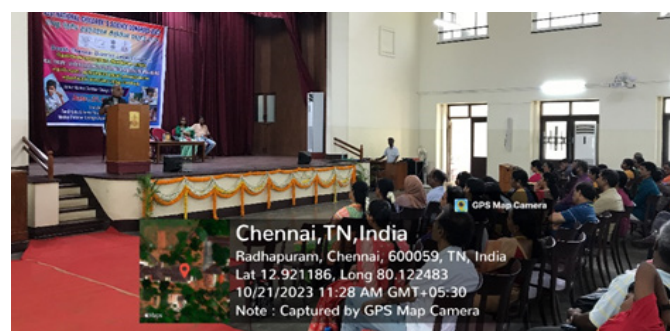
momentum through the guest of honour. He unveiled many myths about astronomy and the students got inspired to the subject astrophysics.



A demo session about the mechanism of telescope and its usage was conducted by Mrs. Komala to the I BSc Physics students on 26.09.23 and they all enjoyed watching suns spots and learnt focussing the same.



The Department of Physics (SFS) in association with Taminadu Science Forum (South chennai district), Government of India, NCSTC organized 31st National Children's Science Congress -2023 on 21.10.23 in Anderson Hall. Dr. Narayani Subramanian was the chief guest invited to speak in the programme called meet the scientist. Principal and Secretary Dr. P. Wilson was the chief guest for Inauguration.



A total of 156 science projects from 35 schools participated in the congress and presented their experiments and findings. Students were accompanied



by parents and guide teachers, and around 500 people participated in the event. Understanding ecosystem through health and wellbeing was the theme of the congress.

The evaluators – teachers from various schools, professors, science activists and scientists selected 17 projects from south Chennai for the next zonal level NCSC meet at Thiruvannamalai on 5th November. The state level and national level took place at November end and December end respectively. Physics (SFS) faculties served as evaluators and around 20 students served as volunteers. This event was published in the tamil Hindu paper dated 23.10.23.



The Department of Physics (SFS) conducted CANSAT workshop about designing satellites from 15.12.23 to 20.12.23 around 30 students benefitted. The students were taught about the complete designing and coding of a mini satellite.

Christmas programme was conducted on 18.12.23 Dr. Reuben Jonathan (Assistant Professor), Department of Chemistry (aided) shared the word of God.

DEPARTMENT OF MICROBIOLOGY

Teachers' Day

The students of the Department of Microbiology celebrated Teachers' Day on 05.09.2023 as gesture of gratitude towards the faculty. Alumni from various batches came together to make a heartfelt video and expressed their appreciation for the professors. This was followed by faculty cake cutting and distribution of gifts.

Industry Conclave – October 2023

The Department of Microbiology of Madras Christian College organized a one-day industrial conclave on “Innovations, bio-business and startup ecosystem in algal biotechnology - A Carbon Neutral Initiative” on 6th October 2023. The conclave was inaugurated by Dr. N. Thajuddin, Pro-Vice Chancellor, Crescent Institute of Science and Technology / Former Professor & Head of Microbiology, Bharathidasan University / Coordinator/Principal Investigator – NRMC / Director of NFMC. Representatives from the following industries served as resource persons for the conclave: Danish Technological Institute, Denmark; Microbloom Tech Pvt Ltd; Algae living SDN BHD, Malaysia; International Centre for Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology, New Delhi; CSIR-National Botanical Research Institute, Lucknow; Algaezone Nutraceuticals (Natrinal Organic Farms Private Limited); Nallayan Research Centre for Sustainable Development, Navalur, Chennai; and Ewannovations, a student start-up from MCC. A panel discussion was held as the final session of the conclave involving experts in the field of algal biotechnology. The conclave was attended by more than 200 participants from various colleges.



EHS activity

The students of the department of microbiology visited the old age home “Little drops” for their Christmas celebrations on 13th December 2023. Dr. S Premina organised the event and they shared the love and joy of the Christmas season with the people in the home.



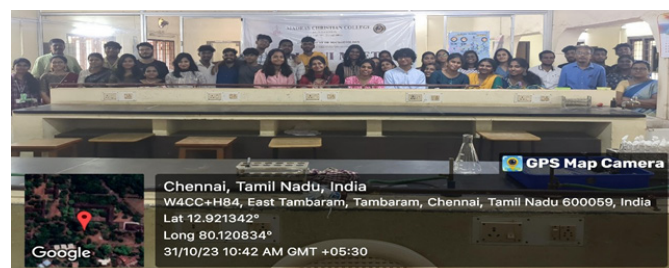
Micro MCC Day

Micro MCC day was organized by Dr. S. Niren Andrew and Students of II M.Sc. Applied Microbiology as a part of their innovative II CA Component on 27th September 2023. Posters were presented covering a wide variety of topics from Molecular Biology, Microbial Genetics, and rDNA Technology and was judged by a three-faculty committee on the basis of creativity, presentation, and explanation. Volunteers from II M.Sc. Applied Microbiology did demonstration slides showing Gram staining for bacteria, Lactophenol Cotton Blue staining for fungi and wet mounts for algae and helped other students in observing the slides with microscopes. Students from various departments like Botany, Zoology, Chemistry, Journalism, English, and Tamil got a chance to peek into the microcosmos through this demonstration. The event highlighted the advancements and concepts in Microbiology leading to fruitful discussions between the presenters and attendees. Students from diverse backgrounds were able to expand their knowledge in the field of Microbiology through the posters and demonstrations.



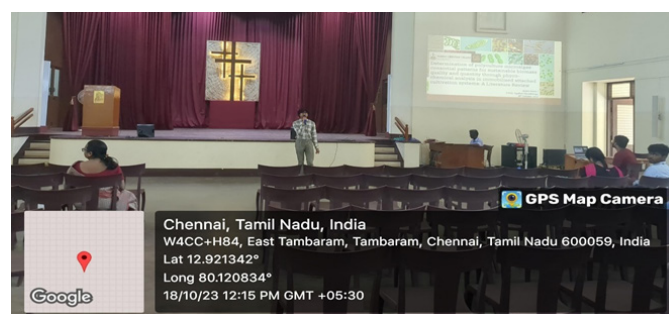
Alumni Gala 2023

Alumni Gala 2023 was organized on 31st October 2023 by Dr. S. Niren Andrew, Alumni Staff-in charge and Sundar Blessy Sarah, Alumni Secretary in the UG laboratory of the Department of Microbiology. The alumni gala is an event where the present graduates and the alumni interacted with each other and also with their professors. The alumni had very lively interactions with their previous peers as well as with professors and were served with refreshments.



PG Journal Club

The PG Journal Club is an initiative by the Department of Microbiology wherein students from II M.Sc. Applied Microbiology presents research paper / review papers on the current trends in Microbiology. The second session was conducted on 19.09.2023 with presenters Prathiba P and Mariam Nooru K. The third session presenters were Jesson Adam. J, Sundar Blessy Sarah, Sherina. J conducted on 18.10.2023 at the Anderson Hall. The fourth session took place on 28.11.2023 with the presenters being, Kanmani M, Elakkiya P and Keerthana B. The fifth session of the PG Journal Club was held on 19.12.2023 with three presenters Esther Elizabeth A.B., Lavanya E and Savitha K.



Magmeet

Since its inception in 2016, the Magmeet club has enlightened undergraduate students with ongoing developments and advancements in the ever-evolving field of Microbiology. The students are given a platform to showcase their communication skills by

addressing topics related to Microbiology. So far, events including debate, ppt presentations, quiz, and skit have been performed to engage and broaden their knowledge in this discipline. During the odd semester of 2023, two events were conducted. The first event kicked off on 4th of September at Anderson Hall while the second event on 19th of September at A116. Overall, both the events have broadened the students' knowledge and made them explore unseen wonders beyond classroom learning.



DEPARTMENT OF COMPUTER APPLICATIONS (BCA)

Alumni Meet

The Department of Computer Applications (BCA) organized "ALUMNI MEET 2023-24" – a programme to assist and coordinate Alumni Activities at Madras Christian College in Anderson Hall on 2nd September 2023. The Alumni Meet's goal is to reunite Alumni and recognize their countless accomplishments.

The Alumni Meet got underway with an opening prayer by Rev. Lalthanzuala Chongthu, Associate Chaplin, Madras Christian College. Mrs. D. Sathiya Priya, Head of the Department of Computer Applications welcomed and thanked the alumni for accepting the invitation and attending the alumni meet despite their demanding schedules.



The Principal and Secretary, Dr. P. Wilson, added an extra color to this event by taking part in a discussion with the alumni. He gave Alumni the chance to inquire about the state of the department and the college. The questions given by the alumni were succinctly answered by the principal sir and HoD mam. Last but not least, Principal Sir discussed the vision for the college and urged the Alumni to support it by sharing their expertise and skills.



Voice of the Alumni - Alumni from diverse places mingled with the students and shared their timeless experiences throughout the ceremony. They expressed their awe at the institution's various changes throughout the years, as well as their feelings of nostalgia. They talked to students in the current batch on how to get ready for higher education and career placement by sharing their experiences and inspiring them.

Open House Display

The Open House is an event held to showcase the latest endeavours and achievements of its student innovators. The Department of Computer Applications (BCA) organized this event on 12th September 2023 in QSC-203, MCC with three Adjudicators, eight innovation presenters, students and staff members of BCA.





The programme started with a prayer by Mr. Bryan Daniel, II BCA B. The welcome speech was given by Dr. S. Santhakumar, Assistant Professor, BCA. The Head of the department, Mrs. D. Sathiya Priya presented the memento to the Industrial Expert Mr. K. Vignesh. The participants presented their innovative ideas before the panel. The adjudicators shared their suggestions and feedback about the presentation. Vote of Thanks was delivered by Mr. Luvkush Singh, III BCA B.

Faculty Development Programme

The voice is a professional instrument that teachers use to perform their duties, but it is misused frequently. Every working day, teachers spend many hours expressing themselves in a loud, often inadequately soundproofed atmosphere. Teachers should be made aware of the acoustic characteristics of their voice and encouraged to seek advice at the first signs of vocal fatigue since they understand how important the voice is as a tool for grabbing their audience's attention and communicating effectively.

The Department of Computer Applications (BCA) in collaboration with MCC Infirmary organized a Faculty Development Programme (FDP) on "Voice Conservation and Projection Skills for Teachers" at Madras Christian College in Margaret Hall Auditorium on 6th October 2023.



Mrs. Ruth Deborah, Assistant Professor, Department of Audiology and Speech Language Pathology, SRM Medical College Hospital and Research Centre, Kanchipuram, was the speaker. She offered a succinct introduction, discussing the professional use of voice production.



Activity Time – Additionally, Mrs. Ruth provided some crucial advice on how to preserve voice quality and avoid voice abuse. She led some breathing exercises, massage techniques, and voice warm-ups during the activity segment of the session.

Informatique expo

Informatique Expo, a computer exhibition organised by the Department of Computer Applications (BCA) at MCC, served as a focal point for investigating Data Communication and Networking Models. On 6th October 2023, Informatique Expo was held with the goal of showcasing the skills of all BCA final year students on creating prototype models of various computer network types and categories.



In this exhibition, fifty teams took part and faced off against one another. In addition to building the model, the students provided knowledgeable explanations of the ideas. Mrs. Asha Thomas, the Assistant Professor in-charge of the mathematics department at Madras Christian College, served as the adjudicator.

code streak '23

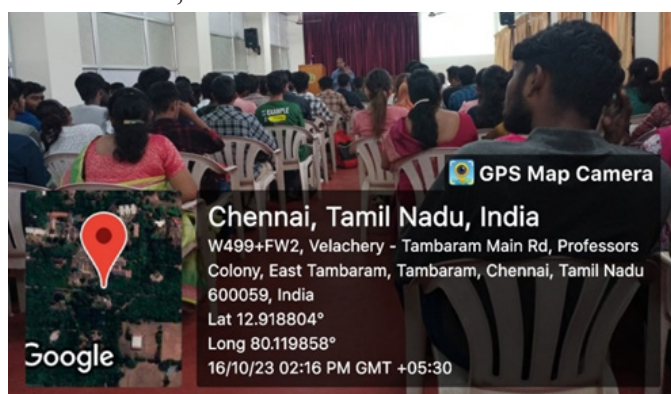
The Department of Computer Applications (BCA) organized “CODE STREAK ‘23” – an Intra-Department Technical Fest at Madras Christian College on 9th and 10th October 2023.



The activities took place in both offline and online modes. Digital art and meme creation were online events. Debugging, Stress Interviews, Technical Quizzes, Competitive Coding, and Paper Presentations were the offline events. Based on their own technical and skillful interests, students enthusiastically participated in the programme. Thus, this programme assisted in identifying and illuminating student's diverse skills.

Kick Start the Research Writing

The Department of Computer Applications (BCA) in collaboration with Internal Quality Assurance Cell hosted the “Kick Start the Research Writing” Research Methodology Seminar at Margaret Hall Auditorium on 16th October, 2023.

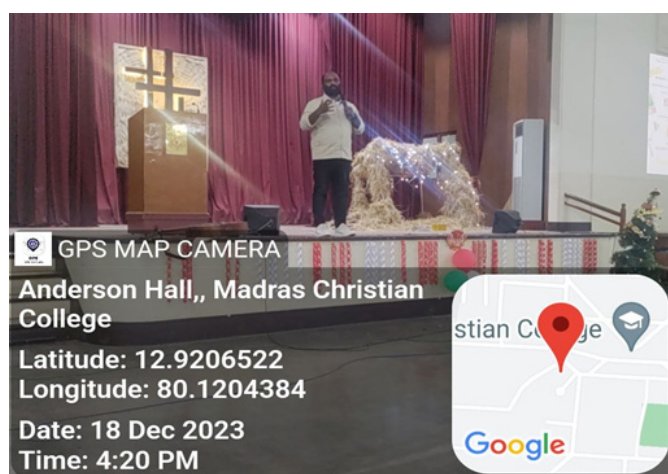


The aim of the seminar was to enhance participants' understanding and skills in the art of research writing. Teachers interested in developing their research writing skills attended the event. Assistant Professor Dr. R. Vijay Solomon of the Chemistry Department shared his knowledge on how to write the study paper. The talk addressed methods for detecting gaps in the literature, synthesizing current research, and critically

assessing academic publications. The importance of ethical issues in research writing—such as accurate citation, preventing plagiarism, and guaranteeing the responsible use of data—was emphasized during the seminar.

Christmas programme

The Department of Computer Applications (BCA) hosted the Christmas Celebration in Anderson Hall on 18th December 2023. The programme includes a worship session and singing. Students also performed a Nativity play about the birth of Christ. The BCA students performed skits and choreography, among other activities.



The MCC alumnus Pas. John Paul of Rehoboth Joy Ministries preached on the theme of “God's Love” and sang his own song “Ennavarae, the Hymn of Love” at the request of the BCA students.

tech Alumni Series – episode 2

In an era characterized by rapid technological advancements and evolving career landscapes, the Department of Computer Applications (BCA), Madras Christian College took a proactive step in guiding students towards informed career choices. A comprehensive Tech Series on Career Counselling was organized, aiming to equip students with the necessary knowledge and insights to navigate the diverse fields of technology and make informed decisions about their future careers.

The BCA Department organized “TECH ALUMNI SERIES” – a career counselling programme at Madras Christian College in QSC 203 on 19th December 2023. The speaker was Mr. Nishanth, Senior Manager & Head HR People Practices, Agilisium Consulting India.

The Tech Series on Career Counselling successfully provided students with a holistic understanding of the diverse career opportunities within the technology sector.

Orphanage Visit

The students of the Department of Computer Applications (BCA) visited Good Life Centre orphanage, West Tambaram on 23rd December 2023. The visit was meticulously planned and organised by the students, with assistance from Mrs. D. Sathiya Priya and Dr. S. Santhakumar. With smiles on their faces and arms full of gifts, the students came at the orphanage on the designated day. The orphanage personnel greeted the students warmly and introduced them to the inmates of the orphanage before the visit started. A range of activities, such as games and sharing gifts, were planned to keep the kids entertained.



The visit to the orphanage during Christmas proved to be a memorable and impactful experience for both the students and the children. It not only brought joy to the lives of those less fortunate but also instilled a sense of empathy, compassion, and community service among the participating students. This initiative stands as a testament to the positive impact that a small group of dedicated individuals can have on the lives of others, especially during the festive season.

DEPARTMENT OF COMPUTER SCIENCE (MCA)

The Department of Computer Science (MCA) in association with IIC & EDC organized the Open House Display, "Technovation", on 22nd September 2023, from 10:30 AM to 12:30 PM in the MCA Classroom. The Adjudicators for the innovation contest were Mrs. M. Sankara Gomathy Member Technical Staff, ZOHO Corporation Pvt. Ltd, Chennai, Prof. Jasmine Smilkha Leslie, Assistant Professor, Department of Visual

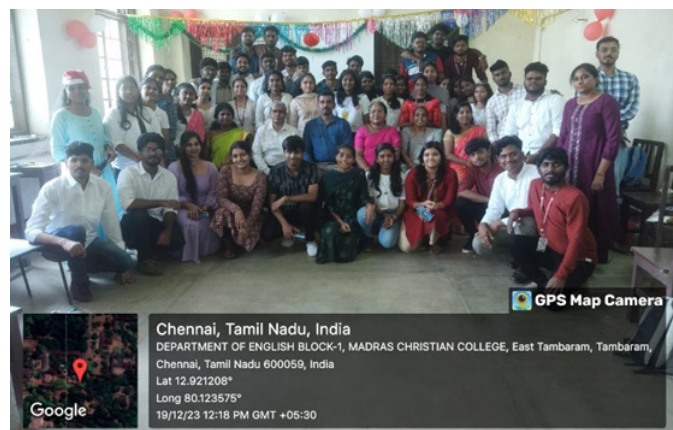
Communication, MCC and Dr. S. J Samuel Justin, Manager, MCC-MRF Innovation Park, evaluated the participants performances and provided their valuable feedback.

Ms. Jaya Prabha, Ms. Nivedha, Mr. Jeffer Picasso, Mr. Subith Chacko, Mr. Harish, Mr. Staines from I MCA and Mr. Matthew Samuel Raj A, Mr. Daniel Raj B, Ms. Premicka MB and Mr. Misham Christopher Edwin from II-MCA showcased their innovative ideas on "Fridge Mate," "Dweller," "Simple Data Shield," "Dynamic Style Expression Smart Watch Strap," "Online Bus Payment," "Virtual Encryption View," and "Second Hand Cigarette Smoke Filter." The innovative concepts addressed a variety of technological challenges, contributing significantly to the overall success of the event.



A workshop on "Full Stack Architecture," was organized on September 26, 2023 in the Margaret Hall Conference Room from 9 AM to 1:30 PM. The speaker of the day Mr. Y. Mohammed Rizwan, Senior Engineering Specialist, Software AG International Techpark, Chennai, Alumnus (MCA 2006-09), shared his insights and expertise on full stack architecture, contributing valuable knowledge to the participants.

The session focused on the technological challenges in websites that gave participants a practical view of the complexity involved in web applications. A clear roadmap for full stack development helped the students to outline the key steps and skills needed to unleash the talents within them.



The Department of Computer Science (MCA) organized the Christmas Programme on 19th December 2023, from 10 AM to 1.30 PM in Room No S219 (Statistics Department). Dr. David Abraham Albert, Assistant Professor, Department of English Language and Literature (Aided), delivered the word of God with a message on “Sharing, love and salvation” emphasizing the core meaning in the birth of Christ. The celebration had a captivating performance by the I and II MCA students which enthralled the audience with music, dance, skit, decorations and interactive games along with the fellowship lunch.

DEPARTMENT OF VISUAL COMMUNICATION

TALKIES- Movie Screening & Discussion

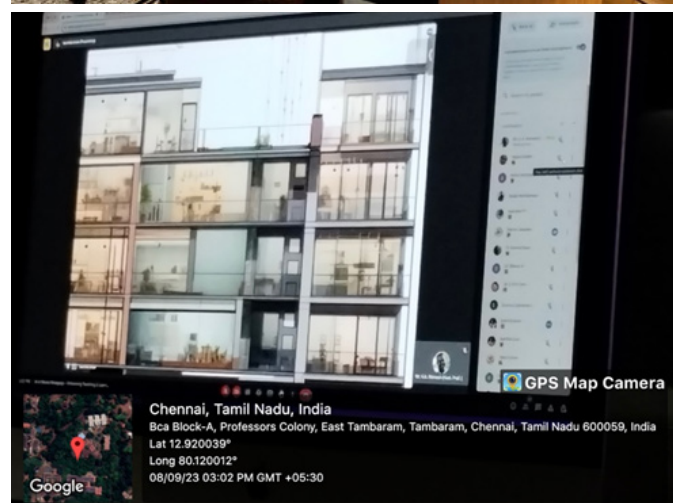
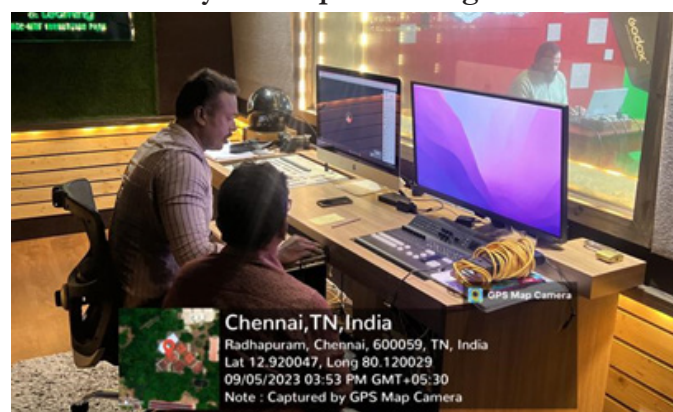


Talkies was jointly organised by the department of Visual Communication, Journalism & Communication (PG) on 1st September 2023. The screening of the Tamil movie “Gargi” was a captivating and enriching experience for the students. The movie delved into the challenges faced by women in society, was a powerful

and thought-provoking movie. The subsequent interaction with the director added another layer to the students’ understanding of the movie’s thematic depth. The director’s insights into the creative decisions and the societal commentary embedded in the film enriched the viewing experience.



Faculty Development Programme



The seven-day online FDP programme conducted from 6th to 14th September 2023 on “AI-in Media Pedagogy: Enhancing Teaching and Learning” was jointly organised by the department of Visual Communication, Journalism & Communication (PG). The FDP was a comprehensive initiative designed

to familiarize educators with the transformative impact of Artificial Intelligence (AI) in the field of graphics design, UI & UX, Image editing, 3D Models & animations. Participants were introduced to cutting-edge technologies and tools that facilitate the integration of AI into educational practices, fostering a dynamic and interactive learning environment. This programme has provided participants with a profound understanding of how artificial intelligence can be integrated into media pedagogy, revolutionizing the educational landscape. Faculties & research scholars from all over India participated in this FDP.

Workshop for School Teachers

The two-day workshop on “Google Tools for Enhanced Teaching: For School Teachers” was jointly organised by the department of Visual Communication, Journalism & Communication (PG) on 7th & 8th September 2023. This workshop proved to be a transformative experience, aligning with its key objectives to empower educators with technical knowledge and pedagogical strategies. The workshop successfully addressed the objective by equipping teachers with a comprehensive understanding of various Google Tools and their applications in the educational context. Throughout the sessions, the workshop fostered an environment conducive to innovation, encouraging participants to explore creative teaching methods using digital tools. Moreover, the workshop empowered school teachers to monitor student progress and provide constructive feedback through Google Tools. Participants gained insights into data-driven decision-making, enabling them to tailor their teaching strategies to individual student needs.

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On 5th September 2023, an independent film titled “DhillDhilip” was screened; followed by an engaging

discussion with the film maker Mr. Dhilipkumar. “DhillDhilip” is a poignant and thought-provoking film that explores the trials and tribulations of an aspiring filmmaker and navigates through the complex landscapes of the Kollywood industry. The film offers a glimpse into the challenges faced by young talents in the world of Indian cinema and underscores the importance of perseverance and passion in the pursuit of one’s dreams. The thought-provoking discussions and insights shared by the filmmaker contributed to a richer understanding of the creative process, script development, casting choices, and the collaborative efforts that are required to bring the story to life.



Brand Crafting



An enlightening and informative session on “Brand Crafting” by Mr. Jayanth Jesudasan, a renowned Brand Consultant and Creative Strategist from Quadrant

Cross was held on 8th September 2023. The session aimed to provide valuable insights into the intricacies of branding in contemporary business.

Mr. Jayanth initiated the session by introducing the fundamental concepts of branding. He emphasized that a brand encompasses more than just a logo or tagline; it embodies the entire identity and reputation of a business or entity. He stressed the significance of emotional connection in branding and explained how successful brands evoke specific emotions in their audience by sharing examples of brands that have mastered this art. Real-world case studies were presented to illustrate successful brand transformations and strategies. These examples provided practical insights into the branding process. The session encouraged active participation from the audience, allowing students to ask questions and seek clarification on various aspects of branding.

International Media Conclave on Digital Media, Industry and Innovation



The department of Visual Communication, Journalism and Communication (PG) jointly organized The International Media Conclave on September 13 at Anderson Hall. To begin the inauguration, the principal of the college, Dr. Paul Wilson and the Vice-Principal (SFS) Mrs. J. Jannet Vennila gave the welcome and presidential addresses respectively. The initial address by the principal was on media and the urge to stay updated with the trends and knowledge in the industry, which is the notion of this International Media Conclave. Dr. Phil Cooke in his keynote address, gave out seven tips for any person to build a successful career in the media sector which included being organized, getting the problem solved, developing communication skills, taking effective actions and penning down ideas. Ms. Kathleen Cooke continued by mentioning how one should develop their own ideas, slowly build connections and learn how to lead a successful career based on their choice. Dr. Ronald

L. Harris gave his note on the six ways to succeed in life, which included building connections, writing and effective speaking, improving communication skills, and learning something new everyday. The first session ended with some interesting questions from the audience that explained the hurdles faced by women in media and about the changing and challenging media landscapes.

Consequently, the panel discussion on the topic of Digital Landscape: Latest Trends and Innovations which was moderated by Dr. Phebe Angus, Assistant Professor, Department of English and consisted of six delegates which included Mr. Phil Cooke, American Writer, TV Producer and Consultant; Dr. Ronald L. Harris, President of MEDIAAlliance International; Ms. Kathleen Cooke, Co-Founder Influence Women; Mr. Sam Daniel Stalin, Bureau Chief at NDTV Chennai; Ms. Christelda Jennifer, Production Head GOD TV and Mrs. A.B. Elizabeth, Programme Executive at AIR Chennai. The International Media Conclave ended with an array of refreshing ethnic performances such as Veenai, Tamil traditional Bharathanatyam, Semi-classical dance, Kerala traditional Nadodi, Folk performance, Parai and Karagattam and finally a couple of songs by the college choir to revitalize the guests and the audience.



ICMA Media Conference



The Kingdom Media Leadership Conference conducted on 14th & 15th September 2023 in Hilton Chennai was attended by 10 students & 3 faculties.



The conference proved to be a pivotal event for both faculty members and students alike, as it addressed crucial aspects of harnessing the power of social media for innovation and entrepreneurship. The conference provided valuable insights into effectively navigating the dynamic landscape of social media, emphasizing strategies for content creation and utilization. For students, the conference served as an educational platform to learn content creation, considering its role as a driving force behind innovation and entrepreneurial endeavors. Insights were shared on leveraging social media as a tool for effective communication, brand building, and networking.

Invictus' 24



The first day of Invictus, organized by the Visual Communication Department, was an extraordinary blend of creativity, artistry, and knowledge sharing. The event featured esteemed chief guests, engaging sessions, and a captivating folk art display, leaving the audience inspired and informed. The event commenced with great enthusiasm as the chief guests, Art director Mr. D.R.K Kiran and Actor Vasanth Ravi, graced the occasion. Their presence added a touch of glamour and expertise to the event's inauguration. Both Mr. Kiran and Mr. Ravi shared their experiences in the world of visual communication, offering valuable insights and anecdotes. The combination of illustrious chief guests, an informative foley sound workshop, and a culturally enriching folk art showcase made for an unforgettable day.

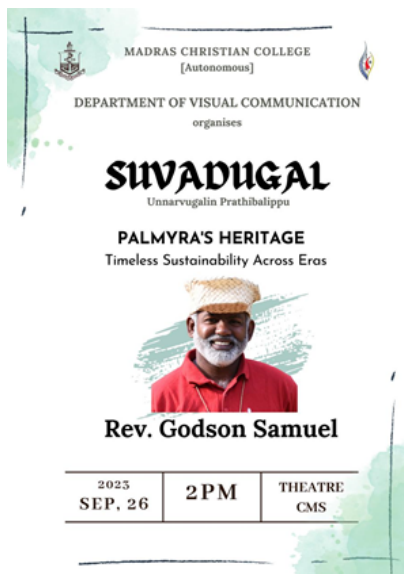
A full-day acting workshop was conducted in collaboration with E-art Studios, featuring the esteemed actor Mogli as the resource person. The workshop aimed to provide students with a holistic understanding of acting, covering various facets of the craft such as improvisation, character development. It was conducted in the state-of-the-art Preview Theatre, which created a conducive environment for learning. Beyond the educational aspects, the event offered a unique networking platform. Students had the privilege of interacting with Mogli and the experts from E-art Studios, creating connections that could potentially lead to future collaborations and opportunities within the entertainment industry.

“Aathman” marked the culmination of an exhilarating intercollegiate cultural event. The day was filled with a diverse range of on-stage and off-stage competitions that showcased the talents and creativity of the participating colleges. The on-stage and off-stage events on the third day included various competitions such as dance-offs, music performances, art, rap, potpourri and much more. The participants demonstrated remarkable skills and captivated the audience with their exceptional performances.



One of the highlights of the day was the award ceremony where certificates and mementos were presented to the deserving participants. This recognition served as a testament to their hard work and dedication throughout the event. The grand finale of Invictus “Aathman” featured a valedictory ceremony graced by the esteemed chief guest, Mr. Vijay Karthick, Director of Photography (DOP). Mr. Karthick delivered an inspiring speech, emphasizing the importance of art and culture in shaping young minds. The overall winner of Invictus “Aathman” was announced with great pleasure. Loyola College emerged as the triumphant institution, showcasing exceptional talent and consistency across various competitions.

Palmyra's Heritage



On the 26th of September 2023 Rev. Godson Samuel explained the significance of Palmyra and its heritage. Palmyra's heritage also includes the traditional craft of making items from palm leaves, particularly the Palmyra palm. He explained that this versatile tree has been used for centuries in the region for various purposes. The leaves are woven into mats, baskets, hats, and even ropes. Palmyra palm products are not only functional but also have cultural and artistic significance. They showcase the craftsmanship and skills of the people in the Palmyra region and are an important part of the area's heritage.

Mr. Godson showed various objects and things made of palmyra like bags and caps. He then briefed the students about how products made from Palmyra palm leaves are biodegradable and eco-friendly. They do not contribute to plastic waste or pollution and naturally decompose over time. In conclusion, students left the



venue with a new-found perspective and exposure of one more thing to help save the environment and the rich heritage of palmyra.

Brushes and Beyond



The workshop titled "Brushes and Beyond" held on 5th October 2023 at the Drawing Studio was a captivating exploration into the world of watercolor landscapes and acrylic canvas for the students of first year visual communication. The workshop was led by renowned Graphic Supervisor, Mr. Suresh Kumar, Lalit Kala Akademy. The first half of the workshop Mr. Suresh introduced a plethora of brush types, its unique purpose in creating diverse textures and effects, unraveling the mysteries of color theory and elucidating the nuances of various artistic materials. In the second half of the workshop, the learning extended beyond the classroom as Mr. Suresh guided students to explore the world of landscapes firsthand. Venturing outside, he demonstrated the application of watercolor techniques on a real landscape, creating a vivid masterpiece before the eyes of eager learners.

The outdoor setting not only offered a refreshing change but also allowed students to witness how natural light and elements play a pivotal role in the

artistic process. As Mr. Suresh passionately painted, they seamlessly wove explanations of techniques into the picturesque scene, offering invaluable insights. The experiential nature of this segment not only enhanced the participants' understanding of artistic principles but also inspired them to view the world through a more creative lens. Guest demonstrated the delicate balance of water and pigment, guiding students through the process of achieving gradients, blending colors, and capturing the essence of nature on paper. Students were encouraged to experiment with different brush strokes and watercolor densities to express their creativity.

The workshop was not merely a demonstration but a collaborative learning experience. Students actively engaged in an interactive session where they could seek guidance, share their progress, and receive personalized feedback from Mr. Suresh Kumar. The integration of real-world examples by Mr. Suresh added depth to the workshop, inspiring students to pursue their artistic endeavors with passion and dedication.

International Film Festival of India (IFFI)

The department organized an enriching educational trip to the International Film Festival of India (IFFI) organized by the National Film Development Corporation of India under MIB and Entertainment Society of Goa. This Film festival provided a common platform for our students to watch the cinemas of the world and understand excellence of the film art. The diverse film selection ranged from thought-provoking documentaries to avant-garde cinematic creations, offering a comprehensive overview of different genres and styles. They also learned to appreciate film cultures of different nations in the context of their social and cultural ethos. Students had an opportunity to interact with international film makers and attend various panel discussions, master class and workshops



on three days. This interactive exposure & workshops not only expanded their cinematic horizons but also allowed them to gain insights into the intricate process of filmmaking. Furthermore, the festival served as a platform for networking, with students interacting with professionals in the field, including directors, producers, and cinematographers. Such interactions proved invaluable for budding talents aspiring to carve their niche in the visual communication industry.

Changing Landscape in Media



The department in association with the department of Journalism & Communication (PG) hosted an enthralling and enlightening event titled "Media Chat" on 28th November 2023. The speaker Mr. Ashvin Dhyriam-Managing Director, Goodnews Channel eloquently highlighted the rapid evolution of technology, consumer preferences, and content consumption habits. Mr. Ashvin emphasized the need



for adaptability, creativity, and the practical aspects of building a successful career. He also expounded on the importance of effective communication and teamwork in the collaborative environment of media production. Following the presentation, Mr. Ashwin engaged with the audience through an interactive Q&A session, creating a forum for attendees to delve deeper into the insights shared during the lecture.

Industrial Collaboration



On 11th November 2023 the department signed an MOU with Monolith Research and Training Labs Pvt. Ltd. Chennai based established media, communication, technology, and training company registered in India with associate offices across eight countries - Australia, China, Hong Kong, India, Japan, Republic of Korea (South Korea), Singapore and United Kingdom providing media production, post-production, event management, communication and technology services for more than two decades. The primary objective is to facilitate internship cum placement opportunities for students, offering them a bridge between academic learning and practical industry experience. Additionally, the MOU emphasizes providing project assistance to final-year Visual Communication students interested in multimedia, enhancing their skills and knowledge.

The collaboration extends to research assistance for faculty members, promoting a symbiotic relationship



between academia and industry expertise. Furthermore, the MOU envisions training programmes for faculty members in emerging areas, enabling them to integrate cutting-edge technologies into their teaching methodologies. It includes industrial visits and project work opportunities at Monolith Research and Training Labs for students, offering real-world exposure. Overall, the MOU establishes a multifaceted partnership that benefits students, faculty, and the industry alike.

Preview Show “Kannagi”



On 12th of December, 2023, the department of Viscom& Communication (PG) had arranged an exclusive preview show of the tamil feature film “Kannagi” at the Preview Theatre, Centre for Media Studies. The movie Kannagi plays out four shorts from an anthropology crosscut from one to the other. A tale of four women facing four different issues in their relationships try to navigate those problems and lead their lives. Following the screening Q & A session was organised wherein students had a lot of questions pertaining to aspects like cinematography, script-writing, how the story was stitched together, societal issues handled in film and a lot more on narrative style. The director Yashwanth Kishore along with the cast namely, Keerthi Pandian, Shalin Zoya and many other notable actors answered all the questions with great enthusiasm.



Christmas Celebration



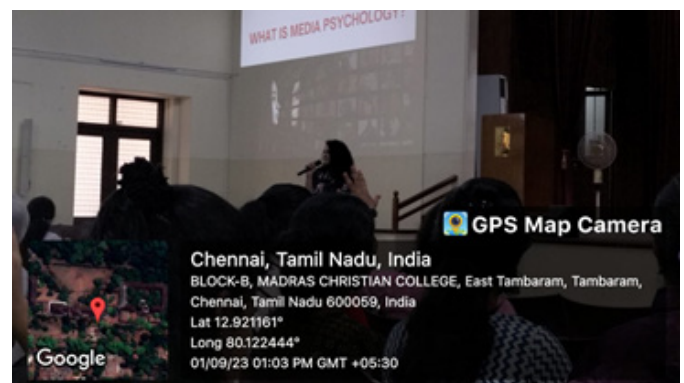
This year the Viscom family stretched out to the MCC RSL Primary School Tambaram (A Unit of Madras Christian College) on December 19, 2023 for their Christmas celebration. More than 100 students participated actively in sharing the love and joy with school students. There were a variety of activities planned for the students like carol songs, dance, skit and a lot of interesting activities. The students enjoyed and participated in every event with great joy. Viscom family provided got stationaries and snacks for 120 plus students and teachers. Beyond the celebration, the event served as a reminder of the importance of giving back to the community and fostering a sense of compassion and solidarity. The celebration was a joyous occasion that brought smiles and cheer to both our department students and the young learners at the school.



DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHOLOGY

The Department of Psychology conducted its third symposium on the topic “My journey with psychology” on 1st September 2023 at Anderson Hall. The symposium was inaugurated by the college vice principal Dr Jannet Vennila. The inaugural address was given by the guest speaker Dr. Archana Padmakar who

is a part of the Emergency Care & Recovery Centre in The Banyan a non-governmental organisation based in Chennai, India founded to cater to mentally ill and homeless women in the city. The speaker for the first session was Dr.V. S Jithendra, a Psychologist at core who specializes in varied fields to find ways of making the domain of Psychology beneficial to all. The second session was addressed by Dr Manjoo Shree, the founder of Lifeolicious. Aishwarya Ejumale, a media psychologist and a certified counselling psychologist led the third session. She talked about how media is also connected to psychology in a big way and gave us a new perspective through a fun way of relating psychology with fictional characters from film. In the last session Dr. P. N Thomas shared his journey in psychology and the paths that made him discover the field of Psychology. A valedictory programme concluded the symposium. Dr. Sam Pravin Kumar from the Department of Philosophy, MCC, was the guest speaker for the event. The certificates were distributed.



The Department of Psychology at Madras Christian College conducted a workshop on 16th October 2023 on the topic “Counselling practices”. The workshop’s guest speaker was Anjana Thampy, a client-centred psychotherapist specialising in animal-assisted psychotherapy. She is an Experienced Psychotherapist with a demonstrated history of working in the mental health field. Skilled in Interpersonal Communication, Psychology, Psychotherapy, Mental Health Counselling, and Mental Health. Strong healthcare



services professional with a master's degree in counselling from Madras School of Social Work, specializing in animal-assisted psychotherapy. The workshop was interactive and engaging. She made the students aware of different aspects of practical counselling. The session was informative and appreciated by many students.



IDP India conducted an educational seminar on 18th December 2023. IDP is a global digital platform connecting leading institutions. IDP's vision is to build a global platform and connected community to guide international students along their journey to achieve their lifelong learning and career aspirations. To achieve this, IDP transforms how international student recruitment services are delivered. They make students aware of the opportunities to study abroad and the scholarships provided by various universities. The seminar was held together for both the second-year and final-year students. The seminar began at 2:00 pm and took place for two hours. During the termination of the seminar, every individual was provided a form in which he/she had to fill out their personal details and feedback regarding the seminar. The seminar was very useful as it made the students open their scope towards different fields in psychology.

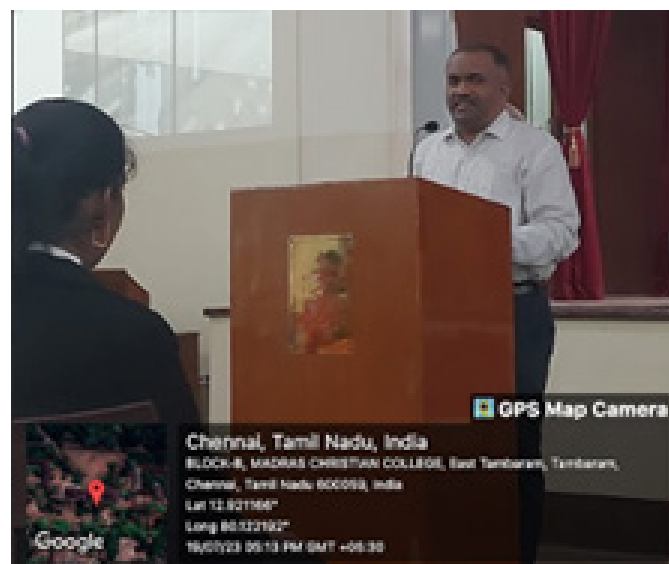
The Christmas 2023 event for the psychology department started at 2 pm on December 19th. It began with a prayer and a song by the choir. A special song was sung by the second year, which was followed



by a speech by the guest speaker, Dr. Nithy Cecil. Games were conducted for an hour by the game crew, followed by some cultural performances by the psychology department students. The programme included a Secret Santa reveal. The programme was concluded by a speech by Dr. Lalbiaknii Hnamte. As a delightful finale, all the students danced together. The programme wrapped up with refreshments and photos and concluded by 5:30 pm.

DEPARTMENT OF COMPUTER SCIENCE (SHIFT II)

Association Inauguration



The students' forum "Cybernavts" was inaugurated on 19th July, 2023 for the academic year 2023 to 2024 in the Anderson Hall. The distinguished guest of honour Mr. John Wesley Emmanuel, Technology lead, Infosys. Mr. John Wesley inaugurated the forum and gave a lecture on "ERP-SAP S/4 HANA", an ERP business suite in-memory database that perform transactions and analyze business data in real time. The forum members who would be leading the



academic pursuits of the department are elected. The event concluded with a vote of thanks by the general secretary of the student council. The department is positioned to prepare students for the challenges and opportunities of the future.

Freshers' Day

The department witnessed the Fresher's Day in Bishop Heber Hall on 20th July, 2023. It provided a platform for the newcomers to interact, showcase their talents,

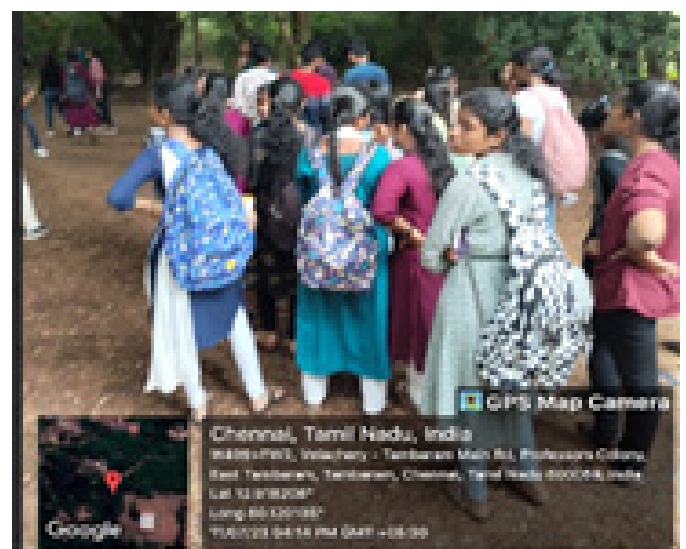


and foster new friendships. The event began with a prayer by Mr. Jabez Richmond and prayer song by the department choir. The students performed a series of engaging activities including energetic games, mesmerizing dances and melodious singing by the freshers. Two individuals from the first-year class, Prem Kumar and Jemi, were also recognised and awarded as Mr. Fresher and Ms. Fresher. Overall, the fresher's Day event was a memorable occasion that fostered a sense of belonging and unity among the students, setting the stage for a memorable year ahead. The event concluded with a much-needed refreshment break.

Campus Walk



The campus walk was intended to acquaint the freshers with the campus layout, facilities, and academic resources. Led by experienced student guides, the fresher's embarked on a guided tour of the campus. They visited the college's six halls, back gate, Selaipur gate, MCC farm, football ground, physical education department, indoor sports studio, Miller's library,



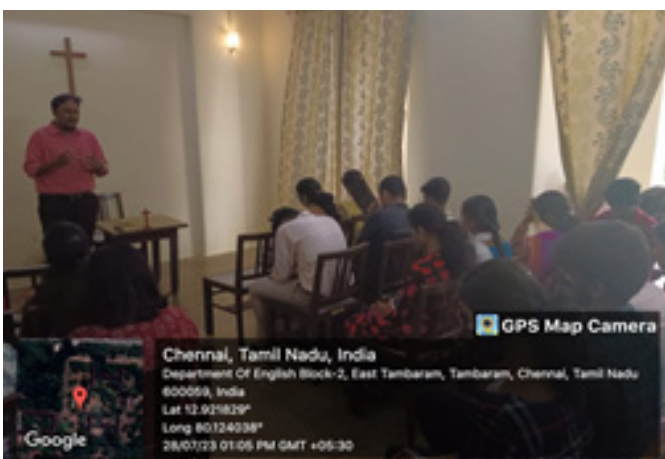


computer science laboratory, and QSC building. The tour also highlighted the college's emphasis on hands-on learning and innovation. The fresher's visited various laboratories and research facilities, where they learned about the opportunities to turn their theoretical knowledge into real-world solutions. They visited the sprawling sports indoor auditorium and the various sports and fitness activities. The seniors encouraged them to nurture not just their minds but also their physical well-being. The freshers had a long walk and had a sense of belongingness.

Department Prayer Fellowship



On 28th July 2023, the Department of Computer Science had its first student's prayer fellowship in the Selaiyur Prayer Hall, to foster unity and spiritual connection. Prof. J. Arun Kumar from the department



of English shared God's Message. The event witnessed moments of Worship, with a renewed sense of purpose and connection among attendees. The event was a meaningful gathering that transcended academic pursuits, emphasizing the importance of spiritual and emotional well-being. It was a celebration of the department's diversity and inclusivity, and a testament to the strong bond shared between educators and learners. The echoes of this event are sure to resonate as the department continues its academic journey.

Seminar – Art of Game Design



On 27th July, 2023, the Department of Computer Science organized a seminar on "The Art of Game Design and Development Using Unreal Engine and C++". The event commenced with a prayer and welcome remarks by the Head of the Department. Industry experts Mr. Shakthi Nandan and Mr. Prasana Keerthivasan shared their expertise on game design,



Unreal Engine, and C++. An interactive session allowed attendees to engage with the experts and address their queries. The seminar was an enriching experience that inspired attendees to explore in the field of game development.

Seminar – Cyber Security



A Seminar on “Cyber Security – trends and growth” was organized on 30th August 2023 in the Computer Science Laboratory. The Guest Speaker Dr. Harish Ramani delved into the multifaceted landscape of cybersecurity, highlighting the escalating complexity of cyber threats and the imperative need for proactive measures. The speaker also discussed the increasing reliance on cloud services, IOT, and AI, and the growing demand for skilled cybersecurity professionals



across sectors. The importance of collaborative efforts to fortify cybersecurity measures was also emphasized. The event encapsulated the urgency of staying abreast of emerging trends, fostering cooperation, and investing in cybersecurity expertise to ensure a secure digital future.



Service-Learning Programme (Outreach)



The Department of Computer Science organised Service-Learning Programme for the students of MCC-RSL School, West Tambaram from 28.08.2023 to 1.9.2023. About 25 students from the Department of computer Science taught Computer Science lessons in their Samacheer Syllabus for the students of 6th,





7th, 8th and 9th grade. Our students created computer learning interest in them through Practical classes in their computer lab. The Service-Learning Programme gave our students a real picture of prevailing conditions, problems and development initiatives of MCC RSL School. This service -learning participation brought a new realization of the needs of others.



Seminar – Google Talk on career in Gen AI

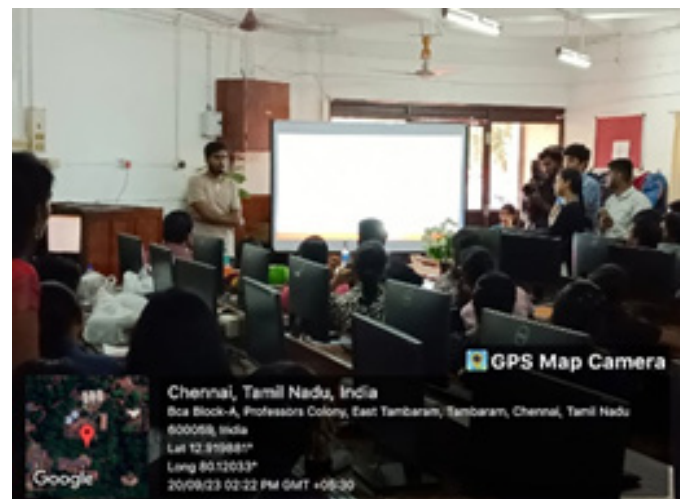
On 18th September 2023, the Department of Computer Science (Shift II) organized a Google Talk on “Career in Gen AI”. The Director of Google India site from Bangalore Mr. Tushar Sahu and Ms. Evangeline, Team Leader (cloud Operations) shared their expertise on GenAI - career path in Google



and Internship intervention. An interactive session allowed student attendees to engage with the Google experts and address their queries. The seminar was a knowledge-based experience that inspired the students to explore their future endeavours.

Innovation Contest – IIC Open House Display

In order to find the young minds Innovation ability, “Best Innovator Contest” was conducted by MCC-IIC and MCC-EDC. The Department of Computer Science organized “Open House Display” on 20th September 2023. The Adjudicators were Mr Samraj A, (Chairman, DeWall Street Pvt. Ltd) Dr Wilfred Prasana, (MCC-EDC Coordinator) and Dr. R. Padmamala (Internal Subject Expert). Two innovation presenters team shared their innovative ideas before the panel. The adjudicators expressed their suggestions and gave feedback on their presentation. The Comments recommended by the Jury members enhanced their prototype model with Survey, feasibility Study and real time data analysis.



One-Day Cyber Security Awareness Workshop [CSAW]



October is marked as National Cyber Security Awareness Month (NCSAM) with a view to educate people, especially students' community, to increase cyber resilience. Keeping this in view, the Department of Computer Science (Shift II) of Madras Christian College organized "Cyber Security Awareness Workshop" (CSAW) on 19th October 2023 for MCC Campus Higher Secondary School and for the college students as well.



The Additional Deputy Commissioner of Police, Cyber Cell, Tambaram, Mrs. J. Jareena Begum, expressed her concern over the spurt in cybercrimes in the Chennai, and instilled proper cybersecurity processes on what to do and who to contact in the event of a security threat. She also insisted that everyone be aware of the national cyber-crime helpline number 1930.

The resource person for the workshop was Mr. Dinesh Paranthagan, CEO & Founder of Hack up Technology, Coimbatore. He addressed students on "Recent cybercrimes and its Mitigation" in session-1

and Hands-on training in Mobile Security" in session-2. The main objective of this workshop was to equip student community with the types of attacks, attackers, security threats, and vulnerabilities, as well as the tools and techniques to safeguard them in cyber space.

The Principal of the School, Dr. Saira Banu highlighted that the awareness workshop is the need of the hour for the students to successfully shield themselves against various cyber threats and dangers lurking in the cyber space. As our reliance on technology deepens post covid 19, the importance of cyber security further increases, she added. Witnessing the participation of nearly 550 students, the workshop concluded with a signature campaign, and all the students signed a pledge banner to be cyber smart.

Christmas Celebration



On 18th December 2023, the Department of Computer Science organized Christmas celebration entitled "Love Came Down". The celebration was held in Bishop Heber Hall indoor auditorium. The entire auditorium was beautifully decorated with stars,





and lights. All the students were excited and full of enthusiasm for the celebration.

The ceremony began with prayer and carols. A team of students presented a beautiful play on the nativity theme. Pastor Martin Masilamani from Eternal Life AG church Santhoshapuram shared the Word of God and the purpose of everyone's life in this world. A very interesting Chris-ma - Chris-child game was conducted in the beginning of December 2023 involving faculty members and all the students of the Department.

The celebration finally concluded with the breaking of the suspense of "Chirs-ma - Chirs-child" game and the exchange of gifts between "Christ-ma" and "Christ-child". This served to build a rapport among one another and strengthen the bonds of Computer Science family.

DATONS Inauguration

The First Department forum inauguration DATONS was held on 16th December 2023, at Margaret Hall. Dr. Paul Wilson, Principal, MCC, addressed the students about the vision on which the Department was designed and motivated them to generate innovative ideas, contribute to college wherever data analysis is required and also encouraged them to become entrepreneurs. The Vice Principal (SFS) Dr. Jannet Vennila, emphasized the department to collaborate with industries and to involve with the various units of the college.

The distinguished chief guest Ms. Ambika Srinivasan, a proud alumna of the institution, addressed the students on the need of the hour and the potential impact of Data Science in the industry and the expectations from the data science students by the industrialists. This was followed by the official induction of the Forum members. The Data Science Forum is set to play a pivotal role in fostering academic growth and enhancing the activities of the department.

Christmas

The Department of Data Science celebrated their first Christmas programme on the 18th December 2023 at S124. The Christmas message was delivered by Dr. Beutline Malgija, Bioinformatics Analyst, MCC Innovation Park, shared the word of God and prayed for everyone. Amala Samuel, student of I MSc Data Science shared his testimony and lead the students in worship. As part of the celebration, cultural events in the form of songs, dance were performed by the students.

DEPARTMENT OF DATA SCIENCE (SFS)



CAMPUS MINISTRY ACTIVITIES

On 10th September, 2023 (Sunday) Women's Sunday was observed in the Bishop Heber Chapel, both in the English and Tamil Services. A special order of service was followed, conducted by girls and women.

On 22nd September 2023 MCC Cottage Prayer Meeting (CPM) was Inaugurated at 6 pm in the Principal's Residence. The families of the Principal, Bursar and Warden of St. Thomas's Hall were present along with other faculty members and students. The BHC Choir led the singing. The Chaplain brought the Word of God.



Family Sunday Service was held on 29th October, 2023. Special items and songs were rendered by the Bishop Heber Chapel Sunday School children, the North East Christian Fellowship, the Bishop Heber Chapel Tamil Choir and the Bishop Heber Chapel English Choir. The Family Sunday Service was followed by fellowship breakfast.

On 5th November (Sunday), World Sunday School Day a special service was conducted with special order of service in both English and Tamil Services. The Bishop Heber Chapel Sunday School children and teachers took part in leading the Services and presented special items.



On the 30th October, 2023, Graduation Day of the Aided Stream, and on 31st October, 2023, Graduation Day of the Self-Financed Stream, the Bishop Heber Chapel Choir took part by singing Opening Hymn, Tamil Thai Valthu, the Choral Blessing and the National Anthem.

On 3rd December, 2023 (Sunday) the North East Christian Fellowship Christmas Charity Concert was held in the Anderson Hall at 6:00 p.m. An amount of Rs. 45,466/- was received from the offertory. Rs. 35,000/- was given as charity to the Community College, Pulicat and Rs. 10,466/- was given as charity to Jeroam Ministries Trust.



On 13th December, 2023 (Wednesday) the Bishop Heber Chapel Choir and the NECF Choir sang in the Alumni Christmas Concert held in MCC Campus, Chetpet.



On 15th December, 2023 (Friday), Bishop Heber Chapel Carol Service was held in the Bishop Heber Chapel.



On 19th December, 2023 (Tuesday), carol rounds inside the MCC Campus was organized by the Bishop Heber Chapel Choir and the Bishop Heber Chapel.

Sunday School. They visited all the houses inside the campus and sang carols and offered prayers.

On Christmas Day, 25th December, 2023 (Monday), a special service was held in the Bishop Heber Chapel at 5:30 a.m. The service was followed by fellowship breakfast.

On 31st December, 2023 (Sunday) a New Year Covenant Service was held at 11:30 p.m.

MCC Support Staff Fellowship (MCC SSF) were held on the following dates in the Bishop Heber Chapel at 1 pm. Singing, Sharing, Praying and serving lunch are regular features. The support staff of the departments / units / offices / halls / contract workers attend the MCC SSF.

- Friday, 29th September 2023
- Friday, 27th October 2023
- Wednesday, 29th November 2023
- Monday, 18th December 2023

Indian Overseas Bank Staff Prayer was held on the following dates at 4 pm in the IOB premises, which comprises of a song, a Bible reading and prayer.



- Friday, 29th September 2023
- Friday, 27th October 2023
- Wednesday, 29th November 2023
- Monday, 18th December 2023

NCC NAVAL WING

All India Trekking Camp

Belgavi Trekking camp is the pinnacle of trekking and mountaineering camps in NCC, next to Mt. Everest NCC Expedition. LC CHELLAPANDI M, II B.Sc. Zoology (Aided) from our college, representing the 1



TN NAVAL UNIT', attended this prestigious camp from 15th December 2023 – 22nd December 2023. In this camp, the cadet had to undergo a five-day trekking and mountaineering course on various mountains in and around Belgavi, Karnataka.

All India Yachting Regetta

The All India Yachting Regetta is a National level Competition on sailing among the cadets of all the 17 Directorates. Along with 5 cadets of 1 TN NAVAL UNIT, CC GURUPRASAATH N II B.Sc. Physics (Aided) represented the TN, P & AN DTE. After 5 days of sailing in the fiercing Chilka lake, they were able to secure III position among the 17 NCC Directorates.

Swachh Bharath by Tambaram Corp.

On 16th September 2023, the Tambaram Corporation orchestrated a Swachh Bharat rally along Mudichur Road. The event, attended by 9 SW cadets under the supervision of POC Vijayalakshmi, garnered participation from Tambaram Corporation, MCC NCC Wings, as well as students from diverse educational institutions. The rally, skillfully led by personnel from Tambaram Corporation, aimed at fostering cleanliness and civic responsibility.



Sea Attachment Camp



From December 11 to December 22, POC T BENNYHIN, III BSW (SFS) actively participated



in the Sea Attachment Camp held at Visakhapatnam. The cadet resided aboard INS GHARIAL (L23), gaining comprehensive insights into naval operations. Through briefings and hands-on involvement in different ship departments, he received a thorough exposure to the daily life of a naval personnel.

First Aid Awareness Camp



On September 14, 2023, the NCC Naval Wing cadets actively participated in a comprehensive first aid awareness programme. This initiative aimed to equip the cadets with fundamental life-saving skills for emergency scenarios. The session, conducted under the guidance of hospital personnel, provided hands-on experience with CPR using demonstration dolls.

Beyond first aid, the programme included valuable insights into proper dietary practices for maintaining a healthy lifestyle. By emphasizing overall well-being and essential emergency skills, this initiative empowered the cadets with practical knowledge crucial for both personal health and community service.

Blood Donation Camp

The cadets of NCC NAVAL wing participated in the BLOOD DONATION CAMP on 27 NOV 2023.



Through this camp, more than 150 personnel, which includes the cadets, students, professors of the college, donated blood.

Through this event, the students were educated about the life saving capability of a human through the donation of blood.

MCC-MRF INNOVATION PARK

MCC-MRF Innovation Park (MMIP), established in Madras Christian College is a dedicated ecosystem to foster advanced research, Innovative Start Up Ideas and nurture Entrepreneurs.

Recurrent events including the awareness programmes on the essential topics, meet with entrepreneurs, bootcamps, mentor clinics and other special events run in series. A few student startups were selected for a “Grand social Entrepreneurship Challenge 1.5” bootcamp conducted by Hand-in-Hand India on 26th October 2023. Five student startup finalists were selected for a cash prize worth Rs 20,000 each from the NGO Hand-in-Hand as part of their CSR activity. We were pleased to have an interaction with Chandrika Tandon, distinguished alumnus of the College as part of her visit to the MCC - MRF Innovation Park. She was shown demonstrations by the student startups and they received valuable feedback from the interaction. On 13th and 14th of October, two of our startups put up stalls at the Aerohub Mall located at Meenambakkam. The two startups “Palm Era” and “Ewannovations” were able to market and sell their

products to the public successfully. On 24th November 2023 a team from OpenWeaver in collaboration with MCC-MRF Innovation Park presented a workshop on best practices in product development, creating and launching digital products like websites and web app development using OpenWeaver services. The IdeaBoosterLab IN programme jointly conducted by MCC-MRF Innovation Park and the Boconni University, Italy hosted an entrepreneurship and strategy programme to advance the entrepreneurial capabilities of aspiring entrepreneurs, early stage start-ups and recently founded ventures. As part of the project, startups received a three-month business support programme.

During that time, they engaged in 7 highly interactive and practical course modules focused on developing key entrepreneurial skills allowing participants to benefit from interactive and hands-on methods.

Aerobub Stall



Bootcamp session for the selected students of Grand Social Entrepreneurship Challenge 1.5



Workshop on best practices in product development with OpenWeaver

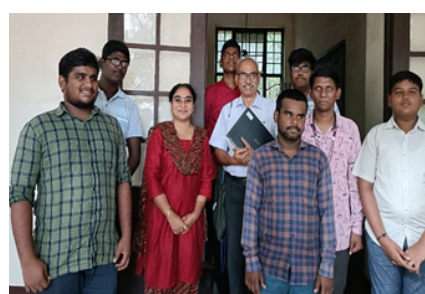


STUDENT SERVICE FOR THE DIFFERENTLY ABLED

Student Service for the Differently abled is a unit in college serving the students who are differently abled by providing support services. Four dedicated faculty members and 12 committed volunteers address the needs of the 65 students. Peer mentoring is effectively practiced whereby each volunteer is assigned around five students who take care of them personally. The following are the services provided from September 2023 to December 2023.

As Scribes were needed for 35 students, SSDA arranged scribes through Earn while learn Scheme and thus 52 students did the scribing for their tests, thus helping them to write their tests without any anxiety.

Two visually challenged students, Easwaran of I MATamil and Yasindra of II MA English received scholarship of Rs 6000 each from All India Federation of the Blind, New Delhi on September 22nd 2023.



Fifteen students who had applied for scholarship from Help the Blind Foundation were interviewed at MCC on 3rd November, out of

which ten students received scholarship of Rs 10,000 each per year and Five students received scholarship of Rs 25,000 each per year.

The faculty members of SSDA and Mr Ravishankar had a meeting to discuss about setting up a resource room for SSDA at Library and the possibilities of appointing a full time Manager for it on 3rd December 2023.



SSDA volunteers compiled the achievements of SSDA students and posted a short video in Social media on Dec 3rd 2023 in commemoration of World Disability day.



SSDA along with SCM conducted Sports day and Christmas programme for the SSDA students on 12th



and 13th December 2023 at St. Thomas's Hall ground and auditorium. Indoor games such as Chess, Carrom and outdoor games such as Shotput, Long jump, Still skipping, Ball hitting and Obstacle crossing were held. The students participated very enthusiastically. An adapted Volleyball friendly match was hosted by the visually challenged students. They were gifted with T shirts for the same. Mr Ravishankar, our alumnus and a strong supporter of SSDA presided over the Sports day events.

Prizes and refreshments were served after the fun filled and heart touching Christmas programme organised by the SCM students.

STAFF STUDY CIRCLE

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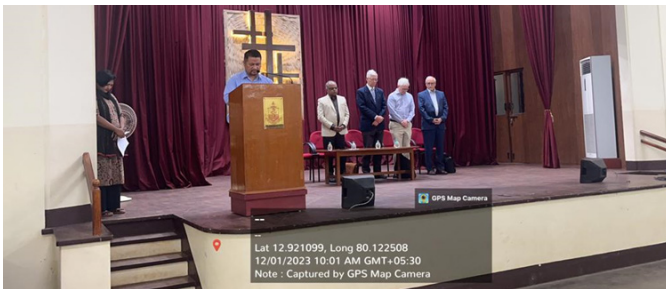
Speaker	Institution	Topic
PROF. RUSSELL COWBURN	CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY	SCIENCE, FAITH AND PHYSICS THE BIG QUESTIONS!
PROF. JOHN WALTON	WHEATON COLLEGE	SCIENCE, FAITH AND THE BIBLE THE BIG QUESTIONS!
DR. DENIS ALEXANDER	CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY	SCIENCE, FAITH AND BIOLOGY THE BIG QUESTIONS!

Date	Venue	Time
1st December 2023	Anderson Hall	9:30 AM - 12 PM

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On December 1, 2023, the staff study circle met in Anderson Hall. The talk was given by Cambridge University professor Russell Cowburn on the topic "Science, Faith, and Physics - The Big Question!" Prof. John Walton's delivered the second address on the topic "Science, Faith and The Bible - The Big Question!" The theme "Science, Faith and Biology - The Big Question!" was given by Dr. Dennis Alexander. The presidential address was presented by Dr. P. Wilson, Principal and Secretary, MCC. The speakers were

introduced by Dr. Deborah Raj, Assistant Professor, Department of Communication, MCC. There were around 150 staff members and around 200 students present for the programme.



DR. DEVANESEN CENTRE FOR HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

Sky Programme



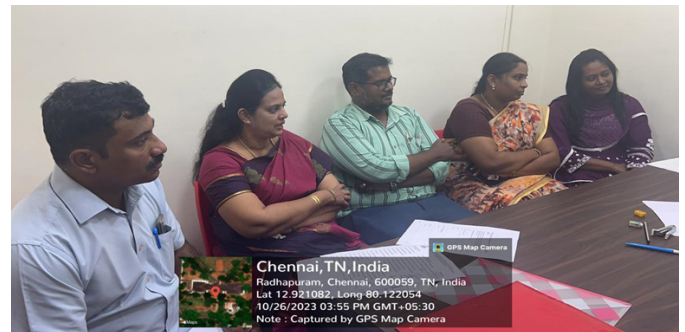
The SKY programme (Sharing Knowledge you'd abroad) which is an initiative of the College that enables Staff and Students who went abroad to share their experience with the other members of the community, was held on 27th September 2023 at 12:30 p. m

in the Staff Tiffin room. The programme was well attended by nearly 85 participants. The speakers of the programme Dr. Meera Rajeev Kumar, Assistant Professor, Department of Public Administration shared her experiences on being part of The International Cooperation and Development Fund Sponsored Human Resource Fellowship Programme held at Taiwan and Dr. S. Sudharsan, Assistant Professor, Department of Social Work recounted his experience as a visiting faculty at the Chang Jung Christian University, Taiwan.



Review Meeting Follow up Session

Dr. Devanesen Centre for Human Resource Development organised FDP Review meeting- a Follow up session for the facilitators who attended the five Days FDP that was organized in association with SKILLWISE Consulting, a Corporate Training Service organisation on the theme "Train the Trainers. The Resource person Col. Dr. Paul Prathap, Coach and Corporate Trainer interacted with the 40 faculty members who were part of the FDP programme. The session was held on 26th October 2023 from 9.30 a.m. to 5 p.m.



PG Softskill Programme Orientation & Workshop

The centre for HRD conducted the PG Softskill Programme Orientation & Workshop for the I PG students (Aided stream). The event took place on the 23rd November 2023 in the Anderson Hall from 11.40 am to 1.30 pm. The resource person Mr. Bastian

B. Babu, CEO of Skillwise Consulting, Specialist in Turnkey Project Management, Corporate Trainer and Manpower Placement spoke on the need for mastering the art of soft skills and how they impact Academics, Career and Life. It was well attended by nearly 350 students with fruitful interaction.



PG Soft skill Programme Orientation & Workshop

The centre for HRD conducted the PG Softskill Programme Orientation & Workshop for the I PG students (SFS stream). The event took place on the 27th November 2023 in the Botany Gallery from 1:45 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Mr. Melwyn Jonathan, Life coach, HR mentor, operational head Chosen Generation, Dubai was the chief guest for the event. The session focused on the significance of gaining knowledge in order to pursue one's own passion to excel in Career and in Life. The event was attended by around 200 students.



STUDENT CHRISTIAN MOVEMENT

SCM Inauguration

The Inauguration Function for SFS and Aided streams was organised on 27th June and 3rd July in Anderson hall, respectively. The programme started with an opening prayer and followed by the worship session by the office bearers. Chief Guests for the SFS Inauguration was Dr. J. Jannet vennila (Vice Principal (SFS)), The Chief Guest for the Aided Stream was Mr. Cyrus kallupurackal, Bursar and Treasurer of Madras Christian College.



Dr. Joshua Jayaseelan (Staff advisor, SCM) introduced the 12 office bearers to the congregation and the programme ended with the vote of thanks and closing prayer.

Fresher's fest



The Fresher's fest was organised on 07th July 2023 in Martin Hall auditorium. The programme started at 9.30am with opening prayer followed by worship and skit by the office bearers. The skit was based on the general problems faced by the students. The second session was handed over to the Pr. Reenu Kumar. He encouraged the students with his wonderful testimony followed by the word of God. After lunch, the students were encouraged to showcase their talents. The programme ended with a closing prayer by Dr. Joshua Jayaseelan (SCM staff advisor).



Prayer for Manipur Report

On 19th July 2023, a special prayer service for Manipur was organized by the North East Christian Fellowship (NECF) in collaboration with the Student Christian Movement (SCM). This significant event took place at Bishop Heber Chapel, uniting members of both organizations in a powerful moment of intercession.

The North East Christian Fellowship (NECF) took the lead in organizing this meaningful event. Their dedication to the cause of prayer for Manipur was evident as they collaborated with the Student Christian Movement (SCM) to make this service possible.

NECF provided a significant visual element to the service by sharing an insightful video depicting the current situation in Manipur. This video served as a powerful reminder of the purpose and urgency of their prayers.

The SCM members joined hands with NECF, demonstrating the spirit of unity and togetherness in faith. The service was led by SCM and NECF representatives, emphasizing the importance of solidarity in prayer. Principal Dr. P. Wilson delivered the Word of God, imparting wisdom and inspiration to the congregation. His words served as a source of encouragement and strength during this prayerful gathering.



The Prayer for Manipur service on 19th July 2023, was a testament to the power of collective prayer and the unity of faith-based organizations. It was a heartfelt effort to seek divine intervention and blessings for Manipur, reminding all present of the profound impact that faith and community can have in times of need. Through this service, the spirit of hope and solidarity was palpable, as the hearts and voices of those in attendance rose in prayer for the well-being of Manipur.

Students Staff retreat

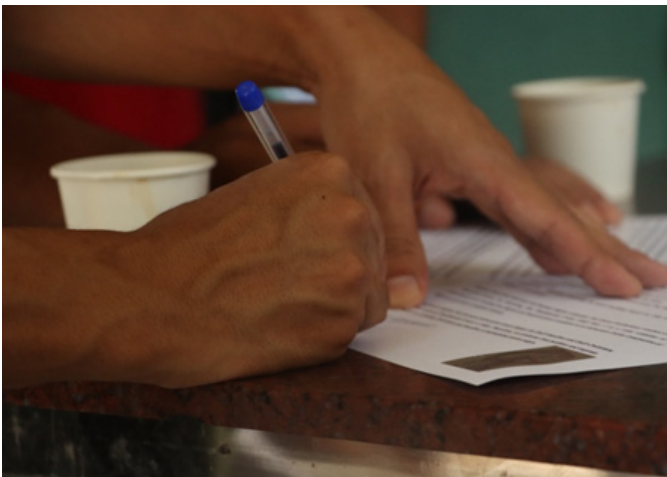
The session began with a word of prayer, followed by a worship session by the students and staff members. The speaker of the day Rev Dr Duke Jeyaraj delivered powerful sermons on repentance and need to serve God. Many students responded to the message. The NECF choir and BHC choir delivered special numbers during the retreat.

Signature Campaign on National Protest Day



On August 10, 2023, the Student Christian Movement (SCM) organized a signature campaign as part of National Protest Day. The event aimed to raise awareness and advocate for the rights of Dalit Christians and Dalit Muslims, who have been facing discrimination and social injustice. The signature campaign took place near the college cafeteria from 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM, providing a central and accessible location for students to participate. The event drew significant participation from the college community.

and beyond, with more than 300 students actively taking part in the campaign. The campaign aimed to educate participants and the broader community about the challenges and discrimination faced by Dalit, Christians and Dalit Muslims. Participants were encouraged to sign the petition in support of equal rights and opportunities for these marginalized communities. The event sought to foster a sense of solidarity among students and institutions to collectively address social injustices. The success of this signature campaign was due in part to the collaboration with several esteemed institutions. The participating institutions included the Student Christian Movement of India – Northern Tamil Nadu Region Units, Women’s Christian College, CSI Ewarts Women’s Christian College, Gurulul Lutheran Theological College and Research Institute, Madras Theological Seminary and College, Thendral Movement, and C.S.I. Bishop Newbigin College of Education. Their joint effort and support significantly contributed to the event’s impact and reach. Volunteers from SCM and collaborating institutions actively collected signatures from participants, encouraging them to show their support for the cause. Informative posters and displays were set up to educate attendees about the historical context and challenges faced by Dalit Christians and Dalit Muslims. The campaign succeeded in raising awareness about the struggles of Dalit Christians and Dalit Muslims among the college community and the broader public. More than 300 signatures were collected, signifying widespread support for the cause. The event strengthened the bonds of collaboration between SCM and the participating institutions, setting the stage for future joint initiatives. The campaign served as a powerful reminder of the collective strength of students and institutions in advocating for social justice and equal rights.



Leadership Camp



A Leadership camp for the Office Bearers of the Student Christian Movement from 2nd August to 4th August for enhancing their Spiritual Learning Experience and Leadership Training. Many sessions were handled by Rev Dr Joshua Jeyaseelan, Dr Huldah Samuel and Rev Lee Doheong. The Students were energized by the sessions and shared lovely experiences.



SCM Prayer Secretaries Meeting

On 10th July 2023, the Student Christian Movement (SCM) held a meeting at International guest house. The meeting began with an opening prayer led by the Prayer Secretary, invoking the presence and blessings of the divine. The office bearers of SCM conducted the worship session, creating an atmosphere of reverence and spirituality for the attendees. Dr. Hulda Samuel delivered a detailed presentation on the past history of the SCM, providing valuable insights into its development and mission. After the informative session, refreshments were served to the participants, offering a brief break and an opportunity for fellowship. Dr. Reuben Jonathan led the second session, where he elucidated the mandate for evangelism, emphasizing its importance in the SCM’s mission.

The SCM staff advisors provided guidance and support to the Department Prayer Secretaries, aiming

to enhance their role and effectiveness within the organization. The meeting concluded with a closing prayer and benediction, imparting blessings and inspiration to all those in attendance. The SCM meeting was a successful and spiritually enriching gathering, bringing together members to learn, reflect, and strengthen their commitment to the organization's mission and goals. The presentations, worship, and discussions contributed to a meaningful and fulfilling experience for all participants.

Creation Prayer at CSI Bishop Newbigin college



The Students from MCC SCM participated in the Time for Creation Prayer which was held on 21st September 2023, at CSI Bishop Newbigin college, by the Student Christian Movement of India (SCMI).

The programme was started by the opening and followed by the welcome address by Dr. V. Regina (Principal of CSI Bishop Newbigin college), the special talk was by Dr. S. Stephen Jebanesan (Diocesan College Secretary), and the Chief guests were Ms. Dakerlin Mukhim (General Secretary SCMI) and Ms. Yowanda Yonggara (Regional Executive for Asia Pacific Region WSCF). A unique session was led by the students of CSI Bishop Newbigin college towards the end.

MCC RSL HIGHER SECONDARY SCHOOL, WEST TAMBARAM

Computer Class

Computer training was given to the students from VI std to IX std by Department of Computer Science (SFS). Students actively participated in the class and

learnt effectively. Also stationary items were provided to all the students.

Teachers Day Celebration



Maruti Showroom

Volunteers from Maruti showroom honoured the teachers and presented gifts on Teachers Day on 05.09.2023.



As part of teachers day was celebration as well as to set tone for the 75th year celebration Retd teachers, Headmasters, Correspondents of the school were invited and honoured by Dr. P. Wilson, Principal, MCC on 13.09.2023. Aluminae of 1999 Batch students honoured their Teachers and Headmasters.



Dengue Awareness



Dengue awareness was given by Tambaram Corporation on 20th September 2023. They explained about the effects of water stagnation and the importance of cleanliness.

POCSO Awareness

On 26th September 2023, BSW students, Department of Social work (SFS) MCC conducted children safety awareness programme in the streets of West Tambaram.



Lions Club

On 16th October 2023, Lions club donated a stranger, notebooks and 20 small chairs.



Platinum Jubilee Celebration

MCC RSL School celebrated its platinum jubilee in a grand manner. Magazine was published as a part of its celebration. The ceremony was inaugurated by lighting the lamp. Dr. Alfred Devaprasad, Member of Madras Christian College Association addressed the gathering. Dr. P. Wilson, Principal of MCC, announced his plans for the school development by collaborating with ZOHO schools. Mr. Cyrus Kallapurackal, Bursar, MCC presided over the event. Other Chief guests of honour include Mr. S. R. RAJA, MLA, Tambaram and Mrs. K. Vasanthakumari, Mayor Tambaram Corporation, Ward Members, Alumni. and Volunteers.



School Visit by Dr. Kim

Dr. Kim, President, University of Forge Valley and Dr. Alfred Devaprasad visited our school on 6th November 2023. They visited all the class room and students. Our school choir sang two songs for them. And they interacted with few students. Finally, Dr. Kim wished the teachers and prayed for them.



Tamilnadu Fire and Rescue Service Awareness Campaign

Fire safety fighting demo was conducted in our school on 9th November 2023. Fire and rescue station team, Assistant divisional officers, Fire and Prevention Wing, Safety Volunteers, Students were participated.



Christmas Celebration

SCM students organised christmas celebration in our school on 1st November 2023. The celebrations include songs, skits and dance. Mr. Justin and Saranya family provided cakes to the students and teachers.

Flood Relief Provisions

Teachers of our school donated provisions to the students's families who were affected during flood on 16th December 2023 -. The provisions include rice, salt, pulses and etc. Teachers along with the correspondent went to their houses and provided the provision. They visited Krishna nagar, Vetri nagar and Sasivaradhan nagar.



Christmas Celebration

Christmas Celebration was held on 22nd december, 2023. Dr. Sheela Sathyakumar, Director of Sugam hospitals and Hibeam Scans was the chief guest. She addressed the gathering. Mrs. Jasmine Wilson was the guest of honour. She encouraged the students to concentrate on studies. Sumptuous grand lunch was provided to students by Dr. Sheela Sathyakumar. The celebration included cultural programmes like dance, song, skit by students.



SWAWSA



SWAWSA along with Bishop Heber Chapel Sunday School organised a Christmas Celebration on 9.12.2023 at Anderson Hall. Games and fun activities were organized followed by children's performances. The Principal and Bursar distributed the Christmas gifts to all the Sunday school teachers and children.

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NRWSF

Inauguration

Inauguration of Non-resident Women Students Forum 2023 -24. The Non-Resident Women Students Forum NRWSF kick started its activities for the Academic year 2023-24 with the inauguration held on 15th September 2023 in which Advocate Arulmozhi, a famous motivational speaker, socialist, one who fights for the rights of women both legally and socially, was the chief guest. she delivered the inaugural address citing her own story of how every young man and woman should seize every opportunity

that they find, in order to be successful in life. The participants were inspired by listening to her success story. She congratulated the office bearers of NRWSF and handed over the badges to them. Dr. Janet Venila, VP- SFS commenced the meeting with the opening prayer. The Coordinator of NRWSF and the Dean of Women Students Dr. Huldah Samuel welcomed the gathering. The chief guest advocate Arulmozhi, congratulated the coordinator and office bearers of NR WSF for having organised such a meaningful programme. The students rendered a special song and a Bharathanatyam dance. The inauguration was held in the centre for media studies from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM on 15th September 2023.

SCRUB SOCIETY

The preliminary round of the State Level Environment and Nature Quiz Programme 2023, a PAN India quiz competition held in 8 different states, took place at Madras Christian College on 14th September 2023. The event was organized by Apollo Tyres in association with Scrub Society. Mr. Rajib Sanyal was the Quiz Master for the event.



Scrub Society organized an Eco-Marathon on 21st September 2023, in commemoration of Zero Emissions Day, aligning with the global initiative to reduce carbon emissions. The event witnessed

enthusiastic participation from numerous students. The event aimed to sensitize the issues on carbon emissions and inspire participants and spectators alike to embrace environmentally responsible practices.



The Scrub Society and Wildlife Conservation Club organized the Food Carnival on 29th September 2023, for raising funds for Manipur Students Scholarship.



A street play in honour of international day for Awareness on Food Loss and Waste was conducted on 9th October 2023 to raise awareness about food loss and wastage of food. The theme of the street play at MCC College was on campus litter, the silent struggles of our housekeeping staff, and the devastating impact of waste on our wildlife.



A survey on the impact of Michuang cyclone was conducted on 4th December 2023 to check the status on felling of trees in the campus. This led to the discovery of ruins of several trees inside the campus.



WILDLIFE CONSERVATION CLUB

Campus walk: Furthermore, in the month of September, the College Union Society arranged for a campus walk in which the Wildlife Conservation Club participated, introducing itself to the freshers and many of them joined the club as volunteers.



Phase I Sterilization and Vaccination of campus canines

On 26th September 2023, phase I sterilization and vaccination of campus canines were executed with the assistance of Guindy's Blue Cross unit. Three campus dogs were sterilized, vaccinated and safely released into the campus soon after their recovery.



Food Carnival

On 29th September 2023, a food carnival was conducted at the students' cafeteria along with the scrub society to generate funds for the Manipur students' scholarship. Every club member was fully involved in every club activity, and it was all joy together.



MARTIN HALL

Galarompics

Galarompics, the annual Inter-Hall fun games event for the Academic year 2023-24 was held on the 2nd of September 2023. The day began with a thanksgiving service in the Agnes Martin Auditorium at 7:30am, which was followed by breakfast. The chief guest for the prayer was Mrs. Ruby Varghese, the General Secretary for the academic year of 2009-2010.



All the Halls assembled at the pavilion at 1:15pm. The event began with a prayer followed by the March Past and a presentation by all the five Halls.

The chief guest, Dr. Mekala Rajan, was introduced which was followed by the declaring the event open by her. The games began shortly after. The first game, 'Bowl to Bowl' was played followed by 'Jumping chairs' and 'Hula-Hula'. Due to unforeseen weather conditions, the remainder of the programme was cancelled.

The day ended with Selaiyur Hall winning the March past and the Cheerleading shield, which were presented by the President and Warden of Martin Hall Dr. Ananthi Rachel Livingstone.

On 11th September 2023, Barnes Hall was presented with the Galarompics Overall shield based on the three games that were conducted. A small ceremony was conducted in the Agnes Martin auditorium and the cabinets of the other five halls were invited to the programme along with our residents. The certificates and medals were also distributed on this day. This officially brought Galarompics 2023 to a close.

SOLAI (Intra Hall Gardening Competition)

Solai is an intra hall gardening competition introduced in the year (2021-2022) academic year to encourage the residents to engage in vegetable gardening and to nurture love for the nature as well as to create an interest among the residents to take active participation in it. For this competition the entire residents are divided into four equal groups. The names of the groups are as follows.

1. Garden of Eden
2. Garden of Gethsemane
3. Garden of Golgotha
4. Garden of Heaven

Each group will have a group captain who will be responsible to look after their allotted gardens and



make their group members to actively participate in gardening. All the groups should maintain their gardens properly and throughout the period of the competition. Further, the most well-maintained garden will be declared as the winner and will be given a trophy on the hall day.

For the academic year of 2023-2024, Solai was inaugurated on 16.09.2023 by Mrs. Ananthi Rachel Livingstone, President of Martin Hall. As mentioned earlier, each group has a captain and for Group 1 Ms. Jhanvi Deepu, and for group 2 Ms. Susan Kurien Paul, and for Group 3. Ms. Isaac Priya, and for group 4. Ms. Mariam Nooru were selected as the captains for each group. The inauguration was started by Ribbon cutting followed by sapling a plant by Mrs. Ananthi Rachel Livingstone, and then the inaugural speech was given to the residents and each group started to plant their sapling in their allotted space.

MARGARET HALL

Dionysia

On the 20th of September 2023, Dionysia, an electrifying inter departmental and inter hall theatre event took place, bringing together talented students



from various departments and Halls of MCC to showcase their theatrical prowess. The event aimed to foster creativity and friendly competition within the vibrant world of theatre.

The event saw enthusiastic participation from several halls and departments, each contributing a diverse range of performances, including On-stage plays, Monologues, Improv and Stand-up comedy.

The event was hosted at Anderson Hall, an atmosphere that was charged with excitement as students, faculty and theatre enthusiasts gathered to witness the creative interpretations and expressions of the participating teams.

To recognize outstanding contributions, awards were presented in various categories such as Best Actor, Best Director and Best Improviser.

Dionysia 2023-2024 was a resounding success, showcasing the wealth of talent. The event not only provided a platform for artistic expression but also fostered connection that will likely have a lasting impact on the participants' theatrical journeys. As the curtains closed on this event, it left a lasting impression on both the performers and the audience, reinforcing the significance of theatre in the realm of higher education.

JOSH



JOSH, The Inter-block Fun games competition, featuring chess, carrom, table tennis etc. took place on December 10, 2023, bringing together participants from the four blocks of Margaret Hall. This event aimed to foster camaraderie and sportsmanship while showcasing the diverse talents of the participants.

The chess competition witnessed intense strategic battles as participants showcased their skills on the checkered board.

The carrom matches added a touch of excitement and precision to the event. Participants displayed remarkable skills in striking the carrom pieces, aiming for precision and accuracy.

The table tennis matches brought forth swift and dynamic gameplay. Participants demonstrated agility and quick reflexes, engaging in fast-paced rallies that kept the spectators on the edge of their seats.

After an evening filled with spirited competition, the Peonia Block emerged as winners.

The Inter-block Fun games competition successfully brought together residents of the hall in a celebration of skill, strategy, and athleticism. The event not only provided a platform for friendly competition but also strengthened the bonds within the residents. As participants and spectators left with memories of exciting matches, JOSH proved to be a memorable and unifying experience for all involved.

Christmas Celebration

On Saturday, the 16th of December 2023, Margaret Hall held its In-house Christmas Celebration, METANOIA.

The main aim of the event was fulfilled as a group of 50 plus underprivileged children were welcomed into the Hall premises around 3 PM in the afternoon. This celebration was in collaboration with Give One India's 'Mission Secret Santa' whose work efficiently targets to help said underprivileged children, especially during the Christmas Holiday season.

The hall premises were adorned with colorful decorations, festive lights, and Christmas-themed displays to create a joyful ambiance.

The programme consisted of Cultural performances by both Margaretas and the children, fun games, Bible storytelling and Christmas gifts distribution. As an ongoing tradition, the residents of Margaret Hall bought and made gifts which were distributed to the children during the occasion.

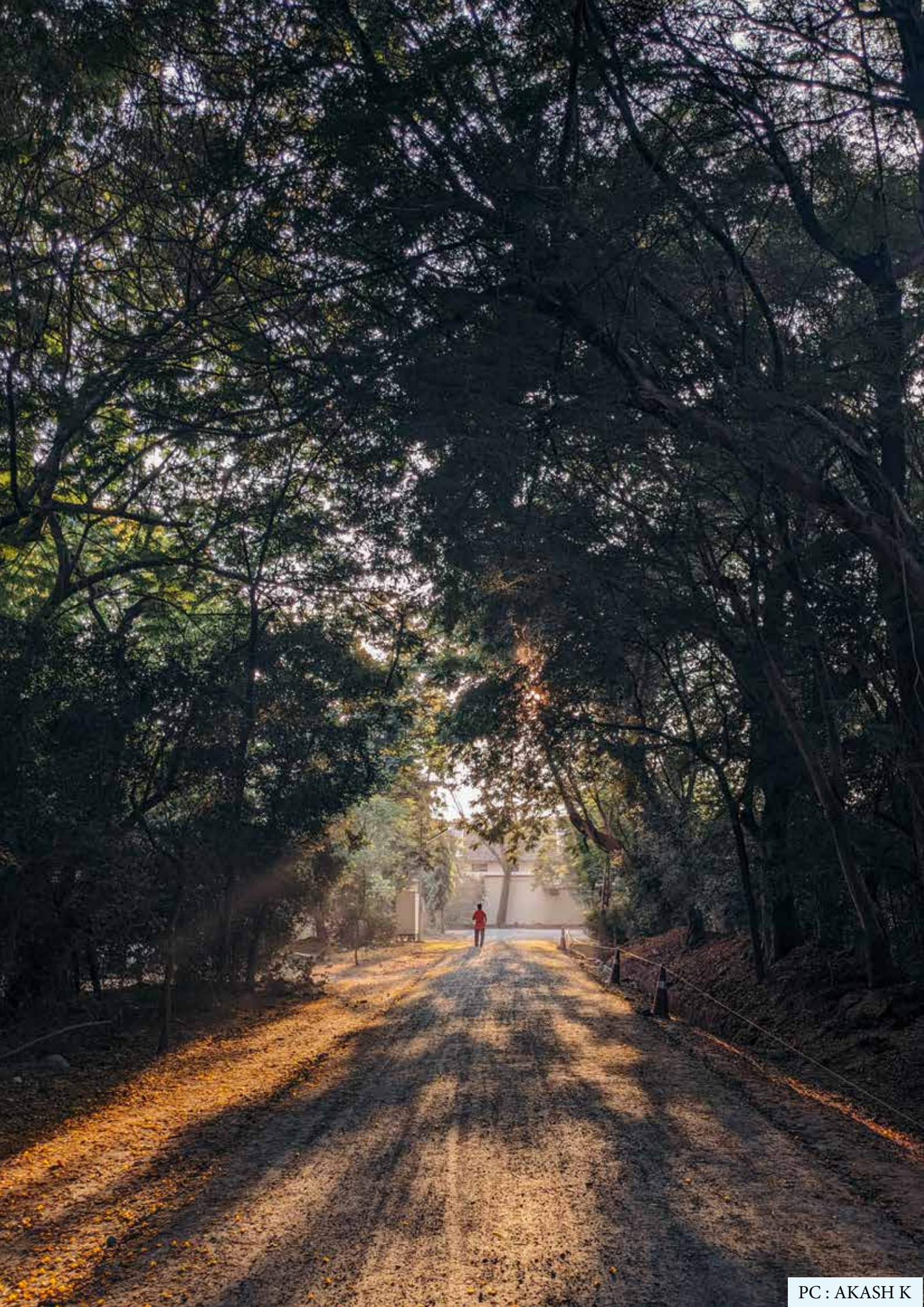
The children were entertained with a skit, songs and dances after which they danced and sang for us. As the celebration came to a wrap around 6 PM, the children headed back to their respective homes but with lit up faces and loud smiles.

The Christmas celebration served as a bridge between the hall and the local community. It highlighted the importance of giving back and fostering a sense of community responsibility. The Hall aimed to continue such initiatives to strengthen its ties with the broader society.



The celebration created lasting memories for both Margaretas and the children from the orphanage. The event not only spread festive joy but also promoted empathy, compassion, and community engagement. Such initiatives contribute to the holistic development of students and reinforce the hall's commitment to social responsibility.









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