

Annual Report 2018-2019

"I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me."

Philippians 4:13

Distinguished Chief Guest of the evening, Mrs. Janaki M, IAS, Deputy Secretary, Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs, Very Rev. Mother Celine Nirmala, President of Nirmala Education Society and Superior General of our Congregation, Rev. Sr. Antony Pushpam, Vice-President of Nirmala Education Society, General Councillors, General Procurator, Rev. Sr. Mariette, Provincial, Ravel Province, Provincial Councillors, Rev. Dr. Sr. Ruby Alangara Mary, Secretary, Nirmala College for Women, Rev. Dr. Sr. Arulseeli A, Vice-Principal and Superior, Nirmala Convent, Rev. Fr. Jerome RDE, our chaplain, Rev. Fathers, Sisters, Parents, Benefactors, Well-wishers, Media, Alumni, Members of the faculty both past and present and my dear students, I extend a warm welcome to you all on this auspicious occasion of our 71st College Day celebrations.

Every achievement is a servitude. It encourages us to aspire for and work towards a higher achievement. Martin Luther has well said that intelligence plus character is the goal of true education. As darkness can be removed only by light and hatred by love, so one's ignorance can be eliminated and one's intellect can be illumined by good education. Nirmala College for Women takes great pride to be in the forefront for exhibiting such lofty vision in the field of Higher Education, overcoming and outgrowing different challenges, struggles and pitfalls. Our College has always laid and attained great standards not only in academic excellence but also in value education and community service. Our mission to fulfill the dreams of enthusiastic families and societies and enriching the lives of the student community has been successful for the past 71 years. Realizing the role of educational institutions in moulding productive students and shaping desirable innovations and changes in the society, our college fraternity and beloved students stand tall and ever ready. In pursuit of this ideal, we have worked on, **"If Not I, Then, Who? If Not Now, Then, When?"**

as the theme of our mission and activities of this year reiterating the role of youth and significance of time in realizing our towering dreams. Acknowledging my humble yet immense gratitude to the Lord, we remain greatly rooted to a strong organizational culture with utmost dedication and commitment. With a profound sense of accomplishment, I am glad to present the Annual Report highlighting the major achievements of our College during this year 2018-19.

We are extremely glad and feel privileged to have Mrs. Janaki M, IAS, Deputy Secretary, Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs, Govt. of India, a proud alumna of our institution with us to grace this occasion. With her long years of extensive expertise and dedication, we are sure to be enlightened on matters of practical knowledge and experience which will enable us to meet the challenges of the modern world.

College Union

The office bearers are elected by the students to execute the affairs of the Union under the guidance of the Principal. Through this system, our students get trained in shouldering responsibilities in representing the student community and contributing to the pursuit of harmony and good organization.

Academic Excellence

With the consistent endeavour and dedicated service of the management and staff, we have succeeded in maintaining a high level of scholastic excellence this year too. The following results stand proof for the same:

Batch 2015-2018 Under-graduate courses

English (Aided and SF), Mathematics (Aided and SF), Chemistry, B.Com (Aided), B.Com CA, B.Com PA, Computer Science, BCA, Information Technology and BBA have secured 100%

Economics and Botany 98%, Zoology 97%, History 95% and Geography 85%

Batch 2015-2018 Post-graduate courses

History, English, Chemistry, Botany, Bio-Informatics, Zoology, Geography, Computer Science, Commerce have secured 100% and Mathematics 97%.

Farewell

Endowed with genuine good will and love for this institution three of our dear faculty are retiring this year from their extensive service:

- Dr. Miriam E. R, Head and Associate professor of Geography, retires after 33 years of highly committed service. Very systematic and disciplined in her academic and co-curricular activities, Dr. Miriam E. R has always championed the cause for eco friendly environment. Highly motivated, she has instilled in her students a love for eco friendly products and has inspired them to making of paper bags as a departmental activity, which has won great acclaim from the public.
- Mrs. Dhayamarie Rexina A, former Dean of Student Affairs and Head, Department of Chemistry, retires after a laudable service of 33 years. As Dean of Student Affairs she executed her duties with commitment and compassion on bringing the student community together to work in harmony, and endowed to inculcate the spirit of comradeship, social values and principles of personal intelligence. Mrs. Dhayamarie Rexina A with rich subject knowledge has carved a niche in the hearts of the Nirmalites.
- Rev. Dr. Sr. Arulseeli A, the Vice Principal of our college and the Head of the Department of Tamil retires after 19 years of distinguished service. Reputed for her perseverance and commitment, Dr. Sr. Arulseeli A nurtured the Department of Tamil and has been instrumental in introducing Tamil as a Major discipline. Her research publication, organizing of programmes related to the rich Tamil culture and tradition is commendable.

Faculty

Higher education ignites hope, instills passion for learning and develops skills along with academic excellence. Scholarship and dedication of teaching faculty eventually sculpts holistic personalities of students. By their upgradation of research and experience, our members of faculty become instrumental in imparting knowledge and wisdom enabling the stake holders meet different challenges. Here are the achievements of our faculty:

- Mrs. Elvina Mary, Assistant Professor of Mathematics and Dr. Devi Prasanna R, Assistant Professor of B.Com CA cleared the SET exam.
- 7 members have presented papers at International conferences in India.
- 41 members have presented papers at National conferences in India.
- 7 staff members have presented paper at state level conference in India.
- 108 papers of our faculty members have been published in International Journals.
- 60 papers published in National Journals and 1 in State Level Journal.
- 7 members have served as Resource Persons in various Institutions.
- 10 Staff members have served as Subject experts.
- 7 Staff contributed as BOS members.
- 3 members have contributed as Reviewers and Editors of Journals
- 4 faculty members have served as External Examiners
- 18 Faculty members have attended Faculty Development Programmes.
- 3 members attended Refresher Course and 12 faculty members attended Orientation Programmes.
- 91 faculty members attended various training programmes and workshops.

Books Published

Our College takes pride in acknowledging our appreciation to the ardent efforts of our teachers, who have authored and edited quality books.

- Our College has published a compilation for the Undergraduate course of Environmental Science titled, *Environmental Studies* and a book for Value Education, titled, *Cultivating Harmony*
- Dr. Maheswari P, Asst. Prof. of Tamil, has published a book titled, **நாட்டுப்புறகதைபாடல்களில் பழமொழியின் ஆளுமையும் சமூகவெளிப்பாடும்.**
- Mrs. Folentia Kamal J, Dr. Elizabeth A, Dr. Kavitha A and Dr. Leema Rosaline S have jointly authored and published a book titled, *Know Your Commerce*.
- Dr. Vasudha V. G, Former Head and Associate Prof. of Chemistry, along with Dr. Gunavathy N, Asst. Prof of Chemistry, has published a **Laboratory Manual for Volumetric Analysis and Applied Practicals.**
- Dr. Gunavathy N, has published one more **Laboratory Manual on Organic Chemistry and Gravimetric Analysis.**
- Dr. Renjini P, Asst. Prof. of History has published a book titled, *Directorate of State Archives: An Analytical Study.*

Seminars/Workshops Organized

- Dept. of History organized Symposium on Research Methodology and Funding Agency – Recent Trends.
- Dept. of Economics organized a Seminar on Environmental Sustainability.
- Dept. of English (Aided) organized a national Conference on Gender Sensibility – Exploration through Literature.
- Dept. of Mathematics (Aided) organized 3 Workshops on Advanced Excel, LATEX and Data Analysis in PYTHON.
- Dept. of Chemistry organized a Seminar on Contemporary Research Fields in Chemistry and a Workshop on “Orientation Workshop in Chemistry for National Level Competitive Examination”, Intercollegiate Meet, “Chemflair 19”.

- Dept. of Botany organised National Seminar cum Exhibition on Alternative Indian System of Medicine and 5 Workshops on Recent Scenario in Plant and Microbial Technology, Microtomy, Mushroom Technology, Permanent Slide Preparation and Artificial Jewellery Making.
- Dept. of Zoology organized a Seminar on Advances in Biological Sciences Research and 3 Workshops on Separation of DNA/Protein by Electrophoretic Method, Bio Informatic Tools and its Applications and Silk Reeling.
- Dept. of Geography organized 2 Workshops on Menstrual Hygiene and Environment and Eco Enzymes for Healthy Environment; Symposium cum Exhibition on Day Zero and traditional Water Wisdom.
- Dept. of Computer Science, B.C.A & IT organized 2 Workshops on Digital marketing and Python Programming.
- Dept. of Commerce organized 2 Workshops on Computerized Accounting and E – Filing, Intercollegiate Competition on Business Practices.
- Dept. of Commerce CA and PA organized a Workshop on Personality Development.
- Dept. of BBA organized HR – Conclave on Recruitment Trends.
- Dept. of English (SF) organized National Seminar on Eco – Criticism and 2 Workshops on Business English and Art of Writing, State Level Intercollegiate Meet – LITERARY ZEPHYR 2018.
- Dept. of Mathematics (SF) organized a Workshop on Photoshop.
- Dept. of Bioinformatics organized a National Conference on Futuristic Inticate Stratagems in Computational Genomics.
- The College Central Library organized a Seminar and an Orientation Workshop on Open Access E- resources for Research and INFLIBNET for research scholars.

Other Departmental Activities:

- 103 Guest Lectures, 7 skill-training programmes, 9 Intra-Collegiate Competitions and 4 Intra-Collegiate programmes were organized by various departments.
- The Department of Tamil organized two debates on the topics, “சுதந்திரகனவுகள்மலர்ந்துள்ளதா? மலரவேண்டுமா?” and “இன்றைய சூழலில் மகிழ்ச்சியானவாழ்க்கை கிராமத்திலா? நகரத்திலா?”

Awards

- Dr. ManjuKumari K, Assistant Professor, Department of English (SF) received the Best Faculty Award from Nehru Group of Institutions, Coimbatore.
- Dr. Kavitha Devi M., Assistant Professor, Department of Tamil has received the “இளங்கவிமுரசு” Award from the கோவை வசந்த வாசல் கவி மன்றம்.

IQAC

The Internal quality Assessment Cell of the College functions to maintain and set quality standards for Academic excellence. Consistent innovations and efforts are adopted to uphold the ideals of education offered at Nirmala. The following are the activities of IQAC:

- Orientation Programme on “Relation Between the teacher and the Stakeholders” for the teaching Staff.
- Orientation Programme on ‘Dedication on Profession’ to the supportive staff.
- 2 Workshops conducted on Outcome Based education
- Incorporation of Outcome Based Education into the curriculum
- Regular classes for Online Courses like Spoken tutorial and SWAYAM
- Acquiring DST FIST grant for Research and development

- Presentation and publication of 99 Research papers in Nirmala Annual Research Congress
- Registration of staff and students under Swayam Online Portal and National Digital Library.
- Digitalization of Examination process and Evaluation
- Certificate Course on “Solar Energy and its applications”.
- Spoken Hindi Diploma Course for the students.
- Hands-on training in the use of Microsoft Excel and Power Point Presentation for the office staff.

Research

Research has been our important parameter for success and has been an integral part of our curriculum.

This year 9 Ph.D's and 24 M.Phils. have been produced. The details of the Ph.D's produced are as follows:

Dr. Amirthajothi, Dr. Geethamallika Dr. Vasudha V.G, Dr. Sheeba Frederic, and Dr. Indirani K, retired faculty from the department of history, chemistry, English and mathematics respectively produced one Ph. D candidate each. Dr. Dhanalakshmi B Asst. Professor of zoology has produced one Ph. D candidate and Dr. Kavitha Asst. professor of commerce has produced three Ph. D candidates.

This year the following staff members received their Doctorate Degrees:
Ms. Anbarasi K, Sr. Kulandai Therese S, Ms. Dhivya P from the Department of Chemistry; Ms. Gayathiri K and Ms. Beula Princy S. from the Department of Computer Applications and Ms. Roseline Mary Clare Department of Computer Science, Mrs. Shanmuga Priya G., Department of Economics and Mrs. Helen Rita A., Department of Tamil

The following staff members have submitted their thesis and are awaiting their Viva-voce examination – Mrs. Suganthi A., Department of Botany, Mrs. Meenakshi P., Department of Geography; Mrs. Geetha B., Department of Economics, Mrs. Candace

JessinGraceta C., Department of English SF and Mrs. Maria Presenti L., Department of Mathematics SF

Mrs. Chithra G., Department of Zoology: Ms. Harsha M. Pandiya, Department of English; Mrs. ShagayaAngelin Mary J., Department of B.Com CA and Mrs. PriyaPremalatha, Department of History have submitted their synopsis.

Students' Participation and Achievements:

- Corporal Steffy Mary Thomas attended Republic Day Parade at New Delhi.
- Sr. Vinnarasi Ph. D scholar, department of Tamil has cleared NET exam.
- Ms. Ananthi S. Dept. of Tamil, Ms. Aswathi P.V. department of Zoology and Ms. PrincyR Department of mathematics have cleared the SET Exam.
- Ms. SudhaPriya, Dept. of Zoology has cleared the TNPSC Group 4 Exam
- Ms. Sneha S. of economics has passed the Post Office P.A.Exam and Sharmila A.R of Chemistry cleared the Axis Bank Exam.
- Few students have served as British Council invigilators and Resource Person for motivational talk.
- 11 Papers have been published in International Journals and 78 in National Journals by our students.
- 20 students presented their papers in International Conferences in India and 97 students in national conferences and seminars.
- 65 students attended various workshops and 140 students attended Seminars and Conferences organized by different institutions.

Students' enrollment for Additional Courses:

- 820 students registered for courses offered by the Spoken Tutorial Project of IIT Bombay, funded by National Mission on Education through ICT, MHRD, Government of India.
- 471 students have enrolled for SWAYAM online courses.
- 27 students have taken up various diploma courses.

- 63 students have enrolled for different certificate courses
- 118 students have registered for Career Oriented Programmes and 14 students for Entrepreneurship Programme.

Memorandum of Understanding (MoU)

The departments have signed MoU with various organizations

- Department of English with YourVideoz’s “FIRM” for Digital Content Designing.
- Department of Economics with Mythe Creators for Certificate Course in Desk Top Publishing.
- Department of Mathematics (Aided) with YRSK Technologies for Enhancing Technical Excellence and also signed an MoU with Udaan Technologies.
- Department of Botany with Ramya Nursery, Coimbatore.
- Department of Zoology with Centre for Bioscience and Nanoscience Research Pvt Ltd, Coimbatore
- Department of Mathematics (SF) with Institute of Multimedia Arts and NCC Graphic Effects for Image Creative Education.
- Department of Computer Application with Adoro Institute of Multimedia for Hands -on - training.
- Department of Information Technology with Nettel Solutions India for Hands - on – training.
- Department of Computer Science with Shrishtie Academy for Hands -on – training.
- Department of Commerce have signed 4 Mou’s with
 - The Institute of Advanced Computing (TiaC) for Computer Application in Business.
 - Plot out Solutions for Tally & GST.
 - Digital Marketing, AJD Hub for Digital Marketing

- The Institute of Advanced Computing (TIAC) for Digital Commerce
- Department of Commerce CA & Commerce PA with CSC Computer Education for Tally
- BBA with Outreach Foundation India, Coimbatore
- Department of Bioinformatics with ISDC for International Skill Development Corporation.

Grants and Funds Received from the UGC

The college is happy to receive the following grants and funds from the UGC

- Rs. 16,00,000 as Autonomous fund for the year 2018-19
- Rs. 4,00,000 as Autonomous fund for the year (2017-2018)
- Rs. 51,752 as Travel Grant to Rev. Dr. Sr. Arulseeli A of the dept. of Tamil
- Rs. 1,43,787 as Travel Grant to Dr. Julia Rose Mary of the dept. of Mathematics
- Rs. 1,16,000 to Dr. Sahaya Sudha, Asst. Prof. of Mathematics towards Minor Project.
- Rs. 40,000 to Dr. Sr. Arul Sheeba Rani, Asst. Prof. of Botany towards Minor Project
- Rs. 26,000 to Dr. Sr. Regina, Asst. Prof. of Tamil towards Minor Project
- Rs. 22,000 to Dr. Sr. Arulseeli A, Associate Prof. of Tamil towards Minor Project
- Rs. 5115 to Dr. Kavitha, Asst. Prof. of Commerce towards Minor Project

Funds Received from Other Agencies

- Rs. 1,31,786 from Indian Academy of Sciences to dept. of Botany
- Rs.6,12,272 from DBT, Ministry of Science and Technology
- Rs. 96,000 of Fellowship Stipend from Directorate of Collegiate Education, Chennai to Sr. Vinnarasi, Ph.D Scholar, dept. of Tamil

- Rs. 50,000 from Tamil Nadu State Council for Science and Technology to Dr. Mary Josephine A of the dept. of Botany

Scholarships

The college supports a number of economically backward students by providing monetary benefits and helping them to avail scholarships.

- Management Contribution towards students fee concession has benefitted 90 students with an amount of Rs.8,83,000
- Students Aid Fund by staff has benefitted 73 students with an amount of Rs.58,000/-
- BC scholarships - 420 students
- SC & ST- 358 students
- Minority Scholarships - 120 students.
- Adi Dravidar Welfare Loan Scholarship - 15 students
- Chief Minister's Merit scholarship - 1 student
- Annai Teresa Trust Scholarship - 2 students.
- 15 Students have applied for Indira Gandhi Single Girl Child Scholarship
- Attitude trust scholarship - 30 students
- Shanthi Gears Scholarship- 6 students with an amount of Rs.6,000 each.
- Kamaraj Arakattalai- 3 students with an amount of Rs.3,000 each.
- A.M.M. Murugappa Chettiar Scholarship - one student.
- Kalki Sadasivam Memorial Trust Scholarship - one student.

LIBRARY

Our library endeavours to inculcate the spirit of learning and research through innumerable variety of books and E-resources. To equip the students in the usage of library, a certificate course in Library and Information Science has been offered and 39 students successfully completed the course. To upgrade the reservoir of books, a

project proposal for Central Financial Assistance under the Scheme of financial assistance for preservation and conversion of manuscripts, rare books, old and rare documents has been applied. NPTEL – National Programme on Technology Enhanced Learning software has been installed this year for the advancement of learning. A One day workshop for Research Scholars and a one day seminar for PG students on “Open Access E-Resources for Research & INFLIBNET” has been organised to enhance the students in the domain of research. To nurture the habit of reading, various prizes such as Best User of the library and competition like Book review has been conducted.

Best Practices:

Knowledge attains perfection when put into practice. To sharpen the varied skills of the students, the departments render the following best practices:

Paper Bags

I would like to place on record on the highly commendable activity of the Department of Geography in prompting eco- friendly environment. The students of geography, under the guidance of their faculty, have till date made more than one lakh paper bags which have been well received by the public and won accolades and awards for the Department.

Solar Initiative

The college takes pride in using solar energy to generate 56.87 KWp clean solar electricity. This system has contributed to environmental sustainability in the campus, and the cost savings will also contribute to financial stability of the college in the years ahead. Beyond the cost savings, solar power is the key component of our college’s long term sustainability strategy, as we seek innovative ways to reduce carbon footprints.

Go- Green Revolution

To reinforce the sustainability of our environment, all the departments have taken “Go Green” as their watchword and brought forth varied initiatives to create a green ecological surrounding in the campus. For conservation of nature and to engender awareness among students, diverse strategic plans and implementations were

accomplished in the building of ponds, maintenance of the lawns and medicinal garden. Continuous efforts are being taken for a clean campus and steady measures towards complete eradication of plastics in the campus.

CLUBS AND ASSOCIATIONS

Our college sizzles with many activities through various associations and clubs to enhance the quality of our students' academic abilities and their innate potential. The wide gamut of various clubs encompasses Literary and Debating Association, Readers' Club, Writers' Club, Elocution Club, Drama Club, Eco Club, Consumer Club, Energy Club, தமிழ்மன்றம், Maths Wing and Planning Forum.

MORAL INSTRUCTION AND CATECHISM COMMITTEE

Value Education and Moral Instruction classes are held every week to impart righteous values in the young minds which will enable them to become good citizens – morally upright, socially sensitive and spiritually oriented. Dunamis - Bible Day was celebrated by conducting competitions for various colleges in Tamilnadu.

SPORTS AND GAMES

By having the defining features of perseverance and hard work, our sports students are provided with special and regular coaching with the insistence on stamina, endurance and persistence by the department of Physical Education. Subsequently, they won laurels in all of their endeavours. Amidst the mightiest list of victory, a few milestones of their commendable achievements are:

- ❖ Our college KhoKho team secured Gold Medal in Bharathiar University Inter Collegiate KhoKho tournament, which is proudly claimed to be the consecutive 5th year achievement of our college.
- ❖ Our college Power lifting team and weight lifting team secured Consecutive 5th year overall First place in Bharathiar University Inter Collegiate Power Lifting and weight lifting tournament. And our player Ms. Sowmiya A of I M.Sc. Zoology was awarded as The Best Lifter in the weight lifting tournament.
- ❖ Our college athletic team secured overall Second place in Bharathiar University Inter Collegiate Athletic meet.

- ❖ Our college Handball team secured First place in Bharathiar University Inter Collegiate Handball tournament.
- ❖ Our college Taekwondo team secured overall First place in Bharathiar University Inter Collegiate Taekwondo tournament.
- ❖ Our college boxing team secured overall First place in Bharathiar University Inter Collegiate Boxing tournament.

Crown of all the achievements, our college has won Consecutive 28th year Bharathiar University Intercollegiate Over All Championship Trophy for Sports and Games for the year 2017 – 2018. This year also our college has topped in the overall points table with 69 points. Along with this triumphant team efforts, the following 9 students of our college represented National Level.

- ❖ Ms. Dharshini S of III BA History has represented Tamilnadu State team and secured Silver medal in 24th South Zone Junior National Kho-Kho Championship held at Hyderabad.
- ❖ Ms. Sakthi S of III BA History and Ms. Sowmiya D Mary of I BBA represented Tamilnadu State team and secured Gold medal in Doubles and Five match. In this tournament, Ms. Sakthi S has been awarded as the Star of India.
- ❖ Ms. Logamuthra S. K of III B.Com represented Tamilnadu state team and secured Silver medal in High Jump in 30th South Zone Junior Athletic Championship held at Telungana.
- ❖ Ms. Dharshini S and Ms. Renganayaki K of III BA History represented Tamilnadu State Team and secured Bronze medal in 29th South Zone Junior National KhoKho Championship held at Mahabunagar.
- ❖ Ms. Sakthi S of III BA History represented Tamilnadu State team and secured Silver medal in 41st South Zone Ball Badminton Championship held at Dindigul.
- ❖ Ms. Srinithi V of I BA History represented Tamilnadu State Taekwondo team and secured Bronze medal in 38th National Junior Kyorugi Taekwondo Championship held at Chennai.

❖ Ms. Pavithra K of I BBA represented Tamilnadu state in 31st South Aquatic Championship held at Vijayawada and secured Bronze medal in Water Polo Competition.

23 students of our college represented Bharathiar University at South Zone/ All India Inter University level in various sports and games. Ms.Muthuselvi M of III BA History represented Bharathiar University Volley ball team and secured second place in South Zone Inter University Volleyball tournament held at Andhra Pradesh.

With this vast record of accomplishments, our sports team continues to chase for more accomplishments with high competitive spirit.

NCC

Girls Division Wing of the National Cadet Corps energetically functions to promote character, discipline, comradeship and quality of leadership in young women. Our cadets actively participated in many awareness campaigns such as Annual Training Camp and Basic Leadership Camp, Anti Drugs and anti-Tobacco awareness Rally, SwachhPakhwada campaign and Swachh Bharat Summer Internship programme. 20 cadets of our college participated in Inter Group Shooting Competition. CorporalSteffy Mary Thomas attended RDC IGC camp and attended in Republic Day Parade at New Delhi.

NSS

Truly upholding the motto of National Service Scheme “Not Me But You”, our college cadets actively participated in various seminars such as “Meditation and its Significance in Day-today life”, “NSS and its Significance”, “Oath on Swachh Bharat”, “Save our Motherland”, “En Kovai En Kulam”, “Role of Youth in fulfilling the Dreams of Dr.APJ Abdul Kalam” and attended Swachh Bharat Internship programme 2018. Annual special camp for the year 2018 -2019 was conducted at Kangeyampalayam village. 132 volunteers participated with great zeal and enthusiasm and involved themselves in various community development activities. Our NSS volunteers participated in many rallies such as “Go Green Campaign”, “Anti Plastic

Usage” and “Swachh Village”. The volunteers as part of their regular duty serve as scribes for the physically and visually challenged students of higher secondary schools in Coimbatore.

EXTENSION ACTIVITIES

The motto of extension activity is to constantly motivate the students to be compassionate and humane. The activities such as Village Adoption, NECTAR, , SthreeNeedhi, Social Service League, AICUF, Youth Red Cross, Chetna and Road Safety Patrol to foster the students for their lifelong commitment for the betterment of the society.

VILLAGE ADOPTION

‘Service above Self’ has been the motto of the students’involved in Extension Service and this year the college has adopted Kangayampalayam, a village near Sullur. Students from all disciplines reach out to the village and animate people through a number of awareness campaigns.They have conducted surveys, organized medical camps and created awareness on various aspects such as self employment, food nutrition, energy conservation and counseling sessions.

NECTAR

NECTAR – Nirmala Elevates Community Through All Resources – functions vibrantly with the motto “Service to Humanity is service to God himself”. The volunteers have enlivened the spirit of serving others especially through serving the privileged. Addressing to the need of poor people, they visited Mother Teresa Old Age Home as a regular activity, along with the celebration of Christmas.

ROAD SAFETY PATROL

The RSP students are oriented in helping the public to uphold rules and regulate traffic in front of the college every morning. To highlight the significance of road safety, many orientation and awareness programme such as Fundamental Principles of Road Safety Patrol, Responsibilities and duties of RSP cadets and Role of Volunteers in Road Safety Patrol were organized. To commemorate the third anniversary of our former beloved President of India Dr. ABJ Abdul Kalam competitions such as Poem

composing and Recitation were conducted. Our college RSP cadets participated in 2019 Republic Day Parade held at Nehru Stadium, Coimbatore.

SNEHA POSITIVE FACES

Sneha – Positive faces is a praiseworthy wing of Nirmala which endeavours to strike the vibrant chords of meaningful life by rejuvenating the HIV patients.

This year Department of Mathematics has successfully accomplished this noble mission by helping in conducting periodical medical health check up, distributing free medicine, supplying nutritious food and packing medicines on the first Sunday of every month.

SERVICE TO MANKIND:

Other service clubs like Shree Nidhi, Social Service League, Chetna, AICUF have been actively spreading awareness on women's rights, Human rights, women empowerment, Drug Addiction, Eye donation among the students and public.

PLACEMENT CELL

The Placement cell of Nirmala serves as a great driving force for the students to compete with the variety of job opportunities in the current global market. The placement cell and career guidance cell has signed an MOU with Explore Academy to impart Aptitude, Logical reasoning and soft skills to enhance the employability of the students. Currently, 824 final year UG students of all disciplines are a part of this session. HireMee, our assessment partner as per online memorandum of understanding, conducted psychometric assessment for 800 final year UG students for their self evaluation. For off campus recruitment, nearly 500 students appeared in various companies such as Cognizant, Infosys, TCS, Thyrocare Technologies, Evolet Technologies and Thy Dream Tech; And for On Campus recruitment, nearly 350 students participated in varied business sectors. Amidst all, 72 students got selected and the others are awaiting for their results.

STUDENT AFFAIRS

To cultivate safe and supportive learning environment, the Students Affairs Committee organises many orientation programmes, guest lectures and motivational

talks such as Mr. Sagayam IAS's enthusiastic address on "Say no to Corruption", an awareness meeting on "Village, the Backbone of our country", an orientation on "Health and Hygiene" and on "Women's Rights: Issues and Challenges. Formal functions such as the Union inaugural, Fresher's Day, 34th Graduation Day and Independence day, Teachers Day, Christmas Day and Pongal were celebrated with solemnity and with the festive spirit to befit the occasions.

FINE ARTS

Fine Arts Association is committed to sharpen each student's individual creative potential in every art form. This academic year opened many new avenues to explore the talents of the students through many competitions such as pot painting, nail art, face painting, classical and folk dance. To encourage the competitive spirit, UNIFEST – an inter departmental cultural event has been conducted every year. The students are persistently motivated to take part in varied inter collegiate competitions to enhance their confidence and improve their artistic skills.

FORT

To connect the retired faculty to the college and to each other, the college formed a FORT – Family Of Retired Teachers Club. The club has met the fondest expectation of the retirees and the bonding has become stronger than ever and we look forward to pleasant fellowship in the years ahead.

FROSS

This club was created to bring together all the retired supportive staff. Nirmala College takes joy in providing a platform to the supportive staff retirees to further their fellowship and selfless contribution to the college.

PTA

Parents Teachers Association binds the relationship between the Parents and the teaching fraternity. The interactions have fostered harmonious understanding between the students, the teachers and the parents.

Thus, the academic year 2018 -2019 proved to be an ever-glittering page in the magnificent Book of Nirmala in both academic and various other activities with glorious accolades which spins around the vibrant theme **“If Not I then, Who, If Not now then, when?”** and accelerating the rate of progression for the upcoming years. The students have excelled in all walks of academic life by utilizing their potentials to the maximum, thereby asserting the golden words of Swami Vivekanandha, “The Supreme value of Youth period is incalculable and indescribable. Youth Life is the most precious life.”

Gratitude

It is my pleasure to offer felicitations to our Superior General Very Rev. Mother Celine Nirmala who has been rendering yeoman service to the Presentation Congregation and all the Institutions associated with it. Very Rev. Mother Celine Nirmala has served as the President of the Nirmala Education Society for the past twelve years.

Mother, you have been our shepherd of souls, guiding and directing us in all things spiritual, by way of example and through your noble ideals. You have reached out to every segment of our Congregation- schools,colleges, General administration, hospital and the convents.With a cheerful heart you have been executing your duties because of your great love for God and have been a fine example of ‘the living teaching of the great law of Charity’.

It gives me happiness to say that we recognise, respect and appreciate all the valuable ideals and knowledge which you have shared with the sisters, faculty and students of Nirmala College. You have always been an integral part of Nirmala and worked tirelessly to transform the college to what it is today.Your commitment and the dedication have gone a long way in establishing the identity of the college, the legacy that will stay in the memory of the faculty and the students in the years to come.

Inspite of your multifarious tasks you have always found time to participate in all the important events and the administrative meetings with great zeal and share your thoughts, guiding us in our academic journey. Highly organised, with a deep knowledge of the administration of the college, with great clarity of thought and

expression you have translated your vision into academic and administrative activities with total involvement.

Mother, we the sisters, faculty teaching and non- teaching, Retired staff, students and Alumni express our sincere gratitude for your exceptional contribution to realising the spiritual and educational programmes and the development of the Congregation. It is needless to say that you have set excellent standards in your spiritual life.

Mother at this juncture I take the privilege of saying that you have always been a shining example of the theme of the college for this year: If not I then who ? If not now, then when?

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May the Lord Almighty glorify Nirmala in all provinces with its splendid spirit for all the days ahead!

Thank you and God Bless You!!!