

Josephite Newsletter

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Principal's Note



Hope smiles from the threshold of the New Year, whispering that it will be happier. – Alfred Lord Tennyson

2022, I pray, is a year of new beginnings. My highest praises and thanksgiving to God for His avalanche of blessings on St. Joseph's College and every one of us. With the Lord on our side, through the ups and downs of the year that has gone by, there has always been something to

be thankful for and always will be. We fondly remember those who departed from us last year. We thank God for their journey on earth and wish for a happier home for them in heaven.

As much as the ever-changing times and the newly formulated government policies might seem to have torpedoed us out of our comfort zones, it is highly commendable that as an Institution we have not cracked under pressure. As the going got tough, the tough got going, and the last two years helped us realise that we are tougher than we know. Fide et Labore, i.e. Faith and toil of all those associated with St. Joseph's College and the pertinacity of our stalwarts have empowered St. Joseph's to achieve new milestones year after year. This newsletter once again reflects on the contributions and the achievements of Josephites for which I sincerely thank and applaud each one of you.

The dawn of a new era, the era of St. Joseph's University, beckons us, which is

also indicative of the new responsibilities and challenges that lie ahead of us. But as Romans 8:28 says, "In all things God works for the good of those who love Him, who have been called according to His purpose." Anchored in this trust, we will continue to give our best towards making St. Joseph's University the best ever. May the universe work in our favour. Happy and prosperous 2022. May God bless us



Events of the Year

Student Council

The Investiture Ceremony



Investiture Ceremony Student Council of St. Joseph's College (Autonomous), Bangalore for the year 2021-2022 was held on October 11, 2021, at 3:45 pm in the main auditorium. IPS Mr. A.M. Prasad, former DGP Fire Service, Home Guards, and Civil Defense was the Chief Guest for the occasion. Other dignitaries included Fr. Swebert D'Silva, Rector; The Principal, Dr. (Fr.) Victor Lobo S.J., Registrar Dr. Melwin Colaco, and Student Governor Ms. Amita Priyadharshini. Ms.Thejaswini emceed the ceremony which began with the melodious rendition of the college anthem by the Josephite choir. Ms. Amita Priyadarshini delivered the welcome address. The event then moved onto the felicitation of the Chief Guest and the lighting of the lamp by the dignitaries on the dais. The Oath-Taking ceremony was presided over by the Governor and the badging ceremony took place as the dignitaries pinned the badges onto the elected council. The members of the Student Council for the academic year 2021-22 are:



President: Rahul Dravid M (19BCOM51046) Vice President: Ruchira Radhe (20EJPB052) General Secretary: Syed Fatima Qadri (20CZBT36) Treasurer: Nisha A (19IES13004) Joint Secretary: Nimish Bharadwaj (20MCOM26) Cultural Secretaries: Aaron Dominic Jeremy Royan (19BCA41040) Mohammad Muaaz (19IES13004) Mohammad Armaan Khan (19BBSF58021) Vishaak K B (19PCM21054) Asst. Cultural Secretaries: Donna Delphina Manueel (20CZBT11) Sruthi Ramachandran (20IFA062) Joshua Chirag Nag (20JIP025) Sport Secretaries: Andria Burchett (20BPS041)



The dignitaries delivered speeches to the elected council emphasizing the importance of good leadership and commitment to social causes and social justice. This was followed by a congratulatory session where student council members of various colleges such as St Joseph's Evening College, St. Joseph's College of Commerce, CMS – Jain (deemed-to-be) University, and the previous years' councils of 2019-



2020 and 2020-2021 came up on stage to congratulate the newly-elected. The ceremony concluded with the Student Council President, Rahul Dravid delivering the Vote of Thanks, and the singing of the national anthem.



Swagath



The much-awaited freshers' week Swagath was held from October 13-19, 2021, in the online mode followed by the offline valedictory in the main auditorium on October 25, 2021. The theme chosen for the year was "Halloween: Face Your Fears," encouraging the freshers to face their fears regarding the start of college life. The participants submitted online entries which were then scrutinized by the judges in order to choose Mr. and Ms. Swagath.



An online Treasure Hunt Event was also conducted, the winners of which got an opportunity to be seated at the front row for the event. The Chief Guest for the event was Mr. Pavan Venogopal, a Kannada stand-up comedian and the Guest of Honor for the evening was Mr. Prabhu Mundkur, a Kannada actor. The other dignitaries included Fr. Denzil E. Lobo, S.J. and the Student Council Governor Ms. Amita Privadarshini, Sports Secretary Ms. Andria Burchett delivered the welcome speech while the Chief Guest and the Guest of Honor were introduced by the General Secretary Ms. Fatima Qadri and the Treasurer Ms. Nisha Anil respectively. Sashreek Sagar of I PMC and Ojas Ballaru of I BSW bagged the title of Mr. and Ms. Swagath for the year 2021.



The winners were announced by the council's Vice President Ms. Ruchira Radhe and felicitated by the dignitaries. Two other freshers were also felicitated as 'Best Dressed' according to the theme. The ceremony included a number of performances from the various college associations like JStreets, WMA, Mrityunjaya, Fashion Team, MIMA, and a band performance from Synkin which enthralled the audience. The event concluded with the Cultural Secretary Mr. Mohammad Muaaz giving Vote of Thanks.

Belaku

The Student Council, in collaboration with the Bembala Outreach Department, organized 'Belaku: Igniting A Diya of Hope' to pay tribute to the ones who lost their lives to COVID-19. The event was held on November 12, 2021, at the Magis Canteen at 5:30 pm. The dignitaries included Fr. Swebert D'Silva, Rector; Mr. D Kiran Jeevan, Dr. Eraiah, Mr. Ranjith, and the Student Council Governor Ms. Amita Priyadarshini. Emceed by the Student Council General Secretary Ms. Syed Fatima Qadri, the event began with the lighting of the lamp, followed by the singing of the prayer song and the college anthem by the Josephite Choir



The event coordinator Dr. Eraiah welcomed the gathering by beautifully reciting a poem in Kannada. Fr. D'Silva spoke on the contributions of the college handling the second wave of the COVID-19 pandemic and appreciated the Student Council for organizing such a thoughtful event. A personal tribute was paid to someone who had passed away due to COVID-19. The Council had invited the alumni who had volunteered during the second wave. These included Mr. Kevin Lloyd, Mr. Arun

Kumar, Mr. Yashwanth, Mr. Nelson P Raj, Mr. Tejas, and Mr. Rohit Rajiv who shared their inspirational experiences with the audience. Following this, Mr. Kiran Jeevan guided the prayer for those who had lost their lives to the pandemic and the Vote of Thanks was delivered by the Student Council Vice President Ms. Ruchira Radhe.



The event concluded with a lamp procession led by the dignitaries from the Magis Block to the Aruppe Block. The lamps were purchased by the students and the faculty members to raise funds for Josephites who had lost their primary earning parents/ guardians and found it difficult to finance their education.





Faculty Development Programmes

A Faculty Development Programme was conducted over a period of two weeks on MS Teams by the FDP committee under the aegis of Fr. Francis Pinto, S.J., and Mr. Clement D'Souza. Ms. Banu and Mr. Charles provided the required technical support for the programme for the new faculty.



Fr. Francis Pinto. S.J.. Convener of the FDP committee started off the event on September 17, 2021, with an invocation prayer, Mr. D'Souza briefed on what the induction programme is about and Fr. Swebert D'Silva, the resource person for the day, addressed the faculty members stating how to be a good teacher by loving the profession with full commitment and dedication. He highlighted the need to enhance teaching methods, and the need to include extracurriculars in the teaching field. The second day saw Dr. Mohan Das explaining the evaluation process for practical, theory exams, and on the system of Continuous Assessments(CA), and the Semester Examination(SE) in SJC. He covered all necessary aspects such as the naming method of semester papers, attendance, valuations, makeup tests, credit systems. The new faculty were also briefed regarding the shift to the NEP system. Dr. Niveshika introduced the speaker of the third day Mr. Kiran Jeevan and the topic 'Connecting SJC to the Global Community'. Mr. Kiran Jeevan highlighted the accomplishments of the college with its partners across the globe, and the initiative of the college in hosting events such as Neerathon, Open-Heart, etc. He mentioned that every teacher can contribute towards placement in the college and the role of placement in NIRF college ranking. The fourth day began with a prayer service rendered by Ms. Princy Nisha, followed by the introduction of the speaker by Dr. Anitha V. Ms. Neeta Pereira, the speaker, spoke on the importance of mental health, statistics related to mental health both global as well as data

related to SJC. She also discussed mental health in association with adolescence and advised faculty to identify the students suffering from mental health issues by looking at signs such as attendance shortage. She highlighted the role of mentors in helping students reach out to the college counselors when required.

Mr. Anup Lal, speaker for day five, began with the brief history of Bengaluru and presented details regarding the history of the college and the background of all the former principals. He highlighted the major faculty achievements in different fields, celebrities who have studied in various institutions of Joseph's, and distinguished persons who have visited the campus. He invited the new faculty to join the Association of Philatelists and numismatics. Ms. Amita Privadarshini spoke on how the student council functions, elections, and the 60+ associations at SJC on day six. She motivated the new faculty members to encourage students to participate in various programmes and activities. Day seven saw Ms. Nisha Rao highlighting the duties a teacher should carry out, and how the coordinators of the mentors will help the class mentors when they have doubts to solve with respect to students. She also mentioned how the students have to be handled sensitively. She mentioned the mandatory course requirements for every student at SJC. Dr. Shivakumar, chief librarian and resource person for day eight, briefed the participants about the features of the library, provisions given to students and staff, the process of issue of books and journals, access to e-books, materials, and applications like plagiarism checks, etc. Dr. Syed Wajeed, on day nine, briefed the participants about the internal quality assurance cell, its functioning protocols, its relevance to the status of the college, and the importance of evervone's participation in the same.Fr. Denzil Lobo S.J. enriched the new faculty by taking them through the legacy and ethos of Jesuit education on day ten. He mainly emphasized the Jesuit philosophy and Ignatian pedagogy of teaching and learning. Dr. Isaac, for the next session, highlighted the Bembala programme and service rendered by students during Covid-19. Dr. Isaac mentioned the activities done by

the students so far — awareness drive on health, organ donation, cleanliness, ecology, environment, etc. He highlighted the role of mentors during the outreach programme.

The first resource person for day 12 was Dr. Arun Thampan from the department of Physics. He spoke on the topic 'Research as a Pedagogical Tool'. He provided a glimpse of the various research works being conducted at SJC, and the labs and facilities available on campus. He emphasised the need to integrate research into the classroom and spoke on how research informs and shapes the curriculum. He ended the session by demonstrating examples of how research is inextricably linked to his teaching practices in the Department of Physics. The second speaker of the day was Fr. Francis Pinto S.J., from the School of Social Work. The topic of the session was 'Organisation Culture: Constraints and Challenges'. The talk focused on how faculty members can negotiate with each other and the institution in various situations. Compromise, dialogue, and collaboration were presented as the cornerstones of the SJC work culture. Dr. Melwin Colaco, on day thirteen, spoke on 'Administrative Structure, Autonomy, and NEP'. He highlighted the autonomy status and shed light on the New Education Policy. He presented a flow chart explaining the hierarchy of how SJC functions. The last day of FDP happened offline and included the valedictory. There was a formal introduction of all the new faculty members and they interacted with each other. Dr. (Fr.) Victor Lobo, S.J., Principal, spoke on the Dos and Don'ts of the working environment in SJC. Dr. Melwin Colaco, Registrar, motivated the new faculty members. Mr. Clement D'Souza, Coordinator of the Faculty Development Programme, interacted with the new faculty and briefed them on the various programmes that they need to attend during their time at SJC. Members shared their experiences afterwards. Mr. Satyanarayana R, Ms. Ann Irene D, Mr. Prabhudev BC, and Mr. N. Sriganeshvarun shared their previous experiences. Vote of Thanks was given by Ms. Grace Prerna. The programme ended with a group photograph.

IQAC

Workshop series on "NAAC Accreditation: Nuances and Strategic Planning" under the aegis of the UGC scheme – PARAMARSH"

Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) conducted a workshop on NAAC Accreditation: Nuances and Strategic Planning from September 24-27, 2021. For day one (online session), the resource person was Dr. Cheriyan Alexander, Adjunct Faculty, Former HOD, Department of English. For day two (offline session at Xavier hall, PG Block), the resource persons were: Mr. Juby John Eipe, Assistant Professor, St. Joseph's Institute of Media Studies; Dr. Sved Wajeed, Associate Professor, Department of Microbiology, Director, IQAC & Coordinator, PARAMARSH; Dr. Nirmala Joseph, Associate Professor & NAAC Co-ordinator, St. Joseph's College of Commerce (Autonomous), Bengaluru; and Mr. K. Sajjath, Former NAAC Coordinator, State Quality Assurance Cell (SQAC), Dept. of Collegiate Education, Bengaluru.

For day three (online session), the resource person was Mr. Clement D'Souza, Dean of School of Humanities and Social Science Accreditation Ambassador - Paramarsh & Associate Professor, Department of Economics. Around 40 participants took part in the event on each of the days.



Achievements

Dr. Syed Wajeed

Dr. Syed Wajeed served as a resource person for a four-day national-level Faculty Development Programme(FDP) on Revised NAAC Accreditation Framework Perceptions from May 2021 12-15, May 2021 organised by the Department of Computer Science, G.T.N. Arts College (Autonomous), Dindigul, Tamil Nadu. He presented a talk on Student Support and Progression on May 15, 2021. He served as a resource person for a five-day national level Virtual FDP on Revised NAAC Accreditation Guidelines 2020 from June 1-5, 2021 organised by the School of CS & IT, Jain (Deemed to be University), Bengaluru.

He presented a talk on Student Support and Progression. He participated in the Precision Oncology Asia Webinar on Clinical Utility of Comprehensive Genomic Profiling in Cancer Patients on June 19, 2021. He served as a resource person for a national level webinar on Outcome Based Education held June 17, 2021, organised by St. Joseph's First Grade College, Hunsur. He delivered a lecture on Outcome-Based Education. He served as a resource person for United Board for Christian Higher Education in Asia (UB-CHEA) sponsored a three-day workshop on Academic and Administrative Auditing in Pursuit of Excellence in Higher Education from June 24-26, 2021, organised by Bishop Heber College (Autonomous), Tiruchirappalli. He presented a lecture on Institutional Challenges in terms of NAAC Accreditation. He served as a resource person for a one-day national webinar on Outcome Based Education dated July 31, 2021, organised by Marudhar Kesari Jain College for Women, Vaniyambadi.

He delivered a lecture on Outcome-Based Education. He served as a resource person for a national Webinar on Learning Outcomes-Based Curriculum Framework (LOCF) on August 14, 2021, organised by Muthurangam Govt. Arts College, Vellore. He served as a resource person for a national level seven-day FDP on Accreditation Framework organised by the Internal Quality Assurance Cell, Christ Nagar Col-

lege from August 31, 2021, to September 7, 2021. He presented a lecture on Criteria 4: Infrastructure and Learning Resources on September 3, 2021.

He served as a resource person for the AICTE Training and Learning (ATAL) academy's five-day online FDP on Innovation and Edutainment for effective Teaching and Learning for Gen Z Students on September 06 - 10, 2021 organised by Sri Ramakrishna College of Arts and Science, Coimbatore. He served as a resource person for the session on Activity and Project-based Teaching on September 10, 2021. He served as a resource person for a two-day NAAC sponsored national level seminar on the Role of NAAC in enhancing quality in Higher Educational Institutions organised by Sri Vidya Mandir Arts & Science College (Autonomous), Tamil Nadu from September 7-8, 2021. He delivered a lecture on Curricular Aspects and Outcomes-Based Education.



Ms. Reshma

Ms. Reshma participated in a seven-day training program on Dimensions of Wellness held from February 6-12, 2021, organised by the Research Foundation of India. Ms. Reshma participated in the webinar on World Day against Child Labour held on June 12, 2021, organised by St. Joseph's Outreach Team. Ms. Reshma participated in the Live Life Live You: A Panel Discussion on Mental Health and Suicide Prevention as part of Consilium's Survivor September Campaign, held on September 11, 2021.













Glimpses from Campus

SCHOOL OF LIFE SCIENCES

Department of Bontany

Staff Achievements

Dr. Jayarama Reddy

Dr. Jayarama Reddy along with Shobitha Sunil, Maria Thomas, and Ramesh B. S. published 'Studies on the Air Pollution and AQI of Bengaluru City, India' in the World Journal of Advance Healthcare Research. He, along with Praveen Kumar Nagadesi and Priya A published their work on Biovistas: International Journal of Biological Research also.

Dr. Jayarama Reddy and Anupama Hari published their research 'Recent Trends in the Management and Treatment of Cancer-A Status Report' in the World Journal of Advance Healthcare Research (ISSN: 2457-0400).

He also contributed a book chapter titled 'Applications of Technology in Teaching and Learning in Business Environment and Technological Innovation – Emerging Trends' edited by Dr. C. Suresh and others by Archers and Elevators Publishing, Bengaluru, India.

Ms. Grace Leena Crasta

Ms. Grace Leena Crasta published a collaborative research paper titled 'Comparative Studies on Chlorophyll Concentration in Some Important Plant Families' along with the M.Sc. Botany students.

She also published a research paper titled 'Molecular Identification of Endophytic Fungi associated with Coleus Forskohlii (Willd.) Briq' in a scopus-indexed journal.

Mr. Martin Paul A

Mr. Martin Paul published a book chapter titled 'Pollen, structure, systematics and evolutionary trends in Periplocoideae, Secamonoideae and Asclepiadoideae, of Apocynaceae' in Saras Publications.

He published another book chapter titled 'Calyx liquid of Spathodea campanulata P. Beauv., a boon or bane?' in Saras Publications.

He published a book chapter 'A preliminary report on medicinal plants used by communities around Bannerghatta National Park' in Saras Publications.

He published a practical manual on Bacteriology titled 'Morphological and Biochemical Characterization' along with Dr. Lokesh Ravi and Dr. Neelam Mishra through Lambert Academic Publishing (ISBN: 978-620-4-19819-4)

Dr. Neelam Mishra

In November 2021, Dr. Neelam Mishra co-authored and published 'In-silico identification, expressional profile and regulatory network analysis of Mitogen-Activated Protein Kinase Kinase Kinase gene family in C. Sinensis.'

In August 2021, she published the work 'Flavanones: A potential natural inhibitor of the ATP binding site of PknG of Mycobacterium tuberculosis' in the Journal of Biomolecular Structure and Dynamics with others.

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Dr. Stephen A

Dr. Stephen A published a research article in an international journal along with other authors. Dr. Stephen A wrote 'Pollenbased Inference on Holocene Sea-level Changes, Depositional Environment and Climatic History of Cauvery Delta, South India' in Catena (ISSN 0341-8162).

He contributed a chapter in the book Teachers vs Technology – a Critical Appraisal on the Quality of Education in Contemporary Multidisciplinary Research Trend by Notion Press (ISBN 978-1685861445).

He contributed a chapter on 'Online Life Science Education During the Time of Pandemics: Boon or Bane?' to the book Meaningful Education by Twentyfirst Century Publications, Patiala, India (ISBN 978-93-90953-42-4).

He was appointed as an external member in the Board of Studies for the department of Botany at Maharani Lakshmi Ammanni College for Women (Autonomous), Bengaluru, for the period between 2021-2023

He published Tavaram-Arivom in Arivukkan in Tamil.

He took a two-week online refresher course on 'Life Sciences' organized by Teaching Learning Centre, Ramanujan College, University of Delhi from September 1, 2021, to September 15, 2021. He also attended a national workshop on DNA Barcoding organized by the department of Zoology, Nirmala College for Women, Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu held on August 14, 2021. He has also been granted seed money for his research proposal by the college along with N. Praveen Kumar.

Dr. Lokesh Ravi

Dr. Lokesh Ravi along with Kavitha S, and Vimala R wrote and published an article titled 'Extraction, purification and structural elucidation of the environmentally benign antifouling metabolite from Streptomyces thermolineatus VITKV6A' in Environmental Technology & Innovation (Scopus Q1: 5.263).

Dr. Lokesh Ravi R co-authored 'Synthesis, structure, DNA/protein molecular docking and biological studies of hydrazone ligand derived Cu(II) and VO(IV) complexes in Inorganica Chimica Acta' in a scopusindexed journal.

Dr. Lokesh Ravi along with Ranajit Nath, Ratna Roy, Banani Mondal, and Barshana Bhattacharya wrote 'Nanoparticle's Significance as Antibacterial Agents; Other Pharmaceutical Applications and Their Limitations' in a critical review in the Journal of Pharmaceutical Research International (clarivate).

Dr. Lokesh Ravi along with multiple co-authors, wrote and published on the 'Synthesis, spectroscopic and crystal structure of nickel(II) complex of thiosemicarbazone based Schiff base: Antimicrobial, anticancer and molecular docking studies in Inorganic Chemistry

Communications, a scopus indexed iournal.

Dr. Lokesh Ravi along with students Om Kumar, G Keerthana, Ashitha B Arun, and Ananya Joliholi published 'Construction of 3D Model of Protein Drug Targets for Renibacterium Salmoninarum - A Bacterial Pathogen Causing Bacterial Kidney Disease in Young Salmonid Fish' in Biosciences Biotechnology Research Asia (Clarivate).

Dr. Lokesh Ravi co-authored 'Isolation and Identification of Pigment Producing Actinomycete Saccharomonospora azurea SJCJABS01. Biomed Pharmacol J' (Scopus Q4).

Dr. N. Praveen Kumar

Dr. N. Praveen Kumar won the prestigious International Innovative Scientist Award bestowed by Centre for Professional Advancement for his work in Plant Pathology. He has also been granted seed money for his research proposal by the college along with Dr. Stephen A.

He co-authored and published a research article titled 'Phenotypical studies of Ganodermataceae members from Ecoregions of Gujarat' in the international journal Advance Research Journal of Multidisciplinary Discoveries.

He, along with two of his term paper guidees Priya A and Reshma Rajan, wrote and published 'Aeromycoflora of Fruit and Vegetable Markets of Bangalore, Karnataka' in the International Journal of Biological Research and 'Fungal Aerospora of Urban Roads of Bangalore, Karnataka, India' in the Advance Research Journal of Multidisciplinary Discoveries respectively.

He co-authored and published a research article titled 'Phenotypical, Mycochemicals, Proximate composition and Antifungal activity of Phylloporiaribis (Schumach.) Ryvarden from India' in the scopus-indexed Journal of Chemical and Pharmaceutical Research.





SCHOOL OF CHEMICAL SCIENCES

Department of Chemistry

Staff Achievements

Dr. Ozma Jane D'Souza was awarded PhD degree by the Bharathiar University, Coimbatore, on 23-08-2021 for her thesis titled 'Application of Modified Carbon Paste Electrodes in the Electrochemical Analysis of Biomolecules and Pharmaceuticals' under the guidance of Dr Ronald J. Mascarenhas.

Dr. Ronald J. Mascarenhas has guided a research scholar in successfully defending the above thesis and completing the PhD.

Dr. Shobha S V was the convener of the 138th College Day which was held on September 25, 2021. She also attended

a four-day advanced JESCOL programme on 'Jesuit Leadership' from July 26-29, 2021, at Ashirvad, Bengaluru.

Dr. Shanty Mathew was conferred with the Best Paper award for the presentation of her work on 'Nanographene oxide and reduced graphene oxide nanocomposites with oxides of manganese for degradation of dyes.' She presented this work in a virtual international conference on 'Frontier Research in Chemical Science (FRCS-2021)' organized by the Department of Chemistry, Post Graduate Centre, Jyoti Nivas College (Autonomous), Bangalore, from 11 to 13 November 2021.

Dr. Sunita Rajamani had participated in the online national-level workshop on E-Content Development organized from June 7-12, 2021, by St. Ann's College, Kokrajhar, Assam.

She also participated in a national-level virtual Faculty Enrichment Programme on Quality Imperatives Driving Higher Education Outcomes' organized by IQAC (Internal Quality Assurance Cell), SJEC, from June 17-19, 2021. Dr Sunita Rajamani was a resource person at a national-level webinar on 'ICT-Enabled Teaching, Learning and Evaluation Digital Era' IQAC on June 21, 2021 at St. Joseph's College, Hunsur, Mysore.

Research Publications

Dr. Debashis Ghosh

Three-Component Carbosilylation of Alkenes by Merging Iron and Visible - Light Photocatalysis, Organic Letters - Debashis Ghosh, Sukanya Neogi, Asim Kumar Ghosh, Saurodeep Mandal, Sumit Ghosh, Alakananda Hajra,

DOI: 10.1021/acs.orglett.1c02322.

Electrochemical Functionalization of Imidazopyridine and Indazole: An Overview, Advanced Synthesis and Catalysis - Debashis Ghosh, Sumit Ghosh, Alakananda Hajra. 363, Pages: 5047-5071.

363, Pages: 5047-5071.

Photochemical H2 Evolution Using a Ru-Rh Supramolecular Photocatalyst, Energy and Fuels - Debashis Ghosh, David C. Fabry, Daiki Saito, Osamu Ishitani, DOI: 10.1021/acs.energyfuels.1c02557.

Zwitterionic imidazolium salt: an effective green organocatalyst in synthetic chemistry, Physical Sciences Reviews - Sumit Ghosh, Debashis Ghosh, Alakananda Hajra.

DOI: 10.1515/psr-2021-0018.

Dr. Sunita Rajamani

S.A. Value-added chemicals from sugarcane bagasse using ionic liquids. Chemical Papers, 75, 5605–5622 (2021) - Rajamani Sunita, Santhosh, R., Raghunath, R. Jadhav DOI: 10.1007/s11696-021-01732-6.

Dr. Jayasree AC

Multi-applications of new trinuclear Zr-SMI complex, Journal of Molecular Structure, 1234, (2021), 129991 - Sangeetha S., Krishnamurthy G., Jayasree A. C., Sabine Foro, Kalyan Raj

Cobalt metal-organic framework for low concentration detection of glucose, Inorganic and nano-metal chemistry - Sangeetha S., Jayasree A. C., Kalyan Raj, Prasad N. L., Krishnamurthy G., Nagashree K. L.,

Dr. Anchal Singhal

Facile synthesis of vicinal halohydrins via organocatalytic halogen nucleophile-induced regioselective opening of epoxides; Letters in Organic Chemistry, 2021 - N. Sinha*, Anchal Singhal, D. Sharma and S. M. S. Chauhan*

SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES

Department of Economics

Staff Achievements

Mr. Clement Dsouza

Mr. Clement Dsouza was invited for the following events as:

Resource person for a series of content on Indian Economy at SDM College, Mysore, on July 23, 2021

Resource person at staff orientation programme for faculty of St Joseph's Pre-

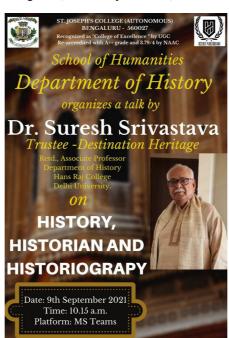
University Evening College, Bangalore, on July 12, 2021

Resource person at staff orientation / induction programme for new faculty of St Joseph's Evening College (Autonomous), Bangalore, on August 3, 2021

Delegate in an international e-conference on the topic 'Mutation Challenges in Economics, Commerce and Management', organized by University Evening College, Mangalore, on July 23 and 24, 2021

Delegate in a national e-webinar by IQAC on 'NEP for Colleges' organized by RBANMS First Grade College, Bangalore, on July 25, 2021

Mr. Clement Dsouza also attended a three-day workshop on Jesuit leadership organized by HRDC, Ashirvad, Bangalore, from July 26 to 28, 2021.



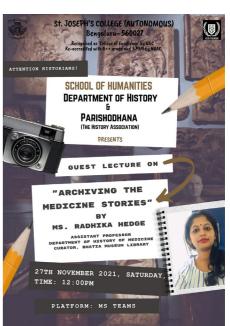
Department of History

Guest Lectures

The Department of History conducted two guest lectures on September 9, 2021, and November 27, 2021. The resource person for the guest lecture held in September 2021 was Dr. Suresh Srivastava, retired professor of History from Hans Raj College, Delhi. The topic was 'History, Historian & Historiography'. The speaker for the second guest lecture

held in November was Ms. Radhika Hegde, Head of the Department, Department of History of Medicine, St. John's Medical College, Bangalore. The target audience for both the lectures were I BA History students.





SCHOOL OF INDIAN AND FOREIGN LANGUAGES

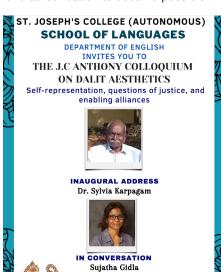
Department Of English

NEP Colloquium

A week-long colloquium to reflect on languages in UG education post NEP, as preparation for the coming University was conducted by the department of English in August, 2021. The deliberations were held from August 9-14, 2021, from 5:30 pm. The colloquium was titled 'Recovering Intentions, Reconnoitring Prospects: Languages, Undergraduate Education and the NEP'. Dr. Cheriyan Alexander spoke on the loss the students would endure in the hands of an educational system that attempts to diminish the importance of languages through his inaugural address. Dr. (Fr.) Victor Lobo SJ., Principal, St. Joseph's College

(Autonomous), emphasized through his address, the need for a global and local - 'alocal' - outlook on things. Dr. Etienne Rassendren spoke of how language studies have become mere tools of 'technology transfer' and the need to bring an understanding that languages are intrinsically connected to culture and identity. Afterwards, Dr. Arul Mani took the stage, or rather, the screen, and spoke on 'Making a Beginning'. Dr. Mani spoke of the need to engage the 'stakeholder' conversations involving decisions and policy changes such as these. The undergraduate teacher in the classroom and the necessity to open room for NEP conversation drove the department's decision to conduct this colloquium. The second day saw Prof. Avinash Tambarsi, Associate Professor, Department of English, Sahyadri College, Shivamogga, speaking on 'The Need for Debating the NEP'. Following is an extract of the report by Dr. Arul Mani on the session:

"What we now have with NEP-2020 is a 'radical deviation' in that we are being pitchforked from a 3-year system to a 4-year system, indeed from one value system to another without the wide public debate that it merits among administrators, students, teachers and the public. Such a structural change requires planning, putting infrastructure in place, and looking at the specific challenges that can arise in the different contexts that we have in Karnataka. What we have instead is much ambiguity about all aspects except the decision to change, and a bare conceptual framework for the same. A strong foundation is needed for NEP-2020 to work, and wide public debate is needed for that foundation to become possible.



Referring to the multiple entry and exit points, Prof. Tambarsi said it looks sweet, and may strike some as revolutionary, but there is one aspect that has to be taken into consideration. This radical shift is going to take place in a society where primary education is still convention-bound, and more importantly, where the job market is certainly very convention bound. People holding 1-year degree certificates, or two-year diplomas may not be received with any particular enthusiasm. The educational system is making a radical change, but the job markets have not changed, leaving such students stuck in the disconnect.

Multiple entries and exits are thus no more than a notional freedom with little demonstrable utility. How many will be able to come back? For rural students, an exit already makes it harder to re-enter the system. No acknowledgment or remedy is provided for this specific issue. Saying multiple entry multiple times is not going to make this re-entry any easier.

There is also a clear attempt to reduce the role of the teacher, particularly the language teacher, in the attempt to reduce language learning to skill-sets.

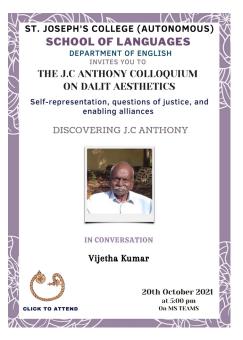
We need not privilege literature alone in the language classroom, but to foreground skill-sets alone creates a paradoxical situation. The student is not a passive category, but is located in society-the classroom is a part of society. We need not use syllabi to turn classrooms into ideological battlegrounds, but at the same time no classroom is a symmetrical, neutral space. There are variations of gender, caste, class and access in every classroom which need to be addressed.. The focus on skills alone decontextualises teaching and learning, and seems to enjoin a sanitised syllabus upon the teacher and the student. Pointing to the introduction of workbooks, he said it neither redeemed nor emancipated the student, because the enterprise was often reduced to teachers dictating answers. If this could happen with a workbook worth 40 percent marks, the NEP's 100% skill focus, unaccompanied by training for teachers, is going to produce a grand Shakespearean tragedy with language learning in Karnataka."





Prof. VS Sreedhara, retired professor and activist, spoke on 'The Language of the New Education Policy and the Policy of Language' and Dr. Vanamala Viswanatha of Azim Premji University gave her insights on 'Only Connect: Rethinking the Role of Language(s) in Indian Education' on the third day. Dr. Vishwanatha is an acclaimed academic and translator. who has been teaching English for four decades. Ms. CK Meena, writer, journalist, teacher, and co-founder of Asian College of Journalism titled her talk 'Language is Everything, in Journalism' on day four. Mr. Nazarius Manoharan, advertising and brand consultant, executive coach and therapist, and a teacher of Creative Digital Marketing at Manipal University, spoke at the next session of the day titled 'Languages, Relevance, and Reinvention: An Industry Perspective'. Day five of the colloquium focused on whether there is room for a dalit student or teacher in the policy envisaged as NEP. Dr. Sylvia Karpagam, Public Health doctor, researcher and Public Policy advisor, Mr. Calvin Michael, former student and teacher at Garden City University, Mr. Vincent Paul, former student of St. Joseph's Evening College, and a teacher at Sacred Heart PU College, were on this panel. Mr. Sripad Bhat, writer and journalist, spoke on 'Journalism' on day four. Mr. Nazarius 'Language Learning and its Future' and 'Bhashaye Prashne' in the second session of the same day. Dr. Tharakeshwar VB, acclaimed scholar, from the department of Translation Studies, English and Foreign Languages University, Hyderabad,

spoke on 'Language Knowledge Skills: Ruminations in the Context of NEP' on the last day. Prof. N Manu Chakravarthy, Karnataka Sahitya Academy Awardee, current professor at National College, Basavanagudi, and previous head of the department of English at NMKRV College, gave the closing remarks on the final day of the colloquium.



METONYM

Metonym, the inter-class literary fest hosted by the department of English, began on September 14, 2021 and concluded on September 25, 2021. The theme for this year was 'On Our Feet'. Dr. Mini Mark Bonjour presided over the inauguration of Metonym. The fest included events in writing, art, performance, speaking, and quizzing that were conducted by Literary Society, Performing Arts Society, Linguistics Society, Nous, and the SJC Quiz Club. All the events were conducted online on Microsoft Teams after class hours. The events are Fandom Menace, Illustration, Take Down, Bhoot Polish, Scene It All, Classified Intel, Cartooning, Spellunked, Solo Quiz, Welfie, 20 Rhyme Questions, Crime, Boom Voyage, Nose Cut, Scriptease, Bingesh, Extempore, Fresher's Quiz, JAM, and By the Book. The events were free although the registration for some would be capped after reaching certain numbers. As it is an inter-class competition, participation would also get you points. The instagram handle 'metajosephs' were regularly updating event posters, results, along

with Metonym diaries in the form of anecdotes or observations from students. The Metonym valedictory happened on September 30, 2021, on Microsoft Teams from 5 pm. Overall winners were announced during this meeting. For the first time in the history of Metonym in St. Joseph's College, a bunch of students belonging to I EMS, a science combination, took the Inter-class Rolling Shield with 220 points, At second place was II EJP with 160 points, tailing them in third place was II MA English with 148 points. II TEP, I CMS, and III CPE hold fourth, fifth, and sixth positions respectively.



JC Antony Colloquium on Dalit Aesthetics

On the 18th of October 2021, the English Department of St Joseph's, Bangalore, launched the J.C. Antony Colloquium on Dalit Aesthetics. This event, spanning over 9 days from 18th till 26th, held in honour of the late J.C. Antony, focused on self-representation, enabling justice and making alliances. The event ventured out to establish a nurturing space for conversations and action. The colloquium was held online on Microsoft Teams and streamed on the official Department of English Youtube channel. The special guest speakers for day one and day two were Sujatha Gidla and Jaisingh Nageswaran.

On the first day of the event, the inauguration was conducted with

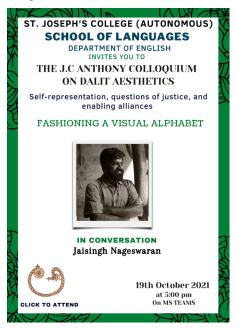
a memorable speech by Dr. Sylvia Karapagam, daughter of late Mr. Antony, who shared a heartfelt letter addressed to her father. Dr. Karapagam believed that the meaning of aesthetics was embodied in her father's soul and this event was aptly named in his honour.

Ms. Vijeta Kumar led the discussion with Sujatha Gidla, author of "Ants Among Elephants." Throughout this session, the audience was spellbound, sending hearts and smiles as Ms. Gidla shared her experiences with writing, stories, identity and caste. Ms. Vijeta Kumar led the discussion into territories of romance, desire, language, culture and representation. Sujatha Gidla's message was clear and it had been that of self-love, self-respect and honesty.

Her writing stole the hearts of many readers because she earnestly had a story to share, a drive to write it down and an audience who was willing to listen. She explained her experiences with telugu idioms, onomatopoeia, memories and legacy that formed an integral part of her book. Her down-to-earth and relatable experiences with writing as a craft prompted several questions from the attendees as well as Ms. Vijeta Kumar herself, the evening being one that sparked laughter and inspiration among whoever listened.

The second day's topic was on fashioning a visual alphabet, in conversation with Jaisingh Nageswaran and was led by Professor Vijayashanthi Murthy. Mr. Nageswaran was a photographer and his pictures carried a sense of action, comfort and held deep emotions. He opened up the session with a presentation, walking the audience through the journey of his life so far, sharing pictures from key moments in his life and about things that deeply mattered to him. The rich history and heritage of his grandmother's life, the understanding of discrimination, and nature itself inspired him. Mr. Nageswaran believed that he had the power to share and express his own story. He expressed the importance of childhood memories. "It is myself and my life that define aesthetics to me." Mr. Nageswaran received numerous questions from the audience and Prof. Vijayashanthi Murthy, ranging from his first camera, his process, and his

thoughts on the evolution of photography in context to today's social media. He left the audience with an important message: that he believed in conveying the realities, happy and dark, through his own personal work with no editing or post-production fixing.

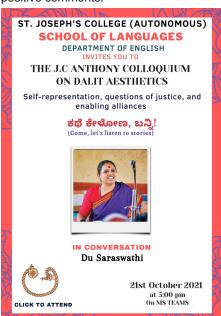


The two speakers of the first two days of this colloquium touched whoever listened. The beauty in their art and the experiences of their community was incredibly inspiring and rich with stories that would overflow from their hearts. We walked out of these events, imprinting that as long as we have a story to share, there is nothing else stopping us from transforming it into art.

Ms. Vijeta Kumar on My Adi Roots

Pride and respect is what the entire audience heard in Ms. Vijeta Kumar's voice as she explored the late J.C. Anthony's book, My Adi Roots, in a series of talks belonging to the Dalit Aesthetics Colloquium hosted by the English department at St. Joseph's College (Autonomous), Bengaluru. The colloquium was conceived in honour of Mr. Anthony, and Ms. Kumar did justice to his memory by painting a picture of him through the stories that he had penned down. Her presentation was succinct, containing lines from the book and her observations. Beginning with providing a history of Mr. Anthony's childhood, she took us through his family's conversion to Christianity and how his choirboy days ventilated his suppressed anger at the taunts he received at school.

He emphasized how conversions didn't change economic status, but instead gave dignity - a point that was returned to later, when Prof Kumar read out excerpts from the book's chapters. Mr. Anthony's writing appeared like it was robust and disciplined. It served as a channel for his emotional journey from the shame he was subjected to by society for his caste, to taking pride in his ancestry. In the Q&A segment at the end of the session, her personal connection to Mr. Anthony's story was evident, with how she described the book as life-affirming. His reclamation of his identity's worth and his efforts to tell his own story were the tacit values that the session imparted. Ms. Kumar's lucid interpretation of Mr. Anthony's book and life was well-received, given that the audience responded enthusiastically with positive comments.



Du Saraswathi on day four

On the 21st of October, 2021, Department of English conducted the 4th day of The J.C. Anthony Colloquium on Dalit Aesthetics. The colloquium is based on the themes of Self-Representation, Questions of Justice and enabling alliances. The title of Day 4 of the colloquium was Come, let's listen to stories!

The session was a conversation with Du Saraswathi, a Kannada Dalit feminist writer and activist and theatre artist. She has been associated with dalit and women's movements for over 25 years.

She has authored a collection of poems

called Jeeve Sambhige as well as a collection of stories called bachhessu. She writes a satirical column in Kannada called Sanntimmi about how dalit women in villages relate to issues in the modern society. The session occurred at 5 pm on MS Teams.

The colloquium began with Du Saraswathi reading out her story Bacchees, a story about a pregnant woman and her mother who is a sweeper. The daughter makes a lovely curry as a dinner for her mother but the mother cannot enjoy it as she has cleaned up the carcass of a puppy earlier and is reminded of it every time she tries to eat the curry. While eating, her daughter goes into labour and gives birth to a child born with two fingers and three fingers on each hand. However, she is grateful because this means that her child can only hold a pen and will therefore be a scholar.

After a narration of her story, Du Saraswathi talked about the idea of aesthetics and beauty and what it means to her, she says that it is not about symmetry or perfection. In fact true beauty is sensible, it raises questions but contains the principles of empathy and dignity.

She also talked about the power that language holds and how we must be careful and respectable to all when using language. She specifically discusses the people who clean up our homes and cities, and how we should treat them with respect and dignity because if they stopped doing their jobs we would not be able to be happy and comfortable.

The session lasted about an hour and a half and was well attended.



Dalit Christian identities and Reading Ambedkar

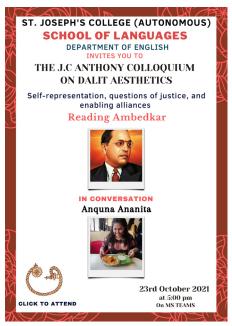
John Boopalan was in conversation with Dr. Cheriyan Alexander on this panel that focused on Dalit literature and Dalit Christian identities on October 22, 2021. John Boopalan is an Assistant Professor at Canadian Mennonite University in Winnipeg, Canada and is the author of the book 'Memory, Grief, and Agency. Mr. Boopala is also a columnist for The Blueprint, a digital publication that explores identity, society, culture, human rights, and freedom by centering marginalized voices with an emphasis on South Asia and its diaspora.

The practice of prejudice was discussed within the meeting, emphasizing the preconceived notions people carry about certain communities, dismissed as the untouchables. However, the moral argument in Christianity was that only those who welcomed a stranger, widow, orphan, or needy are the one's god love. Welcoming these strangers reaffirms one's faith in the almighty. However, the contradiction noticed in this regard is when the refugees at the borders of the USA are not welcomed and the very same Christians turn their backs on them. Hence, John Boopalan's book was discussed in order to lay out an introduction to the topic. Caste origin stories and dalit clapbacks were spoken of when John Boopalan stated that "Resistance to discrimination is as old as discrimination". He strongly emphasized on the fact that dalit lives should not be spoken of as victimized lives although they are always at the receiving end of castebased discrimination. The entire episode explored who dalits are and what literature can we pursue to understand them.

The panelist for day six was Ms. Anquna Ananita, Assistant Professor, department of English, St. Joseph's College (Autonomous), who was in conversation with the students and teachers of the college while she explained her discovery of Ambedkar.

Ms. Anquna Ananita makes mention of her first introduction to Ambedkar in school while she was studying the Indian Constitution. To her, he was simply a name in a book, while she saw pictures of him hung in offices as a child. Being

a student of Ms. Vijeta Kumar, Ms. Anquna Ananita discovered her passion for the teachings and writings of Ambedkar. Ambedkar is always an intense topic that people read with utmost fury, however, it is a theme that always makes Ms. Anguna smile. The beauty and passion in his writings are what makes her smile. His writing for her is much like an invitation for her to be smacked across the face with facts. As a student in her last year, reading Ambedkar every day was something she found a lot of comfort in. To her, reading Ambedkar is simply the slap that we need to pull ourselves together and accept the fact that you are you, and you need to be okay with you.



Kavithayum Naanum – Day seven at The JC Anthony Colloquium

On the 24th of October, the 7th day of the JC Anthony Colloquium on Dalit Aesthetics, Ms. Sukirtharani spoke about her journey with poems and writing and how her life has been impacted by it. The title of the session, which happened on MS Teams was "Kavithayum Naanum" (Poems and I) a reminder Bharathidasan's Avalum Naanum. According to the poem, the poet and his muse are certainly different but are perfect and great when put together. It is similar for Ms. Sukirtharani and her poems. The poet and the poems together render the proverb, the pen is mightier than a sword, true.

"We were born, are living and will die in the slums, is the fate that everybody other than us writes for us. Writers and women work towards breaking and changing this" she said when she was asked why she began writing. Her act of repaying kindness being rejected, untouchability coming from a teacher of all people and her community looking at her as just a "woman" and nothing more were all what made her the writer that she is today. I laughed when she said that she is used to seeing men wanting to write about everything, even about women's freedom and that is when she knew that she had to write about women, dalit women and women's freedom than poems on love or men like any other teenager.

Miss Sukirtharani takes us through identity politics, the society, literature and how they are all intricately woven together and many other such inspiring moments throughout this session. By the end of the talk, I was feeling a little prouder of my identity as a woman and I hope to continue to feel so because I, now, will be carrying Ms.Sukirtharani's words with me, for life.

Pa Ranjith and his movies

The eighth installment of the JC Anthony Dalit Aesthetics Colloquium saw Rajesh Rajamani in conversation with Prof. Vijeta Kumar about the arena of Dalit aesthetics embodied and observed in Pa. Ranjith's films. The session began with an introduction to Rajamani's work and accomplishments, followed by his opening thoughts on elements in Ranjith's films such as his influences, his background as a painter bringing color to cinema, and the universalism of his work. Rajamani described how over the course of several films, Ranjith drew upon Afro-American, Ambedkarite, Buddhist, Dravidian influences and Hong Kong filmmakers such as Wong Kar Wai, which gave his films substance and vibrance. Rajamani opined that Dalit expression was the most unrestrained form of human expression, as almost everyone is compromised by caste while Dalits were rejecting it. He pointed out that while it was hard to give a pan-Indian characteristic to Dalit cinema since it reflected localized experiences, Ranjith's films ventured to do exactly that. He said that Pa Ranjith embraced his Dalit identity but never pigeonholed himself to

just that. The question of experiencing Ranjith's films differently as a Dalit, who might take Kabilan's life story in Sarpatta Parambarai as a personal victory, was raised, to which Rajamani stated that there was a universalism in the films which made them accessible to anyone. The session concluded with questions from the audience about the music and spaces in Ranjith's film, to which Rajamani replied that both elements were important, given that the spaces were rendered meaningful by the people who populated them; and pointing out that there was a shift in the way that music was used. Rajamani's bottom-line was that one must embrace their identity fully in order to become an artist and communicate with the world; and that stories were ever-present, waiting to be revealed.

Student Achievements

Syed Sabbat of II JIP published a feature piece titled 'Campaigner, wanderer, rhymester: Tale of Kashmir's lost siblinghood' in FreePress Kashmir on September 25, 2021.

Rishika Bharadwaj and Shireen Vrinda's interview piece titled 'Why Bhanupriya Rao was asking ASHA workers about TV, tension and time' was published in NWMI, on October 14, 2021.

Anika Eliz Baby of III EJP published a piece titled 'Throwback Tuberculosis' on June 21, 2021.

Staff Achievements

Dr. Arul Mani, in a critique of the Netflix movie Meenakshi Sundareshwar, wrote about the flawed perception that Bollywood has on South India in an article titled 'How Bollywood is arrogantly ignorant of South India' published in Deccan Herald on November 26, 2021.

He was also nominated as a member of the Board of Studies of the department of English, Jyothi Nivas College Autonomous, Bengaluru, for the academic year 2021-2022.

Dr. Cheriyan Alexander published an opinion piece on ThePrint titled 'To label Stan Swamy's activism as 'Jesuit Marxism' is to bark up the wrong tree' on July 31, 2021. He also edited a book titled

'Eco-Cultural Resources for Sustainable Societies'.

Dr. Etienne Rassendren was a guest speaker for a national webinar series on Research and Methodological Practices conducted by the department of English, St. Joseph's College for Women, Tirupur. He spoke on 'Searching Ideas: Reflections on English Studies and Research' on October 26, 2021.

Ms. Vijeta Kumar was part of a dramatic reading and discussion of Lihaaf (The Quilt) by Ismat Chugtai on June 30, 2021, conducted by Lahe Lahe and Belongg Library Network. She also spoke at Upend, a programme by the Public Relations Office of our college.

She also shared an essay in four posts for the instagram page of Scrolls & Leaves, a podcast channel that documents world histories from the margins. Her postessay was titled 'On Self-Respect' or 'How to Un-park a Car in Basavanagudi'. \

She also directed an online play 'No Ship Will Come' that featured our students Fatema Zavery, John Abraham, and Shireen Vrinda. The event conducted on August 21 was part of the German Spotlight 2021 event sponsored by Goethe Institut and Sandbox Collective. The dramatized reading of the play was also in collaboration with the SJC Performing Arts Society.

She was also a part of a panel for a threeday digital conference on Love, Sex, and Data by Agents of Ishq from 7-9 October, 2021.

Her review of Jai Bhim, the Tamil movie, was published in Deccan Herald on November 21, 2021.



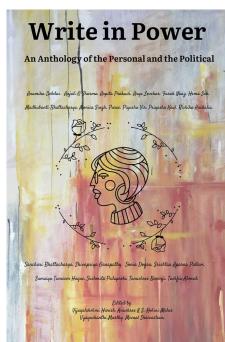
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Ms. K S Jyothsna completed a certificate course on 'Research Writing and Communication' offered by the NIAS Consciousness Studies Programme, School of Humanities, National Institute of Advanced Studies, Bengaluru.

Ms. Vijayashanthi Murthy was part of the editing team and also contributed a chapter for the book Write in Power, an anthology of the personal and the political.

Prof. Nadika Nadja was part of a panel discussion on Masculinity in the Media that examined the verbal and body language in the news media for a two-day conference on masculinity from 3-4 September, 2021. The conference was held by Goethe Instituts in India and Bangladesh. Prof. Nadika also spoke on 'Queerness and Writing' at Jaffna Queer Festval, on November 24, 2021.

Dr. Micah Thambi from the department of English successfully defended her thesis titled 'Myth, Fiction, and Nationalism: A Study of Select Post-Millenial Indian English Popular Narratives' on August 09, 2021.



Dr. Lillykutty Abraham published a chapter titled "Revisiting the Art Forms of Mavilan Tribe" in the book Socio-Cultural Indicators of Indigenous People: A Study in Regional Cuisine, Costumes and Folk Art Society, Culture and Literature, on August 23, 2021.

Ms. Maya Philip completed a course on 'Social Spirituality: Towards a Transformative Social Consciousness' by PRERANA, Bengaluru.

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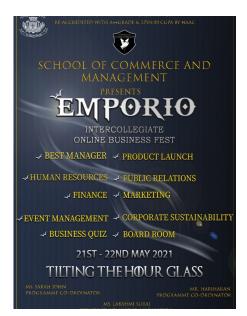
Department Of Commerce

Guest lecture on Fundamentals of Capital Market

The purpose of the guest lecture held on May 6, 2021, was to create awareness regarding early savings habits that can secure one's future in the face of unforeseen circumstances. The resource persons were Dr. Sharan Kumar Shetty, PhD, MBA (Finance), KSET. Associate Professor & Member of Governing Council, MSN Institute of Management, Financial Advisor, Motivational Speaker and Educational Consultant, Ideator, and Founder of Capital Advisors (Start-up Firm). The lecture provided insights on tax planning, careful budgeting techniques, savings, expenditure, and various investment options. The audience was told how tax can be converted into income by investing in insurance and other avenues under section 80c. Reading related articles was suggested for better financial planning.

Emporio 2021

The School of Commerce and management conducted a national-level two-day inter-collegiate business fest, Emporio 2021, from May 20-21, 2021. It was inaugurated by Mr. Shabbir Raja, cofounder of Blue-chip Computer Systems and Liberty Computer Systems, the chief guest of the event. Mr. Shabbir, spoke on the importance of ethics in business and encouraged students to be future entrepreneurs. There were ten events -Finance, Marketing, Human Resource, Business Quiz, Best Manager, Event Management, Corporate Sustainability, Public Relations, Board Room, and Product Launch. There were thirty event heads and tech teams working on the fest. This was the sixth edition of the fest and it was held online and live-streamed using Twitch. 104 participants from various institutions such as Lady Shri Ram College, Delhi, and St. Aloysius College, Mangalore, took part in the event. The overall championship was bagged by the department of Professional Studies from Christ (Deemed to be University).



National-level Virtual FDP on Research Methodology in Commerce and Management Series-1

The School of Commerce and Management organised its first Virtual national-level FDP series I on "Research methodology in Commerce and Management", from May 27-28, 2021. The event was initiated by Dr. Christo V Selvan, Dean, School of Business, and Mr. Charles Ambrose, Head of the Department of Commerce. It was coordinated by Dr. S. Amudhan, Dr. Padma Nandanan, Dr. Fathima Farzana, and Dr. B Senthil. The organizing team consisted of Mr. Mohammed Umair, Mr. Cyril, Ms. Amita Priyadarshini, Ms. Princy Nisha, Ms. Immaculate Mary A, Ms. Sana Begum, Ms. Gisa George, Ms. Raj Kiran, Mr. Hariharan R, and Mr. Pruthvi Kashyap. Dr. I. R. N. Gaudar, Former Scientist G. NAL and the resource person for day one spoke on the research cycle, process, design, and structure. He gave a live demo on multiple database websites, such as Scopus, J-Gate, N-List, BASE, Project Gutenberg, etc. Dr. Rupesh Kumar A, Assistant Professor, Department of Studies and Research in Library and Information science, Tumkur University was the resource person for day two. Dr. Rupesh Kumar elaborated on the topic "Cite While You Write: Reference Management in Scholarly excellently with a live demo on citing a journal article with the use of Microsoft Word and other reference management tools like Mendeley, Zotero, and Endnote.

National-level Virtual FDP on Research Methodology in Commerce and Management Series-2

The School of Business organized "Research Methodology and Statistical Data Analysis through SPSS," a threeday national-level FDP Series II from September 2 - 4, 2021. The resource person was Ms. Sumitha Achar- Assistant Professor, Department of MBA, St. Aloysius College (Autonomous). A total of 44 participants from various academic backgrounds including research scholars and industry delegates registered for the FDP to enhance their understanding of SPSS in research methodology. The session began with the relevance and importance of statistics in the field of research. Emphasis was made on the need to understand the nature of data to help determine the right application of statistical tools in research. Topics such as data vocabulary, measurement scale, sample size estimation, etc. were over the duration of the session.

National-level Conference on Chances, Concerns, and Challenges in Commerce

The Department of Commerce under the School of Business organized the first "National conference on Chances, Concerns, and Challenges in Commerce" on November 10, 11 2021. It was held on Zoom and broadcasted on Youtube Live. The two-day national conference was organized and headed by Ms. Usha Priyadarshini, the Convener, and Ms. Immaculate Mary A, the Assistant Convener. The conference was attended eminent academicians, industry experts, faculty members, and students from various parts of the country. The conference was divided into 4 technical sessions. The resource persons for the conference were: Dr. Jebamalai Principal Vinanchiarachi. Adviser. Knowledge Management Associate Austria: Mr. Raghuram Krishnan. Director Finance, Adobe India: Mr. Raiiv Vasudevan, Managing Director, AyurVAID Hospitals; and Ms. Diana Vincent, Director of Fourth Wave Foundation and Artist for Conservation. Topics covered during the sessions included sustainable sources of livelihoods, the four pillars of business, the difference between digitizing and

digitalisation, employee engagement, analysing the industry structure, etc.

Tharang

All commerce classes unleashed their potential as Tharang kick-started with an extensive range of events, each aimed at enhancing distinct capabilities. The two-day fest consisted of events such as Best Manager, Brand Launch, Finance, Corporate Sustainability, Mock Stock, Business Quiz. HR+PR and our verv own Josephites Got Talent. These Events were coordinated by student event heads along the roadmap laid by the Commerce council. The event had an optimal mix of internal and external judges whose discernment was commendable. The judges persuaded the students to punch above their weights in order to motivate the students. Final year BCom B won the Overall Championship.



Staff Achievements

Dr. V. Christo Selvan

Dr. Selvan was awarded by the Academic Council of uLektz as one of the top 50 thought leaders in higher education for the year 2020.

He participated in an international-level Faculty Development Programme (FDP) on Experimental Teaching - Corporate Cognizance organized by the Department of Commerce with Business Process Services in association with Tata Consultancy Services from August 9-13, 2021.



He was a member of the organizing committee for the national-level FDP on Research Methodology in Commerce and Management held on May 27 and 28, 2021, by the School of Commerce and Management, St. Joseph's College (Autonomous).

He published a paper titled "The Impact of Technology in Modern Accounting Profession – A Descriptive Study" in the Journal of Huazhong University of Science and Technology, Volume 50, Issue 03, 2021.

He participated in a national webinar on Digital Transformation held on September 18, 2021, organized by St. Joseph's Institute of Management.

opment programme on Research Methodology in Commerce and Management held on May 27 and 28, 2021, by the School of Commerce and Management, St. Joseph's College (Autonomous).

Ms. Amita Priyadarshini

Ms. Priyadarshini was a member of the organizing committee of the national-level Faculty Development Programme Research Methodology in Commerce and Management held on May 27 and 28, 2021, by the School of Commerce and Management, St. Joseph's College (Autonomous).

She was a guest speaker and delivered a talk on the topic "Corporate Sustainability in the 21st Century" on July 10, 2021, in an event organized by Environmental

Sciences Graduate Association, Karnataka.

Ms. Princy Nisha

Ms. Nisha successfully cleared the KSET in Commerce.

She participated in Digital Discourse - Dynamics of Cryptocurrency organized by the School of Management, Kristu Jayanti College, Bangalore, on October 7, 2021.

She participated in a week-long Faculty Development Programme (FDP) on Emergence of Blockchain Technology and Cryptocurrencies organized by the Institute of Information Technology and Management in August 2021.

She participated in a week-long FDP on Recent Advances in RF and Wireless Communication jointly organized by Department of Electronics and Telecommunication Engineering and Electronics & Communication Engineering, technically supported by IETE Bangalore Centre and SAGE (Shastry Associates group Enterprise) USA, from August 2-7, 2021.

She attended a two-day international FDP on Intellectual Property Rights and Research Methodology by the IQAC, Sacred Heart College of Arts and Science, Dindigul, in the month of October.

She participated in the international research summit AVLOKAN 2021 titled 'Redefining Social Responsibility and Ethical Leadership' from August 2-10, 2021, organized by the faculty research cell Gyanidhi & SRDC – Vidhyanidhi, CMS, JAIN (Deemed-to-be University).

She attended a three-day international entrepreneurial development virtual Programme 'A Step towards Entrepreneurial Journey' organized by the Department of Business Management, Sarojini Naidu Vanita Maha Vidyalaya, from September 2-4, 2021.

She was part of the organizing committee for the national-level FDP on Research Methodology in Commerce and Management on May 27 and 28, 2021, organized by the School of Commerce and Management, St. Joseph's College (Autonomous).

She participated in the international FDP MOODLE organized by Alumni Association Anubhanda of SJR college for Women from June 7-9, 2021.

participated and successfully completed AICTE-DCRUST-sponsored faculty training programme of a week's duration on Research Methodology for Librarians, Faculty Members, and Research Scholars. The online programme was organized by the University Library, Deenbandhu Chhotu Ram University of Science and Technology. Murthal. Sonepat, Haryana, in the month of July. She participated in a two-day online FDP on Capital markets conducted jointly by NSE Academy and Bharathiyar University on June 22 and 23, 2021.

She participated in a one-day national-level conference on Digitalization in Banking and Financial Institutions - Opportunities and Challenges organized by the Department of Commerce & Management of St. Paul's College in collaboration with SBI Officers Association(K), Bengaluru Circle, on July 8, 2021.

She participated and successfully completed a seven-day international Professional Development Programme (PDP) on SPSS organized by PG & Research Department of Commerce (Shift-I), Patrician College of Arts & Science, from July 21-26, 2021.

She published a paper titled "A Study on the Scope of Implementation of Social Stock Exchange in India" in Turkish Online Journal of Qualitative Inquiry (TOJQI), Volume 12, Issue 8, July 2021: 323-339.

She published another paper titled "A Comparative Analysis of Customer Service Quality in Public and Private Sector Banks in India with A Special Reference to Bangalore" in the Journal of Hunan University (Natural Sciences), Volume 48, No: 6, June 2021.

She participated in a webinar titled 'Overview of Securities Market and Latest Development' on October 27, 2021, which was organized by the BSE Investors Protection Fund as an investor awareness initiative.

Ms. Ahana Ruth Pinto

Ms. Pinto participated in a national-level

Faculty Development Programme (FDP) on Research Methodology in Commerce and Management held on May 27 and 28, 2021, by the School of Commerce and Management, St. Joseph's College (Autonomous).

She participated in a six-day online FDP on National Education Policy: 2020 and Higher Education in India organized by DR. N.S.A.M First Grade College, Bangalore, in the month of May.

She participated in a state-level workshop on Preparation of Dissertation Report held on May 29, 2021, organized by G.T Institute of Management Studies and Research.

She participated in an international workshop on Data Analysis using R commander by GISS held from July 23-25, 2021.

She participated in a national-level HR seminar on Reimagining People Management and Employee Experience on July 23, 2021, conducted by CMS Jain (Deemed to be University).

Ms. Immaculate Mary A

Ms. Immaculate Mary A participated in a national-level Faculty Development Programme(FDP) on Research Methodology and Statistical Data Analysis through SPSS held from September 2- 4, 2021, organized by the School of Commerce and Management, St. Joseph's College.

She participated in a week-long FDP on Emergence of Blockchain Technology and CryptoCurrencies from August 9 - 14 2021, organized by the Institute of Information Technology and Management.

She has actively participated in a five-day international-level FDP on Experimental Teaching - Corporate Cognizance organized by the Department of Commerce with Business Process Services in Association with Tata Consultancy Services from August 9-13, 2021.

She attended a five-day online FDP on Building & Sustaining Competence -Corporate Management, Law & Practice, organized by the Department of Commerce, Commerce CA & Corporate Secretaryship of Kongu Arts and Science College (Autonomous) in association with ICSI Coimbatore Chapter from August 2-6, 2021.

She attended an FDP on Open Educational Resources: Search, Identify, Repurpose and Create your OER, organized by St. Joseph's College, Tiruchirapalli on September 25, 2021.

She has successfully completed a five-day online national-level quality improvement programme on Upskilling Security Market Operations organized by the Department of Professional Studies, School of Commerce, Finance and Accountancy, CHRIST (Deemed-to-be-University) from August 26-31, 2021.

She participated in the International Research Summit AVLOKAN 2021 titled 'Redefining Social Responsibility and Ethical Leadership' from August 2-10, 2021, organized by Faculty Research Cell Gyanidhi & SRDC – Vidhyanidhi, CMS, JAIN (Deemed-to-be University).

She participated in a two-day national-level virtual Yen- Symposium Understanding the Rise of The New Normal Era in Education (COVID-19) on August 17-18, 2021.

She participated in a keynote session by Dr. Rogers M Smithin, Mr. Mohammed Yunus, Dr. Philip Kotler, the international-level research summit AVLOKAN 2021 organized by Centre for Management Studies, JAIN (Deemed-to-be-University) on August 2, 2021, August 4, 2021, and August 10, 2021, respectively.

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(PDP) on SPSS organized by the PG & Research Department of Commerce (Shift-I) Patrician College of Arts & Science from June 21-27, 2021.

She was part of the organizing committee for a national-level conference on Chances, Concerns, and Challenges in Commerce on November 10 and 11, 2021, organized by the Department of Commerce, St. Joseph's College.

She presented a paper titled "ICT: The Catalyst in Teaching-Learning Process – A Teacher's Perspective" in a national multidisciplinary e-conference organized by Vidyabharti Trust College of BBA & BCA, Umrakh, on August 28, 2021.

Mr. Charles Ambrose

Mr. Charles Ambrose participated in the webinar 'Make the habit... Habit will Make You' organized by the Department of Electronics and Communication Engineering at Dr. Ambedkar Institute of Technology, Bengaluru, held on July 7, 2021

He participated in the international Faculty Development Programme (FDP) hands-on MOODLE organized by Alumni Association Anubhanda of SJR college for Women from June 7-9, 2021.

He was part of the organizing committee for the national-level FDP on Research Methodology in Commerce and Management held from May 27-28, 2021, organized by the School of Commerce and Management, St. Joseph's College (Autonomous).

Heparticipated and successfully completed AICTE-DCRUST-sponsored week-long online Faculty Training Programme (FTP) on Research Methodology for Librarians, Faculty Members and Research Scholars organized by the University Library, Deenbandhu Chhotu Ram University of Science and Technology, Murthal, Sonepat, Haryana, India from July 5-10, 2021.

He participated in a two-day online faculty development programme on Capital Markets conducted jointly by NSE Academy and Bharathiyar University on June 22-23, 2021.

He participated in an online workshop on Creation of Research IDs organized by the PG and Research Department of Commerce (Shift-I) in association with Patrician Research Committee on July 3, 2021

He participated in the one-day national-level conference on Digitalization in Banking and Financial Institutions - Opportunities and Challenges organized by the Department of Commerce & Management of St. Paul's College in collaboration with SBI Officers Association(K), Bengaluru Circle, on July 8, 2021.

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He published a paper titled "A Comparative Analysis of Customer Service Quality in Public and Private Sector Banks in India with A Special Reference to Bangalore" in the Journal of Hunan University (Natural Sciences) Vol 48 in June 2021.

Dr. Padma Nandanan Karioth

Dr. Padma Nandanan Karioth was part of the organizing committee for the nationallevel Faculty Development Programme (FDP) series 2 - Research Methodology and Statistical Data Analysis through SPSS held from September 2-4, 2021 organized by the School of Commerce and Management, St. Joseph's College. She was part of the organizing committee for the national-level FDP on Research Methodology in Commerce Management held from May 27-28, 2021 organized by the School of Commerce and Management, St. Joseph's College (Autonomous).

She attended a webinar on 'How to Write Publishable Research Articles' organized by Research Cell and KRC, JK, Business School, Gurugram on July 27, 2021.

Ms. Sarah John

Ms. Sarah John participated in a week-long online international Faculty Development Programme (FDP) titled 'Advanced Methodologies for Contemporary Research - A Pragmatic Approach' organized by the Department of Management, Government Ramnarayan Chellaram College of Commerce and Management from August 16-23 2021.

She was part of the organizing committee for national-level FDP series 2 - Research Methodology and Statistical Data Analysis through SPSS held from September 2-4, 2021 organized by the School of Commerce and Management, St. Joseph's College.

She participated and successfully completed a three-day national webinar on Intellectual Property Rights organized by the PG and Research Department of Commerce and Department of Economics, St. Joseph's College of Arts and Science (Autonomous), Cuddalore from August 5-7, 2021.

She successfully participated in a national conference on the Revival of Indian Economy after the Second Wave of the Covid-19 Pandemic organized by the Department of Economics and IQAC, Tumkur University, on August 5, 2021.

Mr. Mohammad Umair

Mr. Mohammad Umair has actively participated in a five-day international-level Faculty Development Programme (FDP) on Experimental Teaching - Corporate Cognizance organized by the Department of Commerce with Business Process Services in Association with Tata Consultancy Services from August 9-13, 2021.

He was part of the organizing committee for the national-level FDP on Research Methodology in Commerce and Management held from May 27-28, 2021, organized by the School of Commerce and Management, St. Joseph's College (Autonomous).

He authored a book named 'Marketing and Event Management' by Skyward Publishers with ISBN 9788194869856.

Has published a paper titled "A Study on Saving and Investment Behaviour of Working Women Employed in BPO Sector in Bengaluru City" in Kalyan Bharathi; ISSN 0976-0822 Vol. 36, No. 8(I): 2021.

He authored the books titled 'Management - Principles, Applications and Practices' and 'Marketing and Event Management' by Skyward Publishers.

He authored a book titled 'Financial Literacy' published by Himalaya Publishing House.

He has published a research paper titled "A Study on Saving and Investment Behavior of Millennial Employees Employed in BPO Sector in Bengaluru City, Karnataka, India" in Asian Journal of Managerial Science, ISSN: 2249-6300, Vol.10 No.2, 2021, pp.1-5.

Mr. Prabhakar K

Mr. Prabhakar K authored a book titled 'Practice of General Insurance'.

He is the author of a book titled 'Marketing and Event Management' published by Skyward Publishers.

Ms. Litty Joseph

Ms. Litty Joseph has participated online in a Faculty Development Programme (FDP) on the topic 'Instilling Effectiveness in Digital Teaching in Current Scenario' held on May 25, 2021, conducted by Amity Global Business School, Bengaluru.

She participated in an international webinar on Teacher as Fulcrum: Revalidation of Ethics and Values in the 21 Century Educational Scenario jointly organized by the Adi Shankara Group of Institution, Kalady, Kerala, and Globethics.net India on October 27 and 28, 2021.

She participated in a UGC-sponsored national seminar on Intellectual Property Rights organized by Shri Shivaji College, Parbhani, on September 28, 2021.

Ms. Ria Idicula

Ms. Ria Idicula attended a webinar on BMC - Business Model Canvas held on June 18, 2021, organized by the Mount Carmel College Centre for Innovation, Incubation, and Entrepreneurship (MCCIIE).

She attended a national-level webinar on Intellectual Property Rights organized by

the Department of Management, S. B Jain Institute of Technology, Management, and Research, Nagpur held on May 18, 2021.

She participated in a national-level symposium on Reinventing and Integrating the New Era of Management and Media Practices on May 21, 2021, conducted by CMS, JAIN (Deemed-to-be University), Bengaluru.

She presented a paper titled "Impact of IT in the GST System in India" in the national conference on Digital India: An IT Revolution that was jointly organized by Social Science & Management Welfare Association, Youth Economics Association & Radiant Group of Institution, Jabalpur (M. P.), India.

She published a paper titled "The Economic Impact of Covid-19 and the Transformation in GST System" in the Journal of Management in Government on July 6, 2021.

Ms. Ankitha Gowda

Ms. Ankitha Gowda participated in the national-level Faculty Development (FDP) Programme on Research Methodology in Commerce and Management held from May 27-28, 2021, organized by the School of Commerce and Management, St. Joseph's College (Autonomous).

She participated in a keynote session by Dr. Rogers M Smithin, Mr. Mohammed Yunus, Dr. Philip Kotler, at the international-level research summit AVLOKAN 2021 organized by Centre for Management Studies, JAIN (Deemed-to-be-University) on August 2, 2021, August 4, 2021, and August 10, 2021, respectively.

She was part of the organizing committee for the national-level conference on Chances, Concerns, and Challenges in Commerce held on November 10 and 11 2021, organized by the Department of Commerce, St. Joseph's College.

She participated in the national-level FDP on Research Methodology in Commerce and Management held from May 27-28 2021, organized by the School of Commerce and Management, St. Joseph's College (Autonomous).

Ms. Niha Asif

Ms. Niha Asif has attended a national-level webinar on Intellectual Property Rights organized by the Department of Management, S. B Jain Institute of Technology, Management and Research, Nagpur held on May 18, 2021.

She attended the webinar BMC - Business Model Canvas held on June 18, 2021, organized by the Mount Carmel College Centre for Innovation, Incubation, and Entrepreneurship (MCCIIE).

She participated in a three-day virtual international workshop on Research Methodology held from June 17-19, 2021 organized by APS College of Arts & Science, Bengaluru.

She participated in a national-level symposium on Reinventing and Integrating the New Era of Management and Media Practices on May 21, 2021, conducted by CMS, JAIN (Deemed-to-be University), Bengaluru.

She presented two papers titled "Impact of IT in the GST System in India" and "Impact of Chatbots in India" at the national conference on Digital India: An IT Revolution jointly organized by Social Science & Management Welfare Association, Youth Economics Association & Radiant Group of Institution, Jabalpur (M. P.), India held on May 16, 2021.

Dr. Sayantani Banerjee

Dr. Sayantani Banerjee successfully defended her PhD thesis titled "The Pros and Cons of Capital Account Convertibility- An Analytical Study" on November 22, 2021, at Bharathiar University, Coimbatore.

She was part of the organizing committee for a national-level Faculty Development Programme (FDP) series 2 - Research Methodology and Statistical Data Analysis through SPSS held from September 2-4, 2021, organized by the School of Commerce and Management, St. Joseph's College.

She completed a six-day national-level intercollegiate FDP on Outcome-Based Education organized by the Academic

Section of St. Philomena's College (Autonomous), Mysore, in association with IPSR solutions limited from August 30, 2021, to September 4, 2021.

She participated in the national-level webinar series on May 28, 2021, on the topic NEP 2020: Education towards psycho-social wellbeing of learners in HEI's conducted by Disha Bharat.

She participated in the national-level FDP on Research Methodology in Commerce and Management held from May 27-28, 2021 organized by the School of Commerce and Management, St. Joseph's College (Autonomous).

She participated in a two-day online Faculty Development Programme on Capital Markets conducted jointly by NSE Academy and Bharathiyar University on June 22, 23, 2021.

She was part of the organizing committee for the national-level conference on Chances, Concerns, and Challenges in Commerce held on November 10 and 11, 2021, organized by the Department of Commerce, St. Joseph's College.

Dr. Hariharan R

Dr. Hariharan R successfully defended his doctoral thesis titled "A Study of Price Fixation Mechanism in Indian Commodity Market" at the University of Mysore.

He successfully completed a five-day online national-level quality improvement programme on Upskilling Security Market Operations organized by the Department of Professional Studies, School of Commerce, Finance and Accountancy, CHRIST (Deemed-to-be-University) from August 26-31, 2021.

He was part of the organizing committee for the national-level FDP on Research Methodology in Commerce and Management held from May 27-28 2021, organized by the School of Commerce and Management, St. Joseph's College (Autonomous).

He participated and presented a paper titled "The dynamic relationship between spot and future prices of agriculture commodities" in a three-day international conference on Metamorphosis as a phenomenon in Business, Technology, Language and Literature - Solidarity issues and Blooming trends organized by seshadripuram College from October 27-29, 2021.

He was part of the organizing committee for a national-level conference on Chances, Concerns, and Challenges in Commerce held on November 10, 11 2021, organized by the Department of Commerce, St. Joseph's College.

Dr. Usha Priyadarshini

Dr. Usha Priyadarshini successfully defended her thesis titled "Role of Social Entrepreneurship in driving Social Change- A Case Study Approach in Bengaluru City", under the guidance of Dr. Soney Mathew, Associate Professor, St. Joseph's College of Commerce from Jain (Deemed-to-be) University, Bengaluru.

She participated in a national-level Faculty Development Programme (FDP) series 2 - Research Methodology and Statistical Data Analysis through SPSS held from September 2-4, 2021, organized by School of Commerce and Management, St. Joseph's College.

She attended a two-day national FDP on Research Writing and Publication organized by St Joseph's College of Commerce, Bengaluru on August 10 and 11, 2021.

She participated and completed AICTE Training and Learning (ATAL) Academy Online Elementary FDP on Imparting Soft Skills and Life Skills for Holistic Development from September 6-10, 2021, at PSGR Krishnammal College for Women.

She participated in the national-level FDP on Research Methodology in Commerce and Management held from May 27-28, 2021, organized by the School of Commerce and Management, St. Joseph's College (Autonomous).

She participated in an international online workshop on Data Analysis using Business Excel from June 26-28, 2021, conducted by the Global Institute of Statistical Solutions (GISS)

She participated in the workshop on Make Your Tax Journey Simpler & Easier with DIY e-Filing organized by the Department of Commerce (Shift II) in association with IQAC, Patrician College of Arts & Science, Chennai, on June 10, 2021.

She presented and received the Best Research Paper award for a paper titled "CSR contribution towards the normalcy and upliftment of the society during Covid 19 pandemic" in ICON 2021 virtual international conference on New Order & Its Implications on Business Dynamics' held on July 1 and 2, 2021, at Presidency College (Autonomous), Bengaluru.

She participated in an eight-day International Professional Development Programme on Effective and Quality Research Writing - Phase II from June 7-15, 2021 organized by Department of Commerce (Shift II) in association with IQAC, Patrician College of Arts, and Science, Chennai - 600020.

She published a paper titled "CSR contribution towards the normalcy and upliftment of the society during Covid 19 pandemic " in Palarch's Journal of Archaeology of Egypt/Egyptology, Volume -18, Issue - 9, 2021.

She attended a webinar on Implementation of NEP 2020 - Opportunities & Challenges organized by Bangalore University First Grade College Principal's Association in Association with VET First Grade College on August 23, 2021.

She participated in the international online workshop on Creating Educational Videos using Free Software from September 10-12, 2021 organized by the Global Institute of Statistical Solutions.

She was invited as a guest speaker on Resilience Building by Koshy's Institute of Management, Bengaluru.

Dr. S Amudhan

Dr. S Amudhan was part of the organizing committee for national-level Faculty Development Programme (FDP) series 2 - Research Methodology and Statistical Data Analysis through SPSS held from September 2-4, 2021, organized by the School of Commerce and Management,

St. Joseph's College.

He attended a two-day national FDP on Research Writing and Publication, organized by St Joseph's College of Commerce, Bengaluru on August 10-11, 2021.

He actively participated in a five-day international-level FDP on Experimental Teaching - Corporate Cognizance organized by the Department of Commerce with Business Process Services in Association with Tata Consultancy Services from August 9-13, 2021.

He participated in a national-level FDP on Data Analysis Using Spreadsheets organized by Kristu Jayanti College held from September 13-20, 2021.

He participated in a two-day online faculty development programme on Capital Markets conducted jointly by NSE Academy and Bharathiyar University on June 22,23, 2021.

He was part of the organizing committee for the national-level FDP on Research Methodology in Commerce and Management held from May 27-28, 2021, organized by the School of Commerce and Management, St. Joseph's College (Autonomous).

He participated in an international online workshop on SEM and CFA using AMOS software from July 9- 11 2021, conducted by Global Institute of Statistical Solutions (GISS).

He participated in a university distinguished lecture titled 'Science, Technology, and Innovation Policy 2020: A Transformative S&T Agenda' delivered by Mr. Sandeep Verma, Secretary of Science and Engineering Research Board (SERB), DST, Government of India organized by SRM University-AP, held on October 30, 2021.

He participated in an international online workshop on Multivariate Analysis and its Interpretation using SPSS organized by the Global Institute of Statistical Solutions from August 20-22, 2021.

He participated in the international online workshop on Academic Writing: Ethical

Issues organized by the Global Institute of Statistical Solutions from August 5-7, 2021.

He served as a guest speaker and delivered a talk on the topic 'Etiquette in the Workplace' on August 21, 2021, organized by Vivekananda Institute of Information and Management Studies.

He published a paper titled "Consequences of Consumption of Alcohol in India: An Empirical Study" in Drugs and Cell Therapies in Hematology, Vol 10, No 1 (2021) ISSN 2550-2557.

He participated in a two-day online workshop on Entrepreneurship and Innovation as Career Opportunity organized by Institution's Innovation Council, Paavai Engineering College from November 18-19, 2021.

Dr. Fathima Farzana J

Dr. Fathima Farzana J was part of the organizing committee for the national-level Faculty Development Programme (FDP) series 2 - Research Methodology and Statistical Data Analysis through SPSS held from September 2-4, 2021, organized by the School of Commerce and Management, St. Joseph's College.

She was part of the organizing committee for the national-level FDP on Research Methodology in Commerce and Management held from May 27-28, 2021, organized by the School of Commerce and Management, St. Joseph's College (Autonomous).

She participated in a two-day online Faculty Development programme on Capital markets conducted jointly by NSE Academy and Bharathiyar University on June 22 and 23, 2021.

She was a resource person and delivered a lecture about Technology and Tools for Online Teaching and Learning in threeday virtual FDP on Covid 19 Creating a Paradigm Shift in Rural Teaching & Learning Practices organized by IQAC, Caussanel College of Arts & Science on July 13, 2021.

She participated in ACCA, the trainer course on Strategic Business Reporting

organized by ACCA, Digital Train the Trainer.

Ms. Sana Begum

Ms. Sana Begum participated in a sevenday international Faculty Development Programme (FDP) from August 25-31, 2021, organized by Seshadripuram Institute of Commerce and Management.

She participated in national-level FDP series 2 on Research Methodology and Statistical Data Analysis through SPSS held from September 2-4, 2021, organized by the School of Commerce and Management, St. Joseph's College.

She was part of the organizing committee for the national-level FDP on Research Methodology in Commerce and Management held from May 27-28, 2021 organized by the School of Commerce and Management, St. Joseph's College (Autonomous).

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She published a paper titled "CSR contribution towards the normalcy and upliftment of the society during Covid 19 pandemic" in Palarch's Journal of Archaeology of Egypt/Egyptology, Volume 18, Issue 9, 2021.

She participated in a webinar on Research Methodology organized by RS College on September 24, 2021.

Mr. Pruthvi Kashyap G

Mr. Pruthvi Kashyap G was part of the organizing committee for national-level Faculty Development Programme (FDP) series 2 on Research Methodology and Statistical Data Analysis through SPSS held from September 2-4, 2021, organized by the School of Commerce and Management, St. Joseph's College.

He was part of the organizing committee for the national-level FDP on Research Methodology in Commerce and Management held from May 27-28, 2021 organized by the School of Commerce and Management, St. Joseph's College (Autonomous).

He participated in POWER, Placement Officers Workshop for Excellence in Recruitment, on September 3, 2021, conducted by NSE Academy.

He served as a guest speaker and delivered a talk on 'Stock Market for Beginners' on November 18, 2021, at CMR University.

He served as a resource person and delivered a talk on Career Guidance on November 15, 2021, at RNS First Grade College.

Dr. B Senthil

Dr. B Senthil attended a two-day national Faculty Development programme(FDP) on Research Writing and Publication organized by St Joseph's College of Commerce, Bengaluru on August 10,11 2021.

He attended an FDP on Banking for Business Process held between August 30, 2021, and September 6, 2021, conducted by TCS.

He was part of the organizing committee for the national-level FDP on Research Methodology in Commerce and Management held from May 27-28, 2021 organized by the School of Commerce and Management, St. Joseph's College (Autonomous).

He attended a national-level FDP on Role of Faculty in Moulding Students, organized by HKBK Degree College from May 24-26, 2021.

He attended a national-level FDP on Multidimensional Approaches to Research in Social Science, organized by PG Department of Commerce, KSR College of Arts and Science for Women, Namakkal, from July 16-22, 2021.

He participated in the 22nd edition of the online national-level faculty circle on

Innovative Teaching Strategies for Digital Natives – Gen Z organized by Sivanandha Sarma R.V. Memorial College, from May 26-27, 2021.

He served as a resource person and delivered a special lecture on Set Your Goal on June 15, 2021, at KSR College of Arts and Science for Women, Namakkal.

He served as a resource person and delivered a special lecture on How to Prepare for NET? on June 16, 2021, at PPG College of Arts and Science, Coimbatore.

He participated in a two-day national e-workshop on Business Research & Methodology, organized by Place of Higher Learning & Research of G. S. College of Commerce, Wardha, on August 11, 2021.

He published a paper titled "Consequences of consumption of alcohol in India: An Empirical Study" in Drugs and Cell Therapies in Hematology, Vol 10, No 1 (2021), ISSN 2550-2557.

He successfully completed 30 hours of an online certificate programme on Data Analysis using Business Excel offered by the School of Business intelligence.

He successfully completed an online certificate programme on Leveraging LinkedIn for Networking offered by the School of Business intelligence.

Ms. KL Bhavana

Ms. KL Bhavana participated in the national-level Faculty Development Programme on Research Methodology in Commerce and Management from May 27-28, 2021 organized by the School of Commerce and Management, St. Joseph's College (Autonomous).

Ms. Gisa George

Ms. Gisa George attended a twoday national Faculty Development Programme (FDP) on Research Writing and Publication" organized by St Joseph's College of Commerce, Bengaluru on August 10 and 11, 2021.

She attended a five-day online FDP on

Building & Sustaining Comptenece - Corporate Management, Law & Practice organized by the Department of Commerce, Commerce CA & Corporate Secretaryship of Kongu Arts and Science College (Autonomous) in association with ICSI Coimbatore Chapter from August 2-6, 2021.

She participated in a national-level fiveday online FDP titled 'Strategies for Investing in Stock Market' from July 26-30, 2021, organized by Faculty Research Cell – Samshodhana, School of Commerce, JAIN (Deemed-to-be-University), Bangalore, in association with Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI).

She participated in a week-long FDP on Emergence of Blockchain Technology and Cryptocurrencies from August 9 - 14, 2021, organized by the Institute of Information Technology and Management.

She was part of the organizing committee for national-level FDP series 2 on Research Methodology and Statistical Data Analysis through SPSS held from September 2-4, 2021 organized by the School of Commerce and Management, St. Joseph's College.

She participated in a two-day national-level Virtual Yen- Symposium on Understanding the Rise of The New Normal Era in Education (COVID-19) on August 17 and 18, 2021.

She participated in the international research summit AVLOKAN 2021 titled 'Redefining Social Responsibility and Ethical Leadership' from August 2-10, 2021, organized by Faculty Research Cell Gyanidhi & SRDC – Vidhyanidhi, CMS, JAIN (Deemed-to-be-University).

She participated in the nationallevel webinar on Turn Challenges into Opportunities organized by PG Department of Commerce (CA), Marudhar Kesari Jain College for Women, Vaniyambadi on July 24, 2021.

She attended a national-level webinar on Personal Branding held on May 29, 2021, organized by St. Claret Institute of Management, Bengaluru.

She presented a paper titled "ICT: The Catalyst in Teaching-Learning Process –

A Teacher's Perspective" at the one-day National Multi-Disciplinary E-Conference 2021 organized by Vidyabharti Trust College of BBA & BCA, Umrakh, on August 28, 2021.

She participated in the international FDP Hands-OAn MOODLE organized by Alumni Association Anubhanda of SJR college for Women from June 7-9, 2021.

She participated in a three-day national-level FDP on the topic Role of Faculty in Moulding Students held from May 24-26, 2021, organized by HKBK Degree College, Bengaluru.

She was part of the organizing committee for the national-level Faculty Development programme on Research Methodology in Commerce and Management held from May 27-28, 2021, organized by the School of Commerce and Management, St. Joseph's College (Autonomous).

She participated in the 22nd edition of the online national-level faculty study circle on the topic Innovative Teaching Strategies for Digital Natives - Gen Z held from May 26-21, 2021, by Sivananda Sarma Memorial College

She participated in the two-day national-level online workshop on Reference Management and Research Visibility organized by Sivananda Sarma Memorial College on May 6 and 7, 2021.

She participated in the state-level online workshop on Intellectual Property Rights organized by the Department of English in association with the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) on Monday, July 19, 2021.

She participated in the national-level conference on Digitalization in Banking and Financial Institutions - Opportunities and Challenges organized by The Department of Commerce & Management of St. Paul's College in collaboration with SBI Officers Association(K), Bengaluru Circle, on July 8, 2021.

She published a paper titled "Incorporating the New Normal in Human Resource Post Covid-19 And Thereafter – HR Morning" in International Journal of All Research Education & Scientific Methods, (IJARESM), ISSN No: 2455-6211, Volume

9, Issue 6, June - 2021.

She published a paper titled "The Role of ICT in Teaching and Learning with Special Reference to Indian Education System: -A Narrative Review of the Literature" in Turkish Online Journal of Qualitative Inquiry (TOJQI)Volume 12, Issue 8, July 2021: 2132-2143.

She participated in a national conference on New Vistas of Teaching, Training, and Learning (NVTTL-2021) organized by the Department of Education, Invertis University from August 6-7, 2021.

Ms. Thejaswini Balaji

Ms. Thejaswini Balaji attended a two-day national Faculty Development Programme(FDP) on Research Writing and Publication organized by St Joseph's College of Commerce, Bengaluru on August 10 and 11 2021.

She participated in a five-day internationallevel FDP on Experimental Teaching -Corporate Cognizance organized by the Department of Commerce with Business Process Services in Association with Tata Consultancy Services from August 9-13, 2021.

She participated in the international research summit AVLOKAN 2021 titled 'Redefining Social Responsibility and Ethical Leadership' from August 2-10, 2021, organized by Faculty Research Cell Gyanidhi & SRDC – Vidhyanidhi, CMS, JAIN (Deemed-to-be-University).

She attended a webinar on 'BMC -Business Model Canvas' held on June 18, 2021, organized by the Mount Carmel College Centre for Innovation, Incubation, and Entrepreneurship (MCCIIE).

She participated in a two-day online Faculty Development programme on Capital Markets conducted jointly by NSE Academy and Bharathiyar University on June 22 and 23, 2021.

She participated in the international FDP Hands-on MOODLE organized by Alumni Association Anubhanda of SJR college for Women from June 7-9, 2021.

She participated in a three-day national-level FDP on the topic Role of Faculty

in Moulding Students held from May 24-26, 2021, organized by HKBK Degree College, Bengaluru.

She participated in the national-level FDP on Research Methodology in Commerce and Management held from May 27-28, 2021, organized by the School of Commerce and Management, St. Joseph's College (Autonomous).

She participated in a week-long international workshop on How to Write a Quality Research Article jointly organized by Sri Vidya Mandir Arts & Science College, Uthangarai, Christ University Bengaluru, and Jyothi Engineering College, Thrissur, from May 24-30, 2021.

She participated in a national-level symposium on Reinventing and Integrating the New Era of Management and Media Practices on May 21, 2021, conducted by CMS, JAIN (Deemed-to-be University), Bengaluru.

She participated in the 22nd edition of the online national-level faculty study circle on the topic Innovative Teaching Strategies for Digital Natives - Gen Z held from May 26-27, 2021, by Sivananda Sarma Memorial College.

She participated in a one-week international virtual workshop Spectrum 2021 on Research Paradigms held from May 3-8, 2021, organized by St Francis College, Bengaluru.

Ms. Raj Kiran C A

Ms. Raj Kiran C A has participated in a two-day national-level online workshop on Reference Management and Research Visibility organized by Sivananda Sarma Memorial College on May 6 and 7, 2021.

She was a resource person in Maharani Lakshmi Ammani College on the topic 'Creating Awareness about COVID-19 and being a Social Entrepreneur' on July 10, 2021.

She participated in the Tour of Andaman Edition 2 — Charity Rider for Iksha Foundation from September 25, 2021, to October 1, 2021, and raised money for eye cancer in children.

Ms. Grace Prerana

Ms. Grace Prerana participated and presented a paper in a two-day virtual international conference on Enhancing Teaching Competencies through Professional Ethics conducted by St. Joseph's College of Commerce held on October 7, 8 2021.

Mr. Prabhudev BC

Mr. Prabhudev BC was invited to train Deputy Commissioners and Commercial tax officers on communication skills and processes, personality development, and work ethics, on November 26, 2021.

He was invited as a resource person for training officers from the department of Karnataka State Audit & Accounts Department (KSA & AD) by Fiscal Policy Institute, Government of Karnataka on September 17, 2021.

Ms. Sushmitha Vincent Chemmannoor

Ms. Sushmitha Vincent Chemmannoor attended a seven-day national-level Faculty Development Programme on Changing Business Environment and Contemporary Management Techniques held from October 21 - 27, 2021, by the Post Graduate Department of Commerce, St. Joseph's College of Commerce.

She was part of the organizing committee for a national-level conference on Chances, Concerns and challenges in commerce held on November 10 and 11, 2021, organized by Department of Commerce, St. Joseph's College.

She participated in a one-day national webinar on Insurance Industry in Pandemic Times – Present and Future organized by the Department of Professional Accounting and Finance, Kristu Jayanti College (Autonomous), Bengaluru, on September 25, 2021.

Mr. Sathyanarayana R

Mr. Sathyanarayana R participated in a five-day Faculty Development Programme on Basics of Research, Parametric and Non-Parametric Statistics, Regression

and Exploratory Factor Analysis conducted by Delhi College of Technology and Management from September 27, 2021, to October 1, 2021.

Student Achievements

Professional Courses

CA - The CA results for the inter group and foundation exams that were conducted in July 2021 were released in September 2021. The following students cleared the examination:

Devraj Soni - 19BCOM54036 from III BCom D

Ganesh N - 19BCOM53068 from III BCom C

The following students cleared their foundation exam:

Tejel Suryakumar - 20BCOMC021 of II BCom C

Keerthana S - 20BCOMA040 of II BCom A

Muskan Ranjan - 19BCOM54088 of III BCom D

Priyanshi Ranjan - 21BCOMA24 of I BCom A

ACCA- The various levels of ACCA exam were conducted in September 2021 and 18 of our students from III BCom IFA have cleared their papers.

Ain Masoomeh Mirza - 19IFA56023 Reesha Cyriac - 19IFA56036 Shawn Samuel Saji - 19IFA56045 Mohammed Salman - 19IFA56063 Bushra Khanam - 19IFA56060 Neha Janet - 19IFA56076 Hritik Ramachandran - 19IFA56037 Soundharya R - 19IFA5606 Tanushka R Prasad - 19IFA56055 K Pratheek Medappa - 19IFA56025 Shaheem Ibrahim - 19IFA56034 Sourav Shrimal - 19IFA56052, **Dhun D** - 19IFA56020 Adriel Aaron Alemao - 19IFA56015 Abel Thomas - 19IFA56038 Mohamed Hashim Sait - 19IFA56072 Merin Jismon - 19IFA56033

CS - Seven of our students have cleared the CS executive level exam that was conducted in May, July, and November

Arya Jayarajan KJ - 19IFA56009

Sandisha B - 19BCOM51010 of III BCom A (May 2021)

Kashika B - 19BCOM51002 of III BCom A (July 2021)

R Mehak - 21BCOMA10 of I BCom A Vyssa Sre M - 21BPS09 pf I BCom BPS Astha Tripathi-21BCOMC49 of I BCom C

Madhumita A - 21BCOMA26 of I BCom A

Surabhi Bose of III BBA A cleared the CSET exam from the Institute of Companies Secretaries of India on May 20, 2021.

Cultural

Dhun D, 19IFA56020 of III BCom IFA took part in the international fest Origo 2021 held at Marian Institute of Management on October 9, 2021, and secured first place as the Best Management Team. Dhun also took part in the international UN Fest organised by M.O.P Vaishnav College for Women on October 18, 2021, and secured second place in Actzilla.

Shreya Ann Thomas, 19BCOM54074, and Tanvi Deepak, 19BCOM54073 of III BCom D took part in the International Fest Origo 2021 held at Marian Institute of Management on October 9, 2021, and secured first place as the Best Management Team.

Keerthi Baghel, 20BCOMD052, of II BCom D took part in the International Fest Origo 2021 organised by Marian Institute of Management on October 9, 2021, and secured third place in Empregado.

Nikhil Jena M, 19BCOM51061, and Rajesh G, 19BCOM51050, of II BCom A took part in the intercollegiate fest at St. Paul's College on June 23, 2021, and secured second place in Biz Interrogate.

Ashwina, 20IFA025, of II BCom IFA took part in the intercollegiate fest Academica at Mount Carmel College on October 11, 2021, and secured second place in Whose Earth is it anyway?

Likitha N G, 20BPS020, of II BCom BPS took part in the intercollegiate fest at Jyoti Nivas College (Autonomous) on October 27, 2021, and secured second place in poster competition.

Niranjan HN, 20MCOM12, of II MCom has secured first place in intercollegiate debate competition organised by M S Ramaiah Institute of Management.

Niranjan HN, 20MCOM12, Amrutha Somashekar, 20MCOM01, and Muskaan Taya of II MCom has secured first place in Best App Design and Marketing Strategy at XIBATE 21 Management Meet organised by Xavier Institute of Business Administration.

Cynthiya Maria Money of I BBA Strategic Finance was awarded the India Star Icon Achiever Award in a national-level cultural event organized by The National Academy of Art Education held on July 10, 2021.

Vishal Kumar Choudhary of I BBA B secured first place in the event Earthy Judgement at Academicia, an intercollegiate fest organised by the Human Development Association of MCC on October 11, 2021.

Shubashree of III BBA A secured first place in Street Play at Stauros, an intercollegiate CSA fest organized by Mount Carmel College (Autonomous) on October 29, 2021.

Shoumik Anand Mehta of II BBA B won first place in Picturesque at a national-level inter-collegiate fest named Aghasya organised by St. Joseph's College of Commerce (Autonomous) held on September 25, 2021.

Shailvi Singh and **Shoumik Anand Mehta** of II BBA B secured first place in Biz Plat at LEADVISION, a national-level inter-collegiate fest hosted by St Paul's College on July 23, 2021.

Nitesh Kumar Tiwari of II BBA B secured third place in Forte at Qruiz Beez, a national-level inter-collegiate fest organised by St. Joseph's College of Commerce (Autonomous) on October 30, 2021.

Shailvi Singh of II BBA B secured first place in Digital Poster Design in a national-level fest named IGNATIUS, organised by St.Joseph's College (Autonomous) held on July 23, 2021.

Other Achievements

Aldo A Clement, 20BCOMD057, of II BCom D was awarded as Youngest to direct a short film by India and Asia Book of records on July 7, 2021.

The students of III BBA A organized and actively took part in the Clean the Lake drive on September 24, 2021, at Kothanur Lake, a humble initiative keeping up with the ideals of St. Joseph's College.



Vinay Kumar Reddy G, 21BCOMB33, of I BCom B was awarded the Best Player award by Indian Muay Thai Organisation, in the Eighth South National Muay Thai Championship on November 28, 2021.

Vedansh Prashanth Reddiyar of I BCom D section won the FSA AITA CS& U18 Tennis championship at Fortune Sports Academy.

Sports Achievements

S Pradeep of II year BBA B won a silver medal in the national-level BasketBall Tournament organized by Kishan Dalsaniya from July 23-25, 2021. He also won the silver medal in an international-level BasketBall Tournament by Pradip Raut from September 2-6, 2021.

Paper Presentations

Niranjan HN and Amrutha Somashekar of II MCom presented a paper titled "Digital Payments in Inida: Evolution & Progress" in the national-level conference 'Recent Trends in Commerce and Management', organised by Christ College, Rajkot, on September 24, 2021.

Sahana VS and **Pavithra A** of II MCom presented a paper titled "A study on the influence of social network on online purchasing behavior of consumers" in the national-level conference 'Recent

Trends in Commerce and Management', organised by Christ College, Rajkot, on September 24, 2021.

Athira Santhosh and Sheen Thomas of II MCom presented a paper titled "Effectiveness of Social Media Marketing Among Youngsters" in the national-level conference 'Recent Trends in Commerce

and Management', organised by Christ College, Rajkot, on September 24, 2021.

Chaitanya Patil and Nimish Bhardwaj of II MCom presented a paper titled "An empirical study on the impact of performance appraisal of the employees on their retention in Bengaluru IT Industry" in the national-level conference on Entrepreneurship & Marketing Orientation in the New Global Era, organised by St. Francis De Sales College on June 15, 2021. Students received the Best Paper award.

Reshika HG of II MCom presented a paper titled "An Understanding on Digitalization of Human Resources Management in Bengaluru" in the national-level conference on Entrepreneurship & Marketing Orientation in the New Global Era, organised by St. Francis De Sales College on June 15, 2021.



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Staff Achievements

Research and Publications

A.M. Bojamma and B. S. Chandra Sekar published a paper on "Performance Analysis of Two Novel Convolutional Neural Network Models for Automated Leaf Identification" in the Turkish Journal of Physiotherapy and Rehabilitation-International with ISSN 2021 2651-4451.

A.M. Bojamma and **B. S. Chandra Sekar** published a paper on "Machine Learning and CNN based Deep Learning Approaches for Automated Floral Diversity Identification of the Western Ghats Region" in Turkish Journal of Physiotherapy and Rehabilitation-International.

Dr.B.G.Prasanthi published a paper on "Energy Efficient Secure Hybrid Bioinspired Congestion Control Mechanism in Wireless Sensor Networks" in International Journal of Computer Science and Engineering with ISSN: 2021 0976-5166.

Dr.B.G.Prasanthi published a paper on "Design of Bio-based Approach in Wireless Sensor Networks " in International Journal of Computer Science and Engineering with ISSN: 2021 0976-5166

Dr.Puneeth Kumar published a paper on "Deep Learning based Remote Sensing Technique for Environmental Parameter Retrieval and Data Fusion from Physical Models" in the Journal of Geoscience Indexed in :Web of Science, SCIE, Scopus with ISSN: 1742-6596 1866-7511 indexed in: SCIE, Web of Science (WOS), Scopus (Springer Publications).

Dr.Puneeth Kumar published a paper on "Smart Villages: IoT Technology based Transformation" in the Journal of Physics with ISSN: 1742-6596, Scopus, Scimago.



Dr.Puneeth Kumar published a paper on "Detection of Cyber Security Threats Using lot Deep Learning" in The Design Engineering with ISSN: 0011-9342, Scopus, Scimago.

Ms. Mrinmoyee published a paper on "A Self Adaptive New Crossover Operator to Improve the Efficiency of the Genetic Algorithm" in the Journal of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, Scopus & WOS with ISSN 2502-4752.

Ms. Mrinmoyee published a paper on "Email Spam Filtering Using Naïve Baye's Classifier Method " in the International Journal of Innovative Research in Computer and Communication Engineering UGC with ISSN:2320-9801.

Ms. Mrinmoyee published a paper on "Malware Classification Using Deep Learning" in IJIRCCE, UGC with ISSN:2320-9798.

Dr.B.Nithya published a paper on "Hybrid Approach of Genetic Algorithm and Differential Evolution in WSN Localization" at an international conference on Innovative Computing, Intelligent Communication and Electrical System, 2021, Scopus, WOS.

Dr.B.Nithya published a paper on "Optimized Anchor-based Localization using Bat Optimization Algorithm" at International Conference on Innovative Computing, Intelligent Communication and Electrical System, 2021 Scopus, WOS.

Mr. Selwyn Paul presented a paper on "A study on MD5 using SQL injection" in a Computer Science Symposium National 2021, cerno:SRS271005.

Other Achievements

Dr. B Nithya has been invited as PMIST-CSA-Department Advisory Committee on August 28, 2021, to discuss on MCA Curriculum and Syllabus - Regulation 2020, valued added courses at Periyar Maniammai University, Coimbatore.

Dr.B.G.Prasanthi has been invited as PMIST-CSA-Department Advisory Committee on August 28, 2021, to discuss on MCA Curriculum and Syllabus - Regulation 2020, valued added courses at Periyar Maniammai University, Coimbatore.

DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Inauguration of the student sports committee

The Department of Physical Education held the inauguration at 3:30 pm on Saturday November 13, 2021. The Chief Guest was Dr. Syed Habeeb Pasha, HOD Hazel Mary Raju, St. Joseph's college (Autonomous). The Chief Guest addressed the gathering and the badge ceremony was done by the dignitaries to Meghana P (President), Pushparaj M (Vice President), (General Secretaries) - Anush J, Sameera Maryam and, Augustine Raj J, (Treasurers) - Kushee M Jain, Vignesh. K, Event manager Anush P.G , Daniel J Thomas and, Chandan S (Documentation Heads) - Adhir Barman , Lalith Raj , Shyril Mathias and, Sumukh C.M , (Media Heads) - Ambika Gupta , Suhas Ebenezer, Sharath Shrivasthav and, Varshitha Gowda followed by the oath taking along with Guru Shashtri and Andriya Berchet sports secretaries. A glimpse of the sports committee and departmental activities were then displayed though a video.



The former Student Sports Committee members were felicitated. All the present sport students were oriented about the activities of the department along with the rules and regulations. A tribute was given to the late Puneeth Rajkumar. The event ended successfully along with the vote of thanks and the national Anthem. Refreshments were served to the students present at the end of the program.









Mr. Sangappa and Mr. Santhosh were Runnersup for Teacher's Day at Gopalan Sports Center



Bembala Covid Relief





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NCC

COVID-19 Volunteering

The cadets of 1 KAR ARMD SQD NCC TP-3 took up the responsibility to volunteer at St Joseph's College (Autonomous) during these uncertain and tragic times. The college was converted into a 100-bed covid care center for the asymptomatic patients for the past few months. A total of 7 cadets were divided into two groups that split up as the morning and evening shift. The two-morning shift cadets work from 6:30 am till 1:30 pm before passing on the duty to the 5 evening shift cadets who continue the work from 1:30 pm to 9:30 pm. The cadets helped with serving, packaging, and arranging meals for the staff, volunteers, and patients. They also assisted with transporting material within the college campus and supporting other volunteers. The cadets did not compromise their safety at any point in time and none of them were assigned duties that involved direct contact with a patient. All the cadet volunteers had been vaccinated and they took up the duty with the consent of their parents.

Ration Distrubution

On May 28, 2021 cadet Nayana Chandrika of 1 KAR ARMD SQD NCC TP-3 under the guidance of Associate NCC Officer, Lieutenant Akshay D Mandlik took up the responsibility of collaborating with a recognized NGO. Our Youth Social Community(OYSC) and initiated a drive to facilitate provisioning of ration to families of about 100 plus industrial workers in Vijayawada. Cadet Nayana helped with distribution of ration bags consisting of food commodities by collecting donations through the NGO. Sri Ranag Nadudu, Sub Inspector ,Patamat attended the event. All the required covid protocols were maintained. This act was also acknowledged by many local news media. Lieutenant Akshay D Mandlik and Company Junior under Officer (CJUO) Ankitha KV were thanked by the OYSC's management for their contribution.

Telecommunication Volunteering

14 cadets of 1 KAR ARMD SQN took part in providing telecommunication services from May 30, 2021. The project titled 'The Ants Project' was conducted in association with Bangalore West Rotaract Club. The cadets were assigned contacts on a daily basis regarding oxygen leads, hospitals, ambulance services, teleconsultation for COVID, home testing services, burial, and cremation. They were required to call and verify each contact before entering the details on the project sheet which was then shared with people in need of the services.

World Environment Day

World environment day was celebrated on June 5, 2021 to encourage awareness and protect our environment. Cadets of 1 KAR ARMD SQN TP-3 took part in planting saplings in their neighbourhood and spreading awareness on environment conservation. This year cadets focused their efforts on addressing environment issues through making videos and uploading them on various social media platforms. The videos were centred on causes and prevention of pollution, planting saplings to spread greenery, measures to preserve environment, and also about Ganga action plan in India.

International Yoga Day

The seventh international yoga day was celebrated on June 21, 2021 and the cadets of 1 KAR ARMD SQN TP-3 took part in the same, celebrating the Indian art of healthy living. The theme for this year was "Yoga for wellness." The online session that took place on June 18, 2021 at 8:30 am enlightened the cadets with the benefits of the various asanas and mediation styles. On June 21, the cadets actively participated by doing yoga with their family and friends. The videos taken were uploaded on social media with #nccforyoga to spread awareness regarding the benefits of yoga.

EBSB (PHASE VIII)

Cadet Nayana, representing the 1 KAR ARMD SQN, TP 3 Bangalore B in the EBSB Camp (Phase eight), which took place between the UP Directorate (host) and the Karnataka and Goa Directorate

(Guest) from July 26 to July 31, 2021. The theme of the camp was "Kargil War." The annual camp for national integration is conducted between paired states to foster a sense of unity and nationalism amongst the participating NCC cadets and familiarization with the paired states. It was an online camp, owing to the ongoing global pandemic, which educated the cadets of the both directorates regarding each other's culture, history, festivals, and cuisines. Debate on 'Role of Youth in Security of the Nation', quiz on cultures, and history of the states also took place as well. The Exchange Participants Association (EXPA) program, conducted on July 30, 2021 as a part of the camp, was a successful event where the cadets learned about critical thinking, time management, gender neutrality, and gender bias.

Online Disaster Awareness

Sri Sathva Seva Organisation, Karnataka organised a webinar on online disaster awareness through Microsoft teams. The whole webinar took place for 3 days from August 2 to August 6, 2021. Brother Raj Kumar started the first day with an introduction and brother Mohan Shayam briefed the participants about the basic equipment's required for disaster management such as fire hooks, rubber tubes, and first aid boxes. The second day was about knots used to attach a rope to a ring, hook, anchor, and other objects. Mohan Shyam Sundar covered the topic "General rescue and water rescue techniques" on the third day. Captain Vatchav Kumar gave an inspirational speech on the importance of knowledge in disaster management. Participants gave their feedback towards the end. Brother Raj Kumar concluded the webinar by expressing his gratitude towards the speakers and participants of the webinar.

INDEPENDENCE DAY VIRTUAL RUN

A 5 km Independence day virtual run was conducted from August 12 to August 15, 2021. Our co-cadets of 1 KAR ARMD SQN NCC TP-3 GP-B took part in this run which was titled as 'Decathlon.' This event was conducted to uphold the unity of our nation. The cadets ran 5 km which they recorded on a GPS app, like strava, and shared the screenshot of the same once they completed the run. After completing

the 5 km run and uploading of the screenshot, all the participants received a digital certificate.

WEBINAR ON NATIONAL INTEGRATION

On August 14, 2021 a webinar on the importance of national integration on nation building was conducted by the 1 KAR ARMD SQN NCC TP-3 GP-B GP. The chief guest of the webinar was

Mrs. Vasanti Amitabha Dey, a post graduate English teacher for the past 35 years at the prestigious Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan. The webinar began at 4:00 pm and was concluded by 5:25 pm. All the cadets along with the Associated NCC Officer, Lieutenant Akshay D Mandlik and the Officer in Command Colonel Ajit Nambair took part in the webinar. Lieutenant Akshay D Mandlik gave the introductory speech followed by a brief introduction of the chief guest, Mrs Vasanti, who then took over the webinar to discuss the definition, aims, and importance of national integration for promoting social harmony and increasing economic growth. This was followed by a very interactive question and answer session where cadets cleared doubts and expressed their views on National Integration. The webinar was concluded with a vote of thanks to the dignitaries and to all the cadets who took part in the event.

SADBHAVANA DAY

On August 20, 2021 at 11:30 am, Sadbhavana Day was celebrated where cadets of 1 KAR ARMD SQN actively participated and took their pledge. This day is observed to encourage national integration, peace, affection, and communal harmony among Indians of all religions. The cadets took their pledge through a virtual platform.

EBSB

Cadet Livencee Marandi attended EBSB phase 9 which was conducted from August 23 to August 28, 2021. The camp was conducted through an online platform, from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm. The cadets of Karnataka and Goa along with those of the UP directorate took part in various activities like cultural programs, debate and quiz competition. On the last two days of the camp, an EXPA session

was held where cadets learned about necessary and valuable lessons of life.

I PRE RDC SELECTIONS CAMP

Six Cadets of 1 KAR ARMD SQN NCC TP-3 three Senior Division cadets and three Senior Wing cadets, attended the first pre RDC selections camp at Brindavan group of institutions, Yelahanka, Bangalore. It was conducted by the ninth Karnataka Battalion from September 21 to September 30, 2021. They took part in various activities like sports, drill, and the best cadet competition.

WEBINAR ON LIFE AS AN IPS OFFICER

On October 10, 2021 a webinar on life as an IPS officer was conducted by the 1 KAR ARMD SQN NCC TP-3 GP-B GP. The chief guest of the webinar was Shri. Abdul Ahad Puthige an IPS officer of Karnataka cadre. He is currently posted as SP Administration, Anti-Corruption Bureau Bangalore. The webinar started at 5:00 pm and was concluded by 6:00 pm. All the cadets along with the Associated NCC Officer, Lieutenant. Akshay D Mandlik took part in the webinar. The webinar began with an introductory speech by Lieutenant. Akshay D Mandlik followed by a brief introduction of the chief guest who then took over the webinar to discuss about civil services exams. The chief quest made his speech interesting by narrating his life experiences in both his career and as a student. He also briefly introduced books related to competitive exams. This was followed by an interactive question and answer session where cadets cleared doubts and expressed their views on UPSC. The webinar was concluded with a vote of thanks to all the dignitaries including the officer in command, Ajit Nambiar and the principal of St. Joseph's College (Autonomous) Dr. Fr. Victor Lobo. and to all the cadets who attended the webinar.

FOOD DISTRIBUTION DRIVE

On October 17, 2021 five Senior Division cadets and two Senior Wing cadets of 1 KAR ARMD SQN TP-3 GP-B took part in the Food Distribution Drive. The cadets have distributed more than 70 food packets around Indian Christian Cemetery, Shanthi Nagar, and Bangalore. The drive was conducted in collaboration

with the Rotaract Bangalore West as a part of their 'Huner Driving Away Project.' The cadets reached the cemetery at 3:00 pm where they collected the food packets that contained pulao and distributed it to the needy around the cemetery. They then continued the drive inside the cemetery and also interacted with the people. The importance of food, the current position of hunger in India, and various other topics on food and waste management were discussed. The food drive concluded around 4:30 pm. 1 KAR ARMD SQN TP-3 was appreciated by the Rotaract Bangalore West for volunteering in the food drive. The cadets also took a pledge not to waste food and give their contribution in improving India.

EBSB

Cadet Senior Officer Ankitha KV attended the Phase 11 of the EBSB camp from October 18 to October 23, 2021. The six day camp was conducted on an online mode and took place from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm every day. Cadets from Karnataka and Goa directorates along with those of the Punjab, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh and Chandigarh directorates took part in the camp. They participated in the various activities during this camp which ranged from presentations, workshops, poetry recitations, quizzes etc.

CLEANLINESS DRIVE

On October 25, 2021, three Senior Division (SD) cadets and six Senior Wing (SW) cadets of 1 KAR ARMD SQN TP-3 GP-B organized a cleanliness drive as a part of the "Clean India" programme issued by the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports. The drive began around 7:00 am at St. Joseph's College (Autonomous) and continued around the Karnataka State Hockey Stadium in Bangalore. The cadets actively involved themselves in cleaning the waste by picking up garbage and disposable plastic. They interacted and discussed the importance of keeping one's city clean with the neighbourhood residents along with briefing them about the various eco-friendly garbage disposal methods. The cadets collected 7 kg of garbage. All the necessary sanitary precautions which include wearing masks and gloves were taken throughout the drive. The cleanliness drive took place for one hour and the cadets returned to college by 8:00 am.

II PRE RDC SELECTIONS CAMP

On October 28, 2021 Pre RDC-2 Selections camp was conducted by the ninth Karnataka Battalion. Six Senior Dvision cadets and three Senior Wing cadets of 1 KAR ARMD SQN TP-3 GRP-B actively participated in the camp. The camp was held at Brindavan institute of Engineering, Yelahanka, Bangalore. The camp period was about ten days from October 18 to October 28, 2021.













NSS

Importance of vaccination - May 10, 2021

The National Service Scheme - Wing 1 took part in a program on the importance of vaccination which was held on May 10, 2021 through Microsoft teams. The event witnessed around 140 participants. The webinar threw light on the importance of taking the vaccine and staying home and following the necessary covid protocols. The organizer, Dr. Bhavana, started off by explaining the importance of covid-19 vaccine for the healthcare care workers as well as the general public. She sought to spread awareness about the merits, side-effects and the effectiveness of the vaccination. She then spoke about what SARS CoV2 is and how it was declared as a pandemic in March 2020. She also presented the vaccination status of the entire world and compared it to that of India.

The types of different vaccines were talked about in brief. Covishield and Covaxin are the most commonly used vaccines in India. Covaxin was developed by Hyderabad-based Bharat Biotech International Ltd in association with the Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) and the National Institute of Virology (NIV). Covishield was developed by the Oxford-AstraZeneca and is being manufactured by the Serum Institute of India (SII). The fast development of the SARS vaccine, its reliability, effectiveness on humans and universality of the same were also discussed. The development stages of the vaccine were also explained, along with the role of antigens and antibodies. The purpose of the vaccine was also made clear- which is meant not to stop the transmission but to boost the person's immunity and reduce the severity of the infection.

The webinar then moved forward to the question-and-answer session where questions pertaining to the side effects, time gap between the doses and precautions to be taken at home were answered by the speaker.

International Nurses day – May 12, 2021

The National Sevice Scheme - Wing 1 attended an event on the international nurse's day which was on May 12, 2021. The event was conducted over Microsoft teams with 110 attendees. The organizer, an NSS program officer, MS Namrata Devulkar started out by talking about what exactly the covid virus is, and talked about its origin. After that, she went on to talk about the vaccines, the two types of vaccines that is being used currently in India. She broke some of the prevalent myths about the vaccines that are being used, and also gave information on the side effects that the vaccine produces. Then she went on to talk about the primal procedures on the production of the vaccines and also told that it was safe to use them.

Ms Namrata further mentioned that even if people get the two dosages of vaccines, they can still be prone to getting infected by strains of covid that have mutated and can overcome the vaccine. Although, the vaccine does provide us protection from the strains that it can kill therefore it is still important to maintain distance, wear masks and sanitize frequently. She also spoke about the home quarantined patients. What the symptoms of these patients were, how are they managing it, how the government was keeping a check on these patients, what are the requirements in order for a person to be home guarantined? and so on. She also showed a list of the symptoms and how badly it could affect people. After this, the question-and-answer session commenced where ma'am patiently answered the questions that were asked by the volunteers. The session ended with the vote of thanks that was given by a fellow volunteer.

Yoga and Meditation - May 17, 2021

On May 17, 2021 the webinar on association activity was held with around 109 participants mainly the members of the National Service Scheme – Wing 1. The event started off with a small video presentation on the importance of yoga along with its benefits. The organizer was the vice-principal & Head of the Department of Psychology and Mass Media at Maharishi Dayanand College, Ms.Sundari who began her interactive talk by talking about the power of meditation. She talked about the importance of being

mindful and being fully aware of the present moment: Meditation can give one a sense of calm, peace and balance that can benefit both one's emotional well-being and overall health. She talked about the different types of meditation and the manner in which they are carried out.

Transcendental Meditation is a simple, natural technique that allows one's body to settle into a state of profound rest and relaxation and the mind to achieve a state of inner peace, without needing to use concentration or effort. Mindfulness meditation is having an increased awareness and acceptance of living in the present moment. In mindfulness meditation, one broadens their conscious awareness

The volunteers were then engaged in a relaxing 20-minute guided meditation. The session ended with a question-and-answer session where questions pertaining to the implementation of yoga, usage of crystals and ways to imbibe yoga into one's life were answered.



Human Rights Discourse: Reprisals on HRD's and Journalists in Current India – May 29, 2021

On May 29, 2021 an association activity was conducted for the National Service Scheme through Microsoft teams. The event had around 65 participants. The speaker for the session was Ms. Meha Khanduri, , Master of International Affairs from School of International Affairs (SIPA) at Columbia University in New York City, with specialization in Human Rights and Ethnic Conflict. Experienced at Project management in human rights orgs, journalism and training workshops. She talked about what human rights are and why they are necessary - all human beings are born free and equal in dignity and rights. The interactive session involved volunteers giving their perspective of what they thought human rights are. Volunteers also spoke about who they think gives these rights and who get them. This

discussion focused on important aspects such as whether or not terrorists, dictators and genocides should be entitled to these rights and whether these rights could be taken away.

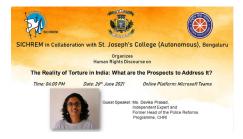
The session concluded with an analysis onto why reprisals occur. Ms. Khanduri stressed on how one is free to oppose the government and criticize its policies.

Questions regarding protests and its effects were posed by volunteers that were answered by the speaker.

Human Rights Discourse on the reality of torture in India: What are the prospects to address it? – June 26, 2021

On June 26, 2021 an association activity was conducted for the National Service Scheme - Wing 1 through Microsoft Teams. Around 40 participants attended the event. The session began with the speaker, Ms. Devika Prasad's brief overview of the webinar's agenda which was to involve certain law terms and understand the context of torture in the same. Through a simple and easy to understand PPT, ways of approaching the legal system for a victim of torture were explained. She talked about how torture in India is refereed o as a public secret which means that the society knows the reality of torture but is in denial of it. It was concluded that, for a long time now, the culture of custodial torture has been prevalent in Indian prisons and a strong legislation would act as the mode of deterrence and will make the prisons safer for the accused.

The webinar then proceeded onto the question-and-answer session, where questions pertaining to war, torture, implementation of an anti-torture law, and plight of innocents were discussed by the speaker.



Blood Donation Camp – September 3, 2021

National Service Scheme wing -1 of St. Joseph's College had organized a Blood Donation Camp at St. Martha's Hospital Bangalore, on September 3, 2021. The camp started at 11:30 am with a team of 22 members, which included seven female donors, and fifteen male donors. All the 22 people who came forward, were eligible to donate blood. Tests were done to identify their eligibility, before actual donation, which also helped all donors to know the status of their health.

All donors were treated with excellent care before and after donating. Refreshments were provided to all donors. Those donors who felt dizzy after the procedure were taken care of, immediately by the team.

Orientation Program – September 13, 2021

The event was an opportunity for volunteers to figure out how things work at their organization and meet different individuals just as workforce and staff individuals. National Service Scheme of St. Joseph's College had organized a virtual orientation program, on September 13, 2021. The event started at 05:00 pm with over 400 attendees. An important aspect of the orientation program was to make students accustomed to the organization's surroundings and workings. It also introduced them to the basics of the organization including its objectives, qualities, strategies, and figuring out how to play out the work including the important abilities and information for a specific Self-character, assumptions. mental self-portrait, and inspiration were few things discussed with the volunteers through an elaborate presentation by the Program Officer, Professor Selwyn Paul J.

International Democracy day - September 15, 2021

National Service Scheme of St. Joseph's College had organized a webinar on the importance of democracy, on September 15, 2021. The event started at 05:00 pm with 480 attendees. This was done in order to enlighten the volunteers to know more about democracy which helps with understanding the rights of each individual. Ms. Brinda Adige an activist, pioneer, was the guest speaker. She spoke about the need for democracy, a self-evaluation questionnaire of Democracy, and included

a talk about fundamental rights. The concept of deliberation and negotiation with regard to democratic norms in society was focused upon.

"Did I utilize my power of voting?" and "Did someone else cast my vote?" were few questions discussed to know if the government is accountable.

Vaccination Drive - September 17, 2021

A successful vaccination drive was conducted on September 17, 2021 where Covi-shield vaccine was given (Both I and II dose) to students, parents, and teachers. A token system was followed to organize the vaccination drive through which discipline was achieved for social distancing and other covid norms. Around three to four separate classrooms were arranged for the proceedings, which included waiting rooms, vaccination rooms, and observation rooms. Those getting vaccinated would first register themselves on the cowin portal and then were given a token, following which the doctors would vaccinate them and send them to the observation room for a specific period of time.

Four BBMP officials arrived with their doctor's team to help us with the process and a separate set-up of the team was arranged for registration, token distribution, token collection, and finally an observation team. With the help of Dr Isaac C B, The unit successfully vaccinated more than 1300+ people.

Sign Language event – September 18, 2021

National Service Scheme of St. Joseph's College celebrated the sign language day by creating awareness of the importance of sign language in the full realization of the human rights of people who are deaf and dumb. While gesture-based communications are fundamentally unique in relation to communication in language, they are undeniable regular dialects too. The Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities recognises and energises the utilization of gesture-based communications and perceives them to be equivalent in status to be communicated in dialects. The seminar began with a welcome speech followed by which the guest speaker of the event

Ms. Akhila M briefed the volunteers about the importance of learning sign language and shared her experience about how she and her team are spreading awareness with their organization which is known as Miles ahead. About 60 sign languages were covered in the session where the demonstrator made sure each volunteer present learns them. Ms. Shruthi R. the co-speaker and demonstrator mentioned the words/phrases and the volunteers would present the respective sign. The seminar aimed to help volunteers recollect their commitment to guarantee hard-ofhearing individuals can get to schools, occupations, clinical treatment, and different administrations, and completely support their equivalent consideration in the public eye. The seminar was concluded with a vote of thanks by one of the volunteers after which the guests were escorted from of the venue.

Inauguration - September 24, 2021

The National Service Scheme wing-1 inauguration commenced on September 24, 2021 in Xavier Hall, St. Joseph's College. The volunteers were seated in the hall by 3:15 pm after which they were given insights at the beginning of the occasion. The chief guest for the event was Mrs. Ruth Manorama, a Dalit social activist who fights for the freedom homegrown specialists' privileges and those in the chaotic work area. The National Service Scheme Choir opened the Inauguration Ceremony with the anthem of the organisation followed by a reverential dance performed by our National Service Scheme volunteers. Mrs. Ruth Manorama, Dr. Suryanarayan staff in charge of National Service Scheme and our program officer Professor Selwyn Paul, lit the lamp to begin the function. The speaker Mrs. Ruth Manorama addressed the group about her experience similar to National Service Scheme's objective and destinations. She also gave insight on women empowerment, emphasizing that women are similar to men and can accomplish higher status through devotion and hard work. The selected executive council alongside the volunteers took a vow to serve the country by means of our social work. Towards the end of the event, Mrs. Ruth Manorama and Dr. Suryanarayan, introduced the Executive Council Members by badging them.

Mask up India and Vaccination – September 25, 2021

The mask up India and vaccination campaign was an initiative of National Service Scheme of St. Joseph's College (Autonomous), aiming at creating awareness among people about the importance of wearing masks and getting vaccinated during the pandemic. During this campaign the participants wrote an effective caption on A4 size sheet/placard in any language and create awareness, by following safety protocols. The participants recorded their awareness campaign with certain constraints and submitted the same. The sole purpose of this campaign was to enlighten the volunteers about the pandemic and to cope with the skills of working in a limited exploration space. Volunteers from various states of the country actively participated in this campaign by creating awareness among people in their locality. The Campaign was held on September 25, 2021. 70 awareness videos were received in total, among which were individual and group efforts. The videos were evaluated based on creativity of the caption, presentation of the video and efforts taken by the participants in creating awareness in their locality.

The best videos were posted on the official social media handle of the Unit and the winners were given a certificate of appreciation.

Chandrakala. R, Leo Samuel Gilbert and Reeshma N.R. placed first, second and third respectively.

Plantation Drive - September 26, 2021

The National Service Scheme wing-1 had organised a sapling drive on September 26, 2021 at 'A Rocha India'. A Rocha India was established as a non-profit organisation caring for creation through scientific research, environmental education, and looking after wildlife species. A Rocha India designs programs based on a hands-on approach to understanding the reality and challenges of our natural heritage. Around 30 volunteers were selected to perform the sapling drive. The drive began with an introduction to the A Rocha Organization and then the volunteers were divided into

two teams. The first team consisted of 20 students, who were taken to the field and given equipment to cut weeds. The second team was guided on planting the saplings. As a team, around 120 saplings were planted which is a commendable feat on behalf of National Service Scheme volunteers. They were also taught to remove the unwanted plants from the fields with bare hands.

Army Examination Event – September 26, 2021

The first round for Territorial Army Examination was conducted on September 26, 2021 at Kendriya Vidyalaya ASC. Around ten volunteers were selected from St Joseph's College (Autonomous) along with a few other volunteers from VVN Degree College. The examination staff consisted of 90 men from the Army Service Corps (ASC) and their major role was invigilation. The head officer divided the volunteers into groups and assigned them with different responsibilities associated with registrations, vaccination verification, checking if candidates are carrying any suspicious articles, and also escorting the candidates to their respective examination rooms. Around 1300 people registered for the examinations and 800 of these aspirants appeared for the examination which was conducted in two slots while ensuring covid protocols and the safety of the aspirants. The volunteers made sure that all the work was done smoothly and assisted the aspirants in case of any confusion. Volunteers were provided with refreshments towards the end.

Human Rights Discourse – September 30, 2021

wing-1 National Service Scheme organised a webinar on salient features of human rights enshrined under the Indian Constitution, on September 30, 2021 in association with Sichrem. There were around 380 participants. The event was graced by Advocate Angelis who is a lawyer by profession. He has been practicing law in the High Court of Madras since 1996 and is also associated with voluntary organisations as a trainer, evaluator, board member and counsellor. The webinar gave insight into the topic 'denial of human rights is a challenge to the very human existence.' It also highlighted the fact that India had signed the Universal Declaration on Human Rights on January

1, 1942. The session also included doubt solving where the volunteers raised valid questions associated with human rights violations in J&K, Abortion Laws, and whether human rights fit in the jampacked education system. The vote of thanks was given by a fellow volunteer before concluding the session.

International day of non-violence – October 2, 2021

On the occasion of Gandhi Jayanthi which is on October 2, 2021, the international day of non-violence was celebrated. Volunteers too part in activities such as sketching, essay writing, and slogan writing that were conducted. The main theme of all the activities conducted for the day was "non-violence". The event began with a webinar where the volunteers were first addressed, followed by a short video

about non-violence to give a clear understanding of the theme. The guidelines for each activity were explained and an open forum was set up to address the queries. There was a positive response from the participants with regard to the submission of events. The event aimed to promote participation in a given task and evaluating their efforts to enhance their skills.

Talent Hunt - October 4, 2021 – October 8, 2021

The National Service Scheme of St. Joseph's College Autonomous conducted talent hunt from October 4, 2021 to October 8, 2021 to embrace and appreciate the young talents. Series of competitions were lined up to awaken the perceived interests of volunteers. Photography, Poem writing, Video Byte, Art, Singing competition, Creative writing, Drama/ Theatre and dance competition were the eight competitions that were conducted. Topics given for each competition were based on various elements of the society, so as to improve the participants thinking and problem solving capacity. The judging criteria was based on their creativity, presentation, and quality of their work.

Below is the list of the competitions and the respective winners in the order of first, second and third place:

1) Kaptured – VC Pranav Harish

Nambiar, Aneena Ann Abraham and, S Monica.

- 2) Inked Sahana Deepak Shetty and Saranya, Basundhra Chhetri and, Hridya ann Biby.
- 3) Minute Mafia Harsha Vardhan and team, Aparna Ravindran and team and, Selva Priya and team.
- 4) Art Pourri Hemakshi and L Rashika, Deeksha Nagraj and, Avani.
- 5) Breaking records Ananya Banerjee, Glara Elsi and Josh Eby and, Anagha Teresa Thomas.
- 6) Wordsworld Smita Chatterjee, Yashika Pascal and Pavithra and Aparna
- 7) Beat on feet Sejal and Ritisha, Sri Divya and, Aysha
- 8) Thespian club Sunidhi N Murthy, Shreya Sriram, Shanmughi T and, Alka Mary Pamma in first place.

Mental Health Day - October 10, 2021

On October 10, 2021 National Service Scheme coordinated a webinar on Microsoft Teams and had an attendance of over 250 participants. The program commenced at 4 pm under the guidance of our National Service Scheme Program Officer, Professor Selwyn Paul J. The Guest speaker for the webinar was Mr. Pradeep Kumar PC, a Ph.D. researcher who is functioning as a therapist in National Institute of Mental Health and Neural Science (NIMHANS). Mr. Pradeep Kumar PC gave a short presentation about the physical and dysfunctional behavior where he emphasized that the individual experiencing actual sickness can take therapy on schedule, though the psychological instability shows conduct contrasts and the individual neglects to perceive the justification behind dysfunctional behavior for example gloom, uneasiness, and hallucination.

The participants were educated about the progressions that happen in mind when influenced by psychological instability and were directed on how to conquer ones dysfunctional behavior. A brief conversation was held on how addictions additionally influenced our psychological wellness. The session concluded with a round table discussion by the volunteers.

International Girl Child Day – October 11, 2021

St. Joseph's College, National Service Scheme wing-1 hosted The National Level seminar on "Girl Child" on October 11, 2021, to enlighten the volunteers about the needs and challenges girls face in the present society. The event started at 3:00 pm with around 100 participants. The guest speaker was Ms. Lakshmi Bharath, who had a master's in social work and is a licensed life coach having done a lot of work in the community, helping underprivileged children in the society. The session began with a welcome discourse followed by the quest speaker's speech marking the importance of respecting adolescent girl children and identifying their potential and power by providing opportunities for them. The speaker explained how girls are not getting education due to lack of knowledge and facilities in rural and urban areas. According to the speaker, the main reasons for the lack of training for young women are financial constraints, ineffective sanitation, and a lack of security at schools. The major advantage of educating young girl children is that it prevents youngster abuse. She introduced us to Sakhi program and Nalandaway foundation. Sakhi is developed as a youth empowerment program, to support the healing of young survivors. Finally, a film on protecting female children produced by volunteers was shown to the audience stating "Let her live, Let her develop, Let her Shine." The questions raised by the volunteers were addressed towards the end of the session. This was followed by the vote of thanks. The seminar helped the volunteers to understand that a girl child should not be killed or hated rather they should be saved, loved and respected. Girls should be considered equal as boys and be given same opportunities in all the working areas.

FIT India Movement and Nutritious week – October 18, 2021 – October 22, 2021

The National Service Scheme wing-1 of St. Joseph's College (Autonomous) conducted in the fit India movement and nutritious week from October 18 to October 22, 2021. The main purpose of the event was to create awareness about fitness and nutrition to the volunteers and the public. There were about 50 participants for the event. The event commenced with a webinar on the importance of nutrition and fitness for which the speaker Dr. PP

Devan who was an eminent ENT Doctor himself, gave a memorable insight on the importance of health and nutrition. On the second day a quiz competition was conducted to enrich the volunteers with the knowledge about current affairs of sports and also nutrients.

On the third day, 20 volunteers participated in a cycle rally which was followed by a cooking competition titled "The Healthy Chef" in which the volunteers had to make a nutritious dish and upload the video of its preparation. The final event organised was the "Joy of Giving" in which the volunteers offered fruits to the needy and made donations to orphanages, child care homes, and old age homes.

In the cooking competition titled "Healthy Chef" S.Shreeya placed first, Shrisha and Selva Priya shared the second place, Sharon Moureen and Chandrakala R shared the third place. The best fit volunteer was claimed by Shravan.

Human Rights Discourse – October 30, 2021

On October 30, 2021 National Service Scheme wing-1 of St. Joseph's College (Autonomous) in collaboration with Sichrem, conducted a webinar on Human Rights Discourse - Child Rights as Human Rights. There were 324 participants for the event with Mathew Philips as the resource person. The webinar discussed the existing gaps in the application of Human Rights to Child rights. It also shed some light on the legal frameworks applicable to the society and discussing how practitioners can engage such activities on the question of their human rights obligations and many other relevant issues.

The discussion was followed by a lively question and answer session with the audience. The event concluded with a vote of thanks.

Disaster management – November 9, 2021

National Service Scheme wing-1 of St. Joseph's College had organised an activity-based event on disaster management on November 9, 2021. There were 93 volunteers at the event that started off with a brief introductory video which gave the volunteers an insight on the theme. The introductory video consisted of statistics about fund increment on Disaster management every year. Volunteers of the wing were asked to proceed with the group activity wherein each group picked a chit consisting of scenarios which acted as prompts for the posters they made. Volunteers were asked to focus on five important criteria mainly introduction, Response, Recovery, Mitigation, and Preparation. Volunteers were divided into 12 teams and each team was asked to present their posters. The wing witnessed time management, problem communication, solvina. listening, critical thinking and leadership skills arise among the volunteers while working in a team.

Climate Change - November 12, 2021

National Service Scheme wing-1 of St. Joseph's College had organised a webinar about climate change on November 12, 2021. Mr. Anand Malligavad, the well-known lake conservationist based in Bangalore who is the founder of the Lake Revivers Collective (LRC), was the resource person for the event. The webinar witnessed the presence of 383 volunteers.

It was an engaging session with talks about the increasing global attention on climate change and on how governments are requesting more consistent and strategic technical support on how to address climate change. The speaker touched on how new climate policy needs to address the conflicts in institutional mandates and strengthen the agency for coordinating climate change so as to facilitate mainstreaming climate change into development policies. The event also had a quick question-answer session where the volunteers showed active participation.

Fetus killing (feticide) – November 17, 2021

National Service Scheme wing-1 of St. Joseph's College had organized a case study for volunteers on November 17, 2021. Volunteers conducted field research about the topic in their respective areas of residence or research through existing data from various sources. They also collected original data about various

incidents of feticide in their region/ state. The event received an entry of 22 responses. The event helped the students with intensive learning, learning to analyze and interpret the data, and learn about the happenings in society. Volunteers were given a week's time to prepare for the case study.

Unity of Multicultural society - November 21, 2021

National Service Scheme wing-1 of St. Joseph's College organized a Panel Discussion on Unity in Multicultural Society on November 21, 2021. The event witnessed the presence of around 580 volunteers which was also streamed on Microsoft teams for the volunteers who could not make it to the venue. The eminent guests present at the gathering were Mr. Mohammed Ummer (Co- Founder and Chief Engineer, at Adsafe, Co- Founder and CEO of Project Smile Trust),

Rev. Prem Mitra (Presbyter in CSI and Chairperson Arocha, India), Mr. BT Venkatesh (Former State Public Prosecutor, High court of Karnataka), Pushpa Achanta (Associate Director, Solidarity Foundation), and Rev. Prof. Jayachitra (Director, EKKLESIA)

The event started with a thematic cultural performance which depicted various cultural forms of India including Bharatnatyam, Rabindra Nritya, Manipuri, semi-classical, and so on. This was followed by lighting of the lamp by the chief guest. The gathering was briefed about the specialty of the event being organized.

The speakers were then introduced to the gathering and were honored with saplings and mementos. The speakers then took over the session briefing the volunteers about various socio- aspects of unity prevailing in our society. The event concluded with the vote of thanks.



SJC Quizzers

Classified Intelligence

Classified Intelligence by the quiz club is conducted as part of Metonym. Participants have to form teams of two from the same class. The guiz was set and hosted by Mr. Pramod Harle of the department of English. The prelims and finals were held on Microsoft Teams on September 18 and 19 respectively. Out of 43 teams that took part in the written prelims, 8 teams qualified for the finals and 3 teams missed out when the decision making went down to the tiebreaker, which was based on the starred questions that were part of the preliminary set. On the day of the finals, there was intense competition among the finalists and 3 teams surpassed the rest of them and went on to be the winners. Following are the winning teams:

First place: Medallion - Sanchita and Ajith, III PEM

Second place: Kaju Katli - Astha and Priyanshu, III EJP

Third place: Uranus - Saitej and Suraj, III PEM

Fresher's quiz

The Fresher's quiz which was hosted as a part of Metonym 2021 organized by the SJC Literary Society was held on September 25, 2021. It was an online solo quiz on Microsoft teams for first year students of both the undergraduate courses and postgraduate courses.. The quiz was set by an alumni, Allan Joseph, who was not only a member of the quiz club but also an office bearer for two years. The quiz had a written format and direct finals, with 25 questions in it. There were a total of 53 participants. The winners of the quiz are as follows:

First place - Mohammad Abdurazak Jaffar (I CPE)

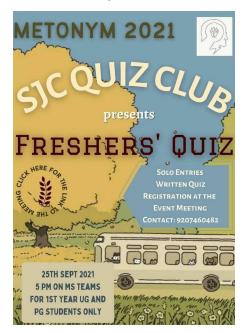
Second place - Ravi Shankar S (I CSC), Rishikesh (I CZBT)

Third place - Rhea Rachel Stephen (I MCB)

Solo Quiz

The Solo quiz which was hosted as part of Metonym 2021 was held on September 20 and 21, 2021. The prelims were

conducted on the first day through MS Forms at 4 pm. Eight participants qualified for the final round which was conducted at 8 pm the next day. The final round by Dr. Arul Mani, Dean of Languages, saw eight participants battling it out in four rounds in the finals. The winners are **Priyanshu from III EJP** who placed first, **Saitej from III PEM** who placed second, and **Astha from III EJP** who placed third.



20 Questions

As part of Metonym, an interclass quiz called 20 Questions was held. It was open to teams of two people with each team member belonging to the same class. The quiz was held online on the MS Teams platform. The prelims were conducted on September 21, 2021, at 4 pm. All teams joined using a meeting link, and a registration form was shared with all participants first. The Finals were held on September 22, 2021, on the same platform, at 8 pm. The teams were to guess the answers to cryptic personality questions, by posing a total of 20 Questions to the host Dr. Arul Mani.

The winners are as follows:

- 1. Anaindita and Parnika I CZBT
- 2. Astha and Priyanshu III EJP
- 3. Jayesh and K C Kaverappa I EMS

Swagath Quiz

The Swagath Quiz was conducted on October 15, 2021, at 7:00 pm through MS Forms. The quiz was conducted as part of Swagath, the fresher's fest held every

year by the Student Council. The quiz was a solo quiz and was conducted through MS Forms.

The winners of Swagath Quiz were **Batsal** Karan Singh from I CPE who placed first, **Oinam Khushishona from I CBZ** who placed second, and **Ravi Shankar S from I CSC** and **Samreen Kousar from I CMS** who tied for third place.

Pushups

The first Pushups session for this academic year was conducted on November 13, 2021. The quiz was set by Dr. Arul Mani and Mr. Pramod Harle and conducted by Mr. Harle on Microsoft Teams. There were participants across all the categories.

Winners are as follows:

Santosh J.S - Open Category

Taaby - Women's Category

Ravi S - College Category

Varun Kashyap - School Category

Each winner was rewarded with an Amazon gift card.

The second Pushups session was conducted on November 27, 2021. Quiz was set by Dr. Arul Mani and Mr. Pramod Harle and conducted by Mr. Harle on MS Teams. There were 13 participants across all the categories.



Quiz Club Weekly Report

SJC Quiz Club held their weekly auizzes virtually on Discord before classes and events resumed offline. The guizzes were held every Friday at 6:30 pm. The weekly event sees up to 20 participants which include regular quiz club members as well as new members. The guiz master divides the participants into groups of equal members and includes cryptic, connect-the-pictures, and other engaging questions. The quizzes were conducted in a non-competitive and fun way and helped foster a sense of shared community. The first offline event since the pandemic was held on November 26, 2021, in classroom A-206. The guiz was conducted by Alan Shaju of III EJP and was live-streamed on social media platforms. Eight teams participated in the guiz where Rebekah and Adithi came first.





Western Music Association

Instagram live

In collaboration with the St. Joseph's College (Autonomous) Model UN Society, the Western Music Association went live on Instagram on August 27, 2021. The live event, which began at 5 pm, was hosted by Divyaj, one of the Core Team members of MUNSOC, in conversation with the president of WMA. Esther Jean Joseph. The conversation revolved around how music helps as a coping mechanism during trying times, and how it helps to pick up other skills in our journey of discovering music. It also involved an interview with Esther, where the audience learned about her own journey in Music and in becoming the president of WMA, her interests and genres that she would recommend. The audience thoroughly enjoyed the discussion surrounding how music helps us open up and converse, especially with people sharing similar tastes.

Open Mic in collaboration with Consilium

An Open Mic was conducted on September 9, 2021, in collaboration with Consilium, from the Department of Psychology and Counselling . The online event was done so that the students could get an opportunity to showcase their talents and practise their craft in an open stage. This was conducted in line with Suicide Prevention Week that was being ackowledged by the WMA and various other associations of the college. The Open Mic was a part of Consilium's week long campaign, #SurvivorSeptember. The event began at 5:30pm with a welcome speech. A good number of participants came for the event, ready to show the audience their talents. There was a sense of competitiveness amongst the performers as they immersed in the joy of performing and being appreciated for it. Side by side, the WMA Core Team was keeping an eye out for the talents that stood out, as this acted as a plus point for the association auditions that were going to be conducted soon.

WMA Auditions

The Western Music Association Auditions were conducted from September 20 to

September 27, 2020. This is a yearly event conducted to identify and source talents of the college and welcome them to be part of the association. This year, two rounds of auditions were conducted. The first being online and the second one being an offline audition. The online audition was open to all, and began on September 20. In the first round, participants were asked to submit a two-minute long video recording of their talents. The entry was to be submitted through a Google Form, which would also note down important and relevant information of the participants. Those selected from this round would advance to Round II, which was conducted on September 27, in the college. A judging panel consisting of Ex-WMA members screened out the candidates in the second round. The final results were published on October 1, 2021, welcoming 40+ new talented members into the association.

Swagath - Freshers Performance

On 25 October, 2021, the Western Music Association performed for the Valedictory Ceremony at Swagath. The Halloweenthemed event titled 'Face Your Fears', was conducted by the Student Council and began at 4 pm. The event had lively and engaging performances by the WMA and the freshers themselves. The audience was invigorated by WMA's acapella team consisting of eight members, who performed a set of crowd-pulling mashups of songs. The Rap and Beatbox collective of the WMA got the audience on their feet with their performance. Ten members of the WMA performed their original compositions adding a lot more recognition to the Indie Scene in Bengaluru. Four beatboxers came together to produce live organic music, backing the performing rappers which was the perfect ending to WMA's contribution to Swagath.

Music Community Mixer

On November 13, 2021, an online community mixer was conducted by WMA. It was organised with the intention of providing an opportunity to get to know the members of the music community and bring together like minded music enthusiasts. The event began at 5:30 pm with an introductory ice-breaking session. The participants were asked to introduce themselves and answer three questions that would describe their taste in music. The questions were the same for all the

participants and hence, this was a very interactive part of the event as students got to know the likes and dislikes of their peers. After this was a Talent Hunt session. Participants were allotted slots on a first come first serve basis, prior to the event. The final session was a competitive one, Guess The Song. Participants were played melodies and other bits of songs, and they had to guess the song correctly, for which they would be awarded one point. The winner of this session was given the title, Mr. Musicophile.

WMA Inauguration and Open Mic

The Western Music Association conducted its inauguration ceremony with grand success on November 27, 2021. The event, which began at 4 pm, was felicitated by Mr. Anup Jacob from the Department of Psychology, followed by speeches by the president and the vice president of the association, Esther Jean Joseph and Jennifer Mary Jason. respectively. The investiture ceremony took place shortly after which the core team of the WMA received their badges of respective positions. Immediately following the investiture, Open Mic was conducted where students from various streams and classes showcased their musical skills. The event saw close to 18 performers, and was thoroughly enjoyed by the attendees both offline and online, as the entire event was broadcast on Google Meet. Vote of thanks was delivered by Tessa Thomas, the General Secretary of WMA.

DEPARTMENT ASSOCIATIONS

Abacus Association

20 Questions

The Abacus association conducted 20 Questions as a part of its first set of events of the academic year on November 8, 2021. The poster of the event which contained a registration link, as well as the brochure, were circulated two days prior, on November 6, 2021. The link on the poster led participants to a form, and subsequently to a WhatsApp link for the Mathematics group.

The event was headed by Aishwarya G

Saravanan, a II PCM student. The participants were given a briefing a few minutes before the event and the rules were explained. They were given a certain set of clues based on which they had to guess the mathematical terms.

After evaluation, the results were as follows:

The first place was awarded to **20PCM27** for guessing two terms right.

The second place was awarded to **20IFA063** for guessing one term right without any questions.

The third place was awarded to **21EMS41** for guessing one term right with the help of one question.

21EMS71 received a special mention for being interactive throughout.

Webinar on Financial Wellness

The Abacus association, in collaboration with the Board of Industry-Academia partnerships (BIAP), conducted a webinar on Financial Wellness on August 7, 2021. The Board of Industry-Academia partnerships is a youth organisation, who strive to create a platform with the aim to bridge the gap between industry and academia. Among other things, they promote financial literacy and aim to make it pertinent to college students by explaining the process of investment in simple language.

With 12 years of experience, the speaker of the event was Mr. Atul Sathe, Assistant Professor at the Department of Accountancy, HR College. The webinar, which was conducted on Zoom, focused on various topics such as wealth management, investor awareness, stocks, general investing and mutual funds.

Crossword

The Abacus association conducted Crossword on November 10, 2021. The event, headed by Sanchita Sharan, a III PEM student, was conducted on Microsoft Teams at 5 pm and was attended by 13 participants.

The participants were given 30 minutes to solve a mathematics-themed crossword on a predesigned template on morepuzzles.com.

Sahana Rajesh secured first place and

Riya Bhansali secured second place.

Galois Duel

The Abacus association conducted Galois Duel on November 19, 2021. The event was conducted on Zoom at 6:00 pm. Registrations for the event began up to 2 weeks prior using Google Forms, which were circulated through WhatsApp groups.

The event, which was headed by Mary Jovita James, a I MAT student, consisted of participants having to guess mathematical terms from a series of clues. Galois Duel comprised two rounds, both of which had a time constraint. In the first round, each participant was given a word with only some of its letters filled in and was asked to guess the word letter-by-letter. Upon guessing the word correctly, participants scored one point. However, they lost one out of their five lives for guessing an incorrect letter that was not part of the word.

In the second round, participants were asked to guess words based on their definitions and other information given in the form of clues. Each participant could ask for up to five clues, but could only attempt guessing the word once.

Ritu Kumar (20MAT29) was awarded first place, while Ananya Banerjee (20EMS66) and Chinmae Chittybabu (21CMS38) tied for second place.

Integration Bee

The Abacus association organised an integration competition, which was the first and only offline event conducted by the association this year. Integration Bee was conducted on November 15, 2021. The poster for the event, containing basic information and a registration link was circulated nearly ten days prior to the event. The registration link led participants to a Google Form where they filled in their details, and vaccination status.

The event took place at the new block of St. Joseph's College (Autonomous), Bangalore, in room N-105, and lasted about an hour and a half. There were a total of eight participants from both Undergraduate and Postgraduate courses. Akshay Suresh from II PCM was declared the winner of the competition.





The Abacus association conducted Lecturearo, an event where participants present a topic in the form of a lecture. The event was headed by Aditi Patak (20CMS71) and Anukul (19PEM22067) and took place on November 22, 2021, on Microsoft Teams. Dr. Raisa D'Souza and Mr. Jesse P Francis judged this event. The event had three participants, all from different years. As a result, the audience witnessed different levels of understanding and varying complexity of topics presented.

N Adarsh Pritam from I EMS was awarded first place. Sagar J C from III PCM was awarded second place. Ananya Banerjee from II EMS was awarded third place.

Mathematics

A meme-making competition titled Mathematics was conducted by the Abacus association on November 11, 2021. The poster containing the registration link for the event was circulated along with the brochure five days prior to the event.

The competition was headed by Shashwath (20PCM46). On November 10, 2021, the day before the event, participants were given a briefing and rules were explained on the day of the competition. Participants were assigned the topic 'Mathematics education versus Mathematics in real life'. Participants had three hours to work on the event, and had

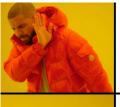
three hours to work on the event, and had to submit their entries to the association's official e-mail by 9 pm on the day of the competition.

Vishweshwara (20PMC08) placed first in this competition. The second place was awarded to Aman Mathur (20PEM07), and third place was awarded to Ananya (20EMS66)

Treasure Hunt

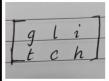
The Abacus association conducted a virtual treasure hunt on November 13, 2021. The event was conducted on Microsoft Teams from 5:00 pm to 6:30 pm and was coordinated and headed by P. V. Pavan Kumar (21MAT10) and Preksha Jain (21EMS31). The treasure hunt was based on mathematical questions which participants had to solve in order to win. Disha Sodhani (21EMS68) was awarded first place. Ananya (20EMS66) was awarded second place, and David Deon D (21CZBT46) was awarded third place.











When you love doing math but now you have to study for exams



"How much time will it take to fill the bucket?", what Mathematics book expect us to do:



What will happen if we do this for real



Calculus in 11th and 12th



Calculus in College



Botanical Society

Inauguration of Botanical Society

The inauguration of the Botanical Society for the academic year 2021-22 took place on October 1, 2021, and was organised by Dr. Jayarama Reddy and Dr. N. Praveen Kumar, coordinators of the Botanical Society, St Joseph's College (Autonomous), Bangalore.

Dr. Jayarama Reddy introduced the association as well as the office bearers like the President, Secretary, Treasurer, etc. He laid down the principles and goals of the society and the events conducted by the same, which included Naming the Plants with Scientific Names, Learn a Plant a Day, Plantation Program, and Donation of Plant Saplings to Local People. Dr. N. Praveen Kumar gave a talk on Botanical Society for the Benefit of the Common Man, which was helpful to students from a non-biology background.

Mr. Arjun, the President of the Botanical Society, explained the upcoming events and programmes planned for the academic year. The Chief Guest for the program was Dr. Nayeeem Ullah Khan, Adjunct Faculty, National Institute of Advanced Sciences, Former Professor and Head, Department of Botany, St. Joseph's College (Autonomous), Bangalore. He gave a talk on plant-based drugs during the time of the pandemic and explained immune boosters, and the importance of a balanced diet. Additionally, he also explained various career opportunities in Life Sciences, focusing on Botany.



Centre for Molecular and Computational Biology

QriuzBeez

The Centre for Molecular and Computational Biology organised student fest QruizBeez on November 11, 2021, to encourage students to participate in offline events and showcase their talents on stage. The event was inaugurated by Dr. (Fr.) Xavier Savarimuthu, Research Director, St. Joseph's College, Bangalore. The valedictory function was chaired and prizes were distributed by Dr. (Fr.) Denzil Lobo, Director of Information Technology, St. Joseph's College.

The fest was organised by Dr. Lokesh Ravi, Dr. Neelam Mishra, and Dr. Nithaniyal Stalin, Assistant Professors from the department. It consisted of ten different scientific and cultural events such as Dance Through, Debate, Memory Loss, Paper Presentation, Talent Show, Paper Dressing, Vegetable Carving, Face Painting and Treasure Hunt. QriuzBeez was a great success among students across the city, acquiring over 500 online registrations. A total of 450 students participated in the event, from more than 12 Institutes in Bangalore. ACS College of Engineering, Bangalore bagged the Overall Championship of the fest.





Consilium – Psychology Association

Enduring Difficult Times

On leading a meaningful, happy life and setting goals during tough times

On May 13, 2020, a webinar titled Enduring Difficult Times was organized by Consilium, an association working under the guidance of the Department of Psychology. The webinar was conducted under the Green Ribbon campaign, which celebrates the mental health awareness month of May. The speaker for the webinar was Dr. Sowmya Puttaraju, whose research initiative was supported by an online research program at Stanford University. A certified psychotherapist from the Albert Ellis Institute, USA, Dr. Puttaraju began her session with a visualisation exercise that paved the way for her to explain the concept of learned optimism.

Dr Puttaraju went on to explain the importance of a happy life and the components of it, ie the good life, the pleasant life and the meaningful life. She spoke about the concept of 'flow', which was introduced by Mihaly Csikszentmihalyi, a Hungarian-American psychologist.

Dr Puttaraju also spoke about the importance of setting achievable goals, evaluating circumstances and dreaming infinitely at the same time realising that one only has finite time and finite effort. She emphasised the importance of understanding that certain situations are not in our control. The session on Enduring Difficult Times was then concluded with a 10-minute Question and Answer session and a brief Vote of Thanks from Ms. Neeta Pereira, Head of Department, Psychology, at St. Joseph's College (Autonomous), Bangalore.

Kick Off On Warming up the air and Welcoming the New Batch of 2023

On August 19-21, 2020, Consilium, an association from the Department of Psychology, conducted a three-day icebreaker event for the fresher's batch of 2023. On the three consecutive days, the organizing team interacted with one class each (EJP A, EJP B and TEP) which went

on for an hour after starting at 3 PM.

On each day, the team broke themselves into pairs, having 4 teams and dealing with a group of 10 students. The Kick Off session was conducted through WhatsApp in order to allow all students to communicate more effectively with each other for the first time in a virtual manner. The team created a friendly and safe space in which the students could interact and blend in with the new atmosphere. The team conducted activities such as Travel Destination Agent, which allowed students to bring out their witty and humorous side. The team also conducted a few other activities and introduced new initiatives such as Time Capsule', which allowed the new batch to write a letter to their future self a year from now on their first week of college. The session concluded with the organising team thanking the students for helping them break the ice.

Green Ribbon Campaign

Observing the month of May as Mental Health Awareness month, Consilium, an association under the Department of Psychology and Counselling held The Green Ribbon Campaign.

The association launched their very own St. Joseph's College (Autonomous), Bangalore, Stories - Lockdown Edition, through which stories of students from St. Joseph's College regarding their lives amidst the lockdown were put up on social media.

The campaign also consisted of a 7-day challenge that encouraged students and others to take up one fun challenge a day in order to ignite a spark of creativity during the pandemic. Additionally, a webinar was held on May 13, 2020, on Enduring Difficult Times by Dr. Sowmya Puttaraju through which she expressed her views on leading a meaningful life and setting goals during tough times.

The association also collaborated with the Student Council towards the end of the month in launching a special edition of St. Joseph's College Stories, the Student Council Special. Through this, various members of the council shared the stories of their lives during the lockdown.

Exhale Campaign

A Consilium collaboration with Under 25

named the Exhale Campaign began on July 1, 2020. This campaign focuses on different mental health disorders and how to overcome them. The content for the campaign was provided by Consilium, which included an explanation of the disorders, their symptoms and how to help those who find themselves experiencing them, whether it be oneself or a loved one. Examples of the same include information on anxiety disorders and sleeping disorders.

The content which was curated by the Consilium was sent to the Under 25 team, who then displayed it on various templates and uploaded it on Instagram on a weekly basis. This content went up on the Instagram stories of Consilium and Under 25. A few self-help tips for each alphabet, and mental health during online classes were also topics that were included.

Time Capsule

The Covid-19 pandemic and online mode of communication didn't stop Consilium from successfully putting together its first initiative for the freshers of the academic year 2020. The association introduced a welcome event for the freshers called the Time Capsule on September 6, 2020. The event directed the first-year students to write a letter to themselves about how they were feeling about the college during their first week as a Josephite. They were asked to note down their feelings, happy moments, nervousness, expectations from college, first-day memories as well as the goals they had set out to achieve in the forthcoming years of college life. They were given the liberty to be authentic and vulnerable in their letters, thus staving true to the Consilium vision 'here to hear'. These self-addressed letters were mailed to the Consilium association at sic.consilium@gmail.com, and are now stored in a Time Capsule, which will send the letters back to the students within the span of one year. The aim of this activity was to take them back in time, giving rise to nostalgic feelings about their first week, as well as helping them keep a self-check on the goals they had set to achieve in their first year of college life in St. Joseph's College (Autonomous), Bangalore.

World Suicide Prevention Day

World Suicide Prevention Day is

commemorated on September 10 every year. This year, Consilium planned to spread awareness about this cause for an entire month. The campaign kicked off on September 7, 2020, with a writing challenge called Penny For Your Thoughts. The theme was Suicide Prevention and participants were instructed to keep their submissions as positive as possible. A lot of students sent in their work which was featured on Consilium's Instagram page until the end of September. On September 10, 2020, the day of World Suicide Prevention, Consilium organized a webinar and a panel discussion with Sumana, the Psychology Association. The webinar was organised by Ms. Ashwini N V, a counselling psychologist, Founder-Director of Muktha Foundation, while the panel discussion was organised by Ms. Shrradha Sidhwani, a certified psychologist and psychotherapist, founder of RAY Foundation, and Dr. Smitha Rasquinsha, Assistant Professor, Department of Psychiatry at Father Muller Medical College, Mangalore.

In order to bring the week to close on a lighter note, an Open Mic session was conducted where people performed poetry and music.

Okay October

In view of World Mental Health Day, Consilium, the happiness club of the college along with the Psychology department, St. Joseph's College (Autonomous), Bangalore, wanted to come up with something comforting for students and faculty. Due to the ongoing pandemic, it has been really hard for people to attain a positive outlook. For this purpose, the Consilium started a campaign called Okay October on October 10, 2020.

Through this initiative, they aimed to remind each and every student and faculty that it's okay to ask for help when they need it, and it's okay to not be okay. As an association, Consilium helps promote positive mental health around campus.

The association has hosted a handful of events in the month of October, including an Open Mic, a virtual Halloween celebration and interactive Instagram stories. Consilium also sent out a virtual self-care package on October 10, 2021, which received a positive and appreciative response from students.

Unwind

Unwind was a Halloween-themed Song Party hosted by Consilium. The event was hosted on discord on October 31, 2020, where songs were played as per the participants' requests. This was one of the few events that encouraged students to bring in their friends from outside campus. The event was conducted on two Discord channels due to a high number of participants.

Rudolph Wish Vault

To bring in the Christmas spirit virtually, Consilium hosted Rudolph's Wish Vault where people were asked to write an anonymous Christmas wish and send it to the association's official mail ID. This activity made sure everyone who sent a wish, received a wish. Sometimes, a Santa needs a Santa too.

Movie Night

Consilium decided to bid January farewell by hosting a movie night on the last day of the month. The movie night conducted on Jan 31, 2021, was Consilium's first event for the year. The event began at 8:00 pm and went on for two hours. Movie night received an overwhelming response, as nearly 100 people joined the official Consilium Discord channel. All the participants took a poll and decided to watch Dead Poets Society.

Student of the Year

On August 27-28, 2021, Consilium, an association under the Department of Psychology and Counselling, School of Humanities, conducted its second event of the new academic year. The event was an ice-breaking session for the freshers who joined St. Joseph's College (Autonomous), Bangalore this year. It took place on Google Meet and began at 4:30 pm, lasting an hour.

An overwhelming number of participants joined in, with almost 200 people signing up for the event. It was thus held over two days. Students played a number of games with each other and got to know their peers a little better.

The event was a massive success and

received good feedback from all participants.

Kick Off

In order to provide a warm welcome to new students, Consilium held its Kick Off event for the freshers on August 20, 2021. Students from EJP and TEP were invited to attend. Held over Whatsapp, the Consilium team organised a number of games to break the ice and encourage interaction between the students. The event was a great success and allowed for students to make friends and get to know their seniors.

Survivor September

Consilium, an association under the Department of Psychology and Counselling, School of Humanities, conducted a week-long campaign during the month of September in honour of Suicide Prevention Day.

The campaign started off with a self-care kit that was released by the association and circulated among the students to ensure that everyone looked after themselves the best they could.

On September 7, 2021, a discussion was held with a faculty member, Mr. Anup Jacob about suicide and measures to prevent it.

An event called Open Canvas was also organised, which encouraged students to express their thoughts and feelings surrounding the topic of suicide and suicide prevention in the form of art. Students submitted sketches, poetry and stories that were shared on the Consilium social media pages. Consilium also conducted an Open Mic Night in collaboration with the Western Music Association to give students an opportunity to sit back and relax.

On September 10, 2020, Suicide Prevention Day, the association released virtual badges that students and faculty shared on their social media pages to raise awareness about the day.

The campaign came to an end on September 11, 2021, with a panel discussion with Dr. Venkatesh and Dr. Preeti, mental health professionals in

Bangalore, who spoke about suicide prevention.

Ashia

Consilium. an association of the Department of Psychology and Counselling conducted a panel named Ashia, on the prevention of suicide through action and techniques in honour of the Suicide Prevention week that was led by Mr. Anup Jacob. The event was conducted on Google Meet on September 7. 2021, and was moderated by Bhavva Subramanian and Tanisha Arora of TEP.

After a starting prayer, Mr. Jacob sent out a Google form to scout people in his audience who still had common misconceptions about suicide. He then enlightened them with the process of QPR: Question, Persuade and Refer. He said that just like cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR), QPR too requires training that educates a person to efficiently identify signs of suicide and provide the required help.

Mr. Jacob strived to familiarise and ease his audience into questioning suicidal thoughts without hesitance and during this process, he did not just tell them the right questions to ask but also the ones that need to be avoided. He also mentioned the importance of not just knowing how to comfort a suicidal person but also how to provide after-care such as linking the person to a psychologist and making sure that their sessions are not left unattended. Mr. Anup Jacob drew the event to a close by singing Heal the World by Michael Jackson.

Cybernetics

WORKSHOP ON DEEP LEARNING

The Cybernetics Association organized a two-day national level workshop on Deep Learning on September 16 and 17, 2021, under the guidance of the Head of Computer Science Department, Ms Sandhya, Coordinator of the Cybernetics Association for undergraduate students, Ms Sashikala D., Coordinator of the Technophite Association for postgraduate students, Dr.B.G. Prashanthi, and the President of Cybernetics Association, Ms. Sneha Hariharan. The resource person

for both days was Mr. Agughasi Victor Ikechukwu. Topic for day one was Artificial Neural Network. The welcome speech was given by Tanishka Yadav. The Resource Person, Mr Agughasi Victor Ikechukwu, was introduced by Sujoy Bhadra. Mr Ikechukwu started the session with the question 'What is AI?'. He later explained that Artificial Intelligence is a wide-ranging branch of computer science concerned with building smart machines capable of performing tasks that typically require human intelligence. He tried to connect Al in a better way by showing students a short video of Sophia, the humanoid robot that can track faces, maintain eye contact and recognize people. He further explained the three types of AI. With the use of examples, he explained concepts of Machine Learning to the participants.

GAMING WEEK

The Cybernetics Association organized 'Gaming Week' under college-level fest Swagath from October 25 to 31, 2021. The Gaming week comprised four games: Call of Duty, Battleground Mobile India (BGMI), Valorant and Rainbow Six Seige. The Final Rounds of all the games were held on October 30. All the players were required to have a stable internet connection and the respective games installed on their devices. The Gaming Week began with Call of Duty hosted by Joel Asher Samuel on October 25. The game was conducted on Discord. There were a total of 75 participants. Each team consisted of 5 students from St. Joseph's College. The players were required to download nine maps: Crash, Crossfire, Firing Range, Hijacked, Standoff, Kill House, Nuke Town, Raid and Take Off, The game was the best of three teams where the first team to get two victories was the winner. There were three Rounds: Team Deathmatch (40 points), Domination (100 points) and Hardpoint (150 points). Task Force 141 and Elite Gaming Outcasts were the finalists. The tension in the game kept increasing as the match went on. After an intense match Elite Gaming Outcasts bagged the first position.

Battleground Mobile India (BGMI) was held on October 26 i.e day two of the Gaming Week. Tarun S, Pooja, and Tanishka were the hosts for the event. Each team consisted of 4 players. WhatsApp was chosen as the mode of communication for the event. The game had four rounds in different maps: Round 1 in Erangel (Flora-Menace), Round 2 in Livik, Round 3 was Team Death Match and Round 4 was the Gun Game. All rounds were played in rooms with ten minute intervals in between. The top two qualified teams gave their best to win the game in the final round. Team Rog with members, Kelit P David, Tarun K, Jeevan C and Ricky L, emerged as the victorious team.

On day three of the Gaming Week, the Cybernetics Association hosted Valorant. It was organized by Dhruv Devnani and Reaven Clint D'Souza. There were eighteen teams of two. Discord was chosen as the mode of communication for the event. Two teams qualified for the final round which was held on October 30. Thakkali Esports bagged the first position. Rainbow Six Seige was hosted on October 28, by Rakshith and Joseph. There were 20 participants. Each team consisted of 5 players. Students from other colleges were allowed to register as well. The platform for the event was Discord. Two teams qualified for the Final Round. Team SINS became the winners after putting up a tough fight. After a week of intense competition, the results of the games were announced on October 30. All the teams played with great enthusiasm. With this, the Gaming Week organized by the Cybernetics Association came to an end.

Economics forum

Break The Ice with the Economics Forum

The event Break The Ice with the Economics Forum was conducted on Google Meet on Sunday 12 September, 2021, from 6:00 pm to 7:15 pm. This was the premiere event conducted by the Economics Forum core team for the academic year 2021-22. Around students from different stream combinations registered and participated for the same. The evening began with a discussion of This or That. Thereafter, the Economics Forum's President. Shradha Bejoy addressed the students about the vision and existence of the Economics Forum. Following that, the heads of different wings namely the Academic Peer Training (APT), Economics Gazette, Modern Society and the Documentation

Team (a new addition to the Forum) introduced their wings respectively. Pictionary was the first game that took place where a virtual whiteboard was used to draw a picture which represented a certain term in the Economics terminology. The second session was a game of Trivia where the students were provided with a Kahoot link in the chat box along with the entry code where everyone had to answer a few economics guiz guestions. This game was followed by Taboo where the students were provided clues for an Economics term by personal messaging and the guesses were taken from the chat box. The event then ended with questions from the audience regarding the Forum, which was followed by a Vote of Thanks by the Vice President, Nandini Abraham. Webinar on Young India Fellowship.

The webinar on The Young India Fellowship (YIF) information session was conducted on Friday, September 17, 2021, on Zoom from 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm. The event was organized by the Economics Forum, Department of Economics, St. Joseph's College (Autonomous), Bangalore. This information session was conducted to provide students with an insight on what the year-long flagship post-graduate diploma fellowship programme from the Ashoka University focuses on. Over 60 students had registered and attended the event from across all streams. The quest speakers of the event were Ms. Anuja Sinha Chowdhury, the Outreach Professional at Ashoka University and Ms. Shahambari, Chief Admission Officer at the Young India Fellowship programme.

The webinar started out by Teerth, the host introducing the guest speakers and the YIF programme. Following that, the speakers took over the session and provided the students with a brief insight about the flagship programme, its eligibility criteria, the various courses they offer, the speciality of each of the courses, the creative writing programmes, and also threw light on the scholarship opportunities that the students can engage in. Following the informative talk by Ms. Shahambari and Ms. Anuja, an interactive question and answer session was held to clear the students' doubts to give them a clear understanding of the flagship programme. The webinar was concluded by a Vote of Thanks by Teerth.

Economics Forum Inauguration

The inauguration ceremony of the Economics Forum was held on October 11, 2021, on Microsoft Teams. The event was hosted by Shailvi Singh (20BBAB035) and the guest speaker of the day was Mr. Megh Shetty.

Mr. Megh Shetty is a St. Joseph's College (Autonomous), Bangalore alumnus of the EPS batch of 1991-94. He did his Masters in Economics and Statistics at Jawaharlal Nehru University. Delhi. He has been working in the Space of Transnational Education in Melbourne, Australia, for the last 20 years. His success story remains an inspiration among Josephites and many more. The event commenced with a performance by Sounderya, Nandana, Isa Mariya and Gratel, all from II EMS presenting their euphonious invocational hymn. The president of the Economics Forum, Shradha Bejoy, delivered the welcome speech. This was followed by Mr. Clement D'Souza, Dean of Humanities, taking the audience through the memory lane of Mr. Megh Shetty's life as a Josephite. Subsequently, Ms. Anita Noronha, Head of the Department, department of Economics, gave a brief introduction of the quest speaker and his active participation in events and accomplishments back in his day. Mr. Keshav Murthy, the Economics Forum's Staff Coordinator, then adorned the event by introducing the new team, as well as the Forum's various wings, for the year 2021-22.

Mr. Megh Shetty, the chief guest and the guest speaker presented his slides on the topic Prospects and Challenges of Global Career Opportunities. Maintaining an equilibrium between aptitude and attitude enables one to build a quintessential career and skills acquired while adapting to circumstances and experimentation.

All these key points were eloquently put forth by the Chief Guest. Following the presentation, there was an insightful question and answer session. The final Vote of Thanks was given by Nandini Abraham, the Vice President of the Economics Forum and the session came to an end with photographs of the gathering.



Economics Lecture Series: Communication Skills and Career Growth

The very first lecture of the Lecture Series took place on October 22, 2021, on Microsoft Teams. The event was hosted by Amanda (20EMS22) and the guest speaker of the day was Ms. Sucharitha Bhattacharjee. Ms. Sucharitha Bhattacharjee is an alumna of St. Joseph's College (Autonomous), Bangalore from the 2011 EPS batch. She did her Masters in Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai and is currently a Policy Analyst and the Deputy Head at CUTS Calcutta Resource Centre, CUTS International. Her story of success continues to inspire Josephites and all others. The event commenced with Mr. Clement D'Souza, Dean of Humanities, addressing the audience and taking them on a journey through Ms. Sucharitha Bhattacharjee's life as a Josephite. This was followed by a brief introduction of the guest speaker by Ms. Anita Noronha, Head of the Department, department of Economics, of her accomplishments back in the day as a student.

Ms. Sucharitha Bhattacharjee delivered a concise yet vigorous lecture about the topic, Communication Skills and Career Growth. She went on to explain the process for efficient communication, and emphasized the various aspects of it. The talk was followed by a question and answer session with the audience, including queries regarding the significance of effective communication in modern times

and so forth. Lastly, the Vote of Thanks was given by Mr. Dhananjay Shaw, and the session came to an end with photographs of the gathering.



Teach for India Pre-Placement Talk

The Economics Forum of St. Joseph's College (Autonomous), Bangalore organized a pre-placement talk for the Fellowship Recruitment of the 2022 cohort. It was hosted by Ms. Shradha Bejoy, the President of the Forum on 23 October. 2021. The guest speaker of the day was Mr. Ajay Kumar from Teach For India, a non-profit that aims to make excellent education accessible to every child. Mr. Ajay Kumar, a Mechanical Engineer, is a teacher by profession and a Teach For India Fellowship alumni who is currently working as the Recruitment Manager for the Fellowship for Karnataka. Mr. Kumar started the session by addressing the few elephants in the room. He addressed some of the major myths about the social sector and non-profits as a whole. A video featuring Mr. Amitav Virmani. CEO of The Education Alliance shared where he said he was being paid well working in the social sector. Teach For India's vision and mission is to make excellent education accessible and make leaders along the way. Any individual who becomes a part of the fellow(leader)ship training would have to commit two years.

The expected robust question and answer round was cut short as he prepared a slide with the most frequently asked questions. The session ended with the speaker

expressing his gratitude to the Economics Forum for setting up the session at such short notice.

There is Nothing Soft About Soft Skills

Department of Economics in collaboration with the Economics Forum and Oikonomika, came up with a Guest Lecture on There Is Nothing Soft About Soft Skills as a part of their Lecture Series. It was held on 27 October, 2021, on Microsoft Teams at 3:30 pm. The number of attendees and presenters were 164 and 8 respectively. The guest speaker for the day was Mr. Roger Joseph Lurshay. Pooja, moderator for the day, started the event by greeting the Guest Speaker, Head of the Department, the faculty, the core team of the Economics Forum and the audience for their presence. This was followed by a speech from Ms. Tulika Bhattacharya who welcomed the guest speaker of the day, sharing a few testimonies of his days at college. Mr. Roger Lurshay is an alumnus of St. Joseph's College (Autonomous), Bangalore from the CBBT batch of 2013. He is currently working as an HR consultant for Oracle. He is a member of the Young Advisory Board of NHRD Bangalore Chapter and Communications Charter for NHRDN National Chapter.

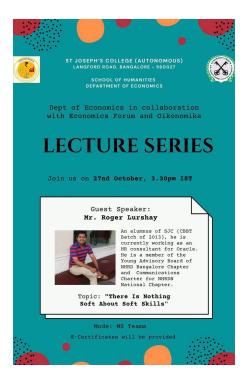
The speaker started the session by shedding light on the importance of soft skills, also known as core skills that should be used to channel one's inner strengths. He emphasized on how important communication is as a soft skill. Mr. Roger spoke on leadership and how one should nurture the leader within them and make their presence felt worldwide. In addition to that. Mr. Roger shared his personal experience of being an Human Resources (HR) consultant and how the network that he built over the ages is helping him in the present time. The lecture was followed by a question and answer session where the speaker addressed all the gueries put forth by the students. The event came to an end with a Vote of Thanks by Aarya, followed by a photo session with the gathering.

Interview Readiness and Resume Writing

The final lecture of the series was held on October 30, 2021, and the chief guest was Ms. Nancy D'Rozario. She is an alumna

of Sikkim Manipal University and has worked with the WNS Global Service Pvt. Ltd as a Project Management Officer and has a work experience of 13 years in banking, general insurance, research, and analytics. The event was attended by almost 160 people. It was held on Microsoft Teams, hosted by Amanda. Following the opening address, the guest speaker started her speech. She first explained the difference between a CV and a resume, and guided students on how to write a proper resume. With the help of a PowerPoint presentation, she highlighted six points that are absolutely necessary for a good resume. She talked about goals, time management, integrity, communication skills, and many similar aspects which would be necessary for facing the panel of recruiters.

Further into the programme, she introduced the concept of Star Method, which is a proven method to face situation-based questions. Here, stands for situation, 'T' stands for the task, 'A' stands for action, and 'R' stands for the results. This method reflects on how to give a complete answer to a situationbased question and hence impress the recruiter. Finally, she ended the session with a question and answer round. All the participants found themselves much more prepared and ready to face any kind of questions that recruiters might come up with. The concluding Vote of Thanks was given by Ms. Kritika Singh.



Higher Studies Abroad: Pro Tips and Secrets

After a series of three successful events. the fourth edition of the Lecture Series took place on November 22, 2021, on Microsoft Teams. The event was hosted by Teerth Narang (20HEP025) and the guest speaker of the day was Ms. Divya Rosalin David. The total number of registrations was 379. Ms. Divya is a St. Joseph's College (Autonomous), Bangalore alumna of IES batch of 2012. She is a recipient of the Pran Nath Bahl Memorial Scholarship which fully funded her MSc at the University of Oxford, UK. She did her MSc research in the School of Interdisciplinary Area Studies and Fellowship in CHE Ede in the Netherlands Government. She is currently a Story Editor at Menstrupedia. Her success story remains an inspiration among all Josephites and many more. The event commenced with Mr. Clement D'Souza's address to the gathering taking down the audience through memory lane of Ms. Divya's life as a Josephite. This was followed by Ms. Anita Noronha, Head of the Department, department of Economics, giving a brief introduction of the guest speaker and her active participation in all events and accomplishments back in her day as a student.

Ms. Divya began her presentation by providing a holistic perspective on various options available to a student aspiring to study abroad and the importance of making a profile with a sense of purpose. She had prepared a mini master sheet including the basic resources a student requires to study abroad. The presentation was followed by a question and answer session from the audience including queries regarding GPA requirements, swapping streams, sources for scholarship, and websites. To conclude the event, the MC, Teeth Narang gave the Vote of Thanks and photographs of the gathering were taken.

Macroeconomics and the Indian Economy

The Economics Forum in collaboration with Oikonomica presented a very informative session on Macroeconomics and the Indian Economy on November 26, 2021, at 5pm. The guest speaker for the session was Mr. Alex M. Thomas. The introductory speech was given by Ms. Shradha Bejoy, President of the Economins Forum.



Furthermore, Dr. Nikhil Jha, the PG coordinator, introduced Mr. Thomas to the house. He greeted the audience and started his speech. Mr. Thomas began with the difference between Macro and Microeconomics which provided clarity. He went on to explain the linear view of Economics among different economists. Although their view might be linear, the ideas will differ from one economist to the other. He then spoke on the Indian Economy, its meaning, features, and characteristics. Following that, Thomas spoke on Price Fluctuation and Inflation and explained why the majority of views on this topic is flawed. Before closing, he wrapped up his speech and had a question and answer round with the students. The session proved itself to be extremely informative and helpful to all the students of Economics who were present. The following are a few pictures of the event.

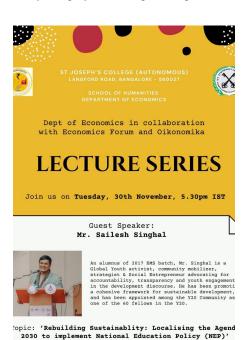
Rebuilding Sustainibility

The sixth edition of the Lecture Series took place on November 30, 2021, on Microsoft Teams. The guest speaker of the day was Mr. Sailesh Singhal and the event's moderator was KC Kaverappa (21EMS44). Mr. Sailesh Singhal is a St. Joseph's College (Autonomous), Bangalore alumnus of the EMS batch of 2017. He is the founder of the Youth of India Foundation. It had recently received special accreditation at the United Nations Ocean 2020 Conference. He had served as the District Welfare Officer of the Animal Welfare Board at the Ministry of

Environment, Forest, and Climate Change. Currently, he is pursuing his Masters in Law at the Indian Institute of Legal Studies. As a college student, he was the General Secretary and the President of the Student Council.

The event began with Ms. Anita Noronha, Head of the Department of Economics welcoming the guest of the day. She shared her memory of Mr. Sailesh Singhal as a student at St. Joseph's College. Mr. Sailesh began his talk by praising the Economics Forum's logo because it represented India being an agrarian economy. As a young individual representing India in the United Nations, he had presented a clay cup also known as "kullad" to the United Nations General Secretary, Antonio Guterres and he had called it a "glass of the century." From his experiences and his achievements, we could see the Josephite in him shine through.

The talk was followed by a question and answer session with the audience. There were also discussions on how the students of St. Joseph's College could make the campus sustainable, advocate for gender equality, and understand the significance of the New Education Policy. The event was wrapped up with the Vote of Thanks given by the moderator, KC Kaverappa and photographs of the gathering.



Mode: MS Teams

E-Certificates will be provided



Healthcare in India

Modern Society of the Economics Forum organised a discussion on Healthcare in India on December 4, 2021, on Microsoft Teams. The total number of registrations was 68. The panel included Dr. S Rama Gokula Krishnan, Annada Rathore from II EMS. Sarah Vinson from II EMS. Danica Aiyappa from I IES, and Harsh Tejwani from II IFA. Mr. KC Kaverappa was the moderator of the day. The discussion began with Paridhi introducing Dr. S Rama Gokula Krishnan to the gathering. He spoke on the sustainability and business aspect of the healthcare system in India. The existence of 'medical mafia', especially in the private sector, should be eliminated by implementing strict laws. Annada Rathore talked about affordability and regulation in the private healthcare sector. A balance needs to be achieved between the public and private sectors by providing better payment schemes and effective regulation of insurance schemes. One solution provided by the speaker was to develop a system of universal health coverage along with equitable healthcare distribution. She discussed the various regulatory improvement Acts implemented and the outlay of the healthcare budget as allotted in the Government Budget 2021-

Danica Aiyappa spoke on the role of NGOs in the healthcare industry and how their contributions often go unappreciated. Harsh Tejwani shared his views on the Indian healthcare system and its adaptability to foreign systems. He cited the Singapore and New Zealand government as examples of how they dealt with the Coronavirus pandemic effectively. Anushree concluded the discussion with a Vote of Thanks.

Mental Health: Dealing with Stress and Anxiety

After a successful lecture series presented by the Economics Department, the final lecture took place on 5 December, 2021, at 5:30 pm on Microsoft Teams. It was attended by over 70 participants. The event was hosted by Suvedha. The guest speaker was Ms. Kumkum Jagadish, a trained psychiatrist who has a working experience of over four years. Currently, she's working as a Consultant Psychologist at My Safe Place, the institute for exceptional children, and Prafulta Centre for psychological services.

The opening address was given by Ms. Ann Francis. She talked about emotions and told us to reflect on them. She explained the difference between stress and anxiety, with examples. She then explained the impact of stress on our body functions and behavior. In the second part of the session, she described how to cope with stress and anxiety. Following that, an exercise was practiced which was meant for muscle relaxation. Subsequently, she talked about the importance of positive thoughts. Both the lecture and topics discussed were extremely important especially in today's day and age. The session was concluded by a question and answer session and the Vote of Thanks was given by Ms. Anita Noronha, Head of the Department, department of Economics. Photographs were taken at the end of the event.

Food Miles

Webinar on Dimensions of Intellectual Property Rights in Food Science and Technology

Food Miles, the association of the Department of Food Science and Technology, organised a webinar on May 29, 2021, on the Dimensions of Intellectual Property Rights in Food Science and Technology. The event was led by guest speaker Mr. Siddarth Jain, St. Joseph's College (Autonomous), Bangalore alumnus, and currently a PhD scholar at Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi. The speaker described the basics of Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) and

how they are used in the food industry. He

emphasised the importance of patents,

patentability criteria and the processes involved in order to for a patent. He also highlighted how patents are worded by showing many examples pertaining to the food industry.







Kannada Sangha

Inauguration

Amidst Bengaluru's pre-winter showers, the sky hinted at a new beginning. It was time to start over, and embellish one of the oldest associations of St. Joseph's College - The "Kannada Sangha" with the newly elected committee. The inauguration for the year 2021-2022, started with great pomp and splendour on a bright afternoon of September 30, 2021, at the Xavier hall. Shri Kambada Rangayya, the chief guest for the day, tossed confetti to the occasion along with the honourable registrar of the college, Dr. Melwin Colaco. The HOD of the Kannada department, Dr. Eraiah Hampapura and the head of the association, Dr. Hanumantharayappa, Dr. Lawrence from the administrative department along with the teachers from the Kannada and Hindi department were also present.

The event started with a tatvapada titled "Taravalla Taagi Ninna Tamburi", St. Shishunala Sharif's best work. Dr. Lawrence then delivered a speech where he recalled his college days and motivated the students with his words of experience, followed by Mr. Stany Steevan and Ms. Khushi sharing their experiences with the association.

Dr. Melwin Colaco then spoke about the college's support of the historic Kannada Sangha. His words left a mark of hope, strength and determination in the hearts of the committee members.

The chief guest, Shri Kambada Rangayya spoke about his love for Kannada followed by a performance of three songs. Lastly, the Head of the Kannada Department, Dr. Eraiah Hampapura sir, shed light on the committee through his eminent words.

The event successfully concluded that the hard work, efforts and perseverance put by the students, teachers and the staff had borne their fruit. The first event of the year organized by the Kannada Sangha, irrespective of the pandemic, became a huge success.

Karnataka Rajyotsava

The prestigious St. Joseph's College celebrated the 66th Karnataka Rajyotsava with great pomp and splendour.



The guests were welcomed by a Dollu Kunita performance.

The rector, Rev. Fr. Silbert D'Silva preceded the ceremony. The Principal, Dr. (Fr.) Victor Lobo S.H., and our chief guest, Ms. Vaishnavi Gowda, a renowned Kannada actor, graced the occasion. Dr. Eraiah Hampapura along with the faculty of the Kannada Department were present. The program was dedicated to Sri. Puneeth Rajkumar as a tribute to him.

The principal declared the programme open with a bang of the "Dollu". The cultural performances were the talk of the day. The stage was decked up to present the best troop of students, all set to showcase their talents.

The singing team, gave a couple of performances starting with a melodious rendition of "Sojugada Sujumallige" followed by Vachanas, Folk Medley and finally a medley for Appu. The audience turned on their flashlights and showered love and light for the "Raajakumaara".

The dance team set the stage on fire with their filmy fusion. The dance represented the Gokak agitation and lit a zeal in everyone's heart. The classical performance was a treat for the audience.

The event closed off with a grand fashion walk, which showcased the traditional attire of Karnataka. This was a delight to all!

With this, the 66th Rajyotsava was successfully celebrated offline in a safe and controlled manner.



Linguistics Society

Spellunking? Probably not

The first event conducted by the Linguistics Society this year at Metonoym was Spellunked. The event was hosted by Dr. Arul Mani and consisted of four rounds. Nine teams took part and three emerged victorious. Bagging first place was Astha and Adithi from III EJP. followed by Jaswanth and Amit from II MA English, and coming in at third place was Sahanana and Manasi from I EMS. The first round was a direct guiz round, where the participants were given a clue with the number of letters in a word and even shown pictures and were asked to guess the word. Right off the bat, all the participants competed heavily to guess the right answer. With three teams all having a 30 point lead, the competition only got more intense. The second round was a written round where all teams were shown a visual image and were asked to guess these words which were derived from Indian languages.



This round was followed by an etymology round where all teams pounced to win scores for their attempted answers, a failed pounce attempt resulted in negative marking. The 4th round was a written round of challenging anagrams. 7 teams completed this round. The first set in this form consisted of various anagrams of words; the second set consisted of six clues. A six-word set which again was an anagram game and perhaps the hardest one to crack. None of the teams got the anagrams to this one. This round concluded the final round of Spellunked and after a well-fought battle, four teams made it to the top of the scoreboard. All seven teams fought a closely-punched battle in the winning title back and forth throughout and leaving spectators edging toward their screens.



Scriptease

The second and final event of Linguistic Society during Metonym was Scriptease. The briefing for this asynchronous event happened on September 23, 2021, at 4:00 pm. The participants in teams of two were instructed to make a new script for the 13 vowel sounds of Beary, a language predominantly spoken by Muslims on the western coast of the country. The two main criteria were aesthetics and ease of learning in the context of South Dravidian languages. A picture with the vowel sounds and their denotations in the Beary script was provided to the participants for their reference. The eleven vowel sounds were: /a/, /a:/, /i/, /i:/, /u/, /u:/, /e/, /e:/, /o/, /o:/, /aʊ/, /ʌm/

Out of 18 registrations, 10 submissions were made within the 36-hour deadline. Participants could design the scripts by hand or digitally. First prize was bagged by Alka and Geetanjali of second year TEP. Nikkith and Jenica of first year CMS were the runners up. Third place was bagged by Astha and Priyanshu of third EJP.



NOUS

Listening Post - Singing and the Knanaya Community

I sing songs when I'm out of words in the middle of the day but in Aleena's listening post, she at no time ran out of words. Singing was not an overlap for her, it was the words of Knanaya Community. She traced the history of a community by leaving us in the song spree. We all know the saying "wedding is a 1000 years old crop" I don't know how true that is. But in every language or a community wedding consists of 1000's of such songs that would leave the bride and groom in tears at least once before the wedding ceremony is over. After listening to Aleena's explanation of the Mar Thoman Nanmayal song and seeing how the parents used to describe the preciousness of their daughter. I dreamt how my parents would describe me as the beauty of a sloth bear. The traditional costumes and dance customs were an exploration of heritage ecstasy, that made me want to go back in time machine and be a bride in Knanaya Community (not to get married though, but to enjoy all the songs and customs). Aleena's search on the Knanaya community's linguistic history was the tip of the listening post which I will carry as a piece of information that I will use when I have to talk about the presence of the Knanaya community. The listening post was carol filled by Aleena I would say, but she is a Caroleena.

Rhyming Kannada in Listening Post

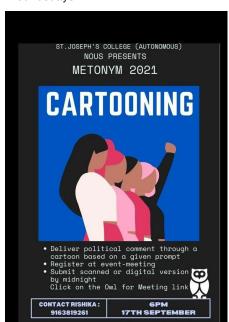
Adithi SS, a student of III EJP, known to some as the coolest kid on the playground, recounted her childhood with Kannada rhymes on the second Listening Post session of this academic year.

"Kannada rhymes are an integral part of education," Adithi said on Microsoft Teams and sang school rhymes such as rotti angadi Kittappa, nangondu rotti tattappa (Kittappa who owns a rotti store, please make a rotti for me) and nariyu totakke hogitu, adenu maaditu (the fox went to the garden. What did it do?).

The rhymes at her home were different from school. Adithi grew up in a joint family, where her doddamma would sing Hum Hanagaletteva when Adithi spoke in English. It translates to "oh mother-in-law, it's not like that, it's not like this". American Lady would be sung whenever Adithi's friends fought among each other. "Puttu puttu papa is similar to teddy bear, teddy bear, turn around!" explained Adithi.

Adithi said that the games she played as a child were also in Kannada. "We had to sit down and whoever was caught between a light kaanda (light post) and a baale kaanda (banana stem) was caught." In the Q&A section, 21VOF31 was asking for the name of a rhyme that went ondu yeradu baalale haradu. Adithi sang the whole song, to their delight. When she appeared clueless about Professor Arul Mani's damaradaradam mane suttovittu rhyme, he ended up posting the entire song on the chatbox. Adithi also said that the smallest kids would have the most power in her localities, in response to the event host Astha's question on playground hierarchies.

Listening Post is a bi-weekly live musiccuration event organised by NOUS on Wednesdays.



Cartooning

As the grey squares of Microsoft teams filtered on and out of the meeting that the events of 2021 rendered as the SJC English Department's fest, Metonym, there were no signs of any dwindling in the spirit of participation as students appeared in their numbered boxes for the first Nous event of Metonym 2021 on September 17, 2021. Cartooning is an event that

taps into both you inner artist and political commentator, an amalgamation of political journalism and art—the perfect comical symphony.

The event stirred up a line up of the best comedy, politics and art had to offer and after much deliberation the top artistic commentator were crowned, Renita Saikia of II year English secured the first place for her brilliant use of colour, and the crisp message with minimal explanation. Fia Ann Jose also of II year English had the judges laughing out loud, with her piece conveying our lives this year, securing the second place. In the third place, Smitha Chatterjee's use of just black line work to interpret the theme was commendable. Haripreeth's extra funny piece, Bipasha's on point art, the duality of Mischelle's piece-hilarious with an Aftershock as well as Chaurvee, came in rolling with the special mentions.

Laments and Lovesongs

As a part of Metonym, Nous hosted Listening Post titled 'Laments and Lovesongs' on September 14, 2021. Astha Sharma, the speaker from III EJP, is also one of our office bearers known for her beautiful voice and singing talent. Needless to say more, it was an evening of pure melody. The Nepali songs she rendered along with videos of children singing and playing brought a different dimension to music for the layperson. Through the lyrics and little bit of anecdotes she shared, one became increasingly conscious of the kind of history songs carried, especially of the ones unwritten.

WELFIE

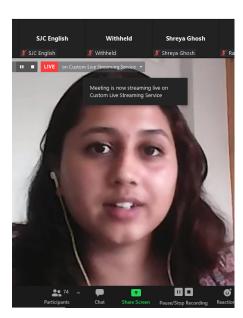
If you could ever time travel, I believe photographs are those magic carpets that can help you land in any moment just by a glimpse of it. Capturing the world around you is beautiful and so is capturing memories.

Welfie is was a metonym photography event hosted by the English department on September 21, 2021, by one of the associations called Nous. Welfie was Emceed by Astha from 3rd EJP, who made sure the participants understood the rules of the event and also took up question, in case of any query. The participants were expected to tell the viewers about the



world through three photographs taken from their window, which were due by the end of the day before 11.59pm.

The entries were quite creative and innovative. Swathi from the II MA English and Surya from the II TEP shared the first place, Manjima from the I JIP held the second position, and Aastha from the I CMS obtained third place. This event undoubtedly attracted a larger number of excellent photographers who took their first move toward achievement by participating.



Nosecut

As Metonym 2021 reeled in the student body, uniting us once again, audience

and entertainers; the second Nous event took entertainment seriously. Nosecut gave participants the opportunity to put on their talent boots and get into character, giving us their best impression of celebrity interviewed by other celebrities. The air intensified like a broth over open flame. as Gold Star Ganesh and Amit Shah gathered to question each other about private jets and controversial speeches. In the two hours of Nosecut, Farah Khan, Tejasvi Surya, Jamie Lever, and Prince Harry graced the usually blank Teams screens. The chat box was on fire with "oxytocin shava shava on September 22, 2021 from 4:30 pm. Shireen and Roger from III CPE and Riya and Pari from I EMS shared first place. Second place went to KC Kaverappa and Jayesh from I EMS who shared it with Simran and Denzel from III JIP. Third place was shared between Sashreek and Usha of I PMC with Spoorthy and Likitha of II



Nous also was in-charge of Boom Voyage, a solo writing event for Metonym that required students to write about a bad trip, a journey where things went from bad to worse.



Oikonomika

Inauguration

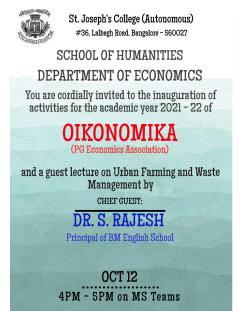
Oikonomika, the Post-graduate Economics Association conducted its inauguration for the academic year 2021-22 on October 12, 2021. Chief Guest, Dr. S. Rajesh, Principal of BM English School, Mr. Clement D'Souza. Dean of School of Humanities, Ms. Anitha Noronha, Head of the Department of Economics, Dr. Nikhil Jha, PG Coordinator, Ms. Treesa Joy, Association Coordinator and various other professors were part of the event. A report was presented which described the activities of the association in the previous academic year, and subsequently, the office bearers were announced for the academic year 2021-22. As the logo of the association was unveiled, an action plan report for the coming term was put forth as well. Dr. S Rajesh, a guest lecturer, spoke on Urban Farming and Waste Management. He emphasised the importance of urban farming and various ways through which people can utilise their terrace space or gardens for the same. He also spoke of the significance of organic farming, rainwater harvesting and composting, all in all, conducting a thought-provoking session.



Logo Design Competition

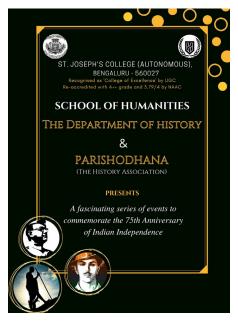
The Post-Graduate Economics Association Oikonomika marked the dawn of the new academic year 2021-22 by organising an online logo design competition. The contest took place on Google Forms, with participants being able to submit their entries up to October 8, 2021, along with a brief explanation of their ideas and inspirations for the design. Aarya Dubey, a student from I MA Economics was declared the winner of the competition on October 12, 2021, as the logo was officially unveiled during the inauguration of Oikonomica. Treesa Joy, Staff Coordinator and Mr. Nevil D'Souza, Department of Mass Communication were the judges of the competition and selected the winning design.

Dubey explained the inspiration behind her logo submission as follows: "Oikonomika is inspired from the word oikonomia which is the Greek word for Economics.



It is based on Oikos meaning household and Nomos meaning management. Hence, Oikonomia refers to household management. Aristotle described Economics as household management, as it deals with the problem of food, shelter, clothing, education, treatment for the family members and the process of solving these problems by earning money. India being an agrarian nation, the logo also focuses on the production of food grains and the economy's growth journey."





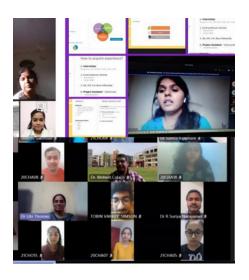
PARISHODHANA (HISTORY ASSOCIATION)

Parishodhana, the History Association of St. Joseph's College (Autonomous), Bangalore, kick-started its first activity for 2021-22 by organizing fascinating events to commemorate the 75th Anniversary of Indian Independence. It was held from 1-7 September, 2021, on Microsoft Teams. The event was organised by Ms. Jane D'Souza, Head of the Department of History. Various activities took place, some of them including painting, sketching, essay writing, poster making, and, ethnic parade. There was an enthusiastic response from students for all events across different academic streams.



PG Chemical Society

The PG Chemical Society of St. Joseph's College (Autonomous) started climbing its milestones with the inaugural function that was held on October 30, 2021, at 3.00 pm on MS Teams. Ms Shruthi Sakthivel, ACS Associate. The programme was hosted by Ms. Austlin Febia V, Joint Secretary, PGCS, followed by the invocation song from Ms. Padmashree, I year MSc Organic Chemistry. The welcome address was presented by Ms. Sneha MB, Secretary, PGCS. The then PG Co-ordinator Dr. Libi Thomas introduced the office bearers to the gathering. Dr. Shobha SV, Dean of Chemical Sciences, spoke about the PG Chemical Society and its importance to the UG and PG students. Dr Melwin Colaco (Registrar) addressed and formally declared the opening of PGCS 2021-22.



Ms. Nisal Assim Khan, President, PGCS, gave an insight on events planned for the academic year 2021-2022. Dr. Sunitha Rajamani, Assistant Professor, department of Chemistry, introduced the chief guest. Ms Shruthi Sakthivel spoke on 'Career Planning - What I Wish I Knew' . The talk was focused on making students aware of the possibilities in Chemistry and guiding them on the right path. Ms. Ramya R, Vice President, PGCS, gave the vote of thanks.

SJC Performing Arts Society

No Ship Will Come

Our students from the Performing Arts Society: Fatema, John and Shireen, did a dramatized reading of Nis-Momme Stickmann's German play No Ship Will Come on August 21, 2021. The reading was directed by Ms. Vijeta Kumar. The event was in collaboration between SJC Performing Arts Society, Sandbox Collective, and Goethe Institut.



Bhoot Polish

During Metonym- the college's annual inter-class tournament, students competed to haunt viewers in a contest known as 'Bhoot Polish' on September 16, 2021. Organised by the Performing Arts Society (PAS), the contest's objective was to impress the judge by demonstrating one's ability to deliver a hair-raising rendition of an eerie incident in their lives within three minutes. Those declared winners would receive points, boosting the chances of their classes to claim the Metonym crown.

Despite the Covid-19 pandemic forcing the event to be held online which possibly put a damper on the intended experience, performers convincingly jumped this hurdle with the clever usage of lighting, props, shifting camera angles and a number of other production tricks. "Very fascinating, very interesting. Nice jump-scares from a few of you. I had to pinch myself so I don't (sic) show any emotion," said Rohit Ravi - a former bhoot polish participant and the event's judge. Ravi continued, joking that the decision to declare winners took more thought than any of his "life decisions".

The participants put forth an vast array

of acts, encompassing various tropes of the genre of horror and many different forms of storytelling. Third place winner Danny Joseph, enrolled in the Computer Science, Mathematics and Statistics course, delivered an understated yet chilling account of an otherwise comical encounter with a drunk man in Kerala using nothing but a bed sheet and a flashlight. On the exact opposite side of the spectrum was MA student Anushka, who was awarded first place for a lively and theatrical performance based on the demonic possession of her mother. Other performances included tales about World War II ghosts and unsettling narrations of popular true crime mysteries.

"Everything seems scarier now", remarked Arya Jayan- PAS office bearer and host of the event. "Try to sleep comfortably tonight."

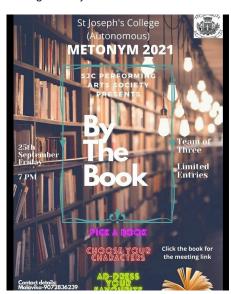
Scene-It-All

Scene-It-All requires a team of two to write a one-scene play or sketch using a prompt given at the registration meeting. As this is a writing event, interested students were to attend a meeting on September 17, 2021, and submit their work by Sunday, September 19, 2021. The participants were shown a picture of two kids playing in an empty road near the curb as the prompt for writing the scene. Even before the picture was released in the chat box. there were countless queries and doubts from participants that had to be fielded by the host. It would come as no surprise if the catchphrase of the event became 'creativity, creativity, creativity' as the host Shona from II MA English kept repeating.



JAM

One of the most coveted events of Metonym, JAM, was conducted on a Saturday evening. Needless to say, the evening of September 25 was a ride of constant fun and giggles. The event had a registration meeting the day before where all instructions were provided. Through everyone's desperate attempt to speak without errors, repetition or hesitation on assigned topics, interesting moments emerged that were precisely caught by our JAM master Dr. Arul Mani and the audience. The chorus of support for first year students of EMS paved the way for a chat box that had a JAM life of its own. Amid a cacophony of birds swooping in with their tweets and power playing God, participants spoke on topics that ranged from People Named Mike to Embarrassing Crushes. Astha Sharma from III EJP stole the first place. The second place went to Tom Alben T from I CBZ and the third place to Meghna Saji of I EMS.

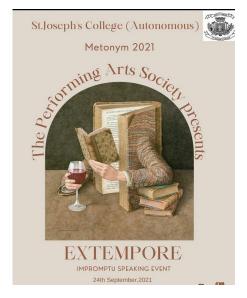


By the Book

By the Book, a performance event that required students to stage a tribute or parody of a book without giving away the title was conducted on Septmeber 25, 2021 from 7 pm on Microsoft Teams. Barring the initial few glitches that plague any online performance, the rest of the programme was a bundle of entertainment for any passing bot in the meeting. The I EMS team of Theresa, Riya, and Danny placed first. Second position went to Neharika Giridhar, Sagarika, Apanna, and Bhavya of II TEP. Third place went to II TEP's Shreenidhi, Geethanjali, and Manya.

Extempore

Extempore, a solo impromptu speaking event of Metonym, happened on September 24, 2021, from 5 pm on Microsoft Teams. Participants were given two minutes as prep time. They were expected to speak for a duration of 90 seconds to 3 minutes. The winners of extempore are Samah Assia from II JIP, Lakshmi Nair from II HEP, and KC Kaverappa from I EMS who bagged the first, second, and third positions respectively. Special mention went to Astha Gupta of I CMS.



Sumana - Psychology Association

Child Psychology Webinar

The Department of Psychology at St. Joseph's College (Autonomous), Bangalore, organised a webinar on the topic of Environmental Influences that Affect Child Development. The event was held on February 12, 2021, and was handled by Sumana, an association under the department.

The webinar was hosted on YouTube Live and provided insight into the field of Child Psychology. Sayantani Sinha was the speaker for the event, who has done her super specialization in Psychooncology and then proceeded to become an Applied Behavior Analyst. She works with children and is especially passionate about working with those with special needs.

The speaker was introduced by Sneha Agarwal, a member of the association. Ms. Sinha began her session by speaking about the importance of child pschologists.

For the most part, she focused on the way the external environment affect children and their development. Children oftentimes grow up to be reflections of the people and experiences that they are exposed to in their early years.

Ms. Sinha spoke about mother figure distortion, the effect of constantly changing a child's environment, and the effects of living in war-torn areas. The session included an in-depth analysis of the 5 main factors that affect a child's development - prenatal, physical, sociocultural, learning, and emotional.

The event drew to an end with Ms. Sinha taking questions from the audience, followed by the Vote of Thanks presented by Sampritha, a member of Sumana's logistics team.

Webinar on Improving Mental Health

The Department of Psychology at St. Joseph's College (Autonomous), Bangalore, organised a webinar on the topic of Improving Mental Health. The event was held on February 27, 2021, and was handled by Sumana, an association under the department.

The webinar was hosted on Google Meet and focused on both understanding, as well as improving mental health. The speaker for the day was Subikshalakshmi G, who is a Psychologist, Assistant Professor of Psychology at CMR University, and cofounder of the FLOWW initiative.

Ms. Subikshalakshmi began her session by explaining the difference between mental health and mental illness, and the misconceptions that surround them. She went on to explain that having positive mental health doesn't mean just feeling happy, but having control over your emotions. Signs of poor mental health are not enjoying things one used to enjoy, a sense of constant suffocation, negative energy and helplessness. She advised the audience to take care of their body, as well as take care of their mind.

She ended her session by reminding the audience that being happy always is not an accurate description of taking care of oneself. The webinar ended with the Vote of Thanks given by Sampritha, a member of Sumana's logistics team.

TGIF Weekly Session With Model United Nations Society & Sumana

The Model United Nations Society of St. Joseph's College (Autonomous), Bangalore, organised an interactive session on September 17, 2021, in honour of Suicide Prevention Awareness Month. The webinar was conducted on the Model United Nations Society's Instagram page at 5:00 pm by Adithi P.H from the society. The event was a collaborative initiative with Sumana, a Psychology association at St. Joseph's College that strives to spread awareness about mental health.

Tavish Bhardwaj from Sumana touched upon topics such as symptoms of depression, taking the example of Anthony Bourdain to describe that the signs of suicidal thoughts may not always be obvious. This in turn sparked a conversation about how one could help those struggling with their mental health. Talking openly about suicide, offering support and encouragement, and checking in regularly were some of the suggestions provided.

The session also explored the legal dichotomy between Section 309 of the Indian Penal Code which states that whoever tries to commit suicide shall be punished with simple imprisonment for a term that may extend to one year, and the Mental Healthcare Act of 2017 that restricts its application, since psychologists agreed that imprisonment only amplifies the agony of suicidal individuals.

The meeting addressed the often misunderstood subject of suicide and served as an example of how such discussions are the only way forward when it comes to establishing a mentally sound and productive society.

The portrayal of Mental Health Social Media Campaign

The Department of Psychology at St. Joseph's College (Autonomous), Bangalore, organized a social media campaign to depict the portrayal of mental health in the media. The campaign was organized by Sumana, a psychology association at St. Joseph's College that strives to spread awareness about mental health. It was conducted on Instagram on October 8-11, 2021 and discussed the

manner in which different forms of media portray mental health.

Local and national newscasts can be just as damaging in their portrayal of mental health as reality television. The campaign addressed how media contributes to the stigma surrounding mental illness by portraying people with psychiatric disorders in exaggerated, inaccurate, and comical ways. The media's consistent portrayal of people with mental illnesses as violent, murderous, unpredictable, and to blame for their condition are gross exaggerations and misrepresentations of reality that are completely false. As a result, the general public believes that people with psychiatric disorders are uncontrollable and dangerous, and should be feared and avoided. According to studies, negative attitudes toward people with mental illnesses are directly proportional to the amount of time spent watching television.

Now more than ever, there must be a more accurate portrayal of mental health in television, film, and online streaming. By depicting real-life stories and struggles of poor mental health, it will not only help people recognize that treatment may be necessary, but will also help remove the stigma commonly associated with these diseases. This will further assist those affected by mental health disorders to feel included and hopefully seek out the treatment that they need. The campaign was enlightening and insightful, receiving a positive response from Instagram users.

Tamil Sangham

Inauguration

The Inauguration of Tamil Sangam association for the academic year 2021-22 took place in Xavier Hall, St. Joseph's College (Autonomous), Bangalore, on October 28, 2021, with around 300 participants fully dressed in ethnic wear.

Mr. Guru Lakshman was the Chief Guest and Mr. Muthumani Nannan was the Guest of Honour of the afternoon. They lit the lamp along with Ms. Arokiya Mary, Coordinator of Tamil Sangam, and Thejaswini, the President of Tamil Sangam.





The office bearers for the year 2021-22 collected their badges from the Chief Guest and the Guest of Honour and took a pledge, promising to fulfil their duties.

The release of the premier theme of Tamil Sangam for the academic year 2021-22 was the most awaited moment of the programme, which will manifest itself in various events and competitions to come. The theme was unveiled to be Sindhanai Sei Manamey (dear mind give a thought), announced by Chief Guest.

The event also consisted of a Welcome Dance from a Commerce student, a Folk Dance from the students of Humanities, Science and Commerce, and a Special Performance from the MIMA association.

Technophite

Industry interaction with Tata Consultancy Engineers

The department held an interaction with Tata Consultancy Engineers company on November 18, 2021. The Department in its continuous endeavour to bridge the gap between Academia and Industry pronounced their main objective. They want to create a talent pool of industryready students and construct a teaching ecosystem which will provide value to IT business needs in the areas of Infrastructure, IT - Applications, Maintenance & Support and also to develop industry relevant students from the Computer Science stream. They also talked of the need to improve behavioral and technical capabilities of the student with emphasis on innovation.

UG Chemical Society

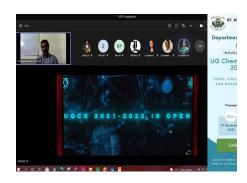
The inauguration of the UG Chemical Society (UGCS) of the department of Chemistry was held online on MS Teams on November 19, 2021 at 6 pm. Prof. Nagabhushana K S, Director- Research, Prayoga- Institute of Education Research, was the chief guest for the event.

The office bearers of UGCS for the academic year 2021-22 were introduced by Dr Rita Pal. A video was displayed recapping the events of UGCS for the year 2020-21.

The registrar, Melwin Dr. Colaco. addressed the participants and gave a brief idea about how the physical sciences started and how UGCS came to life. Dr. Shobha S V, Dean of Chemical Sciences, spoke about how UGCS has evolved over the years and encouraged the students to continue the legacy in the years to come. Dr. Libi Thomas, HOD of Chemistry, expressed appreciation for the efforts of UGCS members and also wished them well in their future events.

Mr. Sharath Saji Thomas explained the plan of action for the current year, in which he told about the start of the Instagram page and the newsletter which will cover up articles along with the creative work by the students. The events of UGCS for the year 2021-22, were officially declared open by the chief guest.

Prof. Nagabhushana presented his lecture on the topic 'Colloidal nanometals for various applications', where he discussed how different nanometals can be synthesized. He also discussed the various applications of these nanometals such as dye solar cells, plastic industries, electrocatalysts for fuel cells, dampers in automobiles, speakers and gas sensors. A total of 102 participants were present for the meeting.





Alumni Centenary celebration meeting







Vaccination Drive on Campus



Josephite Choir in Action

College Announcements

Our college secured ranks within top ten in a survey conducted by IndiaToday for adjudging best colleges of the country.

Our college also received the following **National Educational Excellence** Awards:



Best Degree College of the Year 2021
South India Award under 'Innovative
Teaching Approach, Outstanding
Administration, Social Contribution &
Placements' category for the year 2021
'Outstanding Performance in Virtual
Knowledge Delivery during Pandemic'



Hearty congratulations to our dear principal **Dr.** (**Fr.**) **Victor Lobo S.J.** who won a prestigious national award for 'Best Principal of the Year 2020-2021' by AIACHE.

The International Human Rights Council has awarded our college with a Certificate of Appreciation in recognition of the services offered by the College during the COVID-19 pandemic.

We Congratulate Ms. Sayantani Banerjee from the department of Commerce and Management for successfully defending her PhD thesis titled "The Pros and Cons of Capital Account Convertibility- An Analytical Study" on November 22, 2021, at Bharathiar University, Coimbatore.

We congratulate Ms. Usha Priyadarshini from the department of Commerce and Management for successfully defending her thesis titled 'Role of Social Entrepreneurship in Driving Social Change - A Case Study Approach in Bengaluru City' on October 20, 2021.

We congratulate **Ms. Deepa Mathew** from the department of Mathematics for successfully defending her thesis titled 'Some Variants of Strong Geodetic Problem in Graphs' on October 08, 2021.

We congratulate Ms. Ozma Jane D'Souza from the department of Chemistry for successfully defending her thesis titled 'Application of Modified Carbon Paste Electrodes in the Electrochemical Analysis of Biomolecules and Pharmaceuticals' under the guidance of Dr. Ronald Mascarenhas on August 23, 2021.

We congratulate **Mr. Ananda K S** from the department of Statistics for successfully defending his thesis titled 'Some Contributions to Regression Analysis: Estimation of Value at Risk and Expected Shortfall' on August 21, 2021.

We congratulate **Ms. Nithya B from the department of Computer Science**for successfully defending her thesis
titled 'Hybrid Approach of Nature Inspired
Algorithm for Localization in Wireless
Sensor Networks' on August 12, 2021.

We congratulate **Ms. Micah Thambi** from the department of English for successfully defending her thesis titled 'Myth, Fiction, and Nationalism: A Study of Select Post-Millennial Indian English Popular Narratives' on August 09, 2021.

We congratulate **Ms. Maria Ancy S** from the department of Mathematics for successfully defending her thesis titled 'Study of Linear and Non-linear Analyses of Rayligh-Benard-Chandrasekhar Convection in Micropolar Fluid with Saturated Porous Medium' on August 5, 2021.

We congratulate **Mr. Martin Paul** from the department of Botany for successfully defending his thesis titled 'Plant Microbe Interaction in the Water Calyces of Spathodea Campanulata P. Beauv' on July 23, 2021.

We congratulate **Mr. Hariharan** from the department of Commerce and Management for successfully defending his thesis titled 'A Study of Price Fixation Mechanism in Indian Commodity Market' on July 16, 2021.



We congratulate **Dr. Jayashankar** from the department of Zoology for getting the Excellence Award in recognition of his studies in Biodiversity.

We congratulate **Ms. Wilma D'Souza** from the department of Mathematics on her new collection of poetry 'Reminder of History to Contemporary Times'.

We congratulate **Dr. Christo Selvan** for winning an award from The Academic Council of uLektz as one of the 'Top 50 Thought Leaders in Higher Education for the year 2020'.

We congratulate **Dr. N Praveen Kumar** from the department of Botany for winning the International Innovative Scientist Award 2021 by the Center for Professional Advancement for his work on Plant Pathology.



We congratulate **Dr. CB Issac and the health centre** for the successful conduct of the vaccination drive from September 16-17, 2021.

Student Achievements



Congratulations to **Varun Nayanar** from II BA IES for his selection in the U-19 Challenger Series.

Congratulations to **Rohan Bhargavapuri of II EPS** for the publication of 'Kalyanarohana', a collection of the student's Kannada poems, on October 08, 2021.

We congratulate **Aldo A Clement of II BCom** for being awarded the youngest to direct a short film for India Book of Records 2021.

Congratulations to **VV Lalith Krishna** (19IES13008) for his participation in U-23 and Seniors state camp held at Kadapa, Andhra Pradesh. He has also been selected by the Andhra Cricket Association

Personal Announcements

Congratulations to Ms. Parul Batra from the department of English on becoming a mother to a baby boy named Zubin on June 07, 2021.





Congratulations to Mr. Cyril on becoming a father to a baby girl on September 30, 2021.





Congratulations to newly weds Mr. Michael (Office) and Ms. Aishwarya who tied the knot on September 19, 2021



Obituary

Mr. Arokiaswamy (Raju, 62), brother of Mr. Prakash (Attender, department of Botany) passed away on November 23, 2021.

Mr. Salvadore D' Souza (48) brother-inlaw of Mr. Joseph Pinto (Department of Library and Information Science) passed away 23 November, 2021.

Mr. B R Thaker (83), grandfather of Ms. Ami Joshi (Department of Psychology) passed away on October 27, 2021.

Prof G K Govinda Rao who served as a professor of English at St. Joseph's College of Commerce passed away on October 15, 2021.



Sr. Valsa, who taught in the department of Social Work from 2009-2012, passed away on June 16, 2021.

Mt. Varadaraj (62), father-in-law of Dr. Kavya (Department of Zoology), passed away on October 09, 2021.

Mrs. Sulochana (79), maternal aunt of Mr. Shivakumar (HoD, Department of Zoology), passed away on October 07, 2021.

Ms. Vanitha D (55), elder sister of Ms. Shashikala (Department of Computer Science) passed away on October 02, 2021. Master Vimal (12), her cousin, passed away on the same day.

Mrs. Delphin Alexander, wife of Mr. J Alexander IAS and paternal aunt of Mr. Sunil PG (Accounts Superintendent), passed away on September 21, 2021.

Mrs. Juliana Mascarenhas (96), mother of Dr. Ronald Mascarenhas (Department of Chemistry) and mother-in-law of Ms. Jane D'Souza (HoD, Department of History) passed away on September 17, 2021.



Milind, a former student from 2015 batch of MEC, passed away on August 25, 2021.

Mr. Sunny Jose, uncle of Ms. Litty Joseph (Department of Commerce and Management), passed away on August 24, 2021.

Mr. Joseph (75), father-in-law of Mr Sagayanathan (Admin Office), passed away on August 15, 2021.



Fr. Roshan Lobo SJ (49/32) passed away on August 13, 2021.

Niharika Vairamani from I TEP (2020 batch) passed away on June 8, 2021.

Mr. Chinnappa (94), father of Mr. Philip Kumar C (Attender, department of Microbiology) passed away on August 01, 2021. Mr. Anthony David (46), husband of Ms. Maria David (Department of Sociology) passed away on July 27, 2021.

Mrs. B. Visalakshamma (74), mother of Dr. Prashanthi (Department of Computer Science) passed away on July 14, 2021.

Mr. Anthony Mundargi (74), paternal grandfather of Mr. Prem Kumar (Department of Library and Information Science) passed away on July 13, 2021.

Mr. A Selvaraj (80), uncle of Ms. Revathi (Receptionist), passed away on June 28, 2021

Mrs. Santhan Noronha (83), mother of Br. Philip, passed away on June 23, 2021.

Mr. Alwyn Veigas (79), brother-in-law of Fr. Swebert D'Silva SJ, passed away on June 16, 2021.

Mr. Dilip Kumar (30), cousin of Ms. Revati (Receptionist), passed away on June 13, 2021.

Mrs. Valsa (84), paternal aunt of Dr. Rabbi Akkiba Angiras (Dean, School of Physical Sciences), passed away on October 14, 2021.

Mr. Veerappa (58), husband of Mrs Nagamani (Housekeeping Staff), passed away on June 8, 2021.

Abhinand Thekkoot Abhilash from I BCA (2020 batch) passed away on June 8, 2021.

Ms. Vasanthi (50), sister of Mr. John Christy (Supervisor), passed away on May 29, 2021.

Mr. Lourduswamy (59), brother of Ms. Bruno Martin (Department of Physics) passed away on May 30, 2021.

Mr. Irudayaraj (54), brother of Mr. Anthony Lawrence (Admin Office) and father of a student, passed away on May 28, 2021.

Siddharth Narasimha from III CEZ (2018 batch) passed away on August 4, 2021.

Antony Chetan (IES Batch of 2020) passed away on October 08, 2021.





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