

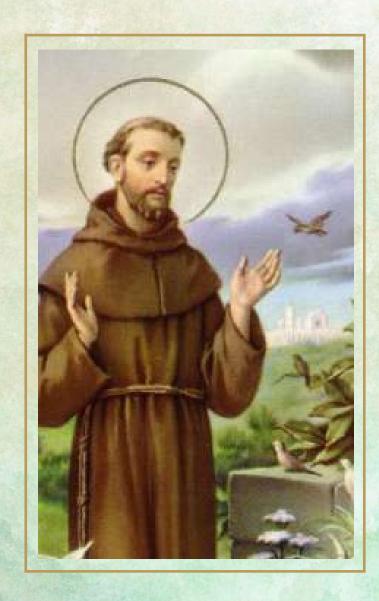


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PRAYER OF St. Francis OF ASSISI

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace,
Where there is hatred, let me sow love;
Where there is injury, pardon;
Where there is doubt, faith;
Where there is despair, hope;
Where there is darkness, light;
And where there is sadness, joy.

O Divine Master,
Grant that I may not so much seek,
To be consoled as to console;
To be understood, as to understand;
To be loved as to love.

For it is in giving that we receive;
In pardoning that we are pardoned;
And it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

Blessed Mary OF THE PASSION

"My God is beauty, my God is great, my God is happiness."

Hélène de Chappotin (1839 - 1904)

Founder | Institute of the Franciscan Missionaries of Mary



College

Stella Maris College, a Catholic minority institution of higher education for women, is an autonomous institution affiliated to the University of Madras and is partly residential. It is managed by the Society of the Franciscan Missionaries of Mary, a Catholic religious congregation founded by Blessed Mary of the Passion (Hélène de Chappotin) in Ootacamund, Tamil Nadu, in 1877. Guided by her charism, the initiatives of the College arise from a sound philosophy of life based on faith in God and the contemporary reality of a pluralistic Indian society that is challenged by global ideologies and cultures.

The College was founded on 15 August 1947 in a small one-storeyed building with 32 students in Santhome, Mylapore, Chennai. In 1960, it moved to its present campus "The Cloisters" on Cathedral Road in the heart of the city.

Today, the College has an enrolment of more than 5,500 students from diverse backgrounds, communities and nations.

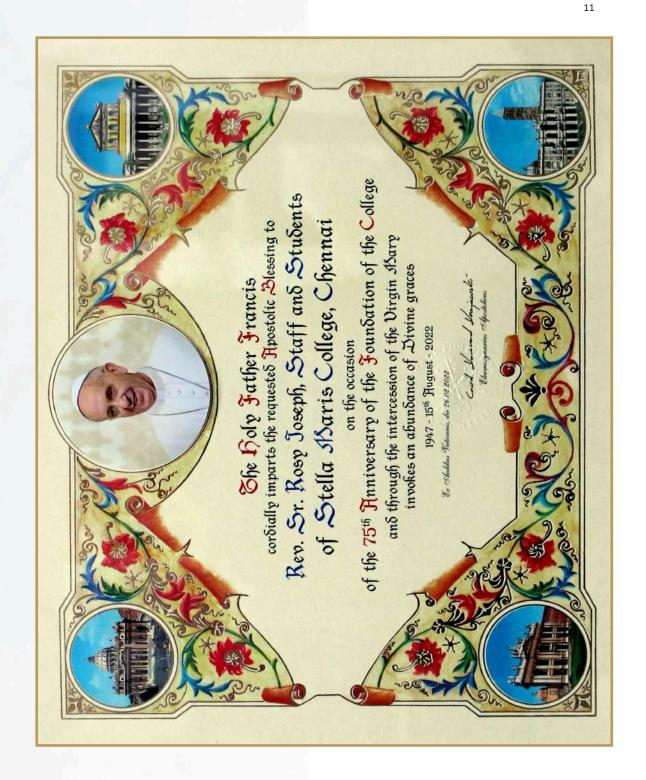
The College is committed to serving the economically and socially marginalised sections of society.

It provides university education in a Christian atmosphere for deserving students, especially those belonging to the Catholic community. Admission is open to all, irrespective of caste and creed, and all students' rights of conscience are respected.

The College became autonomous in 1987 and has currently 23 undergraduate and 14 postgraduate programmes with five departments offering M.Phil. programmes and seven departments offering Ph.D. programmes. Postgraduate Diplomas and Certificate Courses are also offered.









भारत के उपराष्ट्रपति Vice-President of India MESSAGE

I am happy to know that Stella Maris College, a reputed women's institution of higher education in Chennai, is commemorating its 75th Jubilee Year.

It is gladdening to know that the College, founded on the very day that India won her independence, on 15 August, 1947, has emerged as an important center of learning and empowerment for the young women, especially those from underprivileged sections of the society.

I hope that, in the coming years, Stella Maris College will continue to uphold its high academic standards and excel in all domains for all round development of its students.

On the happy occasion of its 75th Jubilee Year, I extend my heartiest greetings and congratulations to all students, teachers, staff and alumni of the College and wish them all the very best in their future endeavours.

(M. Venkaiah Najdu)

New Delhi 2nd May, 2022.



Chief Minister Thiru M.K.Stalin's message in the Visitor's Book



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Most Rev. Dr. George Antonysamy Archbishop of Madras and Mylapore

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Chennai, 26th April 2022

To,
Rev. Sr. Rosy Joseph
Principal & Secretary
Stella Maris College (Autonomous)
12, Cathedral Road, Chennai-600 086

Dear and Rev. Sr. Rosy Joseph,

Peace of Christ!

Platinum Jubilee celebration of the Stella Maris College, Chennai is indeed an opportunity to gratefully recall the generous benefactors, pioneers and committed staff members who have meticulously carved it to what it stands for today. Over the years, the college has grown into a premier institute of higher education for women both locally and nationally. I congratulate each one of you at this auspicious occasion.

At this juncture, I sincerely remember with profound gratitude Sir John De Monte, the greatest benefactor of the then diocese of Mylapore, whose legacy stands tall even after 200 years of his life on earth. As an accomplished philanthropist, businessman and deeply religious person, Sir John De Monte gifted his hard earned properties to the custody of the bishop of Mylapore by establishing a Trust in his name in order to be utilized for the welfare of the poor widows, young girls and students. Stella Maris College occupies a piece of his property, an iota of his magnanimous donation to the human good. May God grant him eternal rest!

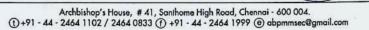
I wish to also acknowledge the contribution of the Sisters of the Franciscan Missionaries of Mary who accepted the invitation of the then bishop of Mylapore to provide higher education to young women by empowering them in the society. The selfless service of many missionary sisters and dedicated staff members has enabled the college to develop into one of the prestigious institutions in India. May God continue to bless the college with such devoted and hardworking personnel.

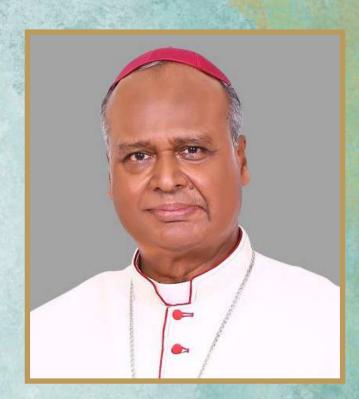
During this joyful occasion, I invite everyone of you to revisit the original intention of your institution that states to empower young women, particularly from socially and economically disadvantaged sections of society. It is in doing so that your college could be truly Catholic and Missionary in nature.

Wishing you for a memorable 75th Year of Jubilee, I remain with prayers

In Christ our Lord

† George Antonysemy Archbishop of Madras-Mylapore Pach Park Children







Rome, 10th May 2022

Dr. Sr Rosy Joseph, FMM Principal of Stella Maris College Chennai

Dear Sister Rosy,

I join Stella Maris College in the celebration of its 75th anniversary, a long journey from the beginnings back in 1947, at the dawn of independent India, to the place it holds now among the highly-respected women's colleges in the country.

In a world where the education of women is still a challenge, Stella Maris College has responded with vision and foresight; you have explored the current needs of our times and planet and have given young women the opportunity to discover their own potential and to contribute to the changes our world so badly needs.

Mary of the Passion saw the potential in the promotion of women, not only for themselves individually but to bring about social change; the need is still present, the possibilities are vast and her vision as great as ever.

Presently Pope Francis has highlighted education as the answer to an individualistic culture and widespread indifference¹. As we painfully witness the atrocities of war and intolerance, educational institutions are called to be spaces where we can learn to be enriched by our differences, creating a culture of encounter, peace and solidarity.

With both the vision of its origins and the experience of the past shedding light on the present challenges, I invite Stella Maris College to continue opening initiatives that build bridges in this complex and beautiful world, enhancing truth and charity in the human spirit in its quest for goodness and meaning.

Truly yours,

Eufemia Glenny FMM Superior General

Video message of his holiness pope Francis on the occasion of the meeting "Global Compact on Education. Together to look beyond" [Pontifical Lateran university - 15 October 2020]



With immense joy and pride I congratulate Stella Maris College, Sr. Rosy Joseph fmm, the Principal and Secretary, staff and students for the 75 enriching glorious years in the field of education.

Stella Maris has passionately carried forward the Vision of the pioneers making it a powerhouse of holistic education. There the young women spot their talents and maximise the potential to live full and productive lives. We look forward to iconic leaders, authentic and inspirational role models with their roadmap to the younger women to effect a social change in the emerging India.

Wishing you God's blessings to carry forward the mission entrusted to us by the Bl. Mary of the Passion, our beloved Foundress.

Sr. Leena D'Souza fmm

Provincial - Chennai Province



Dear Sr. Rosy Joseph

Every life has its meaning as the life of Stella Maris had for these 75 years. During the years of grace our sisters, staff, students and well-wishers have been God's instruments to dispel the darkness of ignorance with the light of education.

Along with the countless millions who have benefitted from this great institution I raise my voice to God in praise. I wish the present Principal, Staff and students many blessings to continue the wonderful work. May you all imbibe the Vision, Verve and Values that the Franciscan Missionaries of Mary had and still impart to you.

May Mary Star of the Ocean guide you further into the shining

light of greater purpose so that all those who are part of the celebrations will find much joy.

Thank you for giving me this opportunity to wish you all God's blessings.

Sr. Cecilia Joachim fmm
Sacre Coeur Convent
St. Josephs Leprosy hospital
Thoothukudi



It gives me great joy to get connected with my Alma Mater once again through this message. My sincere congratulations to Stella Maris College for the yeoman service it has rendered for the past seventy five years.

I give thanks for the innumerable blessings God has showered upon the College and for the developments that have taken place.

I am an old student of Stella Maris College from Pre University to Post Graduate studies. I specialised in History of Fine Arts and Drawing and Painting. After a few few years of gap for religious formation as a Franciscan Missionary of Mary I was a faculty member of the Fine Arts Department.

Fine Arts Department was founded by Sr. Edith Tomory fmm. She was a dynamic personality and and she steadily built up the department to what it is today. She introduced new subjects like Screen Printing, Leather work, Photography, Batik etc. Sr. Silvestra fmm worked in close collaboration with Sr. Edith. The faculty was initially housed in the present Students' Centre and later it was moved to St. Bonaventure Block. Today it is in G Block.

I have lovely memories of spending five years in that beautiful St. Bonaventure Block as a professor. We, as staff members, were very much united and worked as a familly.

I had the joy of working with Srs. Edith,
Silvestra, Mary Anne fmm, Celine Grace fmm,
Miss. Jatinder (my classmate), Miss. Gowri
Nayak, Mrs. Rama, Mrs. Alamelu, Mrs Geetha
Eapen and Mrs. Ashrafi. It is during those five years that Sr. Maddalena Lainati fmm (Italian) joined the teaching staff and we were really an international and intercultural group of staff. We worked in unity. The whole set up of the building and the surroundings were like

a dream land and the students enjoyed doing their batik work under the shade of the trees and their drawing and painting, sitting in the open space around the building. After five years of teaching, I was required to take up the work of formation in my congregation and I bid farewell to my beloved department. Today, the department has many more interesting subjects like Commercial Art etc.

God created our beautiful world and artists enhance this beauty with their beautiful works of arts and crafts. My wish for Stella Maris College is to pursue the formation of the young minds of students not only for intellectual excellence, but also for cultivating in them human values of love, fraternity, forgiveness, sharing and for creating beauty and harmony in our society.

May God bless my Alma Mater a hundredfold.

Sr. Mary Rose Joseph Pulikottil fmm Holy Angels Convent Chennai



On this happy occasion of the 75th anniversary of the Foundation of Stella Maris College, I can imagine the thousands of students recalling and humming "Stella Maris... draw us ever upwards....until our souls are radiant with thy light..." the song they have sung over and over again in their yester years!

This upward surge- beyond time and space, in these post truth and electronically charged environment, is what marks life at S.M.C. There is a perceptible ambience of harmony, care, concern and simplicity in the campus. This is made possible, thanks to the generations of principals, teaching and non-teaching staff of the college who were and are true to the

vision of following the Star of the Sea and drawing all to the Radiant Light through their dedicated service day after day-leading to unity, peace and joy. I appreciate and thank the the students very specially for striving to carry forward this magnificent legacy.

Therefore on this happy occasion I thank God for these blessings of the past years and implore for the unfailing help of the Almighty God in the years to come!

Sr. Mary Lily Bernard fmm Former Provincial Chennai Province



The 75th Jubilee of an institution of higher education is a testimony to its successful continuance as a centre of learning, and a reflection of its sustained service to communities and the larger society. It provides an opportunity to thank and acknowledge the dedication, sacrifices and hard work of the founding Sisters, the faculty, Sisters of the management, and staff over these several decades in making a difference in the lives of every student who enters the portals of the institution.

I am happy that Stella Maris has reached this milestone with a proven track record of academic excellence and social justice.

As a former Principal of the College, I am pleased to have had the stewardship of this singular institution for ten fruitful years during which I can say with a sense of fulfilment that the College crossed many milestones of achievement.

I send warm greetings to the Principal, faculty, staff, and students on the 75th anniversary of the College. The College now stands poised to leverage its achievements and continue its good work of bringing quality educational opportunities to several more generations of aspiring young women.

May the College continue to enact its vision and mission objectives to bring inclusive, equitable and fair opportunities to all who seek entry to its portals, especially young women from marginalised and disadvantaged sections of society.

I send my good wishes to you all. May success follow you in fulfilling the vision and mission of Stella Maris.

Best wishes and God's blessings,

Dr. Sr. Jasintha Quadras fmm
Former Principal
Stella Maris College, Chennai
Principal
Maris Stella College (Autonomous), Vijayawada



I joined the faculty of Stella Maris when the college was 20 years old! I thank God for the small contribution I was able to make to the college of today. It has gone through the silver, golden and diamond jubilee and I congratulate the Management that it has the privilege of celebrating its 75th anniversary now. Reminiscing on the milestones of the college, I recall with pride the process of assessment, when we asking ourselves hard questions regarding the relevance of the College to the signs of the times, the quality of higher education provided with the desire to envision its goals and vision. There were constructive debates among the management, faculty and experts to make the educational enterprise more meaningful, productive and enriching; it also emphasized the importance and urgency of periodic renewal. Today the college is committed to serve the needs of students celebrating

diversity in its many forms, encouraging creativity and independence to help them become socially and economically empowered. The impact of the college extends beyond graduation and provides placement, guidance and foster careers. The college is inspired by a larger vision, enabling students to use their knowledge, to acquire human values, become self reliant human beings and give priority to the common good.

I thank God for the valiant, dedicated and enthusiastic FMMs who had initiated the instituition and laid a sound foundation for its future. May the Spirit of God continue to walk and journey with the management, faculty, administrative and supportive staff, working in solidarity to take the college to greater heights!

Sr. Christine Antony fmmFormer Vice Principal Stella Maris College, Chennai



Consul General in Chennai

12 May 2022

Dr. Sr. Rosy Joseph, Principal, Stella Maris College, Cathedral Rd, Poes Garden, Gopalapuram, Chennai 600086



Dear Dr. Sr. Rosy,

Education is a powerful tool for the empowerment of women and the development of society. Stella Maris College has a well-deserved reputation for excellence and is doing exactly that empowering the young minds that will go on to shape a better future.

I had the great pleasure to witness this in action during a recent visit to the College for an interaction on Diplomacy in the Indo-Pacific. To watch young women, understand, question and debate ideas on international relations and policy making, is a memory I will cherish for a long time.

My heartiest congratulations to Stella Maris – the management, alumni and students for your 75th Jubilee Year Celebrations!

Kind regards

Sarah Kirlew

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Editorial

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The past year was a momentous one for the College. While the country celebrated its 75th year of Independence, Stella Maris College celebrated 75 years of empowering young women to be independent thinkers working to forge a humane and just India.

This landmark event is testament to the vision of our founder, Blessed Mary of the Passion, who believed that this institution will flourish if "it's God's work".

The College community came together in more ways than one to commemorate the rich legacy of Stella Maris. The Management, faculty, students and alumnae organised numerous events such as lecture series, seminars, workshops, conferences, instituted scholarships and undertook all these initiatives with pride, joy and gratitude.

The common thread that bound the plethora of events and endeavours was the desire to reinforce the values the College stands for and to continue to nurture our vibrant and inclusive learning community of responsible women.

The values of Truth and Charity form the cornerstones of our College and are symbolised by the colours blue and gold that are part of both the College logo and flag. It is fitting that the 75th jubilee magazine of our College is suffused with soft, abstract shades of these colours. These waves of blended colour, reminiscent of the sublimity of both the sky and the sea, are a visual metaphor for the ever expanding horizon for both our College and our students.

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COLLEGE DAY REPORT

6 JUNE 2022

ood morning and a warm welcome to everyone present here. I am privileged and honoured to welcome our chief guest, Dr. D. Karthikeyan, Principal Secretary, Higher Education Department, Government of Tamil Nadu. The Higher Education Department, which Dr. Karthikeyan heads, has the special mission "to make institutions of higher education emerge as centres of innovation, excellence, and development...while opening the portals of higher education to students from rural and backward areas and marginalised families." This aim of the Higher Education Department of Tamil Nadu is in perfect alignment with our mission and vision of education. Thank you, Sir, for consenting to be the Chief Guest at our 75th College Day Celebrations.

I extend a warm welcome to Dr. Sr. Francisco Nirmala, Provincial, Chennai Province, Sr. Fatima Anthonimuthu, Superior, Stella Maris Convent, Vice Principals, Deans, faculty, members of the Governing Body, members of the Academic Council, administrative and support staff, retired faculty, parents, alumnae, benefactors, friends, fmm Sisters, Rev. Fathers, and you, my dear students.

Sr. Susan Matheickal fmm, who served as the Secretary of the College for several years, has relinquished her post. We thank her for her committed and dedicated services.

Before I proceed with the College Day Report, I would like to place on record our sadness at the passing of Sr. Ann Mathew fmm, former Bursar, on 01 June 2021 and Dr. Sheila Mathai, former Head, undergraduate Department of English on 27 February 2022. Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls rest in peace. Amen.

I will now present the highlights of the activities of the College over this academic year.

The 75th jubilee celebrations got off to a start on Independence Day with the release of postcards with pictorial representations of iconic buildings on campus. Several events were held to commemorate the Jubilee. A series of talks, by experts from industry, academia, research institutions and corporate organisations were held from March through May. On 6 May, a concelebrated Thanksgiving Mass, presided over by His Grace, Rev. Dr. Antonysamy, Archbishop of Madras-Mylapore, was held at the Open Air Theatre. The jubilee finale, held on





25 May, was a grand event presided over by the Honourable Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu, Thiru. M. K. Stalin.

A 75- page teaser of a coffee table book covering the history of the College was released on the day, with the Chief Minister receiving the first copy.

The Annual Graduation Day was held on 1
October 2021 with Prof. Gurmeet Singh, ViceChancellor of Pondicherry University as
Chief Guest.

An Academic Audit with external experts was conducted on 7 and 8 October 2021.

Two Departments celebrated their jubilees: the Department of Sociology, its Golden
Jubilee and the Department of Mathematics, its Platinum Jubilee. Some departments held special events to commemorate the 75th jubilee year of the College.

Department of Chemistry

The Department of Chemistry held an online lecture series titled 'Emerging Landscapes in Chemistry'. Resource persons were Prof. Gurmeet Singh, Vice Chancellor, Pondicherry University; Dr. V. Balaram, former Scientist Emeritus, Chief Scientist and Head, Geochemistry Division, CSIR-National Geophysical Research Institute, Hyderabad and Dr. T. Subba Rao, Scientist-H and Head, Bio-fouling and Thermal Ecology Section, (BTES), (Retd.), Water and Steam Chemistry Division, Bhabha Atomic Research Centre, Department of Atomic Energy, Kalpakkam.

Department of English

From 8 July 2021 to 26 August 2021, an eight-lecture series titled 'Unravelling Tales: Exploring Intersections between Folkloristics and Literature' was held jointly by the Department of English, Stella Maris College, and the Department of Estonian and Comparative Folklore, University of Tartu, Estonia.



Department of Fine Arts

The Department of Fine Arts organised the Alumnae Connect Workshops and Talks Series to commemorate the jubilee year. A 75-day Art Challenge on Instagram saw enthusiastic participation from students of the Department.

Department of History

The Department of History held a series of interactive sessions titled 'Seventy-five Years, 75 Conversations.' The sessions with prominent alumnae were held both physically and virtually.

Department of Mathematics

The Department of Mathematics celebrated its Platinum Jubilee with a three-day international conference.

Department of Psychology

The Department of Psychology organised a talk series with fifteen lectures – eleven virtual and four on campus.

Department of Social Work

As a tribute to the College on its significant milestone, the Department of Social Work organised over 75 programmes including seminars, workshops, and conferences to highlight the rights of women, children and migrants as well as issues relating to child labour, youth, vulnerable and disadvantaged populations, unorganised workers, and war victims from Ukraine.

Department of Sociology

The Department of Sociology organised an international conference to celebrate its Golden Jubilee. Dr. K. Ponmudi, Minister for State Higher Education, Tamil Nadu, spoke at the inaugural session.

GENERAL REPORT

The resumption of on-campus classes from 21 February 2022 brought with it opportunities to carry on our co-curricular and extra-curricular activities as before, while observing Covid-19 protocols. Technology enabled several virtual events—such as webinars, talks, guest lectures and workshops—held with resource persons and participants from across India and abroad.

I will now take you through a presentation of the highlights of the activities of the various departments and offices of the College. The highlights of departments follow in alphabetical order:

Department of Bioinformatics

The Department of Bioinformatics organised an international workshop on 'ENSEMBL Genome Browser' jointly organised by the European Molecular Biotechnology Laboratory and European Bioinformatics Institute, UK.

Department of Biotechnology

Among other events, the Department of Biotechnology organised a national level webinar on 'Fundamentals of Downstream Processing of Peptide Purification for Drug Development' and a regional level workshop on 'Patenting Procedures for Life Sciences Invention.'

Department of Botany

The Department of Botany organised a two-day festival of Traditional Botany—'Ver Vizha'—on 21 and 22 April 2022. Eminent Siddha practitioner, Dr. P. Selva Shanmugam,



inaugurated the festival and gave participants an insight into traditional plants used in Siddha medicine.

Department of Chemistry

Three MoUs were signed by the Department of Chemistry—the MoU with TNQ Technologies was renewed on 15 July 2021 for a period of one year; an MoU was signed with the International Centre for Clean Water (ICCW), Chennai and a third with Anabond Ltd. Two doctoral scholars, Sr. Remya Simon, and Mr. Anoop V. under the guidance of Dr. Mary N.L., have received their degrees. Six doctoral scholars have submitted their doctoral dissertations.

Department of Commerce Shift 1

The Department of Commerce Shift 1 conducted on-campus workshops for students. In addition to two international webinars, one national and eight regional level webinars, a one day conference on 'Business and Careers in the Post-Covid-19 Milieu' in association with FICCI FLO Chennai Chapter was organised on campus on 9 May 2022.

Department of Commerce Shift II

The Department of Commerce Shift II held a Virtual Summit Series. Two conferences were held at the national level on



'Positive Thinking and Emotional Resilience', on 3 August 2021 and 'Realigning Health Insurance—Trends and Challenges' on 6 September 2021. An International Conference on 'Realigning Business Practices for a Sustainable Future' was held in association with International Skills Development Corporation, Grand Alliance for Management Excellence and Xavier Institute of Management and Entrepreneurship on 21 and 22 April 2022. The conference was inaugurated by Dr. Palanivel Thiagarajan, Honourable Minister for Finance and Human Resource Management, Government of Tamil Nadu.

Department of Computer Science

The Department of Computer Science organised a four-day national level virtual event titled 'Game of Threads' from 16 to 19 August 2021. A Faculty Development Programme on 'Digital Content Creation' was offered by the faculty of the Department for 33 faculty members from different departments and administrative staff in September.

Department of Economics

The Department of Economics held 12 online events ranging from lectures to workshops and competitions. On 6 September 2021, the Department signed an MOU with the M. S. Swaminathan Research Foundation to

promote a collaborative high-quality valuebased educational process leading to holistic growth.

Department of English

A Meet the Author session was held with Ambai, writer, translator, archivist, and researcher in dialogue with Mangai, writer, academic, and translator.

Department of Human Resources

Management

The Department of Human Resources
Management signed an MoU with Bharath
Institute of Higher Education and Research
(BIHER) and established a faculty exchange
programme. An International Conference titled
'Traversing from Linear to Circular Economy'
was organised.

Department of International Studies

The Department of International Studies organised webinars, including one on 'Nuclear Weapons and Nuclear Strategies of Major Powers,' and another on 'Emerging India: A Maritime Perspective'. A virtual lecture on 'Transgender Rights' was delivered by Ms. Olga Aaron from Transgender Rights Association on 25 March 2022.

Department of Mathematics

The Department celebrated its Platinum

Jubilee on 18 March 2022. Ten distinguished





alumnae were felicitated: Dr. Rajeswari Thyagarajan, (1966-72), Director, Mudhra Fine Blanc Private Limited, Chennai; Dr.R.Bharati, (1969-74), Professor Emeritus, Loyola College, Chennai; Dr. Premalatha Kumaresan, (1971-76), former Director, Ramanujan Institute for Advanced Study in Mathematics, University of Madras, Chennai; Ms. Sarada Jagan, (1974-80), Managing Director, HR and Corporate Services, The SANMAR Group Corporate; Ms. M.Sathiyavathy IAS, 1982 Batch, Member, UPSC; Dr. Antony Stella, (1978-83), former Advisor, National Assessment and Accreditation Council; Dr. Kala Vijayakumar, (1982-84), President, SSN Group of Institutions; Dr. Sr. Jasintha Quadras fmm, (1985-87), Principal, Maris Stella College, Vijayawada, and former Principal Stella Maris College; Dr. Annammal Arputhamary I., (2000-06), Principal, St. Anne's College of Arts and

Science, Chennai; and Ms.Catherine Saranya IAS, (2014-17), IAS 2021 Batch.

Department of Physics

An international seminar on 'STEM Innovations for Sustainability' was organised by the Department of Physics on 19 March 2022, for the students of various science departments of Stella Maris College.

Department of Psychology

The Department of Psychology organised a week-long virtual 'Wellness Workshop' for students of the college from 12 to 16 July 2021.

Department of Public Relations

A national webinar on 'The Next Big Thing on Social Media' (11 November 2021) and a regional webinar titled 'Crisis and Reputation Management' (29 July 2021) were organised by the Department of Public Relations. An online Faculty Development Programme for Humanities and Social Sciences, with international resource persons, was organised by the Department for faculty from colleges across the city between 13 and 17 December 2021.

Student initiatives included an inter-collegiate Short Film Festival titled 'Nunporul Kaanbadhu Arivu' and the Department's annual PR Campaign titled 'Yaadhum Maname Yaavarum Kaelir', a city-wide campaign, aimed at promoting acceptance, respect and tolerance among college students and working professionals. The campaign was inaugurated by Dr. Saranya Jaikumar, Educational Psychologist and Member, Tamil Nadu Commission for Protection of Child Rights, on 12 May 2022.

Department of Social Work

The Department of Social Work signed an MoU with the Tamil Nadu Urban Habitat Development Board to conduct a social audit and research. It is working in collaboration with the Tamil Nadu Women's Commission and State Child Protection Society, Department of Social Defence to conduct studies on Gender and Children.

Students of the Department were part of 'Illam Thedi Kalvi', an initiative of the Tamil Nadu Government to bridge the learning gap caused during the pandemic lockdowns.

Department of Languages

A Tamil elocution competition was held online to commemorate World Culture Day in September 2021.



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Department of Vocational Education

The Sustainable Energy Management programme of the Department of Vocational Education held workshops on 'Women's Empowerment,' and on 'Biodiesel Production'.

The Food Processing and Quality Control programme held an international webinar, two national level webinars, and one regional webinar. The two programmes also collaborated to host webinars.

Department of Zoology

'Butterfly Week' was held on campus from 6 to 15 September 2021. A new activity, the 'Summer Bird Count' of birds on campus, was held from 13 to 19 May 2022.

Five faculty members received their doctoral degrees this academic year.

Dr. Helen, Department of Tamil, was awarded her doctoral degree in September 2021; Dr. Nisha G, Department of Commerce - Shift II in March 2022; Dr. Arul Roselet Meryline S, Department of Mathematics in April 2022; Dr. Renuka Devi D,





Department of Computer Science in April 2022 and Dr. Josephine Lissie A, Department of Mathematics in May 2022.

Members of the faculty have published books, chapters in books and numerous research papers in reputed high-impact journals, in Scopus indexed, Web of Science, and other UGC care listed journals. Dr. Miruna George from the Department of English published a book Interrogating Subalternity and Liminality: A Critical Reading of Mahesh Dattani's Plays. Ms. M. Subhasree, from the same Department, won the Best Poetry prize for the poem published in the Indian English Poetry anthology. Ms. Arthy Infanta, Faculty, Commerce Shift II, published a book Modern Management Concepts and Practices.

Dr. Aruna Sharmili S., Dr. K. Veena Gayathri and Dr. Jayashree S. from the Department of Biotechnology authored chapters in books published by international publishers.

The following faculty members published several research articles in prestigious journals:

Dr. Aruna Sharmili S., Dr. K. Veena Gayathri and Dr. Jayashree S. (Biotechnology); Dr. Mary George, Dr. Mary N. L. and Dr. R evathy Rajagopal (Chemistry); Ms. Evangel, Dr. Ayeswarya, Ms. Deepasri, Ms. Theresa Priyadarshini, Dr. Renuka Devi, Dr. Nisha R, Ms. Vanitha, Ms. Violet Glady, Ms. Lydia Arockia Mary, Ms. Abirami, Dr. Deepa S, Ms. Monisha, Ms. Sobana, Ms. Arokia Timple and Ms. Divya (Commerce Shift II); Dr. Renuka Devi D, Ms. Roslin Clara A. and Ms. Madhura Prabha (Computer Science); Dr. Shan Eugene, Dr. Cinthia Jude, Dr. M Priyadharshini and Dr. Senkathir Selvi (History); Ms. Aarti S. and Dr. Priya Suresh (International Studies); Dr.V. Jude Annie Cynthia, Dr. V. Dhanalakshmi, Dr. Teresa Arockiamary S. and Dr. S. Sarah Surya (Mathematics); Dr. Belina Xavier, Ms. Christy Preetha, Dr. Annie Vinosha P and Dr. R. S. D aries Bella (Physics); Dr. Amritha N (Zoology).

Dr. C. L. Shilaja, Assistant Professor, Department of English, Dr. Cinthia Jude, Assistant Professor, Department of History, and Dr. Faustina Joan S. P., Assistant Professor, Department of Computer Science, organised a two-day workshop on 'Adaptive Design for Learning' for the faculty of the College on 28 January 2022 and 3 March 2022.

ANNUAL REPORT

FACULTY ACHIEVEMENTS, AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

Dr. Sr. Rosy Joseph, Principal, Stella Maris College received the Dr. Sam Higginbottom Award for the Best Principal of India (2020-21), from the All-India Association for Christian Higher Education, New Delhi, jointly with Sam Higginbottom University of Agriculture, Technology and Sciences, on 29 December 2021.

Dr. K. Veena Gayathri (Biotechnology) had the honour of becoming a Fellow of the Academy of Sciences 2021, Indian Academy of Sciences.

Ms. Swati Seshadri, Assistant Professor,
Department of Economics, undertook the
Pre-Commission Training Course at the
Officer's Training Academy, Gwalior from
26 July to 23 October 2021. She was
commissioned as Sub-Lieutenant on successful completion of the course at the Passing Out
Parade on 23 October 2021 at the Officer's
Training Academy, Gwalior.

Ms. Arthy Infanta, Department of Commerce Shift II, received the InRes Academic Excellence Award 2021 from the Institute of Researchers, Ministry of MSME, Govt. of India on 25 October 2021.

Dr. Srabani Bhattacharyya, Assistant Professor of Hindi, received the Innovative Research Dedicated Excellent Academician Award by the Society of Innovative Educationalist and Scientific Research Professionals

Trust Chennai, on 29 August 2021 for her
contribution towards feminism and Hindi
women's writing; and the International
Shikshak Ratan award on 5 September 2021 by
Beti Foundation, Maharashtra, in recognition
of her contribution in the field of education.

Dr. R. Subasri, Assistant Professor of Sanskrit, was elected Vice President, Global Sanskrit Forum, Tamil Nadu Pranth, by the Vaishvika Samskrta Manch, New Delhi from the academic year 2021-2022.

Dr. J. Jeba Deepa, Assistant Professor of Tamil, received the Tamil Achiever Award at the Tamil Scholar's Conference 2022 organised by the Pondicherry Tamil Sangam and Nakkeerar Tamil Sangam on 25 March 2022 and the 'Uzhaippal Uyarnthor Viruthu' from the A.R. Kalai Ma Mandram on 1 May 2022.

Dr. Cinthia Jude, from the Department of History, was awarded the 'Saadhanai Pengal Virudhu', and the 'Sirandha Thanambikkaiyaalar Virudhu' from Vaigarai Kalaignar Udanpirapukkal Tamilsangam, on 6 March 2022 at an event organised by Tamiliyal Aaivu Maiyam, Chennai.

Dr. Felbin C. Kennedy, Vice-Principal and Associate Professor, Department of Mathematics, received the Distinguished Professor Award 2021, in recognition of outstanding professional and research achievements in the field of Mathematics, by the Institute of Researchers, Kerala, on 25 October 2021.

Dr. Shrinidhi S, Department of Public Relations, was awarded the Vivekananda Prize 2021, in recognition of her outstanding professional and research achievements in the field of Public Relations by the Institute of Researchers, Kerala, on 25 October 2021

Dr. Amritha N. from the Department of Zoology won the Young Achiever Award from the Institute of Researchers, Kerala, on 25 October 2021.

The Librarian, Dr. Mahalakshmi Murali, was appointed Nodal Officer in October 2021 for VIDWAN, an Expert Database and National Researcher Network which hosts the profiles of 70 faculty members of Stella Maris College. She received the 'Noolaga Mamani' award from Tamil Nadu librarian.com in April 2021

FACULTY TRAINING PROGRAMMES (INTERNATIONAL) Department of History

Dr. Dolly Thomas and Dr. Cinthia Jude completed a course with the Ewha Women's University of South Korea on 'Women's



Leadership in Asia: Transforming for the Next Normal', from 20 October to 30 November 2021. Dr. Cinthia Jude underwent a Professional Training Programme in Adaptive Design for Learning (ADL) offered by the Ateneo SALT University, sponsored by the United Board, from September to December 2021.

NSS, YRC, RRC

The NSS and YRC units of the College were strengthened by the addition of another service-oriented programme, the Red Ribbon Club (RRC). The RRC is a movement initiated by the Government of India to create awareness of AIDS in rural areas. As part of Swachh Bharat Abhiyaan government programme, a Pledge Taking Ceremony was held on 7 August 2021, where NSS volunteers pledged to create awareness about the need for a clean and healthy environment. The YRC units, in collaboration with the Mohan Foundation, observed World Organ Donation Day on 18 August 2021. A Special Camping Programme was organised for second year NSS volunteers from 20 to 26 February 2022 providing an opportunity to visit various NGOs, slum communities and Government Schools.

NCC

Senior Cadet Captain Aishwarya R of III B.A. Sociology was selected as the All-India Best Cadet in Senior Wing Navy at





the Republic Day Camp 2022 and received the baton from the Honourable Prime Minister during the Prime Minister's Rally on 28 January 2022. She was also selected to participate in the Youth Exchange program in Bangladesh.

Corporal Iswarya Jose from II BA
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at Delhi. She was part of the Tamil Nadu
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26 January 2022.

An online workshop on 'Disaster Prevention and Preparedness' was organised for NCC Cadets by the Department of Social Work, Stella Maris College, supported by the United Board for Christian Higher Education in Asia on 28 May 2021.

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Stella Maris NCC cadets participated in Cado Fiesta, an intercollegiate competition conducted by the Tamil Nadu Dr. Ambedkar Law University, and secured 4 Gold, 18 Silver and 1 Bronze medals in various competitions. They also participated in Cado Fest conducted by the DG Vaishnav College, and secured 10 Gold, 3 Silver and 10 Bronze medals.

The NCC cadets observed the fifth World Bicycle Day (WBD) on 3 June 2022 by 'cycling their worries away' in a cycle rally covering five kilometres around the College campus.

Sports and Games

R. Lalitangi of III B.Com. won a gold medal in 200m at the Second State Level Athletic Championship held on 28 July 2021 at Erode.

T. Jayalakshmi of I M.A., Human Resource Management, won a gold medal in the 400m. hurdles at the Dr. Sri. A. Lakshamana Mudaliar Golden Jubilee commemoration 53rd Athletic Meet held at Jawaharlal Stadium from 21 to 23 December 2021.

T. Jayalakshmi and Nathaliea Evangeline Maria represented the University of Madras in the All-India Inter-University Athletic Championship held at KIIT Bhubaneswar from 21 to 24 February 2022.

In archery, our performance this year was impressive. Surekaa Ponmurugan of III B.Com. CS won the first place in Recurve in Arjuna Archery Championship held on 14 March 2021 at Tiruchengode. She also obtained the first place in the First National All Games Championship 2021 held at Guntur, Andhra Pradesh on 19 September 2021.

Surekaa Ponmurugan represented India and won a gold medal in traditional archery and another gold medal in Recurve Archery in the First World Sports and Games Development Board International Championship 2022 held at Pokhara, Nepal from 6 to 10 March 2022.

In table tennis, D.K. Vedhalakshmi and M. Yazhini were selected to represent the University of Madras and their team obtained the Winners title in the South Zone Inter-University Tournament held from

6 to 9 January 2022 at AMET University.

D.K.Vedhalakshmi has also been selected to represent Tamil Nadu in the National Ranking Championships several times.

In basketball, R. Sneha was selected to represent Madras University in the All-India Inter-University Basketball tournament held at DCRUST, Sonipat, New Delhi, and their team won the Winners title. The team won another Winners title in the Khelo India University Games held at Bengaluru. She also represented the Chennai district for the Tamil Nadu State.

In squash, Mithali of II B.B.A. represented the University of Madras and won a gold medal in the All-India Inter-University Tournament held at Haryana from 21 to 27 April 2022.

In the South Zone Inter-University handball tournament held from 27 February to 2 March 2022 at Trichy, Rithikaa Merriyam was selected to represent the University of Madras.

In fencing, A.S. Rashmika, II B.A. Sociology, was selected to represent the University of Madras for the All-India Inter-University Fencing Championship held from 2 to 12 January 2022 at Amritsar, Punjab.

In rowing, Tulsi Sriram was selected to represent the University of Madras for the

All-India Inter-University Rowing Championship 2022 held at Chandigarh, Punjab from 28 February to 4 March 2022.

In hockey, eight of our students were selected to represent the University of Madras B Zone.

In Taekwondo, our students continued their winning streak this year. Sharon Ankitha, of I B.Com. CS secured the gold medal in Kyorugi Senior Girls under 46 kg category, gold medal in Poomase, Senior Girls (pair) and another gold medal in Poomase, Senior Girls (individual) in the First Tamil Nadu State North Zone Taekwondo Championship held on 25 and 26 September 2021 at CRPF Campus, Avadi.

This year, 21 of our students were selected to represent the Madras University B Zone and 11 students were selected to represent Madras University. The number of National Level representations were seven, and one representation was at the international level.

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

Department of Bioinformatics

Four students, Ms. Sadhana, Ms. Narmadha, Ms. Kavitha and Ms. Amsaveni received the Student Research Project Fund



2022, from the Tamil Nadu State Council for Science and Technology (TNSCST).

Department of Chemistry

Two final year postgraduate students Ms. Roshini N. and Ms. Jayashree N. have been awarded the TNSCST scholarship.

Department of Economics

Archana Verma, a First Year undergraduate student was awarded the Female Innovator of the Year by the Global Triumph Foundation on 16 April 2022. Sabarika Mani, a Second Year undergraduate student, won the Dr. C. Selvaraj award 2022 for Best Student in Economic and Merit Scholarship with a cash prize of Rs. 25,000 awarded by One World Trust on 30 March 2022. Ritheka Sundar, a Final Year undergraduate student, won the Oxford Gopal Subramanium Graduate Scholarship from Somerville College, University of Oxford, on 11 May 2022. Eight II M.A. students presented three papers at Sacred Heart College, Tirupattur on 21 and 22 March 2022 and won best paper awards and cash prizes in their respective sessions.

Department of Commerce Shift II

Ms. Shruti Sridhar (PG Diploma in Global Business and Finance) obtained the All-India Second Rank in the CGMA Management Case Study Exam in November 2021.



Ms. Dhanalakshmi (PG Diploma in Global Business and Finance) has cleared CIMA and has become a CIMA Affiliate.

Department of Fine Arts

A. Khushi of III B.V.A. won the Best Poster award at the International Youth Social Anti-Corruption Advertising Competition organised by the Office of the Prosecutor General of the Russian Federation, in July 2021.

Department of Languages

Sakthi and Justina Binoy, Second Year students of Sanskrit, won first place for their paper presentation at an intercollegiate event held by SDNB Vaishnav College.

IQAC

The IQAC organised several training programmes, both virtual and physical, for both faculty and students. The NAAC Self Study Report (SSR), was prepared for the visit of the Peer Team. The SSR was submitted in April 2021. The College was subsequently accredited by NAAC with an A+ grade and a CGPA of 3.44.

The Centre for Research and International Programmes

The Research Matters Webinar Series was held from June 2021 to May 2022. The 7th International TWU-SMC Annual Leadership Conference which took place on 19 November 2021 addressed the topic 'Leading Innovation:



Economy, Education and Environmental Stewardship'.

A seminar series was organised jointly by
Liverpool Hope University Business School, the
Department of Economics and the Research
and International Partnerships Centre,
Stella Maris College, on 14 December 2021.
The theme was 'Development of Business
Sustainability Cycle: Lessons from an Integral
Perspective.' The resource person was Prof.
Tony Bradley, LHU, UK.

A one-day Research Conference was conducted in collaboration with the Departments of Social Work and Psychology and in partnership with Child Adolescent Foundation, India, on 12 May 2022. The focus was on 'New Directions: Emerging Trends and Concerns in Child and Adolescent Education and Research'. The chief guest was

Thiru. Anbil Mahesh Poyyamozhi, Minister for School Education of Tamil Nadu.

'One Globe: Global Conversations Webinar Series' was inaugurated on 2 August 2021 on the topic 'Global Conversations in Collaborations and Innovation'. The second one was held on 4 March 2022.

The International Masters in Business
Administration (IMBA), in partnership with
LHU, UK, and the two-year postgraduate
programme in Leadership in Business at Trinity
Western University, Canada, have resumed
this year, after a two year hiatus due to
the pandemic.

Library

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Four students from the Postgraduate
Department of Library and Information
Science, University of Madras, interned in our
College Library in December 2021.

A Meet the Author event was held on 22 March 2022 at which Mr. Pattabhiram and Dr. Anbuthambi, authors of the book Post Pandemic Graduate, discussed their book with students.

Stellarchives has carried out digitisation of books. The digital copies are being arranged genre-wise on DSpace to correspond with the physical order in the archives.

sceed organised sessions on areas of relevance such as Outcomes Based Education, Course Mapping, Intellectual Property Rights, Critical Thinking, Environment Conservation, Waste Utilisation, E-waste Management among other topics of relevance in today's global education scenario.

The Gender Centre organised a four-day series of talks in June 2021. An intercollegiate mini-documentary-making competition on the theme 'Elimination of Violence against Women', was followed by a panel discussion on 8 December 2021 on the topic 'Confronting Patriarchy'. The Gender Centre identified gaps and needs regarding gender issues in Tamil Nadu. Their findings were published as a report titled 'A Sociological Analysis of Sexual Harassment among College Students in the City of Chennai.'

The Students' Union has been very active on campus post the pandemic lockdown.

Virtual activities gave way to a flurry of on-campus activities and events. 'Solasta Writes', a new initiative, is a visual and vocal e-newsletter which is a platform for the young entrepreneurs of Stella Maris College to advertise their small businesses and products.

'Tharagai', a series of competitions in collaboration with the University of Melbourne was launched by the Union and contributed to the '2021 Leading Together Dialogue on Women and Leadership' hosted by the University of Melbourne, Australia.

Value Education

The feast of our patron, St. Francis of Assisi, was celebrated on 2 October 2021 with a special prayer gathering. On 30 April, a Youth Convention was organised for the I and II year undergraduate Catholic students. The theme of the convention was 'Faith Alive in a Digital World'.

SAP and SL

Since there was no scope for field activity due to the pandemic, online sessions were organised for classes. NGOs like ChildLine, Nesakaram Seeds, Thozhamai and CRY shared their experiences about the work done in various centres and community members interacted online with the students. These sessions sparked debate and discussions amongst the students.

SMCDRIVE

From October to December 2021, free Covid 19 Vaccination Camps were organised in collaboration with the International Association of Human Values. During November 2021, many communities were affected badly by flooding. SMCDRIVE, in collaboration with the International Association of Human



a relief measure. benefited through this project. Eighty-nine transgender people did various certificate courses; 33 completed them successfully. A job fair 'The Journey Begins' was conducted on 19 April 2022 exclusively for LGBTQ

various organisations.

Ninety-three Hearing impaired College students did a Certificate course in digital literacy, using sign language, from August 2021 to October 2021. Personality Development sessions

people. Five transgender people were able to find jobs in

Values, Hyatt Hotels, TVS Sundaram Fasteners, Tata Consultancy Services and Bank of America, distributed emergency kits, bed sheets, sarees, dry ration kits and food packets for the people of marginalised communities in and around Chennai as

Certificate Courses teaching employability skills, such as Excel, Tally, Soft Skills and English Communication, and livelihood skills, such as tailoring and beautician courses, were offered in collaboration with Bank of New York Mellon and International Association of Human Values for students of Stella Maris and other colleges, school students, NGOs and vulnerable groups of society. From August 2019 till date, 26590 participants have

were conducted for the girls and boys of Government Observation Home at Kellys, from 17 to 21 December 2021.

One hundred and fifty women auto drivers and cab drivers participated in the International Women's Day celebrations on 8 March 2022.

The Alumnae Association of Stella Maris **College (AASMC)** organised a series of online workshops and events to commemorate the jubilee year. The AASMC brought out a souvenir titled 'Celebrating My Alma Mater', with a compilation of nostalgic recollections charting the intellectual, emotional, and spiritual growth carefully nurtured on campus.

Our benefactors have been very generous in helping us improve and develop our infrastructure and facilities. This year, MRF has offered to collaborate with us in setting up an Incubation Centre, an Informatics Centre, and an indoor badminton court with a contribution of 1.5 crore rupees, by funding 75 percent of the expenditure from their CSR funds.

Scholarships

This year, the College has disbursed

- Rs. 92,09,582/- in Management Scholarships to 1188 students
- Rs. 39,42,778/ in Private Scholarships to 352 students, and
- Rs. 46,67,695/ in Government Scholarships to 927 students



This runs up to a grand total of Rs. 1,78,20,055 for 2467 students.

Looking back at our contribution over the last 75 years in the field of higher education in India, it is with a sense of thankfulness that we record the positive and significant impact of our work on diverse sections of society. We have broken barriers of societal discrimination, crossed frontiers of educational innovations through digital learning, traversed multiple academic landscapes across geographical borders, and have brought change and made a difference to thousands of lives of young Indian women.

In this collective endeavour, we cannot forget the role played by individuals, departments, the student body, the administration, our benefactors, supporters, and well-wishers: I extend my gratitude to all those who have made our achievements possible. I am immensely grateful to the Vice Principals,



Deans, Heads of Departments and faculty members, the Controller and Associate Controller of Examinations, the IQAC Coordinator, the NCC Coordinator, NSS Programme Officers, Director of Physical Education and the Sports Officer, the Librarian, Director SCEED, the Public Relations Officer, Archivist, and Club advisors. A special word of thanks to Sr. Hilda and Sr. Prema and the administrative and support staff. I thank Sr. Veera and her team for their meticulous management of finances. My deep gratitude to the hostel wardens for their selfless service to the residents on campus.

Thank you, dear parents, benefactors, and well-wishers, for your interest, generosity and for your presence here this morning to participate in our celebration. A special word of thanks and congratulations to the organising committee for this event.

May the Star of the Sea be the beacon that guides us as we explore new horizons in the future.

Thank you and God bless!



75th YEAR CELEBRATIONS REPORT

A talk series, titled 'Saphirus Cognitio', was organised to commemorate the 75th Jubilee year. The series consisted of popular talks by distinguished personalities across the spectrum from academia, art and culture, civil service and industry from March to May 2022.

Date	Speaker	Topic
21 March	Dr. S. Gowri, Vice-Chancellor, University of Madras	Technology in Higher Education
23 March	Mr. Ravi, IPS Director General & Commissioner of Police, Tambaram	Crime Against Women
26 March	Prof. Senthilarasu Sundaram Associate Professor, Electrical & Electronics Engineering	Solar Energy and Water Purification Advancements
29 March	Ms. Latha Pandiarajan Ma Foi Foundation	Up-Skilling the Currency of the Future
29 March	Mrs. Geetha Ravichandran, IRS Principal Chief Commissioner of Income Tax	The Essence of Taxation in Nation Building
11 April	Mr. Terry Thomas Innovation Leader & Office Managing Partner (Retd.), Ernst & Young , Chennai	Investment Planning
12 April	Dr. Sultan Ahmed Ismail Member, State Planning Commission, Govt. of Tamil Nadu	Sustainable Living: The Way Forward for Earth's Sake
12 April	Mr. C. A. Anand Pattabiraman Director, M/s Aquilae Technologies Pvt. Ltd.	Dynamic Correlation between Share, Gold and Oil Prices
13 April	Dr. Praveen Kumar Dean of Commerce & Management, Bharath Institute of Higher Education & Research, Tamil Nadu	Subverting the Entrepreneurial Paradigm





13 April	Mr. P. Kandaswamy IPS Director General of Police Director, Vigilance & Anti Corruption	Vigilance & Combating Corruption
18 April	Dr. Raghunathan Rengaswamy, Institute Chair Professor, Dept. of Chemical Engineering & Dean of Global Engagement IIT, Madras	Al for Everyone
18 April	Dr. M. Sathya Kumar, Ph.D Advocate	Digital Assets Laws and Regulations
19 April	Dr. C. Sylendra Babu IPS Director General of Police, Tamil Nadu	Women's Empowerment & their Role as Change Makers & Nation Builders
20 April	Dr. Bharathi Krishna Kumar Writer & Document Filmmaker	It is East Everywhere (Ella Dishayum Kizhakua)
23 April	Mr. T.M. Krishna Carnatic Singer & Magsaysay Award Winner	Music & Social Inclusivity
26 April	Ms. Latha Menon Film maker & Producer	Crafting a Brand Story
27 April	Mr. Venkatnarayanan President – HR, IT & CSR Rane Group	Future of Work
28 April	Dr. D. Udaya Kumar Associate Professor, Department of Design, IIT Guwahati	Design of Indian Rupee
2 May	Mr. Peter Alphonse, M.P, Chairman State Minority Commission, TN	Role of HEIs in providing Socially Responsible Citizenship: The Need of the Hour



The grand finale of the jubilee celebrations was held on 25 May 2022. The event was presided over by the Honourable Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu, Thiru. M. K. Stalin.

A 75- page teaser of a coffee table book covering the history of the College was released on the day, with the Chief Minister receiving the first copy.











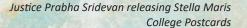
Independence DAY Stella BIRTHDAY



Twin Celebrations at Stella Maris College - 75th Independence Day and College Birthday



Brig. (Dr.) G. Himashree, Brigadier Medical, Dakshin Bharat Area hoisted the national flag









Cutting of cake to celebrate
Stella Maris College Birthday





STUDENTS' UNION

olasta is a beautiful Scottish adjective that means 'luminous' or 'shining'. The Students' Union of 2021-22 chose 'Solasta' as their official name for the Platinum Jubilee year of Stella Maris College. The name reflects the ideals of the College that have been shining bright through 75 years of excellence. 'Solasta' signifies the Union's efforts to reflect on the past years, and ensure that the core values of the institution are carried forward while bringing in their own innovative ideas and initiatives.

The logo chosen by the Union is an intricate vintage clock that represents the 75th triumphant year of Stella Maris College highlighting its glory and excellence. The outer circle of the clock represents our institution and the circle within signifies the Students' Union. It represents all Stella Marians who will always be intertwined in excellence. The innermost white circle stands for the core values of our institution as envisioned by our beloved Blessed Mary of Passion.

The colours used in the logo complement the theme for the year 'Triumph in Changing Times'. Brown is associated with the earth and symbolises the sustenance of life; Solasta, too, worked on representing steadfastness, simplicity, friendliness and dependability.

Through the course of the academic year 2021-22, the Students' Union decided to conduct 75 events in celebration of the Platinum jubilee. Events were conducted both in the online and offline mode; quickly adapting to the volatile and unpredictable environment caused due to the pandemic. The Freshers Talent Hunt, titled 'Playstation 2021' was conducted online and the culturals, 'Stellaflix', was conducted offline after the two-year gap induced by the pandemic. It was an interyear fest with 13 group and individual events, all based on popular Netflix shows.

The Union also brought in fresh and novel initiatives like launching the official college



Office Bearers of the Students' Union 2022



The Office Bearers with the Principal, the Secretary and the Deans

newsletter, called 'Solasta Writes', in collaboration with Stellaeidoscope. A social media centric initiative, called 'Solasta Speaks', was also initiated and students from various departments were given the opportunity to share their insights on their subject of expertise and create awareness on important issues. With an aim to create a vibrant and inclusive student community, the Students' Union 21-22 also conducted events to celebrate the diversity of our Indian Heritage through events like 'Christmas Jingles', 'Jashne-Eid', 'E Onam Ponnonam', 'Diwali 2021' and more. The Students' Union conducted events in alignment with their social theme for the year, 'Triumph in Changing Times' with a focus on mental health awareness via various seminars and workshops.

As their tenure comes to an end, Solasta wishes their Alma Mater the best in every venture and hopes that the Star of the Sea will continue to shine on each and every Stella Marian.

NATIONAL CADET CORPS (NCC)

The National Cadet Corps offers an enriching experience to the cadets, and plays a key role in their overall development and in grooming them into disciplined and patriotic citizens. The pandemic did not affect the motivation levels of our cadets. This year too, our cadets participated in a variety of NCC activities and brought laurels to the College.

Ms. Swati Seshadri, Associate NCC Officer of the Naval Wing of Stella Maris College, underwent the Pre-Commission Training Course at the Officers' Training Academy, Gwalior from 26 July to 23 October 2021. She was commissioned as Sub Lieutenant on successful completion of the course at the Passing Out Parade held on 23 October 2021.



SCC Aishwarya R - All India Best Cadet in Senior Wing - Navy Receiving the Baton from the Prime Minister

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Stella Maris NCC Company with 1 TN Girls
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Importance of National Integration in Nation
Building' on 14 August 2021. 61 cadets from
Stella Maris and other colleges attended
this webinar. On 15th August 2021, the
Independence Day celebrations in Stella Maris
College began with a parade by the II year
and III year NCC cadets. The interplatoon
competition for the II year cadets was
conducted on 27 and 28 August 2021 in the
college campus.

An online intercollegiate Quiz Competition for NCC cadets was conducted on 18 September 2021. The competition was inaugurated by Major Meera Rajan (Retd.), former cadet and Senior Under Officer of Stella Maris



Overall Winner's Trophy Won by Stella Maris Cadets in the Peace and Harmony Week Talent Hunt Competitions



NCC Day Special Event by Cadets depicting 75 years of independence

NCC. 115 cadets from Stella Maris College and other colleges participated in the event. The inaugural camp for the I year cadets was conducted on the college campus on 17 and 18 December 2021.

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Twenty-four Army, nine Navy and three Air Wing cadets attended their B-Certificate Examinations and 23 Army, 16 Navy and 2 Air Wing cadets attended their C-Certificate Examinations during March and April 2022.

The NCC Day was celebrated on 13 May 2022. Lt Gen M.K.Das, PVSM, SM, VSM, Commandant, OTA, Chennai was the Chief Guest for the programme. The Valedictory Ceremony was conducted on 23 May 2022. The chief guest, Commodore Atul Kumar Rastogi, DDG, NCC Directorate (TN, P & AN), gave away the prizes to the cadets at the ceremony.

The World Bicycle Day 2022 was celebrated on 03 June 2022 with a Cycle Rally by the Cadets of Stella Maris College, creating awareness about the health and environmental benefits of riding a bicycle.

ACTIVITIES AND ACHIEVEMENTS OF CADETS

Students Participants	Camp / Activity	Level	Achievements
Senior Cadet Captain Aishwarya R III B.A. Sociology	RDC Camp at Delhi from 17 December 2021 to 28 January 2022	National	Awarded All India Best Cadet - Gold in Senior Wing Navy. Received the baton from the Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi during the Prime Minister's Rally on 28 January 2022. Awarded with a DG Commendation Card for 2021 Selected to participate in the Youth Exchange program with Bangladesh
Corporal Ishwarya Jose II B.A. Economics	RDC camp at Delhi from 16 December to 28 January 2022.	National	Part of the Tamil Nadu Contingent that marched at the Rajpath on 26 January 2022.
Five Second Year Cadets and three Third Year Naval Cadets	Ministry of AYUSH yoga programme conducted as part of the International Yoga Day Celebrations on 21 June 2021	National	Participated

Two Army Cadets and One Naval Cadet from Second Year	Basic Leadership Camp at Hindustan Engineering College from 08 to 18 November 2021 and Advanced Leadership Camp at Coimbatore from 25 November to 04 December 2021	National	Corporal Agnes from II B.Sc. Psychology secured III place in extempore competition at the Basic Leadership Camp
Sgt. Priya P. III B.Sc. Chemistry	Rock Climbing Camp at Gwalior from 02 to 20 December 2021	National	Participated
Pulluru Toshita Reddy II B.V.A	Online Ek Bharath Shresth Bharath Phase VIII camp from 25 July to 31 July 2021	National	Participated
19 First Year, 9 Second Year and 12 Third Year Naval Cadets Tree Plantation Awareness Drive from 4 to 6 November 2021		National	Participated
Two Army Wing Cadets	Designing competition to design a sculpture for the NCC Mega Event 'Vijay Shrankala Aur Sanskritiyon Ka Maha Sangam' as part of Azad Ka Amrit Mahotsav programme on the theme 'Unity in Diversity' on 14 September 2021.	National	Participated
One First Year and one Third Year Naval cadet	25th National Youth festival organised by the Ministry of Youth Affairs.	National	Participated

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Two Third Year Army cadets	Piloting in the Swarnim Vijay Varsh celebrated to commemorate 50 years of victory in the 1971 war on 22 July 2021	State	Participated
Senior Cadet Captain R Aishwarya III B.A. Sociology	Parade Commander for the Governor's Guard of Honour to celebrate the 50th year of the Indo Pak war of 1971, at Palm Grove Officer's Institute, Dakshin Bharat Area on 22 July 2021	State	Participated
61 Army Wing Cadets	"Clean India" initiative Celebrating the Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsava from 23 to 25 October 2021	State	Participated
Corporal Ratuja Bakshi and Cadet Ancia Anna Thomas and Naval Cadet Toshitha	Intergroup Shooting Competition at Kongu Engineering College, Erode from 20 April to 29 April 2022	State	Participated
Cadet Captain Shreya Subramaniam III B.Sc. Botany and Petty Officer Cadet Bharathi Bharathan	NCC Day Celebrations held on 4 December 2021 at Patrician College for Arts and Science	District	Awarded Certificate of Excellence

Combined Annual Training

cum Boat Pulling Camp at

SRM Kattankulathur from 1

to 5 December 2021

District

Participated

III B.V.A.

Five Second Year

Naval Cadets

and two Third Year

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Corporal Ratuja Bakshi	Sports Shooting Camp Trg-I at Erode from 09 May to 18 May 2022 Sports Shooting Camp Trg-II at Trichy from 25 May to 03 June 2022	District	Participated
Five Army Cadets	Combined Annual Training Camp cum Thal Sainik Camp Training I at VIT Vellore from 09 May to 18 May 2022	District	Participated
Two Second Year and Three First Year Army Cadets	TSC Training Camp at SRM Institute of Technology, Kattankulathur from 01 to 10 June 2022.	District	Participated
11 Second Year and 14 Third Year Naval Cadets 95 Cadets	Social awareness program to spread awareness on Covid-19 on 19 May 2021	Unit	Participated
Nine Second Year Naval Cadets	Created Awareness on World Environment Day through Social Media on 28 May 2021	Unit	Participated
Nine Third Year Army Cadets	Firing selection at Meenambakkam firing range on 17 August 2021	Unit	Participated
19 Third Year Naval Cadets	Fit India run on the occasion of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav on 16 August 2021	Unit	Participated
Pulluru Toshita Ship Modelling training at Reddy 1 TN Naval Unit from 1 to 6 II B.V.A September 2021		Unit	Participated
13 Second Year Army Cadets	RDC selection and training at Stella Maris College from 01 to 08 September 2021	Unit	Participated

RDC selections at Madras Eight Second Year Medical College from 09 Army Cadets September 2021 to 16 September 2021		Unit	Participated
Two Second Year Air Wing Cadets	RDC selections at Tambaram Airforce Station from 06 to 22 September 2021		Participated
Two Second Year Naval Cadets	Combined Annual Training Camp cum Sailing Regatta Camp organised by 1 TN Naval Unit at the Royal Madras Yacht Club from 18 to 24 October 2021	Unit	Participated
Five Third Year Cadets and three Second Year Naval Cadets	Combined Annual Training Camp cum Sailing Camp in association with the Royal Madras Yacht Club at 1 TN Naval Unit from 5 November to 10 November 2021	Unit	Participated
Three First Year Air Wing Cadets	Aeromodelling Training at the Tambaram Airforce station from 22 to 24 November 2021	Unit	Participated
Three Second Year Naval Cadets	Swarnim Vijay Varsh celebrations on 18th December 2021 at the Victory War Memorial	Unit	Participated
23 Second Year Army Cadets	B Certificate training cadre at Women's Christian College, Chennai from 27 to 30 December 2021	Unit	Participated







Rifle Drill by Cadets as part of NCC Day Special Event

22 Third Year Army Cadets	C Certificate training cadre at Women's Christian College, Chennai, from 03 to 08 January 2022.	Unit	Participated
Two Second Year Naval Cadets	Two Second Year B Certificate training cadre at 1 TN Naval Unit from 1 to		Participated
Nine Third Year Naval Cadets	C Certificate training cadre at 1 TN Naval unit from 1 to 7 March 2022	Unit	Participated
40 Cadets (Army, Navy and Air Wing)	Cado Fiesta an intercollegiate competition conducted by the Tamil Nadu Dr. Ambedkar Law University	Inter Collegiate	Cadets secured Four Gold 18 Silver and One Bronze Medal. Cdt Anna Ancia Thomas — I place in firing; Sgt Angel Shiny — I place in solo instrument, Sgt Priyadharshini and POC Bharathi — I place in Best Cadet Competitions Cdt Sadhana — II place in TSC competitions Cpl Simran and Cpl Dhafbrin Loyola — II place in Troopers Obstacle.

35 (Army, Navy and Air Wing)	Cado fest, an intercollegiate competition conducted by DG Vaishnav College, Chennai	Inter Collegiate	10 Gold, 3 Silver and 10 Bronze medals. I place in Group Song competition and III place in Guard of Honour Competition; Flight Cdt Princy - I place in General Knowledge; CUO Divya - II place in General Obstacles; Cadet Sadhana - III place in TSC competition; Naval Cdt Shagziya begum - 3rd place in Best Cadet Competition and CC Shreya - II place in SSB Competition. Cdt Simran was awarded the Best Right Marker.
17 First Year and three Second Year Army Cadets	Combined Annual Training Camp at Anna Adarsh College for Women from 23 April to 02 May 2022	Unit	Participated



Rope Mallakhamb by Cadet Toshitha



Cycle Rally by Cadets -World Bicycle Day

NATIONAL SERVICE SCHEME (NSS) YOUTH RED CROSS (YRC) RED RIBBON CLUB (RRC)

his report highlights the significant activities and events organised by the three units of NSS, two units of YRC and one unit of RRC.

The 75th year of our College was marked by the introduction of the Red Ribbon Club (RRC) in the Part V student training programme. The academic year 2021-2022 began with a series of online activities and webinars on varied topics such

A Day Out to Remember

as the 'Hazards of Plastics', 'Importance of Yoga', 'Organ Donation', 'Conservation of Biodiversity', and 'Awareness on Human Trafficking'. Webinars commemorating significant days such as International Youth Day, World Humanitarian Day, Geneva Conventions Day, World Missing Persons Day were also organised.

A considerable number of offline activities were also organised by the units to provide hands-on experience to the student community. Tree plantation ceremonies were held by the NSS & YRC units to instil a sense of environmental responsibility among the student community. In order to reinforce the objectives of the 'Swachh Bharat Abhiyan' mission of maintaining a clean and healthy environment several campus cleaning drives such as herbal garden cleaning, waste collection in campus were conducted. The units, in collaboration with 'Urbaser Sumeet',

also organised an awareness programme on solid waste management. Our volunteers also contributed to COVID - 19 vaccination campaign by helping in the conduct of two vaccination camps in the college campus. As a part of the Special Camping Programme, our volunteers had the opportunity to visit government schools, various NGOs, and slum communities like SS Puram, M K Radha Nagar and Nochikuppam. During the valedictory function of the camp, the Councillor of Santhome constituency, Ms. Amirdha Varshini, an alumna of our College, was invited and a report on the needs and grievances of people residing at Nochikuppam slum was presented to her.

On 20 March 2022, our volunteers, in collaboration with the Rotaract Club of Loyola College, hosted a Blood Donation Camp at Guindy Cancer Institute and received participation certificate for the same. 'A



Members of the Dignity Foundation Visit the Campus

Day Out to Remember' is one of the most memorable events organised in collaboration with the Dignity Foundation. The elderly from the Foundation exhibited great energy in their cultural performances and in the ramp walk.

Our volunteers were proud participants in the 'Illam Thedi Kalvi Scheme', an initiative by the Government of Tamil Nadu to bridge learning gaps caused due to the pandemic lockdown. Shriya Kumar from II B.A. English and Communication Skills, attended a National Integration Camp at Kolkata from 25 May to 31 May, 2022 and won the first place in the panel discussion.



Herbal Garden Cleaning



NSS - Tree Plantation



YRC- Tree Plantation

GAMES & SPORTS

s in the foregoing years, this year too the sportswomen of Stella Maris College participated in sports and games tournaments at international, national, regional and state levels, winning laurels for the College:

Game / Sport	Student	Achievement	Level
Archery	Surekha Ponmurugan, III B.Com. CS	Gold Medal in Traditional Archery and Gold Medal in Recurve Archery in the First World Sports & Games Development Board International Championship 2022 held in Nepal	Inter national
		Gold Medal in Arjuna Archery Championship held at Tiruchengode	National
		Gold Medal in First National All Games Championship 2021 held at Guntur	National

Athletics	T. Jayalakshmi, I M.A. Human Resources Management	Gold Medal in 400 m Hurdles and III Place in 800 m in Dr. Sir A.L. Muthaliar Meet	University
	Nathaliea Evangeline Mariya, II B.Com. CS	Silver Medal in 400 m in Dr. Sri A.L. Muthaliar Meet	
	Shanmugapriya, I B.A. Economics	Silver Medal in Discus Throw in Dr. Sri A.L. Muthaliar Meet	
	R. Lalithangi III B.Com.	Silver Medal in 4 x 100 m Relay in Dr. Sri A.L. Muthaliar Meet	
	Jeevitha, III B.Com.		
	Nathaliea Evangeline Mariya, II B.Com. CS.		
	T. Jayalakshmi,		
	T. Jayalakshmi, I M.A.	Gold Medal in 100 m Hurdles, Gold medal in 400 m in B Zone	Inter collegiate
	Shanmugapriya, I B.A. Economics	Gold Medal in Shot Put in B Zone	
	Nathaliea Evangeline Mariya, II B.Com. CS	Gold Medal in 200 m & Silver Medal in 100 m in B Zone	
	R. Lalithangi III B.Com.	Gold Medal in 200 m in Second State Athletic Championship held at Erode	State

Fencing	A.S. Rashmika, II B.Com. CS	Bronze Medal in Epee in Khelo India University Tournament held at Bengaluru	National
II B.Cc K. E. M M. Ya: Varshi Ashika D.K. V	D. K. Vedhalakshmi, II B.Com.	Winners in Madras University B Zone	Inter collegiate
	K. E. Monica, II B.Com. M. Yazhini, II B.Com. Varshini, II B.Com. CS Ashika, I B.Com. CS	Runners Up in the Madras University Interzone tournament	Interzone
	D.K. Vedhalakshmi, II B.Com. M. Yazhini, II B.Com. D.K Vedhalakshmi	Winners in the South Zone Inter University Table Tennis Tournament held at Chennai	South zone Inter University
		Bronze Medal in Khelo India University Games held at Bengaluru	National
-		Bronze Medal in All India Inter University Tournament held at Chandigarh	All India Inter University
		Silver Medal in the First Ranking Table Tennis Tournament	State
		Bronze Medal in National Ranking Table Tennis Championship held at Shillong	National







Surekha Ponmurugan, International Archer

Basketball	Pon Soudryalakshmi, III B.Com. P. Vasundhara, III B.C.A. C. Mirtullah, III B.C.A. K. Sanjana, III B.Com. R. Sneha, II B.Com. N. Sarajana, I B.Com. Hons Priyanka M.J., I B.Com.	Third place in B Zone	Inter collegiate
	R. Sneha, II B.Com	Winners in South Zone Inter University tournament held at Kerala	South Zone Inter University
		Winners in the All India Inter University Basketball tournament held at New Delhi	National
		Winners in the Khelo India University Games held at Bangalore	National
Chess	Durga. R, II B.Sc. Physics	Second place in the State Level Chess Tournament held at Chennai	State
Badminton	Rosary Nivedha Dominic, II B.Com. CS P.P. Tejaswi, II B.B.A. K. Jayalakshmi, I B.C.A.	Third place in the Madras University B Zone	Inter collegiate
	Rosary Nivedha Dominic, II B.Com. CS	Participated in the All India Open Badminton Tournament held at Mangalore	National

Squash	Mithali, II B.B.A.	Gold Medal in the All India Inter University tournament held at Haryana	National
Rowing	Tulsi Sriram, IV B.V.A	Silver Medal in Women's Pair, Bronze Medal in Double Skull in Third Tamil Nadu State Rowing Championship held at Chennai	State
		Bronze Medal in Coxless Pair 2000 m and Quadruple 2000 m and Bronze in Coxless Fours 500 m in All India Inter University Tournament held at Chandigarh, Punjab	National
Hockey	G. Harini, II B.Sc. Psychology	Third place in Madras University B Zone Intercollegiate	Inter collegiate
		Participated in the All India Interuniversity Tournament	All India Inter University
Handball	Rithikaa Merriyam, III B.Sc. Psychology	Third Place in Madras University B Zone	Inter collegiate
		Participated in the South Zone Interuniversity Tournament held at Trichy	South Zone







Vedhalakshmi, National Level Table Tennis Player

Taekwondo	Sharon Ankitha. M.S, I B.Com. CS	Gold Medal in Kyorugi Senior Girls Gold Medals in Poomsae Sr girls (pair) & Gold in Poomsae Girls (individual) in 1st Tamil Nadu State North Zone Taekwondo Championship held at Avadi	State
		Silver Medal in the Poomsae Senior (individual) in the First Tamil Nadu State Inter-Zone Championship held at Vriddhachalam, Cuddalore	State
		Gold Medal in Poomsae Senior girls (pair) in Chennai District Championship held at Chennai	District
	Sandhiya. G. I M.Com.	Silver Medal in Poomsae in Senior Girls (individual) and Silver medal in Kyorugi 1st Tamil Nadu State North Zone Taekwondo Championship held at Avadi	State



D.K. Vedhalakshmi and M. Yazhini, Gold Medal in South Zone Inter University Tournament



Mithali, Gold medal in All India Inter University Tournament



R. Sneha, National Medalist, Basket Ball

LIBRARY

uring the lockdown, Stella Maris College Library provided vital services to the College fraternity with a range of needs, to ensure they felt connected by offering access to e-resources.

During the pandemic, for the first time, a web-based library orientation was conducted for the batch of 2021. A Library Satisfaction Survey was conducted in September 2021 to understand the needs of the user community which helped the librarian plan the library's programming and development. A Library Audit was conducted on 12 October 2021 to evaluate the quality processes.



IRINS Instance for SMC

The IRINS (Indian Research Information Network System) instance was created for Stella Maris in which about 70 faculty profiles are listed, so as to quickly and conveniently provide information about experts to peers, prospective collaborators, funding agencies, policymakers, and research scholars in the country.

An electronic board was installed at the entrance to the Library in November 2021. The board displays announcements regarding Library activities, news, metrics, and other notifications.

Library Internships allow postgraduate students to work in real-world settings, guided by experienced supervisors. Four students from the Department of Library and Information Science, University of Madras, underwent their Internship in the SMC Library in December 2021.

The College enrolled in the 'Coursera for Campus Programme' for the second consecutive time in the year 2021. The Librarian was the administrator of the programme and 459 students obtained their certification between July and December 2021.

Students of Stella Maris have always participated enthusiastically in the NPTEL Programme as the College has established a Local Chapter with Indian Institute of Technology, Madras. 28 students passed the SWAYAM—NPTEL examination in the July—December 2021 semester and 15 students passed in the January—April 2022 semester.

In order to stimulate a desire for good reading and to bring the book and the reader together the following activities were conducted:

A 'Meet the Author' session was conducted on 22 March 2022. Authors of the book *Post Pandemic Graduate*, Mr. Pattabhiram and Dr. Anbuthambi, discussed their book with students. An essay-writing contest was conducted on the theme 'Library vs Google' on 20 April 2022. An online poster-making contest was held on the theme 'Books—Our Best Friends' from 12 May to 20 May 2022. An online quiz was conducted on 'General Knowledge' from 20 May to 27 May 2022.



Noolaga Mamani Award

Dr. Mahalakshmi, Librarian, has been nominated a member of the Board of Studies of the Department of Library and Information Science, University of Madras till 2023. She was nominated as External Library Committee Member of Shasun College of Arts and Science, Chennai in November 2021. She also received the 'Noolaga Mamani Award' from Tamil Nadu librarian.com in April 2021.

The pandemic has highlighted the significance of electronic resources and internet access as a key to education. The SMC Library is always committed to delivering high-quality library services, both online and offline, to help all its users to further hone their expertise and knowledge.



Booklet Cover

STELLARCHIVES

Preparations for the NAAC Peer Team Visit kept the Archives active. The stack area was thoroughly cleaned and resources were rearranged systematically. 13 posters were prepared for display and a booklet, giving a glimpse into the journey of the Archives from its inception to 2021, was designed.

The digitisation of books is an ongoing process and digital copies are being arranged genre-wise on DSpace to correspond with the physical order in the Archives. Hyperlinks will be created next year to give easy access to the readers. The Archives has undertaken year-wise extraction of photos from the College Magazines from 1947 to 2020 to tag the hundreds of photographs archived. This motivated us to prepare event logs from 1947 based on the College Magazines. We have done this till 1969 so far.

A timeline of the people who headed various departments was prepared. Identification of people and sourcing their photos were challenging parts of the process. Applications such as Paint, Photoshop and 3D Photo Editor are used to increase the resolution of the photos. The task is proving to be challenging because of the lack of referencing sources to authenticate the collected data.

Fourteen volumes of the Attendance Registers of teaching staff, from June 1969 to April 1984, were digitised and also typed out. These give valuable information such as the names of the Heads and the faculty of the departments, and the years of their service. Digital copies of Affiliation Certificates of new programmes were added to the collection.

Regular tasks, such as updating newspaper articles, department journals, college magazines, and registering current events of the College, were carried out alongside.

Some special initiatives were taken to mark the Semisesquicentennial Jubilee year. The unparalleled achievements of Stella Maris College over 75 glorious years are in line with the powerful words of Christopher Hitchens, "Exceptional claims demand exceptional evidence." It has been a reverent and inspiring process for Stellarchives to trace and analyse the development of Stella Maris College, over the years. One exceptional way to project the laurels and milestones of the College is by visually capturing the great personalities who worked to take SMC to incredible heights. The unstinting efforts by Stellarchives has resulted in a collection of photographs exhibiting several aspects of college life: leadership, governance, socio-cultural diversity, inclusivity, academia, sports and club activities. This process led to the ideation of a Coffee Table book, marking the Semisesquicentennial Jubilee of the College.

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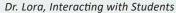
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StellArchives takes immense pride in archiving the photographs of pioneers and creating records on the timeline of Secretaries and Vice-Principals and aims to extend this photographic record to future documentation efforts.

PATHWAY PROGRAMME

he Stella Maris College Pathway Programme aims to make career opportunities accessible to students from lesser privileged sections of society. Backed by the UGC Equal Opportunities Centre, the programme serves as a platform for sharing expertise with students who have limited access to employment opportunities. The first session of the semester was conducted online for students of Shift I, on 11 October 2021. Dr. Lora Deva Prasanna, Coordinator, SMC Pathway Programme, introduced the participants to the activities of the Programme. Ice-breaker activities were organised to help them overcome their hesitation and become active participants in life on campus. On 16 October 2021, online activities were conducted for students of Shift II. The sessions provided an opportunity for







Session in Progress

students to interact with everyone and express their thoughts.

Two sessions on 'Confidence Building' were held offline on 3 and 4 March 2022. The participants were introduced to basic techniques of positive thinking as a step towards building self esteem.

Two parallel sessions on 'Personal Effectiveness' were conducted in June 2022. Students registered their feedback at the end of the sessions. They also expressed their happiness at the opportunity for a fruitful interaction.

CENTRE FOR RESEARCH IN SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (CRIST)

he Centre for Research in Science and Technology (CRIST) has been providing instrumentation facilities for the students from the Departments of Chemistry, Physics, Biotechnology, Bioinformatics and Botany for their UG and PG projects. The activities of the CRIST lab are supervised by Dr. M ary N. L., the Administrative Director.

The Postgraduate students & research scholars of the Department of Biotechnology, Bioinformatics, Chemistry and Physics have been effectively utilising the Weighing Balance, UV-Visible (DRS) Spectrophotometer, FT-IR (ATR) Spectrometer, Gel-Doc Imaging System, Millipore Water Purifier, Rotary Evaporator,



Workshop-cum-Demonstration on High Pressure Liquid
Chromatography (HPLC)



Workshop-cum-Demonstration on High Pressure Liquid Chromatography (HPLC)

Probe Sonicator, Cooling Centrifuge, Orbital Shaker and Laminar Air Flow etc.

DST-FIST Instrumentation Centre organised a workshop-cum-demonstration on 'High Pressure Liquid Chromatography (HPLC)' with a resource person from Spinco Biotech on 14 March 2022. Faculty members and research scholars from the Department of Biotechnology, Bioinformatics and Chemistry benefited from the session.

Annual Maintenance Contracts (AMC) for the maintenance of instruments were signed with the suppliers of Jasco UV-Visible (DRS) Spectrophotometer, Bruker FT-IR (ATR) Spectrometer, Shimadzu HPLC System, Bio-Rad Gel-Doc Imaging System and CHI608E Electrochemical WorkStation under the DST-FIST Programme Level – 0 (SR / FST / College – 252).

The DST-FIST Instrumentation Facility at CRIST Lab has been a great resource for our students. It has also enhanced the outsourcing capabilities of the Centre as students and research scholars of other colleges under the University of Madras are also given access to the facilities. About 220 internal and external samples were presented for analysis at the Centre during the year.

RESEARCH AND INTERNATIONAL PARTNERSHIPS CENTRE

he academic year 2021-22 has been a fruitful one for Stella Maris Research and International Partnership Centre.

Despite the challenges posed by the global pandemic, the Centre successfully executed its research and partnership activities through a hybrid mode.

The Centre is supported by a dedicated team of the Research Council Advisory and the SMC Ethical Committee comprising eminent external advisors such as Padma Shri Professor Pradeep T, IIT Madras; Professor Ajay Kapoor, Vice Chancellor, Chinmaya Vishwa Vidyapeeth University, Kochi; Dr. Indira Rao, Social Scientist, University of Mysore, and Professor Ganesh Krishnamoorthy, Adjunct Professor, University of Madras.

The research audit conducted on 10 October 2021 graded the performance of the Centre as excellent and the NAAC credited the Research Criterion, which includes research mobilisation, collaborations and extension activities, with a 90% score. We have seen a steady increase in our Ph.D. scholars and 13 scholars were awarded Doctorate Degrees this year.



Prof. Pradeep T, IITM on Research Ethics and IPR

The Research Matters Webinar Series was created to counter the pandemic challenges by recreating a virtual space to enhance the quality of research dissemination. The theme identified for the year was 'Research Agenda, Management and Practices'. The series commenced with talks on 24 and 25 June 2021. The lead talk was by Professor Pradeep, IIT Madras, on the topic 'Transforming Colleges through Research', Dr. Merin Simi Rai, IIT Madras, spoke on 'Balancing the Interface: Teaching, Research and Technology'. Dr. Lilian Jasper, Principal, Women's Christian College, spoke on 'Research and its Impact on Institutional Academic Development: Challenges and Opportunities'. The Keynote Address, by Dr. Fr. Ignacimuthu, SJ, Director of Xavier Research Foundation, St Xavier's College, was on 'Research Approaches and Related Ethics'.

Research Matters Series No. 6 was held on 25 November 2021 on the topic 'Interface of Literary and Cultural Studies: Scope for Research' by Prof. Jyotirmaya Triparthy, Head, Humanities, IIT Madras. Series No. 7 was held on 15 December 2021 on 'The Relevance and Impact of Research on Educators' by Dr. G. Patrick, University of Madras. Another talk in the series was held offline on 4 May 2022 on the topic 'Research Ethics and Intellectual Property Rights' by Padma Shri Professor T. Pradeep, IIT Madras.

The International Webinar Series 8 was held on 21 March 2022 with a talk by Dr. Tony Bradley, Director of the Social and Economic Action Research Centre Liverpool Hope, UK. on "This is this and That is that": Interpretivism as a Key to Qualitative Social Science, Economics and Business Research."

One Globe: Global Conversations Series and the Innovation Series were conceptualised in partnership with the Trinity Western University, Canada, to initiate global conversations on reimagining the future of education. Inaugurated in August 2021 by Mr. Paul Dryden, MBE, British Deputy High Commission, the series featured notable speakers ranging from Dr. Atulya Nagar, Pro-Vice Chancellor, Hope University, UK, Professor Gareth, Nottingham Trent University to Mr. Hartmann, Consul for Cultural Affairs, American Consulate. The Innovation Series had speakers across the globe conducting 15 events from 2021 to 2022. The season concluded with on 10th June 2022. a stimulating podcast rendered by Mr. Sashi

Kumar, Chairman, Media Foundation, on 'Media and Innovation'

The UG Research programme for the year was completed in September 2021 and a steady rise was seen in the 2022 batch with 165 students registering for the programme. Intended to enhance research orientation among UG students, the programme trains them in acquiring research skills by exposing them to creative and critical thinking concepts. One such session was held in collaboration with the University of Stirling, UAE, on 'How to Write Quality Research Paper' with Elsevier on 26 November, 2021 led by Resource Persons, Dr. A rpan K. Kar, Associate Professor, IIT Delhi and Dr. Esra, Aksaray University, Turkey.

The Partnerships Centre aims to develop an exciting collaborative education beyond borders; currently, the College has over 100 strategic partnerships with high quality institutions. Our recent MoUs are with Georgia State University, American University, Switzerland; Asian University for Women, Bangladesh and The Institute of Child Development Research & Technology (ICDRT).

The highlight of our International programmes was the 7th International TWU-SMC Annual Leadership Conference, organised on 19 November 2021 on 'Leading Innovation: Economy, Education and Environmental Stewardship'. Professor Prabhat Patnaik,

noted Economist; Professor Mark Husbands, President, TWU; Dr. Phil Laird, Vice-President, Vice President of Innovation, Global and Academic Partnerships, Trinity Western University and Dr. Deon Pretorius, Director, International Development Partners, South Africa, were a few of the notable speakers.

The LHU Business School, the Department of Economics and the International Research and Partnerships Centre conducted a Joint Seminar Series on 14 December 2021 on the topic 'The Development of Business Sustainability Cycle: Lessons from Integral Perspective' with a talk by Prof. Tony Bradley, LHU, UK.

A one-day Research Conference was conducted by the SMC Research and International Programmes Centre, Social Work and Psychology Departments, in collaboration with Child Adolescent Foundation, India, on the topic, 'New Directions: Emerging Trends and Concerns in Child and Adolescent' on



Thiru Anbil Magesh, Minister of School Education, Government of TN., SMC - Child and Adolescent Foundation Research Conference

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Prof. Prabhat Patnaik, Inaugural Address, International Conference on Leadership

12 May 2022. The conference was inaugurated by School Education Minister, Thiru. Anbil Mahesh Poyyamozhi, Government of Tamil Nadu.

After a hiatus of two years owing to the disruption caused by the global pandemic, the IMBA Programme, in collaboration with the Liverpool Hope University, has resumed in 2022. A Facilitated Academic Resource and Research (FARR) Centre was instituted to initiate courses in Research and Leadership. With continued support received from the Consul General, Benoit Prefontaine of the Canadian Consulate, the two-year Master's Programme in Leadership continues to be conducted online and the admissions for 2022 have commenced.

We have made concrete plans for overseas faculty research enhancement, for faculty with an active research profile to be supported by

the CSR initiatives of TAFE. We are grateful for the support received from the Jayashree Venkatraman Endowment instituted by TAFE for Research and Digital Innovation in Learning and Research. The TWU has facilitated study tours and academic programmes through funding the FARR Centre including scholarships. The Fu Jen University, Taiwan, has granted a fully funded Ph.D. scholarship for two of our students from the Department of Chemistry. We continue to apply for and avail of research funding opportunities from government and non-government agencies such as UGC, DST, FIST, UBCHEA, USIEF- Fulbright and the British Council as part of our research development initiatives.

The academic year 2021-22 was a pivotal year for advancing research and innovation while commemorating the 75 years Jubilee celebrations of the College with our collaborators across the globe.



Dr. Husbands, President, TWU, International Conference on Leadership



STELLA MARIS CENTRE FOR DEVELOPMENT OF RESOURCES FOR INCLUSION AND VOCATIONAL ENRICHMENT (SMCDRIVE)

ertificate Courses in Employability Skills (Excel, Tally, Softskills and English Communication), and Livelihood Skills (Beautician Course and Tailoring Course) were conducted in collaboration with Bank of New York Mellon and International Association of Human Values, for students of Stella Maris and other colleges and schools, NGOs and the vulnerable groups of the society. 26590 participants have benefitted from the project from August 2019 till date.

93 hearing impaired College students did a Certificate Course in Digital Literacy, using sign language, from August 2021 to October 2021.



Beautician Course for Transgender People

A four-day training programme on Personality Development was held from 17 December 2021 to 21 December 2021 for the girls and boys of Government Observation Home, Kellys, Chennai.

SMCDRIVE, in collaboration with the Bank of NewYork Mellon and the International Association of Human Values, conducted various Certificate Courses in Excel, Tally, Soft Skills, Beautician Course and Tailoring Course for 89 transgender people and 33 of them have successfully completed it. A job fair, 'The Journey Begins', was also conducted on 19 April 2022 exclusively for LGBTQ+ people to help them to find jobs. Five people from the community were able to find jobs in various organisations.

From October 2021 to December 2021, free Covid 19 Vaccination Camps were organised in collaboration with the International Association of Human Values. Our Social Work fieldwork trainees created awareness on the importance of vaccines and then mobilised people for the vaccination camps in communities form suburban areas of Chennai, such as Puzhuthivakkam, Madipakkam, lyyapanagar, Madipakkam, and Perumbakkam.

Many communities were affected badly due to heavy rains in Chennai during the month of November 2021. SMCDRIVE, in collaboration with the International Association of Human Values, Hyatt Hotels, TVS Sundaram Fasteners, Tata Consultancy Services and Bank of America, distributed emergency kits, bedsheets, sarees, dry ration kits and food packets for the people of Kamarajapuram, Nungambakkam, MMDA, Mathur (Irular Community), Kuyil Thottam-Santhome, Mullai Nagar, Santhome, Perumbakkam, Pullianthope and Ernavoor.

150 women auto and cab drivers participated in the International Women's



Tailoring Unit Career Fair for LGBTQIA+ People



Covid-19 Vaccination Camps Conducted by SMCDRIVE



Digital Literacy sessions for Transgender People



Transgender Leader Honoured

Day celebrations on 8 March 2022. A free eye camp was organised for them by Dr. Agarwal's Eye Hospital. They took part in various competitions and games. They also enrolled themselves in various personality development programmes and completed them successfully.

An exposure visit to Hotel Hyatt Park was organised for the students of Nano Nagle Community College on 28 April 2022.



Food Distribution during Chennai Rains



International Women's Day 2022 Celebrations 'Break the Bias' Women Auto Drivers and Cab Drivers

STELLA CENTRE FOR EFFECTIVE EDUCATION AND DEVELOPMENT (SCEED)

he year 2021–2022 saw the smooth transition from the pandemic state to the new normal. SCEED continued its commitment to enhancing the quality quotient through various online and offline programmes for faculty and student development and actively participated in the NAAC accreditation process including the preparation, and submission of the SSR and the Peer Team Visit.

Taking cognizance of the significance of Outcome Based Education in educational institutes, SCEED facilitated Faculty Development Programmes through workshops on Outcomes Based Education (OBE), Learning Outcome Based Curriculum Framework (LOCF) and Course Mapping.



Dr. Mahimairaj Leading the Discussion on OBE

Sessions were conducted on LOCF for all the faculty, followed by workshops in groups to provide hands-on training in planning the curriculum based on the framework of OBE. The faculty were familiarised with the nuances of designing the curriculum in alignment with the POs, PSOs and COs. The resource persons from Loyola College also gave inputs on Course Mapping and Graduate Attainment Measurements.

Echoing the ideals of St. Francis, SCEED took up programmes to initiate measures for a Zero Waste Campus. Webinars were organised on 'Biogas—Waste to Energy'. Mr. Kern Agrawal,
Director, Carbon Loops Pvt. Ltd. showcased
the advancements made through production
of biogas. The looming challenge of electronic
waste management and mitigation measures
were addressed by World Scrap Recycling
Solutions Pvt. Ltd. They offered to have
collection drives on campus for
effective recycling.

To instil the notion of 'No Waste', an offline workshop was conducted titled 'Zero Waste–A Step Forward–WoW–Wealth Out of Waste'. A professional team from Namma Bhoomi demonstrated mechanisms for reuse of various wastes and also exhibited alternatives for plastic products.

In order to expose students to new domains of research, talks by eminent researchers were organised. Dr. Gerard P. Brennan, Queen's University of Belfast, spoke on 'Ethos and



Faculty Workshop on OBE



Ms. Arulpriya Highlighting Zero Waste Initiatives



Student Demonstration on Zero Waste

Ethics of Research'. Dr. Deepa Bopanna, a successful Registered Patent Attorney, spoke about the processes of protecting individual and institutional innovations in the webinar on 'Intellectual Property Rights—A Canvas'. A session on 'Critical Thinking—An Emerging Skill Set for 21st Century Learners' was conducted for students which encouraged them to think out of the box.

SCEED was involved in the identification of faculty and students for seed money for research, incentives for research paper publications, and also oversaw the submission of project proposals. Besides these, SCEED coordinated with the IQAC in compiling the data for the NIRF, The Week and India Today rankings. It also gave guidance in the submission of the AAPR, AQAR, AISHE and other such annual quality reports.



Workshop on LOCF

This year was a very memorable year as we celebrated the Semisesquicentennial year. We thank the founding members and the Management of this hallowed institution for nurturing and moulding empowered women with social responsibility.

ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION OF STELLA MARIS COLLEGE (AASMC)

he Alumnae Association of Stella Maris College (AASMC) organised a series of online workshops and events to commemorate the Jubilee Year. As 'Sustainability and Eco Consciousness' is one of the themes for the Jubilee celebrations, the AASMC organised a workshop on 25 Nov 2021 on vermicomposting, titled 'Magic of Compost', by an alumna, Ms. Madhumitha.



Christmas Programme



Christmas Fete

On 4 December 2021, a workshop on 'Mandala Art' was conducted by Ms. Alisha who spoke about the art form and its elements with a hands-on training session for the participants. The 'Christmas Fete 2021' was held on 17 December 2021 with the alumnae of the college setting up their stalls on campus encouraging the alumnae entrepreneurs to come together and form associations.

Dr. Evelyn Chandrasekhar, former Vice Principal and Head, Department of Mathematics, was the chief guest of the alumnae Christmas, this enhanced the joy of Christmas along with the Jubilee spirit. The event was also live streamed on YouTube. On the occasion of Pongal festival, The Alumnae Association of Stella Maris College organised online kolam and oratorical competitions for alumnae and students, with cash prize for the winners. The spirit of the Jubilee year increased the camaraderie among the alumnae that regularly manifests during all these annual events.

A workshop on 'Skin Care' was held on 26
February 2022 with Ms. Madhushini and
Ms.Yamini, Founders of Ishwaryam Goodness
as the resource persons. They provided handson training to students to make lip balm, lip
scrub and body butter during the session.

The AASMC brought out a souvenir titled 'Celebrating My Alma Mater', with a compilation of articles by the alumnae. The Souvenir with its photo gallery of old and new images of the campus is a treat to the alumnae who cherish their memories of times spent on these grounds.



Institution of AASMC Faculty Scholarship

The Alumnae Jubilee Day on 7 May 2022 was the highpoint of the yearlong celebration with the presence of Sr. Annamma Philip, former Principal, adding to the stellar experience. With Ms. Hema Nayar, HR Head, Vice-President and a Board Member of several multinational companies as the Chief Guest and a panel of outstanding alumnae, such as artist and entrepreneur Dr. Thejo Menon, columnist Chitra Mahesh, social worker Merlia Shaukat and business woman Pavitra, the Alumnae Day was a walk down the memory lane. The participants shared their stories of success on the topic, 'Making a Difference' to inspire scores of young alumnae in the audience.



Souvenir Release



Workshop on Skin Care





Mandala Workshop

The day got even better with the alumna playback singer, Janani, enthralling the audience with her golden voice rendering her own as well as cinematic compositions. The alumnae gathered together enjoyed themselves swaying and dancing to the music, reliving the former days of fun and frolic. The day drew to a close with an abundance of camera clicks saved on their mobiles to look back up on, during dull days when the routine catches on.

INTERNAL QUALITY ASSURANCE CELL (IQAC)

he IQAC successfully completed the NAAC reaccreditation in the Fourth Cycle. Following the NAAC Peer Team Visit (PTV) on 8, 9 November 2021, the College secured an A+ Grade. An Academic Audit was conducted on 7, 8 and 12 October 2021 prior to the NAAC PTV in preparation for curriculum revision in the next academic year.



IQAC NAAC Peer Team Visit



IQAC Student Wing Workshop Heal the Self, Heal the World Zentangle Art Session

Apart from the massive undertaking in preparation for NAAC, the IQAC continued to establish quality culture on campus by organising several programmes this year which also marked the 75th year jubilee celebrations of Stella Maris College.

The IQAC submitted several reports for rankings from January to April 2022 such as the NIRF, India Today and The Week, amongst other annual reports for various requirements with the able support of the college community.

In the month of June 2021, numerous online workshops were organised including one on 'Digital Tools' for administrative staff members, another for teaching faculty on 'Institutional Alignment through Self Discovery' which was followed by a two-day Faculty Enhancement Digital Programme.

As part of the ongoing collaboration with the University of Melbourne, Australia, the IQAC helped to organise an online International Conference titled 'Leading Together Dialogues' on 12 November 2021. A five-day online Faculty Development Programme for Humanities and Social Sciences was organised in collaboration with the Department of Public Relations between 13 and 17 December 2021.

A hands-on workshop titled 'Heal the Self, Heal the World' was conducted for the IQAC Student Wing on 14 May 2022 with sessions on Storytelling, Healing Foods and Zentangle Art. A workshop on Consultancy Training was held for MQC members on 30 May 2022. The year's activities drew to a close with a workshop for the administrative staff on 'Work-Life Balance' on 16 June 2022.



NAAC Peer Team Handing over the Report

CAREER GUIDANCE CELL (CGC)

his year, the Career Guidance Cell opened registrations and conducted orientation and training sessions for all UG and PG students to ensure access for job opportunities to all students. On the whole, 1333 students registered and 350 placements were confirmed.

Sessions which involved resume writing, mock group discussions and interview sessions were conducted with experienced trainers creating awareness on the do's and don'ts of a recruitment process. This year the thrust was on cracking the Aptitude Test which has become a staple in any recruitment process. The training on this topic covered four skills: quantitative, verbal, logical and reasoning.



Piramal Spot Offers

A series of career talks was conducted to throw light on new trends in the job market.

A session on 'Digital Marketing as a Career' was conducted by Ms. Pavithra Charan.

Rtn. Nirmala Raghavan delivered a talk on 'The Importance of Language Skills, usefulness of a Cambridge Assessment'. A career talk on 'Cloud and DevOps' was organised by Cognizant Technology Solutions.

With the COVID-19 pandemic receding this year, and with many MNCs deciding to increase the number of women in the workforce, the CGC saw many new companies recruiting students. Besides regular recruiters like Deloitte, Mckinsey, KPMG, EY GDS, ICICI and Natwest, we had recruiters such as Conde Nast, BNY Mellon, KLA Tencor, HDFC Bank, and DSP Mutual Funds, participating in the placement drive.



Team CGC



TSRM Tech Preplacement



Zoho Group Discussion

STELLA MARIS ASSOCIATION OF RETIRED TEACHERS (SMART)

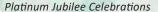
MART members actively participated in various events, virtually, which helped them to come together and cherish their friendship.

The members met online on 21 February 2021 to pray specially for COVID patients. In this Prayer Meet, titled 'Together We Pray', prayers from Christianity were recited by Dr. Evelyn Chandrasekharan, from Hinduism by Dr. Rukmani Srinivasan, from Islam by Dr. Raihana Sabir, and Sikh and Tibetan Prayers were recited by various faculty members.

A Tambola game was organised online on 3 July 2021, and winners were awarded prizes.

Teachers' Day was celebrated online on 4 September 2021. The song, 'I Love My Teacher' was played, followed by the sharing of







'I am 75' - Dramatised Reading

memories of college days by the faculty. SMART Members actively participated in the game 'Finding Gemstones from Word Puzzle'.

The association members met online on 3 October 2021 to display their culinary skills by sharing interesting and healthy recipes.

Dr. Chitralekha Ramachandran helped in compiling the videos. Christmas was celebrated online on 13 December, with Dr. Geradette

Davey giving a message about Christmas being a season of holiness, happiness and kindness.

The spirit of Christmas reverberated in the air as the faculty joyfully sang Christmas carols.

Women's Day was celebrated online on 8 March. Ms. Sivashankari shared her literary journey of fifty three years as a writer. A short story competition was held and the winners, Ms. Rajalakshmi Thiyagarajan, Dr. Meena Swamy and Dr. Thilagavathi Joseph, were awarded prizes. Dr. Thilagavathi Joseph helped us to arrange all the virtual meetings.

Members took part in the Platinum Jubilee Celebrations on 7 May 2022, with a dramatised reading session titled 'I am 75', directed by Dr. Mangai.

Dr. Ulaganayaki Palani published a book titled பாரதி 100, a collection of hundred speeches about Bharathiyar. She also received an award "Bharathisudar" from Shriram Bharati Kalai Illakkiya Kazhagam on 23 April 2022. She was also awarded the Lifetime Achievement Award—"Araneri Avvai Annai Viruthu" by Tamil Nadu Iyal Isai Manram on June 3, 2022.

These events helped us to be connected and share our thoughts, with a sense of togetherness and joyfulness.

VALUE EDUCATION

The Department of Value Education which offers courses to all undergraduate and postgraduate students of Stella Maris College is committed to their whole-person formation.

The year began with an online Prayer Service because of the COVID-19 lockdown. On 9 July 2021, an online session was conducted for the Catholic faculty on 'Spirituality of the Covenant'. The resource person was Rev. Fr. Michael D'Cunha Professor of Scripture. A webinar was conducted for all faculty on 30 July on 'Teaching the Best of all Professions' by Rev. Fr. Joe Mannath. He dealt with the challenges of being a teacher today in the field of higher education.



III UG Workshop with Dr. Bernard D'Sami

In lieu of the Inaugural Mass, an online Prayer Service was conducted for all students on 16 August 2021. On 2 October 2021, a special event was conducted for students of both shifts to celebrate the Feast of Our Patron St. Francis of Assisi. On 12 March 2022, a day of prayer was conducted for the III year UG Catholic students by the Youth for Christ Team. The day concluded with the celebration of the Holy Eucharist.

On the same day, a half-day workshop was conducted also for students of other faiths. The resource persons were Ms. Shoba and her team, Advocates from the Bar Association of Chennai, and Dr. Bernard D'Samy and team, LIBA Loyola College. The theme of the workshop was 'Relationships in Marriage and Family Life', and its legal implications.

A Leadership Training Programme for the Star of the Sea Group, Campus Ministry, was started on 26 March 2022. On 30 April, a Youth Convention was organised for the I & II Year UG Catholic students. The last activity for this academic year was the session on laws related to Christian Marriage organised for the III Year UG students of Catholic Doctrine on 24 May 2022. The resource person for this session was Rev. Fr. Peter Thumma, specialist in laws related to interfaith and intercultural marriages.

Enabling them to imbibe the ethos of the College is an essential part of the all-round formation given to all students who pass through the portals of the institution. For this purpose, sessions on the Foundress, Blessed Mary of the Passion and St. Francis of Assisi, Patron of the College are conducted for the students in the final semester. All these efforts by the Department of Value Education enable the students to imbibe the core values of the College, namely Faith in God, Responsible Citizenship, and Service to the Nation.



III UG Workshop - Relationships in Marriage and Family Life

YOUTH CONVENTION

he digital era has come to stay impacting all sections of society and every aspect of life. The response of every human institution and in particular academic institutions in an effort to cope with the COVID-19 pandemic was digitalisation. Confronted with the challenges of the pandemic, the classroom, chalk and board scenario in educational institutions had been replaced by online classes, mobile phones and laptops almost overnight. The Department fo Value Education found ways to



Prof. Herman Carduz - Addressing the Students



Presenting of Memento to the Principal

integrate the experience of a virtual world with the lived faith experience of students. Hence the Department decided to conduct a Youth Convention on 30 April 2022 and the theme 'Faith Alive in a Digital World' was chosen for the Youth Convention. The purpose of the Convention was to help our young people reflect on the impact of digital reality on all aspects of their life, especially, their psychosocial and spiritual life.

The Youth Convention was a whole day programme of input sessions, a panel discussion in which students participated, a video-making competition with biblical themes and a gospel singing competition. The two resource persons who gave the input sessions complimented each other as they shared with the students their thoughts on the use and abuse of social media. Rev. Fr. Rajkumar SDB, who has to his advantage a rare combination of being a digital media specialist, psychotherapist and spiritual advisor, was immediately able to connect with his young audience as he discussed their need for newness, constant

change, innovation, mental exploration and the click-of-a-button solution to problems. With the assistance of his student team he succeeded in driving home the message that creation requires time for germination to bring forth life and growth. His team dramatically portrayed how green wood crackles before it dries, becomes fire and burns into a flame; the nine month long gestation period of pregnancy leading to childbirth and new life required patient waiting and perseverance before life springs forth. Pain and struggle precede healing; evil and good, death and life are all profound human experiences that exist side by side and are an inevitable part of life. If in every human experience there is not the promise of life and hope, life itself would not be worth living and would be unbearable.

The second speaker Prof. Herman Carduz took off on the note of Faith and Hope. A young and dynamic academician cum evangelist from St. Joseph's College, Trichy, he dwelt on the need to be grounded in faith to face an uncertain and rapidly changing technological world. Technology and science are built on pillars of faith and hope and the Primordial Intelligence, that continuously creates and recreates the universe, also sustains it.

The Student Panel was not just practical in their reflections but also insightful. They shared their experiences of online classes during the lockdown, the patience and perseverance of



Student Panel Discussion

teachers to teach and to be connected to the students, the joy of being able to keep in touch with classmates, connectivity with the church and parish community, the possibility to choose and follow online masses of their choice, participation in webinars through the online platform, the possibility of having their Bibles with them on their mobiles and myriad other opportunities that technology now has to offer them. Much of the sharing of the students was highly appreciative and positive while at the same time they did not shy away from owning up to the challenges of addiction and even isolation.

The viewing of videos prepared by students on Gospel values, and participation in Gospel group singing competitions made the afternoon sessions highly participative, lively and interesting.

The day ended with a thought provoking and meaningful Youth Mass prepared by Fr. Rajkumar. The Diocesan Youth Director, Rev.Fr. Richard, who participated in the Eucharist encouraged the students to make use of scientific and technological advancements to challenge themselves to live their lives founded on the promises of God and the profundity of the Scriptures. The theme that kept recurring through the day through all the presentations and sharing was from the letter to the Hebrew: 11: 1. 39-49:

"Faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. Abraham and Moses were commended for their faith, but did not receive what was promised, since God had provided something better for them."

THE STAR OF THE SEA GROUP (SSG)

Each event of our lives is sent by God's love for a special reason.

(Bl. Mary of the Passion, FMM Foundress)

he Star of the Sea Group was inaugurated on 27 August 2019 by Dr. Sr. Francisco Nirmala Gnanapragasam fmm, then Vice-Principal of the College. Her opening message underscored the significance of the involvement of Catholic students in college activities and the need for encouraging them to be faithful and ardent leaders. So, the main thrust of SSG is to engage each of its members in activities that would strengthen faith in action and promote leadership skills such that they would 'rekindle in her the eagerness to claim her true self'.



Valedictory of the Star of the Sea



The Facilitator of the Leadership Training
Programme with Sr. Flavia

To make this vision a reality, SSG faculty coordinators and members plan and execute meaningful activities such as prayer sessions, leadership training, formation of SSG Choir, outreach programmes, publication of a newsletter, and various competitions to showcase the members' talents, creativity, and team spirit. Undoubtedly SSG offers a wonderful opportunity for Catholic students to meet and socialise while being anchored in Christ. The faith formation ensured by various SSG programmes lead to fruitful service to the needy and the distressed. Even during these tough times, SSG members were enthusiastic about becoming vibrant leaders ready to erase the gloom of the pandemic with the glow of the Risen Lord.

The Leadership Training during March and April 2022, facilitated by Ms. Loretta Sridhar, a professional trainer and an alumna of the College was a huge success. The programme was designed with stimulating and challenging sessions to chisel students into becoming

shining star-leaders with self-confidence and courage of conviction. The tagline "Today a student, tomorrow a leader" became an awesome reality as evinced in Varsha, Teresa and Patricia who were elected to the Student Union 2022–23. In fact, all the 44 participants from Shift I and Shift II unanimously felt that the program helped to improve their innate leadership skills. Thanks to the support and constant encouragement of Dr. Sr. Rosy Joseph fmm, our Principal and the enthusiastic collaboration of faculty coordinators, Sr. Sundari fmm, Dr. Sr. Colleen fmm and Ms. Shymala, SSG membership is ever on the increase.

The message of Sr. Nirmala Gnanapragasam fmm at the inauguration, "I believe the presence of the SSG on campus will become one of the highlights of this esteemed Institute in the years to come," is fast becoming a reality. The words of Dr. Geradette Davey, "The Star of the Sea Group has made a big difference on campus from its inception." further affirms the good news.

A student member's testimony, "I am extremely grateful to SSG for giving me an opportunity to learn new things and for moulding me into a responsible person," marks SSG as a timely introduction to serve Stella Marians who will be trail blazers tomorrow.

May the Star of the Sea guide them always.

CENTRE FOR WOMEN'S STUDIES (CWS)

International Women's Day was celebrated on 8 March 2022 with a special open-air event for all the students. The Chief Guest, Tmt. Mageswari Ravikumar IAS, Joint Secretary to Government Water Resources Department, Tamil Nadu, and the Guest of Honour Dr. Gomathy Narasimhan, first female Liver and Renal Transplant Surgeon in India, Dr. Rela Institute and Medical Centre, Chennai, addressed the students motivating them to follow their passion and pursue excellence. Dr. Gomathy also reiterated the need for physical fitness for women. A special mime show on internet safety was performed by the students of the Gender Centre.



'Break the Bias' Students of Gender Centre and Chief Guests

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Chief Guest's Address at the International Women's Day

An interactive online session was conducted by Ms. Ramya R, Habit Coach, Corporate Trainer & Sound Healer, on 12 March 2022 on the topic 'The Three-letter Word is New Growth Mindset' with student participants to commemorate the Jubilee celebrations of the College. An online talk was organised for the students on 'Feminism and Queer Awareness among Youth' by psychologist and feminist therapist Ms. Shibili Suhanah on 14 February 2022.

The 'Leading Together Dialogue' with the University of Melbourne continued in this academic year as well, with the students attending the programme online with partnering institutions. Online thematic submissions were done by the students to encourage discussions and sharing of experiences.

The Director of the Centre participated in the inauguration of Gender and Policy Lab and a knowledge sharing workshop, organised by the Commissioner Greater Chennai Corporation, Special Projects Department on 'Women's Safety and Mobility' on 1 April 2022.

Damini Club, the Student Wing of the Centre, aims at instilling a sense of power, acknowledgement, and appreciation in young women in the campus. Events were held throughout the year to encourage students to participate in the narrative. Some of these are a poster making competition on the theme 'Break the Bias', a cosplay competition on 'Women Icons in History and Pop Culture', a drawing/painting competition on 'Freedom of Modern Day Women', a poetry writing competition, titled 'Letter to Patriarchy', a photography competition on the theme 'Shadow of our Society', an essay writing competition in English and Tamil on the topic 'Women and Society, The Right to Know', an online quiz competition in collaboration with the Enviro Club on 'Iconic Women Environmentalists' and an online elocution competition on 'Youth Awakening Day'. An overwhelming participation from the students showed their involvement in women's issues.



Mime Show, International Women's Day

GENDER CENTRE

he Gender Centre is an initiative of the Department of Sociology. SMCGC has been functioning since 2018 with the collective initiatives of the students and the faculty to highlight relevant gender issues and concerns ensuring students can live up to the motto: BE YOU!

Keeping in line with the main objectives of the Centre—capacity-building and gender training and awareness programmes for faculty and students were organised. The year started off with an informative four-day talk series on 26 June 2021. The talks enlightened students on the topics of gender and sexuality, gender empowerment, health, positive socialisation and normalisation of gender discrimination. The walls came to life with the ideals of the Gender Centre, in the form of wall art, minted by the core members.

within Chennai.

The first offline event since the pandemic was an open-mic event on 17 December 2021 on the theme 'Embrace Who You Are'. The International Women's Day celebration on 8 March 2022 had two eminent speakers Thirumathi Maheshwari Ravikumar IAS and Dr. G omathi Narasimhan, pioneers in the fields of administration and medicine. They enlightened the students on the topics of gender bias faced by women in the field



Soroptimist's International
Workshop on Sexual Harassment

of education and health and fitness for women. Following the talk, a captivating and informative mime performance was delivered by the GC members highlighting women's security in cyberspace.

The Gender Centre had the honour of Dr. Madhavi Menon addressing students on her book *The Law of Desire* on 18th March 2022. An intercollegiate workshop on 'Sexual Harassment at Workplaces' was conducted in collaboration with Soroptimist International on



Release of Gender Centre Research Publication on in the presence of Principal Dr. Sr. Rosy Joseph

26 March 2022. The last event of the Gender Centre for the academic year 2021-22 was a workshop on 'Gender and Sexuality'on 9 May 2022. Dr. L. Ramakrishnan from SAATHI spoke on the basic concepts associated with gender and sexuality which was followed by a panel discussion by members of NIRANGAL, an NGO. A heart-wrenching solo performance was delivered by transwoman Ms. Revathi. Ms. Manonmani, Member, AIDWA, addressed the students on sexual harassment and legal rights.

This year the Gender Centre took up research activities in order to fulfill one of its objectives: to conduct research that identifies gaps and needs regarding gender issues in Tamil Nadu. The research team participated in a workshop on research methodology before embarking on a research project on the contemporary issue of sexual harassment among college students. A report compiling the findings was published under the title A Sociological Analysis of Sexual Harassment among College Students in the City of Chennai.



Workshop on Gender and Sexuality, performance by Ms. Revathi









ECONOMICS

he academic year 2021-22 was yet another luminous year filled with activities, programmes and workshops in both online and offline modes for the Department of Economics. The student community showcased their talents, upskilled their knowledge base, and learnt critical thinking skills.

A Memorandum of Understanding was signed between the Department of Economics, Stella Maris College (SMC) and M.S. Swaminathan Research Foundation (MSSRF) on 6 September 2021. The primary objective of the MoU is to promote mutual cooperation in fieldwork training, research, and to build a learning community.



Dr. C. Selvaraj Award 2021-22



Dr. Helen Vincent Endowment Lecture 2021-22

The Department organised the Dr. Sr. Helen Vincent Endowment Lecture on 7 September 2021. Dr. Jayati Ghosh, Economist at the Political Economy Research Institute, University of Massachusetts, Amherst, delivered a lecture on 'The Pandemic and Women's Work: A Global Perspective.'

On 5 April 2022, the Department's intercollegiate event 'Ecocentric' was conducted on campus. 216 students participated and students of Loyola College won the overall rolling trophy for the year. The Department organised several lectures for students on different topics in the broad area of Economics.

The Department is glad to announce the publication of the book titled *Economic Data Analysis: An Illustrated Workbook* authored by Dr. Regi Manimegala.

Ms. Swati Seshadri was commissioned as Sub Lieutenant on 23 October 2021 in the Pre-Commission Training at Officers' Training Academy, Gwalior.

The Chamber of Economics, the Department's student body, enthusiastically hosted multiple events for the student community. The student body organised around 17 events through their consistent efforts to keep the students engaged in different activities.

The Annual Departmental Journal 'Ankur' is released every year and publishes articles and papers written by students. The Department of Economics was the first Department to launch a blog in 2013. This blog continues to provide a forum for students' views on current economic issues.



ECOCENTRIC 2021-22

The following students of the Department of Economics brought laurels to the Department. Nine undergraduate and ten postgraduate students have been placed in various top organisations and companies through campus placements. Ishwarya Jose represented her NCC directorate in the Republic Day march at Rajpath on 29 January 2022. Sabarika Mani was awarded the Dr. C. Selvaraj Award 2022 for the best student of economics in Chennai. A merit scholarship with a cash prize of Rs. 25,000 was sponsored by the One Word Trust Organisation on 30 March 2022. Ritheka Sundar won the Oxford Gopal Subramanium Scholarship offered by Somerville College, University of Oxford, on 11 May 2022 and will

take up a one-year course at Oxford University.
Gayathri and Mahalakshmi were selected
as the Campus Directors of the Millennium
Fellowship which is an international fellowship
for campuses.

Eight II M.A. students presented three papers at Sacred Heart College (Autonomous),
Tirupathur, on 21 and 22 March 2022 and all the participants won best paper awards and cash prizes in their respective sessions.

The Department has begun planning numerous academic activities to celebrate its 75th Jubilee Year in the next academic year.





he academic year 2021-22 was yet another eventful year for the Department of English. In collaboration with the Department of Estonian and Comparative Folklore, University of Tartu, Estonia, the Department organised an online lecture series, 'Unravelling Tales: Exploring Intersections between Folkloristics and Literature' between 8 July 2021 to 26 August 2021. The Annual Niharika Memorial Lecture on Journalistic Writing, 'Tweeting a Pandemic: Technology, Social Media, and the Politics of Information', was delivered on 12 August 2021 by Ms. Smita V, Project Coordinator, Association for Progressive Communications.

Guest lectures and workshops were organised on a range of subjects throughout the year: 'Introduction to Iranian History and Geopolitics' by Dr. Stanly Johny, International Affairs Editor, The Hindu, on 7 September 2021; 'The Trajectory of Cultural Studies and its Possibilities in India' by Dr. Manju Edachira, Independent Researcher on 23 August 2021; 'Writing Picturebooks for Children' by Ms. Sowmya Rajendran, author of children's books, on 13 September 2021; 'Creating a Picture Book' by Ms. Rega Jha, author, and Ms. Anushka Madhavan, illustrator on 15 September 2021; 'We are All in the Ojibway

Circle: Ecological Imperialism in Canada' by Ms. Anuja Sundar, Research Scholar on 23 September 2021; 'Introduction to Contemporary Korean Literature' Ms. Madhura Gune, Krea University on 8 October 2021; 'Oru Kadha Solata Sir?: A Talk on Visual Storytelling Techniques' by Mr. Solomon Donald, Research Scholar, NIT, Rourkela, on 9 October 2021; 'Transnational Feminism' by Dr.Sujatha Moni, Professor and Chair, Department of Gender and Women"s Studies, California State University on 12 January 2022; 'bell hooks and Indian Feminism' by Dr. Jaydeep Sarangi, poet, translator, editor and Principal of New Alipore College, Kolkata, on 4 April 2022; 'Career Opportunities in Technical Writing' by Mr. Rajeev Jain, Technical Writer, Wipro on 14 May 2022 and 'Decolonisation Via Poetics' Ms. Jessica Mehta, poet, artist and a member of the Cherokee Nation, on 23 May 2022.



Ambai (L) and Managi (R) at the 'Meet the Author'
Interactive Session



Mr Novinston Lobo, Keynote Speaker at the Students' Seminar

A workshop on 'Tactile Picture Book Creation' was organised in collaboration with Chetana Charitable Trust on 26 April 2022. Ms. Niveditha Subramaniam conducted a workshop on 'Picturebooks: Picture-Text Dynamics' on 20 September 2021.

In a 'Meet the Author' session held on 29
April 2022, Sahitya Akademi award winning
writer Ambai (Dr. C. S. Lakshmi) engaged in
a conversation with A Mangai (Dr. Padma V),
former Associate Professor of the Department.

Mr. Novinston Lobo, Crime Reporter at The New Indian Express delivered the keynote address at the intercollegiate student seminar on Crime Narratives titled 'Crime and Punishment' on 17 May 2022. The Department of English, in collaboration with the Research and International Partnership Centre of the College, organised a webinar as part of the Research Matters Series.

Dr. Jyotirmaya Triparthy, Head, Humanities and Social Sciences, IIT (M) spoke on, 'The Interface of Literary and Cultural Studies: Scope for Research'.

Nine papers were presented at national and international conferences and four articles were published in UGC notified journals by faculty members. Dr. Miruna George published a book titled *Interrogating Subalternity and Liminality: A Critical Reading of Select Plays of Mahesh Dattani*. Dr. Shilaja completed a threemonth certificate programme on Adaptive Design for Learning organised by Ateneo, SALT



Release of Book Authored by Dr. Miruna George



Students participating in the EDIY Competitions

University. Dr. Veena Mani was invited to be a member of the Working Group on Sports, Kerala State Planning Board. Ms. M. Subashree won the Best Poetry prize for the poem, 'Chalk(ing) my love', published in the Indian English Poetry anthology by Young Minds in June 2021.

The III B.A. English students emerged as the winners at 'Aloha Mora', the first edition of the intradepartmental culturals, held on 24 March 2022. 'Mic Drop', an intradepartmental literary competition for the English and Communication students, was held on 25 March 2022. Students of II B.A. English and Communication Skills were the overall winners. Hima Mouli, III B.A. English was the winner this year of the annual Bhavana Memorial Creative Writing Competition held on 30 March 2022. 14 students and alumna from the Department of English cleared the UGC-NET examination this year; with one student being awarded the JRF.



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HISTORY

The highlight of the platinum jubilee celebrations was the '75 Years 75 Conversations' series organised by the Department, a platform where our distinguished alumnae interacted with our students. The online format allowed us to get in touch with alumnae all over the world. The first conversation was with award winning violin maestro Ms. Kala Ramnath, who won the Sangeet Natak Akademi Puraskar and the Grammy for her music composition for the movie Blood Diamond. Students have had the opportunity to listen to archaeologists, writers, entrepreneurs, wellness coaches and personnel related to the field of travel.

Some remarkable events marked the pandemic period. They were the two virtual exchange programmes in which the Department partnered with Perimeter College, Georgia State University, Georgia, and Oakland Community College, Michigan, USA. While the 2020 batch of students got to work on projects on the Indian National Movement along with history students of Oakland Community College, the 2019 batch were part of a course on 'Women and Progress – A comparative study of India and USA.'



A Lecture and Demonstration on Thai Cuisine

This being the 75th year of Indian Independence, the Department organised guest lectures, exhibitions, and competitions involving all stakeholders under the banner 'Azaadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav.' The students organised two exhibitions. 'Exhibiting Indian Nationalism' focussed on lesser-known freedom fighters, and a second exhibition focussed on the Constitution of India. There were competitions for students, teaching and non-teaching staff held on campus. There was an oratorical competition on 'The Relevance of the Constitution in India Today,' a sloganwriting competition, a sketching competition ('Sketching Nationalism'), a kolam-drawing competition and a writing competition ('Thirst for Freedom').

The Department also organised 14 guest lectures which supplemented our students' academic work. The students enjoyed a handson lecture-demonstration and workshop on Thai cuisines by Mr. Ramkumar, a professional chef who has set up many restaurants.

Our students went on field trips to the Police Museum and the Thirusulanathar Temple, the Gingee Fort and to Puducherry. The third year students went on a three day study tour to Wayand, Kerala. As part of their learning for their courses on Geography for Tourism, Art and Architecture, and Tourism and Cuisines, the students organised exhibitions on Geographical Forms, Indian Heritage, and International Cuisines. The Interyear Departmental Culturals 'BC to AD' was held with great zest and fierce competition amongst students.

Students were also able to take advantage of internship opportunities at Score Training Academy, SOTC, the Tamil Nadu Tourism Development Corporation and Taj Connemara. One of our students, Ms. Ann Jude Alphons, was selected for a summer internship at the Indian Institute of Technology, Guwahati, as she was the top scorer in the Massive



A Visit to the Gingee Fort



A Visit to the Police Museum

Open Online Course (MOOC) offered by IIT Guwahati.

There were two career-based certificate courses conducted over the year: German for Beginners and Spanish for Beginners, offered in collaboration with Sprachlingua. We offered coaching classes for the UPSC Examinations in collaboration with Shiksha with Swathika.

The faculty of the Department took part in several training sessions, were invited as resource persons for both online and offline sessions and published and presented papers at conferences. Dr. Cinthia Jude was awarded the 'Saadhanai Pengal Virudhu', 'Sirandha Thanambikkaiyaalar Virudhu' by on 06 March 2022, at an event organised by the Tamiliyal Aaivu Maiyam, Chennai, in connection with Tamil Nadu Mudhal Amaichar Honourable M.K. Stalin *Pirandha Naal Vizha Matrrum Ulaga Magalir Dhina Vizha 2022*.



An Online Session with Kala Ramnath, Grammy
Award-winning violinist

Dr. Dolly Thomas completed a course on 'Women's Leadership in Asia: Transforming for the Next Normal,' with the Ewha Woman's University of South Korea from 20 October to 30 November 2021. Dr. Cinthia Jude underwent a Professional Training Programme – 'Adaptive Design for Learning (ADL)' offered by Ateneo SALT University and sponsored by the UBCHEA, from September to December 2021. She was also the consultant at a two-day webinar organised by the Tamil Nadu State Council for Technical Education on 'Adaptive Design for Learning - Training to Meet the Trend'.



Azaadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav - An Exhibition on India's Freedom Struggle





celebrations of Stella Maris College with a number of events planned for students. The Alumnae Connect Series of 14 Workshops and Talks saw alumnae of the Department share their journeys and expertise with eager students. Connecting alumnae with present students not only celebrated the 73rd year old legacy of the Department, but also turned the spotlight on relevant topics, informative workshops and motivating career talks. The 75th day Instagram Art Challenge saw an enthusiastic response from several inhouse artists and designers, proving that students' creativity thrived and bloomed throughout the year despite the demanding academic schedule. Angela A of IV B.V.A. was adjudged winner of the challenge.

The annual Dr. Sr. Edith Tömöry Endowment Lecture was delivered by Dr. D Udaya Kumar, Associate Professor,



Study Trip to Mamallapuram



A. Khushi Receiving the Best Poster Award, International Youth Social Anti-corruption Advertising Competition Organised by the Office of the Prosecutor General of the Russian Federation

Department of Design, IIT Guwahati, on 29
April 2022. Speaking on the topic 'What Makes a Good Designer', Dr. Udaya Kumar drew attention to the key features in delivering effective design solutions through problem solving. His presentation referenced several imaginative and brilliantly researched design ideas from around the world.

The Department resumed its annual practice of conducting study tours and field visits after a two-year hiatus caused by the pandemic. Students of IV B.V.A. travelled to Mysore, Somnathpur, Belur, Halebidu and Sravanabelagola, to refresh their understanding of Hindu, Jain and Islamic art history. Students of II B.V.A. visited the World Heritage sites of Pallava architecture at Mamallapuram. The II M.A. class attended a lecture and workshop on Photojournalism

at the L.V. Prasad College of Media Studies, Chennai.

The Goethe Institut, Chennai, organised a three-day online workshop 'M3 Comics Workshop on Masculinities', exclusively for the students of the Department in February 2022. 15 students from III B.V.A. interacted with German Comic Artist Matthias Lehmann and illustrated their ideas on masculinity. Course related events comprising eight workshops and five talks offered additional opportunities to enhance classroom learning. The workshops were conducted by professionals who specialise in diverse art media including terracotta, clay, ceramics, fibreglass, photography, pastels and watercolour pencils.

The Service-Learning Programme taken up by the Department focuses on art for children. The resuming of physical classes in the even semester made it possible to organise field work and interactions with school communities. Students of II M.A. conducted art and craft activities for primary school children at the Chennai Middle School, Thousand Lights, Chennai. They also visited the Hope Foundation Matriculation School at Kannagi Nagar, Chennai, for an interaction with budding writers from the school. After an intense and enjoyable session of listening to personal narratives penned by the children, the Fine Arts team worked to shortlist and illustrate the stories.



Alumnae Connect Career Talk on Visual Merchandising by Ms. Preethi Prabhakaran

Students of the Department distinguished themselves in competitions on the theme of social awareness. A Khushi of III B.V.A won the Best Poster award at the International Youth Social Anti-corruption Advertising Competition organised by the Office of the Prosecutor General of the Russian Federation, in July 2021. Anisha Maria A and Leoni Sherlin Antony of II B.V.A., and Hema R of III B.V.A. were placed first, second and third respectively in a drawing competition organised by the State Human Rights Commission, Tamil Nadu, on the occasion of International Human Rights Day in December 2021.

Faculty of the Department have participated in several conferences, seminars, webinars and workshops at international, national and regional levels. Dr. Anne Samuel, Dr. Swapna Sathish and Ms. M Meenakshi presented papers at International Conferences.

Dr. Margaret Thomas served as Scientific Committee Member at the 8th International Conference on Arts and Humanities 2021, organised by The International Institute

of Knowledge Management, Sri Lanka. Dr. Margaret Thomas and Dr. Swapna Sathish served as resource persons at the Colour workshop titled 'Colour Through the Ages' organised at the Light and Life Academy, Love Dale, Nilgiris, in October 2021. Dr. Swapna Sathish was the Resource person for 'The Art of India' exhibition and auction organised by The Times of India in May 2022. Ms. A rokia Antoniate Priya and Ms. M Meenakshi were invited to deliver talks respectively, at the Department of Ancient History and Archaeology, University of Madras, Chennai, and the Research Centre for Asiatic Culture, Kanchipuram. Dr. Anne Samuel and Dr. Lakshmi Priya Daniel exhibited their works at art shows.

The Department welcomed alumnae of the 1994 batch who visited their alma mater from far and wide to celebrate the 25th year of their graduation, in a heart-warming and nostalgic reunion.



Cyanotype Workshop



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SOCIOLOGY

his year marks the 50th Jubilee Year of the Department of Sociology. The celebrations began on 19 August 2021 with Dr.K.Ponmudi, Honourable Minister of State Higher Education gracing the occasion. A virtual conference on '50 Progressive Years of Sociology in Tamil Nadu: New Directions', was conducted on 20 August 2021. Dr. Indira, Professor of Sociology, University of Mysore moderated the session. Dr. S ari Hanafi, President, International Sociological association and Professor Kamala Ganesh, Former Professor and Head of Sociology, Mumbai University, presided over the session.



Panel Discussion on Social Mobilization and Institutional Development



Hon. Minister of Higher Education Dr. K. Ponmudi inaugurating the 50th Jubilee Year Celebration

Under the aegis of Awas Par Samvaadh, Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana, a panel discussion on Social Mobilisation and Institutional Development was held on 29 September 2021 in collaboration with the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs, Government of Tamil Nadu and the Tamil Nadu Urban Habitat Development Board. Mr. Suvasish Das, IFS Director, Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs, gave introductory remarks for the session. Dr. Karen Coelho, Associate Professor, Madras Institute of Development Studies chaired the panel discussion. Dr. Philip Laird, Vice-President, Trinity Western University, delivered the inaugural address. Ms. Marie Banu, Director, Centre for Social Initiative and Management and Ms. Vanessa Peter, Information and Resource Centre for the Deprived Urban Communities (IRCDUC), were the other panellists.

The Annual Sr. Christine Antony Endowment Lecture, 'Participatory Role Of Students In Good Governance, 'was organised on 22 April 2022, which was addressed by Ms. Pallavi Baldev IAS.

In collaboration with the Departments of History, Public Relations, International Partnerships Centre and the Research Department, the Department organised the 6th Trinity Western University- SMC Annual Leadership Conference on 'Leading Innovation: Economy, Education and Environmental Stewardship' on 19 November 2021. The conference featured professors Dr. Prabhat Patnakar, JNU, Mark Husbands, TWU, Dr. Sr. Rosy Joseph, Stella Maris College, Patricia Victor, University Siyam, TWU, Dr. Deon Pretorius, International Development Partners South Africa, Dr. Imbenzi George, TWU and Dr. Phil Laird, TWU.



Vice Principal Dr. Felbin Kennedy felicitating Ms. Pallavi Baldev IAS at the Annual Sr. Christine Antony Endowment Lecture



The Overall Champions of the Annual Intradepartment Culturals receiving the trophy from Dr. M. Gautaman

On 18 September 2021, senior journalist and media professional Mr. P. Elayaperumal interacted with the students. Mr. Sarvar Hakimi, Save the Children International in Afghanistan, addressed the students on 'Political Reality of Contemporary Afghanistan', on 21 September 2021. A Poster Making workshop by Mr. Aravind Sundar, Loyola College took place on 21 July 2021.

The Department organised the first talk of the Saphirus Cognitio Lecture Series on 'Crime against Women', on 23 March 2022. Honourable Dr. Ravi IPS presided over the session.

In collaboration with the Integrated Rural Community Development Society, Tiruvallur District, the Department initiated a virtual rural camp for third year B.A. Sociology students from 7 September 2021 to 9 September 2021. The second virtual camp was a Tribal rural camp from 14 September 2021 to 16 September 2021 in collaboration with the Centre for Tribals and Rural Development Trust, Gudalur.

The Annual Intradepartmental Culturals was a grand celebration owing to the 50th Jubilee Year of the Department and was conducted on 16 May 2022.





s the College celebrated the Semi-Sesquicentennial year, the academic year 2021-2022 was an exciting year for the Department of Botany filled with academic, co-curricular and extra-curricular activities.

The Department organised a series of seven International Webinars on 'Recent Trends in the Field of Advanced Botany' from August 2021 to April 2022. Various eminent scientists shared their expertise with our students. As a part of the curriculum, the Department established a Mushroom Cultivation Farm and cultivated oyster mushrooms. The



Inauguration of Veer Vizha

Department organised a two-day festival of traditional Botany — 'Veer Vizha' on 21 and 22 April 2022 celebrating the economical and traditional plants, stemming from our deep curiosity to learn about the knowledge left behind by our ancestors. 60 medicinal plants maintained by the Department of Botany were on display during the event. An eminent Siddha practitioner, Dr. P. Selva Shanmugam, MD (Siddha), PhD., Secretary, Health India Foundation, India and Professor, Siddha Veda Centre for Transdisciplinary Studies, Newark, USA, inaugurated the festival and helped us gain insight about traditional plants used in Siddha medicine.

The annual intercollegiate Department
Fest 'Astera 2022' was held online on 19
April 2022. Lt. Dr. N. D. Srinithi Vihashini,
Associate Professor and Head, Department
of Environmental Science and Management,
Bharathidasan University, Tiruchirappalli,
was the chief guest. Around eight colleges

participated in all the events. Anna Adarsh College for Women secured the overall championship and Justice Basheer Ahmed Sayeed College for Women secured the runners-up title.

The students also participated in various International, National and Regional webinars. Apart from this, they have participated and won prizes in several Collegiate and Intercollegiate competitions. The Department looks forward to continuing its work in the forthcoming academic years and hopes to venture into new areas of research and study.



At the Mushroom Cultivation Farm





CHEMISTRY

he academic year 2021–2022, the 75th year of the College, began with a festive spirit. Even though the setback due to the pandemic were disheartening, the active involvement of the students and the faculty members in all the events that ensued, made the year a memorable one. The celebration began with the 75th Year Jubilee Lecture Series titled 'Emerging Landscapes in Chemistry'. This lecture series hosted eminent scientists from institutions of high repute. It was an online programme which began on 28 August 2021 with Prof. Gurmeet Singh, Vice Chancellor, Pondicherry University talking on 'The Contribution of Indian Science'. Dr.V. Balaram, Former Emeritus Scientist, Chief Scientist and Head, Geochemistry Division, CSIR - National Geophysical Research Institute, Hyderabad presented a lecture on 'Chemistry, Environment and Society' on 15 September 2021. A talk on 'Industrial Water-Cooling Systems – My Experience' was presented by Dr. T. Subba Rao, Scientist-H and Head, BTES (Retd.), Water and Steam Chemistry Division, Bhabha Atomic Research Centre, Department of Atomic Energy, Kalpakkam.



75th Year Jubilee Lecture Series

The Dr. Sr. Annamma Philip Endowment Lecture was held on 29 March 2022. Dr. Balasubramanian Venkatraman, Distinguished Senior Nuclear Scientist, Director – IGCAR, Kalpakkam spoke on 'Societal Application of Ionising and Nonionising Radiation' and also interacted with the students. The Annual Intercollegiate Department Fest 'Chemfest Reactions' was conducted online on 09 May 2022. The chief guest was our alumna Dr. Roshini Ramachandran, Assistant Director of Curriculum Initiatives Centre for the Advancement of Teaching, University of California, Los Angeles. She spoke on 'Scientific Literacy – it's not (just) about the facts'.

Two certificate courses were conducted by the Department which were very beneficial to the students. 'Introduction to Scientific Language Editing ISLE 2021' was conducted online from August to November 2021 in collaboration with TNQ Technologies Pvt. Ltd. Chennai and 'Water Quality, Testing, Mapping and Analysis' was conducted offline from October



2021-2022 Endowment Lecture

to December 2021 in collaboration with International Centre for Clean Water (ICCW), an IIT Madras initiative. Students from the Science Departments of the College visited the ICCW premises which gave them the muchneeded exposure to scientific instruments and methods.

The Department has always been very active in research and this year saw the publication of 25 research articles in journals of repute. Our faculty have actively participated in international and national workshops and conferences. In order to strengthen the research capability in the Department, three MoUs have been signed. These are with TNQ Technologies Pvt. Ltd, International Centre for Clean Water (ICCW), Chennai and Anabond Ltd.

Research scholars Ms. Remya Simon , Mr. Anoop V and Ms. Sohini Chakraborty completed their Ph.D under the guidance of Dr. Mary N. L while five students have submitted their doctoral thesis.

Ms. Sohini Chakraborty received a postdoctoral fellowship from Eötvös Loránd University, Hungary.

Dr. Shiny John Vairamon attended the Syllabus Framing Workshop on 24 April 2022 at the Tamil Nadu Public Service Commission, revision of syllabus work. Faculty members have also served as members on Boards of Studies, Academic Audits and Doctoral Committees. Dr. Mary N. L. represented the College at the Networking & Academic Collaborations National Meeting in Ernakulam on 14 and 15 May 2022 organised by Xavier Board of Higher Education in India. Dr. Mary Teresita V was invited to give a talk at the International Online Conference on Advanced Nanomaterials 2021 organised by Amal Jyothi College of Engineering and School of Energy Materials, Mahatma Gandhi University and Faculty of Chemistry, Gdansk University of Technology on 14 to 16 December 2021.

Students actively participated in various activities which brought out their potential



Certificate course Water Quality Testing, Mapping and Analysis

and brought accolades to the Department.

Two of our II PG students Ms. Jayashree N and Roshini N secured the TNSCST scholarship.

Ms.Subashini B of II UG got the INSA

Fellowship at Rajiv Gandhi University,

Doimukh, Arunachal Pradesh, Ms. Akshayata

Kirtania of I PG has got an Internship at

IIT, Kanpur, Ms. Bidisha Panda of III UG has qualified in JAM examination and Ms Reshma

Begum of I PG has been selected for the IIT

MadrasSummer Fellowship Programme 2022.

Ms Akila B has been offered admission to the Masters Program in Materials Science and Engineering at National Taipei University of Technology for Fall 2022 semester.

The students have participated in the intercollegiate cultural programmes with enthusiasm and fervour. This year they have won several prizes at intercollegiate cultural programmes conducted by Loyola, MCC and WCC. They brought home the rolling cup for the quiz competition at WCC college. The students of II UG visited Millet Magic Restaurant, Alwarpet, Chennai as part of their food chemistry course.



Industrial Visit





PHYSICS

he Department of Physics organised a series of workshops and seminars to fine-tune students' understanding, knowledge and skills.

A workshop on 'Learning Physics Through Experiments' was held on 23 February 2022 for higher secondary students of Mahavir Jain School, Chennai. The aim of this workshop was to acquaint students with simple innovative experiments, to develop an interest in Physics and enhance their skills through hands-on learning. Dr. Belina Xavier provided an insight into innovative physics experiments and their role in understanding the basic concepts of Physics.

The international seminar on 'STEM Innovations For Sustainability,' held on 19 March 2022, was organised for students in the various science departments of Stella Maris College. The seminar focussed on imparting an extended knowledge of the various areas of science, technology, engineering and mathematics. The series of lectures were

presented by various resource persons who have great expertise in different areas of STEM. The resource persons for the seminar were: Dr. Reena Randhir, Former Director, STEM Starter Academy, Assistant Professor, Springfield Community College, MA, USA; Dr. G. Balasubramani, Principal Scientist in Plant Biotechnology, ICAR-CICR, Nagpur, Maharashtra; Dr. E. Kokiladevi, Professor Biotechnology, CPMB, Tamil Nadu Agricultural University, Coimbatore; and Dr. Mallika Joseph, Senior Fellow at Women in Security, Conflict Management and Peace (WISCOMP) and Visiting Fellow at the Centre for Policy Research (CPR), New Delhi.

As part of the 'Saphirus Cognitio' series for celebrating the 75th Jubilee Year of our College, the Department of Physics organised a lecture on 'Solar Energy and Water Purification Advancements.' The lecture was delivered by Prof. P. Senthilarasu Sundaram, Associate Professor, Electrical and Electronics Engineering, School of Computing,



Prof. P. Senthilarasu Sundaram at the Saphirus Cognitio Series



School Students' Visit to the Physics Lab

Engineering and the Built Environment,
Edinburgh Napier University, Edinburg, United
Kingdom on 26 March 2022. The lecture
focussed on solar energy materials for energy
conversion and storage and also on solar
technological-based water purification and
usable water generation.

A workshop on 'Quantum Physics Visualisation with Mathematica - An Introduction' was organised for postgraduate Physics students on 27 April 2022. Dr. B. Virgin Jenisha, Assistant Professor in Physics, Government College of Engineering, Srirangam, Tiruchirappalli, delivered a lecture. This lecture provided hands-on experience on how to use the software Mathematica to plot quantum mechanical graphs in wolfram cloud software. This kind of graphical representation is an easier and simpler way to represent the physical interpretation of the critical equations, and supports constructive learning and fosters scientific thinking in students.

On 23 May 2022, a lecture on 'Solar Energy Technologies for Sustainable Development' was delivered to the students of the Department by Dr. K. Srinivas Reddy, Professor, Department of Mechanical Engineering, IIT Madras. The lecture threw light on recent technologies in sustainable energy production which help in reducing the greenhouse effect. The Department magazine 'Physik' was released by Dr. K. Srinivas Reddy at the event.

Three second-year postgraduate students,
Ms. Neethu Annie Santhosh, Ms. Antony
Heartlin Sancta A., and Ms. Shruthi K,. under
the guidance of Dr. D. Sukanya, Assistant
Professor, Department of Physics, have been
sanctioned a project entitled 'Fabrication of
barium hexaferrite nanoparticles towards
efficient removal of heavy metal ions' under
the Student Project Scheme of the Tamil Nadu
State Council for Science and Technology
(TNSCST) in March 2022. The project has been
completed successfully and the reports were
submitted to the TNSCST in May 2022.



Release of the Department Magazine by Dr. K. Srinivas Reddy

Dr. Belina Xavier, Ms. Christy Preetha, Dr. Annie Vinosha P., and Dr. R. S. Daries Bella published articles in UGC-approved journals. The Department is proud to record the achievements of students. Shruti K. II B.Sc., completed a project on 'Experimental Approaches in the field of Thermoelectricity' in IIT Madras. Ten of our students completed independent UG research projects during the year. Bertleja S., II B.Sc., received the Space Research Fellowship from the Indian Space Society. Mariza Florence, I B.Sc., won the second place in Hyperion (Sci-fi Writing) during 'SYMBAN 21' held at Madras Christian College. She also won the second place for paper presentation in an intercollegiate event named 'IGNIS- 2022' conducted in Justice Basheer Ahmed Sayeed College for Women. Shaza Fathima of I B.Sc. also won the second place for paper presentation in an intercollegiate event named 'IGNIS- 2022' conducted in Justice Basheer Ahmed Sayeed College for Women. Pratibha, C.M, III B.Sc., won the first place in group song in the intervears cultural competition. Angel Shiny III B.Sc., secured the first place in solo instrument in 'Cado Fiesta' Competition. She also won the first place for group song in the interyear cultural competition held at Stella Maris College and also at the 'Cado Fiesta Competition'. Neha Rajesh, III B.Sc., cleared the following national level competitive exams: CAT (2021) with a 99.13 percentile and SNAP (2022) with a 99.68 percentile.





MATHEMATICS

o mark the 75th year of Stella Maris College, the Department was proud to organise an International Conference on Recent Strategies in Mathematics and Statistics, ICSMS 2022, in collaboration with the Department of Mathematics, IIT Madras, and cosponsored by CSIR-UGC, from 19 to 21 May 2022. The conference primarily focused on the recent developments, trends and concerns, challenges and solutions in the fields of Mathematics and Statistics. Several eminent scholars from all over India (including the IITs and other universities and colleges) and the world (Japan, China, Kuwait, Melbourne,



Platinum Jubilee Celebration of the Department



Prize Distribution at the Exhibition

Turkey, and France) delivered lectures covering the major areas of research in Mathematics and Statistics. There were around 297 participants in the hybrid mode, including faculty of Mathematics and Statistics, research scholars, and postgraduate and undergraduate students from colleges abroad and from various states of our country. There were 240 paper submissions and 34 paper presentation sessions across the three days of the Conference. The papers accepted for presentation at the Conference went through a double-blind peer review and will be published in reputed and indexed international journals attached with the conference based on the relevance and scope of the article.

The Department celebrated its platinum jubilee on 18 March 2022. Faculty, past and present, alumnae, and the entire student body were part of this programme. Retired and current faculty of the Department and ten distinguished alumnae were felicitated

at the event. The alumnae felicitated were Dr. Rajeswari Thyagarajan of the (1966–72) batch, Director, Mudhra Fine Blanc Private Limited, Chennai; Dr. R. Bharati of the (1969-74) batch, Professor Emeritus, Loyola College, Chennai; Dr. Premalatha Kumaresan of the (1971–76) batch, Former Director, Ramanujan Institute for Advanced Study in Mathematics, University of Madras, Chennai; Ms. Sarada Jagan of the (1974–80) batch, Managing Director, HR and Corporate Services, SANMAR Group; Ms. M. Sathiyavathy of the (1975–78) batch, IAS 1982 batch, Member, UPSC; Dr. Antony Stella of the (1978–83) batch, Former Adviser, National Assessment and Accreditation Council; Dr. Kala Vijayakumar of the (1982-84) batch, President, SSN Group of Institutions; Dr. Sr. Jasintha Quadras fmm of the (1985–87) batch, Principal, Maris Stella College, Vijayawada; Dr. Annammal Arputhamary I of the (2000–06) batch, Principal, St. Anne's College of Arts and Science, Chennai; and Ms. Catherine Saranya of the (2014-17) batch, IAS 2021 batch.

On 9 May 2022, there was an exhibition on topics in Mathematics which are applied in fields ranging from Space research to Oceanography. Students from government schools and colleges were invited to the exhibition, and our students conducted an Olympiad for them and awarded prizes.

There was a lecture series on graph theory organised for the students of the Department. The lectures were in both online and offline mode and were organised over the course of the year. Five eminent professors from various universities and institutions shared their expertise. Research scholars of the Department presented a lecture series on 'Recent Trends in Mathematics' and four lectures were delivered for the Ph.D., M. Phil., undergraduate and postgraduate students of both the morning and evening shifts over different sessions.

Ms. A. Catherine Saranya, IAS 2021 batch, who is an alumna of the Department, was felicitated on 30 November 2021 for clearing the UPSC examinations.

The Dr. J. Thangamani Endowment Lecture was conducted on 24 May 2022. Prof. S. Sundar, Director, NIT, Mizoram, delivered a lecture on 'Crowd Dynamic Modelling and Machine Learning.'



Release of Abstracts at the International Conference

This year two of our faculty members, Dr. A. Josephine Lissie and Dr. Arul Roselet Meryline, were awarded Ph.D. degrees.

The Department signed an MoU with Internshape, a division of Indian Energy Skill Development Pvt. Ltd., on 11 August 2021, for providing internships in data analytics for a period of three years.

The Department conducted certificate courses in C++ and Analytics 101 from the Jayshree Venkatraman Digital Learning and Research Centre. The courses were offered to students of all departments.

The Faculty of the Department won many awards. Dr. Sr. Rosy Joseph, Principal, Stella Maris College, and Associate Professor, Department of Mathematics, received the Dr. Sam Higginbottom Award for the Best Principal of India (2020-21) from the All India Association for Christian Higher Education, New Delhi, jointly with Sam Higginbottom University of Agriculture, Technology and Sciences on 29 December 2021. Dr. Felbin C. Kennedy, Vice Principal, Stella Maris College, and Associate Professor, Department of Mathematics, received the Distinguished Professor Award 2021 from the Institute of Researchers, Kerala, on 25 October 2021, in recognition of her outstanding professional



International Conference

and research achievements in the field of Mathematics. Dr. V. Jude Annie Cynthia, Assistant Professor and Head, Department of Mathematics, with Ms. Pauline Sugirtham, M.Phil. Scholar, Department of Mathematics, received the Excellent Presentation Award at the International Conference of FIM-IMIP-UMSO2021, Kitakyushu, Japan, held from 26 to 28 December 2021. Dr. S. Teresa Arockiamary, Assistant Professor, Department of Mathematics, with Ms. Vijayalakshmi G., Research Scholar, Department of Mathematics, received the Young Researcher Award 2021 in recognition of her outstanding professional and research achievements in the field of Mathematics from the Institute of Researchers, Kerala, on 20 December 2021.

The faculty of the Department of Mathematics attended around 33 conferences, seminars and workshops and published ten research articles in Scopus, Web of Science journals and UGC Care listed journals. Also, around 30 research articles were presented by the faculty and scholars of the Department in various international conferences during this academic year.

The Departmental intercollegiate fest 'Mathzoom' was held in blended mode on 1 April 2022. Students of the Department of Mathematics, Loyola College, won the overall trophy. The culmination of the activities of the Integra Forum, namely, 'Math-O-Match,' was held offline on 24 May 2022. The third years of the second shift won the overall trophy.





espite the ongoing pandemic, the academic year 2021–2022 was an eventful one for the Department of Zoology with several webinars and special events being organised besides the regular annual activities. Butterfly Week at Stella Maris College was organised in September 2021 with a national webinar, a butterfly walk and several competitions. The Dr. Meera Paul & Dr. Hannah John Endowment Lecture was held on 20 April 2022. Dr. Mousumi Ghosh, Academic Dean, Ph.D. Programme, Nature Conservation Foundation, Mysuru, who delivered the lecture, spoke on 'A Career in Biodiversity.'



Release of ZooQuill



Adyar River Walk on Earth Day

Besides the regular workshops on 'Drosophila Culture Techniques' on 4 September 2021 and 'Methodology for Studying Animal Behaviour' on 7 and 8 March 2022, both of which were held online, several online guest lectures were also organised for the benefit of students. As part of their Service Learning programme this time, the students created several interesting video resources on the subjects of health and hygiene.

This year, Stella Maris College was one of the 172 campuses that participated in the Campus Bird Count, an annual countrywide effort to monitor birds. 18 birders recorded 30 species on campus and uploaded 107 checklists to the global database eBird.org. The College stood 15th in the country in terms of the number of checklists of birds uploaded. The Department also organised the Summer Bird Count for the first time to document bird species that make

the campus their home in summer. 15 species were recorded between 13 and 19 May 2022.

Several students of the Department of Zoology completed an internship in collaboration with the Madras Naturalists' Society entitled 'Urban Wilderness Walks,' through which they guided several groups of Chennaiites around the green spaces in the city and its suburbs, observing and appreciating biodiversity. Ms. A swathi Asokan of III B.Sc. Zoology co-authored a research article in an international journal on the status of important coastal habitats of North Tamil Nadu. She also co-authored a field guide on the coastal fauna of Chennai in collaboration with the Madras Naturalists' Society. On 21 March 2022, the III B.Sc. Zoology students were taken on a field trip to Marina Beach where they used the aforementioned field guide to identify marine fauna.



Dr. Mousumi at the Dr. Meera Paul & Dr. Hannah John Endowment Lecture



Students Photograph Butterflies During
Big Butterfly Week at SMC

Dr. Amritha N. was presented the Young Achiever Award by the Institute of Researchers in October 2021. She also published two articles, one in an international journal and another in a national journal and a chapter in a book titled *Emerging Trends in Arts, Science and Humanities*. Several faculty members of the Department were resource persons in various online events.

Dr. Kalpana Jayaraman gave a brief presentation at the India Green Universities Network on 'Establishing Green Campuses'. She was invited to be a panelist at an online discussion on 'Women in STEM' careers and also at a national workshop on 'Strengthening Capacity in Biodiversity Research and Practice through Internships and Fellowships.'

Dr. Kalpana Jayaraman and Dr. S. A. Vidhya were appointed as eBird reviewers for Chennai, Kanchipuram and Thiruvallur. They also presented a poster titled 'Bird Diversity in Stella Maris College, Chennai' at the CitSci India National Conference on Citizen Science for Biodiversity in September 2021 and another titled 'Getting Started with Birding at Stella Maris College' at the National Symposium on Bird Monitoring in April 2022.

Students of the Department of Zoology, in collaboration with Chennai Young Naturalists Network, conducted an online outreach programme for third and fourth graders of Adyar Theosophical Academy on 17 November 2021. The topic was 'Bird Habits and Habitats.' The students also conducted a river walk on



Young Achiever Award 2021

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Students of III B.Sc. During the Coastal Walk

the banks of the Adyar river for high school students of the American International School, in commemoration of Earth Day on 21 April 2022.

Commemorating the semisesquicentennial year of the College, the Department of Zoology released the first issue of its e-newsletter titled 'ZooQuill' on 3 March 2022.

'Synapse,' the annual intercollegiate
Department fest was held online on 28 and
29 April 2022. The inaugural lecture on
'Coastal and Marine Biodiversity of India' was
delivered by Dr. P. Padmanaban, Assistant
Zoologist, Zoological Survey of India. Several
intercollegiate competitions were hosted by
the students. The overall championship was
won by Justice Basheer Ahmed Sayeed College
for Women.



Students Observing Shells and Fauna During
the Coastal Walk



COMMERCE SHIFT I



he Department of Commerce equipped its students to face many challenges, by focusing on student enrichment programmes in the form of conferences, workshops, guest lectures and cultural events. The Department organised a one-day conference on 'Business and Careers in the Post Covid Milieu', in collaboration with FICCI FLO, Chennai Chapter, on 9 May 2022. The deliberations at the conference brought to light the disruptions happening in the post-pandemic business world and the career opportunities ensuing from it. The conference consisted of varied sessions such as 'MSME and Benefits for Women Entrepreneurs', 'Business on Social Media', 'Career Opportunities for Commerce Graduates' and a panel discussion on 'Business Post Pandemic'. Ms. Jayanthi Krishnan, IRS, Chief Commissioner of Income Tax delivered the valedictory address.

A series of workshops was conducted for the final year students: 'Interview Skills and Resume Writing' by Dr. S. R. M. Sokkalingam, Founder, Versatile Business School; Workshop on 'Online Stock Trading' and 'Fundamental and Technical Analysis' by Mr. Nagappan, Stock Analyst, MSE Financial Services; Workshop on 'Tally Prime' by Mr. Amala Frank Jayaseelan from LIBA. Another Workshop on 'Statistical Package for Social Sciences' was conducted by Mr. S. Xavier,



Regional Conference on Business and Careers in the Post-Covid Milieu

Assistant Professor, Department of Statistics, Loyola College, exclusively for the first years.

The Department also organised a number of guest lectures for the students on various topics such as 'Investment Planning', 'Financial Markets', 'Social Awareness Program on Disability and Challenges Faced by the Visually Impaired'. Two international webinars, one national webinar and eight regional webinars were also conducted.

A 30-hours NSE Certificate Course in 'Fundamentals of Financial Markets' was offered by the Department, in collaboration with Finmark Trainers India Pvt. Ltd. and 41 students from the Departments of Commerce and Economics enrolled and successfully completed the course.

The students also participated in a number of cultural events organised by various colleges of the city and won many prizes. First Year students won the overall trophy at the cultural competitions conducted by the Department of Human Resource Management, Stella

Maris College. 'Tresalanza', the interclass competition was organised to motivate the students to showcase their talents and to develop a healthy competitive spirit. The Inaugural Address on HR Trends was given by Mr. Matthew Gunaseelan, Vice President, HR, Nippo. Second Year students won the Overall Trophy at Tresalanaza. It was a proud moment when our final year student, Cadet Captain Sharon Samuel, received the Best Cado Leader (Navy) award for her active participation in NCC and for leading the Naval Wing throughout the year.

The Department is very proud to announce that two Final Year students have been placed in Deloitte, 11 in Ernst and Young, two at Barclays and many other students were placed in various other organisations, through the Career Guidance Cell of the College. In keeping with our academic pursuits, the faculty of the Department also attended conferences and workshops. Ms. Victoria presented a paper at a national conference and Ms. Victoria and Ms. Jesintha published one research article each in reputed journals.



Inauguration of the Certificate Course on Fundamentals of Capital Markets







The year 2021-22 has been eventful for the Department of Commerce Shift II, with a series of activities organised to commemorate the Semisesquicentennial Celebration of the college.

SMC Comcast, a podcast relayed on YouTube and Spotify, was a new initiative of the Department for the year. The first episode was an interview with Dr. Sr. Rosy Joseph fmm, Principal, Stella Maris College, launched on 5 September 2021 to mark the significance of Teachers' Day. The first issue of the Department Newsletter, 'Comzette', was released in December 2021.

A two-part virtual summit series was conducted by the Department: the first one on 'Positive Thinking and Emotional Resilience' on 3 August 2021 and the second on 'Realigning

Health Insurance –Trends and Challenges' on 6 September 2021.

To gain insight into the Union Budget of India, 'The Union Budget Session', an annual feature of the Department, was held on 4 March 2022 with an analysis of the budget by eminent speakers. Padma Shri T.N. Manoharan, former Chairman of ICAI and Dr. Abhishek Murali, President, All India Tax Payers' Association, enlightened the students on the relevance and significance of the new amendments in the Finance Act 2022.

The Department organised a Postgraduate Symposium on 'Marketing in a Digital Era' on 4 March 2022, with digital marketing experts and media influencers sharing their experience and expertise on the role of an influencer, freelancing, artificial intelligence and metaverse.

A two-day International Conference on 'Realigning Business Practices for a Sustainable Future' was organised on 21 and 22 April 2022, in association with International Skill Development Corporation, Grand Alliance for Management Excellence and Xavier Institute of Management and Entrepreneurship.

Dr. Palanivel Thiagarajan, Minister for Finance & Human Resources Management, Government of Tamil Nadu, inaugurated the conference and released the Conference Souvenir. The Keynote Address was delivered



The Principal Inaugurating the EDC Exhibition

by Mr. Simpson Emmanuel, CEO, Roche
Products India Pvt. Ltd. The conference
provided a platform to showcase innovative
and sustainable practices in the fields of
Finance, Marketing, Human Resources and
Banking. Experts in the industry from India
and abroad shared their knowledge with
the delegates.

A three-day Entrepreneurship Conclave, 'EPIkai', was organised from 10 to 12 May 2022, by the Entrepreneurial Development Cell of the Department, for the benefit of students who aspire to pursue entrepreneurship as their career. Reputed entrepreneurs shared their stories of success and their entrepreneurial journey on the first day of the conclave. A workshop on 'Digital Marketing' was conducted on the second day, followed by interclass competitions. An exhibition and sale of products by start-up entrepreneurs, alumnae entrepreneurs and students was organised on the third day. The stalls received

an overwhelming response from the students and faculty.

The Department organised a number of webinars, guest lectures, workshops and exhibitions, to ensure continued industry association and to acquaint students with current trends in the industry. Interclass competitions, 'Biz League' (9 October 2021) and 'Concura' (23 October 2021), were conducted to enable students to explore and develop their talents. Certificate Courses were conducted in Tally, Digital Marketing and Stock Trading to enhance the employability skills of the students.

Faculty development programmes organised by the Department included an online programme for the Commerce faculty of different colleges, titled 'Synergize and Rejuvenate' on 23 July 2021 and 'Digital Upskilling – The Need of the Hour' on 27 August 2021. A three-day session was organised from 16 to 18 February 2022 for the faculty of the Department on the topics 'Stress and Emotional Management', 'Effectiveness in Teaching', 'Learning and Assessment and Team Dynamics'.

As part of the outreach programmes of the Department, the following activities were organised: a session on 'Savings and Investments' for Final Year UG students of the Departments of Physics, Chemistry, Botany and Zoology of Stella Maris College on 23 September 2021; an Awareness Programme for school students of Holy Angels Convent on 23 October 2021; Poster-making Competition on 'Financial Literacy: Bridging the Divide' on 10 September 2021; a session on 'Products and Services of Financial Institutions' for the students of YRC and NSS on 17 May 2022 and a session on the 'Importance of Financial



Students at an Outreach Programme on Financial Literacy



Faculty Development Program organised by the Department

Planning' for the non-teaching staff of Stella Maris College on 20 May 2022.

The faculty of the Department were actively involved in research and publication. This academic year, the faculty published a book and 21 research articles in UGC approved journals. Ms. Arthy Infanta received the InRes Academic Excellence Award 2021 from the Institute of Researchers, Ministry of MSME, Government of India on 25 October 2021. Ms. Violet Glady received the Best Paper Award for the paper titled 'Financial Inclusion and Agricultural Credit Reforms among Farmers of Orthanadu Taluk of Thanjavur' at

ICARFEB '22 conducted by KPR College of Arts, Science and Research, Coimbatore on 16 and 17 February 2022. Ms. Nisha R. was awarded a Ph.D. on 17 March 2022.

Ms. Shruti Sridhar (PG Diploma in Global Business and Finance) secured the All-India Second Rank in CGMA Management Case Study Exam in November 2021. Students also actively participated in intercollegiate seminars and competitions and won prizes. The Department looks forward to an equally enriching experience in the forthcoming academic year.





PSYCHOLOGY

he academic year 2021-2022 has been an eventful and interesting year for the Department of Psychology at Stella Maris College. The Department conducted two virtual wellness programs titled 'Empowering Minds' and 'Invincible under Pressure' on dealing with occupational and psychological issues caused by the Covid-19 pandemic for educators and students, respectively. These sessions were held in June 2021. The faculty of the Department also organised a week-long 'Wellness Workshop' from 12 July 2021 to 16 July 2021 for the students of the College on specific mental health topics.

As part of the 75th Jubilee Celebrations, the Department of Psychology organised a Talk Series with mental health specialists and experts of various fields in Psychology from



Dr. Karunanidhi on International Mental Health Day

September 2021 to April 2022. The series concluded with 15 guest lectures: 11 online and four offline. The Department also organised a special lecture to mark the International Mental Health Day on 11 October 2021. Dr. Karunanidhi S, Professor Emeritus and former Head of the Department of Psychology, University of Madras delivered a talk on the theme 'Mental Health in an Unequal World'.

On 12 May 2022, the Department of
Psychology, in collaboration with the Research
& International Partnerships Centre, the
Department of Social Work, and Child and
Adolescent Foundation, India, organised
a One-Day Research Conference on 'New
Directions: Emerging Trends and Concerns
in Child and Adolescent Education'. The
conference had more than 300 students
participating and it was graced by the presence



Honorable Minister Thiru. Anbil Mahesh Poyyamozhi at the Launch of Agarathi

of the Honourable Minister for School Education of Tamil Nadu, Thiru. Anbil Mahesh Poyyamozhi, who launched a collaborative research project called 'Agarathi'.

Dr. Divya Dovina, Ms. Aishwarya R B, Ms. Judith Aarthi and Ms. Prathiksha M (alumni) won the Best Paper Award for a paper presented during the fifth CounPsy International and 11th InSPA International Virtual Conference conducted from 6 January 2022 to 8 January 2022.

Dr. Divya Dovina and Ms. Judith Aarthi chaired and co-chaired, respectively, a session in the same conference.

The faculty of the Department have also presented various papers in many international conferences. Dr. Divya Dovina presented four papers; Ms. Judith Aarthi and Ms. Ramya S. presented two papers each, and Ms. Aishwarya R. B. presented one paper. Ms. Merlin Varsha A C, II B.Sc., also presented a paper in the International Research Summit, 'Avlokan', organised by Jain Deemed-to-be University.

The Department has been growing constantly and has made considerable contributions academically, in research and in networking. We look forward to more such accomplishments in the future.





COMPUTER SCIENCE

two-day hands-on training on Version Control System
- 'Github' was organised on 9 and 10 June 2021 for
students. Mr. Mayilvahanan Muthuswamy, Information
Technology Consultant, Bank of Singapore and Mr. Ram Babu
Saravanan, Software Engineer, Singtel, Singapore were the
resource persons.

A Workshop on 'Article Writing for Computer Science' was offered to Final Year students on 8 July 2021. Dr. B. Sree Vidya, Assistant Professor, PG and Research Department of Computer Science, Shri. Shankarlal Sundarbai Shasun Jain College for Women, Chennai, was the resource person.

A Workshop on 'Entrepreneurship: Building a Business and Sustaining It' was offered to Final Year students on 12 July



A Session on Algorithms



Students at the Computer Hardware Workshop

2021. Mr. Sam Peter, Founder and CEO, Softwings Technologies, Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu, was the resource person.

The Department organised a four-day national level virtual technical event 'Game of Threads' from 16 to 19 August 2021. Eminent resource persons from the industry and academia addressed the students.

A Faculty Development Programme on 'Digital Content Creation was offered by the faculty of the Department for faculty members and administrative staff from 1 to 4 September 2021 and on 25 September 2021.

A 'Computer Hardware Workshop' was organised on 28 January 2022 for faculty members and students of the Department. Mr. Steve Anand from Qenz gave hands-on training on assembling and explained the working of hardware components.

A session on 'Understanding the importance of Algorithms' was organised for M.Sc. IT students on 7 June 2022 to enable them to understand and apply algorithms to real time problems. Prof. Venkatesh Raman, IMSC, Chennai was the resource person.

The Department conducted a Certificate Course for students on 'General Aptitude' by Ms. Padmavathy, from 10 March 2022 to 26 April 2022 to improve their aptitude skills in campus placements.

The Fulbright Specialist Programme 'Application Development and Innovation Engine' is to be held for shortlisted students from our Department from 1 July 2022 to 24 July 2022.

Dr. Renuka Devi D. obtained a Ph.D. Degree from the University of Madras. The faculty of the Department participated in International conferences and presented 19 papers.

Dr. Renuka Devi D. published a paper,

Ms. Roslin Clara A. published two papers and Ms. Madhura Prabha published a paper in Scopus indexed journals.



FDP on Digital Content Creation



SOCIAL WORK

The Department of Social Work commenced a hopeful year as students returning to the campus after the COVID 19 restrictions seemed possible. 75 programmes were organised to commemorate the 75 illustrious years of the College. The events were on several contemporary social issues with several collaborations, to give students a fruitful and empowering learning experience.

Two International Webinars were organised on emerging and relevant health themes. The first one on 'Understanding Pain and Altered Sleep: A Psychosocial Perspective' was held on 16 and 17 July 2021. Dr. Davis Thomas, Assistant Clinical Professor, Rutgers University Newark, NJ, USA and Rochester Medical School, NY, USA; Dr. Sanjana Santhosh, Chennai and Dr. Rachel Chacko, II M.S.W. were the resource persons. The second International Webinar on 'Issues and Concerns of the Vulnerable Groups During COVID 19 Pandemic: The Role of a Social Worker' by Sherin Mary John, Business Analytic Student



Autorickshaw Campaign on Domestic Violence

and alumna of the Department was organised on 14 March 2022 along with the Unnathi Social Work Student Forum.

A National Webinar on 'Holistic Health in the New Normal' was held on 26 May 2021 with Dr. Purkanti Shwetha, Department of Psychiatry, Ayaan Institute of Medical Sciences, Andhra Pradesh and Dr. Kavitha V. Jangam, Department of Psychiatric Social Work, NIMHANS, Bangalore as resource persons.

A national level competition on 'Organ Donation' was organised between 2 and 6 August 2021 in collaboration with MOHAN Foundation, Chennai. This was followed on 8 August 2022 by a Webinar, 'Programme for Action—Organ Donation', in collaboration with MOHAN Foundation, Dr. Kamakshi Memorial

Hospital and St. Peter's College of Engineering and Technology, Chennai.

Two flash mobs were held by II M.S.W. students on campus as part of World Mental Health Day on 10 October, 2021. A unique Open House titled 'Celebrating Differences' with a focus on disability was held on 1 April 2022, bringing in alumnae of the Department who overcame disability as role models. A Guest Lecture on 'Stem Cell Therapy' was held on 11 December 2021. The undergraduate students conducted an exhibition on low cost nutritive foods on 16 May 2022 in the campus. A Workshop on 'Counselling Skills', moderated by Fr. John Francis, Bharath Institute of Higher Education and Research, was organised from 7 to 10 April 2021.

A Webinar Series on a global environmental concern 'Climate Change, Child Rights and Mental Health' was held from August to



Awareness Programme on Clean Environment



Dr Marian Benita Maria receiving 'Most Socially Responsible Staff' Award

October, 2021 in collaboration with UNICEF and Thozhamai, NGO with sessions by experts such as Mr. Sugata Roy, UNICEF, Mr. Suresh Mariaselvam, Consultant, Dr. Kalpana Kosalram, SRM Institute of Science and Technology.

Another theme focused on by the Department was gender and the students were sensitised through several programmes such as a Workshop on 'Gender Based Violence' in collaboration with the International Foundation for Crime Prevention and Victim Care (PCVC) on 22 September 2021 and a Webinar on 'Intergenerational Action for Gender Based Violence: Healing the Present, Co-creating the Future' on 29 October, 2021. A Guest Lecture on 'Problems and Rights of Transgender Associations' was held on 4 January 2022.

International Women's Day was commemorated with lectures on 'Break the

Bias' on 11 March 2022 in collaboration with the Tamil Nadu State Commission for Women, Thozhamai, an NGO and with Naam Vidhaikalam on 13 March 2022. In an experiential sharing on 19 March 2022, Priyadarshini a Class XI student, who spoke on 'The Girl who Stood Up for Education', inspired students by her resolve to get children back to school after the lockdown. A novel 'Autorickshaw Awareness Programme on Prevention of Domestic Violence' was held on 11 May 2022 in collaboration with PCVC. An Awareness Programme on 'Cyber Security and Safety Measures for Women and Children' was organised on 19 May 2022.

Other social issues focused included a
Webinar on 'Socio Drama: For Enhancing
Patient Caregiver Relationships' held on
18 October 2021 in collaboration with YR
Gaitonde Centre for AIDS Research and
Education. Sessions were held on 'The
Impact of Industrialisation, Globalisation,



Exhibition on Low Cost Nutrition



III BSW Students Rural Exposure Camp

Privatisation on the Environment' on 24
September 2021, 'Vulnerable Communities in
Urban Areas' on 1 December 2021, and 'Time
Management and Emotional Intelligence'
on 14 and 21 September 2021. A legal
awareness programme relating to functioning
of Legal Services Authority was delivered by
R. Tamilselvi, Secretary Judge, District Legal
Services Authority, on 13 October 2021 in
collaboration with Thozhamai.

The Department participated in the 'Saphirus Cognitio Lecture Series', organised by the College to commemorate the Platinum Jubilee Year, by coordinating two lectures on 'Subverting the Entrepreneurial Paradigm' delivered by Dr Praveen Kumar, Dean, Bharath Institute of Higher Education and Research, Chennai and on 'It is East Everywhere' by Mr. Bharathi Krishna Kumar, Writer and Documentary Film Maker.

In order to give the students field exposure and sensitise them to social realities, the Department organised a community visit to Ennore for the II M.S.W. students in collaboration with Arunodhaya on 27 October 2021. Students were involved in relief work. through food distribution, during the heavy rains in Kotturpuram, Chennai in collaboration with Street Vision Trust. Chennal on 9 November 2021. Students of I M.S.W. had a two-day orientation on 'Fields of Rural Development' by experts from the State Institute of Rural Development (SIRD) followed by a visit of the postgraduate students on 30 March 2022 to SIRD and Panchayati Raj Department. A visit to the National Institute for Empowerment of Persons with Multiple Disabilities and The Banyan, Kovalam Centre was organised on 18 March 2022. A day to cheer Senior Citizens was made possible with a visit to 'Mercy Home' by I M.S.W. students on 18 March 2022.



Open House



Pondicherry Home Visit by II MSW students

The MSW students had an orientation visit to the State Legal Services Authority and the High Court in collaboration with Tamil Nadu State Legal Services Authority. The II M.S.W. students made an orientation visit to Cluny Home for the Aged, Shanthi Bhavan Home for HIV/AIDS adults and Sathya Special School in Pondicherry. The B.S.W. students had an orientation visit to the State Human Rights Commission on 18 March 2022. The students also had a rural exposure visit to Thiruvallur on 24 and 25 March 2022. A session on 'Chirp... Chirp.. Save the Sparrows' was organised on 26 May 2022. The students of the Department had an exposure visit to the 3rd CIIC Startup Demo Day at Crescent College Institute of Science and Technology on 28 March 2022. An experiential sharing session on 'Ukraine War and World Peace: Role of Youth in Peace Building' was organised by the Department in collaboration with the Unorganised Workers' Federation on 25 March 2022.

As part of the project on 'Social Action Initiatives for a Clean and Sustainable Environment', sponsored by the UBCHEA, the Department organised a series of input sessions on the environment and involved the MSW students in field based activities in collaboration with Candles NGO and several organisations. Two sessions on 'Sustainable Health and Environment' were organised on 1 May 2021 and 8 May 2021. Sessions on 'Disaster Prevention and Preparedness' were organised on 27 and 28 May 2021 for NSS and YRC volunteers and NCC cadets. An awareness session on 'Healthy Environment and Sustainable Living' was organised for the students on 14 March 2022, which they took forward to the communities. The students were trained in street theatre and they created awareness on a clean and sustainable environment in Don Bosco Primary School, in the community at Vyasarpadi and in Padikuppam Corporation Primary School, Padi on 4 March 2022 and 23 March 2022. The students and volunteers of Candles undertook colourful wall paintings with several messages



Workshop on Gender Based Violence



Students doing Wall Painting on Environment

on clean and sustainable environment for the children of Don Bosco School, the community and a Children's Home on 5, 6, 27 and 28 March, 2022 and in Padikuppam Corporation Primary School on 22 and 23 March 2022.

The Department has a Memorandum of Understanding with the Tamil Nadu Urban Habitat Development Board through the Engagement of Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (Urban) Housing for all, 2022-2024. The Department has initiated the Social Audit

through this project and took the students for a field visit on 22 April 2022 to Teynampet. A Workshop was organised on Statistics and SPSS on 24 May 2022 for the MSW students.

The faculty members of the Department presented papers at conferences, and were resource persons both within and outside the College. Dr. Marian Benita Maria, Associate Professor, received the 'Most Socially Responsible Staff Award' as part of Bhumi Campus Awards, 2022 TN Edition.

Jenifer Jone, I M.S.W., was awarded a fellowship through an institutional programme titled 'Social Work and Exclusion' in the Catholic University of Applied Sciences, Germany from 8 March to 15 July 2022.

The Department has endeavoured to reach out and organise programmes that offer enriching experiences of the varied fields of the Social Work profession and hopes to do more in the coming years.



Wall Paintings on Environment by students





B.VOC. FOOD PROCESSING AND QUALITY CONTROL

The year 2021-2022 is a memorable year as we celebrate 75 years of Stella Maris College. The Department remains committed to the Vision of the College of empowering young women and making them socially responsible.

World Food Safety Day was commemorated with a talk by Mr.
Nickel Rozar on 'Today's Safe Food, Tomorrow's Secured Health
- Effective Strategies for Food Safety' and competitions such
as illustrated Slogan writing and a Quiz on Food Safety were



Assessor at NSDC Evaluation



Industrial Visit at Exel Water Systems

also held. The Department in collaboration with Gaffers Services, organised a four-day training programme for Food Safety Officers considering the future opportunities in the Food Processing sector.

An inaugural international Quiz, 'Think Quiz' was organised by the departmental Quiz Club. Technical sessions on career prospects in the food industry were given by Dr. Kavita Sudersanadas, KSAU-HS, Riyadh and Ms. Dhanupriya, D Pro Food Consult.

The National Nutrition Week was observed with various workshops and events such as 'OPOS-One Pot One Shot Technique' by B. Ramakrishnan, Inventor; the Annual Department Fest 'Food Pro-2021'; webinars on 'Dietary Approach in Day to Day Life' by K. Nithyasri, Secura and 'Intelligent Eating

- Opportunity for Entrepreneurship' by Mr. Mohamed Riaz, Entrepreneur and International Business Trainer.

Carbon Footprinting was discussed in the National Webinar: 'Impact of Food Industries on Carbon Footprinting' by Dr. T. V. Ramachandra, Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore and Mr. Senthil Kumar, NIN Energy. An International Webinar in collaboration with the Department of Sustainable Energy Management was organised on 'Food & Energy: Towards Sustainability.' The speakers were Dr. Heidi Riedel-Akumo, Nordisk, Berlin, Germany; Dr. Arun Kumar Durai, Tohoko University, Sendai, Japan; Dr. Srinivasa Chakrawarthy, CEO, Sun Powered Super Foods, Hyderabad and Dr. Eashwar Ravishankar, North Carolina University, USA. The webinars gave insight into the possible interventions for green initiatives.



Workshop on Chocolate Making



NSDC Evaluation

As an initiative to provide hands-on training, students interned in organisations such as Winners Bakery, ARMATS and Exel Water systems. The students also visited Modern Bakers (Madras) Pvt. Ltd. and Nabati (Enerlife India Pvt Ltd).

Dr. Subhashree published a review article in the journal 'Chemosphere' and also authored a chapter in a book. Dr. Anbu Malar and Dr. Sonya were resource persons at a National Seminar conducted at National College, Trichy. Dr. Subhashree presented a talk at a webinar organised by St. Teresa's College, Ernakulam.

The NSDC evaluations were completed at NSQF levels 4, 5, 6 and 7 and certificates from the Sector Skill Council FICSI were distributed to the students.

To end the academic year on a sweet note, a Workshop 'Sweet Journey: Bean to Chocolate' was conducted by Mr. Nitin Chordia, a chocolatier.





B.VOC.SUSTAINABLE ENERGY MANAGEMENT

The Department of Sustainable Energy Management has chosen 'Nurture Nature' as the theme for this academic year. This theme fits into the commitment of Stella Maris College to preserve and replenish our natural resources.

The Department organised an international webinar on 'Nurture Nature - Save Green and Blue for the Future' with Mr. Magesh, Auger Engineers and Dr. Satheesh Krishnamoorthy,



Assessor at the NSDC Evaluation



Workshop on Biodiesel Production

Professor, The Open University, United Kingdom as the speakers.

The nexus of food, energy and water has a great impact on sustainable development.

Since the food industry is a major player in greenhouse emissions, an International Webinar on 'Food & Energy: Towards

Sustainability' was organised in collaboration with the Department of Food Processing & Quality Control. A National Webinar was organised on 'Impact of Food Industries on Carbon Footprinting - Indian Context.' The resource persons were Dr. T.V Ramachandra, Indian Institute of Science, and Mr. Senthil Kumar, NIN Energy. The webinars gave insight into the various levels of possible interventions for green initiatives.

The Annual Intercollegiate Fest titled 'Terra Battlers' included competitions such as Quiz, Slogan Writing, Poster Presentation and Creative Writing. A Technical Session by Dr. Chitra Rajan of Radix Group on 'Women, Energy and Economic Empowerment' introduced the students to selfemployment opportunities.

To keep abreast of the latest developments, a workshop was conducted on 'Biodiesel Production' and speakers were invited to give talks on 'Solid Waste Management', 'Women's Empowerment' and 'Entrepreneurship: A Pitch to Investors'.

The final semester project gave the students an opportunity to demonstrate their skill sets.

The outcome was impressive with projects ranging from tapping energy from living plants, solar powered working models for various applications such as drying, sensors for speed breakers on the road, distillation units, air cooling systems, biogas optimisation and so on.

N. Mahalakshmi, faculty of the Department was awarded the Swachhta Saarthi Fellowship by the Office of the Principal Scientific Advisor to the Government of India.

Dr. C. S. Ramya was the resource person at a webinar organised by Arasu Engineering College and Prathyusha Engineering College.

Dr. R. Vincent Femilaa published a paper in the journal *Bioengineered*.

The NSDC evaluations were completed at NSQF levels 4,5,6 and 7 and certificates from the Sector Skill Council Green Jobs were distributed to the students.



Renewable Energy Expo



Student Project on Electricity from Plants



INTERNATIONAL STUDIES



webinar titled 'Nuclear Weapons and Nuclear Strategies of Major Powers' by Dr. Arvind Kumar, Professor & Head of Centre for American and Latin American Studies, JNU, New Delhi. Subsequently, on 19 November 2021, a webinar on 'Emerging India: A Maritime Perspective' was conducted by Dr. A. Subramanya Raju, Dean of IR and Professor Centre for South Asian Studies, Pondicherry University. Both these



The Australian Deputy High Commissioner to India and the Australian Consul General for South India at a Panel discussion on Diplomacy in the Indo-Pacific



Ms. Olga Aaron Addressing the Students on the Challenges for the LGBTQ community

webinars were extremely insightful on two relevant areas in International Relations and witnessed extensive student participation both from within the College and from other institutions.

In the post-pandemic period, the Department organised its first live offline programme and Dr Sonika Gupta, Associate Professor, Centre for China Studies IIT Madras, delivered the 13th Dr. Kamala Aravind Endowment Lecture on '70 Years Of Resistance: Tibetan Struggle Against Chinese Occupation' on 21 March 2022. The lecture was well attended by students from several city colleges.

On 25 March 2022, a lecture on 'Transgender Rights' was delivered by Ms Olga Aaron from the Transgender Rights Association and it was certainly one of the most interactive sessions as the speaker shared her personal

experiences as well as the challenges faced by the transgender community.

The Department organised a much-anticipated talk by Dr. C. Sylendra Babu IPS, Director General of Police, Tamil Nadu, on 19 April 2022 as part of the 'Saphirus Cognitio Series' on 'The Role of Women as Change Makers and Nation Builders'. The students listened to the speaker with rapt attention and were inspired by his motivational and inspiring message. The DGP also interacted closely with the students and gave them much-needed advice on protecting themselves in both the real and virtual worlds.

Another feather in the cap of the Department was the 'Rowdhiram Pazhagu' Intercollegiate Essay and Poster Competition in association with the Tamil Nadu Police Department which drew over 900 participants from across all city colleges and raised awareness on cybercrimes



Dr. Sonika Gupta from IIT Madras with the students at the 13th Dr Kamala Aravind Endowment Lecture



Students Downloading the Kavalan SOS app at Rowdhiram Pazhagu

and cyberbullying. The special cell for Crimes against Women and Children (CWC) was highly appreciative of this initiative and lauded the efforts of the Department.

On 23 April 2022, as a part of the Saphirus Cognitio Series, a lecture-cum-discussion was held on 'Music And Social Inclusivity' by Mr. T. M Krishna, Musician and Social Activist.

The Department in collaboration with the
Australian High Commission hosted the
Australian Deputy High Commissioner to India,

Ms. Sarah Storey, and the Australian Consul-General for South India Ms. Sarah Kirlew on 29 April 2022, for a Panel Discussion on 'Diplomacy in the Indo-Pacific'. The highlight of this programme was that the entire discussion was led by a student panelist of II M.A., Ms. Mariam Bareeira.

To conclude the year-long activities, the Department of International Studies launched a blog on 'China Perspectives' as a part of its Area Studies course on China. This is an initiative that hopes to invite experts, alumna, faculty, and students to contribute to this virtual intellectual platform.

Some of the faculty members also presented papers at national and international conferences and three papers were published in peer-reviewed journals by Ms Aarti S. and Dr. Priya Suresh.



DGP Dr. C. Sylendra Babu interacting with the students





PUBLIC RELATIONS

he Department of Public Relations is driven by the vision of producing an informed community of young PR professionals with social responsibility and accountability. The academic year 2021-2022 has been significant to the Department's calendar as the College commemorated its 75th Jubilee year. To mark this milestone, several events were planned by the Department.

As the use of technology has become a regular feature in education, the Department organised many webinars on regional and national levels on topics pertaining to different facets of PR. National Webinars titled 'The Art of Content Development for Branding and PR', 'The Next Big Thing on Social Media' and 'Trends in Public Relations for Entertainment' and two Regional Webinars titled 'Crisis and Reputation Management' and 'The Art of Humanity' were organised across the academic year with eminent speakers from the fields of PR and Marketing.



Mini Walkathon at Elliot's Beach for the Campaign ART

As a highlight of the year, the Department organised an International Online Faculty Development Programme for Humanities and Social Sciences for faculty members from city colleges between 13 and 17 December 2021. Sessions were conducted by illustrious educationists and industry professionals such as Dr. Edamana Prasad, Professor, Department of Chemistry, IIT Madras; Dr. Sheila Tefft, Professor (Emerita), Department of English, Emory University, Atlanta, USA; Ms. Akanksha Thakore, Social Entrepreneur and Founder, Ripple Effect; Dr. Sunitha Don Bosco, Assistant Professor, Department of Media Studies; Dr. Sumathi S., former Head, Department of Anthropology, University of Madras; Ms. Kari Seeley, CEO, No Strings Attached Theatre for Disability, Adelaide, Australia and Ms. Lavanya

Srinivas, expert faculty for narratives and storytelling, NIFT, Chennai.

'Media Surf', a cultural event of the Department was revived in 2022 with the First Year students organising 'Nunporul kaanbadhu arivu', an Intercollegiate Short Film Festival on 9 May 2022. The entries were judged by two filmmakers and Mr. K. Hariharan, Filmmaker and Professor, distributed the prizes.

To commemorate National PR Day and also to conduct the Gyan Haksar and M. Gopalakrishnan Memorial Lecture, the Department organised a talk, in association with the Public Relations Society of India, Chennai Chapter on 4 May 2022. Mr. Viveak M. Palanivasan, Founder, CEO, Voltrix



Tamil Play 'Komaligal' by Theatre Akku

Mobility, was invited to deliver a talk on 'The Cult of Start-up Industries: A Brand Story'.

Ms. Revathy Meyyammai, Tamil Nadu State Government awardee and alumna of batch 2007-09 was also felicitated on the same day with 'Inspiring Alumna of the Year' award for her outstanding contribution to the fields of Education and Entrepreneurship.

Dr. Shrinidhi S., Head of the Department, was awarded the Vivekananda Prize 2021, in recognition of her outstanding professional and research achievements in the field of Public Relations by the Institute of Researchers, Kerala, on 25 October 2021.

As a finale to the Jubilee Year, the Final
Year students conceived and executed the

Department's annual PR Campaign titled 'Yaadhum Maname Yaavarum Kaelir'. The city-wide campaign aimed at promoting ART - Acceptance, Respect and Tolerance among college students and working professionals. The campaign was inaugurated by Dr. Saranya Jaikumar, Educational Psychologist and Member, Tamil Nadu Commission for Protection of Child Rights on 12 May 2022. Webinars were conducted reflecting the theme and a Tamil play Komaligal in association with Theatre Akku was staged on campus on 4 June 2022. A mini Walkathon was organised at Elliot's Beach on 5 June 2022. It was flagged off by Mr. Santhosh Prathap, Actor and Mixed Martial Arts Athlete and Thiru S. Nelson, Assistant Commissioner of Police, Adyar.



BIOINFORMATICS

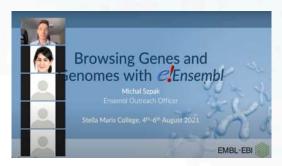


he Department of Bioinformatics, jointly with European Molecular Biotechnology Laboratory (EMBL), European Bioinformatics Institute (EBI), UK, organised an International Workshop on 'Ensembl Genome Browser' from 4 August to 6 May 2021. A total of 75 participants from national and international institutions attended the programme and received skills training from Dr. Michal Szpak, Ensembl Outreach Officer.

On 11 May 2022, a seminar was organised on 'Applications of Next Generation Sequencing in Biotechnology' with the Keynote



Seminar on the Applications of Next Generation Sequencing in Biotechnology by Dr. Murugan, Scientist, Lifecell Diagnostics



International Workshop on 'ENSEMBL Genome Browser' from August 4 to 6 May 2021

Address delivered by Dr. Murugan, Scientist, Deputy General Manager, Lifecell Diagnostics.

Ms. Aishwarya S., Assistant Professor, Department of Bioinformatics, received the Student Research Project Fund 2022 as a guide for the students Ms. Sadhana, Ms. Narmadha, Ms. Kavitha and Ms. Amsaveni from the Tamil Nadu State Council for Science and Technology (TNSCST). This funding was for the project titled 'Elucidation of Gut Dysbiosis in COVID 19: An Unrealised Consequence of the Gut-Lung Axis Cross-Talk and the Effects of Prebiotics'. Ms. Aishwarya S. also received the Second Prize for a presentation in the DBT Sponsored International Conference on 'Recent Progresses in Biological Sciences – 2022' organised by Ayyar Nadar Janakiammal College, Sivakasi, held on 4 and 5 March 2022. Ms. Aishwarya S. published ten research papers in the year 2021-2022 with a cumulative impact factor of 13.32.

Ms. Shangari, Ms. Vishnupriyas, Ms. Neha Rose Pious, Ms. Sadhana, Ms. Mercy Stephen, Ms. Kiruthika and Ms. Kavitha of II M.Sc. Bioinformatics won the Second Prize in oral e-poster presentation conducted by the Manipal Academy of Higher Education, Dubai, on 16 April 2022.



Ms. Sadhana, Ms. Narmadha, Ms. Kavitha and Ms. Amsaveni, TNSCST Project





BIOTECHNOLOGY

his academic year was an eventful one for the Department of Biotechnology. Several events were organised by the Department to mark the Semisesquicentennial year of the College. A series of e-quizzes were organised on different themes: from 7 to 9 July 2021 on 'Environmental and Ocean Science', from 19 to 21 August 2021 on 'Infectious Disease', from 30 September to 1 October 2021 on 'Bioprocess and Fermentation', and from 1to 7 January 2022 on 'Molecular Techniques'. An E-poster competition on 'Eco-friendly Environment and Sustainability' was organised on 2 September 2021. A National Webinar on 'Fundamentals of Downstream Processing of Peptide Purification for Drug Development' was organised on 23 October 2021. A Virtual Meet of Biotech alumnae on 'Career Opportunities for Biotechnologists' was organised on 18 February 2022. 'Bioark' an exhibition, was organised on 24 January 2022. 'Biofest' was organised on



Regional Workshop on 'Patenting Procedures for Life Sciences Invention'

8 March 2022. A workshop on 'Patenting Procedures for Life Sciences Invention' was organised on 30 March 2022. The Department also organised a virtual presentation on '3D- Bioprinting, its Application and Career Prospects' on 1 April 2022.

Our students also participated in many events organised by other institutions and won accolades. The First Year postgraduate students won two best poster awards in the National Conference on 'Aquatic Biotechnology' conducted by Alpha Arts and Science College, Chennai on 12 April 2022. They also won prizes in an intercollegiate cultural event, 'Madhulika 2022', organised by the PG Department of Plant Biotechnology,

SDNB Vaishnav College for Women, Chennai, on 25 April 2022. Manasa Muralidharan, research scholar, won the Best Poster Award in the National e-Conference conducted by Sathyabama Institute of Science and Technology on 29 and 30 December 2021. Leena Merlin Biju and Mary Isabella Sonali J., research scholars, won the Best Paper Award in the International Conference on Biotechnology for Environment and Health (ICBEH), School of Bio Sciences and Technology, VIT on 25-27 November 2021.

This year, the faculty of the Department published 20 papers in peer reviewed journals and have also written seven chapters in books .





LANGUAGES

TAMIL

டெல்லா மாரிஸ் கல்லூரி தமிழ்த்துறை உலகக் கலாச்சார தினத்தைச் சிறப்பிக்கும் வகையில் மாணவிகளிடையே 'தரணி போற்றும் தமிழர் பண்பாட்டின் சிறப்புகளும் கலாச்சாரச் சிந்தனைகளும்' என்ற தலைப்பில் 23.09.2021 அன்று இணைய வழியில் பேச்சுப் போட்டி நிகழ்த்தியது. பேச்சுப் போட்டியில் 19 மாணவிகள் பங்கேற்றனர். மாணவிகளைப் பாராட்டி ஊக்குவிக்கும் பொருட்டு முதல், இரண்டு, மூன்று மற்றும் ஆறுதல் பரிசுகள் வழங்கப்பட்டன.



Mr. Thankam Tennarasu at the Mayuram Vethanayagam Pillai Endowment lecture



Mr. Bharathi Krishna Kumar at Saphirus Cognito Series

முதலாமாண்டு இயற்பியல் துறை மாணவி ஷேரன் நோபல் (20∴ருஆவுயு∴001) முதல் பரிசினைப் பெற்றார்.

மேனாள் குடியரசு தலைவரும் இளைஞர்களின் எழுச்சி நாயகருமான டாக்டர் ஆ.ப.ஜெ. அப்துல் கலாம் அவர்களின் 90 ஆவது பிறந்தநாள் விழாவை நினைவுகூரும் விதமாக தமிழ்த்துறை, அக்டோபர் 30 ஆம் நாள் வினாடி வினா போட்டியை ஏற்பாடு செய்தது. 14 மாணவிகள் பங்கேற்றனர். முதல் சுற்று (Shift –I), இரண்டாம் சுற்று (Shift –II) என தனித்தனியாக நிகழ்வுகள் நடைபெற்றன. முதல், இரண்டு, முன்று மற்றும் ஆறுதல் பரிசுகள் வழங்கப்பட்டன. முதல் சுற்றில் இரண்டாம் ஆண்டு கணிதத்துறை மாணவி ஊ.ஆ.ஆஷ்மி (20/UMTA/046) (முதல் பரிசினைப் பெற்றார். இரண்டாம் சுற்றில் இரண்டாம் ஆண்டு கணிதத்துறை மாணவி ம.ஆண்டனி ஜெனி∴பர் (20/UMTA/107) முதல் பரிசினைப் பெற்றார்.

மகாகவி சுப்ரமணிய பாரதியின் பிறந்தநாள் விழாவை சிறப்பிக்கும் விதமாகத் தமிழ்த்துறை 16.12.2021 அன்று பாடல் போட்டி நடத்தியது. சிறப்பு விருந்தினராக சமஸ்கிருதத்துறை உதவிப் பேராசிரியை முனைவர்.சுபறூ அவர்கள் கலந்து கொண்டார். 13 மாணவிகள் பங்கேற்றனர். முதலாமாண்டு வணிகவியல் துறை மாணவி லட்சுமி (21/UCMA/372) முதல் பரிசினைப் பெற்றார் .

ஸ்டெல்லா மாரிஸ் கல்லூரியின் 75ஆவது வன்பொன் பெருவிழாவை முன்னிட்டு 20.4.2022 அன்று தழிழ்த்துறையானது சிறப்புச் சொற்பொழிவினை நடத்தியது . சிறப்பு விருந்தினராக இயக்குநர், எமுத்தாளர், பேச்சாளர் பாரதி கிருஷ்ணகுமார் அவர்கள் கலந்து கொண்டு 'எல்லா திசையும் கிழக்கு' என்ற தலைப்பில், நேர்மறை சிந்தனைகள், சமகாலத்தில் பெண்களின் பாதுகாப்புத் தேவைகள் குறித்தும் சிறப்புரையாற்றினார்.

மாயூரம் வேதநாயகம் பிள்ளை அவர்களின் அநக்கட்டளை சொற்பொழிவு தொடக்க விழா 2.6.2022 அன்று தமிழ்த்துறை சார்பாக நடைபெற்றது. சிறப்பு விருந்தினராக தமிழக தொழில் துறை, தமிழ் வளர்ச்சி மற்றும் தொல்லியல் துறை அமைச்சர் த. தங்கம் தென்னரசு அவர்கள் கலந்து கொண்டு சிறப்பித்தார். தமிழின் தொன்மை, தமிழர்களின் பண்பாடு, மாயூரம் வேதநாயகம் பிள்ளை அவர்களின் இலக்கியப் பணிகள் குறித்தும் சிறப்புரையாற்றினார்.

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HINDI

The Anubhuti Club of the Department of Hindi conducted the Hindi Diwas online on 10 September 2021. The events conducted were Buland Awaaz, poetry and article writing, face painting, mehndi art, dance competition, singing and poster making. Hindi Day was celebrated on 9 March 2022. Cultural events in Hindi were conducted during the recess.

Dr. Srabani Bhattacharyya was awarded the Innovative Research Dedicated Excellent Academician Award by the Society of Innovative Educationist and Scientific Research Professionals



Hindi Diwas, Celebrated Online



Dr. Srabani Bhattacharyya, Recipient of the Shikshak Ratan Award

Trust, Chennai on 29 August 2021 for her contribution towards women's writing in Hindi. She was also awarded the International Shikshak Ratan Award on 5 September 2021 by the Beti Foundation, Maharashtra in recognition of her contribution in the field of Education. She was the external examiner for the Ph.D thesis evaluation in Dakshin Bharat Hindi Prachar Sabha, Dharwad.

Dr. A. Fathima was invited as a motivational speaker on 29 December 2021 at Justice Basheer Ahmed Sayeed College for Women at the Alumni Association reunion. She attended an International Webinar on 9 January 2022 at CTTE College, Perambur. She was the External Examiner for M.Phil thesis evaluation in Dakshin Bharat Hindi Prachar Sabha, Dharwad.

She was a member of the Staff Selection

Committee at SDNB Vaishnav College on

1 March 2022. She was the resource person for
a Hindi workshop in Anna Adarsh College for

Women on 30 March 2022.

Ms. Apoorvi Florence John secured the third place in the intercollegiate essay writing competition, 'Shasun Kshitij 2021', organised by the Department of Hindi, Shasun Jain College for Women on 27 November 2020.



Students Participating in Hindi Day Celebrations

SANSKRIT

alakrti, the Sanskrit Club of our college, conducted competitions on the theme, 'Prabodhana' (Enlightenment) as part of its aim to promote interest in students in the Sanskrit language. A Logo Designing Competition was conducted on 16 December 2021. On 27 March 2022 an online Photography competition was held. On 30 April 2022 a t-shirt designing competition was organised by thr department.

The Sanskrit club, along with the Students' Union, celebrated 'Language week'. On 10 March 2022, Sanskrit language day was celebrated. As part of the event, a talk highlighting the greatness and antiquity of the Sanskrit Language was presented by the students of Sanskrit. They also performed a dance and a music programme celebrating the 'Devabhasa Samskrta'



Language Day Celebrations



Students Participating in the Sanskrit Logo
Designing Competition

'Aham Jane' a quiz on Sanskrit was conducted to kindle the interest of the students in learning Sanskrit.

Students participated in intercollegiate events organised by various city colleges. They bagged prizes in Quiz, Singing, Collage, Poster making and T-shirt Designing in both individual and group categories in Sanskrit competitions conducted by Shasun Jain College and SDNB Vaishnav College.

On 27 April 2022, Smriti Sakthi and Justina Binoy, II BA Economics, bagged the First Place in the Intercollegiate Paper Presentation Competition on 'Science and Sanskrit' conducted by SDNB Vaishnav College.

Dr. R. Subasri was elected, the Vice President of the Global Sanskrit Forum, Tamil Nadu Pranth by Vaishvika Samskrta Manch, New Delhi in the academic year 2021.

Dr.R.Subasri attended an online International
Webinar from 16 to 20 July 2021, on 'Indian
Knowledge Systems: Inquiry of Roots in
Vedic Literature' conducted by the Kantaloor
Sabha, Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala. On
4 October 2021 she delivered an online
lecture on 'Drama', with special reference
to Bhasa, Kalidasa and Bhavabhuti in an
International Webinar conducted by DG
Vaishnav College, Chennai. She also served as
a subject expert in the Special Drive 2021, for
Scrutiny and Approval of Assistant Professor in
Affiliated and Self-financed Colleges, University
of Madras, on 28 February 2021.



Shakti & Justina, Winners of 'Science & Sanskrit'

FRENCH

The Department of French organised the 'Un mot du cœur', a Christmas postcard making competition for all the students from the Department. The participants were required to make postcards and exhibit their creativity. The event was open from 22 to 31 December 2021. Sugantha, from II B.Sc. Maths won the first prize. The goal of this event was to bring out the creativity of the students, to help them improve their language skills and to encourage them to share the joy of the holiday season.

The French Language day was celebrated on 11 March 2022.

A quiz 'A Game of Jeopardy (A Vos Risques)' on French
personalities, French monuments, French brands, French history
was organised by the French Club, Cercle de Francophiles during



Winners of L'aube event



Student at the T-shirt Painting Competition

the break time and many students participated enthusiastically.

Students from the Department played an active role in the intercollegiate events hosted by of various colleges in the city. In the 'Fête de la Francophone 2022', hosted by Loyola College our students bagged the Third Place. Mary Aquiline won the Second Place in the T-shirt Painting Competition and Annie Sezlin won the Second Place in Meme Creation at 'L'aube 22' conducted by the French Department of Ethiraj College for Women



Break time events



Winners at Dr. MGR Janaki College of Arts & Science

Divya Patilkulkarni secured the First Place in the Picture Quiz competition.



Invite for the Language Day Celebrations





Sister Ann Mathew fmm

Sister Ann Mathew Vettikuzhakunnel was born on 9 February 1949 in Meenachil, Kerala, into a traditional and God fearing Catholic family. Sr. Ann's family was deeply founded on faith and grounded in values of love, hope and trust in God. These values were reflected in the way Sr. Ann lived a life of total commitment and fidelity to God and to the Institute of the Franciscan Missionaries of Mary.

Sr. Ann Mathew entered the FMM Institute in Palluruthy, Kerala in September 1965. She spent a year in Kotagiri, Ootacamund, as a candidate familiarising herself with the FMM way of life and discerning her vocation, after which she did a secretarial course in Chennai as part of her professional training. She returned to Ketti, Ooty and entered the Novitiate on 14 December 1968. She

made her first profession on 15th December 1970. Seven years later, she made her final commitment to God in the FMM Institute on 6 January 1977 at Our Lady's Convent, Palluruthy. Sr. Ann's main mission in the FMM Institute was as Bursar in different Communities and Institutions in the Chennai Province. She gave served in Holy Angels Convent, Mambalam, Child Jesus Convent, Trichy, St. Joseph's Hansanorium, Tuticorin and Stella Maris Convent. Sr. Ann was conscientious, hardworking and meticulous in her work.

Despite her heavy responsibilities as Bursar, she kept a healthy balance between her work, the time she spent with the sisters in the community and other household chores. She loved gardening and her closeness to, and love and admiration for, nature kept her close to God. She was a woman of prayer. While at Stella Maris, she also learnt to play the keyboard and would spend some time practising and perfecting the art. She used her musical talent to accompany the Sisters in singing in the Chapel. Sr. Ann Mathew's composure, calmness and fulfilment in life stemmed from the fact that she enjoyed doing everything she did, and did it all for God and not for human recognition.

Sr. Ann Mathew's care for the workers and the poor students was remarkable, even though she did all of this silently. She always made sure that the workers and the domestic employees received what was due to them. She had compassion and love for the poor students of the College. Besides taking care of their fees, she would also attend to their other requirements like books, clothing and food. The Students found it easy to approach her as she was highly disciplined, a value essential for the nature of her work. She had a stern exterior but beyond this was a tenderness and a heart of gold, especially for the weak and the disadvantaged.

When Sr. Ann Mathew retired from the College, she was sent to Child Jesus Convent, Trichy, where she took care of both the hospital and house accounts. In the last two years, she developed diabetes which unfortunately reduced her immunity and made her an easy prey to the deadly COVID-19 which she contracted while working in the hospital. She succumbed to the disease on 1 June 2021. Sr. Ann Mathew was undoubtedly a good singer and she is now with the angels in heaven singing the praises and glory of God. May God grant her beautiful soul, eternal joy and peace.

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Dr. Ramaa Narayanan

Dr. Ramaa Narayanan was a much respected stalwart of the Department of Fine Arts. Her association with Stella Maris College spanned nearly four decades, from her student days, right up to her retirement as Reader in 2006.

Dr. Ramaa's deep-rooted passion for teaching was admired by students and colleagues alike. She contributed immensely to the framing and development of several courses offered by the Department. Her encyclopaedic knowledge of Indian art was particularly acknowledged within and outside the College, as attested to by her serving as subject expert or resource

person at several fora. She was warm and friendly, with a keen sense of humour and a trademark dimpled smile. Her ability to explain the complexities of art history in a simple way would quickly put students at ease. This endeared her to scores of students who still reminisce about her engaging classes. Research was one of her many strengths. She had several publications and research papers to her credit, and guided three faculty members of the Department to complete their doctoral research. She continued her commitment to academia post retirement, and taught courses on art history at IIT Madras, and the Madras Craft Foundation.

Despite her demanding academic commitments, Dr. Ramaa made time for her personal art practice and exhibited her artworks on occasion. Her versatility extended to writing, classical music and dance. She was actively involved in coordinating student programmes in music and dance for several years, and was the faculty advisor of the Abhinaya-Dhwani Club. Her connect with students grew stronger during her tenure as the Dean of Student Affairs.

Dr. Ramaa will always be remembered as a brilliant and dedicated teacher who lived by strong principles and work ethics. We pray that her soul may rest in eternal peace.



Dr. Sheila Mathai

Calm, graceful and composed, Dr. Sheila Mathai spent nearly 32 years of her life at Stella Maris College—first as a student, and then 25 years as a faculty at the Department of English, in the footsteps of her mother Ms Dolly Chacko, former Head of the Department of English. An admirer of the Romantic poets and their love for nature, Dr. Sheila could often be seen quietly immersed in a book, many a time of poems by her all-time favourite Samuel Taylor Coleridge. Her students fondly remember how she used to punctuate intense critical discussions with sudden jokes; they also recall that they have never seen her lose her composure.

Her research, for both M.Phil. and Ph.D.

Degrees, revolved around gender and agency as categories of analysis. Her interests in these areas led to the pivotal role she played in introducing Literature and Gender as a core paper in the undergraduate programme. The Gender Studies courses offered today for both the undergraduate and postgraduate programmes owe their genesis to this.

Dr. Sheila's deep interest in this area led her to embrace new areas of study that were introduced, such as Dalit Studies and Subaltern

Studies: "Those papers touch me in a closer and deeper way," her colleagues recall her saying.

Dr. Sheila Mathai retired in 2011; she was happy she would be able to spend time with her children and grandchildren. She passed away on 27 February 2022 at her residence in Chennai. We pray that her soul may rest in eternal peace and that her family may have the strength to face this sudden loss.



EGGS? CHICKENS? BOTH?

Movie adaptations are the biggest contradictions of a book-lover's life – we love them and we hate them. It's something I've noticed in most of my reader-friends. The movie is hated because it can never do justice to the source material. And why do we love movie adaptations? So, we have an excuse to revisit and talk about a book we love.

Usually, when someone critiques adapting a work to the screen, they wax eloquent about how terrible the very concept is.

But they usually don't have any solid *reasons* as to why an adaptation is inferior.

I only started watching TV shows and movies last year – shortly after the lockdown began. Till then, I used to routinely slam book adaptations – "it's nothing like the book", "it cuts out all the details" etc. Now, however, I do have a more neutral stand on the whole concept.

So, I'm going to make a statement which may make some extremists faint: Yes, adaptations can mess up the original. But no, adaptations as a concept are not bad. And yes, sometimes an adaptation can be better than the original.

I sense that some people reading this have indeed passed out. Never fear, I'll courier some smelling salts over to you. Give me a minute.

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I'm back! So, where were we? Ah, yes, originals vs adaptations. Sometimes, in the debate, people seem to forget that a work is supposed to communicate an idea, regardless of the format. Even in the case of original works, at the end of the day, some ideas suit a particular medium more than others.

I've always felt, quite consistently, that stories which deal with very nuanced emotions are always better conveyed in book form.

I recently read *Orange is the New Black: My Time in a Women's Prison* by Piper

Kerman. The writer is quite frank – there's no exaggeration whatsoever. It is, in fact, the lack of exaggeration that makes the book quite shocking. Out of curiosity, I watched the first few episodes of the TV show.

As a standalone work, the show is excellent. It is quite gripping, and handles its characters quite well. But as a translation of the book, it is cinematically bloated.

In the book, Kerman speaks quite extensively about the mental trauma that prisoners go through. In a very unsettling passage, she writes that the worst part of being in prison is that you forget what it means to be free. In the TV show, such nuances, which we typically are privy to through a character's thoughts, are almost impossible to capture. The show makes up for the lack of emotion by making it quite physically repulsive. Even with regard to the character dynamics, there is a fair bit of exaggeration. For example, the second episode is devoted to how the prison cook starves the protagonist for a few days because she dares to insult the prison food. In the memoir, the cook merely expresses her displeasure, Kerman stays out of her way for a while, and later, they get along quite well.

At this point, the anti-adaptations brigade is probably quite pleased. Well, stop rubbing your palms together, there's more to come!

Works which involve a lot of details typically work better in books, and works which rely on a strong visual element typically work better in movies. This is where *Harry Potter* poses a real dilemma – on the one hand, I loathe the movies for how much of the conversation between the characters gets chopped out for the sake of a two-hour runtime. On the other hand, I think we can all agree that Fluffy and the Hungarian Hornback look infinitely better in graphics than in any amount of description. (Potterheads, please don't spam my inbox!)

Now, on to a rather humourous episode of my life. A friend of mine had raved about *The Devil Wears Prada* and hyped it up for me.

And, well, with her being quite a picky reader, her review left me surprised. Who wouldn't be curious?

Well, after all this hype, I did it. I read the book.

'Insipid' is a word I reserve for very few works. I would describe *DWP* as insipid. The

book has a flimsy plot. A large part of it is just one incident after the other, all of them independent of each other, with very little variation. Personally speaking, it would rank as one of my least favourite reads ever.

Shortly after this fiasco, my family came across the movie and decided to watch it. I tried to warn them against it, and I very kindly informed them that they were very likely to lose their brain cells in the process. Well, they went ahead and watched it, going by the logic that if a story is that bad, you have to see how bad it can get. To both my surprise and theirs, they loved the movie and called it "some of the best fun we've had in ages".

Well, now I felt both betrayed and curious.

As expected, I gave in and watched the movie.

The film greatly improves upon its source material. The book – merely a string of incidents bookended by a little narration – is transformed into a coherent storyline where

I actually liked the characters and there was a logical resolution. In almost every aspect, the movie is an improvement over the book. (Almost every aspect – the movie has quite an anti-feminist romance track).

At the end of the day, it isn't just about which work comes first. Here, we can see quite clearly that the egg came before the chicken, but that doesn't necessarily make the egg better. It's also about the vision of the author and the director. Conceptualisation and execution are two very different things. Let's give separate credit to the originator of the concept, and independently appreciate the skill of a writer and the skill of a director in bringing this story to life – whether on paper or on celluloid.

There are so many works which are, in that sense, 'not original'. One of my all-time favourite books is *Circe* by Madeline Miller. Technically, *Circe* is 'just a retelling' and there is no 'originality', so to speak. "Hey, she just

ripped off Homer and the Greeks. It's not worth it!" But honestly, Circe is one of the most brilliantly-drawn protagonists ever – very layered, complex, and brave in a very different kind of way. Although there are very few similarities between girls my age and a minor Greek goddess who is exiled to an island for being a witch, the writer really delves into the character's mental make-up, and as a character, she resonates a lot with the reader.

Well, now I'm off to re-watch the episode "Five Little Pigs" of *Agatha Christie's Poirot* — a television adaptation of her Poirot novels. I'm not sure which I prefer, the book or the episode. But I don't really need to choose, do I?

Harshitha Suresh, 20/UECA/009

PLUCKY PALESTINE

A few years ago I got the blessed opportunity to visit a historic land which has been a conflict zone for decades. Having stood in places like Jericho and Jerusalem, listening to the narratives from its historic walls whilst connecting them to the religious stories I heard as a child, I was astonished and my mind boggled when I visited Palestine.

As we explored the old town; prayed within the Al-Aqsa compound, visited the Church of the Resurrection and saw the Western Wailing Wall from afar, I had a recurrent thought in my mind: "I'm walking on the same land where King Solomon's empire once stood, the streets where the people of Moses lived, the place where Jesus preached and the land which prophet Muhammad worshipped". Part of me couldn't believe

it while the other was trying its best to just grasp the overwhelming sanctity the place radiated. While the purity and spirituality was prominent, there was also another emotion which could not be ignored - fear. The entrances of every prominent location were heavily guarded with double metal gates and at least two Israeli soldiers in full military gear were holding two sets of guns each: one in their pocket while the other was slung across their body.

After one of our regular visits to the Al-Aqsa , we saw the Israeli troops stomp into the compound and patrol the area ensuring that their agonising power is constantly felt by the Palestinian community, but the Palestinians did not cower in fear, rather a group of women and children gathered and trailed the troops chanting "Allahu Akbar". Coming from a place where such scenarios were not a norm, my heart began to race and my mind started plotting the worst possible outcomes. As I looked at my mom with the utmost

unease, she held my hands tight and assured me of my safety.

The next day we were supposed to head to a neighbouring town, but had to cancel at the last minute due to the escalating tensions in the area. Thankfully nothing happened that day but it left me with a distressing realisation. What I witnessed that day did not reflect the true gravity of the situation. The fear I felt for a matter of minutes is amplified a hundredfold for the people living there.

At present the situation has worsened.
People have been forced to evacuate their houses, bombs are raining down and lives are destroyed. I ask the fellow citizens of the world to keep these helpless people in our prayers and to educate ourselves about the reality of the situation. We can only strongly hope that peace and better sense prevails soon.

Rahmath Arifa 21/UVSA/101

"NOWHERE LIKE HOME": DECEMBER VIBES

The streets of Keelakarai count the days for the arrival of its favourite month –December. The month in which its people flock back from the four corners of the world, fluttering their wings with joy as they cradle into their nest like birds after sunset. Their ravishing nest pampers them with the best of everything, from the fresh early morning catch of seafood, the purest of water to the pacifying sea breeze. The streets with their monumental buildings cheek by jowl with the humbly compact potti kadais make a contrasting picture. These small shops stocked with local snacks - kalakala, dhodhal, paniyam - often left the kids brought up in foreign countries overwhelmed by both the choices and the cheap prices. Like the potti kadais, the hawkers too find themselves extraordinarily busy preparing the best of local street food delicacies: kothu parata, pachai pulla beef, sayaa, lassi and kebabs just to name a few.

But all the buzz comes to halt when the call for prayer is heard. Men of all ages rush towards the mosques to pray in congregation. The peace and serenity felt in every worshipper's heart echoes through the streets of Keelakarai as well. While the gentlemen are engrossed in

prayer their children are seen to be jauntily jumping from one house to the other sweeping the sand as they go. Meanwhile, teenagers are found in every nook and corner, sitting in packs like wolves, enjoying their time playing cards or discussing the latest gossip whilst munching on packets of Lays or devouring the freshly bought mangoes from the *Manga Mami*. And in the background, A.R. Rahman's melodies are played. As the hues of the sky begin to change the packs of teenagers disperse and everyone returns home, one may assume this signifies the end of the day, but in reality, this denotes the beginning of a dynamically gleeful and festive evening.

Like the moon flowers which bloom at eventide, the people of Keelakarai too begin to blossom into their festive wear. The beauteous women of Keelakarai are seen to be dressed in the most urbane of ethnic clothing and always ensure that their jewellery is equally in vogue.

The brides and grooms of the day are adorned by their kith and kin, an extraordinarily chaotic practice as twenty people are packed in a room and many others walk in and out. Voices stream across often in search of something. As the organised chaos continues, the clock howls constantly reminding people of the time. Yet no one pays attention as being

fashionably late is a Keelakarai family trait. When one hears the clamour even from the *mamis* it's the final straw.

The groom, his friends and a band stride through the embellished streets visiting prominent locations: masjids, dargahs, community centres and even a church - a symbol of the divine harmony amongst the different religious groups that inhabit the time honoured soil of Keelakarai. The groom's mini heritage walk comes to an end as he approaches the valaham, i.e. the marriage ground and takes a seat on his throne for the day, his bodyguard-friends sit surrounding him armed with tissue papers and mikes as umpteen cameras are ready to capture the picture-perfect moments. The other events later in the day are equally astounding, and the same addictive cycle is repeated for the last 10 days of December.

Although the people of Keelakarai have travelled far and wide there is something in their hometown which beckons every year.

The arrival of a new year often means it's time to bid farewell to their beloved hometown.

Every Keelakarain's heart awaits the coming of December!

Rahmath Arifa 21/UVSA/101

COLLEGE AND TIME

Well, you've just gone forward.
I'm stranded alone,
Allured by fads,
In this forsaken clan.

Within a static stringent craze.

Gone are the days,

Where everything was certain.

When I knew, what had to be done;

What I need and what I want.

And now....
With my pillar knocked down
My aiding hand gone,
The one to who.... I

Talked, walked holding hands,
With whom I laughed,
Shared plans for the future's stance.

With whom I forgot;
My days substance.
My Traumatic tales and
Funny memoir chronicle chants,
And with who.... I.....
Eventually withdrew from plans,

Leading life to a happy dance.

After all this, and that,
Even after afterlife span,
I wonder..... Will my search ever end?
Will the answers be beckoned.
With the equation half complete,
Will the other side reveal?
Will my life ever be complete?

Jemi Amala 20/UECA/032 I was given the opportunity to write a creative piece in honour of Stella's 75th year as an established academic institution. Moreover, being in my final year, what better way to honour the end of my academic career and a milestone of my to-be alma mater than to thank the teachers who have helped me grow into the woman I am today. I present to you, "The Teacher Tales"

To my very first teacher:

I was but a small creature

You held my hand to help me read and write

You lit the flame of learning alight.

But soon I had to move away,

To a new land where the night looked like day.

Thank you to the teacher who protected from bullies

and bitterness

And kept me company in my loneliness.

Home again but confused as ever.

At the age of 10 having to start new endeavours.

I thank the teachers that helped me through my middle school adventures,

Especially my 7th grade science teacher.

In high school unto me was bequeathed the sciences

Of which I have no memory.

My apologies to physics - we just didn't have chemistry.

Because I fell in love with words.

And stories and poets and dreamers.

To my high school English teacher

You will always be my greatest believer.

Thank you to the teacher who took a chance on me,

Thank you to the teacher who nurtured my creativity,

Thank you for letting me pen my thoughts about your nobility.

From school to college, from teacher to professor

Now we come to the present, in Stella, our last semester.

A toast;

To the teachers who have cherished our presence,
To the teachers who have seen us cry,
To the teachers who have seen the last of our adolescence,
It's time to say our goodbyes.

Srinidhi Alladi 19/UAFA/152

ARMS OF ICE

A poem written in the year 2020 when the Coronavirus pandemic had just begun.

Some eyes into sockets, tightly closed, some eyes with lashes rolled up straight.
Some eyes out of consternation forced, to lie on cots and stay awake.

Some ears caught every rumour's faintest flicker, some ears hoped to be better left.

Some ears heard the misery of snickers, some ears played dead and turned deaf.

Some lips prayed, some lips cursed.

Some lips stayed pale or pursed.

The Earth then,
held the buried and the dead.
Not slain, not killed,
not stained red.

But feeble, weak
and dried of strength.
With days too few to be measured by length.

But she knew all the while, that one day with arms of ice she'd hold a child, and whisper your Mother, Child, I survived.

Benetta Yazhini A 21/UELA/026

DEMISE

Uncertainties strike us in the most certain manner. Life feels and means empty when you understand this; If you don't understand; Congrats, you've found grace for now. when this phenomenon strikes , we are no longer the person we used to be. we miss, lament and grieve. we can't avoid it nor can we invite it;

it comes and goes as we accept it; it becomes so irrational and arbitrary;

it gives no clue or sign beforehand;

we must live with it, without stressing or forgetting about it.

When death can be an example for certainty

and Life for uncertainty.

What can be more disturbing?

I felt the initial line today.

Unfortunately, when you do,

you will be here on this page,

again.

Nicholina Sandra Thomas 21/UELA/029

बढ़ते रहो

हर कदम, मेरा बदन कॉपता है। जिस रफ़्तार से वक्त गुज़रता है, उसी तेज़ी से मेरा दिल धड़कता है। "अब क्या, आगे क्या?" क्या यही ज़िन्दगी है?

मेरे इर्द गिर्द, कोई भागता, तो कोई उड़ता। और में, उनके पसीने की बूंदों के छप छप से, ताल मिलाए चलती हूँ।

इस बे इन्तहा दौड़ में, अपने को खो बैठे हैं। उस असीम क्षितिज के सिवाय, सभी अदृश्य हो चुके हैं।

"सोचो मत साथी, बेसुध आगे बढ़ते रहो! यही सीखा है हमने। इस पर प्रश्न मत उठाओ।

जीवनकाल ऐसे ही गुज़ारा है, ऐसे ही गुज़ारना है। इसी दौड़ में जनम हुए, और इसी दौड़ में वफ़ात पाना है..."

श्रीजा मनोहरन

21/UFAA/035

खुशियों की चाबी

कुछ पुरानी यादों को मिट जाने दे कुछ दर्द ज़ख्मों को सिमट जाने दे आगे आते पन्नो को यादों से भर जाने दे कुछ बीते पुराने पन्नों को फट जाने दे इन दु:खों को ज़िंदगी से हट जाने दे आंसुओं को मुस्कानों में पलट जाने दे आने वाली खुशियाँ तेरे हाथों में हैं दोस्त चल अब इन खुशियों को तुझसे लिपट जाने दे...

> शिखा जायसवाल 20/UMTA/140

मन के हारे हार है, मन के जीते जीत है

मनुष्य का जीवन चक्र अनेक प्रकार की विविधताओं से भरा होता है जिसमें सुख-दुःख, आशा-निराशा तथा जय-पराजय के अनेक रंग समाहित होते हैं। वास्तविक रूप में मनुष्य की हार और जीत उसके मनोयोग पर आधारित होते हैं। मन के योग से उसकी विजय अवश्यंभावी है परंतु मन के हारने पर निश्चय ही उसे पराजय का मुँह देखना पड़ता है। मनुष्य की समस्त जीवन प्रक्रिया का संचालन उसके मस्तिष्क द्वारा होता है। मन का सीधा संबंध मस्तिष्क से है। मन में हम जिस प्रकार का विचार धारण करते हैं हमारा शरीर उन्हीं विचारों के अनुरूप शिथिल पड़ जाता है। हमारी समस्त चैतन्यता विलीन हो जाती है। परंतु दूसरी ओर यदि हम आशावादी है और हमारे मन में कुछ पाने व जानने की तीव्र इच्छा हो तथा हम सदैव भविष्य की ओर देखते हैं तो हम इन सकारात्मक विचारों के अनुरूप प्रगति की ओर बढ़ते चले जाते हैं। हमारे चारों ओर अनेकों ऐसे उदाहरण देखने को मिल सकते हैं कि हमारे ही बीच कुछ व्यक्ति सदैव सफलता पाते हैं। वहीं दूसरी ओर कुछ व्यक्ति जीवन के हर क्षेत्र में असफल होते चले जाते हैं। दोनों प्रकार के व्यक्तियों के गुणों का यदि आकलन करे तो हम पाएँगे कि असफल व्यक्ति प्रायः निराशावादी तथा हीनभावना से ग्रसित होते हैं। ऐसे व्यक्ति संघर्ष से पूर्व ही हार स्वीकार कर लेते हैं। धीरे-धीरे उनमें यह प्रबल भावना बैठ जाती है कि वे कभी भी जीत नहीं सकते हैं। वहीं दूसरी ओर सफल व्यक्ति प्रायः आशावादी व कर्मवीर होते हैं। वे जीत के लिए सदैव प्रयास करते हैं।

कठिन से कठिन परिस्थितियों में भी वे जीत के लिए निरंतर संघर्ष करते रहते हैं और अंत में विजयश्री भी उन्हें अवश्य मिलती है। ऐसे व्यक्ति भाग्य पर नहीं अपितु अपने कर्म में आस्था रखते हैं। वे अपने मनोबल तथा दृढ़ इच्छा शक्ति से असंभव को भी संभव कर दिखाते हैं। मन के द्वारा संचालित कर्म ही प्रधान और श्रेष्ठ होता है। मन के द्वारा जब कार्य संचालित होता है तब सफलताओं के नित प्रतिदिन नए आयाम खुलते चले जाते हैं। मनुष्य अपनी संपूर्ण मानसिक एवं शारीरिक क्षमताओं का अपने-अपने कार्यों में उपयोग तभी कर सकता है जब उसके कार्य मन से किये गए हों अनिच्छा या दबाववश किए गए कार्य में मनुष्य कभी भी अपनी पूर्ण क्षमताओं का प्रयोग नहीं कर पाता है। अतः मन के योग से ही कार्य की सिद्धि होती है। मनुष्य यदि दृढ़ निश्चयी है तथा उसका आत्मविश्वास प्रबल है तब वह सफलता के लिए पूर्ण मनोयोग से संघर्ष करता है। सफलता प्राप्ति में यदि विलम्ब भी होता है अथवा उसे अनेक प्रकार के कष्टों का सामना करना पड़ता है तब भी वह क्षण भर के लिए भी अपना धैर्य नहीं खोता है। एक-दो चरणों में यदि उसे आशातीत सफलता नहीं मिलती है तब भी वह संघर्ष करता रहता है और अंततः विजयश्री उसे ही प्राप्त होती है। इसलिए सच ही कहा गया है "मन के हारे हार है, मन के जीत जीत"। हमारी पराजय का सीधा अर्थ है कि विजय के लिए पूरे मन से प्रयास नहीं किया गया। परिस्थितियाँ मनुष्य को तभी हारने पर विवश कर सकती हैं जब वह स्वयं घुटने टेक दे।

हाँलािक कई बार परिस्थितियाँ अथवा जमीनी सच्चाईयाँ इतनी भयावह नारे होती है कि व्यक्ति चाहकर भी कुछ नहीं कर पाता परंतु दृढ़िनश्चयी चेत बनकर वह धीरे-धीरे ही सही परिस्थितियों को अपने वश में कर सकता है। अतः संकल्पित व्यक्ति समय की अनुकूलता का भी ध्यान रखता है।

"जो भी परिस्थितियाँ मिलें, काँटे चुभे कलियाँ खिले,

हारे नहीं इंसान कभी, है संदेश जीवन का यही।"

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हिंदी साहित्य में विविधिता और समावेशिता

विविधता एक के भीतर मतभेदों की उपस्थिति है, जैसे बच्चे में सुख-दुःख आदि की मिश्रित भावना होती है वैसे ही हिंदी साहित्य में उत्पादन की तारीख के आधार पर कई अलग-अलग शैलियाँ हैं। जैसे वीर-गाथा काल या बहादुर योद्धाओं की प्रशंसा करने वाली कविताएँ, भिक्त काल कविताएँ या भिक्त कविताएँ, रीति या शृंगार कालीन कविताएँ जो रोमांस की कविताएँ हैं और आधुनिक काल या आधुनिक साहित्य हैं।

समावेश का अर्थ यह सुनिश्चित करने का अभ्यास है कि लोग अपनेपन और समर्थन की भावना महसूस करें जैसे कि एक माँ अपने बच्चे की सभी भावनाओं को प्यार से कैसे स्वीकार करती है वैसे ही सभी लोग हिंदी साहित्य में शैलियों या रूपों के सभी मतभेदों को स्वीकार करते हैं और उसमें महारत हासिल करते हैं।

हिंदी एक बहुत ही अभिव्यंजक और सुंदर भाषा है जो हिंदी लेखकों के उत्कृष्ट विचारों द्वारा हिंदी साहित्य में सभी शैलियों और रूपों का उपयोग करके भावनाओं को व्यक्त करती हैं। और हिंदी साहित्य में वीर-गाथा काल शैली 11वीं से 14वीं शताब्दी में बनी जो कल्नौज, दिल्ली और अजमेर के क्षेत्र में विकसित हुई जो भारत का मध्य क्षेत्र है। हिंदी साहित्य के इतिहास में पहली कृतियों में से एक 'पृथ्वीराज रासो' है जो "महाकिव चंद्रवरदाई " द्वारा लिखी गया एक महाकाव्य है। दूसरी शैली भिक्त काल है, जो 14वीं से 17वीं शताब्दी तक माना जाता है, जो मध्यकालीन हिंदी साहित्य है जो भिक्त आंदोलन और लंबी, महाकाव्य कविताओं की रचना के प्रभाव से चिहिनत है। तीसरी शैली 17वीं से 19वीं शताब्दी में रीति-काव्य कला है, जो वह समय था जब हिंदी साहित्य में काव्य-कविता और सिद्धांत को सर्वश्रेष्ठ के रूप में विकसित किया गया था। अब आधुनिक काल शैली है जो 19वीं शताब्दी से शुरू हुई। आधुनिक शैली, जहाँ हिंदी साहित्य के विभिन्न प्रकार हैं, जैसे - हिंदी कविता, व्यंग्य, हिंदी यात्रा साहित्य, हिंदी नाटक लेखन, हिंदी निबंध और कहानियाँ आदि और ये सभी स्तम्भ हैं जो मिलकर हिंदी साहित्य की बुनियाद को मजबूत बनाते हैं।

मुंशी प्रेमचंद जी, हरिवंश राय बच्चन, रामधारी सिंह दिनकर आदि जैसे कई लेखक और कवि, हिंदी साहित्य की उज्ज्वल चमक का कारण है।

हिंदी साहित्य के सबसे महत्वपूर्ण लेखकों में से एक मुंशी प्रेमचंद हैं, जिनकी रचनाएँ सामाजिक संस्था, संवेदनशीलता, शोषण, उत्पीड़न सांप्रदायिकता, भ्रष्टाचार, गरीबी आदि पर आधारित हैं। "ख्वाहिशें" मुंशी प्रेमचंद द्वारा लिखी गई कविता जो जीवन के लिए प्रेरणादायक है। "ईदगाह" भी मुंशी प्रेमचंद की प्रेरक कहानी में से एक है जो इतनी कम उम्र में अपने पोते द्वारा दादी के लिए परिपक्वता और प्यार के बारे में बताती है।

हिंदी साहित्य के एक और अद्भुत लेखक "हरिवंश राय बच्चन" हैं। उनकी कविताएँ और कहानियाँ भी हिंदी साहित्य के मजबूत स्तंभ हैं। अग्निपथ उनकी एक कविता है जो जीवन के लिए प्रेरणा है।

इस प्रकार, हिंदी साहित्य में भिन्न-भिन्न लेखक हैं जो भिन्न-भिन्न शैली उपयोग करते हैं, लेकिन यह सब मतभेद एक बेहतरीन हिंदी साहित्य का निर्माण करते हैं। इस प्रकार, हिंदी साहित्य विभिन्न शैलियों और विचारों वाले लेखकों के विविध कार्यों का मिश्रण है और हम इसे स्वीकार करते हैं।

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தன்னுயிர்க்கும் மேலாய்த் தாய் நாட்டின்மேல் மோகம்- ஆக என்றும் தணியா(து) இந்த சுதந்திர தாகம்!!

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துணிந்து நில்

துணிந்து நில்!! துணிந்து செல்!! மனிதா! துணிந்து நில்!! துணிந்து செல்!!

கருமை போர்த்திய தார்சாலைப்போல் இருளில் துவண்டிடும் உன்வாழ்வு – அதில் மெழுகில் பிறந்த ஒளியினைப்போல் உன்மனதில் பிறக்கும் துணிவு உன்னை இமயம் தூக்கி உயர்த்திடுமே!

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துணிந்து நில்!! துணிந்து செல்!! மனிதா! துணிந்து நில்!! துணிந்து செல்!!

தேங்கிய குட்டையில் கிடந்திடும் ஆமையாய் அசையாது பசையிட்டிராது பாய்ந்திடும் மான்போல் துள்ளி முன் செல் தூரம் சிறிதாகும் அந்த வானம் வசமாகும்!

துணிந்து நில்!! துணிந்து செல்!! மனிதா! துணிந்து நில்!! துணிந்து செல்!!

> **யாழினி** 21/UMTA/023

கல்லூரி காதல்

ஆண் ஆதிக்கம் நிறைந்த காலம் பெண் உயர வேண்டிய நேரம் கல்வி அறியாத பாவம் கண்ணில் ஏனோ சோகம் மடியில் குடும்ப பாரம் செல்ல வேண்டியதோ தொலைதூரம் கடந்தது பல மாதம் தொடர்ந்தது அவள் துன்பம் இறுதியில் மலர்ந்தது சுதந்திரம் நாட்டுக்கு மட்டுமா? பெண்ணுக்கு? எழுந்தது வாதம் – அன்றே உருவானது எம் கல்லூரியின் சரித்திரம் – அவள் வளர்ச்சியில் செலுத்திய கவனம் - இன்று வளர்ந்து நிற்கிறாள், எம் கல்லூரிக்குப் பெருமிதம் - அன்று உரிமையைப் பறித்தது ஆணவம் – இன்று உயர்ந்து செல்கிறாள் கல்லூரியே காரணம் எதற்கும் அஞ்சாத அவள் மனம் ஊக்கம் கொடுத்து உதவுவதே எம் கல்லூரியின் நோக்கம் சிறகு முளைத்து பறக்க ஏக்கம் ? துணிந்து வா! எம் கல்லூரி உன் பக்கம் வாழ்வில் ஆயிரம் யுத்தம் அதைத்தாண்டி கேட்கும் உன் சத்தம் .

> **அ. ஷ்ரியா** 21/UCMA/066

என் மொழி - தமிழ் மொழி !

ஞாலம் முழுதும் வியந்து பார்க்கும் காலம் வென்ற மொழி, குமரிமுனையில் தோற்றம் பெற்ற பொய்யாப் புலவனின் மொழி, இறவா வரம் பெற்ற இறைவன் தந்த மொழி, இன்றும் இளமையாகவே இருக்கும் இலக்கணம் மிகுந்த மொழி, மலையின் சிகரம் தாண்டி தலை சிறந்து விளங்கும் மொழி, எண் திசையிலும் அரணாய் மிளிரும் என் மொழி - தமிழ் மொழி!!

சொல் சுவை போதுமோ செம்மொழியைப் பாராட்டிட கல்வெட்டுகள் போதுமோ சீர்மொழியின் சிறப்பைக் கூறிட என் நாவு போதுமோ நன்மொழியை ஏற்றிட அயல் நாடே பேசிடும் அன்னை மொழியின் சிறப்பு ஓங்கிட!!

திக்கெட்டும் பரவட்டும், அடையாளமாய் அமையட்டும், வீழாமலே வாழும் தமிழின் பெருமை சீறி பாயட்டும்!!

எத்துணை வேண்டும் என்மொழிக்கு ? எத்துனை மொழி வந்தாலும் தனித்தே மிளிரும் தேன்மொழி இது !!

உயர்வேது இம்மண்ணுக்கு உனை மறந்து போனால்? கற்காலம் ஆனாலும், எக்காலம் ஆனாலும், இதுபோல் உண்டோ ஒருமொழி?

போற்றிக் காத்திடுவோம் இப்பாரினிலே -உலகத்தின் மூத்த மொழியை, வான்புகழ் பெற்ற கலைமொழியை, காலத்தை வென்ற அருமை மொழியை, அண்டம் போற்றும் ஆதி மொழியை, அரும்பெரும் மொழியை, என் தமிழ் மொழியை...!!

> பா.சு. மோகன லஷ்மி 20/UHSA/007

இலக்கு

ஒரு ஊரில் ராமன் என்னும் விவசாயி இருந்தான் . அவனுக்கு வாழ்க்கையில் எப்போதும் குறை இருந்துக் கொண்டே இருக்கும். தன்னால் எதுவும் செய்ய முடியவில்லையே , பெரிய பணக்காரனாக முடிய வில்லையே, என பல குறைகள் இருக்கும். ஒருநாள் அவன் கிராமத்திற்கு ஒரு சித்தர் வந்துள்ளதாகவும் , அவரிடம் சென்றால் எல்லா குறைகளுக்கும் தீர்வு கிடைக்கும் என்றும் ஊரில் இருக்கும் மக்கள் ராமனிடம் கூறினர். எனவே இராமனும் அந்த சித்தரை பார்க்க சென்றான்.

சித்தரிடம் சென்றவுடன், சித்தர், "உனக்கு என்னப்பா பிரச்சனை? " என்று கேட்டார். அதற்கு ராமன், "என் வாழ்க்கையில் என்னால் பெரிய பணக்காரனாக மாற முடியவில்லை." சித்தர் அவனிடம் வாழ்வில் ஏதேனும் இலக்கு வைத்திருக்கிறாயா ? என்றார். ராமன் அவரிடம் அப்படியெல்லாம் ஏதும் இல்லை என்றான்!!

சித்தர் அவனிடம், "இனிமேல் உ<mark>னக்கென</mark> ஒரு இலக்கை வைத்திருக்க வேண்டும். ஒன்று செய் தினமும் ஒரு குயவனை பார்த்த பின்பு தான் நீ உணவு உண்ண வேண்டும் என்றதும் ராமனும் சரி என்று ஒப்புக் கொ<mark>ண்டான். அதன் பிறகு தினமும் ஒரு கு</mark>யவனைப் பார்த்த பின்பே உணவு உண்டான். இப்படியே நடந்து கொண்டிருக்க திடிரென்று ஒரு நாள் குளியலை முடித்து விட்டு குயவனை தேடினான். ஆனால் அவன் கண்ணுக்கு எந்த குயவனும் தென்படவில்லை. நேரம் நண்பகல் 12 ஆனது. பசி மயக்கம் வருத்தவே கிராமத்தில் எப்படியேனும் குயவன் ஒருவனை பார்த்தே ஆக வேன்டுமென்பதால் காடு பக்கம் சென்றான் ராமன். சற்று தூரமாக யாரோ ஒருவர் ஒரு குழியைத் தோண்டுவதைப் பார்த்தான். ஓ! ஒருவேளை ஒரு மண் எடுப்பதற்காக குயவன் தான் குழிவெட்டுகிறானோ என்று நினைத்து "நான் பார்த்துட்டேன்! நான் குழிவெட்டுகிறானோ என்று நினைத்து "நான் பார்த்துட்டேன்! நான்

பார்த்துட்டேன்!" என்று கத்தத் தொடங்கினான் ராமன். அந்த சத்தத்தைக் கேட்டவுடன் குழிக்குள் இருந்த மனிதன் வெளியே வந்து "நீ அமைதியாக இருந்து ஒரு நிமிடம் நான் சொல்வதைக் கேள். நான் புதையலைத் தான் எடுத்துக் கொண்டிருக்கிறேன். யாரிடமும் சொல்லி விடாதே உனக்கு பாதி எனக்கு பாதி சரியா?" என்றான். பின்பு அந்த புதையலைப் பெற்றுக்கொண்டு தன் எண்ணம் போல் பணக்காரனாக மாறினான் ராமன் . இது சாதாரண இலக்கு என்றாலும் 'இலக்கு' என்று ஒன்றிருந்தாலே அதுவே உயர்வைக் கொண்டு வர முயலும் தொடர்ந்து முயன்றால் புதையல் என்ன அதற்கு மேலும் நம்மால் உயரமுடியும் ; ஏனென்றால் "இலக்கில் தான் லக்கும் உள்ளது!"

> ரா. **சௌந்தரியா** 21/PCMA/128

பெண்களால் மட்டும் பெண் சமூகம் முன்னேற்றம் அடையுமா?

இயற்கையும் பெண்ணும்

ஒரு உயிரினம் தோன்றுவதும் பெண்ணாலேயே, அதே உயிரை விழுங்குவதும் பூமி தாய் என்ற பெண்தான்.கால சுழற்சியில் தோன் றிய மனிதன் தன் தாயையே தெய்வமாக வணங்க தொடங்கினான். அவன் முதலில் ஏற்படுத்திய மதமும்,பெண்ணை மையமாக தழுவியதே. இதனை ஒட்டியே தாய்வழி சமூகங்கள் பிறந்தன.

மாற்றம்

பெண்களை ஒருகாலத்தில் போற்றி புகழ்ந்த ஆண் சமூகம், காலப்போக்கில், அனைத்தையும் தன்கட்டுக்குள் கொண்டு வர துடித்தது. விளைவு, பெண் அடிமையாக்கப்பட்டாள். பெண்களை முன்னிறுத்தி செய்த அனைத்தும் பின்னுக்கு தள்ளப்பட்டது. பூமித்தாயை சேதப்படுத்துவது எவ்வளவு எளிமையோ, அதே போல் பெண் சமூகத்தை சேதப்படுத்துவதும் சுலபமாகிப் போனது. இவை அனைத்திற்கும் மூல காரணம், பெண்ணை சமமாக பார்க்க தவறியதே.

அவளின் அனைத்து உரிமைகளும் பறிக்கப்பட்டு, ஒடுக்கப்பட்டு,
சமூகத்தின் விளிம்பு நிலைக்கு தள்ளப்பட்டாள். ஒரு கட்டத்தில்,
பெண்ணை இந்த சமூகம் ஒரு போக பொருளாக பார்த்ததுதான்
அனைத்திற்கும் மேலான இழிவான செயல். அனைவருக்கும்
போது புத்தியில், ஒரு எண்ணம் உண்டு. ஏதோ ஆங்கிலேய
ஏகாதிபத்தியத்தின் ஆட்சியில்தான் பெண் உட்பட அனைவரும் அடிமை
ஆக்கப்பட்டார்கள் என்று. அது முற்றிலும் உண்மைக்கு புறம்பானது.
ஆங்கிலேயர்கள் நம் தேசத்தின்மீது உரிமை கொண்டாடி அந்த
தேசத்திற்கு இந்தியா என்று பெயர் வைக்கும் முன்பே பெண்களின் நிலை
சொல்லொண்ணா துயரத்தில் தவித்து கொண்டிருந்தது. அடுப்பூதும்
பெண்களுக்கு படிப்பெதற்கு என நாட்டுப்புறத்தில் சொல்வழக்கு உண்டு.
அது அன்று இந்தியா முழுமைக்கும் நிதர்சனமான உண்மையாக
திகழ்ந்தது. இதற்கிடையில், சாதியத்தின் விளைச்சலால் உண்டான
படிநிலை ஏற்ற தாழ்வு பெண்கள் உட்பட பெரும்பாலான மக்களை
சமூகத்தில் விளிம்பு நிலைக்கு கொண்டு சென்றது. ஏழை சாதி

பெண்ணை ஒரு பெண்ணே தீட்டு என்று சொன்ன காலமும் உண்டு.தன்கணவர் இறந்து போனால் உயிரோடிருக்கும் பெண்ணை இறந்த கணவனின் சிதையிலேயே தீயில் தள்ளி கொலை செய்த காலங்களும் உண்டு.

கல்வி

இந்த சூழ்நிலையை தொடர எண்ணிய ஆன் சமூகம், படிப்பு என்பதை பெண்களுக்கு எட்டாத ஒரு கனியாகவே மாற்றி விட்டார்கள். இந்த நிலைமை 20 ஆம் நூற்றாண்டின் தொடக்கத்தில் குறிப்பிடும்படி மாறி போனாலும், பழமையை பேசி திரியும் பெரும்பாலோனோர் இன்றளவும் தன் பிள்ளைகளின் வாழ்க்கையை பாழாக்கி கொண்டுதான் உள்ளார்கள்.

விண்ணுக்கு அனுப்பப்பட்ட சாவ்லா, இந்நாட்டை ஆண்ட இந்திரா காந்தி, வேலு நாச்சியார், ஜான்சி ராணி, போன்றோர்களையும் தன் திறனால் முகலாய அரியணையில் முடி சூடிய ஒரே பெண்மணி ரசியா சுல்தானாவை நாம் வெகுவாக போ ற்றினாலும், அவர்கள் விதிவிலக்குகளாகவே திகழ்கிறார்கள். "விதிவிலக்குகள் ஒருபோதும் உதாரணமாக முடியாது". ஒரு பெண் உதாரணமாக எண்ணப்பட வேண்டுமென்றால் அவள் தன் சாதிக்காகவோ, நிறத்திற்காகவோ, பொருளாதார நிலையின் காரணமாகவோ எந்தநிலையிலும் புறந்தள்ளப்படக்கூடாது. பெண்களை அதே மங்கிய கண்களினால் காணும் ஆண் சமூகம் ஒரு பெண்களை ஆள்வதை இழிவாகவே எண்ணினார்கள்.

இக்காலக்கட்டத்தில் பெண் உயர்கிறாள், அவளுக்கு கல்வி கிடைக்கிறது என்று கூறும்போது, எத்தனை பெண்களுக்கு ஒரு ஆண் அடையும் அத்தனை இலக்கையும் அடையமுடிகிறது?பெண் என்பவள் அனைத்து தளங்களிலும் ஒருமித்த வளர்ச்சியை எட்ட வேண்டும், இது ஆணாதிக்க சமூகத்தில் ஆண்களின் உதவி மற்றும் துணை இல்லாமல் நடக்க சாத்தியமா. ஓட்டுரிமைகல்வி, சொத்துரிமை, விதவை மறுமணம் மற்றும் இன்னும் பல்வேறு உரிமைகள் ஆண்கள் போராடி பெற்று கொடுத்தது. அண்மையில்

நடந்து முடிந்த நகர்ப்புற உள்ளாட்சி தேர்தலில், பெண்களுக்கென்று 50%இட ஒதுக்கீடு கொடுத்தது தமிழ் நாட்டின் முதிர்ச்சியையும் பெண்களின் வளர்ச்சியின் மீது நம் தலைவர்களுக்குள்ள பொறுப்புணர்வையும் காட்டுகின்றது.

பெண்கள் அழகு பொம்மைகளா

பெரும்பாலான பெண்கள் தங்களை ஒரு அழகு பதுமைகளாகவே எண்ணிக் கொள்கிறார்கள். அந்த மாய உலகிற்கு பெண்கள் விடுதலை கொடுத்து எதார்த்தமான உலகிற்கு வரவேண்டும்.

கால கடிகாரம் வேகமாக மாறிக்கொண்டுள்ளது. நாம் இன்று எண்ணி வியக்கும் பல அரிய கண்டுபிடிப்புகள் பெண்களால் கண்டுபிடிக்கப்பட்டதே. தன் பிழைப்பிற்காக திரையில் நடிக்க சென்ற நடிகை, குறிப்பாக ஹெடி லாம்மர், ஓர் ஆங்கில நடிகை, இன்று நாம் பயன்படுத்தும் தடங்காட்டியை (GPS) 1914 ஆம் ஆண்டிலேயே முன்மொழிந்தார். ஆனால் துரதிஷ்டவசமாக அந்த சமயத்தில் அவரின் அழகு அவரின் அறிவை மறைத்துவிட்டது என்று தான் கூற வேண்டும். ஓரு பெண் சமூகத்தில் மற்ற பெண்களுடன் சமமாகவும், ஆண்களுக்கு நிகராக சமத்துவத்துடன் நடத்தப்பட வேண்டுமென்றால் முதலில் பெண்கள் அழகு நிலையங்களிலிருந்து கல்வி நிலையங்களுக்கு தங்களை இடப்பெயர்ச்சி செய்துகொள்ள வேண்டும்.

ஒரு ஆண் படித்தால் அவன் மட்டுமே அறிவாளி ஆகின்றான். ஆனால் ஒரு பெண் படித்தால் எதிர்கால வாரிசுகள் அறிவுத்தளத்தில் பயணிப்பார்கள்.

பெண்ணின்சமூக,பொருளாதார,அரசியல் நிலை மேம்பட நாம் பெரிதும் போற்றி புகழும் ஆண்களிடம் எதிர்பார்ப்பது...

அவளை வீட்டுக்குள் பூட்டிய தந்தை வீட்டின் கதவை திறந்து விடட்டும்! அவளை மேலே வரவிடாமல் தடுத்தவன் அவள் திறனுக்கு இடம் கொடுக்கட்டும்!

வியாபார பொருளாக அவளை பார்த்தவன் அவள் உயரிய அறிவை உற்று நோக்கட்டும்!

அடுப்பங்கரையில் கையில் கரண்டியை கொடுத்தவன் அவள் கையில் புத்தகம் கொடுக்கட்டும்!

இளம் வயதிலேயே அவளின் கழுத்தில் தாலியை கட்டுபவ<mark>ன்</mark> அவள் படித்து தலையை நிமிர்த்தி நடக்கும் வரை காக்கிருக்கட்டும்!

ஒவ்வொரு ஆணும் பெண்களின் வளர்ச்சியில் கவ<mark>னம் செலுத்</mark> தினால் மட்டுமே பெண் என்பவள் தனக்கான சமூகத்தை உரு வாக்க முடியும்.

பெண்களாகிய நாம் நிலவாக இல்லாமல் சூரியன<mark>ாக</mark> இருப்போம்<mark>!!</mark>

> ஆ.**ரே<mark>ச்சல்</mark> (21/UHSA/006)**



Histoire d'horreur Un message

J'étais seule à la maison. Il était environ 1h du matin à minuit et je faisais défiler Instagram et un message de transfert WhatsApp est apparu à partir d'un numéro de téléphone portable inconnu. Le message disait : « si vous ne transmettez pas ce message à quelqu'un d'autre, elle viendra vous chercher". Je riais du message stupide et l'ai ignoré. Il se faisait tard, alors j'ai vérifié si toutes les portes étaient verrouillées et je suis allée me coucher. J'étais endormie mais je pouvais encore entendre un souffle rauque contre mon oreille et je sentais des cheveux effleurer mon visage, de mon cou jusqu'à ma poitrine. Je me suis réveillée rapidement en panique, mais lentement je me suis convaincue que je rêvais et je me suis levée pour me laver le visage. Dès que j'ai fermé la porte de la salle de bains, j'ai entendu de minuscules pieds trottiner sur le sol devant la porte dans le couloir. J'ai regardé l'espace entre le cadre de la porte et j'ai vu l'ombre de quelque chose qui rampait à l'extérieur. Je me

suis convaincue que c'était une imagination et je me suis recouchée. J'ai senti mon cœur battre hors de ma poitrine alors que j'avais l'impression qu'il y avait quelque chose qui se tenait au bout du lit. Il faisait noir, je ne pouvais pas le voir mais j'entendais sa respiration lourde. J'ai fermé les yeux et j'ai essayé de dormir mais j'ai entendu quelque chose. Un coup dans mon miroir où mon reflet pleurait. Terrifiée, j'ai attrapé la lampe mais avant que je puisse l'allumer, quelque chose m'a attrapé le pied. Je me retournai pour voir une main pâle fantomatique enroulée autour de mon pied. J'ai crié et ça m'a traînée sous le lit, j'ai essayé de m'accrocher à quelque chose mais je n'ai pas pu. J'ai crié et crié et me suis réveillée en hurlant le lendemain. J'ai pensé que c'était un cauchemar jusqu'à ce que je remarque des marques de mains sur mon pied. Le message a été immédiatement transmis.

M. Parvathi Selvi 20/USWA/155

Jolie Rose rose*

Chaque jour apporte de nouveaux espoirs, De nouveaux moments, Vivez simplement, Ne laissez jamais les hauts et les bas vous être emportée. Faites ressortir la version la plus forte De ce que vous n'avez jamais connue, Ne vous débrouillez pas avec les gens, Soyez une teinte, Oh, ma jolie rose rose, Ne fermez jamais vos pétales Mais soyez la personne qui s'élève, Relevez votre beauté élégante Avec des vibrations Étonnamment rafraîchissantes, La nuit peut se fermer Mais nous choisissons de combattre la hauteur avec la vue. Chers gens...

Les gens peuvent me voir avec la tristesse dans leurs yeux,
Mais tout cela m'a nourrie d'un courage qui ne meurt jamais.
Les gens peuvent me voir avec l'inquiétude et la pitié,
Mais ils ne peuvent pas imaginer la force derrière la beauté.
Les gens peuvent ressentir à quel point je suis vulnérable,

Mais ils n'ont aucune idée de l'océan dans lequel je nageais.

Les gens peuvent penser que je pleure toutes les nuits,

Mais tout ce que je fais,

C'est m'entraîner pour le combat.

Les gens peuvent penser que je suis faible,

Mais je me prépare pour la nouvelle vie que je recherche.

Alors chers gens...

Ma foi est plus grande que ma peur,

Je vais vivre ma vie qui sera magnifique et claire.

*Pink Rose

Ce poème est dédié aux guerriers du cancer.

Sneha P 20/UCEA/171

Une lettre pour ma professeure

J'étais un petit bourgeon,

Quand je suis entrée dans votre salle de classe

Mes pieds tremblant, j'ai fait avancer,

Mon cœur a refusé de ralentir.

Mais quand je vous ai vue,

Tous mes soucis ont disparu,

Car votre sourire était si lumineux

Il mettait mon cœur à l'aise.

Votre voix douce m'a confortée comme la caresse d'une mère.

Vos yeux étaient plein de patience, et cela m'a attirée.

Je suis reconnaissante que nos chemins se soient

Croisés dans cette vie.

Vous êtes fortement gravée dans ma vie ;

En tant que professeur

Comme un guide

Vous avez été mon phare, dans cette mer déchaînée,

Merci de m'avoir tenu la main;

Et d'avoir marché à mes côtés ces deux dernières années.

Sanjana Priya Mylraj 20/UPYA/102

Récit: Lettre aux parents d'un directeur d'école quelques jours avant les examens

Chers parents,

Les examens des enfants doivent commencer bientôt. Je sais que vous êtes tous vraiment peur que l'enfant fasse bien. Mais, s'il vous plaît, rappelez-vous, parmi les élèves qui passeront les examens...

Il y a un artiste, qui n'hésite pas à comprendre les maths...

Il y a un entrepreneur, qui ne se soucie pas de l'histoire ou de la littérature anglaise...

Il y a un musicien, dont les notes de chimie n'auront pas d'importance...

Il y a un sportif, dont la forme physique est plus importante que la physique.

Si votre enfant obtient les meilleures notes, tant mieux. Mais si ce n'est pas le cas, ne lui enlevez pas leur confiance en le comparant à d'autres qui ont de meilleures notes. Votre enfant peut être bon dans tant d'autres choses qui auront plus d'importance lorsqu'il grandira et réussira mieux dans la vie. Dites-lui que c'est bon, c'est juste un examen. Ils sont taillés pour des choses beaucoup plus importantes dans la vie. Dites-lui, peu importe ce qu'ils marquent, vous les aimez et ne les jugerez pas. Faites-le et si vous le faites, vous regarderez vos enfants conquérir le monde.

Un examen ou un 90 pourcents ne leur enlèvera pas leurs rêves et leur talent. Et s'il vous plaît, ne pensez pas que les médecins et les ingénieurs sont les seules personnes heureuses au monde. De plus, veuillez noter attentivement que la plupart des grands hommes ou des personnes les plus riches et les plus prospères de l'histoire n'étaient pas des « toppers », oui, ils ont employé de nombreux « toppers » ou autres qui se sont distingués aux concours. Ayez la confiance en votre enfant. Dieu vous protège.

Cordialement,
Le Principal
Cette histoire est dédiée aux parents et à leurs
enfants.

Lourdu Jenifer C M 20/UCHA/004

Si j'avais une machine à remonter le temps

Si j'avais une machine à remonter le temps Je garderais la pomme de Newton de tomber

Si j'avais une machine à remonter le temps Je me serais assurée que Henry Fichel n'avait pas inventé les examens

Si j'avais une machine à remonter le temps J'aurais écrit la série Harry Potter et je serais devenue l'auteur le plus riche au monde

Si j'avais une machine à remonter le temps

J'irais voir Avengers : End Game le jour de son ouverture et de sa
première représentation au cinéma

Si j'avais une machine à remonter le temps

J'irais voir la cérémonie funéraire égyptienne et leur construction

pyramidale

Si j'avais une machine à remonter le temps

Je visiterais la période de l'enfance de mes parents

Si j'avais une machine à remonter le temps J'irais serrer la main de APJ Abdul Kalam

Si j'avais une machine à remonter le temps

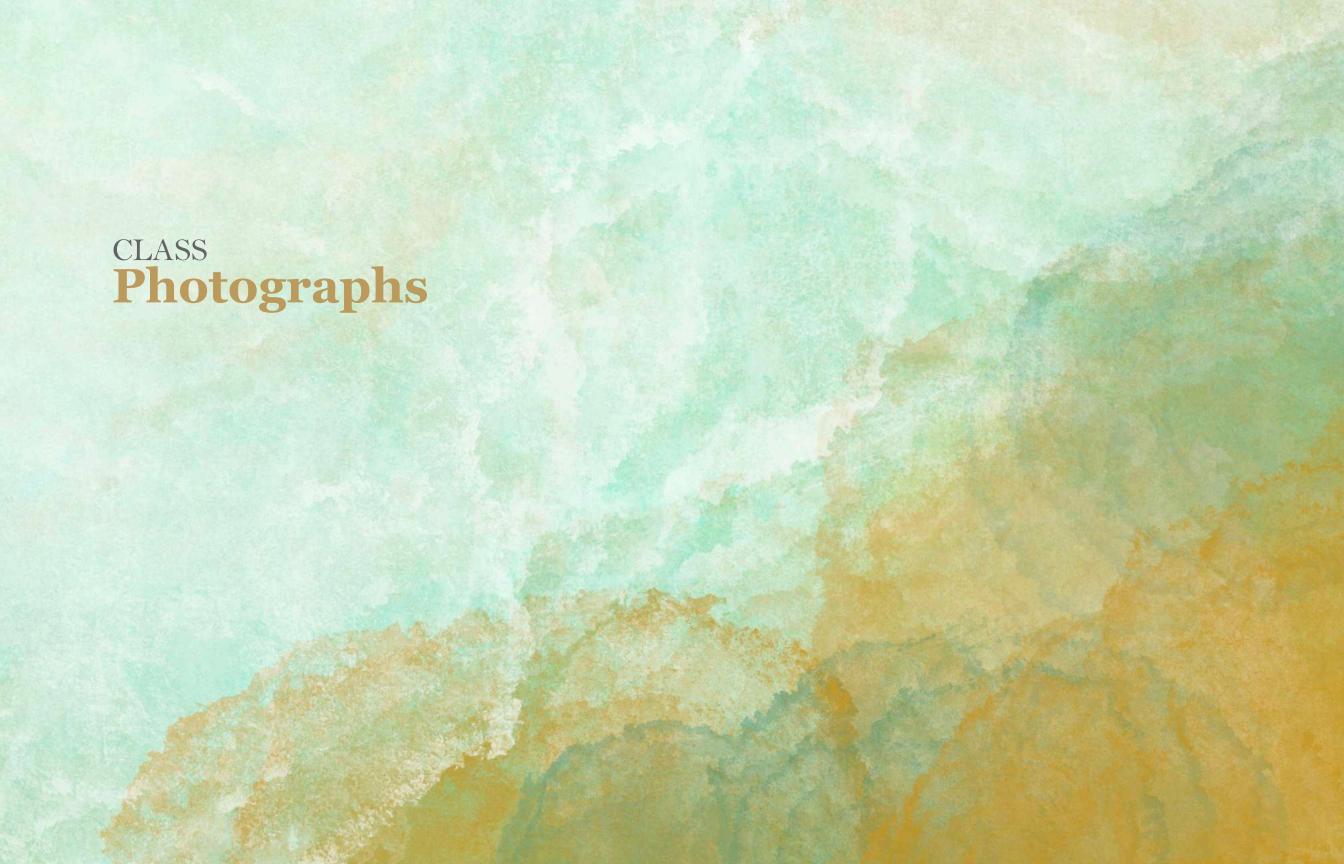
Je serais née la première et je serais la patronne de qui seraient mes sœurs ainées

A. Jennifer Maria 20/UZLA/060

Oh! C'est l'examen!

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Doit étudier avec concentration!
L'anglais et sa composition
Le tamoul et sa déclamation
La physique avec sa définition
La chimie avec son équation
Les mathématiques avec son calcul
L'hindi et sa récitation
L'histoire et sa révolution
La géographie et sa population
L'éducation civique et sa civilisation
La biologie et son évolution
L'esprit plein de confusion
Et pas de temps pour la relaxation.

Periyanayaga Clarisha S 20/UMTA/022





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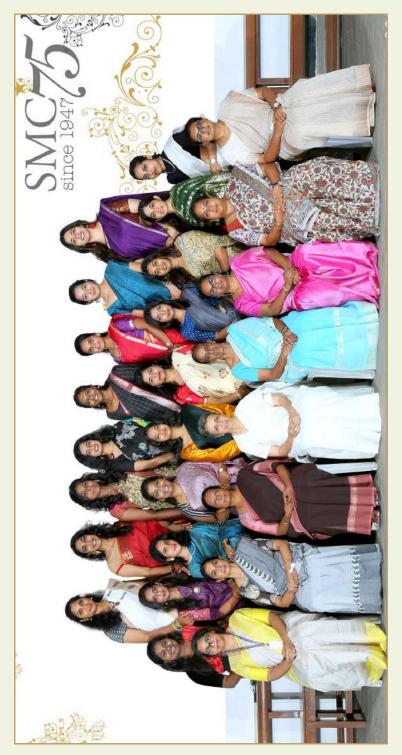
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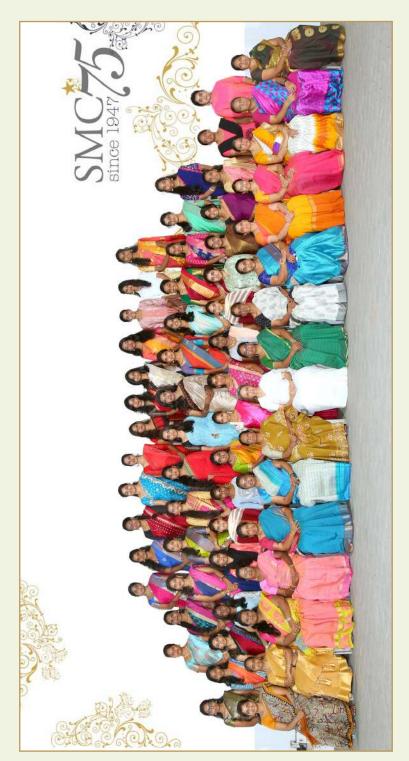
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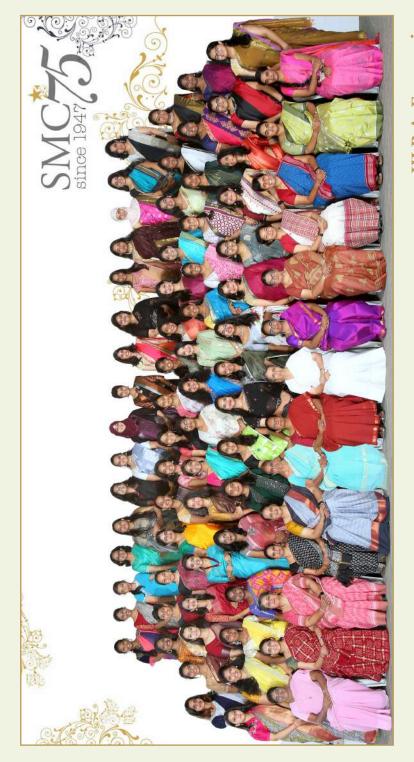
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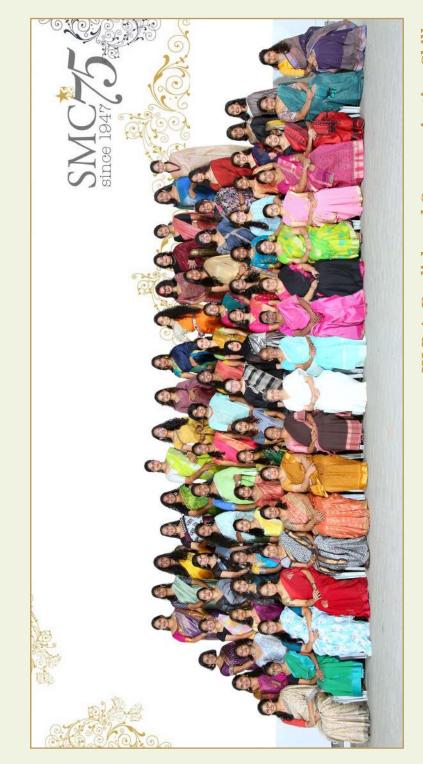
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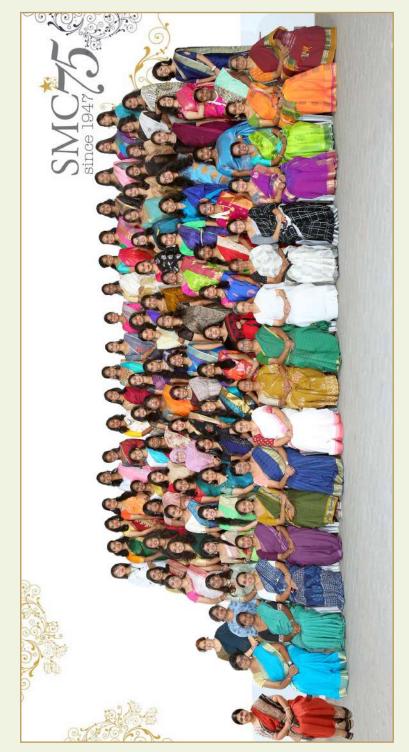
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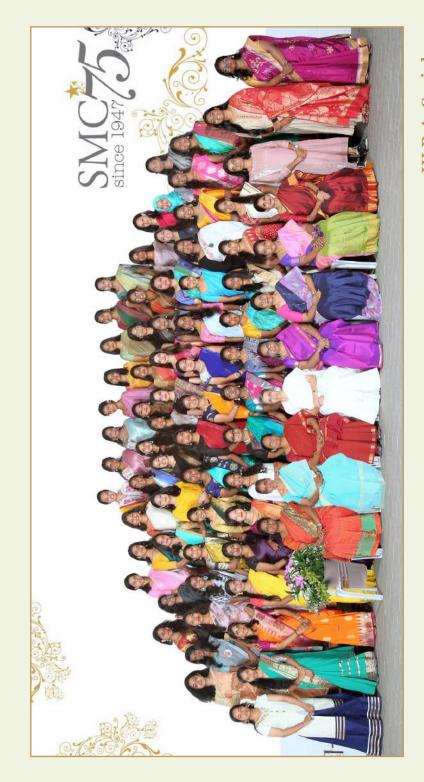


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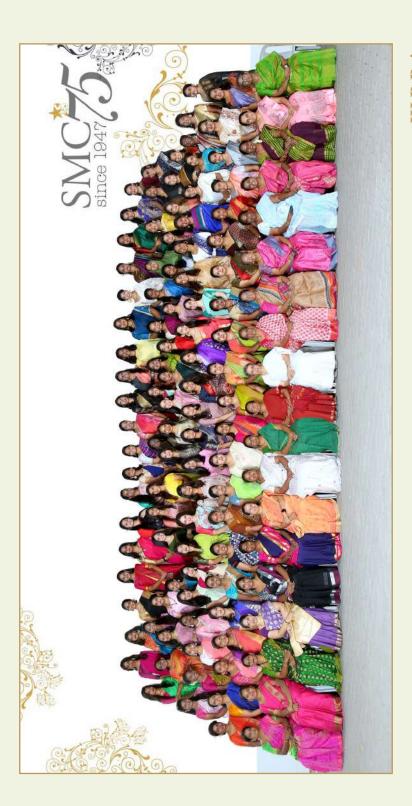




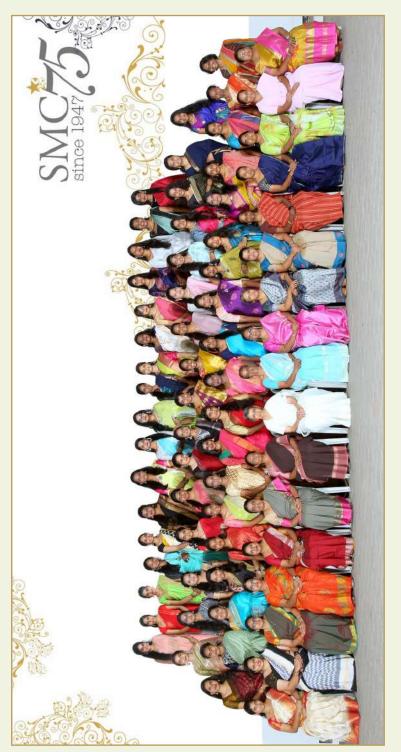
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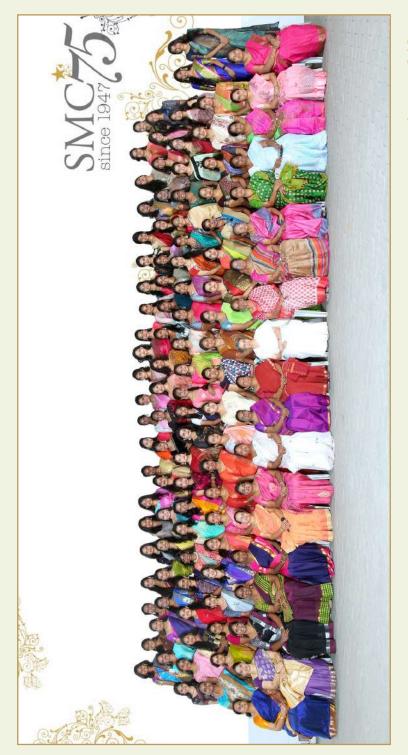
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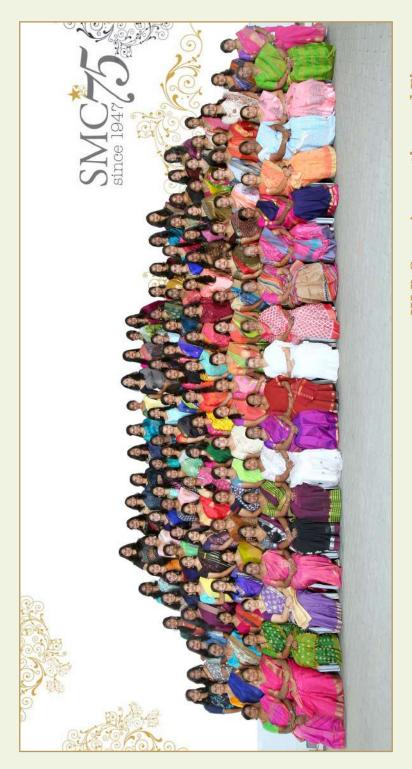
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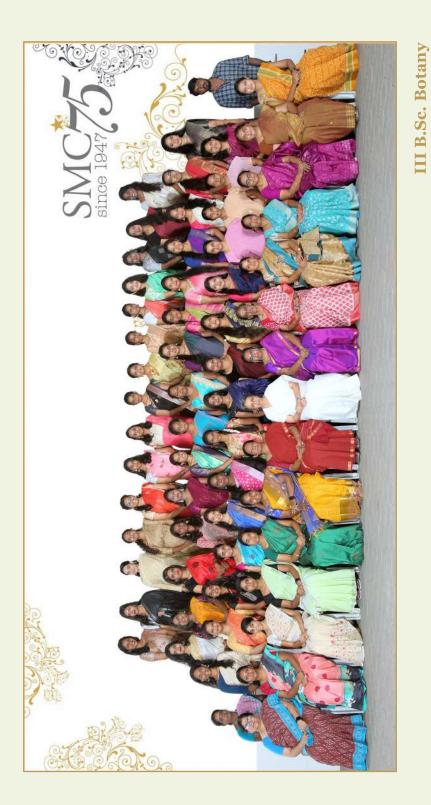
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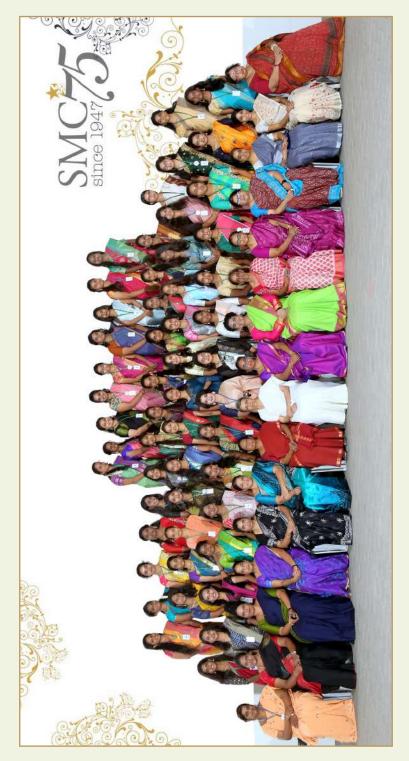


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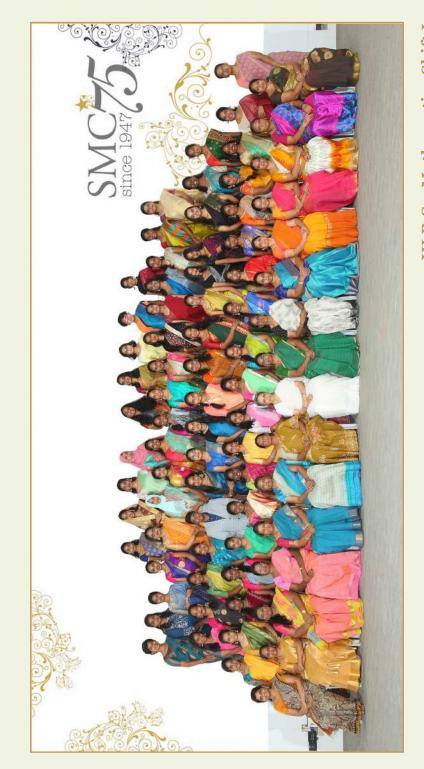




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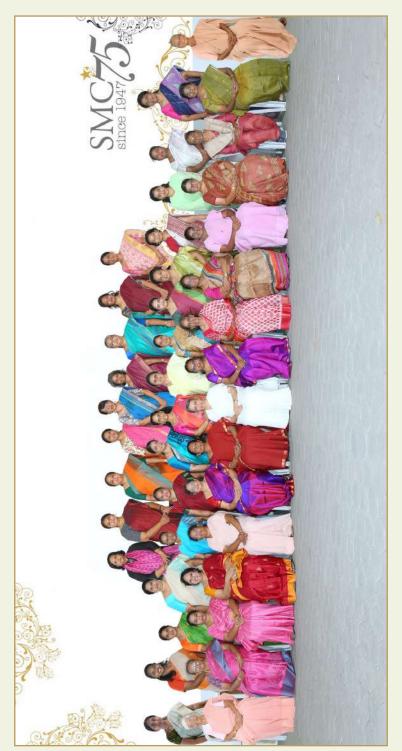
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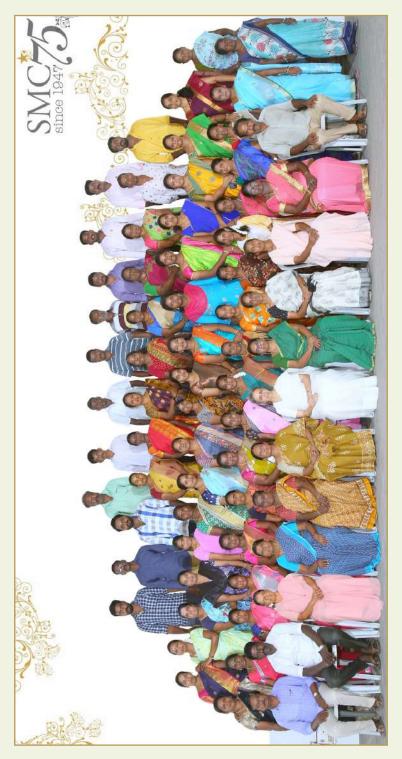
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BATCH: 2018

COLLEGE: AIDED

S.NO	Section	Appeared	Passed	Percentage
1	B.V.A VISUAL ARTS - A	64	54	84.38

BATCH: 2019

COLLEGE: AIDED

S.NO	Section	Appeared	Passed	Percentage
1	B.A HISTORY AND TOURISM - A	71	61	85.92
2	B.A SOCIOLOGY - A	67	61	91.04
3	B.A ECONOMICS - A	67	55	82.09
4	B.A ENGLISH - A	72	64	88.89
5	B.Com COMMERCE - A	81	81	100.00
6	B.Sc MATHEMATICS - A	61	59	96.72
7	B.Sc PHYSICS - A	51	51	100.00
8	B.Sc CHEMISTRY - A	53	53	100.00
9	B.Sc PLANT BIOLOGY AND PLANT BIOTECHNOLOGY - A	47	44	93.62
10	B.Sc ADVANCED ZOOLOGY AND BIOTECHNOLOGY - A	48	41	85.42

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BATCH: 2019

COLLEGE: SELF-FINANCING

S.NO	Section	Appeared	Passed	Percentage
1	B.Com COMMERCE - A	74	73	98.65
2	B.Com COMMERCE - B	74	72	97.30
3	B.Com COMMERCE - C	72	71	98.61
4	B.Com.(CS) - CORPORATE SECRETARYSHIP - A	77	75	97.40
5	B.Com.(CS) - CORPORATE SECRETARYSHIP - B	77	77	100.00
6	B.Com.(A&F) - ACCOUNTING AND FINANCE - A	73	72	98.63
7	B.B.A BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION - A	74	71	95.95
8	B.Sc MATHEMATICS - A	67	66	98.51
9	B.Voc FOOD PROCESSING AND QUALITY CONTROL - A	40	38	95.00
10	B.Voc SUSTAINABLE ENERGY MANAGEMENT - A	26	26	100.00
11	B.C.A COMPUTER APPLICATIONS - A	52	50	96.15
12	B.C.A COMPUTER APPLICATIONS - B	49	48	97.96
13	B.Sc PSYCHOLOGY - A	51	46	90.20
14	B.S.W SOCIAL WORK - A	45	41	91.11
15	B.A ENGLISH AND COMMUNICATION SKILLS - A	51	49	96.08
16	B.Voc TOURISM AND HOSPITALITY - A	23	18	78.26
17	B.Voc BANKING, FINANCIAL SERVICES AND INSURANCE - A	47	44	93.62

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BATCH: 2020

COLLEGE: AIDED

S.NO	Section	Appeared	Passed	Percentage
1	M.A ECONOMICS - A	22	21	95.45
2	M.A ENGLISH - A	40	38	95.00
3	M.A HISTORY OF FINE ARTS - A	7	5	71.43
4	M.Sc MATHEMATICS - A	45	38	84.44
5	M.S.W SOCIAL WORK - A	39	37	94.87

COLLEGE: SELF-FINANCING

S.NO	Section	Appeared	Passed	Percentage
1	M.A INTERNATIONAL STUDIES - A	19	15	78.95
2	M.A PUBLIC RELATIONS - A	16	16	100.00
3	M.Com COMMERCE - A	41	40	97.56
4	M.Sc CHEMISTRY - A	24	24	100.00
5	M.Sc INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY - A	24	21	87.50
6	M.Sc BIOINFORMATICS - A	22	22	100.00
7	M.Sc BIOTECHNOLOGY - A	24	22	91.67
8	M.Sc PHYSICS - A	25	23	92.00
9	M.A HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT - A	37	37	100.00

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