

# **NIRMALA COLLEGE FOR WOMEN (AUTONOMOUS)**

## **College Annual Report 2020-2021**

**Jesus replied, “They do not need to go away. You give them something to eat.”**

**Mathew 14:16**

Nirmala College for Women the dream of our Fr. Ravel, established with a great vision to empower women through education, has completed 73 long years of unstinted success. The year 2020 – 2021 will go down in the annals of the college history as something unique and unprecedented. The outbreak of the pandemic brought with it untold miseries worldwide. Every cloud has a silver lining, and in spite of the total turn of events, we at Nirmala College with the grace of the Almighty and the blessings of founder father Ravel have completed the academic year with a new dimension, complying with all the strict regulations of Government order. With great courage and determination, the Management, Faculty both teaching and non-teaching and students played our given roles with great responsibility and here I am amidst you virtually to present the Annual report of the college for the academic year 2020- 2021.

“Today, in concrete terms, an awareness of the dignity of each of our brothers and sisters whose life is sacred and inviolable from conception to natural death must lead us to share with complete freedom the goods which God’s providence has placed in our hand, material goods and also intellectual and spiritual ones, and to give back generously and lavishly whatever we may have earlier, unjustly refused to others”.

These prophetic words of Pope Francis is in harmonious tune with the theme of our college for this academic year “Human Excellence Our Life Breath”. It has helped us to breath energy and excellence in all the activities of the college throughout the year.

## **1. COLLEGE UNION**

Every year, the office bearers of the Students Union are elected through democratic elections. But this year due to the unforeseen circumstances of the pandemic, Student Union election were not held.

## **2. ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE**

With the consistent endeavour and dedicated service of the management and staff, the college has maintained a high level of scholastic excellence this year too. All the under graduate courses of the 2017-20 batch have secured 100% results. The Post graduate courses of the 2018-20 batch offered by various departments have also secured 100% results. A special mention must be made of the excellent execution of responsibilities by the Controller of Examinations, Rev.Sr.Dr.Emelda Mary and the committed team of staff of the controller section. Their hard work and coordinated efforts helped the college to conduct the examinations on time within the stipulated framework even during this time of uncertainty.

## **3. FACULTY**

An institution of higher education is a partnership comprising of students, alumni, faculty, administrators, donors, trustees, neighbourhoods and more, which helps to build a community - and a culture. The main pillars of our Institution, the faculty are always instrumental in the holistic development of the Institution. Following are the achievements of our faculty:

- 10 faculty members have received their Doctorate degree.
- 17 members of the faculty have attended refresher courses in their respective disciplines
- 2 members of the faculty have attended orientation courses.

- 589 Faculty Development Programmes were attended by the faculty members.
- 103 Training Programmes, 1183 seminars /webinars were attended by the faculty members.
- Faculty members have participated in 34 conferences and 207 Workshops
- 16 Books with ISBN were published by 11 faculty members and 2 students.
- 64 papers have been published in National level Journals.
- 124 papers have been published in International level Journals.
- 5 Research papers have been presented by the faculty in International Conferences.
- 26 members served as Resource Persons in Conferences, Symposia and Seminars.
- 9 Staff members have served as Subject experts.
- 15 Faculty members have served as members in Board of Studies of other colleges.
- 3 members have contributed as Reviewers and Editors of Journals.
- 12 faculty members have served as External Examiners.
- 247 online courses have been completed by the Faculty members.
- Faculty members have also served in various capacities as Members of Inspection Commission, Audit Teams, Recruitment Boards and the Senate.

#### 4. BOOKS PUBLISHED

Our College takes pride in acknowledging and appreciating the ardent academic efforts of our teachers, who have authored and edited quality books:

- ❖ Dr. Anitha and Dr. Anin Leema, Assistant Professors in the Department of English have published a book **“Prose and Poetry – Semester III and IV”**.

- ❖ Dr. Candace Jessin Graceta, Assistant Professor of English (SF) has published 1 book titled, ***Beyond Horizon -An Intercontinental Anthology.***
- ❖ Dr. Sudha Sharma, Assistant Professor and Head of the Department of Hindi has published a book **“Ramkathatmak Upanyason ka Shilpgat Adhyayan”**.
- ❖ Dr. N. Gunavathy, Assistant Professor and Head, Department of Chemistry and Dr. P. Dhivya, Assistant Professor in Chemistry have jointly published a book entitled **“Personal and Home care products”**.
- ❖ Dr. K. Anbarasi, Assistant Professor in Chemistry has authored two books namely, **“Role of Chemistry in Everyday Life”** and **“Nobel Laureates in Chemistry”**.
- ❖ Dr. P. Dhivya, Assistant Professor in Chemistry has published 2 books entitled **“Chemistry for Chemists and Recent Trends in Applied Sciences and Computing Engineering (RTASC)-A Multidisciplinary approach.”**
- ❖ Mrs. K. Priya, Assistant Professor in the Department of Tamil (SF) has published two e-books **“Tamil Ilakkana Vina Vidaigal”** and **“Tamil Ilakkana Thagaval Kalanjiyam”**.
- ❖ Dr. Anandhi, Assistant Professor in the Department of Tamil (SF) has authored 2 books titled **“Tamil Sudar Vaanavil and Ilakum Ilakiamum”**
- ❖ Mrs. R. Uma Maheswari, Assistant Professor and Head of the Department of Computer Science and Ms. M. Lincy Jacqueline, Assistant Professor in Computer Science have published an e-book on **“Operating system-Objective Guide”**.
- ❖ Mrs. R. Uma Maheswari, Assistant Professor and Head of the Department of Computer Science, Ms. M. Lincy Jacqueline, Assistant Professor in Computer Science, Ms. S. Maria Sylviaa, Assistant Professor in Computer Science and Mrs. R. Ushadevi, Assistant Professor in Computer Science

have published an e-book on **“Database Administration and Management - Objective Guide”**.

- ❖ Ms. C. Clement Sherlin, Assistant Professor in the Department of Computer Science has published an e-book on **“Digital Security: Objective Guide”**.
- ❖ Mrs. R. Ushadevi, Assistant Professor in Computer Science has published e-book on **“Digital Image Processing Objective Question and Answers”**
- ❖ Mrs. Muthu Malathi, Assistant Professor in BCA has published an e-book on **“Computer Networking Skills”**.
- ❖ Mrs. Judith Jacqueline, Assistant Professor of BCA has published an e-book on **“Data Mining and Warehousing”**.
- ❖ Mrs. Kulandai Teresa, Assistant Professor in BCA has published an e-book on **“System Software-Objective”**.
- ❖ Ms. A. Aneesh Roopa, Assistant Professor in the Department of Information Technology, has published an e-book on **“Embedded System Questions and Answers”**.
- ❖ Ms. A. Aneesh Roopa, and Mrs. K. Sindhya, Assistant Professors in the Department of Information technology have published an e-book on **“Microprocessor Objective Question and Answers”**.
- ❖ Mrs. R. Uma Maheswari, Mrs. S. Maria Sylviaa and Mrs. M. Lincy Jacqueline, Assistant Professors of Computer Science have published a book titled, ***Visual Basic .Net step by step***
- ❖ Mrs. C. Clement Sherlin, and Mrs. R. Usha Devi, Assistant Professors of Computer Science have published a book titled, ***Syyarkkai Nunnarivu***.
- ❖ The College has published two books **“Cyber Security”** for the Under-graduate Students and **“Digital Security”** for the Post-graduate Students”. The following faculty members from the Department of Computer Science, BCA and Information technology have compiled the books:

❖ Ms. C. Clement Sherlin



- ❖ Mrs. S. Kulandai Teresa
- ❖ Ms. M. Muthumalathi
- ❖ Mrs. A. Mary Theresa,
- ❖ Mrs. K. Sindhya

❖ The College acknowledges their sincere efforts.

## 5. ACTIVITIES OF ALL THE DEPARTMENTS

**Department of Tamil** organized “Bharathi Vizha” and a special lecture on the topic Bharathiyin Panmuka Aalumaikal, was delivered. Pongal vizha was also conducted by the Department, Dr. Vasanthimala, Associate Professor in Tamil (S.F), P.S.G. Arts & Science College, Coimbatore spoke on the topic Tamilar Vaalvum Thaithirunalum.

**Department of Hindi** conducted a Guest Lecture on “Importance of Learning Literature” and 2 webinars on “Know Thyself” and “Develop your personality to succeed in Life and Self-Awareness” for the benefit of the Students.

**The Department of French** organized 8 Webinars on topics such as ‘Pourquoi la langue Française?, Je decouvre et j’aime la Normandie’, ‘French language, relevance and opportunities’, ‘Je Decouvre Dunkerque’ ‘Quebec and the French presence in Canada, Les iles françaises et francophones de l’océan indien, “Lyon - son histoire, sa culture and son tourisme” , Belgium: History, Culture, Diversity & Multilingualism, a Video-conference on ‘French studies and career prospects in the 21st century, a Spoken French workshop on Parlons Français and a Guest Lecture on ‘La Suisse et ses possibilités d’études’. The International Francophonie Day 2021 was also celebrated and several competitions were conducted.

**The PG & Research Department of History** proudly celebrated its Golden Jubilee and Ruby Jubilee on completion of 50 years of UG & 40 years of PG Programmes respectively. The Retired Staff Members of the Department were honoured with “Meritorious Service Award” and in commemoration of

International Women's Day, the Department honoured five Alumni with "Phenomenal Women Award".

**The Department of Economics** organized a webinar on "Kanavu Nayakan Kalam" and a Financial Awareness and Consumer Training (FACT) in association with National Centre for Financial Education (NCFE), Mumbai. National Webinars on "Gender Discrimination", "Identity" and various other competitions were also organized.

**The Department of English Literature (aided)** took pride in shooting a short film on 'Live the moment'. It was scripted, enacted and edited by the UG students of English Literature (aided). The Department has also organized an International Workshop on "World of Words – Just Write". an International Seminar on "Incredible Women"; a National Webinar on "Canonizing Womanhood- A study through Narratives, Myths and Legacies."; another Seminar on "Literature and Entrepreneurship" and competitions for students.

**Department of Mathematics (Aided)** organized a two days online workshop for CSIR-NET/SET aspirants, a one day Workshop on "Latex" and a one day Hands on Training on "Matlab". 1 International webinar and 1 National seminar on "Human values"; 1 Webinar on "Awareness about Start-up and Related Ecosystem;" were conducted.

**Department of Chemistry** organized Two days Faculty Development program on the topic "Human Excellence our Life Breath" and an International Webinar on the topic "Panoramic View of Futuristic Trends in Chemical Sciences". 3 Webinars on "Power Economics: Energy Efficiency, Conservation and Generation Strategies"; "Rhenium(I) carbonyl Complexes as Luminescent Probes and Photocatalyst for CO<sub>2</sub> Conversion" were conducted.

**Department of Botany** organized Three- days Faculty Development Program on the theme, "Life Science for Enhancing Human Life"; 2 International Webinars on "Recent and Emerging Trends in Biotechnology" and "Plant Molecular Biology in space"; 5 Webinars on "Ayurveda for Women's Health",

“Patriotism in Today's Scenario”, “Kalam’s dream of Today's Youth”, “Recent trends in Algal Biotechnology”, and “Bioanalytical Tools for Nano-Biomedical Application”; 2 Guest Lectures on “Dark reaction and Photo Respiration in Plants” ; and “Recent Techniques in Bioinformatics” . 2 Faculty Development Programs on “Challenges and Opportunities in Research” and “Life Science for Enhancing Human Life” and an Orientation Programme on “Human Excellence - Eco-friendly and Eco-spiritual” and competitions were also organized by the department.

**Department of Zoology** organized Science Academies Virtual Lecture Workshop on “Innovations and Relevance of Biotechnology”; a National Seminar on “Waste Management Strategies in India” and a Seminar on “Frontiers in Marine Resources, Biotechnology & Conservation”; 3 Online Workshops on “Environmental Biology and Developmental Biology”, “Biochemistry, Molecular biology, Biotechnology and Immunology” and “A Venture into Incubation centers and Start ups for Life Sciences”; a Certificate Course on Corel Draw for I B.Sc. Zoology students and a Hands-on training in Bioinformatics was organized for II B.Sc. Zoology students under DBT Star College Scheme. An online Internship program for I M.Sc. Zoology students on “Gene structure Prediction, Molecular Modelling and Drug Target identification” was attended by the students.

**Department of Geography** organised an International Webinar Lecture Series– Episode 1 on the topic “GIS and Remote Sensing Solutions For Post Covid -19”; 3 Guest lectures on “Essential GIS Skills”, “Current trends and Prospects of Research Using GIS in Geography” and “Start-up and Entrepreneurship in GIS” along with few competitions and an extension activity of creating awareness about preparing paper bags to the residents of Renganathapuram village.



**Department of Commerce** organised an International Webinar on “Treasury overview & underlying Technology in Wallstreet” and also offered a Government of India sponsored “Certificate Course on GST Practitioner” trained by MSME – Technology Development Centre, Chennai (CFTI). 76 students including one visually- impaired student appeared and cleared the examination. 1 International Seminar on Education and the skills; Seminar on “Start-ups and its related Ecosystem” and a Student Development Programme on “New Normal, New Thinking, New Life Post Covid 19” and few competitions.

**Department of Computer Science** organized a Three-days Women Enrichment Program on “How to Face the World Challenges Post Covid 19 as Ladies” and 2 Webinars on “Cyber Crime and Vulnerabilities” and a Workshop on “Awareness about Start – up and Related Ecosystem” and a “Hackathon”. A hands on training on Web designing and graphics was conducted by Mrs.Pooja from Sweden.

**Department of Computer Applications** Organized a Guest lecture on “Data Science” and conducted an activity “Women Empowerment and Mobile Banking” for the women of our adopted tribal village at Palamalai. An International Seminar and 2 webinars on Cyber Security and a Hackathon were also conducted.

**Department of Information Technology** organized an “International Level session on Post-Covid 19 challenges in the Indian IT Industry”; 1 Webinar on Jumpstart Social Media Engagement and a Workshop on Live SQL.

**Department of Physics** conducted 2 Webinars on “Laser and its Applications” and “Applications of Nano Material in the Solar Power Generation System”.

**Department of Commerce CA** conducted a Certification Course on Human Excellence- Our life Breath; a National Webinar on “Capital Markets - Introduction to Mutual Funds and Financial Planning”; an International Seminar

on “Consumerism”; and 2 Webinars on “Entrepreneurship on Start-ups and its related Ecosystems”, “Consumerism”

**Department of Commerce** PA organized a three-days Faculty Development Program on “Envision the Excellence in Teaching Online”, a motivational speech on “Understanding the Power of Yourself” a National Webinar on “ Impact of Rural Marketing on Indian Economy”; and 2 Webinars on “Focus on Urban Economy”; “An Insight into Start-up Culture and Emerging Careers”

**Department of BBA** organized a webinar on the topic “Understand Neuro for Successful Life” and a motivational speech on “Awakening Minds”.

**Department of English (SF)** organized an FDP on “Research Writing” and a National Webinar on the title “Thinking Eco critically: Aesthetics on Everyday Life”; 2 National Webinars on “Gender sensitivity and Equity” and a Webinar on “Awareness on Start-up”.

**Department of Mathematics (SF)** conducted 4 Webinars on the topic, “Applications of Statistics in Clinical Trials”; “Kalam and Human Values”; “Health and Hope during COVID- 19”

**Department of Bioinformatics** organized a two-days Virtual Workshop on “Tools and Databases in Bioinformatics”. 3 Webinars on “Vaccine Science in India”; “Women’s Wellness after 40” and “IPR and IP Management” and competitions for students.

**Department of E-Commerce** organized an International Webinar and a National Webinar on “Digitalization” and 2 Webinars on the topic “E-Commerce: Current and Future Trends” and “Start Up Eco System: Drivers Challenges And Pillars of Support”; a Workshop on "Pedagogy of Project report- An Overview" and an extension activity of creating door-to-door awareness about Internet Banking and Online Shopping for the residents of Palamalai Village. A 10 day skill development programme for the supporting staff of our college was organized on the topic “Business Application Software”.

**Department of Tamil (SF)** organized a National Seminar on “Irattai Kappiyangalil Vazhviyal Nerigal” and conducted an awareness program on the “Importance of following COVID -19 Preventive Measures” for the villagers of Palamalai as an extension activity; 2 International Seminars on “Kuzhanthai Thunburuthal matum Padhukaapu” and few competitions.

## 6. ACCOLADES

- Dr. Sudha Sharma, Assistant Professor & Head of the Department of Hindi, has received “**Iconic Educationist – Award**” from The Glorious Organization for Accelerated to Literacy, New Delhi.
- Dr. Priya Premalatha, Assistant Professor, Department of History, has received “**Research Excellence Award**” from the Institute of Scholars (INSC), Bangalore. She has also received the Women Researcher award from NEBA and I Can foundation, Jaipur
- Mrs. R. Meenakshi, Assistant Professor of Economics, has received “**Global Eminent Researcher Award**”, from VIJ Trust, Thirunindravur, Tamilnadu, and has also received the International Young Researcher Award, 2020-2021 from International Institute of Organized Research (I2OR).
- Dr. N. Gunavathy, Assistant Professor & Head of the department of Chemistry, has received the “**Global Eminent Academician Award**” from VIJ trust awards, Thirunindravur, Tamilnadu. She has also received an honour for her publication in the “**Thickest Book in the World**” awarded by ESN Publications.
- Dr.P.Kalaivani, Assistant professor, Department of Chemistry, has received Rs.46,238 as the final instalment for the **Major Project Start- up research grant** of Rs. 24,26,000 funded by DST SERB, Government of India.

- Mrs. K. Priya, Assistant Professor of Tamil, has received the “**Ilan thamizhar Viruthu**”, from Illan Tamilar peravai, “**Ilakkana Valamaiyar Viruthu**” from Avvai Arakattalai Thiruvaiyaru Tamil Ayya Kalvi Kalagam and “**Siva piragasarViruthu**”, from Sanga Illakiya Aiyvu Naduvam.
- Dr. S. Beula Princy, Assistant Professor of Computer Applications has received “**Best Teacher Award**” from Accent Techno Soft Pvt. Ltd., Coimbatore.
- Dr. Manju Kumari, Assistant Professor and Head of the Department of English (SF), was awarded the “**International Educator Award 21**”, Instituted by International Institute of Organised Research (I2OR).
- Dr. Candace Jessin Graceta, Assistant Professor of English (SF), has been awarded “**Best Creative Writer**” by Profound Writers, Online Writing Club, India.
- Dr. B. Jayanthi, Assistant Professor and Head of the Department of Commerce PA, was awarded the “**Teaching Excellence Award**” by Angammal Educational Trust, Vivekananda College of Arts and Science for Women, Trichengode, Namakkal District.
- Mrs. R. Sangeetha, Assistant Professor of Tamil (SF) has been awarded with “**Thiruvalluvarin Erainerich Semal Viruthu;**” and “**Ariyu Virucham Viruthu**” from Pasumai Vaasall Foundation.
- Dr. Anandhi, Assistant Professor in the Department of Tamil (SF) has an you tube channel named “**Tamil Aruvi Kuravanji**” and has uploaded 80 educational videos.
- Mrs. K. Priya, Assistant Professor in the Department of Tamil (SF) has an you tube channel named “**Tamil Manam**” which has 80 educational videos.

## 7. IQAC



The Internal Quality Assurance Cell of the college organized the following activities:

- ❖ A Webinar series on **“Criteria achievement based on the Revised guidelines of NAAC for the Mentee Institutions”** on 3rd, 4th 6th and 7th of August, 2020.
- ❖ On 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> November, 2020 a Workshop on **“Curriculum, Pedogogy and Assessment: An integrated design approach for OBE”** was conducted by Dr. Evelyn Brindha, Professor, Karunya Centre for online and Distance learning, Karunya Institute for Engineering and Sciences, Coimbatore (under UGC – Paramarsh Scheme).
- ❖ On 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> December, 2020 a Workshop on **“Outcome Attainments”** was conducted by Dr. Evelyn Brindha, Professor, Karunya Centre for online and Distance learning, Karunya Institute for Engineering and Sciences, Coimbatore (under UGC – Paramarsh Scheme).
- ❖ On 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> January, 2021 a Workshop on **“How to prepare your Institution towards the Accreditation process”** was organized. Dr Shakuntala Katre, Senior Education Consultant, NAAC, Bangalore spoke on **“The importance of accreditation and methodology of NAAC-RAF”**. Dr Ravichandra Reddy, former Acting Director, NAAC, Bangalore delivered a lecture on **“Quantitative (Q&M) and Qualitative (Q&M) metrics in the SSR of NAAC assessment and accreditation”** (under UGC – Paramarsh Program).
- ❖ On 12<sup>th</sup> February, 2021 a Workshop on **“Assessment and accreditation process of NAAC- the Do and Dont’s”** was conducted by Dr. Priya Narayanan, Assistant Advisor, NAAC, Bangalore- under UGC Paramarsh Scheme.
- ❖ A Webinar on **“NEP-2020: Structural reforms in Indian Higher education system”** was organised on 20<sup>th</sup> February, 2021. Dr.Velmurugan

Palaniaapan Shanmugham, Dean, School of Legal studies, Central University of Tamilnadu, was the resource person.

## **8. RESEARCH**

This year 16 Ph.D's were produced by 10 faculty members, 1 student will be defending her thesis on 23<sup>rd</sup> April, 2021 and three scholars have submitted their thesis and awaiting viva-voce Examination. 12 M. Phil Scholars have been produced during this academic year. The details of the faculty who have produced Ph. D are as follows:

- ❖ Dr. Aseda Fatima, Assistant Professor and Head of the Department of English has produced 5 PhD scholars.
- ❖ Dr. R. Malliga, Associate Professor and Head of the Department of History has produced 2 PhD scholars.
- ❖ Dr. Ms. R. Mary Josephine, Retired Associate Professor of Botany, Dr. U. Mary, Associate Professor of Mathematics & Dean of Student affairs, Dr. K. Julia Rose Mary, Associate Professor of Mathematics, Dr. A.Sahaya Sudha, Assistant Professor of Mathematics, Dr. A. Francina Shalini, Assistant Professor of Mathematics, Dr. Pawlin Vasanthi Joseph, Associate Professor and Head of the Department of Zoology, Dr. A. Elizabeth, Assistant Professor of Commerce and Dr. S. Leema Rosaline, Assistant Professor of Commerce and Dr. Sarada, Assistant Professor of Botany have produced 1 Ph.D scholar each.

This year 43 students for PhD and 2 students for M.Phil have been admitted through rigorous screening with Common Entrance Exam followed by personal interview.

**(i) Following staff members received their Doctoral Degrees this academic year:**

1. Dr.A.Suganthi, Assistant Professor of Botany.
2. Dr.L.Elвина Mary, Assistant Professor of Mathematics
3. Dr. Sr. M. Rosy, Assistant Professor of History
4. Dr. Priya Premalatha, Assistant Professor of History
5. Dr. Sajani Jose, Assistant Professor of Zoology
6. Dr. B. Karpagam, Assistant Professor of Zoology
7. Dr. Aarthi. P, Assistant Professor of English
8. Dr. Monica Sherly. H, Assistant Professors of English
9. Dr. A. Sreemathi, Physical Directress
- 10.Dr. Anbuselvi, Assistant Professor of Economics

**(ii) Following Staff members have submitted their thesis and are awaiting their Viva-voce examination:**

1. Sr. Vinnarasi. A, Assistant Prof. of Tamil
2. Mrs. Infanta Priyadarshini, Assistant Professor of Maths (SF)
3. Mrs. A. Franchina Mary, Assistant Professor of Geography

## **9. STUDENTS' PARTICIPATION AND ACHIEVEMENTS:**

- ❖ Ms. Kaavya V, Ms. Divya V and Ms. Sangeetha EV from the Department of Botany have cleared **State Eligibility Test, 2020**.
- ❖ Ms. Priyanka KV of the Department of Botany has cleared the Joint **CSIR-UGC NET examination**.
- ❖ Ms. Kriba R from the Department of Botany has cleared **UGC National Eligibility Test for Assistant Professors**.
- ❖ Ms. Navya, Ms. Neethu, Ms. Sara Paul and Ms. Vaiga M from the Department of Botany, Ms. Raymol.K.J., Ms. Mubashira.T.I, Ms. Lulu Fathima, Ms. Amrutha, Ms. Sahla.V.P and Sr. Vijimole.P.J. from the Department of Zoology have cleared the **Kerala Teacher Eligibility Test**.

- ❖ Ms. Sofiya G from the Department of Botany has cleared the **KVHSE-Vocational Instructor in Agriculture Examination**. Ms. Fida Afnan BM and Ms. Kaveri M from the Department of Botany have cleared **GATE-2020** and **IELTS competitive examinations** respectively.
- ❖ Ms. Vinila Dani DA and Ms. Shreemathi R from the Department of English SF have cleared **CTET Examination and Grade II Examination** respectively.
- ❖ Ms. Hema Malini and Ms. Subhiksha from the Commerce PA department have cleared **CS foundation**. Ms. Hema Varshini and Ms. Joylyn Maria from the Commerce PA department have cleared **CMA foundation**.
- ❖ Shrine Janet J. of II B.A. English (Aided) has contributed 1 poem each in the anthologies titled, *Amity- Unvoiced Hearts*.
- ❖ Ojas P. Suresh, Sneha S.A., Ann Mary Reilly A., Roselyn Saud, Mehtab Begam S.F., Abia Esther P., Architha R., Sneha Joseph, Shameema Parveen and Gladys A. of III B.A. Literature (Aided); Minu Shaji and Shivalini A. P. of II B.A. Literature (Aided) and Jennifer R. and Shirlyn of I B.A. Literature (Aided) and have served as Co-authors in Anthologies by contributing poems, short stories and quotes.
- ❖ Mala K. and Nandhini R., of the department of Geography have received First and second prize respectively and Indu A.V. and Jenita I of the department of Geography have received third prize at the 11<sup>th</sup> Indian Geographical Society's Online Talent Test 2021.
- ❖ Our Students have published 76 Research Papers in **International Journals and** have attended **591 webinars, 14 Conferences and 120 Workshops and Trainings**.
- ❖ 65 students have presented their **papers in Conferences** and 6 of them have won prizes.



- ❖ 247 students have participated in various cultural programme in different **Intra as well as Inter- collegiate competitions** and 43 prizes have been won by them.
- ❖ Ms. Ishwarya. S, II M.Sc Mathematics, was selected to attend Online summer internship at IIT, Mumbai. It is to the credit of our college that she was one among the 5 selected at the All India level. Ms. Abitha and Ms. Annie of II B.Sc (Information Technology) were selected on an All India level Competition to partake a **Summer Internship organized by IIT, Mumbai.**
- ❖ Ms. Soundarya C of II B.Sc Zoology has received a Certificate of merit from “**School Games Federation of India**” and was awarded Rs. 2,00,000/- for her achievement in Sports
- ❖ Sr.Neenu S, II M.Sc Zoology, Ms. Anto heaven Deena Blessy, Ms. Pavithra AB, Ms. C Saranya, Ms. Aishwarya KM and Ms. Bobbie Sherlyn of II M.Sc Bioinformatics have been selected and pursued their summer research training programme (SRTP-2020) organized by **CSIR-NEIST**, Assam during July 2020-August 2020.
- ❖ Ms.Tabitha Maria, Ms. Tasitha Maria, Angelin Yuvancy. S and Shrvaani. S of the Department of Information Technology has cleared the **second level of Toycathon** conducted by UGC and working towards third level.
- ❖ Ms.Darsana.P, M.Phil research Scholar in Zoology has been awarded the “**Youth of Excellence**” award by the Siragugal trust.
- ❖ Abitha O, Annie Sanjana S R and Inbamala from second year Information Technology were offered an **online internship** to write contents for developerpublish.com by Mr.Senthil Kumar, Manchester, UK for a period of 8 months from September 2020 – April 2021.
- ❖ Abitha O and Annie Sanjana S R from second year Information Technology participated in the **screening tasks of the FOSSEE**

**Semester Long Internship** and were selected as interns under Web Development offered by FOSSEE Team, IIT Bombay

- ❖ Ms. Brindha of I B.Sc Zoology, a RSP CADET participated in the World Record Program and recited a Tamil Poem composed by her and received **Poonjulai Award**.
- ❖ Angelin Yuvancy S., Shravani S. of II B.Sc. IT and Sandhiya S., Tabitha Maria and Tashitha Maria of III B.Sc. IT underwent an 45 Days Internship for Content Writing for Developerpublish.com Website and received an amount of Rs. 3000 each.
- ❖ Kathleen R of B.A. English SF won the prestigious Literary Award and Achiever of the Year Award for 2021 instituted by Awardsarc.
- ❖ Ms Sumaiya Sultan of II B.Sc Mathematics Aided and Ms. Sherrin Antony of II B.A. English Aided participated in Online quiz and Video competitions conducted by the Department of French in association with Inflexyon, French intercultural centre of Lyon, France and were awarded one-month long free virtual French class and earned e-certificates.

#### **10. STUDENTS' ENROLMENT FOR ADDITIONAL COURSES:**

- 947 different online courses were completed by our Students.
- 467 courses offered by Coursera, 47 Swayam Courses, 250 courses offered by Spoken Tutorial and 183 online courses offered by Other Universities were completed by our Students.

#### **11. MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU)**

The departments have signed MoUs with various organizations for student training, placement, internship and other academic activities:

- The Department of History has signed an MoU with the Government Museum, Coimbatore on 10<sup>th</sup> February, 2021
- The Department of Mathematics has signed an MoU with the Aakam Industrial Training and Research Institute, Coimbatore on 10<sup>th</sup> February, 2021
- The Department of Chemistry has signed an MoU with CMT Academy, Coimbatore on 22<sup>nd</sup> September, 2020. The Department has also signed an MoU with MC TECH, Coimbatore on 11<sup>th</sup> November, 2020.
- The Department of Botany has signed an MoU with Manoj Consultancy Pvt. Ltd, Madurai on 22<sup>nd</sup> March, 2021
- The Department of Geography has signed an MoU with Indian Institute of Remote Sensing (IIRS), ISRO Dehradun on 2<sup>nd</sup> November, 2020
- The Department of Commerce has signed an MoU with MSME, Government of India on 10<sup>th</sup> November, 2020. The Department has also signed an MoU with Annamalai Capital Services Private Limited, Coimbatore on 10<sup>th</sup> November, 2020.
- The Department of Tamil (SF) has signed an MoU with CMT Academy, Coimbatore on 14<sup>th</sup> September, 2020
- The Department of English (SF) has signed an MoU with Wewrite, Coimbatore, a writing forum on 1<sup>st</sup> August, 2020

## 12. GRANTS AND FUNDS:

- Received **Rs. 1,55,000/-** towards organization of Popular Lecture Series in Biotechnology by DBT, Ministry of Science & Technology, New Delhi to the Department of Zoology on 23<sup>rd</sup> September, 2020.
- Received **Rs. 26,500/-** from Science Academies to organize Virtual Lecture Workshop to the Department of Zoology on 12<sup>th</sup> February, 2021.
- DBT Sanctioned **Rs. 16,43,132/-** towards DBT Star College Scheme to the Departments of Botany, Zoology and Chemistry on 5<sup>th</sup> January, 2021.

- DBT Sanctioned **Rs. 6,52,556/-** towards DBT Star College Scheme to the Departments of Geography, Computer Science and Mathematics on 12th March, 2021.
- Received **Rs. 15,000** towards Student Project Scheme by TNSCST for two projects.

### 13. SCHOLARSHIPS

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

- ❖ The management has contributed **Rs. 10,74,500/-** towards fee for 68 students in the odd semester and 76 students in the even semester
- ❖ Students Aid Fund by staff has benefitted 75 students with an amount of **Rs.92,320/-**
- ❖ BC scholarships - 207 UG and 9 PG students amounting to **Rs. 2,41,801/-**
- ❖ MBC Scholarships – 34 UG Students and 2 PG students amounting to **Rs. 49,538/-**
- ❖ SC & ST - 232 UG students and 8 PG students amounting to **Rs.11,15,955/-** along with an application fee refund of **Rs. 17,800/-**
- ❖ SC/SCA/ST prize Scholarship of **Rs. 14,000/-**
- ❖ 54 UG students and 14 PG students have applied to Minority Scholarships from Central Sector Scheme Which is under process
- ❖ 2 UG students have applied for Minority Scholarship with disabilities which is under process
- ❖ 20 Students have applied for Indira Gandhi Single Girl Child Scholarship.
- ❖ Maulana Azad fellowship has benefitted 2 students.
- ❖ 2 students are receiving NET junior Research fellowship by UGC and CSIR.
- ❖ 2 OBC students are receiving funds from UGC under National Fellowship for OBC students.



❖ The college has instituted a trust named “We care” to aid the needy students. The following individuals and trusts have contributed towards payment of fee for the needy students.

- ❖ Attitude trust scholarship - 24 students benefitted with Rs. **1,20,000/-**
- ❖ Aalayam Foundation – **Rs. 15,000/-** to one student
- ❖ Vitae International sponsorship – 21 students got benefitted with an amount of **Rs. 1,48,000/-**
- ❖ King’s Kids Home (Orphanage) – 4 students got benefitted with an amount of **Rs. 21,000/-**
- ❖ Milacron India Pvt Ltd – **Rs. 5,000/-** to 1 student
- ❖ Sri Sivamangala Rajarajeswari Charitable trust – **Rs. 5,000/-** to one student
- ❖ Chennai Foundation – 2 students got benefitted with an amount of **Rs. 11,000/-**
- ❖ Dr. Parvatham, Retd Professor of History and Mrs. Durka, D/o Mrs. Mythily, Retd Professor of Tamil have contributed **Rs. 8,000/-** each towards fee for two students
- ❖ Islami Baithalmal Welfare Trust (ZAKATH) – **Rs. 5,000/-** to one student
- ❖ Ajit Singhvi Education and Training Trust – **Rs. 12,000/-** to one student
- ❖ Shanthi Gears Scholarship- 18 students with an amount of Rs.10,000/- each with a total of Rs. **1,80,000/-**.

#### **14. PRIZE ENDOWMENT SCHOLARSHIP**

This year 170 students have benefitted from 90 different memorial and endowment prizes amounting to **Rs. 1,28,265/-**

#### **15. LIBRARY**

The College has an incomparable Library that provides variety of books and E-resources on all subjects. A new post graduate course in Library and Information Science is offered from this academic year. To upgrade the reservoir of books, an amount of **Rs. 2,46,062/-** was spent on purchase of books, **Rs. 2,95,331/-** for subscription to journals and **Rs. 27,449/-** for subscription to magazines.

## **BEST PRACTICES**

### **16. INITIATION OF THE ACADEMIC YEAR WITH A THEME**

The theme “**Human Excellence Our Life Breath**” set the tone for the academic year 2020-2021. All the activities of the college were centered on this theme marching towards excellence through Human Service amidst the pandemic situation. The following activities were conducted by the college:

- ❖ Distribution of food packets to the needy during the pandemic amounting to **Rs.12,00,000/-** from 31st March 2020 to 17th May 2020 which was applauded by the Coimbatore Corporation.
- ❖ **Distribution of Vegetables** to the 300 tribal families of the adopted villages two times during the pandemic.
- ❖ **Donated two Arappu milling machines** worth Rs. 44,000/- to Perukaipathi and Perumpathy, the adopted villages of our College.
- ❖ Contribution of **Rs. 1,40,000/-** by the management and staff members to Mr. John, non-teaching staff of the college towards his cancer treatment.
- ❖ Distribution of Cooking Oil worth **Rs. 40,000/-** to the Home for the Aged run by Little Sisters of the Poor, Thindal, Erode.
- ❖ Disbursement of Washing soap and powder worth **Rs. 47, 500/-** to the Home for the Aged run by Little Sisters of the Poor, Thindal, Erode.
- ❖ The management has been instrumental in providing meals to the needy students through Noon meals Scheme costing **Rs. 10,77,208/-** since March 2014.

- ❖ The management has spent **Rs. 9, 72,751/-** to the AIDS patients through Sneha Positive faces since its inception.

## 16.2 NEW INITIATIVES IN THIS ACADEMIC YEAR

- ❖ **Blended Learning System** was introduced in the Curriculum
- ❖ Syllabus validation for a minimum of One course per programme by **foreign expert.**
- ❖ An **In-house Learning Management System (LMS)** was developed to aid in the Teaching Learning Process
- ❖ **Launch of new Linguistics lab** with 60 computer terminals for multi languages
- ❖ Registration for **Educational Google Suite**
- ❖ Release of first Multi disciplinary online Bi-annual Journal of Nirmala College for Women- **International Journal of Humanities and Sciences** on 27.03.2021. 70 research papers were published in the first issue.
- ❖ An Eco survey of the campus was done and **numbering of 301 Trees completed.**
- ❖ **Aerobic sessions for the faculty members** introduced and every Wednesday the faculty members participate in aerobics to reduce stress.

## 16.3 SPECIAL AUDITS CONDUCTED

The following audits were conducted by Nature Science Foundation (An ISO certified Institution) at our Institution:

- ❖ Green Audit
- ❖ Energy Audit
- ❖ Environment Audit
- ❖ Hygiene Audit

## **16.4 INSTIGATION OF SEED MONEY PROJECT TO FACULTY MEMBERS**

The college management instigated Seed money project to faculty members from this academic year onwards. Under this scheme, proposals were invited from faculty members from all departments and 10 proposals were selected for funding by the Management. A total of **Rs. 1,00,000/-** was distributed to 10 projects worth Rs. 10,000/- each.

## **16.5 INSTITUTIONAL REGISTRATIONS FOR ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE**

- ❖ College has registered with Innovation Cell, Ministry of education, Government of India.
- ❖ Institutional Membership with ICT Academy.
- ❖ Institutional Membership with Amazon Web Services.
- ❖ Vidwan Registration by the faculty members.

## **16.6 TOWARDS EXCELLENCE**

- ❖ 65 faculty members have submitted their proposal to TNSCST, Chennai for financial assistance for publication of 33 Books
- ❖ 12 Proposals were submitted to TNSCST, Chennai for financial assistance under Dissemination of Innovative Technology
- ❖ 15 Faculty members have applied for Young Scientist Fellowship to TNSCST, Chennai
- ❖ 2 Research Scholars have applied for Students' Research Fellowship to TNSCST, Chennai
- ❖ 7 faculty members have submitted proposals under Core Research Grant to SERB, New Delhi
- ❖ 3 Faculty members have applied under MATRICS of SERB, New Delhi
- ❖ 7 faculty members have applied to INSA for Visiting Scientist Fellowship



- ❖ 2 Faculty members have applied to Science Academies Summer Research Fellowship
- ❖ 2 Faculty members have submitted proposals to Unnat Bharat Abhiyan (UBA)
- ❖ The Department of Tamil has submitted proposal to ICSSR to organize National level seminar.

## **17. MANAGEMENT CONTRIBUTION FOR STUDENTS ASSISTANCE, INFRASTRUCTURAL DEVELOPMENT AND MAINTENANCE**

- ❖ A new Science block “Ave Maria Block” was constructed costing a total of **Rs. 13,07,66,999/-**
- ❖ Construction of new restroom block with 130 restrooms worth **Rs.96,00,000/-**
- ❖ Renovation of Auditorium with a budget of **Rs. 56,00,000/-**
- ❖ For maintenance of the Institution, the management has spent **Rs. 45,22,265/-** during this academic year
- ❖ The management has contributed **Rs. 10,74,500/-** towards fee for 68 students in the odd semester and 76 students in the even semester.
- ❖ A centralized data room was established at the cost of **Rs. 13,51,661/-**
- ❖ The Linguistics lab was established at a cost of **Rs. 28,00,000/-**

## **18. STUDENT AFFAIRS**

Various motivational, and Awareness programmes like “Cyber Security”, “Importance of Voting”, “Empowering and Enabling in an uncertain world”, “Cancer Prevention and Healthy life style”, Self Defense – Taekwondo \ Art of Blissful Living were organized by the Student affairs committee. Several competitions were conducted in view of Youth Awakening day and Diwali.

## **19. SPORTS AND GAMES**

The following are the achievement of our players.

- **Ms. M. Sabitha**, I BA English Literature and **S. Srinithi**, III BA History participated in the Indian University Taekwondo team selection trials for world University games held at Maharshi Dayanand University, Rohtak.
- **Ms. D. Sowmiyarnary**, III BBA, participated and secured gold medal in 66<sup>th</sup> Senior national Ball Badminton Championship, held at Rajasthan.
- **Ms. Jaya Beaula Sherin. J**, III BA English Literature participated in the 2020 virtual open club Poomsae, beach Poomsae & speed kicking championship and secured bronze medal in beach Poomsae organized by Oscar Luis Taekwondo Academy, Goa.
- **Ms. Jaya Beaula Sherin. J**, III BA English Literature participated in the 2020 smart/mvp sports foundation online Global Taekwondo speed kicking championship and secured first place organized by Philippine Taekwondo federation.
- **Ms. S.Srinithi**, III BA History participated in the 2020 smart/mvp sports foundation online global taekwondo speed kicking championship and secured third place organized by Philippine Taekwondo federation.
- **Ms. Jaya Beaula Sherin. J**, III BA English Literature participated in the 2021 online open National Taekwondo speed kicking championship and secured gold medal, organized by India Taekwondo federation.
- **Ms. S. Srinithi**, III BA History participated in the 2021 online open National Taekwondo speed kicking championship and secured first place organized by India Taekwondo Federation.
- **Ms. Sujith. R**, I BA English Literature participated in the 2021 online open national taekwondo speed kicking championship organized by India taekwondo federation and secured second place.

- **Ms. Haripriya. B**, I BA English Literature participated in the 2021 online open National Taekwondo speed kicking championship organized by India Taekwondo Federation and secured first place.
- **Ms. Sabitha. M**, I BA English Literature participated in the 2021 online open National Taekwondo speed kicking championship organized by India Taekwondo federation and secured first place.

## 20. NCC

NCC of our college has organized a webinar on “National Educational Policy 2020” and a motivational Talk on “Importance of Youth in Independent India”.

## 21. NSS

The NSS Volunteers rose to the occasion during the COVID-19 Pandemic. 50 NSS Volunteers of our college attended the COVID-19 Awareness Programme and two volunteers prepared handmade masks. The NSS team distributed vegetables to 300 families in the 9 adopted villages and distributed Wheat flour and Bread packets to 40 families in the Perukaipathi village. International Day of Non Violence was observed and Mr. Christian Bartolf, Educational and Political Scientist, President of the Global Information Centre, Berlin, Germany addressed the students on “Education for Non Violence and Peace through Music”. Youth Awakening Day was celebrated and Thiru. G. Harihara Arun Soma Sankar, International Lawyer, Legal Adviser for International Court addressed the volunteers on “Vision for Success”.

## 22. VILLAGE ADOPTION

**“Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful committed citizens can change the world”** has been the motto for village adoption. A total of 9 villages have been adopted by the College under Unnat Bharat Abhiyan (UBA). Distribution

of Vegetables and groceries, creating awareness on Covid and Personal hygiene, and providing training in Mushroom Cultivation, Vermicomposting, Online banking, Preparation of paper bags and Jewellery and handicraft making were the extension activities conducted in these villages.

### **23. CLUBS AND ASSOCIATIONS**

The co-curricular and extracurricular programmes that bring out the innate potential of our students. The activities are conducted through Departmental Associations and also under Service Clubs like YRC, RRC, RSP, SSL, CHETNA, EDC, Innovation Cell and AICUF.

#### **(i) CATECHISM AND MORAL INSTRUCTION**

The Catechism and Moral Instruction Committee organized a 7- day Webinar on “**The Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit**” from 14<sup>th</sup> June to 21<sup>st</sup> June 2020. Very.Rev.Mother Joseph Benedicta, Superior General of Presentation Congregation and Rev. Fathers from various seminaries delivered their evoking speech on the 7 gifts of the Holy spirit each day. It was highly appreciated by the staff, students and parents.

#### **(ii) YOUTH RED CROSS AND BLOOD DONATION**

In commemoration with Dr.A.P.J .Abdul kalam birthday a webinar was organised for the YRC volunteers on the topic “Responsible citizens of India”. A guest lecture on the topic “Importance of Vote” was also organized.

#### **(iii) RED RIBBON CLUB**

In connection with World Blood Donors Day, the Red Ribbon Club of our college organized Frame a Caption Competition on ‘Blood Donation’. In connection with World AIDS Day, E-poster competition was conducted for the RRC Volunteers. Sixty one RRC Volunteers participated in the State Level online quiz competition organized by Tamil Nadu Aids Control Society, Chennai on ‘Covid-19’.



#### **(iv) RSP**

A Debate was held on the topic “**Indraiya Kaala Kattathil Makkal Saalai Vithigalai Mathikirargala/ Mithikirargala**” in tamil related to the safety rules while driving. An International Webinar on “**Saalai Pathukappae Uyir Pathukappu**” was also organized.

#### **(v) SSL**

“Service to mankind is service to God” is the motto of Social Service League. During the inauguration of the club for this academic year, Dr. Raja Rajeswari, Gynecologist & Advisor of Guide Foundation for Young Generation, Sri Ramakrishna Hospitals, Coimbatore was the chief guest who addressed the students on the topic “Happy Life after Puberty”. Mr. Raghuman Basith.R, Public Relations and Counsellor, VGM Multi-speciality Hospital, Coimbatore delivered a lecture on the topic “Awareness on Organ Donation and Transplantation” through virtual mode.

#### **(vi) ENTREPRENEURIAL DEVELOPMENT CELL (EDC)**

The EDC strives to bring out the Entrepreneurial skills in the students. For promoting Entrepreneurial Skills training on Aari Work Designing and Wire basket making were organized by the cell.

#### **(vii) COMPTECH CLUB**

The Club organized a webinar on “Human Excellence Our Life Breath” and Ms. Naufa Yahiya. M Wipro Technologies, Tidel Park was the resource person. To provide an exposure to DRUPAL an open source web content management framework, an online quiz was conducted for the students.

#### **(viii) Eco club**

The Eco club has organized two Webinars on “Tiger in different landscapes of India” and “Wild life Heritage in India” for the benefit of the students. In Commemoration of the Wildlife week Celebration an Essay writing Competition on the topic “Human Wild life Conflicts” was organized.

#### **(ix) Consumer Club**

The Consumer Club has organized Awareness Programmes on “ Online Transaction Secure” to the students and an awareness about the right to know about the information of products before they buy and about the package details for the safety of the consumers to the residents of Pasumanipudhur village.

#### **(x) CHETNA**

The main objective of CHETNA is to promote the general well being of women. Mrs. Pradeepa Soundararajan, Director Qraps India Pvt Ltd, an Active member in IIHR, NHRD, SHRM, People Matters, Member in CMA, CII through google meet addressed the chetna womens cell members on the topic “Women Passion, Dreams - How To Become Successful”. Various competitions such as Quiz and Cookery were conducted by the cell for the students.

#### **(xi) AICUF**

AICUF has organized a Webinar on ‘Origin of the AICUF’ by S. Shelton Raj, President of AICUF- Tamil Nadu, St. Joseph's College, Trichy.

#### **(xii) INNOVATION CELL**

Innovation Cell has been initiated and registered under Ministry of Education, Government of India. It has successfully completed programmes on IPR and start ups.

#### **(xiii) OLD STUDENTS ASSOCIATION**

The election of the Office bearers of the OSA for the next academic year was conducted in Virtual mode and the elected Office bearers took charge of their duties. Suggestions were received from the Alumni on improving campus placements and holistic development of the Students.

## **24. PLACEMENT CELL**

In addition to campus placement training, our students are guided for various competitive examinations like TNPSC, Banking, Railways, and Staff selection commission by the experienced team of faculty members from explore academy and has benefited 500 students. In association with Flyers Placement Service a “Job Mela 2021” was held on 27<sup>th</sup> February 2021 in which 21 companies’ participated and 279 offer letters were issued to the students. During the year 2020 -2021, 490 offer letters were received by the students from various Employers.

## **25. PTA**

Parent Teachers Meeting is a distinctive trait of the college boosting a healthy relationship between parents and teachers. This year PTA was conducted through online and the interactions gave better feedback on the online teaching methods of the Institution.

## **26. Office Management**

I would like to greatly acknowledge the essential services rendered by our office staff. The office with its efficient, hardworking and untiring non-teaching staff can be referred to as the main engine stirring all the major activities of the institution and easing all the difficult tasks, enabling the whole system to run smoothly and successfully. Their effective strategies to document, process, maintain and retrieve all the students’, teachers’ and infrastructural data has contributed immensely to the Institution’s success in catering to the Government norms as well as providing us with congenial administrative and educational

environment. During this pandemic, with their co-ordinated efforts we were able to liaise with the JD office and other organisations for want of information on several aspects.

## **27. Green campus**

Realizing the impact of human activities on global warming and the catastrophic climate change, we the Institutions of Higher Education, deem it our responsibility to instil green lifestyle and sensibility among the young and impressionable student community and encourage eco-friendly green moves, initiatives and healthy practices. Some of our effective Green moves to lower the impact of environmental hazards include, campus reconstruction in accordance with sustainability principles and methods, installation of solar panels, water conservation practices, passive LED lighting, complete ban on use of plastics, use of effective eco-friendly products like paper bags, reenergizing ponds for fishes and turtles, nests for birds, burrows for rabbits, enriching medicinal garden, refreshing rows of trees and plants and compost pits for better waste management. Departments also conduct regular eco-friendly and environment-oriented programmes and activities to ensure greater sensitivity towards maintaining a natural surrounding. I would like to recognise the work of all the staff of our college, with whose hard work and perennial support, we are having a Green Nirmala Campus.

## **WE CARE**

*‘Knowledge Purifies and Charity Enhances’* has been the Motto of Nirmala College for Women inspiring and motivating all the members of our Nirmala family to look for every possible opportunity to extend selfless service to people’s community and society through various social welfare activities. During the Covid Pandemic lockdown, the world witnessed a chaotic disturbance in the livelihood of millions of people suffering from job loss, financial crisis,



insufficient medical aid and acute food scarcity. At this juncture, with the noble inspiration of our Mother General, Very Rev. Mother Santhana Mary, President, Nirmala Educational Society, a trust named “We care” was instituted to aid the needy students. Under this banner, a Relief Food programme was conducted from 30<sup>th</sup> March 2020 to 17<sup>th</sup> May 2020 and again from 20<sup>th</sup> May 2021 to June 2021. Totally 97,379 food packets were prepared and distributed to the needy and the poor across Coimbatore under this scheme. An NGO, “No Food Waste” and Bala Thandayutham Eye Donation Club, Kannampalayam, helped us timely to collect and distribute the food packets at various places. This project improved and was supported by the noble enthusiastic members of the Management, Staff, students, Alumni, retired Staff and many other well wishers whose contribution encouraged daily distribution of food without any hindrances or financial hitches. “We Care” also provided educational and medical aid to the students of poor economic background. Soaps, oil, vegetables and other items of necessity were donated to the inmates of Old age homes, orphanages and financially backward villagers of our adopted villages. These moves helped in instilling a sense of service and social responsibility in the students and staff in helping the society at large.

## **GRATITUDE**

It gives me immense pleasure to record our deep sense of gratitude to Very Rev. Mother Joseph Benedicta, the Superior General and President of Nirmala Education Society, for the exceptional humanitarian support during the lock down period of the pandemic. Mother, your intense commitment, compassion and magnanimous gesture in the distribution of food for the hungry and needy was highly appreciated by Coimbatore city and stake holders of Nirmala College. With great optimism we look forward to your support and encouragement in all the activities of the college, academic and non academic.

I record my thanks to Mrs. Hannah Vijayasundram, for accepting to be the guest of honour today. As our proud alumna Mrs. Hannah, my beloved student, set her footprints on the sands of Nirmala through her disciplined and cheerful nature. She executed her responsibilities in the College Union with great dedication. Hannah, your virtual presence will definitely enlighten and motivate our Students.

I express my gratitude to Rev. Sr. Antony Pushpam, Asst. Mother General, Provincial Sr. Valeria, General Councillors and General Procurator for all their encouragement and valuable suggestions. I thank the Secretary, Rev. Dr.Sr. Ruby Alangara Mary, Vice Principal Rev.Dr.Sr.Mary Fabiola, Controller of Examinations, Rev Dr. Sr.S.Emelda Mary , Dean of Academics Mrs. Folentia Kamal, Dean of Student Affairs, Dr.U.Mary, IQAC Coordinator Dr.Pawlin Vasanthi Joseph, Librarian Rev.Dr. Sr. Jacqueline, Heads of the Departments, Coordinators of all committees, Academic Faculty, Supportive Staff, the Sisters of the community, Retired staff, Students Union and the student Community, Alumni, Parents, Benefactors, Well wishers for all the kind cooperation for the growth of the college. I am thankful to Rev.Fr.Dr.Jerome RDE, for the religious service extended to the college throughout the year. I am grateful to Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India, UGC both Hyderabad and New Delhi, Department of Biotechnology, Government of India, New Delhi, Government of Tamil Nadu, Directorate of Collegiate Education, Chennai, Joint-Directorate of Collegiate Education, Coimbatore, Bharathiar University, Collectorate, Revenue department, Police department, Bishop and Priests of Coimbatore Diocese and Press for all the services extended to us.

May the Lord Almighty with his marvellous spirit ever glorify Nirmala,

We seek the benediction of our founder Fr. Ravel for our noble endeavours in the years to come.

Thank you and God Bless You!!!

