



AUXILIUM COLLEGE (Autonomous)

(Accredited by NAAC with A⁺ Grade with a CGPA of 3.55 out of 4 in the 3rd cycle)
Gandhi Nagar, Vellore – 6.

COLLEGE DAY REPORT

2016 – 2017

Illustrious and esteemed Chief Guest of our College Day celebration, Padma Bhushan Dr. J. Arogyaswami Paulraj, Professor (Emeritus), Dept. of Elect. Engg., Stanford University, USA, Golden Jubilarian Rev. Sr. Mary Celine Arokiasamy, Former Provincial, Province of Chennai, Rev. Sr. Amalorpavam, College Secretary, Rev. Sr. Alice K.T., Controller of Examinations and Head, Department of Computer Science, Vice-Principals, Dr. Sr. Mary Josephine Rani. A (Shift I) and Dr. Sr. Mary Sheila Susairaj (Shift II), Deans and Heads of the Departments, teaching and non-teaching staff, parents, friends, invitees, well-wishers, media personnel, past pupils and my dearest students, on behalf of the College I extend a warm welcome to all for the College Day Celebration. I take great pleasure in presenting the College Day Report of Auxilium College documenting its developments and achievements for the year 2016-17.

At this moment, I would like to express my gratitude and salute all the great women in the past who rendered tireless and dedicated service to make Auxilium College what it is today. The College, founded in the year 1954 by a great visionary Rev. Sr. Cesira Galena consistently strives to cater to the needs of young women, emphasizing on holistic formation and imparting value-based education to enable students face the future with courage and confidence. We are here to honour today one such valiant woman who worked for Auxilium from its inception, our Golden Jubilarian Rev. Sr. Mary Celine Arogyasamy.

The inauguration of the College Union marked the beginning of the academic year 2016-17 with Dr. Sekar Viswanathan, Vice President, VIT for shift I and Mr. Cyril R. Fernandez, General Manager, Materials Management, BHEL, Ranipet for Shift II chairing the occasion and wishing the young, aspiring office-bearers a year of success and achievement.

NAAC Assessment

A peer team of National Assessment and Accreditation council (NAAC) chaired by Dr. M.O. Koshy, Former Pro Vice Chancellor of Kannur University, Kerala, Dr. Naresh K. Patel, Dharmsinh Desai University, Gujarat and Dr. Shivkumar Saxena, Principal, Shukla Government Senior College, M.P. visited the College from 29th to 31st August 2016 for assessment and accreditation. The college was accredited by NAAC with A⁺ Grade with a CGPA of 3.55 out of 4, in the third cycle which was a real fruit of hard work and commitment of the Auxilium family.

Auxilium Benefactors

We gratefully acknowledge the kind and generous gesture of all our benefactors for their financial support to the college and students. I sincerely thank honourable Dr. Arogyaswami Paulraj, the Chief Guest and the Best Benefactor Award winner of the day for having donated a sum of Rs.49 lakhs towards Rose Arokiaswamy merit cum means scholarships. He intends to enhance it to one crore for the empowerment of poor and deserving students.

IVDP

Thanks to Honourable President of Integrated Village Development Project, Mr. Kulandai Francis, the Magsaysay award winner, for his generous contribution this academic year towards 3-seater chairs for the college auditorium (worth Rs. 12 Lakhs), 300 Fastrack Bags (worth Rs.3.5 Lakhs) for participants who took part in the cultural events during NAAC visit, 130 Fastrack Bags (worth Rs. 1.5 Lakhs) for the students receiving IVDP scholarship and Rs.5,00,000 /- as scholarship for orphans and children of single-parents. I sincerely thank Mr. Kulandai Francis for his generous contribution extended for the well fare and development of the college which amounts to Rs. 45 Lakhs, overall.

Thanks to Honourable Chancellor, VIT University, Dr. G. Viswanathan for his benevolent contribution of Rs. 5,00,000/- towards the construction of the new digital library in the campus.

We remember with love and gratitude the services rendered by Mrs. Vijayalakshmi. P, Librarian and also Rev.Sr.Ethelvina Rodrigues, Former Principal, Auxilium College whose precious presence we have lost this year. May they receive their bountiful reward from the Heavenly Father.

Expanding Horizons

M.Phil. and Ph.D. programmes in Tamil and M.Phil. in Business Administration have been initiated this academic year.

Dr. (Sr.) Ugini Fatima Mary, Principal on her visit to Spain signed a MoU for academic collaboration with the University of Alcala (Alcala De Henares, Madrid, Spain) to foster academic cooperation promoting joint teaching and learning, research, and other academic activities, students and staff exchange and other programme of mutual benefit for the next 4 years.

The Christian Medical College, Vellore has come forward to sign a MoU with Auxilium to start a UG course on Hospital Management. PG, M.Phil. and Ph.D. programmes will also be introduced in the near future.

Dr. (Sr.) Elizabeth Sebastian, Assistant Professor & Head i/c of Shift II Mathematics, attended the 13th International Congress on Mathematical Education in Hamburg University, Germany. Dr. (Sr.) Mary Josephine Rani and Dr. (Sr.) Elizabeth participated in a Leadership Training Program on Educative methods in Italy, an ongoing formation to strengthen and revitalise the vocation for Salesian Charismatic Identity.

Dr. (Sr.) Ugini Fatima Mary L. and Dr. Beulah Suresh attended a National conference on “*Current Trends in Indian Higher Education in the Context of New Education Policy of the Government Of India*” organised by All India Association for Christian Higher Education, Delhi And United Board, Hong Kong.

India – Sri Lanka Youth Exchange Programme

The India – Sri Lanka Youth Exchange Programme was initiated by Audacious Dreams foundation in collaboration with Auxilium College coordinated by Dr. P. Amutha Arockia Mary, Assistant Professor of English as the Chief Coordinator. The trip to Sri Lanka lasted for 8 days with 14 student participants from our college. The highlight was the interaction with the Ministers of the Sri Lankan Government and members of the Youth Parliament. The fond memories and the rich cultural experience will be cherished.

Employability Skill Training Programme

Reddington Employability academy, a company based in Chennai is offering a free employability skill training and development programme. 80 final year under graduate students are undergoing a 60 hour programme for training in employability, personality and skill development. The students would be assessed and employed accordingly.

Educative Plan

Committed to excellence in fundamental research as well as development of innovative approaches to teaching and learning, the college offers quality experience to students, maintaining relevance to current trends and demands in academics. The management exercises autonomy to its fullest by updating the syllabi regularly and by designing a student-friendly examination schedule to accommodate maximum benefit to students.

The academic year 2017-18 will also see the inauguration of a full-fledged Digital Library catering to the technological requirements and computer-accessible information, enhancing research facilities to research scholars and students. The successful completion of the New Fitness Centre with Sports Science Backup Rs. 2.40 Crores funded by the UGC, Rs. 80 Lakhs for the

construction of the Women's Hostel are the additional infrastructural facilities in Auxilium. Thanks to the UGC for giving Rs.10 lakhs towards sports equipments.

Results

The results produced this academic year stand testimony to the efforts of the Management, Staff and the Students. The pass percentage in the Semester Examinations under various disciplines in April 2016-17 is as follows:

Undergraduate Courses

S.NO.	CLASS	% OF PASS
1.	B.A. History	63.64
2.	B.A. English - A	70.15
3.	B.A. English - B	77.61
4.	B.A. English - C	78.26
5.	B.Sc. Mathematics - Day	94.29
6.	B.Sc. Mathematics - Evening	89.55
7.	B.Sc. Chemistry	75.51
8.	B.Sc. Zoology	82.93
9.	B.Sc. Physics	93.62
10.	B.Sc. Biochemistry	58.54
11.	B.Sc. Computer Science	92.00
12.	B.Sc. Microbiology	73.31
13.	B.Sc. Visual Com.	68.42
14.	B.Com. – Day	64.18
15.	B.Com. – Evening	52.46
16.	B.B.A.	66.67
17.	B.C.A	58.33
18.	BCA – Second Section	83.67

Post graduate Courses

S.NO.	CLASS	% OF PASS
1.	M.A. English	83.72
2.	M.Sc. Mathematics	97.37
3.	M.Sc. Chemistry	100.0

4.	M.Sc. Zoology	100.0
5.	M.Sc. Physics	100.0
6.	M.Sc. Comp. Science	78.26
7.	M.Sc. Electronic Media	100.0
8.	M.Com.	93.75
9.	M.B.A.	96.30
10.	M.S.W.	100.0

M.Phil. Courses

S.NO.	CLASS	% OF PASS
1.	M.Phil. English	100.0
2.	M. Phil. Mathematics	100.0
3.	M. Phil. Chemistry	100.0
4.	M.Sc. Zoology	100.0
5.	M. Phil. Comp. Science	100.0
6.	M. Phil. Commerce	100.0

The Faculty

The dedication, conviction and commitment of the Auxilium teaching faculty has enabled academic enhancement in all spheres and in achieving goals. The college is proud to place on record Dr. Abi Beulah G. from Biochemistry, Dr. Auxilia Antony, Dr. Shrilatha S., Dr. Meenakshi P. and Dr. Aruna K. from Commerce, Dr.(Sr.) Sagaya Mary T. from Business Administration and Dr. Kalaiselvi R. H., Dr. Latha E. and Dr. Amutha P. from English for the successful completion of Ph.D. and wishes all success to Ms. Sujatha L. of Mathematics, Ms. Papeetha J. of Tamil, Ms. Hilda S. of English who are awaiting their Ph.D. viva-voce examinations. The management would like to appreciate the efforts undertaken by the faculty members in enhancing the quality of research. 34 papers from the Department of Tamil, 24 from Mathematics, 16 from English, 23 from Business Administration, 10 from Zoology, 7 from Chemistry, 10 from Computer Applications, 3 from Commerce, 3 from Banking and Insurance, 1 from Physics and 1 from Hindi have been peer reviewed and published in National and International Journals. The management would also like to appreciate Dr. Venum Cecilia P. A. A. from the Department of English, Dr. Beulah Suresh and Dr. Renuga Devi S. from Business Administration for obtaining their Ph.D. guideship from the Thiruvalluvar University. The college congratulates 18 faculty members of Auxilium College for their success in SET Exams, this academic year.

4 Ph.D.s' in English and 6 Ph.D.'s in Chemistry have been awarded this academic year.

Formative Programs

Upgrading, encouraging and motivating staff to adopt current trends besides nurturing healthy relationship with students has ever been the prime concern of the Auxilium Community. To serve this interest, various formative programs were organized. The academic year 2016-17 began with a 3-day Orientation Program for freshers and young teaching staff, addressed by Ms. Rhona Nunes, Former Head, Dept. of English and Dr. Sr. Jayaceli, Head, Dept. of Tamil. An orientation was organised for teaching staff presided by Dr. Joseph Kuruvilla, Retd. Selection Grade Senior in Hospital and Health System Management CMC, who emphasised on student-teacher relationship. An orientation on Value Education chaired by Dr. A. Joseph Einstein, Consultant Professional Psychologist Holistic Trainer and Counsellor provided insights to the importance of developing value-based education to enhance academic attainment.

Certificate Course

The college offers the following inter-disciplinary and career-oriented UGC funded certificate courses.

The Human Resource Management & Development Certificate Course offered by the Department of Commerce, Shift I coordinated by Dr. (Sr.) Sheila Susairaj, Head, Department of Commerce is a bi-semester program working on industrial visits to Aavin Milk Industry, Hotel River View, Ambur Sugars, Wintonia Footwear Ltd., etc.

Entrepreneurial Development Certificate Course also coordinated by Dr (Sr.) Sheila Susairaj, Head, Department of Commerce, Shift I in collaboration with Vellore Institute of Commerce is a four-month course on evolution of the entrepreneurs from all walks of life to enhance entrepreneur skills in BBA and B.Com. students with theoretical and practical assistance scheduled for Saturdays.

The Human Rights and Values in Education Certificate Course offered by the Department of History, coordinated by Ms. K. Dhanabakyam, educates and keeps students informed on human rights by arranging visits to social welfare agencies engaged in safeguarding human rights.

The Department of English offers a **Certificate Course in Communication Skills** open to UG second-year students of the college, working on promoting communicative skills, under the guidance of Dr. Vernum Cecilia, Head, Dept. of English. The course design focuses on improving productive skills besides developing listening and reading competencies.

The Department of Zoology, offers a **Certificate Course in Medical Laboratory Technique** coordinated by Dr. J.Arockia Mary, Associate Prof. Department of Zoology in which 36 students have enrolled.

The Rural Handicraft Certificate Course offered by the Department of Tamil coaches students in learning various skills such as paper ornaments and jewel making, handwork in wool and textile material. All the hand-made exhibits were displayed in an Exhibition organised by the Dept. on 26th August, 2016.

The MS-Office Certificate Course offered by The Department of Computer Science Shift I & II provides a Course in Computer Science to the students of all the departments.

Centre for ICWA, CA, RRB, LIC, CAT and TNPSC Coaching

The College is a recognized coaching centre under the Institute of Cost Accountants. Dr. (Sr.) Sheila Susairaj, Asso. Prof. Dept. of Commerce and Ms. Auxilia Antony coordinate the coaching classes for IAS, LIC, Railways, ICWAI, CAT, TIME Organization, P.O Banks, CA (Group I and II), IIBF and TNPSC. 70 students have registered their names for the class especially for Group – IV exams.

Centre for UGC-NET, UGC-CSIR NET and SET Coaching

The College is also a recognized centre for coaching classes for UGC-NET, UGC-CSIR NET and SET Exams with Dr. V. Suganthakumari, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Chemistry as the coordinator. 156 students enrolled and benefited by the classes in General Paper. NET and SET Paper I has also been included in the curriculum for PG students in the third semester of the academic year. The credit of 9 candidates having cleared the SET exams testifies the benefit of the classes.

Sports and Games

The concept of a sound mind in a sound body reverberated in the campus through the efforts of the Department of Physical Education. The department conducted the Inter Departmental tournaments for our students in Volley Ball, Basket Ball, Throw Ball, Hand Ball, Hockey, Foot Ball, Cricket, Kho-Kho, Kabaddi, Table Tennis, Shuttle Badminton, Ball Badminton, Chess and Athletics. 13 teams representing the college have been actively involved in sports and games. 40 hours Physical Fitness Programme has been conducted for I Year students, at the beginning of the academic year. At the Inter Collegiate tournaments our team were the winners in Kabaddi and Runners – up in Shuttle Badminton, Volley Ball, Cricket and Foot Ball. 76 of our students participated in the International Yoga Day Program conducted by Thiruvalluvar University. 250

of our students participated in the Marathon Race conducted by the Income Tax Department and one student secured the IV Place. In the International Sports and Cultural Program (RIVERA) organized by VIT University Vellore, 31 students participated and G. Manju I MSW secured 1st place in shot-put, and 3rd place in javelin along with a cash award. 10 of our students secured 3 I prizes, 3 II prizes and 4 III Prizes in the State Level Public Sports Meet organised by the Tamil Nadu Police Department. 17 of our students received Rs. 24,000/- cash award from Sports Development Authority of Tamil Nadu for participating in the South Zone Inter University tournaments, All Inter University Tournaments and as members of Foot Ball Winning team for the year 2014-2015.

Auxilium Research Cell organised a lecture cum workshop on the topic *Enhancing Quality Research in Higher Education* for PG and M. Phil students. Students were addressed by Resource persons on topics related to their respective fields of research. 17 PG and M.Phil. students have presented papers and won cash prizes for the best presentation. A workshop on Human Rights addressed by Sr. Isabella Alphonse, coordinated by Dr. (Sr.) Regina, was organised for I PG students of all Departments. A Video Conference on *Disaster Risk Reduction* is on the pipeline in the first week of March, which is to be addressed by Dr. Peter Davey, Director of Environmental Management School, Griffith University, Australia.

IQAC- The Internal Quality Assurance Cell organised a one-day UGC sponsored State Level Workshop on *Enhancing Quality in Higher Educational Institutions through Innovations and Best Practices* in which faculty from various colleges in Tamil Nadu participated. A one day seminar on *Service Learning in Environment* was conducted for all the teaching staff of the college addressed by Dr. Azhagapa Moses, Associate Professor and Head, Dept. of Environmental Science and Dr. Anand Karunakaran, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Physics, Bishop Heber College, Tiruchirapalli focusing on Green Audit, Energy Audit and Biodiversity Register. In collaboration with United Board, Hong Kong, UGC and NAAC sponsorship, a three-day National Conference titled *Journey towards Excellence* was organized. The conference threw light on the seven criteria for assessment. 15 resource persons delivered resource talks which were followed by group discussions and plenary sessions.

Association Activities

The activities of the **English Association** commenced with an inaugural lecture by Dr. Vasugi K. on Diaspora. The Sr. Celine D'Souza Memorial Lecture was chaired by Dr. Bava Chelladurai, Writer and member of Sahithya Academy, Ms. Shailaja, Translator and Rev. Joshua Peter, Director Quo-Vadis, who spoke on Translation and gave insights into themes related Indian Translation. The department pamphlet *Harper* was released by the Chair Person. The Department signed an MOU with Ebek – Business English Course, Language Laboratories Pvt. Ltd. and Mr. Nelson, Ebek Chennai, gave a talk on the importance of English communication and

Examination. 61 students have registered and will take the Cambridge Examinations in April. An International Conference on *Innovations in English Language Teaching and Literary Studies* was organised in honour of the retiring Principal Dr. (Sr.) Ugini Fathima Mary in which around 80 participants presented papers. A Peace Essay Writing Competition based on the Pope's message is organized every academic year. A Rolling Shield for participation in creative competitions was awarded to the College by the Shakespeare Institute of English, Chennai in which Ms. Thendral of I English won a Gold Medal and Shyanla of II English got a Silver Medal at the state level. An Overall Championship was won by Biochemistry and Microbiology in the Interdepartmental Dramatics Competition conducted on Indian plays in translation on the theme of *Mercy and Sacrifice*. The best Actress Award was given to Ms. Janani.S of III BCA.

The Tamil Association, Ma. Vedanayagar Tamil Mandram, commenced with a three-day workshop on Tamil Drama entertaining the renowned Director of Tamil drama, Dr. Parthiba Raja. to offer tips and suggestions in dramatization to students, and inviting Mr Sudan and Mr. Prathap as trainers. The Intercollegiate Drama Competition for Muthamizh Vilzha, based on the theme *Young People and Family* witnessed Auxilium College awarded the II Prize. A series of endowment lectures on *Young People and Culture of Tamil Family* and on *Folklore and Young People* are a few of the many activities conducted by the Department during the year. A one-day National Seminar on *Teaching and Learning Tamil Language –New strategies* was organized in collaboration with Auxilium B.Ed College addressed by Dr. Baskaran, Vice chancellor of Tamil University. Of the 210 students who participated in the Exam, on Thirukural from Madurai and Thiruvannamalai, five of our students won distinguished prizes. Dr. Kumari, Asst. Prof., coordinates the competitions held in other colleges and initiates participation in which students' secured distinguished prizes and won cash awards. *Oottru*, a quarterly magazine published by the Department, is one of the most powerful means of bringing out the creative writing skills of the students on various topics.

The Hindi Association conducted Literary Quiz, Hindi Poetry and Short Story writing competitions which kept the association active during the year.

The History Association conducted a State Level Seminar on *Recent Archaeological Findings and their Impact on Tourism Development*. An educative trip to Hyderabad for the final year UG students was organised to enhance practical knowledge of historical monuments.

The activities of **The Mathematics Association** kept the students engaged all through the year with Guest Lectures, Quiz Competitions, Puzzles Contest, Sudoku Contest, Speech Contest on *Importance of Mathematics in Day-to-Day Life*, Creative Drawing on *The Beauty of Mathematics*, Power point Presentations, Mathematics Modelling, Drawing Competition on *Triangle Motto* and Mathematics Talent Examination.. Faculty members served as resource persons at State and

National Level Conferences. The III Position for the Best Presentation in the National Conference on NXTGEN Developments in Computer Science and Mathematics at Sree Chandrababhu Jain College, Minjur, Chennai was won by the Department. UG students won I & II places in the competitions in the Intercollegiate Mathematical Competitions at Islamiah College for Women, Vaniyambadi.

The Chemistry Association was set to motion with a resource talk on *Nanotechnology for Chemists* by Dr. Nirmala Grace, Ph.D., Director i/c, Centre for Nanotechnology Research, VIT University. Ms. Revathy secured the Best Presenter Award for the Paper Presentation Competition arranged on the topic *Phytoremediation*. A resource lecture delivered by Mr. Nirmal Gandhi, Deputy General Manager, Thirumalai Chemicals Ltd., Ranipet on *Career opportunities in Industries* and The RUSAC intercollegiate I PG paper presentation was organized on the same day with Ms. Thara Prasanna I M.Sc. Chemistry winning the I Prize for a presentation on *Applications of Bio-Inorganic Chemistry*. The students of the Chemistry Department are actively involved in the solid waste management project.

The Zoology Association celebrates its Diamond Jubilee Year. A book on *Biodiversity of Fauna in the College Campus* was published this year. An International resource talk on *Behavioural ecology for tiny aquatic organisms* was conducted and an interaction on museum displays of the Department was held. A number of field trips and endowment lectures were arranged for the students. An exhibition on Physiology was conducted wherein participants were encouraged to make working models on various topics.

The Commerce Association Shift I was inaugurated with Dr. Vimal Nadhan, Director T.I.M.E. Organization, Vellore enlightening students on the importance of e-commerce in the business scenario. The Economics department presented a paper on 'Water Quality impacts on agriculture in the rural areas of Vellore District. The Shift II department conducted a Business Quiz to keep the students informed about current affairs. Stress interviews and activities related to prepare students for jobs were also part of the association schedule.

The Association of Social Work encouraged students into a number of field visits and voluntary health services to hospitals involving the Alzheimers Day Program and Life Skills for HIV positive children in Children Home. A ten-day camp to Paravaham Retreat Centre was organised and a mini survey was conducted in the villages nearby. A Personality Development Program was arranged for the house girls of the college. Students were also involved in the Osteoporosis Camp Diabetic Camp, Eye Camp, Stress Management Program, and Awareness Camp with RUSHA on health and hygiene and waste water management. Regular visits to *After Care Home*, Allapuram

and offering assistance in the wedding arrangements of an inmate were the highlights of the association.

The Department of Business Administration was inaugurated in the presence of Mr. Sreenivasan, Proprietor of Waves Showroom, Vellore who enlightened the students on the first digital start up of Buymax, Online shopping. The PG students, along with Ms. Beula Suresh, HOD, attended the Golden Jubilee Celebration of the All India Association for Christian Higher Education in American College, Madurai and also went on an educative trip to visit Savourit. Pvt. Limited, Dindigul and Kodaikanal. The students of II MBA visited Naidu Hall Factory at Ambur to get first-hand knowledge about manufacturing, packing and shipping in the Textile Industries. A valedictory ceremony was conducted for the success of a small grant project VIP sanctioned by the United Board for Higher Education, Hong Kong, during which Dr. Maher Spurgeon, President, United Board, Hong Kong, distributed the certificates. An Aavin Parlor initiated by the Department was inaugurated in the campus by Dr. Sr. Ugini Fatima Mary, Auxilium College, Vellore. Ms. Dhivya III BBA was selected for the National Level Adolescent Consultation Programme held at Vishra Yuvakendra, New Delhi and also received a letter of appreciation from UNICEF for her active participation. Ms. Pavithra III BBA represented South India for Rural Women in Sanitation Action Summit held at Mumbai. Ms. Keerthiga III BBA received a certificate from Honourable President Shri Pranab Mukherjee on the 67th Republic Day of India for participating in the Samvidhan Live, a project regarding Fundamental rights and duties organised by the constitution club of India in New Delhi. The various clubs of the department are Finance Federation, HR Consultancy, Marketing Consortium and Systems Hub.

The Association of Biochemistry was inaugurated in the presence of Mr. P.Arulkumaran, Head and Associate Professor, Department of Biochemistry, Aadhiparasakthi Agricultural College, Kalavai who gave a lecture on *Career opportunities in Biochemistry*. In collaboration with Department of Medical Oncology, CMC, Vellore, a health awareness programme was organized for the III year shift II students and staff on the awareness of Cancer and its symptoms. A team of Doctors, Professors from Nursing College, staff nurses and students animated the show. Dr. Anjana Joel, Assistant Professor, Department of Medical Oncology, CMC, Vellore, delivered a lecture on *Risk Factors of Cancer & Prevention*.

The Association of Microbiology adhered to the motto *Invisible Sustaining the Visible* commenced with a Guest Lecture on *Gene Cloning* by Dr. Jasmine Elizabeth Pearl John, DKM College for Women, Vellore. As a part of the association activity, the department conducted Paper presentation on the topic *Host Parasite Interactions*, Poster presentation on *Microbes of Marine and Extreme Environments* and Model display on the topic *Microbiology and Immunology*.

The Physics Association Shift I commenced with Guest Lectures on *Crystal Growth and Magnetism* delivered by Dr. Jaikumar, Voorhees College and Dr. Saravanakumar, Muthurangam Govt. Arts College. A two-day workshop on *Android Botix* was organised in collaboration with e-cell, IIT Mumbai and Robokarto for the benefit of UG and PG students. III B.Sc. Physics of Shift II attended a state level Paper Presentation conducted by IIT of Astrophysics (Kavalur) and won the third place. III year students also won the shield and I Prize in a Quiz competition on *Science and Technology* held at Sacred Heart College, Tirupattur.

The Association of Computer Application plays a vital role in making students participate in various events at institutional, group and National levels to develop organizational skills in students. The Shift II Association was inaugurated by Ms. Sivapriya, Director of Redback IT Solutions Private Limited, Vellore. The department extended its helping hand by imparting basic computer knowledge to the poor students of Honnegar Ashram Girls High School, Vellore.

The Association of Communication Media conducted activities like *Tamasha* encouraging students to make decorative live models with media kit and *PIC PRO* under the title *Wizcraft* showcasing pictorial exhibits. A one-month intense internship training program in the field of print media was arranged for I PG students as part of the curriculum. An educational trip to Hyderabad enhancing knowledge on Historical forts and monuments besides visiting Ramoji Film City was arranged. Focusing on creative techniques on lighting and photography, a One-day Workshop was conducted presided by Mr. Karthik from the Advertising Agency.

The National Service Scheme conducted an Orientation Programme chaired by Dr. N. Raja, Rheumatologist, Padma Vijay Rheumatology Health Care Centre, Sathuvachari, Vellore. The volunteers participated in *Salam to Kalam* Contest organized in collaboration with Audacious Dream Foundation. In commemoration of Vellore Sepoy Revolt 1806, a programme was organized in collaboration with Tamil Nadu Progressive Writers Forum. In connection with Vision of Fortnight Celebration, an orientation programme was organized in collaboration with District Administration. Honourable District Collector of Vellore, Mr. S. A. Raman, presided over the function. Dr. Suresh, Director District Health Department and Mr. Manogar Singh, Joint Director, Rural Development delivered the keynote address. The NSS Unit of Auxilium College took part in the Samvidhan Divas - The Jagrik Project, collaborating with Audacious Dream Foundation. 30 NSS Volunteers were involved in this project. The NSS Unit had organized a Conference on *Empower Youth to Empower the Nation*. Dr. Raja Sekaran, Tamil State NSS State Liaison Officer, Dr. Senthil Kumar, NSS Coordinator, Thriuvalluvar University, Ms. Sivakami, IAS and Mr. Samas, Center Page Editor, The Hindu were the chief guests.

The National Cadet Corps unit offered its services in the *2nd International Day of Yoga* celebrations. The students took part in the Mini Marathon organised by the Income Tax Department. The unit proudly appreciates Candidate Shanmughapriya of II BA English for having participated in the Independence Day Celebration Parade organised by I (TN) Girls' Bn NCC and Cdt. Kaviya of II BA English 'B' who took part in the National Games 2017 held in Delhi. A demonstration and detailed program on fire-fighting was organized by the NCC in allegiance with the Dept. of Fire and Rescue Services, Katpadi. 10 cadets took part in National Integration Camp, Trichy and won an individual trophy in the debate. A workshop on *Digital Payment* was organized as per the protocol of Prime Minister Shri Narendra Singh Modi. An awareness program on *Traffic Rules and Regulations* was organized. 9 cadets took part in the Madras Republic Parade organised by I (TN) Signal, Chennai.

40 AICUF students participated in a Street Play Training Programme, assisted by Dr. Parthiba Raja, Professor Dept. of Tamil, Sacred Heart College, Tirupattur and his research scholars. The unit Adviser Dr. (Sr.) Regina Mary and AICUF students were appreciated by the NAAC Peer Team, who visited the Sri Lankan Refugee Camp at Abdulapuram, for the humanitarian service offered to the refugees. Christmas was celebrated with the refugees. The UNO theme on *Violence against the Women and Girl children* was depicted through a street play on the Human Rights Day.

The Career Guidance and Placement Cell focuses on the assistance and guidance for the students in discovering their strengths, sharpening their interests and planning for their career development through various programmes such as orientation seminars, training programmes on soft skills, etc. Final year undergraduate students were given orientation under the guidance of Mr. Rajesh Thomas, Professional Soft Skill trainer from C2C Chennai in a Soft Skills Training Programme. Various sessions on verbal and non verbal skills, personality development, interview techniques, mind map and group discussions were also conducted. HDFC Bank, AGS Health Care, Anuvrat Vidyalaya CBSE School and I Square Consultancy conducted Campus Interview and of the 500 students who participated in the placement program organized by Auxilium College Placement Cell, around 200 got selected. CTS and Nation Star Services Private Ltd conducted the campus Interview at VIT and 2 students were selected.

Kanali Women Cell affirms that women are a unique creation and enables them to experience *Sakthi* within themselves. A3-day training cum workshop was organized at the intercollegiate level on *The Protection of Children: Anti Human Trafficking Initiative* as a joint venture with National Development Forum (NDF) of Salesian Sisters, India and the International Justice Mission (IJM) to promote justice, integrity and human dignity in young women. Forty three

students from various colleges participated in the event. To promote Gender Justice a program on *Understanding Boy-Girl Relationship* was conducted in Don Bosco Matriculation schools, Katpadi. Every month, *NOOLVIRUNDU* a programme on reading habits will be initiated for women-residents around the college from March 8, 2017, enabling them to explore opportunities and develop knowledge.

The Tamil Reading Club helps both faculty and students to develop knowledge and to be abreast with contemporary publications.

The Youth Red Cross Club was inaugurated with a lecture on the *Aim and motto of Youth Red Cross* delivered by Dr. Moses, Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, Muthurangam Arts College, Vellore. The coordinator participated in the group discussion with regard to Geneva Convention conducted by the district YRC president of Vellore Mr. Indranath at the YRC headquarters. YRC Co-coordinators, Chennai, conducted an Event on First Aid Training Program. 31 students participated in a 2-day program on *First Aid Training by Indian Red Cross Society*, Chennai.

The VIDES adopted two villages, Thirumani and T.K.Puram for rendering service to the children studying in Government Schools around the village. The students prepared a short cultural programme to entertain the physically challenged children of Mother Teresa's Home at Shempakkam. The NAAC Peer Team met the members and parents at the Don Bosco Youth Centre, TK Puram and appreciated their voluntary services.

29 **Rangers** along with their leaders Dr. (Sr.) Jaya Shanthi R. and Sr. Kanimozhi helped 120 blind children in pursuing their studies at Amalarakkini Special School for the Blind and 60 mentally ill people at Pathiyavaram in a home run by the Sacred Heart Brothers. The rangers also conducted an awareness programme on *Clean and Green Environment* to the old and young people of Narasingapuram. 14 Rangers participated in a free medical camp for 180 inmates of Amalarakkini with a team of eight doctors and two nurses from CMC administering free medicines. Some were referred to CMC for further treatment. A standard judging competition was conducted by the Don Bosco District Association for the Rovers and Rangers and Auxilium College received the overall Rolling Trophy for the best performance in all the competitions.

The Karate Club comprises of 25 members of whom 12 qualified for the Yellow Club, 8 are about to receive the Orange belt and 5 for the Blue belt. Defence and offence techniques are taught during the course.

The Debators' Club was inaugurated by J. Kamatchi, Asst Prof., Dept of Tamil MMES Coll, Melvisharam and judged on the topic *Are Good Values are taught by Parents or Teachers*. An Interdepartmental debate competition on the topic *Demonetisation* headed by Dr. Srilatha Asst Prof., Head dept of Banking and Insurance, Auxilium College. Ms.T. Aadhirai of III Biochemistry won the Best Orator Award in the Interdepartmental speech conducted on the topic *Do Youngsters have Role Models?*

The Quiz Club was inaugurated by Mr. M.Saravana Kumar, Muthurangam Government Arts College, Vellore, who motivated the students to adopt inquisitive approaches to gain knowledge and arrive at desired solutions. Quiz competitions, open to all streams, was held throughout the year on various topics which included Current Affairs, General knowledge on India, Sports, Books and Authors and Environmental Studies. The Department of Computer Science scored the highest through the entire series.

The Enviro Club Shift I was inaugurated by Dr.J.Arockia Mary, Associate Professor in Zoology. A talk and demonstration was arranged on the topic *Integrated Organic Farming* delivered by Ms. Deepalakshmi, SDFARMS Director. An Inter-club model competition on *Year of Pulses* was conducted. The Shift II Enviro Club was inaugurated by Mr. Arul Kumaran who gave useful information to students on the *Conservation of Natural Resources*. A State Level Seminar on the topic "Save Our Earth" – Green Planet '16 was presided by Mr. Alagappa Moses, Bishop Heber College (Autonomous), Tiruchirappalli. A Glass Painting competition on the Ecosystem was also conducted.

The Rotract Club was inaugurated by Rtn. D. Thirumaran. 15 members of the Rotract club took part in a leadership training programme conducted by the Rotary Club of Vellore Fort in Venkateshwara Polytechnic College. 30 members of the Rotract club participated in a Health camp conducted at Melakuppam village.

The IT Club aims at disseminating knowledge and technical skills in Computer Technology to the students. All the students of the department contributed enthusiastically in personality identification, collage, poster presentation, news collection, chart work, speech on Social Media, Collage, Group Discussion and Slogan collection competitions and mock interview.

The Media Club celebrated Christmas in Vivekananda Old Age Home, New Vasoor. They sang Christmas carols and shared the Christmas message by offering gifts to them. For Pongal Celebration, the significance of Pongal was shared with the students of the Panchayat School, Katpadi and offered stationery items to the students.

The Journalism Club was engaged in reviewing books and writing poetry to enhance their critical acumen and creative writing skills. They have also contributed articles and poems to the 16th edition of the Literary Journal *SIBYLLINE*. Reading habits of students were monitored periodically and students were interviewed for the Best Reader Award.

Red Ribbon Club conducted a *Youth Adolescent Training Programme* with Ms. Kalai Selvi, Trainer from Hope House as the resource person.

The Small Savings Club arranged guest lectures on Inculcation of Methods on Savings Habit among the Students, Post Office Savings and its Importance in Modern World. 74 depositors comprising 70 students and 4 staff are enrolled and a collection of Rs.72,000/-is deposited into the respective account every month.

The Citizen Consumer Club was inaugurated with a session on *Rights and Duties of a Consumer*. A workshop on *Consumer Guide and Empowerment* was organised in which Mr. Dass, Advocate and Director, FEDCOT was the resource person. The consumer week celebrations included a rally, exhibition cum sale of organic food products besides other activities. A seminar on *Practical aspects of Report Writing* was also conducted.

The Theatre Club screened films based on the curriculum and encouraged students to participate in a theatre-craft competition and present a wide range of theatre props and costumes. They staged plays on occasions like Christmas and College Day.

The Health and Fine Arts Club engaged students in various competitions in pencil drawing, *Wealth from Waste*, mehendi art, nail art, jewel making, painting competition on *Demonetisation and People's Reaction* and cooking competition based on *Food without Fire*.

The Women Entrepreneur Development Club organised a workshop in Embroidery work, Crochet knitting, craft work and woollen work assisted by Ms. Uma Maheshwari, Art Teacher of Montessori School. Besides being engaged in soft toy making, an exhibition cum sale was arranged to benefit the 'Self-Help Group' to observe and acquire knowledge of skills to students. A state level workshop on awareness of entrepreneurial development and a guest lecture was conducted with Dr. Emelda Lillian, Assistant Professor in Management, University of Gondar, Ethiopia sharing her views on entrepreneurial development.

As myself and Sr. Sheila Susairaj, Vice Principal are retiring from our service we thank the almighty for the wonderful providence provided during our service. With a deep sense of

satisfaction and joy, I truly feel how blessed I was during my tenure as Principal of this esteemed institution, which belongs entirely to Mary. It was God who carried me on eagle's wings and provided me a rock secure, shielding me from all harm, guiding and protecting me. I believe that there are no big secrets to success. It is only the realistic vision with a strong desire to work hard with loyalty and persistence, that has led me and I have learnt from shortcomings and challenges, and accepted the changes with trust and faith in the Almighty. Looking back at the long happy journey of 31 years in the campus, and the last eleven years as Principal, what fills my mind and heart are the happy memories of working together and moments of developments witnessed in the growth of the institution. Mary, the Queen Mother of Auxilium was guiding and sheltering us in moments of joy as well as challenges, in success as well as in failures.

I have been privileged to get the whole hearted support and cooperation of our past and present Provincials, Secretaries and Superiors, Vice Principals, Controller of Examinations, Sisters, Retired faculty members, Deans, Heads of the Departments, Teaching and non teaching staff, parents, well wishers, benefactors and my dearest students. I would be forever grateful to the loyal, unstinting and untiring support given by the entire Auxilium team during the process of going through Autonomy review as well as two NAAC Accreditation visits, which was a real exploration of what the institution is and what it desires to plan and materialize for a better tomorrow. Gratitude is the single most emotion that fills my heart now. I would like to place on record in the great history of Auxilium, the kind gesture, motivation, support and assistance rendered by many great and noble people, Honourable Bishop of Vellore, Lord Soundararaju sdb., Rectors, Fathers, Superiors and Sisters of neighbouring institutions, Regional Joint Directors, Collector, Vice Chancellors and Registrars, Thiruvalluvar University, Dr. Srinivas, Joint Secretary, UGC, Hyderabad, Senators, Principals of neighbouring Colleges, respected members from the Police Department, dear friends from the media and press, Officers from the Electricity Board, Telecom Services and all other supporters.

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It was an exciting ongoing journey that helped the institution to keep abreast with the modern and current trends in academic practice, winning laurels in terms of quality. The Auxilium family marches ahead with unwavering faith, abundant hope and benevolent blessings from the Almighty, appreciating the commitment and dedication of every individual of the management, teaching and non-teaching fraternity, parents and students of Auxilium. Let us march together in taking Auxilium to greater glory under the comforting mantle of Mother Mary, Queen and Mother of Auxilium College. **Thank you.**