

With a great mission and vision Dr. (Sr.) Jaya Shanthi R, the Principal of Auxilium College, joined as Lecturer in the department of Chemistry in 1992 to work for the young people. She completed her M.Sc. from Loyola College (Autonomous), Chennai, M.Phil. from Madras Christian College (Autonomous), Chennai and received her Ph.D. degree from Presidency College, Chennai in 2003. She has more than 25 years of experience working with the young people motivating them and helping them to live as good and honest citizens besides her regular teaching and research work in the department of Chemistry. With great interest for the department and for the research, she got department approval for M.Sc Chemistry, M.Phil and Ph.D and received her Guideship in 2007. Her achievement in the field of Research is remarkable. Dr.(Sr.) Jaya Shanthi has the merit of guiding the first four Ph.D. students of Auxilium College that has 70 years of heritage in higher education. So far, she has guided 11 Ph.D. scholars, the highest number in the College. Sister has helped more than 15 students with their M.Phil projects. She has organised many seminars, conferences and workshops efficiently and has published more than 50 research articles in the reputed international journals like Scopus Index and presented more than 30 research papers in various International and National seminars and conferences.

When PG board and Research studies were introduced in Auxilium, Sister became the first director of Research cell, and set an ambience of research atmosphere in the campus organising seminars and workshops for PG students and research scholars. She has completed one major project under UGC and established the first research laboratory in Auxilium with instrumentations necessary for research scholars from Science to carry out their research.

She served as the Staff advisor of Rangers for more than 20 years, rendering service inside and outside the College and was awarded the '**Best Service Award**' at the 10<sup>th</sup> Boscore at Satyabama University and an award for her '**Long Service**' from Don Bosco Guides and Scouts District Association. She was the president of RUSAC (Rural Society for Advancement of Chemistry) and carried out many inter-collegiate activities. As an efficient administrator, she has held different responsibilities in Auxilium College like Ranger Leader, Director of Research, Coordinator for Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC), PARAMASH, Dean of Residential students and Vice principal. She had been invited as a resource person to deliver talks in the field of Chemistry and she is also a good motivational speaker and shared her expertise on different platforms. To add to her credit, she has compiled and published '300 Anecdotes for a Happy Living' to help the readers to live a happy life with their family and in the society. Sr. Jaya Shanthi with her great expertise and dedication has been steering Auxilium College to continue its pursuit of knowledge and wisdom and excel in imparting quality education to the student community. During her tenure, she has received the **Best Principal award** from Nature Science Foundation, Coimbatore and helped the College to receive several state and national awards. Her motivation and guidance would help the staff to face the fourth cycle of Accreditation with much more vigour and enthusiasm.