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**“When the world is running down, we make the best of what’s still around”**



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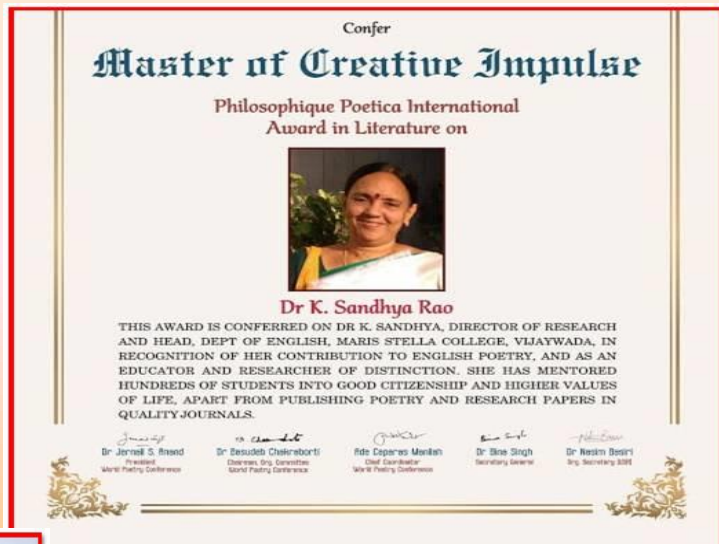
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Master of Creative Impulse Award**



**Dr. Ramakrishna –  
Dr. Pinnamaneni and Smt. Seetha  
Devi Foundation Award**



**Dr. R. Syamalamba –  
SWAYAM Appreciation Award**

“Teaching is not a service, profession or a job.  
It is a pillar of the society.”



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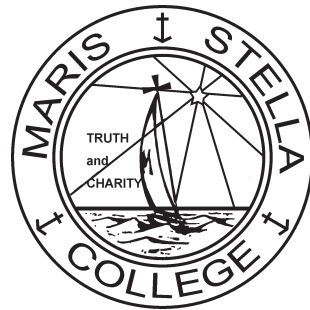
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## Editorial

*The academic year 2019 -2020 began with a flurry of activities keeping all Stellites on their toes, planning, organizing, implementing, training, getting trained, reaching out and exploring new avenues of quality enhancement. In spite of a few setbacks the year progressed with laudable achievements by faculty and students. Starting construction of a new block with RUSA grants, the launching of the Anti-Human Trafficking and the Ek Bharat Shresht Bharat Clubs, construction of a new floor and purchase of equipment for the Microbiology Department with the support of Murasoli Maran Trust, Sun Foundation, Chennai and LEPL, are memorable milestones in the history of Maris Stella.*

*Student Fests, Teachers' Day, Cultural Week, Sports Day, College Day, Conferences, Workshops, Online and Offline certificate courses, Guest Lectures, celebration of national events, etc. marked the year till March 2019, when the declaration of COVID 19 as a global pandemic resulted in the lock down of the whole nation. A fear-gripped, restless, stay, learn and work from home era began. Yet Stellites never flinched and proved through their online sessions and creative videos their grit and enthusiasm even during troubled times. Our Sisters and faculty added their might in extending a helping hand to the jobless and homeless workers.*

*Never in the past did Higher Education undergo such a paradigmatic change and COVID 19 has accelerated the use of technology in teaching and learning. Digitalization of education gained instant popularity. Zoom meetings, YouTube lessons, Google classrooms, Video content creation, Webinars, Screen casting, Bharat Padhe, etc, have become the buzz words during isolation. Corona virus threat has thrown college life and the academic calendar out of gear. The charm of smiling faces, gathering of friends, chatting in groups, the vibrations of togetherness - all seem a distant cry. Do the online meets satisfy the gregarious instinct of human beings? The nostalgia of Toru Dutt seems so true now -*

*“Yet shall they dream of it until the day!  
When shall those children by their mother's side  
Gather, ah me! as erst at eventide?”*

*Dr. V. Satya Sudha*

# Annual Report 2019-20

Good evening and a warm welcome to the 58<sup>th</sup> College Day celebrations. We are very happy to have with us here Prof. K. Hemachandra Reddy, Chairman, Andhra Pradesh State Council of Higher Education as Chief Guest. We are equally pleased to have as our Guests of Honour, Dr. Raja Karnam, Real Estate Investor and Derivative Trader, USA and Smt. Latha RaJan., Co- Founder, Ma Foi Group of Companies, Chennai.

It's my pleasure to extend a hearty welcome to the members of the Governing Body, Academic Council, benefactors, well-wishers, representatives of other institutions, Fathers, Sisters, Brothers, retired staff, alumnae, teaching and non-teaching staff, members of the police department, electronic and print media, parents and my dear students.

As yet another academic year draws to a close, it is my privilege to present to you an account of our progress, achievements, aspirations and disappointments as I read to you the 58<sup>th</sup> annual report of Maris Stella.

College re-opened for the undergraduates on 10<sup>th</sup> June, for intermediate students on the 12<sup>th</sup> and for the post-graduates on 24<sup>th</sup> June, 2019. A student induction programme was held from the 11<sup>th</sup> to the 14<sup>th</sup> of June for the fresh undergraduate students. An orientation programme was organized on 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> June, 2019 for the junior faculty. This was followed by a faculty development programme on 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> June, 2019 for the entire faculty.

Three of our retired faculty have re-joined us: Ms. B. Santha Kumari as Dean, Administration, Dr. Girija Nambiar as Dean, Planning and Communication, and Dr. P. Usha as Campus Maintenance Supervisor. Dr. C. Krishnaveni and Dr. H. Kanakadurga have

been appointed as Deans of Academic Affairs and Sr. Lavanya, Ms. P. Padmalatha and Ms. Ch. Geetha Devi as Deans of Student Affairs.

Six staff members retired during the year. Dr. P. Usha, Head, Dept. of Telugu retired after 26 years. Dr. R. Syamalamba, Librarian retired after 24 years. Mr. Koteswara Rao, Dept. of Economics joined the college on redeployment in 2013 and retired after 37 years. We are happy that all three of them continue their services to the college after retirement. Dr. Sr. Lovely Jacob, Head, Dept. of Social Work retired after 23 years. Ms. Mani put in 43 years as office attendant and Ms. Rani, 40 years as lab attendant. Thank you to all six of you for your dedicated service and invaluable contribution to this institution. You remain a part of the Maris Stella family. May you be blessed with a happy and peaceful life in retirement.

With sorrow I announce the passing away of Ms. Esther Soundarya Kumari, who retired as Head, Dept. of Economics in 2002 and the sudden demise of Sr. Francisca, who was in charge of Campus Ministry. May their souls rest in peace.

## Results:

The Intermediate pass percentage was 75. Degree programmes registered the following results: B. A. 93%, B. Com. 94%, BMS 96% and B. Sc. 79%. All the PG programmes secured cent per cent results.

## Highlights of the Academic Year:

A new undergraduate programme with Microbiology, Biotechnology and Chemistry was started this year.

India Today has ranked the UG programmes for the year 2019: B. A. 64, B. Sc. 72, B. Com. 97 and BMS 36.

The college received a grant of \$5000 towards faculty development from the United Board for Christian Higher Education in Asia, an American organization that is committed to whole person education.

With the funds from RUSA 2.0, a new building is under construction. The PG Block (H Block) has been renovated. The college has also been provided with equipment for three Virtual Classrooms, one Digital cum Virtual Classroom, one Digital lab and E-Campus Management Software. Scientific Lab Equipment has been procured to strengthen the laboratories.

Dr. G. Beulah has been appointed the Nodal Officer for 'Ek Bharat Shreshth Bharat' (EBSB) programme under RUSA. The EBSB club was inaugurated on 29<sup>th</sup> Nov., 2019 and various activities under the programme are being conducted in collaboration with the RUSA coordinator, Dr. Krishnaveni.

Other activities under Swachhata Pakhwada programme of RUSA are being carried out.

Two computer labs were equipped with 110 HP desktops and another floor was constructed above the bank building to accommodate the Departments of Microbiology and Food Science and Technology with the support of Murasoli Maran Trust, Sun Foundation, Chennai. We are indebted to them for their generosity.

I wish to thank Lingamaneni Landmarks Development Private Limited (LEPL) for their generous contribution as part of their corporate social responsibility for equipping our Microbiology and Food Science and Technology laboratories.

The Food Science and Technology lab was inaugurated on 13<sup>th</sup> July, 2019.

The college, in collaboration with International Justice Mission, launched the first ever Anti Human Trafficking Club in Andhra Pradesh on the 10<sup>th</sup> of Dec. 2019.

The college has been assessed and accredited by NAAC in the fourth cycle.

### **Research:**

Arputha Christy K, Ph. D. scholar under the guidance of Dr. Sr. Jasintha Quadras was declared qualified for the award of Doctor of Philosophy in Nov., 2019 from Madras University.

The following scholars were awarded doctoral degrees in 2019 under the guidance of Dr. K. Sandhya: Afeera Khanam and Surekha Rani from Acharya Nagarjuna University and Waheed Shafia from JNTU, Hyderabad.

K. Sarvani, Head, Dept. of Commerce & Management and P. NityaJeeva Prada, Head, Dept. of Zoology were awarded doctoral degrees by Acharya Nagarjuna University in March and Nov., 2019, respectively.

Ms. Saraja and Ms. Srilekha, of the Dept. of Statistics have been admitted to Ph. D. programmes in Annamalai University, Tamil Nadu.

Two faculty members have qualified in UGCNET, 4 in APSET and 12 in APRCET this year.

Two research projects, one funded by the Dept. of Science and Technology, Govt. of India, and the other by the UGC are underway.

### **Publications:**

23 papers have been published by faculty in national journals and books and 13 papers in international journals during the year. 16 papers have been published in conference proceedings.

Dr. K. Sandhya and Dr. D. Ramakrishna have published their poems. Dr. Ramakrishna has two translated works to his credit, besides co-editing a book. Dr. Beulah has edited a volume of research papers.

### **Faculty Development Programmes**

Faculty are the backbone of any teaching institution. Their quality can make or mar the quality of the institution. The thrust this year has been on faculty development. Ten training programmes have been held this year to equip faculty with skills for ICT-enabled teaching/learning, leadership, to strengthen communication skills in English and to plan for outcome based education.

The IQAC as the key body for the realization of the goals of quality enhancement and sustenance, organized the FDPs. It also undertakes an internal audit annually to review and strengthen the functioning of the institution.

Three faculty members participated in a 7 Day Faculty Development Programme organized by the IQAC of Sir C. R. Reddy College, Eluru from 24<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> Oct., 2019.

Two members of faculty attended a 12-day FDP at the Entrepreneurship Development Institute of India, Ahmedabad.

Thirty-one faculty members successfully completed a five-week online certificate course offered jointly by the Commonwealth of Learning and Athabasca University, Canada through the moo KIT platform, Oct-Nov., 2019.

Dr. Krishnaveni, Dept. of Mathematics, and Jyothsna Valenteena, Dept. of Political Science have completed NPTEL Online Courses. 22 faculty are taking the Annual Refresher Programme in Teaching (ARPIT) launched by the MHRD.

### **Awards:**

Dr. K. Sandhya was awarded 'Master of Creative Impulse' Philosophique Poetica International Award in Literature by Philosophique Poetica & Grand Productions, Canada- World Poetry Conference, 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> Oct., 2019 held in Bathinda, Punjab.

Dr. Ramakrishna, Dept. of Sanskrit was the recipient of the prestigious Dr. Pinnamaneni and Smt. Seetha Devi Foundation Award for the year 2019 on 16<sup>th</sup> Dec. 2019 at Vijayawada for his outstanding contribution to the promotion of Sanskrit Studies.

Dr. R. Syamalamba received the SWAYAM Appreciation Award for her initiative in registering students for NPTEL courses.

Five students of Intermediate won the State Govt. sponsored Prathibha Awards for academic excellence.

### **resource persons:**

Dr. Ramakrishna, Dept. of Sanskrit was resource person at a two-day national seminar organized by S. K. S. D. Mahila Kalasala, Tanuku on 6<sup>th</sup> Sept. 2019. He chaired a session at a national seminar organized by the Rastriya Sanskrit Vidyapeetha-Tirupati on 26<sup>th</sup> Dec. 2019. He is serving his second term as an external member of the Board of Studies, Rashtriya Sanskrit Vidyapeeta, a Central University. He has also been appointed to the BoS of the Dept. of Puranetihasa, another department of the university. He has adjudicated a doctoral thesis for the university and has chaired five viva voce examinations for the award of Ph. D. His video lessons in Sanskrit were telecast live on MANA TV on 31<sup>st</sup> July, 2019.

Dr. R. Syamalamba was resource person for a Faculty Development Programme at ANR College, Gudivada on 6<sup>th</sup> Sept., 2019 and at a one-day national workshop organised by the same college on 22<sup>nd</sup> Nov., 2019.

## **Conferences, Seminars, Workshops, Training Programmes attended:**

58 faculty members participated in national and international conferences, seminars, workshops, and training programmes organized by other institutions.

## **Programmes organized on the campus:**

The Regional Transport Office in collaboration with the college organized a programme in the college premises to mark the launch of the National Road Safety Week, 18<sup>th</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> Jan., 2020. The District Collector and Deputy Road Transport Officer spoke on the theme of the event 'Bringing Change Through Youth Power'.

The Departments of Biotechnology, Physics, Business Administration, Women's Cell, Alumni Association, NSS and the Entrepreneurship Development Cell organized awareness programmes, national seminars, workshops, rallies and exhibitions.

## **Guest Lectures and Fests:**

Guest lectures were organized by various departments to augment the knowledge gleaned from the classroom.

Several departments organized fests to draw special focus to their disciplines: Bioscintillare-2K19, LUMINATE 2K19, Alchemy Fair- 2019, Showcase2K19. Forthcoming fests are Sampada 2K20, e-Wave and Samanvay.

## **Celebrations:**

The 58<sup>th</sup> Foundation Day of Maris Stella College was celebrated on 16<sup>th</sup> July. Mother Mary's birthday, 8<sup>th</sup> Sept. was celebrated as the Feast of Maris Stella. The annual Christmas fete and semi-Christmas have been long-standing traditions. On Teacher's Day two faculty members, Dr. Syamalamba and Dr. Manga Devi were felicitated for completing 25 years of service at Maris Stella.

Sports Day was held on 11<sup>th</sup> Jan., 2020. Dr. Ganga Raju, ex-MP was the Chief Guest while ChukkapalliSudha, alumna was the Guest of Honour.

Many days of national and international significance were celebrated on the campus: International Domestic Workers' Day, National Statistics Day, Independence Day, International Human Rights Day, Income Tax Day, World Population Day, World Literacy Day, World Ozone Day, 70<sup>th</sup> Constitution Day, National Voters' Day, Telugu Bhasha Dinostavam, Sanskrit Day, Hindi Day, NSS Golden Jubilee, Tourism Day and International Yoga Day.

## **Holistic Education:**

The college is committed to holistic education as affirmed in our vision and mission statements. Tireless efforts are made to mould the young girls who come to us into articulate young women with strong personalities who espouse the cause of social justice and community service. Sports, literary and cultural activities are given due space in the curriculum. Skilling so that they are enabled to fit multiple roles as job creators, leaders, homemakers, educators, nurturers is another aspect of education at Maris Stella. Many of our activities are geared towards this end. Let me cite a few examples.

A three-day Leadership Training for Student Leaders was organized for all class representatives.

The Department of Value Education organized a Legal Awareness Programme on Acts Related to Girls 'Bachpan Bachao Andolan' in collaboration with the District Child Protection Unit of Vijayawada on 28<sup>th</sup> Aug., 2019 and an Exhibition on Personality Development on 27<sup>th</sup> Sept., 2019.

The Department of Social Work is offering a certificate course in Counselling and Psychotherapy to help students understand themselves better and to identify their optimum potential.

The Department of Economics organized the A. D. Shroff Memorial Elocution Competition and a Two-Day Leadership Training Camp for Undergraduates on 30<sup>th</sup> Sept., & 1<sup>st</sup> Oct., in collaboration with MR Pai Foundation, Mumbai.

The Department of Chemistry organized a skill development certificate course in 'HPLC: Handling and Chemical Analysis' at Shree Icon Laboratory for two batches of 13 students each.

In order to improve communication skills in English all UG students are taking an online course offered by the Dept. of English.

The college is offering 31 value added certificate courses, both online and offline to provide students with opportunities to acquire skills and to earn additional credits.

Student participation is encouraged at every level. Students of Microbiology presented a poster on antimicrobial activity at an international workshop on 31<sup>st</sup> Oct., at the Central University, Mysore. They also participated in a national workshop at P. B. Siddhartha College of Arts and Science from 9<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> Dec., 2019 Vijayawada.

Three students of Computer Science attended a Three-Day International Workshop on 'Coding for a Social Change' at St. Francis College for women, Hyderabad from 9<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> Jan., 2020.

Four students of Physics and Electronics completed summer internships at Efftronics Systems Pvt. Ltd., Vijayawada from 22<sup>nd</sup> April to 7<sup>th</sup> June, 2019.

Bajaj Finserve Activate, the Corporate Social Responsibility unit of the Bajaj group, offered a 120-hour Certificate Programme in Banking Finance Insurance (CPBFI) for final year students. 32 students were certified.

The college, in collaboration with "The Tech Scribes" Chennai, organized a Certificate Course in Technical Writing from the 20<sup>th</sup> of July to the 27<sup>th</sup> of Sept. 43 students were certified.

28 students completed a Certificate Course in 'Digital Design Using Verilog HDL' and 15 students of Electronics were trained in a skill development course, 'Office Automation Tools' from 22<sup>nd</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> April, 30 students completed a Certificate Course in 'MATLAB' from 29<sup>th</sup> April to 5<sup>th</sup> May and 30 students participated in an MHRD Supported Hands on Training in 'Home Appliances' from 26<sup>th</sup> Oct. to 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov., 2019, all courses offered at Siemen's Skill Development Centre, Andhra Loyola Institute of Engineering & Technology, Vijayawada.

109 students completed an offline certificate course in Soft Skills offered by the Andhra Pradesh State Skill Development Corporation (APSSDC). Another 32 students are taking a 100-hour online course in Hardware and Networking.

Three students took part in a one-week training in 'Mini Physics Training and Talent Search Programme' from 16<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> Dec., 2019 at K. B. N. College, Vijayawada.

Three students of Electronics participated in a one-day workshop in 'assembling solar lamps' at Government High School, Patamata, Vijayawada on 1<sup>st</sup> Oct., 2019.

12 students of Statistics attended a one-day national workshop cum hands on training in 'R Programming & Statistical Techniques' at KL University on 13<sup>th</sup> Dec., 2019.

12 students of Physics took part in various competitions organized by P. B. Siddhartha College, Vijayawada on 8<sup>th</sup> Jan., 2020 and won many prizes.

12 students of Statistics went on a 2-day camp along with other science students to develop

entrepreneurial skills in collaboration with ALEAP in the month of Nov., 2019.

Eight students of MA English dramatized short stories from 'Amaravathi through the Ages' written by Sai Papineni for the book launch at Café Coffee Day, Vijayawada on 24<sup>th</sup> Sept. 2019.

Cultural Week was held from 4<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> Dec. to provide students with a platform to exhibit their talents and skills in areas other than the academic and to encourage whole person development. The theme this year was 'In Giving We Receive'. Students participated in a range of literary and cultural competitions during the week.

Nearly 270 students participated in various competitions such as elocution, essay writing, singing, dancing, tik-tok, treasure hunt, fashion show, book hunting, quiz etc. hosted by various institutions in and around Vijayawada. More than half the participants won prizes. Some of our proud moments were when J. Rishitha & group of II CBZ bagged the first prize for their skit on 'anti-plastic promotion' and won cash prize of Rs. 10,000/-, Kavitha & group won the first prize with cash award of Rs. 5,000/- in Carol Singing and S. Sai Mohana & group of III TPP won a cash prize of Rs. 3,000/- in a quiz on Commerce. III BMS students bagged the first prize in group dance at a talent show hosted by Red FM, Vijayawada.

Five of our students have been shortlisted for a Student Exchange Programme by the U. S. govt. The final selection will be known in March.

### **Stella Radio:**

Stella Radio took to the air in June this year to provide students with an opportunity to develop confidence and public speaking skills. It is an infotainment platform to share news, greet friends and teachers and to express their views on issues of interest – all this with a dash of music!

### **Student Support:**

Apart from the excellent infrastructure and academic ambience students enjoy on campus, schemes such as mid-day meals and book bank, practices such as mentoring, counselling, remedial coaching, language partnership programme and career guidance make education at Maris Stella distinctive. Scholarships, both from the govt. and management sources, are provided for the economically challenged. This year, scholarships worth Rs. 77,05,927/- have been disbursed.

We wish to acknowledge the generous contribution of rupees one lakh made by Dr. G. Regina, reader and Retd. Head, Dept. of Telugu, towards the Deserving Students College Fee Fund.

### **Placements:**

Some of the prominent organizations in which our students have found placements are: TCS, Infosys, Nice Educational Institutions, Bright Star Education, Jaro Education, Savic Technologies and Sravya Group of Companies. 132 students have been placed through on campus drives and 23 through off campus selection.

### **Industrial Tours/Field Trips**

Seeing and experiencing are an integral part of the learning process. Several departments organized study tours and field trips for practical exposure to nearby places such as Amaravathi and Undavalli Caves and to places farther away such as Bangalore, Mysore and Ooty.

### **Sports:**

It has been a good year for sports and games. Fifteen players have represented Krishna University at the South Zone Inter-University and at national level. The college won prizes in Basketball, Handball, Volleyball and Chess at the intercollegiate and



district levels. Shaheen Begum, III BA and Sushanna, Sr. Inter CEC represented Krishna District in the CM Cup meet held at Srikakulam from 11<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> September and won the Gold Medal Volley Ball. In the CM Cup Tournament held at Tuni from 16<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> Nov., 2019 five of our sports girls participated and won the first place in Net Ball.

### **NCC:**

K. James Abbey Hillary, II BA was chosen Second Best Cadet at group level and given a cash award of Rs. 3,500/-.

The three units of NCC participated in three general camps and in special camps such as Military Hospital Camp, Army Ordinance Camp, Independence Camp and All India Girls Trekking Camp. The units organized rallies on the Kargil War, Cancer Awareness, AIDS Day and against Open Defecation. They also extended community service through activities such as cleaning water bodies and local parks and historical monuments. A seminar was held on Waste Management on 13<sup>th</sup> Dec.

### **Community Service:**

Stellites to Awaken and Reach Out to Society (STARS) as the community service unit of the college was active through the year, sensitizing students to community needs and reaching out to children's homes such as Care and Share and homes for the dying and the destitute.

Such as Nirmala Hriday Bhavan. Environmental concerns were addressed through an awareness campaign on pollution and the distribution of clay idols during Vinayaka Chaturthi. STARS also took active part in a Youth Awareness Programme : Our City – Our Responsibility.

The Department of Social Work organized a State Level Arts and Crafts Exhibition cum Sale on the 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> Sept., 2019, an annual event that has been held for several years. The main purpose of the programme is to bring the 20 NGOs working with vulnerable groups under one umbrella of networking and to provide an opportunity to sell the products made by marginalized sections.

### **Conclusion:**

“I can no other answer make, but, thanks, and thanks,” said the Bard. I cannot conclude without expressing my deepest appreciation to my Vice-Principals, Deans, HoDs and all the staff who have willingly shared with me the responsibility of running this institution with efficiency and care, to steer it to greater heights. My heartfelt thanks to each one of you.

Thank you dear parents, benefactors and well-wishers for your support and goodwill. The future is challenging, but with all of you beside me, we shall over come...

Thank you.



***What was it that did me in?***

(A poem in 50 words)

Was it the groceries?

Was it the ATM button?

Was it the lift handle?

But I did scrub, spray, sanitize

Could it have been the fridge technician?

The watchman?

Or the newspaper agent?

But we all did wear masks

And kept six feet distance

And yet...

Wasn't I careful enough?

Dr. Girija Nambiar Dean,  
Planning and Communication

***Paradigm Shift***

Stringent warnings to Modernization!

Covid-19 brought globalization!

Developed countries got devastated!

Developing countries donated!

Simple countries sent doctors!

Sensitized with shifting factors!

Isolated from community!

Insulated from affinity!

Focused on building immunity!

Dead to Sinful life!

Awake and Adore! Rise to Raise!

Labour to Liberate!

Learn to Innovate!

Alive with hope!

Drive away Strifes!

Dive to ethical and sustainable ways!

Strive for harmony!

Vivid lessons from Covid-19!

Dr. G. Little Flower HOD,  
Department of Physics

***D' Crown 19***

Covid or Go-vid?

Our effort is social distance. So do it

To keep our lives happy

By leading a homely lifestyle

We cannot go on as we were

Leading the life of free governor

So follow the instructions of health minister

Because it gives us immune booster

Things are changing, perhaps for the worse

How much Covid can make our life cursed !

How long until the point of return !

How much longer do we take finally to learn?

This crown can snatch your crown

Be hygienic and clean your town

Keep corona virus always away

Play aerobics to make a sway

I wish there was a clock whose hands I could rewind

We might have saved the people those who died

So think about the risk and arise

The more we stay home, the less we get sick.

Sk. Asifa Begum  
Dept. of English

***Proud to be an Indian***

We are the people of power

And we rise up to a tower

We belong to one brand

Moving hand in hand

We are still standing

On our own understanding

We do follow different trends

But we are all good friends

We always share

Because we care

We are from different stations

But belong to one nation

For our failures, we don't cry

But we always make a try

We have no fear

Because we are crystal clear

We are happy citizens

We are Indian citizens

G Angeline Diana Sr, MEC

## *My Alma Mater*

Maris Stella College - a patron angel of learning, First  
shrine of women's education,  
A citadel of women's emancipation,

A jewel decked in the crown of Vijayawada.  
A temple of unsurpassed learning,  
An arena for unmatched sports,

An unbeaten record of fifty-eight years,

In producing renowned poets, artists and singers. Its  
vision - empower, enrich, excel and transform,

With its mission and core values.  
Harmony of teachers and the taught,  
Upliftment of the mediocre and the average,  
Shrewd scanning into the hidden talents,  
The bench mark of teachers' expertise.  
Such is the story of Maris Stella,  
"The Kohinoor of women's education."

Sanjana R J4 HSc

## *A Tree*

I am the one  
On which the whole world depends  
Without me no one  
Can survive on this planet  
Humans know that I am precious.  
I am the one  
Who gives air to breathe  
Food to eat, shelter to live.  
I am the one  
Who makes you survive  
I've spent my whole life in your service  
But you humans are killing me.  
You will never change.  
You are selfish and you never care.  
But the time is not far.  
When you have to pay for it  
You humans forget that -  
I am a shelter to many living beings  
You humans are not just killing me,  
You are killing yourself.

Shaik Kamila Parveen

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## *Pluviophile*

It starts its magic by capturing my senses with its smell  
The fresh scent of the rich soil, as it breathes along  
With the drops, bringing it to life.

For, the long awaited friend, has finally come  
The happy rejoicing is a heavenly feast for  
My olfactory, as it fills up every part of me.

The tiny pitter-patter echoes in my ears,  
Tuning itself into a melody, unheard to any.

It fills the mind and takes over the soul.

As I close my eyes and feel my heart  
Beat with its rhythm.

It cleanses off any trace of gloom,  
Making everything lucid and bloom

The trees bow down

To seek the blessings of clouds.

And all of the living kind shall

Await the euphoria

To drench in its ethereal beauty and glory.

The longer it lasts, the more elated I become

The stronger it falls, the wider my smile grows.

After the wonderful show, the clouds pave the way  
For the King of Day.

The clouds dot themselves

With the golden rays and shine

To perfection in its majestic glory

And all of this brings me joy

And the will to enjoy the beauty of life.

M. Akshitha, JR.HSC

## *I'm Unique*

I come with no wrapping or pretty pink bows

I'm who I'm, from my head to my toes.

I tend to get loud when I'm speaking to my mind

Even a little crazy some of the time

I try to stay strong when pain knocks me down

And the time that I cry is when no one's around

'To error is human' that's what they say

Well, tell me who is perfect anyway?

L. Rithika Sanath, HSC S4

## *A Perfect Life*

Sometimes I wish I could get lost in the world  
Sometimes I want magic to happen  
Some magic that will help me escape the monotony  
Survival  
Strength  
Support  
Whither am I bound?  
What is a perfect life?  
Will I be capable of reaching my expectations?  
Where do I see the way?  
Willpower  
Wants  
Wonder  
I want to wander till tiresomeness grows  
Learn new things till my mind is full  
Be amused till I forget what sadness means  
And to walk the straight path ahead of me

I doubt if extremity exists  
I doubt if satisfaction exists  
These are just hollow words in the world

There is nothing like a perfect life.  
There is no way to live like an absolute being.  
Even if you walk all your life, there will be paths  
you'll never know  
At this point, your energy is drained  
Even if you are always learning and seeking knowledge  
There will be a lot of things you'll never know  
At this point, your brain is already occupied  
Sadness and depression are a part of you, they are  
not the end.  
At this point, relieving emotions will make you feel better  
Straight paths do not exist  
Hurdles and mountains Boundaries and turns. Paths  
are never straight  
I want to throw away my worries  
I know the stars will guide me anyway  
I can never get all of it  
But at least I should strive to win the best of it Live

**Ann Antonite, III BA TTM**

## *The Whole World Thinks*

The whole world thinks,  
having command over language is enough to write  
a poem,  
but it needs a lot of talent.

The whole world thinks,  
having the ability to draw is enough to be a designer,  
but it needs a lot of creativity.

The whole world thinks,  
having lots of money makes a person happy,  
but it is attitude that matters.

The whole world thinks,  
only some people's sacrifice can change the society,  
but every person's participation counts.

**N. Kamala Rukmini, I BSc MBC**

## *The Pole Star*

Dawn to dusk I worked under pressure  
My heart didn't escort and I lacked pleasure  
I cried and screamed and made a mess  
But my superhero handled the rest

Everyone thought I was mad to quit  
But none realised that I was unfit  
And for the first time in forever  
Had to face the questions from whosoever

Faith in me brought me here  
Trust me I didn't utter a tear  
My heart felt the hug from the reviving breeze  
And was grandly welcomed by the waving trees

Textbooks were not the only things I was taught  
Experiences played a vital role in teaching me a lot  
This was the true guiding star to my dreams  
My Alma mater has done it all it seems!

**Satyasree, Sr.HSC**

## *An Unheard Voice*

When I found that  
I was born with  
The 'Male and Female' in me.  
My own family  
Couldn't accept me  
So did the society.  
They threw me

Out as trash.

Mankind never exhibited  
Humanity, but they've  
Always humiliated...  
And abused physically,  
Sexually. Also stared,  
Taunted with innumerable  
Names: slut, harlot  
And more.

I plead to the society  
To stop accepting  
Because acceptance itself is rejection.  
Consider me as normal, like you and you.  
Cause I'm a human being  
As you are.

V. Anusha, II BA JOURNALISM

## *Dad*

You showered True Love.  
You taught me how to balance  
The topsy-turvy of life  
You never complained,  
But showed real magnanimity.  
What a Benevolent man you are!  
Why did you leave us too soon?

If I weren't too close to you,  
It would've been easier to accept the reality  
That you aren't with us anymore ...  
Is a thought unbearable...

Nothing seemed impossible when you were with us  
Now everything seems daunting.  
Dad, please come back if possible.  
'Dad' is not just a name, but a feeling

V. Sowmya, II MA English

## *Our Mother Earth*

This Mother Earth,  
Who gives us life;  
This Mother Earth's  
Heart filled with strife,

We love her not,  
Though love we should;  
Her death we plot,  
For life's "own good;"

She gave us air, food, and home.  
That's not enough ...  
We humans scream with greedy lust,  
Our mouths do foam, with evil hopes,  
Her air we fill  
With smoke and death;  
Ourselves we kill,  
For lack of breath;

The sea once clean,  
Now choked with waste;  
The rivers pure had been,  
But the waters now  
Will death make haste;

The soil once pure  
And full of life,  
Now is barren sand  
Of farmers' strife;

No longer can she  
Stand our plunder.  
Now we must flee  
Like scattered doves

She gave us all,  
Unto the end  
Now we are appalled,

Oh God!  
Our lives defend.

Rabiya Tarunnum, I M.A {English}.

## *Lexicovid*

Necessity is the mother of invention. One theory claims that language arose as a result of humankind's need to express themselves beyond gestures. From imitation of sounds and movements, languages grew and evolved, adding to their vocabulary as new inventions, discoveries and developments gave rise to the need for new words to describe new objects, concepts and practices.

Britain's colonial enterprise saw a massive influx of foreign words into the English vocabulary from the languages of her colonies though even earlier, the Norman Conquest saw the English language absorbing dozens of French words and anglicizing them. Science and technology have been major contributors in the 19th and 20th centuries.

The history of the English language is replete with instances of catastrophes, epidemics and disasters like the 14th century plague contributing to the growth of English vocabulary. Wycliffe's Bible (1382) was the first to use the term 'pestilence'.

The latest contributor is the corona virus that is creating havoc world over. The Latin word 'corona' means 'crown'. The virus is called 'corona' because of its crown-like shape and spikes.

Thanks to the virus, terms such as lockdown, quarantine, isolation, sanitize, mask, pandemic, sealing and screening have become everyday parlance.

We have all become familiar with word chunks such as social distancing, respiratory hygiene, droplet transmission, flattening the curve, hand washing, animal-human interface, community spread, containment zone, super spreader, sleeper spreader, hot spot and patient zero have taken on new meaning.

Corona has created a 'new normal', not to mention new abbreviations such as PPEs (personal protective equipment). It has enabled us to toss off words like 'epidemiology' and hydroxychloroquine' without a fumble.

Portmanteau coinages do not stop with 'infodemic': there's 'covidiot' and 'covidient'. Covidiot is a combination of 'corona virus' and 'idiot' and refers to a person who does not follow the directives laid down for safety and behaves like an idiot. Covidient is a combination of 'corona virus' and 'obedient'.

The corona virus has undoubtedly impoverished the world in terms of human life and economic slowdown. But it has just as certainly enriched the English language!

**Dr. Girija Nambiar Dean,**  
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# *The Power of a Dream*

**I**t was an anxious night and the 16-year-old girl was unable to sleep. Thinking about the day ahead, the new atmosphere, the new people she's going to meet and the new challenges she has to face, she slept for some time.

The next morning was a fresh start in her life, as she was all set to start her college life. She prayed to God, ate the morning healthy salad and prepared herself to go to her new college.

As she entered the portals of the green, large campus, she was quite nervous and a bit excited too. Soon, she was asked to go to the auditorium. As she seated herself in the auditorium, all she could experience was the chatter of the bright fellow students and the rush of the teachers. She was confused but gathered up some courage to ask when the orientation programme was going to start.

As the programme commenced she began to relax and she was concentrating on what the principal and the other members were trying to say.

One thing she absorbed from the entire programme was to "be best in whatever you are" and to believe in one's own self and go in the direction of your dreams without fear.

Later she was guided to her class room, where she was going to equip herself with knowledge.

This girl with many dreams, geared for one purpose; the purpose to create a change and living a difference in her people's lives is what always motivated her to achieve her goals and make her dreams into a reality.

The next three months in her college, seemed to be quite challenging for this young girl - not only in academics or sports, but in coping with her fellow students in studies. She faced the harsh reality of the society around her. She came face to face with the discrimination of the people around her.

She tried her best to fit in that place, but failed in doing so. She was a good student who topped in exams and always tried to "be the best in her capacities", but she was a girl who failed to fit into place.

She met people who did not have any goals, neither a purpose nor passion in their lives. But she soon realised that with passion, courage and patience one can change the world and reach for the stars. She knew that one day she would be able to bring a change in the mindset of people who taught children caste, religion and community discrimination. She hoped to build a better, inclusive world free from discrimination and create a world of peace and harmony. One day she would definitely ignite the lives around her!

**M. Swetha Sree, Jr.HEC**



# *Transforming Dreams into Realities*

"Dream is not that which you see while sleeping, it is something that does not let you sleep."

- APJ ABDUL KALAM

**D**reams are lively expressions of your desires, goals, ambitions and aspirations. With the steam of constant exertion and perspiration, you can easily propel them to astounding levels of fulfilment. Dreams can never be bad if they can ensure your purity, integrity, and right priority.

Many live and die in their world of unfulfilled dreams, all because they aren't prepared to exert a bit of sweat. For them, dreams are merely pleasures. Such dreams to which they don't attempt to give their breath of fulfilment are not only useless but also dangerous.

Hence decide to sow your dreams in the soil of perseverance, pour your sweat, shower your care, apply the manure of hope, supply the sunshine of exertion, drive away from the beast of despair, soon you will see your dreams bloom into sparkling realities!

If you persevere in doing so, you are bound to encounter success after success, wonder after wonder, marvel after marvel and victory after victory. Snares will tremble before you. Hurdles will stumble at your approach. Difficulties will flee from you. Hence, do not hesitate to dream. Rather, remember, all successes were initially only dreams.

People talk about dream houses. It only proves the fact that unless one dreams of a house passionately, one cannot plan for it, save for it, struggle for it, sacrifice for it, sweat for it and finally possess it. It's time to build up your own world of dreams. But don't stop there, promptly resolve to put up a relentless struggle to transform those dreams into amazing realities!

**Rishitha Jaladi, II B.Sc CBZ**





# *Paving Way for Great Music*

“Maybe I made a mistake yesterday, but yesterday’s me is still me. Today I am who I am with all my faults, tomorrow I might be a tiny bit wiser, and that’s me too.

These faults and mistakes are what I am, making up the brightest stars in the constellation of my life” – quoted by RM also known as Kim Nam Joon, leader of the biggest boyband on the planet ‘BTS’, in his speech to the United Nations.

Music is healing, music is comfort, music helps youngsters escape and survive. In the world of today, the most phenomenal music people listen to is the Korean Pop music. And BTS is taking over the world with the music of healing and comfort. This band of 7 versatile members have deconstructed the stereotype boyband genre and turned it into an art form.

The band has millions of fans worldwide, who are called A.R.M.Y and are as passionate as the band. They help in translating the beautiful and meaningful lyrics for the fans living in different parts of the world. The major theme that the band has focused upon is to help people realise the value of self-love. They are the reason for most youngsters’ hope and inspiration.

When I first discovered the band, I was fascinated that they had classical literature involved in making their music videos. They let fans come up with theories based on the contents they release, the lyricism and a storyline they create is indeed mind blowing and intellectual. They choose to help not only the youth but people of all age groups through their lyrics and stories.

This is our new generation boyband, more like superheroes helping people analyse the world, visualise it and most importantly promote self-love through their love yourself campaigns. They have proved that music is a universal language and there is no language barrier for an art like music.

This is a band that is an inspiration for our generation.

I’d like to end this with another inspiring quote from the Band’s UN Speech- “we have learned to love ourselves, now I urge you to speak yourself.”

**P. Ann Antonite, III BA TTM**



## *Parental Roles: Need for Change*

Parents play a very significant role in their children's lives. They play a crucial part both in their achievements and failures. I would like to discuss one of the mistakes they usually make.

Parents always tell daughters how to behave with others, teach her household chores and control her, taking away her freedom. But they fail to teach their sons to respect girls. Parents are unduly concerned about the opinion of society, community and family members. People say they give support to the girl but in reality they don't. They keep a close watch on their daughters, checking her movements, her friends, what time she comes home. But they don't check the sons or exercise any kind of control over them. They teach their children gender roles by giving kitchen toys and Barbie dolls to girls and building blocks and mechanic sets to boys. Thus they weaken their daughters even before they have started their adult lives.

Given a chance, girls can do everything that boys can do. Parents have to understand that gender roles are created by a patriarchal society, they need to be positive and supportive towards children and train them to face problems, explore possibilities and overcome problems rather than deny them freedom and opportunities.

Parents tend to compare their child with others and don't realise that each child is a unique creation and has her own thoughts, talents and perspectives. They claim that they have experienced a lot in their lives, that they know everything and are guiding their children. But today's generation is different. Their experiences are different from those of the earlier generations. Parents' duty is to impart life skills to their children and allow them to live their lives. That will happen only when they overcome age-old prejudices, wash away negative beliefs and look upon sons and daughters as equal. But to change is not easy. Yet, I am optimistic and hope that day will come very soon.

**R. Silpa Visali, I MA English**



# *An Open Letter to the Writer in Me...*

Dear Writer,

People meet and become friends in various situations like parties, travels, morning walks, etc. But you, my friend, I met you when I kept walking on the streets of my mind.

You were just like a complete stranger until I took out my pen and poured on paper everything you told me. This feeling is just like meeting someone very close to me after years.

That night I closed my diary and I promised myself to meet you soon, because I loved your company. Later, when I revisited those lanes of my mind, I was not able to find you. You, my friend, sometimes walk by and leave as you wish.

But I cannot deny the fact that you always came first when I was in need of escape. You healed me on my worst days by helping me shed my tears in the form of words. You embrace me on my best days with your beautiful poems and musings, instead of chocolates and cakes and that is what I love the most.

You're like my friend that acts like a mirror which helps me see a better picture of myself. Sometimes you hide behind the block and it is tough to find you again. But you are always there for me. I need you and my world needs you the most.

Yours

A simple being.

**M. Bhanu Sri, I MA English**



## *Release the Past to Embrace the Future*

**D**reaming and living out your vision often involves getting yourself prepared for your future. One thing you cannot do is, move into the future while you are dragging the past around like a heavy chain.

Until you are able to break that cycle and let go of the past hurts, you will likely attract more of the same into your life. Letting go is one of the major cornerstones of being liberated from your past, and being set free is a decision only you can make.

Anger, resentment, remorse and the desire for revenge can drain you of the very energy you need, to take positive action in pursuing your dream. Each of my situations was a learning experience where I had to ask myself: "What did I learn, and what will I do differently next time?" I started keeping a 'next time' file I could refer to if I was ever in a similar situation.

All of us may have reasons to be the way we are, but none of us has a valid reason to stay that way. What can hurt you ever more is holding a grudge and wanting others to pay for their actions. Grudge is like drinking poison and hoping it will kill your enemies. When you hold a grudge it eventually holds you. Each time you release a hurtful experience, you will feel lighter and free to forge ahead with the vision for your future.

Releasing a painful past and the hurts you have endured along the way puts you on the path of total freedom. Letting go or holding a grudge is our choice. I choose to be free from the baggage that's been keeping me stuck.

God asks none whether they will accept life. That is not a choice. The only choice is "how"? "Your future hasn't been written yet....

So go ahead and write your own one!"

**R. P. Sandhya, J4, HSC**



# *I Found my Family!*

“I know this is going to be tough. They are my friends. I need to attend this wedding. I can’t skip this big event. But I can’t deal with so many people there. There will be so many people coming. Parents with their kids playing around. Parents pampering them. I can’t do this. Maybe I should skip going? How can I meet and wish them? No, I am very dear to them. They can find out! Okay. I’ll face it.” Her mind was full of conflict.

Ravali was an orphan. She was brought up in Shanti Nilayam, an orphanage. Her parents died in an accident and left her alone in a cruel world. She spent her childhood in loneliness and as a consequence, developed many insecurities. She was quite a good-looking girl with a beautiful pair of eyes. A well-defined jaw line. But there was no one to admire her beauty.

“Oh! There you go. She’ll start blabbering about her father’s love for her. I suspect she is making up everything. Ma be not, maybe that is father’s love! I wish I wasn’t an orphan.”

Ravali was sent to an English medium school. Someone sponsored her education in a privileged school. This made her feel lonelier and she withdrew into a shell, avoiding all social interaction. She would watch parents dropping their children every day in the morning, mothers feeding their children in the afternoon with utmost love and picking up their children in the evening. She would feel depressed, remembering that she is all alone in the big world. Parent-teacher meeting was the toughest time for her. She couldn’t cope with the trauma.

Gradually, Ravali developed anxiety. She would avoid all the fun and sit alone, grieving about her fate. She yearned for a family. There were some companions with whom she would share her feelings. The worst part was her friends bragging how much their parents loved them. She felt she was the cursed one. She stopped speaking to people. And that affected her communication skills. She couldn’t express what she felt, what her ideas were.

During graduation, she found a friend. She was so compassionate. And that attracted Ravali. Her name was Latha. Finally, she had found an empathetic friend. Someone who never left Ravali alone. Latha helped her deal with her insecurities.

Ravali finally came out of the clouds of memories into the present. She looked at the time. Realized how late it was. The marriage was at 8’O clock. Reliving the past made her more hesitant to attend the wedding. She then heard her phone ringing. It was Latha. She immediately picked it up because she knew that it was the most important call of her life.

“I know; you are hesitant to come to my wedding. I know you had a major panic attack. But I just want to tell you something. I just want to tell you that you mean the world to me! You are the most important part of my life. And I respect your feelings. If it is really tough, I wouldn’t want you to suffer. But I want to tell you that you are family. And I don’t think family members would miss a wedding in the family. I need you here. But I leave it to you.”

Ravali broke into tears. Latha's words touched her heart. She felt like she had a family now. And that family was the most important thing for her right now.

She got ready in a moment and went to the venue. She entered the room where the marriage was taking place. There were so many people. This time she didn't panic. She loved it. She enjoyed being present there. She was loved. Ravali's perspective towards life changed. She had a family now.

G. Sai Likitha, 1ST BA Litt

## *The Strangest Dream I ever had*

Usually people can't remember their dreams after waking up. They can't remember even a single scene of their dream. Like others, I too don't remember any dreams. But one dream made me frightened of the dark.

One day I was alone in my house, watching the TV. It was night, the roads were dark and it was raining heavily. Suddenly the screen became blurred. I went to the television to check what the problem was. At that moment the TV turned off by itself. I went to search for the torch and turn on the light. I searched for the switchboard, but surprisingly, the switches were turned off. I tried to switch them on, but they wouldn't. I got irritated and went to the bedroom to sleep. Sitting on the bed, with the help of a small lamp, I started reading a story book. I got tired but the moment I tried to close the book, the letters in the book started flying and formed the words, "I EXIST."

I turned off the lamp and the smoke from the lamp filled the four walls of the room with "I EXIST..." I was very frightened but eventually fell asleep, hiding under a blanket. In the morning I woke up and looked at the walls. There was nothing. I went to the rest room and washed my face and saw in the mirror the water from my face fall on the mirror and form the words I WILL KILL YOU... I STILL EXIST...

I tried to wipe the letters but I couldn't. Instead, the letters turned red. The doors closed automatically after I came out. The power went off suddenly and the white light of the torch became red light and fell on my face. I covered my face with my hands. Suddenly, I threw the blanket away and came back to reality. Thank God it was a dream. I had never had such a strange and scary dream. I still wonder whether dreams forebode the future.

B.Sowmya, I MBC



# *Experiences at Maris Stella College*

Maris Stella is not just a college to me, it means a set of values and ethics for me. I came from a school that had taught me that the only aim of a student's life is studies. Maris Stella is a beautiful experience for me.

I participated in many events in Maris Stella. I enjoyed the Cultural Week and even won a prize. The many activities and shows held in college was a fantastic experience for me.

Actually, I am too timid even to speak. But Maris Stella taught me self-confidence. Now I am brave and the discipline which I learnt at Maris Stella College is part of my personality now. I have also learnt to manage time well.

“MARIS STELLA IS NOT AN INSTITUTION, IT IS A SIGN OF DISCIPLINE.”

There are other things I learnt at Maris Stella that I wish to share.

A memorable experience is Fete-2019. In the stall we set up, the food was not sold out and we thought that we would incur a loss. But to my amazement, my classmates managed to sell all the food in the end. They stopped each person and persuaded them to buy. As we saw the food disappearing off our counter, everyone was laughing in glee.

Another unforgettable experience is this year's College Day. As I wanted to take photos, I came onto the centre of the grounds. It was so beautiful as darkness fell and the grounds all lit-up and glowing. It seemed to me as if it was one of the most beautiful places on earth. As one of the sisters approached to check on what I was up to, I ran for my life, laughing at myself!

I remember the many fights with the canteen owners. I also remember how nice and patient the office staff were, even when I did many silly things in filling forms and giving data.

Maris Stella will remain a beautiful part of my life. I'm sure recalling the lush greenery of the college will continue to give me a sense of tranquillity and peace wherever I am in the years to come. And the freedom coupled with discipline will also stay lifelong with me. I am a proud Stellite and being a Stellite is not a small thing.

“MARIS STELLA IS A SECOND MOTHER TO ME.”

**A. Rajeswari, S1-MPC**

## *The Girl with Dreams*

“Give a girl the right shoes, and you can see her conquer the world”. I’m sure most of us have heard this quotation. But I’ve always wondered, “Why should a girl even wait for or expect someone to give her the right shoes?” In this context, let us look into the story of a girl who had dreams.

There lived a girl named Swapna. Her parents told her that the meaning of her name was “Dream”. Her mother put her to bed reading to her bedtime stories and fairy tales. Once, in school, her teacher asked everyone what their dream was. All the kids answered whatever their parents used to tell them about or what they felt was amusing. One said she wanted to be an astronaut, another said she wanted to be a pilot, one wished to be a scientist, another aspired to be a singer and so the list went on.

Swapna was always inspired by her father to study well and be a successful woman. She was lucky that her father never attempted to influence her dreams. So, when she was asked she said she wanted to become a successful woman.

She grew up into a young woman with strong principles. She had always been good in her academics and she was on the path to achieving her dream. She was eighteen and everything seemed to be going right. As her mother took care of the house and her, she was never burdened with any responsibilities.

Then came the hard times. Her mother had cancer. Though it was still in the initial stage and was not a terminal cancer, she had to go through the painful treatment.

Swapna was presumed to be a sensitive and weak-hearted girl by everyone including herself. So it came as a surprise that she had not broken down or cried. She looked and felt strong and unafraid. Or maybe she was just numb. She understood clearly that the family had to support her mother through this journey. She started taking care of her own work, then assisting her grandmother, helping out her father. After several years of treatment, her mother was pronounced cured.

But that was only the first of many challenges that followed. She went through a lot of ups and downs in her life, but was able to survive and smile through it all. She became a stronger and a better person and never gave up on her dream of becoming a successful woman. She realised that success is not just defined by the job or the money you earn but by your willpower to not give up no matter what may come your way.

We women are very strong, in fact stronger than what society makes us believe. We are always either protected by our loved ones or discouraged by misogynistic people. People who seem on the surface to be encouraging us but are silently eroding our morale. People still make us believe that we have to be “let” or “permitted” to do what we by right could do on our own. If we want people to treat us in the right way, it has to begin with us. Every one of us is like Swapna who emerges from being fragile or a daddy’s little girl to being the strength of the family. Let us hope that we grow into a society which realises that a girl doesn’t have to wait for someone to give her the right shoe to conquer the world. If the world is against her, she can conquer the world even “barefoot”.

**S. Poornamrutha, I MBA**



# *Love Yourself*

Be gentle with yourself, learn to forgive yourself and know thy worth, for you have fought the battles which never came into light.

Do you still remember those days when you reached out your hand but there was nobody to hold it? Excluding the moon, the stars and your pillow know your true self which you will shed in the form of tears at night and hidden behind your smile during the day.

Do you know that behind every strong person there was a child to whom the world had shown its darkest side? Never feel downhearted because its life's way of telling you that you have lessons to learn. Never curse your decisions nor your life because it is nobody's fault, they just tried to make you stronger at every stage of your life.

Love yourself for who you are because only you know your story and how far you have come. Remember that you may not be like anybody but nobody can be like you and that's the beauty of the lessons which your life taught you.

**Aishwarya Gwyneth, III BA Jou**

## *A Lonesome Bird*

I was a lonesome bird who was shattered by a brute.

In our society, a woman who talks with a man is framed as characterless, a woman who raises a voice against man is labelled as shameless. Parents teach their girl child how to respect others, how to become a home maker, and how to bow to her husband, but why can't they teach their boy 'you cannot touch her, without her permission'. I was seven when he brutally dragged and assaulted me. I couldn't do anything at that time because he was like a beast.

Even now I can't do anything because I am gone. There's a saying "prevention is better than cure" and it's applicable for our lives. Taking grave action to stop it is better than reacting after it has happened ...

My mother protected me for nine months by hiding me in her womb and then she brought me into the world to show me the light of the world. But she was wrong, her baby met an untimely death because of one beast's lust. My dad who saved money to see me become a successful and independent woman is now broken after learning of the news of his Princess's death.

My dream was to become an independent lady capable of taking care of her parents and making them happy. Now, how can I achieve that? I am gone and there's no smile on their faces. I wanted to live to experience my life to the fullest and also to make my parents be proud of me. But I am off, mamma and papa....

**K. Shravya, I MA**

## *All Love is Expansion, All Selfishness Contraction*

**B**eauty lies everywhere, in every simple thing. But the real beauty lies in the hearts of humans. This is because he is given the precious sixth sense by God, differentiating him from animals,.

“Try not to be handsome instead give your hand to some,” said Abdul Kalam. Our real strength is in our willingness to care for and support each other. We are caretakers of divine property. Wisdom is to understand this simple universal principle: by getting things, we make a living, by giving we make a life! The spiritual evolution of society can be understood when people love people and use things, but all too often in today’s world, it’s just the opposite.

Consciously or unconsciously we have taken so much to build our system, our body, our mind. We took a lot from this society, this culture, this world and we have to give back, make our contribution in any small way possible with love and selflessness. That is real KARMAYOGA. In fact, happiness is the most beautiful outcome of giving. Only sharing can generate smiles in the faces of others in spite of the gales that are raging within us.

Nature itself is a wonderful example in giving selflessly. Trees pass on fruits and wood of their sweat, with love, for the enjoyment of others. But we selfish Homo sapiens destroy them for our needs. We simply “use and throw.” Humans with a well-developed mind and heart don’t hold the values trees have today.

Selfish and selfless are two small words. We can maintain a balance between those two words only when words like ‘I’, ‘me’, and ‘mine’ change to ‘we’, ‘us’, and ‘ours’.

By helping others with love we are, in fact, helping ourselves. On the other hand, we harm ourselves by being selfish. Whenever we perform a good or a bad action it is reflected in the universal consciousness. Hence enjoy giving and do what can promote love, because however capable and intelligent one may be, one grows only through, and with others. Selfish acts can build walls of separation, demolish bridges of unity. Love has the power to make even the goats and lions live in harmony under one roof! Only then we will be more attractive than the moon and the stars, more fragrant than roses and jasmines and more sparkling than pearls and diamonds!

“Spread love, stay selfless, and choose to be happy!”

**Rishita Jaladi, II BSc CBZ**

# *We Need New Fairy Tales*

“Once upon a time there lived a majestic king. He was blessed with a beautiful baby daughter. He made sure he gave the princess everything he could, made her life perfect in every way possible. She was told stories by her nurses about a handsome prince who would come to her aid whenever she was in trouble, and would make her the Queen of his kingdom, and that they would happily live ever after”

Isn't this the type of a fairy tale we were told as children? We were always told that women need to be indoors, to be protected. Men were always taught to protect the princess, to wage wars and spill blood as though that was a symbol of their masculinity. Many traditional folk stories that we heard as children played a very important role in shaping who we are as a civilization today. It put men on a higher pedestal over women. It gave men the power to dictate the life of a woman.

We have created an unrealistic stereotype about the roles that men and women play in society, and these stereotypes grew into the foundations of patriarchy. We need to teach our daughters to worry less about twirling in a size zero dress, fitting into glass slippers, and worry more about shattering glass ceilings. We need to teach our daughters that they're not a damsel in distress waiting for someone to come and rescue them; that they are capable of lifting a sword and going into battle and slaying her enemies, be it any kind of battle. We need to teach men that they are not obligated to run the family financially; that they are allowed to cry and feel weak; that being good at cooking doesn't make them any less of a man.

We need new fairy tales where, for once, a woman is idealized for being whoever she wishes to be. We need new fairy tales where, for once, a man is idealized for being who he wishes to be. We need new fairy tales.

**Saba Umme Salma, I MA English**



### Humanities

#### DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH

##### Activities :

- Dr. Thilagavathi Joseph, Dept of English, Stella Maris, Chennai, conducted a training programme for faculty and students on “Language Partnership Programme” on 16<sup>th</sup> July 2019.
- Maris Stella Alumni Association & Department of English organised a guest lecture for PG English students by Dr. Afeera Khanam, English Instructor, University of Jeddah, Khulais, Saudi Arabia on the topic ‘Teaching and Learning English as a Second Language: Strategies’ on 31<sup>st</sup> July 2019. 75 PG Students attended it.
- Maris Stella Alumni Association (MSAA) organized an invited lecture for PG & UG English Literature students on 3<sup>rd</sup> Aug., 2019. The Resource Person was Dr. Afeera Khanam, an alumna herself, who has been working as an English Instructor, University of Jeddah, Khulais, Saudi Arabia. She dealt with Women’s Writings throwing light on African American women. She drew examples from various writers and focused on Alice Walker’s Color Purple.
- Maris Stella Alumni Association (MSAA) and the PG Department of English, Maris Stella College, Vijayawada, organised a special guest lecture on the topic ‘Reading Skills’ by Ms. V. Vishnu Vandana Devi, Associate Professor of English, Vijaya Institute of Pharmaceutical Sciences for Women, Vijayawada, on 29<sup>th</sup> Aug., 2019.
- Dr. S. Sahithi, addressed the PG students on “Common Gynaec Problems among Young Women” on 6<sup>th</sup> Sep 2019.
- Associate Prof. K. Chenna Reddy, Dept of English, Acharya Nagarjuna University, delivered a lecture on “Teaching and Learning LSRW Skills”

for MA English and Final BA Literature students on 1<sup>st</sup> Feb., 2020.

##### Extension activities:

Ms. L.M.R. Swarupa Rani participated in Our City – Our Responsibility – Youth Awareness Program on 22<sup>nd</sup> Nov., 2019.

Mrs. Y. Supriya NSS Coordinator Celebrated NSS Golden Jubilee on 24<sup>th</sup> Sep 2019.

**English made Easy** - As part of the extension program of the English Department, the students of III B.A. Lit and TTM participated in the program “English made Easy,” on 4<sup>th</sup> Jan., 2020, they visited a government school in Kuntamukkala, a village which is nearly 30kms away from Vijayawada. They interacted with students from 1<sup>st</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> standards and taught them rhymes and songs which they learnt actively. They occupied them with few alphabetic games and also taught them the identification of letters.

##### Orientation & Training Programmes

- Dr. V. Satya Sudha, Dr. Sr. Innyasamma, L.M.R. Swaroopa Rani, Y. Supriya, B. Santhisree, Sajida Mubeen attended the Faculty development Programme – ‘Teacher as a Facilitator of Learning and Leadership & Ideal Team Players’ for all the faculty on 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> June 2019 by Dr. Mercy Pushpalatha, Programme Consultant, South Asia, United Faculty Board. She dealt with outcome based education. Another Resource Person Mrs. Jaya Abraham, Partner with AJ Ventures, Mumbai, briefed about the vision and mission of an Individual.
- Dr. Sr. Innyasamma, L.M.R. Swaroopa Rani, Y. Supriya, B. Santhisree, Sajida Mubeen attended the Two Day Workshop cum faculty

development program and capacity building was conducted on 29<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> July 2019. The resource person was Dr. Sandhya Tiwari, Director CELT, Palamuru University and 50 Faculty members participated in it.

- Dr.V. Satya Sudha, Dr. Sr. Innyasamma, Y. Supriya, B. Santhisree attended A Three Day Workshop on 'Constructive Alignment and Outcome Based Education' organized by IQAC, Maris Stella College in collaboration with United Board from 21<sup>st</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> Oct 2019. They have been equipped with the new notions of education and Digital Technology-Assisted Pedagogy, by three eminent professors from Christ University, Bangalore- Dr. Suparna Kar, Dept. of Sociology and Social Work, Dr. Swetha Mukherjee Dept. of English and Dr. Vinay, Dept. of Computer Science.
- Ms B. Santhisree, attended a Faculty Development Programme on "Recent Trends in Teaching -Learning Methodologies Using ICT in Higher Education Institutions from 24<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> Oct., 2019 at Sir C.R. Reddy College, Eluru.
- Dr.V. Satya Sudha, Dr. Sr. Innyasamma, Y. Supriya, B. Santhisree attended A Two Day Workshop on 'Designing Effective Assessment Practices' organized by IQAC, Maris Stella College in collaboration with United Board on Dec., 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> 2019. They were trained in the new assessment practices by two eminent professors from Christ University, Dr. Suparna Kar, Dept. of Sociology and Social Work and Dr. Swetha Mukherjee Dept. of English.

### 3. Staff Achievements & Awards

- Dr. K. Sandhya presented her poems published in the anthology "The Vase" in Hunter International Poetry Festival on 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> Nov., 2019.

- Under the guidance of Dr. K. Sandhya, Dr.Afeera Khanam and Dr. K. Surekha Rani were awarded PhD from ANU. One scholar submitted her Ph. D. Dissertation to JNTUH.

- Mrs. B. Santhisree qualified in APRCET Exam.

### 4. Student Fests, Events & Competitions

- Eight students from PG I & II year English adapted short stories from "Amaravathi through Ages" written by Sri Sai Papineni to the stage during the book launch in Cafe Coffee Day, Vijayawada, in an intercollegiate book reading session on 24<sup>th</sup> Sept., 2019. "To Cap it All" and "Sweet Apple " were enacted by the following students: Sirajunnisa, Stefi Sharon Angel, Preethi Joseph, Sai Deepti B, Sowmya V, Jhansi Lakshmi P, Santhi Mrunalini D from II MA and Harshini G from I MA.

- Sri V. Veerabhadru, IAS, Director, Sarva Siksha Abhiyan was the Chief Guest and he appreciated the students and had a literary interaction with them.

- Cultural week events organised-

English Drama - **We rise by lifting others**

Essay Writing - **The threat to the planet is us. Care for the planet and it will take care of you.**

Elocution - **We make a living by what we get, but we make a living by what we give.**

**Competition in Creative Writing** – The Department organized a competition in "Creative Writing" on 5<sup>th</sup> Feb., 2020, to encourage students to hone their writing skills. The response was tremendous! 100 students from Intermediate, Degree and PG & MBA participated in the event and let their imagination soar! Students with the best write-ups were awarded prizes. The best writings are published in the magazine.

## 6. Language Partnership Programme

- Language Partnership Programme initiated by our Principal, Dr. Sr. Jasintha Quadras and launched with the collaboration of Stella Maris College, Chennai under the able guidance of Dr. Thilagavathi Joseph who trained the faculty and students in conducting this programme was taken up this year by the faculty of the department of English. 150 slow learners were identified and 60 volunteers were chosen to help out the slow learners. Every week four hours of instruction and activity were conducted.

## 7. English Online Course

The Department of English under the guidance of Dr. Girija Nambiar, Dr. Ch. Krishnaveni & Dr. V. Satya Sudha conducted an online course in English, “English for Communication” on MOODLE platform, for all the UG students. The students took one internal assignment in January 2020 and the End Semester Exam was held in March 2020.

## DEPARTMENT OF TELUGU

### Celebration of Telugu Day

The Department of Telugu organized Telugu Bhasha Dinotsavam on 29<sup>th</sup> Aug., 2019. Dr.J.V.Chalapathi Rao, Head, Dept of Telugu, KBN College, Vijayawada delivered a guest lecture on “Importance of Telugu Language in the Present Scenario”. Dr.V.N.MangaDevi & Dr.P.Neeraja conducted this programme. Students of Telugu club and members of Mono Action Club performed Mono Action, dances and recitation of Pushpavilapam, a famous poem.

## DEPARTMENT OF HINDI

### Celebration of Hindi Day

The Department of Hindi celebrated ‘HINDI DAY’ on 14<sup>th</sup> Sept., 2019. Resource person, Mr.

Premed Kumar Sahu, Canara Bank, Zonal Office Head of the Department, Vijayawada, delivered a Guest lecture on “Importance of Hindi language in present scenario”. Dr.K.V. Krishnamohan & B.Karuna Harika conducted this programme. Students of Hindi and members of Hindi club, participated in poem recitation and Elocution.

## DEPARTMENT OF SANSKRIT

- Dr.D.Rama Krishna, Head Department of Sanskrit acted as the chairman in conducting Viva Voce.
- He chaired a session in the National conference at central Sanskrit university, Tirupati.
- Took part in Prapancha Telugu Maha Sabhalu as Pruchhaka in avadhanam.
- Recipient of Pinnamaneni Award
- His Book was released by Honourable Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh, Y.S.Jagan Mohan Reddy.
- He also delivered lectures through MANA T.V of C.C.E.

### Celebration of Sanskrit Day

The Department of Sanskrit organized Sanskrit Day Celebrations on 14<sup>th</sup> Aug., 2019. Dr .M.B.S.S. Narayana, Associate Professor, Sri Satya Sai institute of Higher Learning, Puttaparthi (AP) delivered a guest lecture on “The Importance of Sanskrit Study in the Present Scenario!”. Students of the Sanskrit Department and members of the Sanskrit Club performed skits, dramas and dances in Sanskrit and sang Sanskrit songs. 400 students and faculty members from other departments participated in the event.

## DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY & TOURISM

The following activities have been conducted by the Department during the year:

Orientation Programme / Training / National / International Conferences, Seminars:

- Dr. G. Beulah, Mrs PV Sridevi, Lt. Mrs N. Sailaja and Ms Pamidi Jyothirmai attended the Faculty development Programme – ‘Teacher as a Facilitator of Learning and Leadership & Ideal Team Players’ for all the faculty on 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> June 2019 by Dr. Mercy Pushpalatha, Programme Consultant, South Asia, United Faculty Board. She dealt with outcome based education. Another Resource Person Mrs. Jaya Abraham, Partner with AJ ventures, Mumbai, briefed about the vision and mission of an Individual.
- Dr. G. Beulah and Mrs PV Sridevi attended A Three Day Workshop on ‘Constructive Alignment and Outcome Based Education’ organized by IQAC, Maris Stella College in collaboration with United Board from 21<sup>st</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> Oct., 2019. They have been equipped with the new notions of education and Digital Technology-Assisted Pedagogy by three eminent professors from Christ University, Bangalore- Dr. Suparnakar, Dept. of Sociology and Social Work, Dr. Swetha Mukherjee Dept. of English and Dr. Vinay, Dept. of Computer Science.
- Dr. G. Beulah and Mrs PV Sridevi attended A Two Day Workshop on ‘Designing Effective Assessment Practices’ organized by IQAC, Maris Stella College, in collaboration with United Board on 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec., 2019. They were trained in the new assessment practices by two eminent professors, Dr Suparnakar and Dr Swetha Mukherjee, from Christ University,
- Dr G. Beulah and Lt N. Sailaja attended a Two International Conference on Gandhian Idealism, in Nov., 2019, at St Thresa’s Degree college, Autonomous, Eluru and presented papers on the given themes.

**Celebrations / National days:**

- World Tourism Day celebrations:

The Department conducted World Tourism Day on the 26<sup>th</sup> of Sept., 2019. The Chief Guests for the occasion were Prof. Purnachandra Rao, Head, Dept. of Tourism and Hospitality Management, ANU, and Mr Ram Lakshman, District Tourism Development Officer, APTDC, Vijayawada. The theme of the day was ‘Tourism & Jobs: A Better Future for All’. Attended by all the BA Students and the Intermediate sections, the programme helped to highlight the scope of Tourism and its relevance to the generation of jobs.

- **World Tourism Day celebration by APTDC**

Tourism students, accompanied by Dr G. Beulah, Mrs. LMR Swaroopa and Ms P. Jyothirmai, attended the grand gala event of World Tourism Day celebrations organized by the Govt. of AP, in Thummalapali Kalakshetram, Vijayawada, on 27<sup>th</sup> Sept., 2019. The event was very enlightening and enjoyable and the students were inspired by the various events organized on the occasion. Meeting the Tourism Minister, Mr. A. Srinivas on the occasion was like the ‘icing on the cake.’

- **Independence Day**

The Dept. organized the Independence Day celebrations in the College. The chief guest of the occasion was Ms Yellamanchili Anjali, popular Short Film Producer and Women’s Activist, dedicated to fight for the rights of women in the societies, especially those affected by injustice and molestation. She inspired the audience with her talk on the need to break silence and to fight for justice and the role of young women in society. The enthusiastic cultural programme on the day helped bring forth much patriotism and joy on campus.

### **Guest lecture:**

Mrs. Brahmeswari, Head, Dept. of Humanities (Rtd. ), St Theresa's Degree College, Eluru, addressed all the three sections of the BA along with the Intermediate sections in the College auditorium in July, 2019. Her talk on the Heritage and Culture of India inspired the students.

### **Extension activities:**

#### **• Peer teaching**

The final year History students were taken to the Zilla Parishad Girls High school, Patamata, Vijayawada by Dr. G. Beulah and Lt N. Sailaja on 18<sup>th</sup> Feb., 2020. This was an initiative to promote teaching skills among the students and to facilitate interaction with the students of 10<sup>th</sup> class. Ms A. Lavanya and Ms B. Sushma taught the salient features of Indian Constitution, a topic taught on request from the students. Ms. Thessalonica oriented the students on the benefits of joining NCC.

### **Study Tours:**

- The students of I BA Tourism ( Batch 2018-19 ) were taken on a study tour to Bangalore, Mysore, Srirangapatnam, Bandipur Wildlife Sanctuary and Ooty, by Dr G. Beulah, Mrs. LMR Swaroopa and Ms. Jyothirmai from 27<sup>th</sup> of April to 1<sup>st</sup> of May, 2019. The tour helped them to gain practical knowledge on the various tourist destinations and their relevance to the socio-economic development of India.
- One day Study tour was organized for the first year TTM students (2019-20) to Amaravathi and Undavalli Caves by Mrs PV Sridevi and Lt N. Sailaja during the month of February. The tour helped to create interest in the scope of Tourism in and around Vijayawada.

### **Ek Bharat Shreshta Bharat:**

#### **Inauguration of EBSB Club, 29. 11. 19**

Under the MHRD RUSA 2.0 initiative, Ek Bharat Shreshta Bharat Club was inaugurated in the college auditorium on the 29<sup>th</sup> Nov., 2019. The programme was started with a Prayer song / patriotic song by Ms Asritha and group highlighting the theme 'Unity in diversity' of our culture.

Dr G. Beulah explained to the students the aims, objectives and activities of the EBSB through the RUSA 2. 0. The EBSB Pledge was also taken on the occasion.

Members of the EBSB Club actively participated in the cultural programme. Ms. Rishitha of II BSc CBZ and Aneisa Kaiser of II TTM presented PPTs on the culture and heritage of the Punjab. The programme was brought alive with the rendering of a Punjabi song by Ms B. Praneetha of III B. Com and group dance to a lively Punjabi medley by Ms. Mary Jyotsna of III B. A. TTM and Group.

Attended by 200 members, the programme helped to stir great interest in the lively, colourful Culture of the Punjab.

#### **Separate WhatsApp group for the EBSB members:**

A Special group has been created for all the EBSB Club members. A link to learn the Punjabi language has been downloaded from You Tube and posted in the WhatsApp group. The link is as follows: <https://youtu.be/15QNpDRhRjl>

#### **“Learn Punjabi language!” –EBSB Display Board:**

In a unique drive to promote the Punjabi language among the students, the EBSB Club posted posters with Punjabi greetings thereby encouraging the students to learn Punjabi language.

#### **Poster presentation competition, EBSB club**

The EBSB Club organized a Poster Presentation event for all the students of the campus on 23<sup>rd</sup>



Jan., 2020 in the college auditorium. The students participated enthusiastically and prepared posters on the uniqueness of India.

### **Punjab Food Festival by EBSB Club**

The EBSB Club organized a Punjabi Food Festival in the college campus as one of the activities on 10th Feb., 2020. All the members of the EBSB Club along with the other students actively participated in the Punjabi Food Festival and enjoyed the delicious Punjabi food.

The food stall was organized near the college canteen. The menu included the typical Punjabi food items namely Aloo Paratha, Butter Chicken, Butter Paneer Masala, Khushka Biryani, Raita, Katta and Lassi. Kulfi was also sold on request from the students. The food was prepared and supplied by the Milap Punjabi hotel near Panja center Vijayawada. The event was a grand success as students enthusiastically enjoyed the Punjabi food items. The food festival brought the whole college together and a lot of bonhomie was spread around.

### **Documentary on Punjab Culture:**

On 15<sup>th</sup> Feb., 2020 : A documentary reflecting the culture of Punjab was shown to the members of the EBSB club. The documentary created awareness on the unique culture of Punjab.

### **International Mother Tongue Day**

Maris Stella college, Vijayawada, AP, observed Mathru Bhasha Divas ( Mother Tongue Day) on behalf of Ek Bharat Shreshta Bharat Programme of RUSA on 20<sup>th</sup> Feb., 2020. The International Mother Tongue Day is celebrated annually across the World to commemorate the importance of mother tongue and its cultural and linguistic importance.

The guests of the occasion were RUSA coordinator, Dr. Ch. Krishna Veni, (RUSA coordinator), Dr. Girija Nambiar (Dean of Planning and Communication)

Dr. Sr. Innyasamma and Miss. Anuhya (Degree Vice-Principals). The opening speech is given by Dr. D. Rama Krishna, HOD Dept. of Sanskrit & Coordinator of the Programme. Students of different states actively participated and made the event a big success. In the morning program students dressed up in their respective traditional attires and expressed their love for their mother language. The Ramp Walk and Dance performances were very innovative. The audience was spellbound when students presented skits, short films and Role-plays.

A Book Stall was also arranged where books from different languages were set up. Finally, students of Maris Stella highlighted the existing diversity in cultures and multilingualism. Though we Indians belong to different castes, cultures, languages, religions and traditions, we still survive, sustain and thrive as a developing, independent and integrated India. More than 500 students participated in the event.

### **French Certificate Course:**

Coordinated and taught by Dr G. Beulah, the French Certificate course has been successfully completed.

### **DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS**

- The Department of Economics organized a guest lecture on “Micro Finance & Economic Development” on 24<sup>th</sup> June 2019 to all the B. A. Students. The Resource Person Prof. G. Koteswara Prasad explained the importance of Self Help Groups in Microfinance.
- World Population Day was observed on 11<sup>th</sup> June, 2019. Dr. N. Srinivas, Statistician APCRDA Amaravathi, addressed the students and said that the aim of observing this day is to bring awareness on the issue of global population and the importance of reproductive health, Mr. N.

Srinivas distributed prizes to the winners of essay writing and poster making competitions.

- The Department organized 55<sup>th</sup> AD Shroff Memorial Elocution Competition jointly with Forum of Free Enterprise, Mumbai on 27<sup>th</sup> Aug., 2019. This competition is being conducted since 2007 in Maris Stella College for B. A and M. A. Economics students in memory of Late Shri. A. D. Shroff, with the objective of encouraging college students to improve and showcase their communicative and speaking skills and to enable them to display their oratory skills. 25 participants from UG and PG sections participated and expressed their views on the topics “Quest towards inclusive growth in India”, “Health for All”, “Reforming National Health Policy” and “Role of a model citizen in Indian Democracy.”
- World Literacy Day was celebrated on 6<sup>th</sup> Sept., 2019. The program was inaugurated by Dr. Sr. Jasintha Quadras. Sri S. K. Maurya, IFS, Secretary, APPSC, Andhra Pradesh was the chief guest of the program.
- The Department of Economics in collaboration with M R Pai Foundation Mumbai organized a Two Day Leadership Training Camp for Undergraduate Students 30<sup>th</sup> Sep. & 1<sup>st</sup> Oct., 2019. The Resource Persons Mr. Vivek Patki and Mr. Rajiv Luv from MR Pai Foundation trained the students in Setting & Achieving Goals, Sharpening Vital Skills, The Power of Habits, Effective Communication, Coming Together -A beginning, Understanding Self & Others, etc. The chief guest of the inaugural session was Mr. Sri Krishna Seelam, CEO, Founder Tax.
- Final year BA HEP, HET and MES students visited Vijjeswaram Power Plant, Rajahmundry on 23<sup>rd</sup> Nov., 2019.

An intercollegiate competition named “SAMPADA – 2K20” was organized by the Department of Economics on 27<sup>th</sup> Jan., 2020, to provide a platform to the degree students of various colleges to bring out their hidden talents in various events.

In this connection various competitions were conducted like Elocution, Essay writing, Poster making, Quiz and personality contest with themes like the role of technology in women’s security, technology replacing the teacher, quiz, etc.

The chief guest of the day Mr. K. V Raghava Rao, Senior Manager, Canara Bank said that the banking sector is providing educational loans and many educational schemes and products for the betterment of the student community. 70 participants from various colleges in and around Vijayawada took part in the event.

#### **National Conference on IPR: Issues & Challenges**

UGC autonomy grant supported Two Day National Conference on Intellectual Property Rights (IPR): Issues and Challenges was organized by the Department of Economics and Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) on 28<sup>th</sup> Feb., 2020.

The Key-note Address was delivered by Sankar, Kasturi, IPR Attorney. He said as the economy progresses, the importance of IPRs increases. The IPRs are the bedrock of inventions, innovations and creativity.

Prof. Venu Madhav, Department of Commerce, K. L. University, Vaddeswaram, Andhra Pradesh observed that patents, trademarks and copyrights are needed to properly reward the creative works of individuals and institutions. He said these contribute to hassle-free progress of the economy.

Mr. Sarath Javvaji, Lawyer, High Court, Andhra Pradesh, spoke on seed freedom. The seed sector

too deserves protection. Concentration should be focused on area / crop - specific seeds to realize optimum returns. There should be stringent laws to curb the spread of spurious seeds.

A talk was given on the “Importance and Scope of IPRs” by Dr. Bhavya Sri, Professor, NRI Institute of Technology, Agiripalli, near Vijayawada. She said that IPR needs to have identity, ownership and income generation.

Ms. Iswarya Maguluru, Advocate, High Court, Andhra Pradesh gave a lecture on “Geographical Indications (GI) – Issues and Challenges – An Analytical Approach”. Faculty presented papers.

## **DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE**

### **Guest Lectures**

- The Department organised a Guest Lecture on 3<sup>rd</sup> July, 2019 on the topic “Women Laws in India” by Dr. Y. N. V. Kishore Kumar, Lecturer in Law, Masterminds, Guntur.
- The Department also organised an awareness talk on “Constitutional Status of Women in India” on 11<sup>th</sup> Sept., 2019 by D. Rama Devi in collaboration with AIDWA.

### **Constitution Day**

- As part of 70<sup>th</sup> Constitution Day, 26<sup>th</sup> Nov., 2019 the Department arranged a common screen to view the messages of our President, Prime Minister, Vice – President and the Lok Sabha Speaker from Parliament Central Hall.

### **National Voters’ Day**

- As part of National Voters’ Day the department conducted essay writing and elocution competitions to the students. A rally was organised and the logo of the Election Commission was formed by the students on 25<sup>th</sup> Jan., 2020.

### **Study Tour**

- A Two day Study tour was organised for III BA students by A Jyothsna and Ch. Geetha Devi to Visakhapatnam Steel Plant and Borra caves on 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> Feb., 2020

### **Staff Participation**

1. Ch. Geetha Devi participated in a FDP on Outcome Based Education (OBE) organized by the E & ICT Academy, NIT Warangal at IIITDM, Kurnool from 6<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> May, 2019.
2. Ch. Geetha Devi participated in a National Seminar on Indian Higher Education: Current Status and Leadership Challenges organized by Christ University, Bangalore from 11<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> June 2019.
3. Dr. B. Rajendra Prasad NSS Coordinator Celebrated NSS Golden Jubilee on 24<sup>th</sup> Sep., 2019
4. A Jyothsna, Ch. Geetha Devi and Dr. B. Rajendra Prasad participated in a National Workshop on Constructive Alignment and Outcome based Education organized by Maris Stella College from 21<sup>st</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> Oct., 2019.
5. Ms. A Jyothsna and Dr. B. Rajendra Prasad participated in a FDP on Developing MOODLE-enabled Blended Learning Courses organized by Maris Stella College on 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> Nov., 2019.
6. A Jyothsna, Ch. Geetha Devi participated in a Workshop on IPR in Indian Scenario: Current Perspectives and Future Challenges organised by Dept. of Business Administration and IQAC Maris Stella College on 16<sup>th</sup> Nov., 2019.
7. Ch. Geetha Devi and Dr. B. Rajendra Prasad participated in a National Seminar on "Political Parties and Indian Democracy: Current Scenario of Regional Political Parties" organised by J. M. J College for Women, Tenali on 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> Nov., 2019.

8. A Jyothsna, Ch. Geetha Devi and Dr. B. Rajendra Prasad participated in a National Workshop on Designing Effective Assessment Practices on Digital Technology organized by Maris Stella College on 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec., 2019.
9. Ch. Geetha Devi enrolled as Ph D scholar at Acharya Nagarjuna University.

## DEPARTMENT OF JOURNALISM

The Department of Journalism organized Showcase 2K19 on 22<sup>nd</sup> Aug., 2019 which was a One Day State Level Student Fest. The event was inaugurated by the chief guest, Dr. Santosh Krishna Kondaveeti, Best Hospital. Showcase 2K19 included events like - Moves for a Change (Flash Mob), Report in Ink (report writing), Reflect-society through lens (photography), Ad- wise for a better society (Ad-making), Troubleshoot - Real Life in Reel (short film), Capture live - Sky is the Limit (spot photography), and Mr. Ms Showcase 2K19 (Personality contest).

- On 20<sup>th</sup> Dec., 2019, 8 students attended State Level Media Sensitization Programme and Dissemination of Media Guidebook organised by Mahita-Plan India in collaboration with Press Academy of A. P.
- Students participated in 'Cinevolution' Event organized by the Dept. of Journalism & Mass Communication, St. Joseph's Degree and P. G. College, Hyderabad.
- Dept. of Journalism, offered a Certificate course in Beauty & Fitness. 45 Students completed the course successfully.
- Ms. Y. Oliva, has been a Workshop Consultant in NIE ( Newspaper in Education)- Project by The Times of India, National Daily to motivate the students across Krishna District, A. P.

## DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WORK

### International Domestic Workers Day

The Department of Social Work in collaboration with Montfort Social Institute (MSI) organized "International Domestic Workers day" on 19<sup>th</sup> June 2019, with nearly 250 domestic workers.

Mr. Malladi Vishnu, MLA Vijayawada central was the Guest of Honor and his valuable presence made the day very special. The other guests included Br. Varghese, Director of Montfort Social Institute, Dr. Sr. Jasintha Quadras, Principal of Maris Stella College, Mrs. A. Seethamma, President of trade union, Dr. Sr. Lovely Jacob, former Head of the Department of Social Work and Mr. Ramesh, the city coordinator of Child Line, Vijayawada .

Br. Varghese after his speech submitted a Memorandum to Mr. Malladi Vishnu, the MLA in request of an act on demands and rights of the domestic workers. Mrs. A. Seetamma. President of the trade union gave a brief speech on the need for protecting the rights of domestic workers. The "E" T. V. channel interviewed the MLA. Mr. Srinivas Rao and Mr. Govind delivered speeches on the benefits of Pradhan Mantri Shram Yogi Mandhan scheme.

### Visit to Chiguru – NGO

Social work students visited Chiguru, a Children's village in Venkata Palem. It is a residential home for the children of divorced parents, broken families, orphans, street children, and rescued children. The vision of the home is "A child friendly society where all children enjoy their right." This centre is the branch of Navajeevan Bal Bhavan centre.

### Interface Meeting with Youth Advocates and Government Representatives

The workshop on Youth Voice was organized by Mahita Plan International in collaboration with Child Line on 6<sup>th</sup> July, 2019 at the Child Line

office at Hanumanpet. The resource persons were Mr. Vijayanand, CWC Chairperson, Mrs. Aushya woman police from Hanumanpet. All the social work students attended. The theme of the workshop was on “Child Marriages and Child Trafficking”

Mr. Godae Prasad, the state coordinator of Mahita Plan International conducted the programme. He invited the speakers to give their view on the two issues Child Marriages and Child Trafficking. Mr. Krishna Kumar., member of Child Welfare Commission said that their commission gives recommendations and monitors the functioning of the Child Welfare Committees . The other resource person was Mrs. Poornima Ramani, the sub – inspector of police who spoke about the Shakthi team in Vijayawada. She also gave the Helpline – 181, 100 and Child line Help line – 108 numbers.

Raman the President of Nehru Yuva Kendra spoke about the various youth clubs formed in villages of Rajasthan to create awareness on Child Marriages. Mr. Vijay Kumar., The district Child Protection Officer spoke on the different types of Child rights. At the end there was open discussion in which the social work students actively participated.

### **Sensitization and Refresher Training on Psycho – Social Care in Disaster Management**

The training on Disaster Management was organized by NIMHANS, Bangalore in collaboration with Andhra Pradesh State Disaster Management Authority, UNDP – United Nation Development Programme and USAID. The theme of the seminar was “Psycho – Social support and Care in Disaster Management. The seminar took place in Diocesan Social Service Society at Gunadala. The resource persons were Mr. Litin and Mr. Vijaya Kumar. The motto for organizing workshops was to sensitize the various stakeholders on integrating psychosocial care in disaster management.

The resource persons: Madhusudan Rao, Medical Officer VMC, Mr. Udaya Kumar Regional Fire Officer, Mr. Prabhucharan, AP State Disaster Management authority, Mr. Litin, the State Project Coordinator, Mr. Bhasker, from NIMHANS, Mr. Shaik Abdul, City Project Coordinator UNDP and Mrs. Saraswati lecturer P. B . Siddhartha college. Students learnt about the Psycho – Social support and Care in Disaster Management

### **Inauguration of the certificate course in Counseling and Psychotherapy**

The certificate course on counseling and psychotherapy was inaugurated on 20<sup>th</sup> July 2019. by a clinical psychologist who works in the district mental health program.

### **World Day against Human Trafficking**

The World Day Against Human Trafficking in Person was celebrated on 30<sup>th</sup> July at Child Line office. The organizers were Childline, NGOs and personals working for these causes. The guests were Dr. K. Srinivas, Additional DCP task Force, DCPO, Ramesh Child Line, Fr. Ratna the director of Navjeevan and the director of New Horizon. The resource persons spoke on human trafficking. Two women who were trafficked victims shared their experience.

### **Visit to Saiprema -NGO**

The Social Work students visited Saiprema, the NGO which is the centre for children with special needs, mentally challenged, Down's syndrome, Autism and slow learners was started with the spirit to reach the maximum children in need of special care.

### **Seminar on - March Ahead**

Social Work students participated in the seminar organized by Vasavya Mahila Mandali at their premises.

**The speakers :** Ms. Chandana Khan, IAS Retd, Former Chief Secretary Tourism, A. P. Mrs. C. S. Ramalakshmi IFS Retd, and Mrs. Sudha Murali, Former Child Protection Specialist, UNICEF. The participants were the members of NGOs students of social work from Maris Stella College.

### **Visit to Amodini – NGO**

Amodini is the NGO that works for street girls . It is situated in Guntur . It accommodates 150 girls and they offer informal education, and vocational training to girls. The III year. Social Work students visited the centre and interacted with the girls.

### **State Level Arts and Crafts Exhibition cum Sale**

The Department organized a two day State Level Arts and Crafts Exhibition cum Sale at Maris Stella College on 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> Sep., 2019. The main purpose of the programme was to bring all the 20 NGOs under the one umbrella of networking and to provide opportunity to sell the products made by the vulnerable children and women. These NGOs work for vulnerable people - street children, trafficked children, orphans, children with special needs, youth at risk, women in distress, trafficked women etc., The main aim is to create awareness among the students of Maris Stella College and other colleges regarding the noble work done by the NGOs and to promote the production of the vulnerable people.

15 NGOs put up their stall, on 12<sup>th</sup> and the guests were Mr. Mohan Kumar., the joint collector, Fr. N. Ratna Kumar., SDB, director of Navjeevan, Prof. Saraswati Raju Iyer, Nagarjuna University, Brother Varghese, Director of Montfort Social Institution and Mr. Arava. Ramesh, District coordinator Child Line – 1098, Forum for Child Rights. Mr. Mohan Kumar declared that exhibition open.

On 31<sup>st</sup> the valedictory function was organized. Children from various NGOs entertained the

gathering with their wonderful cultural programs followed by distribution of the certificate to the NGOs and students from other colleges. The guests were Mr. Kumar., the Chairperson for Women and Child Welfare, Krishna District, Fr. Sagaya Raj, the Correspondent of Andhra Loyola College and Mr. Prasad, Coordinator from Mahita.

### **Children's Day**

The Department in collaboration with the NGO – Saiprema Celebrated Children's day with Mentally challenged children on 14<sup>th</sup> Nov., 2019. The special invitees were from Ankita Charitable Trust, Sri. B. V. S. Kumar., Chairman District Child Welfare Committee, Sr. A. V. D. Narayana Rao, Assistant director Welfare of the Differently abled and Senior citizens, Mr. Satish Kumar., Lions Club Vice District Governor and Devineni Joni Kumari,

The differently abled students and Inter students performed cultural programmes. The audience appreciated the beautiful performance of the mentally disabled children. All the dignitaries gave their valuable messages. They appreciated the work of Saiprema and thanked the Department for providing an opportunity to celebrate this event together. Later, the staff of Child Line Mr. Ramesh briefed the audience about the week long celebration on Child Rights which was from 14<sup>th</sup> Nov., to 21<sup>st</sup> Nov., 2019. They released a poster on Child Rights. Mr. B. V. R. Kumar pronounced the oath on Child Protection.

### **Dosti Week Celebration**

A sensitization programme for railway employees -

The Child Line of Vijayawada organized a week long Dosti week celebration at Vijayawada railway station to create awareness on "Child Safety" in the city. The participants were social work students from Maris Stella, students from Andhra Loyola College,

railway employees and NGOs. The speakers stressed on the importance of childhood, education, Health and child rights. The Social Work students sang the awareness songs on children's rights.

### **Visit to Montfort - NGO**

The third year Social Work students visited the Montfort Social Institute (MSI) on 21<sup>st</sup> Nov., 2019 to address three important issues of our times – protection of human rights, sustainable development, and governance. The purpose of the visit was to know about the NGOs and the various initiatives taken by them to address people's problems. The coordinator explained that the institution worked for domestic workers, human rights and provided supplementary education to the poor students in the slum. They worked in nearly 20 slums.

### **COMMEMORATION OF THE 71<sup>st</sup> WORLD HUMAN RIGHTS DAY**

#### **Launch of Anti- Human Trafficking Club**

Human Rights Day is celebrated every year on 10th Dec.. This day is celebrated internationally to commemorate the adoption of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights by the United Nations on 10<sup>th</sup> Dec 1948. Maris Stella College in collaboration with International Justice Mission chose this day to launch the First ever Anti Human Trafficking Club in Andhra Pradesh, to prepare young minds to end human slavery in our society. This day was marked as special in the calendar of Maris Stella.

- The aim of the club is to -
- Recognize the issue → creating awareness
- Report → Vigilance to respond
- Support → Join the existing efforts for Anti-human trafficking Campaign

We were blessed to have the esteemed guests - Smt. Vasireddy Padma, Chairperson – Mahila

Commission, AP, Sri. Harshavardhan Raju, Deputy Commissioner of Police, Sri. A. MD Imtiaz, IAS District Collector, Krishna District, and Smt. R. Suez, Director, Andhra Pradesh

Mahila Commission, Smt. Alice Suganya, Head Zonal Interventions from Chennai, International Justice Mission, Smt. Drakshayani, Executive Member, Jeevan Jwala, Released Bonded Labour Association-AP, Mr. Balakrishnan - AHTC Convenor, Ms. Sneha – AHTC Member, Madras Christian College, Mr. Akhil – AHTC Member, Madras School of Social Work, Sri. RajKumar., Advocate, Madras High Court, Government officials from various departments, police officials, NGOs personnel, representatives from Brahma Kumaris and Ramakrishna Mutt, students from colleges and Universities and more than 600 students of Maris Stella college along with lectures and friends from Media, participated in the event.

Smt. Vasireddy Padma, Chairperson – Mahila Commission, Andhra Pradesh, delivered the inaugural address. After which the SOP- Standard Operating Procedure Book and Logo were released. After the addresses of the guests, students from Madras Christian College and Madras School of Social Work shared information about the club and its functions in Chennai. The guests appreciated the initiative taken by the Department of Social Work.

#### **World Day of Prayer and Reflection against Human Trafficking**

8<sup>th</sup> February is celebrated as World Day of Prayer and Reflection against Human Trafficking in Catholic Church. The Department organized a short celebration and guest lecture on Anti – Human Trafficking club for all the first year degree, social work and history and tourism students on 8th Feb., 2019. Guest lecturer was Ms. Crysolite from the NGO – Red Rope, Hyderabad and Chennai.

## SCIENCES

### DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICS

A Three Day National Workshop sponsored by Andhra Pradesh Pollution Control Board, Vijayawada on 'Physics and Technology: Modern Sensors Characteristics, Interfacing & Programming' was conducted from 7<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> Nov., 2019.

#### Staff achievements

- Dr. V. Sharon Samyuktha passed APSET during the year 2019-20.
- Dr. V. Sharon Samyuktha completed an online course on "Solid State Physics" during the year 2019-20.
- Certificate of Appreciation to Dr. G. Little Flower was given on International Women's Day 2020 by the Women Cell of KBN College, Vijayawada.

#### Staff Participation: Faculty Development

##### Programmes

Ms. Santhi Sri Sudha, Dr. Sharon Samyuktha, Ms. Geetha, Ms. B. Sudha Gayatri and Ms. Visali attended the FDP, by Dr. Stephen Chinnaswamy, on 4<sup>th</sup> June, 2019.

- All Physics faculty attended FDP on "Teacher as a facilitator of Learning" and "Programme Outcomes, PSOs and Cos" by Dr. Mercy Pushpalatha and Mrs. Jeya Abraham on 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> June, 2019.
- Ms. Santhi Sri Sudha, Dr. Sharon Samyuktha, Ms. Geetha, Ms. B. Sudha Gayatri and Ms. Visali attended FDP: A Two day Workshop on "Capacity Building cum Faculty development" by Dr. Sandhya Tiwari on 29<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> July, 2019.
- Dr. G. Little Flower, Ms. P. Padmalatha, Ms. T. Grace Eunice, Ms. Santhi Sri Sudha, Dr. Sharon Samyuktha and Ms. B. Sudha Gayatri participated in a seminar on Principles and Practices in

Teaching / Learning excellence on 4<sup>th</sup> Oct., 2019 by Prof. L. S. Ganesh, IIT Madras.

- Dr. G. Little Flower and Ms. P. Padmalatha attended an FDP: Workshop on "Constructive alignment and Outcome Based Education" on 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup>, Oct., 2019.
- Ms. B. Sudha Gayatri underwent training in a three day workshop on "LMS - MOODLE" by Dr. Indira Koneru" from 8<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> Nov., 2019.
- Ms. B. Sudha Gayatri completed a five week online course on INTRODUCTION TO TECHNOLOGY ENABLE LEARNING by commonwealth of learning and Athabasca university, Canada during Oct., 2019.
- All Physics faculty attended a Three Day National Workshop on 'Physics and Technology: Modern Sensors Characteristics, Interfacing & Programming' from 7<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> Nov., 2019 sponsored by Andhra Pradesh Pollution Control Board, Vijayawada.
- Dr. G. Little Flower, Ms. P. Padmalatha, Ms. T. Grace Eunice, Ms. Santhi Sri Sudha, Dr. Sharon Samyuktha - IPR, attended a Workshop on "Intellectual Property Rights" on 16<sup>th</sup> Nov., 2019.
- Dr. G. Little Flower and Ms. P. Padmalatha attended an FDP: Workshop on "Designing Effective Assessment Practices and Digital Technology" on 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec., 2019.
- Dr. G. Little Flower, Ms. P. Padmalatha, Ms. T. Grace Eunice, Ms. Santhi Sri Sudha, Dr. Sharon Samyuktha, Ms. B. Sudha Gayatri, V. Geetha Nagamani Sai attended a Workshop on "Mentoring" from 7<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> Jan., 2020.
- Ms. B. Sudha Gayatri completed a four week online course on INTRODUCTION TO MOODLE - 3.8 BASICS by commonwealth of learning, Australia during Feb., 2020



## Skill development training programme

- 3 students from final MPC completed their 45 days Summer Internship at Efftronics Pvt. Ltd., from 22<sup>nd</sup> April to 5<sup>th</sup> June, 2019.
- 28 students from III MPCs took part in a Certificate Course on 'Digital Design Using Verilog HDL' offered by ECE department of Andhra Loyola Institute of Engineering and Technology (ALIET) from 22<sup>nd</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> April, 2019.
- 23 students took part in a Certificate Course on MATLAB offered by the ECE, Department of Andhra Loyola Institute of Engineering and Technology (ALIET) from 29<sup>th</sup> April to 5<sup>th</sup> May 2019.
- 25 students completed MHRD supported Hands on Training on "Home Appliances" at SIEMEN'S Skill Development Centre, Andhra Loyola Institute of Engineering and Technology, Vijayawada from 26<sup>th</sup> Oct., to 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov., 2019.
- 3 students from II MPC participated in five day training on "Mini Physics Training and talent search programme" at KBN College, Vijayawada from 16<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> Dec., 2019.

## Students Participation

- 12 students participated in various competitions organized by P. B. Siddartha College, Vijayawada on 8<sup>th</sup> Jan., 2020 and won prizes.
- 19 students took part in various competitions conducted by the department of Physics, Andhra Loyola College, Vijayawada with the title Resonance 2020: A National Level Academic Fest on "Space Physics" on 30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> January 2020 and won many prizes.
- Mrs. T. Grace Eunice along with 8 students took part in the National Seminar on "Recent Trends in Nanoscience and Nanotechnology

(NSRTN-2020)" organized by the Department of Nanoscience, at Acharya Nagarjuna University on 30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> of Jan., 2020.

## Activities of Physics Inspire Club

**16-07-2019:** T. Likitha Santhoshini III MPC presented videos on "Physics in Life". Dr. V. Sharon Samyuktha Ph.D. showed a video on "Narration of Sunitha Williams about Life in Zero Gravity in the space shuttle".

### 23-07-2019 :

- i) Discussion on 'The successful launch of Chandrayan-2'
- ii) Discussion on "Scientists and their Inventions and Discoveries".

### 6-08-2019 : Commemoration of "Hiroshima Day"

The Physics 'Inspire Club' members were enlightened about the "Disaster and Development face of Nuclear Energy: The Need for Promotion of Peace and Harmony" and commemorated 'Hiroshima day'.

**13-08-2018:** A group discussion on "Rain Water Harvesting and Water Management".

## Extension Activity through Inspire Club

Dr. V. Sharon Samyuktha, Lecturer in Physics along with 5 advanced learners from III MPC took part in an extension activity and promoted experiential learning through demonstration of Physics Experiments at MPUP school, Kuntamukkala, Vijayawada. The experiments demonstrated were Reflection, Refraction, Measurements by Vernier Calipers and Screw Gauge. Using LASER and Torch light. The concepts of divergence and coherence were also illustrated. The school students were enthusiastic and were able to understand the concepts of some topics in Science. This interaction promoted passion for learning science among school children.

## DEPARTMENT OF CHEMISTRY

### Guest lectures

The Department of Chemistry organized a guest lecture on “Chemistry: Career opportunities in research” on 26<sup>th</sup> July, 2019 and the Resource person was Prof. M. V. Basaveswara Rao, Krishna University. The purpose of the program was to motivate students and to bring awareness on career opportunities through research in chemical sciences.

### Industrial visit and study tour to CIPET, 2019-20

The Department organized an industrial visit cum study tour to CIPET (Central Institute of Plastic Engineering and Technology) located at Surampally, on 13<sup>th</sup> Jan., 2020 for the students of II BSc.

### Alchemy Fair-2019

Chemistry Department organized ‘Alchemy Fair - 2019’ (chemistry exhibition), inaugurated by Prof. M. V. Basaveswara Rao, Krishna University on 26. 7. 2018 with the noble initiative of promoting benevolence and support for the needy people through ‘Bowl of Rice’ programme. Transfer of knowledge of basic concepts of chemistry by live demonstrations is carried out by the students of Alchemy Club.

### Skill development training programme

The Department of chemistry coordinated a skill development training programme on ‘HPLC: Instrumental Methods of R &D’ at Shree Icon Laboratory for students of III B. Sc –from 12<sup>th</sup> Nov., 2019 to 21<sup>st</sup> Dec., 2019.

### Lab to Schools Programme

The Department also took up an extension activity namely ‘Lab to Schools’ programme on 4<sup>th</sup> Feb., 2020 at MPUP School in Kuntamukkala Village, which does not have a lab facility.

### Student participation

Chemistry cluster elective students and Dr S. Vanilatha participated in a national workshop on

‘Contemporary Nano: Synthesis, characterization and Applications’ organized by Department of chemistry, Ch. S. D. St. Theresa’s College for Women, Eluru, on 22<sup>nd</sup> Aug., 2019.

### Staff Participation

Dr S. Vanilatha participated in a national workshop on ‘Contemporary Nano: Synthesis, characterization and Applications’ organized by Department of chemistry, Ch. S. D. ST. Theresa’s College for Women, Eluru on 22<sup>nd</sup> Aug., 2019.

Dr S. Vanilatha and Ms. D. Santha Kumari participated in a 3 Day national work shop on ‘Constructive Alignment and Outcome Based Education’ held from 21<sup>st</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup>, Oct., 2019 at Maris Stella College, Vijayawada.

Ms. M. Archana participated in a 7 Day Faculty Development programme on ‘Recent trends in teaching learning methodologies using ICT in higher education institutions’, organized by IQAC of Sir C. R Reddy college, Eluru from 24<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> Oct., 2019.

Dr S. Vanilatha participated in the three day national workshop on ‘Physics and technology: Modern sensors, characteristics, interfacing and programming’ from 7<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup>, Nov., organized by Department of Physics, Maris Stella College.

Ms HimaKumari participated in FDP on ‘MOODLE enabled blended learning courses’ on 8<sup>th</sup>. Nov., 2019, at Maris Stella College, Vijayawada.

Dr. S. Vanilatha and Ms. M. Anusri participated in Dr. Sudha Memorial Science Quest- 2019 as Jugde at St. John’s Public School, Gunadala, Vijayawada on 29<sup>th</sup> Nov., 2019 and 30<sup>th</sup> Nov., 2019 respectively.

Dr S. Vanilatha and Ms. D. Santha Kumari participated in a 2 Day national workshop on ‘Designing effective assessment practices and digital

technology' held on 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec., 2019 at Maris Stella College, Vijayawada.

The following members participated in a one day workshop on 'Mentoring', held on 7<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup>, Jan., 2020 at Maris Stella College, Vijayawada-1.

M. AnuSri, M. Archana, Sk Sabeeha Begum, Koteswaramma, G. HimaKumar S. Vanilatha, D. Santha Kumari, and V. Javali

Dr S. Vanilatha was a resource person (Guest speaker) in one day workshop on 'Separation Techniques by Chromatographic methods' organized by Dept. of Chemistry, Dr LHR, Govt Degree College, Mylavaram on 24<sup>th</sup> Jan., 2020.

Dr S. Vanilatha attended YVNR Government Degree College, Kaikaluru as a resource person for the work shop entitled 'Chromatographic Techniques' on 14<sup>th</sup> Feb., 2020.

Ms. M. Archana attended a de-briefing session on 'BELBIN TEAM ROLE' assessment on 9<sup>th</sup> March, 2020 and 10<sup>th</sup> March, 2020.

## DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY

### Workshops

Mushroom cultivation workshop was held on 10<sup>th</sup> July, 2019 for students registered in a certificate course organized by the Dept. of Botany with Resource person Sri. K. Amareswara Rao, Amaravathi Mushrooms, Gunadala, Vijayawada.

### Hands on Training

The Department in collaboration with KBR & Hemalatha, Human Development Foundation organized a Three Day Workshop on Hands on Training in Horticulture Techniques on 24<sup>th</sup> Oct., 2019.

### Guest lectures

The Department in collaboration with Green Audit Cell conducted a guest lecture on Control of

Noise Pollution in Cities and Towns by Dr. T. Sri Kumar., Dean of Sciences, Andhra Loyola College, Vijayawada, on 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2019.

The Department of Botany conducted a Guest lecture on 25<sup>th</sup> Nov., 2019, on "Medicine free H ng chemical free living" by Sri Shailender.

### Tours

The Department organized a student Nursery visit to "Kadiyapu Lanka Nursery" near Veterinary Hospital, Vijayawada on 24<sup>th</sup> Aug., 2019.

On 26<sup>th</sup> Oct., 2019, Department took 20 students to Nursery at Gangur, Nandanavanam as field trip, trained the students how to handle cutting, packing techniques, at the production centre, Gangur.

### IIOPR VISIT

The Department organized a Botanical tour to IIOPR (Indian Institute of Oil Palm Research) Pedavegi on 23<sup>rd</sup> Nov., 2019 for III B. Sc (CBZ & Biotech) students.

### Kondapalli Reserve Forest

The Department organized a Botanical tour to Natural deciduous forest Mulapadu in Kondapalli RF on 14<sup>th</sup> Dec., 2019 for III B. Sc (Cluster Elective) students.

## DEPARTMENT OF ZOOLOGY

### Guest Lecture:

The Department of Zoology organized a guest lecture on "Organic Farming-Safe Environment through solid waste management" by Maddukuri Venkata Subbarao, Concept founder and Advisor of Vermicompost plants, Vijayawada Municipal Corporation, Krishna on 17<sup>th</sup> Aug., 2019 to enlighten students on garbage and solid waste to compost / manure making.

### Educational Tour:

The Department has arranged Field trip to NTR University of Veterinary Sciences, Gannavaram on

22<sup>nd</sup> Aug., 2019 as a part of III B. Sc curriculum (Skill based trip), assisted by the Coordinator of Veterinary animal farm, Dr. Venkata Seshaiyah, Dr. Sushmitha. They also visited Prasada Reddy Ajitha Poultry Unit, Proddutur, Kankipadu, with all final year students (50) and along with staff Dr Nitya, Dr Japamalai, Ms. Suma & Zoology record assistant Mani .

### **Hands on Training**

Training was given on Medical diagnostics & Blood tests to VI Sem cluster elective girls on 13<sup>th</sup> Dec., 2019 by Miss Anusha, DMLT, a lab technician in Mukyamantiri Arogya Kendra, Vijayawada.

### **Red Ribbon Club :**

The Department of Zoology conducted an awareness program on the Theme-SEND A MESSAGE, STAY DRUG FREE-with RRC, Youth Red Cross, on 30<sup>th</sup> Aug., 2019 Resource persons: Md. Imtiaz IAS, District Collector & District Magistrate, Krishna District, inspired students on Dedication, Discipline and Devotion to control HIV / AIDS, followed by Dr A. Sridhar Reddy, Chairman, YRCS & Dental Surgeon. Dr. Illa Ravi, Principal, Avanigadda Govt. Degree College.

### **Awareness Activities:**

1. Awareness Activity was conducted on World Malaria day 20<sup>th</sup> Aug., 2019 by Dr. Baratha Jyothi and Mrs. Suma, to activate Intermediate students on prophylactic measures to control malarial fevers.
2. An Awareness activity on Breast Cancer was conducted on 30<sup>th</sup> Oct., 2019 to motivate students on Mammogram by Drip. Nitya and Dr. N Baratha Jyothi. .
3. An awareness rally and program were conducted in the campus on World Ozone Day with the theme TURN THE EARTH CALM AND COOL on 16<sup>th</sup> Sept., 2019 to enlighten students on the

consequences of UV radiation, Ozone umbrella and Ozone hole. .

4. Awareness on World AIDS Day was conducted on 30<sup>th</sup> Nov., 2019, Mrs. Annamma, State RRC co-coordinator of Krishna District as resource person, advised the students and clarified the myths and misconceptions about HIV.

### **Awards:**

PhD degree was awarded to Mrs. Nitya Jeeva Prada, HOD, Dept of Zoology, on 25<sup>th</sup> Nov., 2019, for her thesis on "GC-MS Phytochemical Analysis, Ant diabetic & Anti- Inflammatory activity report of Diospyros ferrea (Wild. )Bakh Leaf Extract", under the supervision of Prof. Z. Vishnuvardhan, Former Dean –Faculty of Natural Sciences. Acharya Nagarjuna University.

### **1 -A TWO DAY CERTIFICATE cum TRAINING PROGRAMME:**

State RRC & YRCS conducted a programme to 50 of our Degree students in collaboration with Maris Stella, Vijayawada on 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> Feb 2020, Mrs. Annamma, State secretary and President Dr. Samaram along with RRC coordinator Dr Nitya, Vice principals Dr. Sr. Innyasamma and Hannah Anuhya, RRC members and students attended.

### **Guinness World Record:**

Attempt to sign up to donate blood in 8 hours-programme was conducted to all colleges by the GOVERNOR OF AP &YRCS in Devaiah memorial auditorium on 15<sup>th</sup> Feb., 2020 to encourage students to donate blood for the noble cause of helping needy patients. Approximately 1500 students, staff, Dr. Sr. Jasintha, Principal of Maris Stella College participated to acknowledge the spirit of service.

### **Workshops**

Dr. P. Nitya Jeeva Prada and Dr. N. Baratha Jyothi attended a two day National workshop on

“AYURSIDDHI” Hands on Training on Indigenous Medicine” on 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> Dec., 2019 organized by Department of Botany, Parvathaneni Brahmayya Siddhartha College of Arts & Science, Vijayawada.

Dr P. Nitya & Dr P Japamalai attended a Faculty Development Program in a National workshop on constructive alignment and outcome based education from 21<sup>st</sup> Oct., 2019 to 23<sup>rd</sup> Oct., 2019.

Dr Barath Jyothi attended an e-learning FDP on Developing MOODLE enabled blended training course on 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> Nov 2019 and also completed a five week online course on Introduction to technology-enabled learning on 4<sup>th</sup> Nov., 2019.

## DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS

### Seminars / Conferences :

G. Usha Kumari, Head, Department of Mathematics, participated in the International Conference on “Advances and Applications in Mathematics Statistics and Computer Science”, Andhra Loyola College, from Oct., 18<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> 2019.

### Guest Lectures:

The Dept of Mathematics organized a Guest Lecture on 21<sup>st</sup> Dec., 2019, with Resource person Prof. Rajit Tandon, University of Hyderabad, on “Fermat’s Last Theorem on Polynomial Domains”.

### Workshop Organized: PG & UG Departments of Mathematics

PG & UG department of Mathematics organized INMO Workshop for 35 students of RMO from 17<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup>, Dec. 2019.

### Achievements:

7 Members of the Department received their certificates on completion of the Online certificate course.

## DEPARTMENT OF STATISTICS

On June 29, every year, National Statistics Day is celebrated to mark the birth anniversary of Prof. Prasanta Chandra Mahalanobis, a renowned and eminent statistician.

The main idea behind celebrating this day is to create awareness among the youth of our country so that they draw inspiration from the works of Prof. Mahalanobis

As a part of this, the Department of Statistics organized a guest lecture Mr. P. Naresh Kumar., Econometrician, APCRDA, Amaravathi, on the topic “ Changing scenario of Statistics in today’s world. ” followed by PPT and Poster presentation competitions to the students.

## DEPARTMENT OF COMPUTER SCIENCE

- The Department of Computer science organized a guest lecture on “R -Programming” on 2<sup>nd</sup> Feb., 2020 by Mr. A. Koteswara Rao, Assistant Professor, CSE Department, ALIET, Vijayawada.
- TECHNOMEET – 2K20: The Department of Computer Science organized a State Level Technical event “TECHNOMEET – 2K20” on 7<sup>th</sup> Feb., 2020. The chief guest was Dr. Md. Moulana, Associate Professor, CSE Department, KL Deemed to be University, Vaddeswaram. Students from different colleges participated in different competitions .
- Inspire Club 2019 - 2020: As a part of Inspire Club the Department of Computer Science organized a Technical Quiz for the second year B. Sc. on 25<sup>th</sup> Feb., 2020.
- E. Grace Lydia participated in a one-day workshop on NIRF Ranking on 17<sup>th</sup> Oct., 2019 in ANU organized by APSCHE.

- E. Grace Lydia participated in two day National level Workshop on NIRF Ranking held at JNTU Hyderabad on 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> Oct., 2019.
- C. Hari Manasa and K. Sravani participated in a one week Faculty development programme on “Palo Alto-Cyber Security Infrastructure Configuration” from 12<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> Aug. 2019 at Velagapudi Ramakrishna Siddhartha Engineering College, Vijayawada.
- S. P. Glory participated in UGC Sponsored Two – Day National workshop on “Data Analytics using Python (NWDAP-2020)”, organized by the department of Computer Science & Applications, KBN College, Vijayawada on 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Jan., 2020.
- Ms. Hari Manasa and K. Sravani participated in a Workshop on “Physics and Technology: Modern Sensors Characteristics, Interfacing and Programming” on 7<sup>th</sup> Nov 2019 & 8<sup>th</sup> Nov 2019, organized by the department of Physics, Maris Stella College, Vijayawada.
- Ms. S. P. Glory, Ms. B. Roja Priscilla, Mrs. P. Vidyavathi, Mrs. E. Grace Lydia, Ms. P. Malathi, Ms. G. Sindhuja, Ms. C. Hari Manasa & Ms. K. Sravani, participated in a Workshop on “Intellectual Property Rights” on 16<sup>th</sup> Nov., 2019.
- S. P. Glory, B. Roja Priscilla and E. Grace Lydia participated in two day National Workshop on “Designing Effective Assessment Practices and Digital Technology” on 2<sup>nd</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec., 2019.

#### **Workshops / FDPs**

- Ms. P. Malathi, Ms. G. Sindhuja, Ms. C. Hari Manasa, Ms. K. Sravani attended a FDP on “I TO WE” Conducted on 31<sup>st</sup> April, 2019 and 1<sup>st</sup> May, 2019.
- Ms. B. Roja Priscilla, Ms. G. Sindhuja, Ms. C. Hari Manasa, Ms. K. Sravani participated in a workshop on “Conversational Intelligence” on 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> June, 2019
- Ms. B. Roja Priscilla, Ms. G. Sindhuja, Ms. C. Hari Manasa, Ms. K. Sravani attended FDP on 04<sup>th</sup> June, 2019 by Dr. Stephen Chinnaswamy
- All faculty members of the department attended FDP on “Teacher as a facilitator of Learning” and “Programme Outcomes, PSOs and Cos” by Dr. Mercy Pushpalatha and Mrs. Jaya Abraham on 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> June, 2019.
- S. P. Glory and E. Grace Lydia attended a Three day National Level Workshop on “Constructive alignment and Outcome Based Education” on 21<sup>st</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> Oct., 2019.
- Ms. S. P. Glory, Ms. B. Roja Priscilla, Ms. G. Sindhuja, Ms. C. Hari Manasa, Participated in a one day workshop on Mentoring on 7<sup>th</sup> Jan., 2020.
- P. Vidhyavathi, E. Grace Lydia, P. Malathi and K. Sravani Participated in a one day workshop on Mentoring on 8<sup>th</sup> Jan., 2020.
- B. Roja Priscilla and P. Vidhyavathi Participated in a two day debriefing session on BELBIN Team Roles (Super 30) on 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> March, 2020.

#### **DEPARTMENT OF ELECTRONICS**

- I. V. S. Sowjanya from II B. Sc. MECs attended summer internship programme of six weeks duration from 22<sup>nd</sup> April, 2019 to 6<sup>th</sup> June, 2019 at Efftronics Systems Pvt. Ltd, Vijayawada.

#### **Skill Development Course**

- Students of II B. Sc. MECs attended a seven day course in “Digital Design through Verilog HDL” conducted by Department of ECE Andhra Loyola Institute of Engineering and Technology, Vijayawada in collaboration with Dr. A P J Abdul

Kalam Research Forum from 22<sup>nd</sup> - 29<sup>th</sup> April, 2019 under the VLSI Research Group.

- 15 students of II B. Sc. MECs were trained in a skill development course titled “Office Automation Tools” at Siemen’s Centre, Andhra Loyola Institute of Engineering and Technology, Vijayawada for a week from 28<sup>th</sup> Oct to 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov., 2019

### **Training / Extension Programme**

- Students of II B. Sc. MECs participated in a one day workshop conducted by Koneru Bhaskara Rao & Hemalata Human Development Foundation’s Gandhi Global Solar Yatra on assembling solar lamps at GDETCM High School, Patamata, and Vijayawada on 1<sup>st</sup> Oct., 2019.
- T. Sujitha Reddy and I. V. S. Sowjanya of III B. Sc. MECs participated in three day International Workshop on Coding for a Social Change from 9<sup>th</sup> Jan to 11<sup>th</sup> Jan., 2020 at St. Francis College for Women, Hyderabad.

### **Guest Lecture**

The Department organised a guest lecture on RISC Micro controllers on 10<sup>th</sup> Feb., 2020, with Resource person Mr. V. V. G. S. Rajendra Prasad, Head, Dept. of ECE, RK College of Engineering, Kethanakonda.

### **Staff Participation**

#### **1. Ms. K. H. Anuhya**

- Visited St. Joseph’s College, Jyoti Nivas College and Christ University, Bangalore to study the examination reforms and best practices from 20<sup>th</sup> May to 21<sup>st</sup> May, 2019.
- Participated in the one day Workshop on “NIRF Ranking” organized by APSCHE held at ANU, Guntur on 17<sup>th</sup> Oct., 2019.
- Participated in two day National Level Workshop on “Quality Enhancement Measures in Higher,

Technical, Professional and Management Educational Institutions with special focus on NIRF India Rankings” held at JNTU, Hyderabad on 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> Oct., 2019.

- Participated in three day National Workshop on “Constructive Alignment and Outcome based Education” held at Maris Stella College, Vijayawada from 21<sup>st</sup>- 23<sup>rd</sup> Oct., 2019.
- Participated in a one day workshop on IPR organized by Dept. of MBA, Maris Stella College, Vijayawada.
- Participated in a two day National Workshop on “Designing Effective Assessment Practices and Digital Technology” held at Maris Stella College, Vijayawada from 2<sup>nd</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec., 2019.
- Participated in a one day workshop on Mentoring held at Maris Stella College, Vijayawada on 7<sup>th</sup> Jan., 2020.
- Participated in a two day National Conference on IPR held at Maris Stella College, Vijayawada on 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> Feb., 2020.
- Participated in a two day debriefing session on BELBIN Team Roles (Super 30) held at Maris Stella College, Vijayawada on 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> March, 2020.

#### **2. Ms. T. Mary Ragini**

- Completed a five week online course in Introduction to Technology Enabled Learning offered by Commonwealth of Learning and Athabasca University, Canada.
- Participated in two day FDP on “Capacity Building cum Faculty Development “on 29<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> July, 2019 held at Maris Stella College, Vijayawada.

#### **3. Ms. D. Siva Padmavathi**

- Participated in a one day workshop on Mentoring held at Maris Stella College, Vijayawada on 9<sup>th</sup> Jan., 2020.

## DEPARTMENT OF BIOTECHNOLOGY

### Medical Camp for the Faculty & Students

1. A Medical Camp was Organized for the faculty on 31<sup>st</sup> Aug., 2019 in Collaboration with Best Hospitals, Vijayawada. Services provided were ECG, BMD, GRPS, Hemoglobin %, Pulmonary Function Test and Biothesiometry.
2. A medical camp for students, “Medical camp for the students - Because your Life Matters” on 9<sup>th</sup> Sept., 2019 in collaboration with Best Hospitals, Sky Eye Health Foundation, Kolors and Sunrise Hospitals. 300 students availed the opportunity of eye and dental check up, BMI, BMD and consulted Ortho and General Physicians.

### Biotech fest- Bioscintillare 2K19

A one day State Level Fest “ Bio Scintillare - 2K19, It's Time To Inspire” was held on 4<sup>th</sup> Sept., 2019 to develop 21<sup>st</sup> century skills with a focus on scientific knowledge, creativity, critical thinking and problem solving in the field of Biotechnology. Various competitions like Poster, Model, Case study presentation, Quiz, How Much Do you Know about me, Adzap, Mr & Ms Bioscintillare, Dance were conducted. 116 students from 5 different colleges participated and won prizes.

### Awareness Programmes

An awareness programme was organized on 9<sup>th</sup> Sept., 2019, for the Faculty on “Body Postures for Teachers to Avoid Stress.” Dr. K Santosh Krishna MS, MCh (Ortho), Dr. K. Pawan Kumar D (Ortho), DNB (Ortho), Best Hospitals, Vijayawada was the Resource person.

Awareness programme for Students was organized on Oral Hygiene. Dr. Ratna Deepika MDS (Maxillofacial Surgeon) addressed the gathering.

Awareness Programme for students on “Basic Life Support” By Lt. Col. Dr. Y. Ashok, Consultant

Anesthesiologist, Ramesh Hospitals, Dr. Vasundhara, Gynecologist, Ramesh Hospitals, Vijayawada was conducted.

### Industrial Tour

The Department organised an industrial tour for Biotechnology students of II and III Year on 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> Jan., 2020 to Bio-Genomics and Refsyn Biosciences Pvt. Ltd, Pondicherry. Bio-Genomics is a leading manufacturer of Recombinant therapeutics like Human Insulin, insulin lispro, insulin aspartate and anticancer drugs like Flagestrin. Students were allowed to visit the Quality control Department and Production Department which constitutes both Upstream and Downstream Processing of Products.

Refsyn Biosciences, a manufacturer of drug metabolites, provided the students with Hands on training on various bioanalytical instruments related to phytochemistry, food chemistry, Pharma, Microbiology and Molecular Biology and Career guidance.

### Guest Lecture

A guest lecture on “Trends in Biological sciences – New fields of focus” was conducted on 21<sup>st</sup> Jan., 2020 by the Department of Biotechnology with Resource person Dr. RajKumar Vutukuri, Department of Neurology and Neuro Surgery, Frankfurt University, Germany. 150 students attended the session which included topics like, Hot research areas, universities offering integrated PhD, various job opportunities in India, prestigious scholarships in India, strengthening one's C. V, areas of opportunities for Science Graduates and Scholarships, opportunities and advantages of German education.

### Staff Participation

Ms. Lasina. J participated in a 3 Day National Workshop on ‘Constructive Alignment and Outcome



Based Education' held from 21<sup>st</sup> -23<sup>rd</sup>, Oct., 2019 at Maris Stella College, Vijayawada.

Ms. Lasina. J participated in Dr. Sudha Memorial Science Quest- 2019 as Jugde at St. John's Public School, Gunadala, Vijayawada on 29<sup>th</sup> Nov., 2019.

Ms. Lasina. J participated in a 2 Day National workshop on 'Designing effective assessment practices and digital technology' held on 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec., 2019 at Maris Stella College, Vijayawada.

Ms. Lasina. J and Ms. T. Rajeshwari participated in a National Conference on Biotech and Pharma Applications- BIO TRENDZ-2020 in KL University, Vaddeswaram on 14<sup>th</sup> March, 2020.

Ms. Lasina. J attended a de-briefing session on 'BELBIN TEAM ROLE' assessment on 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> March, 2020 held at Maris Stella College, Vijayawada.

### **Staff Achievements**

Ms. Lasina. J qualified APSET- 2019 and APRCET- 2019 exams.

## **DEPARTMENT OF MICROBIOLOGY**

### **Students activities**

#### **International conference and workshop**

Students of II FMC participated in an international conference and presented a poster entitled with Isolation and Antimicrobial Activity of Actinomycetes and in an International workshop, on Biology and Applications of Actinomycetes held on 31<sup>st</sup> Oct., and 1<sup>st</sup> Nov., 2019 in the Department of Microbiology at the University of Mysore.

#### **National workshop**

Students participated in a workshop on "Ayursiddhi Hands on Training on Indigenous Medicine" on 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> Dec. 2019 at P. B. Siddhatha College of Arts of Science, Vijayawada.

### **Staff activities**

International conference and workshop:

**Dr I. Manideepa** Participated in an International conference and workshop on Biology and Application of Actinomycetes, held at the University of Mysore, during 31<sup>st</sup> Oct., and 1<sup>st</sup> Nov., and presented a full length paper entitled "Structural Elucidation of the Bioactive Compound Produced by Streptomyces Cellulosae Isolated from Mangrove Habitat of A. P, India

#### **National workshop**

1. Participated in the two day National workshop on Ayursiddhi Hands on Training on Indigenous Medicine on 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> Dec., 2019 at P. B Siddhartha College of Arts and Science, Vijayawada.
2. Participated in the two day National workshop on "Inculcation of Innovation Knowledge to Promote Entrepreneurship in Biochemical Science" on 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> January 2020 held in the Department of Biochemistry at Acharya Nagarjuna University.
3. Participated in the two day National workshop on Genetic Engineering and Molecular Bio science held on 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> Feb., 2020 in the Department of Microbiology at JKC college, Guntur.

## **UG DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE & MANAGEMENT STUDIES**

### **Induction Programme for Freshers**

The UG Department of Commerce and Management Studies conducted an Induction programme for Freshers on 13<sup>th</sup> June, 2019.

### **Commerce Club Activities 1. Institute - Industry Intersection**

- A Guest Lecture on the Art of Living was held on 17<sup>th</sup> June, 2019 . The resource person was Mrs.

Smitha Sumesh. She shared her experiences and the importance of living life balancing mind, heart and soul.

- A guest lecture was organised on Issues and Challenges on GST with Resource person K. S. Padmavati, Deputy Assistant Commissioner of Commercial Taxes of Nandigama circle Vijayawada. She focused on Consumption based tax, Cascading effect, free flow of goods and services, filing GST returns and concluded with stating the benefits of GST in Revenue generation for Indian Economy.

## 2. Income Tax Day Celebration

- The Department organized an Income Tax- Quiz on the occasion of Income Tax Day on 24<sup>th</sup> June, 2019.

## 3. Intercollegiate Fest

- Commerce Club organized "LUMINATE 2K19, an Inter Collegiate Fest on July 19<sup>th</sup> This is a platform to expose students to various business and entrepreneurial activities, some of the formal events like Curiosity, The Pacesetters, Market Kshetra and informal events like Fire Grover's, Tik-Tok Stars, Fashion Bash, were organised in LUMINATE 2K19. Over 100 participants from various colleges, participated in both formal and informal events.

### Department contribution to College activities:

- The Department along with the Department of FMCG and Microbiology organized the Teachers Day celebrations on September 5<sup>th</sup> 2019.

### Outreach Programme

The Department organized an Awareness Programme on Digital Banking to Degree students of Madonna College for Deaf, Vijayawada on Dec. 4<sup>th</sup> 2019.

### APRSET Qualified faculty (Dec. 2019)

- Ms. K. Poojitha
- Ms. G. Vijaya Jyothi
- Ms. B. Himaja

### Workshops / FDP's attended by faculty

- All the members of Department attended WORKSHOP ON MENTORING on Jan 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup>, organized by the management
- Ms. T. Naga Malleswari participated in a 'Faculty Development Programme for Young Faculty of colleges & Universities' at Chennai from 10<sup>th</sup> Jan., to 14<sup>th</sup> Jan., 2020 sponsored by United Board for Christian Higher Education in Asia
- Mrs. Ratna Sarvani attended an FDP from 6<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> May 2019 at IIITDM Kurnool

### International and National Conferences

#### Dr. K. Sarvani

1. Attended a Three Day Academic Leadership Training Programme @ CALEM organised by St. Alberts Noble College, Kozhikode, Kerala from 9<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> April 2019.
2. Attended a Two Day National workshop on constructive Alignment and Outcome based Education 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> Oct., 2019 at Maris Stella College, Vijayawada
3. Attended a Two Day National Workshop on Designing Effective Assessment practices and Digital Technology on 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> Nov., 2019 at Maris Stella College, Vijayawada
4. Attended a One Day workshop on IPR in Indian scenario: Current Perspectives and Future Challenges on 16<sup>th</sup> Nov., 2019 at Maris Stella College, Vijayawada.
5. Attended and Participated in a Two Day International Conference on E-Commerce, Econometrics. Management and Social Sciences

at Sir C R Reddy College, Eluru on 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> Feb., 2020

6. Attended and presented paper for UGC sponsored Two Day National Seminar on Indian Economic Slowdown: Dynamics and Perspectives on 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> March, 2020 organised by Government Degree College, Kakinada.

#### **Industrial Visit:**

Final year students of UG Commerce & Management Studies visited industry named M/s. Nityam Refined Sunflower Oil Production Unit on 8<sup>th</sup> Feb 2020.

#### **Student Activities**

1. The Department of Visual Communications of Andhra Loyola College organised a fest named "FEED THE NEEDY" on 20<sup>th</sup> Aug., 2019. 16 Students participated in various activities -

- EAT WIN
- GRAB THE FOOD

2. Vasavya Mahila Mandali and Swetcha Gora organised competitions on various activities to the college students from 28<sup>th</sup> Aug., 2019 to 03<sup>rd</sup> Sept., 2019. 19 students from the Department participated in various activities.

3. The Department of Commerce & Management of Nalanda Degree College organised the management meet named "BRAINSTORMERS - 19" on 18<sup>th</sup> Sept., 2019 & 19<sup>th</sup> Nov., 2019. 7 Students participated.

4. Commerce Students Association of PB Siddhartha College organised the commerce fest named "INCENDO 2K19" on 20<sup>th</sup> Sept., 2019. 38 students of Department have participated in various activities.

5. Red FM 93. 5 organized "COLLEGE STARS" season-2. Around 13 students participated in

the final round which was held in PB Siddhartha college on 27<sup>th</sup> Sept., 2019, Stella students bagged the first prize in Group Dance.

6. Makineni Basavapunniah Vignana Kendram, Vijayawada organized competitions on 11<sup>th</sup> Nov., 2019 called EXPLORE 2K19 . About 7 students participated in various activities and won III prize in Group dance.

7. On 19<sup>th</sup> Dec., 2019, TJPS college of Guntur has organized commerce fest named "CONCLAVE 2019". 3 students from department participated and won cash prize worth 3000/-

8. VGR Diabetics super specialty hospital Vijayawada organized Essay Writing Competition on Diabetics. One of students of the Commerce Club has secured the First place .

9. KBN College, Vijayawada organized a few competitions in National Library week celebrations. 6 students won prizes in fashion show, Power point Presentation and book hunting.

10. On 7<sup>th</sup> Jan., 2020, Vijaya Institute of Technology for Women, Organised Management meet called "VIRTUOSO 2K20". 8 students participated and won 900/- worth of cash prize in Business Quiz & II Prize in Group Dance.

11. On 8<sup>th</sup> Feb., 2020, Institute of Cost Accountants of India, Vijayawada Chapter 2 organized "MAYUKHA 2020, State level students convention. Commerce Club students participated in various activities and won the II Prize in Facial Painting and received Appreciation for Dance Performance.

#### **NSS**

- NSS students of Unit I & II participated in awareness programmes and in the celebration of important days during the academic year.

- NSS students along with Yoga students celebrated International Yoga Day on 21<sup>st</sup> June, 2019 and the Guest, Mrs. Ragini and the Yoga instructor Mrs. Nirmala spoke on the importance of Yoga & Diet Management. About 175 students participated in the yoga exercises session.
- NSS Unit I & II in collaboration with Vasavya Mahila Mandal organized a Domestic Violence Awareness Rally, 'Say No to Domestic Violence' on 13<sup>th</sup> Sep., 2019 and around 100 NSS students participated in it and a documentary was shot on it.
- NSS Golden Jubilee was celebrated in Maris Stella College on 24<sup>th</sup> Sep., 2019. A Photo Exhibition was arranged with the photos of NSS activities - special camps, awareness programmes, extension activities, clean and green and plantation programmes etc. Dr. Kola Vijaya Sekhar, Professor, Guntur Medical College, was the chief guest, and the Guest of Honour was Dr. B. Keerthi, a social activist.
- Students took a rally to create awareness of health and hygiene, avoiding the use of plastics and the use of dust bins and toilets among the villagers.
- A Cancer Awareness Lecture was given by Dr. A. Y. Rao, Professor, Guntur Medical College, who unveiled several interesting facts regarding the causes, symptoms and various types of cancer, how to prevent it and also the cure for it.
- On 8<sup>th</sup> Feb., 2020, a Medical Camp was conducted in collaboration with Best Hospitals, Ramavarapadu in which free services like eye check, ortho care, BP and Sugar etc.
- Some of the students conducted Clean and Green Programme in the village by clearing the blocked drains and educating the villagers about how to keep their surroundings and streets clean.
- The programme came to a close with the submission of the survey report by NSS Programme Officers, Dr. Rajendra Prasad and Ms Y. Supriya to the Panchayat Secretary.

### NSS Units I & II

NSS Unit I & II of Maris Stella College conducted a one week special camp from 4<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> Feb., 2020 at Yanamalakuduru village, Penamaluru Mandal. Dr. Vinay Kumar., NSS Coordinator, Krishna University graced the occasion as the Chief Guest. Mr. Venkateswara Rao, Village Special Officer and Mr. Gangadhara Rao, Executive Officer and other staff of the village Secretariats made the students get acquainted with the new administrative set up and the socio and economic conditions of the villagers.

- Socio-economic, health and education survey was conducted. Students conducted door-to-door surveys in different areas and also distributed Anti- Corona virus Homeopathy pills in the village.

### STARS

- STARS students visited Care and Share Children Foundation, interacted with the children and distributed notebooks and stationery to them. The programme was organised in collaboration with AASARA Foundation, Vijayawada on 22<sup>nd</sup> June, 2019.
- On the eve of Ganesh Chaturdi STARS students created an awareness campaign on the importance of environmental protection in collaboration with Andhra Pradesh Pollution Control Board at Governorpet on 11<sup>th</sup> Sep., 2019. They distributed Ganesh clay Idols (Eco friendly idols) to the public.
- STARS extended services to Nirmal Hruday Bhavan, a home for dying destitute on 11<sup>th</sup> Nov.,

2019. Students spent time with the elderly, learnt their experiences and spoke to them.

- STARS students participated in “Our City-Our Responsibility” youth awareness program on 22<sup>nd</sup> Nov., 2019 organised by AP 24 x 7 news channel at Patamata, Vijayawada. Students participated in the program with enthusiasm and spread the message of youth's role in building a strong and healthy society. Students also took pledge towards creating a clean city.
- STARS students organised an interactive session with primary school children on cleanliness and food habits on 10<sup>th</sup> Feb., 2020 at Kuntamukkala village. 32 students participated in the activity.

### **SAMPADA 2K20**

An intercollegiate competition named “SAMPADA – 2K20” was organized by the Department of Economics on 27<sup>th</sup> Jan., 2020 . The program was inaugurated by lighting the lamp by the dignitaries. Principal Dr. Sr. Jasintha Quadras welcomed the gathering and encouraged the BA students to be dynamic, active and have the zeal to learn new things. Miss. K. Anuhya, Vice Principal (Sciences) extended her wishes to the young Z generation learners who are the key factors in Nation building.

Dr. B. Josephin Sandhya Rani, Head, Department of Economics and event Coordinator said that this program SAMPADA–2K20 was organized to provide a platform to the degree students of various colleges to bring out their hidden talents in various events.

In this connection various competitions were conducted like Elocution, Essay writing, Poster Making, Quiz and personality contest with the themes like role of technology in women's security,

technology replacing the teacher, quiz in economics, etc.

This event was sponsored by Bank of Baroda, Rainbow Hospitals, Canara Bank and Arena Animations and also co sponsored by Santhosh Hero Honda, Paradise Restaurant, Bolisetti Tours & Travels and Intense IAS Academy,

The chief guest of the day Mr. KV Raghava Rao, Senior Manager, Canara Bank said that the banking sector is providing educational loans and many educational schemes and products for the betterment of the student community and he advised on how to use these plans for their bright future.

Vice Principal Dr. Sr. Innyasamma congratulated the participants and winners were awarded the prizes and the certificates. 70 participants from various colleges in and around Vijayawada took part in the event.

Overall championship was won by Nalanda Degree College, Vijayawada. Vice Principal Miss. K. Hanna Anuhya, Mr. B. Koteswara Rao, Senior faculty, Mrs. V. Swapna, Mrs. Kalima Abdul, Mrs. B. Sobha and Dr. K. Swaroop Kumar and the entire BA first, second and final year students were present. The cultural activities of Intermediate and degree students were a special attraction of the day.

### **MSAA**

Alumni of any institution are a reflection of the past, representation of its present and a link to its future. Maris Stella alumni realized that it's not just a mere nostalgia that they associate their alma-mater with, but it's much beyond that. Comprehension of this knowledge led Maris Stella Alumni Association, (MSAA) under the dynamic leadership of Dr. K. Sandhya, to organise guest lectures on various issues pertaining to health and language proficiency this academic year. The resource persons for all these

sessions were our alumni who came forward to share their expertise and experiences in their respective fields with the present students.

Dr. Afeera Khanam, an English Instructor, University of Jeddah, Khulais, Saudi Arabia addressed the students on two occasions. In the first guest lecture she enlightened the students on "Teaching and Learning English as Second Language: Strategies", and in the second one she dealt with "Contemporary Women Writings".

One of our proud alumni Dr. S. Sahithi, BAMS, MD, Vedamantra Ayurveda Clinic, Vijayawada interacted with the students on "Common Gynaec Problems among Young Women. " She suggested how simple home remedies can help in alleviation or prevention of the severe symptoms.

The present tech-savvy generation does not really relish the joy of reading. Ms. V. Vishnu Vandana Devi, Associate Professor of English, Vijaya Institute of Pharmaceutical Sciences for Women, Vijayawada came forward to train the students on "Reading Skills". The session was enjoyed by one and all.

Awareness programme on "Health and Nutrition" was conducted in collaboration with Vijayawada Institute of Pharmaceutical Sciences for Women, Enikepadu, Vijayawada. Two students of IV SEM Pharma D, Babita and Pushpalatha presented various seminal issues regarding nutrition, diseases caused by their deficiency, precautions to be taken and avoidance of junk food.

Annual get-together of all the old students "Star Meet 2020" was conducted on 15<sup>th</sup> Feb., 2020. It was attended by 140 old students. The chief guest was Prof. Seetharamamma, Dean, Faculty of Humanities, Acharya Nagarjuna University, and guest of honour was Smt. Sasi Kala, Convenor, KCP Siddhartha Adarsh Residential Public School, Pinnamaneni

Nursing School and College. They cherished their memories during their college days and expressed how grateful they are to their Alma Mater for instilling discipline and commitment in them. Both of them promised to extend their services to Maris Stella at any time.

A special website developed for alumni interaction was inaugurated by our Principal, Dr. Sr. Jasinthra Quadras during the Star Meet 2020. This was an initiation of another alumna Mrs. Vijaya Kottu who also funded partially.

During this academic year some of the alumni visited the college as resource persons and judges for various academic and cultural activities. Maris Stella is ever grateful to them.

Congratulations to MSAA executive body members who have been active and alert all through the year.

## **NCC ARMY WING**

### **Achievements:**

- All India Girls Trekking Camp:

**Name :** Cdt V. Sasi Bindu

**Duration :** 26<sup>th</sup> Apr., 2019 to 4<sup>th</sup> May, 2019 **Venue:** Nilgiri Treck, Ooty.

- TSC-IGC:

**Name :** Cdt V. Sasi Bindhu

**Duration :** 23<sup>rd</sup> July, 2019 to 2<sup>nd</sup> Aug., 2019 **Venue:** Bison Polo Grounds, Secunderabad.

- Local Independence Day Camp:-

**Name :** Cdt V. Sasi Bindu

**Duration :** 7<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> Aug., 2019

**Venue :** Indira Gandhi Indoor Stadium, Vijayawada.

- IDSC(Inter Direct Shooting Competition):-

**Name :** Cdt S. Spoorthi

**Duration :** 20<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> June, 2019 **Venue:** Market Yard, Nuzvid.

- AOC (Army Ordnance Camp):-

**Name :** Cdt. N. Sushma,

**Duration :** 16<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> Sep., 2019,

**Venue :** Aoc Center, Training 1 Bn, Secunderabad.

- **MH(Military Hospital Camp) :** Name: Cdt K. James Abe Hillari **Duration:** 11<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> Dec., 2019

**Venue :** Bison Polo Grounds, Secunderabad.

**Social Service Activities Of Ncc**

- **Blood Donation:-** Date: 8<sup>th</sup> Nov., 2019

**Venue :** Kbn College, Vijayawada.

- **Cleaning Solar Panels** Date: 7<sup>th</sup> Dec., 2019

**Venue :** Maris Stella College

- **Unclogging, Cleaning Water Bodies :** Date: 8<sup>th</sup> Dec., 2019

**Venue :** Ferri Ghat, Ibrahimpatnam.

- **Cleaning of Historical Monuments :** Date: 9<sup>th</sup> Dec., 2019.

**Venue :** Gandhi Hill.

- **Cleaning of Local Parks, Open Defecation Rally** Date : 9<sup>th</sup> Dec., 2019

**Venue :** Gandhi Park, Near to Railway Station.

- **Seminar Conducted on Awareness of Plastic Waste Management - The Way Ahead :**

Date: 13<sup>th</sup> Dec., 2019

**Venue:** Maris Stella College

- **Human Rights Day:**

Date: 10<sup>th</sup> Dec., 2019

**Venue:** Maris Stella College

**Awareness Rallies:**

- **Vijaya Divas-Kargil War Rally:**

Date: 26<sup>th</sup> July, 2019.

**Venue:** Andhra Loyola College, Vijayawada.

- **Cancer Awareness Rally:-**

**Venue:** Andhra Loyola College to Government Hospital.

**AIDS Day Rally:-** Date: 1<sup>st</sup> Dec.,2019,

**Venue:** Pbs College, Vijayawada.

- **Awareness on World Pollution Day Rally:-** Date: 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec., 2019,

**Venue:** Andhra Loyola College, Vijayawada.

## DEPARTMENT OF FOOD SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

### Visit to DV Manor Restaurant

The Department of Food Science and Technology along with III FMC Students, as part of Food Service Establishment practical visited DV MANOR Restaurant. Students observed the Multi Cuisine and South Indian kitchen.

Rectangular kitchens are a common shape in catering establishments, and generally used where a lot of activity is undertaken most of the day. In large establishments, where many different types of menus are served, and more space is required, rectangular kitchens prove useful. They also learnt the aspect of storage and store keeping. Most food materials need to be stored for different lengths of time and at different temperatures, to preserve their wholesomeness, till required for preparation and service.

They also observed the process of storage of food items dry store and perishables separately. Dry storage rooms are meant for non-perishable commodities like cereals and their products, pulses, legumes, sugar and spices, canned foods, fats and oil etc. Low temperature stores are used for semi-

perishable and perishable foods. Students also observed the process of book keeping, the process of cutting vegetables and preparation of recipes by the Head chef.

By this visit students gained practical knowledge on types of kitchens, process of cutting vegetables, cooking, etc. Staff working in the restaurant took interest in explaining the process to the students very clearly and showed the live kitchen when the chef was cooking

Students enjoyed and gained knowledge during the visit.

### **Visit to Sundaramma Girls High school**

Students of III FMC visited Sundaramma Girls High school as part of their practical visit to midday meal programme. Students observed the process of midday meal in that school where 240 students are being served lunch. The Head mistress should taste the lunch after preparation and only then it is served to the students. They are provided 1 / 3rd of the calories from the whole day meal. Cyclic menu is followed. They are provided with egg, dal, vegetable curry and sambar. Food is cooked in a hygienic manner. By observing the process, students were able to gain practical knowledge regarding midday meal programmes and the process of preparation of meals.

### **Department of Business Administration**

- A Three-Day Induction / Orientation Program was conducted for 1st MBA Students from 6<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> September 2019. On the first day in the Morning session, Prayer was conducted by Sr. Lavanya, Welcome address by Dr. Sr. Jasinth Quadras, Principal and Briefing about the Department & college were given by Director & HOD Dr. K. Naga Sundari.

- A Guest Lecture on "Ragging and its Consequences" was given by Mrs. Lalitha, Counsellor, Maris Stella College for 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> MBA Students on 7<sup>th</sup> Sept., 2019.
- Dr. K. Naga Sundari & Sr. Lavanya attended a one day National Workshop on "IPR in Higher Education-Issues and Challenges", organized by the Department of Management Studies, TJPS College, Guntur on 13<sup>th</sup> Sept., 2019.
- Dr. G. Malathi attended a 12 day workshop on Entrepreneurship Development at EDII, Ahmedabad from 16<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> Sept., 2019.
- A guest lecture on "Emerging Trends and challenges in Marketing" was organized for I & II MBA students on 2nd Nov., 2019, the resource person was Mr. Ramesh Kumar Bhalla, DGM, KAM, APTS, Vijayawada.
- The PG Department of Business Administration in collaboration with Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) organised a one day workshop on "Intellectual Property Rights in Indian Scenario: Current Perspectives and Future Challenges" on 16<sup>th</sup> Nov.,. The resource persons were Dr. P. Veerabrahmachary, Senior faculty, Department of Biotechnology, Krishna University, Machilipatnam, Mr. T. Ramesh, Data Management and IPR Consultant, Guntur and Mr. Siva Sankar Kasturi, IPR Attorney, Vijayawada. Principal, Dr. Sr. Jasinth Quadras, gave the inaugural address, Dr. G. Little Flower Coordinator, IQAC spoke on the importance of organizing the workshop.
- The workshop was divided into three technical sessions. The resource person for the first technical session was Dr. P. Veerabrahmachary, delivered a lecture on "Understanding Innovation and IPR to Recreate our Future". He spoke on innovation in



- India and various schemes offered by the central government to encourage entrepreneurship. He reiterated the importance of IPR to protect innovations.
- The resource person for the second technical session was Mr. T. Ramesh who delivered a lecture on “Managing IPR for MSMEs and Start -Ups in the Fourth Industrial Revolution Era – Issues and Challenges”. He spoke on India’s preparedness for the fourth industrial revolution.
  - The lecture for the final technical session was delivered by Mr. Siva Sankar Kasturi on “Legal Aspects of IPR”. He stressed on the importance of filing for IPR to protect company’s signs, symbols and logos to protect their innovations.
  - 94 faculty and 75 students participated in the workshop.
  - 8 Students of II MBA presented papers in the ICSSR (IMPRESS) sponsored international seminar on “Strategies for Transforming India – The Way Forward”(SFTI) held on 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> Nov., 2019.
  - Ch. Yamuna of II MBA won Rs 4,000 / - cash prize for stock market event at a national level management fest ‘AFOSEC’ organised by VR Siddhartha Engineering College, Vijayawada, on 22<sup>nd</sup> February.
  - Dr. K. Naga Sundari, Dr. G. Malathi, Mrs. G. Smitha and Mrs. T. Prameela presented papers at ICSSR (IMPRESS) sponsored two day international seminar on “Strategies for Transforming India-The Way Forward,” on 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> Dec., 2019.
  - Dr. K. Naga Sundari & Dr. G. Malathi participated and presented paper on “Empowerment of Women Farmers to Enhance Food Security” & “Impact of Interventions on Women Empowerment and Nutrition”, in the ICSSR-SRC sponsored two day National Seminar held at KBN College Vijayawada, on 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> Dec., 2019.
  - Participated in a three day National Workshop on “Constructive Alignment and Outcome based Education” held at Maris Stella College, Vijayawada from 21<sup>st</sup>- 23<sup>rd</sup> Oct., 2019.
  - Dr. K. Naga Sundari participated in a two day National Workshop on “Designing Effective Assessment Practices and Digital Technology” held at Maris Stella College, Vijayawada from 2<sup>nd</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec., 2019.
  - Dr. K. Naga Sundari, Dr. G. Malathi, Dr. H. Kanaka Durga & Mrs. G. Smitha participated in a one day workshop on Mentoring held at Maris Stella College, Vijayawada on 7<sup>th</sup> Jan., 2020.
  - A guest lecture was organized on Business analytics on 12<sup>th</sup> Dec., 2019, by Mr. K. Harish and L. Anand, SAVIC Technologies, Mumbai.
  - A guest lecture on “Basics of Investments in Stock Markets”, was organized for I & II MBA, & M. Com students on 28<sup>th</sup> Jan., 2020. The resource person was Mr. Sarish, Certified Financial Planner & NISM CPE Trainer, Guntur.
  - A guest lecture on “Awareness on Mutual Funds”, was organized for I & II MBA students on 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2020, by Mr. Ch. Srinivasa Rao, Financial Advisor, Vijayawada.
  - Mrs. K. Smitha and Mrs. T. Prameela attended a one-day workshop on "HR Analytics" organised by the department of Commerce and Business Administration, P. B. Siddhartha College of Arts & Science, Vijayawada, on 5<sup>th</sup> Feb., 2020.
  - The PG department of Business Administration organised Samanvay -2020, A One Day National Level Management Fest on 18<sup>th</sup> Feb., 2020, for the 13<sup>th</sup> consecutive year. This event helps

students of MBA apply theory to practice and enhance their organising skills. More than 120 participants from various parts of the state have competed in events such as Business Quiz, Young Manager, Market Makers, Treasure Hunt and Mr n Miss Samanvay. The event is a platform for gutsy intellects with the right attitude. Students are tested on their marketing skills, leadership skills, communication skills, spontaneity and contemporary business knowledge.

The chief guest for the inaugural session was Dr. G. Vani Mohan, IAS, MD, AP Dairy Development Cooperative Federation, In-Charge Commissioner Archaeology and Museum and the guests of honor were Mr. G . V. Raghu Ram, Vice president, Powermech Projects Ltd, Vijayawada, Mrs. Subbalakshmi Subramanian, our alumna, founder and concept head, Arthem.

### **ENTREPRENEURSHIP DEVELOPMENT CELL (EDC)**

- The Entrepreneurship Development Cell” conducted an exhibition of Designer Wear, Quilling Jewellery, Thread Jewellery, Greeting Cards, Jute bags and pouches made by the students of Intermediate, UG and MBA on 13<sup>th</sup> July 2019 from 9. 30 to 12. 30 am, in the college auditorium. The objective of organizing this exhibition was to create a platform for the students to showcase their talents and bring out creativity in them. It’s a means of encouraging self employment. They can be job givers instead of job seekers.

The exhibition was inaugurated by Dr. Sr. Jasintha Quadras, Principal. The correspondent Sr. Sleeva Thumma, Dr. Girija Nambiar, Dean Planning &

Communication and the faculty of MBA department were present. 19 students from Inter, Degree and PG exhibited their masterpieces. More than 300 visitors appreciated the designs and also placed orders.

- The Entrepreneurship Development Cell in collaboration with ALEAP – CED (Association of Lady Entrepreneurs of Andhra Pradesh- Centre for Entrepreneurship Development), organized a two day “Entrepreneurship Awareness Camp” (EAC), in the campus on 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> Sept., 2019. 80 students from different science departments participated in the EAC. Mrs. K. Rama Devi, President - ALEAP was the Chief Guest, Mrs. Padmaja Prabhakar, Chairman Skill Development ALEAP, was the Guest of Honour, Mr. M. Sarath was the resource person. He is an Entrepreneur and Educator. Dr. Sr. Jasintha Quadras, Principal, was present for the inauguration. Dr. K. Naga Sundari, coordinator of EDC, coordinated the program.

On the 20<sup>th</sup> the resource person gave inputs to the students in the pre-lunch session on how to identify the needs of the customer and develop an idea and design a product or a service. The students were divided into 8 groups and each group presented business ideas during the post lunch session.

On 21<sup>st</sup>, morning from 9.30 - 10.30 Mr. A. Amarendra Kumar, Manager Canara Bank, Circle office, presented various schemes supported by the bank to the MSMEs. After the session students were taken for an industrial visit to the Association of Lady Entrepreneurs of Andhra Pradesh, (ALEAP) Industrial Estate, Surampalli, 20kms from Vijayawada. They visited different MSMEs like food grading, Pet bottle, fruit juice, Plastic chairs manufacturing etc.



# DEPARTMENTAL ACTIVITIES

## SAMPADA -2K20 (Economics)



## TOURISM DAY (History & Tourism)



## SHOW-CASE -2K19 (Journalism)



## TECHNO-MEET-2K20 (Computer Science)



# DEPARTMENTAL ACTIVITIES

## BIOSCINTILLARE-2K19 (Bio-Technology)



## ALCHEMY FAIR-2K19 (Chemistry)



## LUMINATE-2K19 (Commerce)





# SPORTS DAY CELEBRATIONS



# SEMI-CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS



# SPORTS



# DAYS OF NATIONAL & INTERNATIONAL SIGNIFICANCE



**International Human Rights Day**



**International Yoga Day**



**Holistic Education Day**



**International Domestic Workers' Day**



**70th Constitution Day**



**World Ozone Day**



**Tourism Day**



**World Literacy Day**



# DAYS OF NATIONAL & INTERNATIONAL SIGNIFICANCE



**Hindi Day**



**Telugu Bhasha Dinotsavam**



**Sanskrit Day**



**NSS Golden Jubilee Day**



**Independence Day**



**National Statistics Day**



**Income Tax Day**



**World Population Day**

# FACULTY ORIENTATION PROGRAMMES



# CULTURAL WEEK



Drama



Drama



Drawing



Dance



Essay Writing



Rangoli



Floral Decoration

# COMMUNITY SERVICES



Teaching in Village



Teaching in Village



Home for Dying and Destitutes



Nirmal Hyrudaya Bhavan

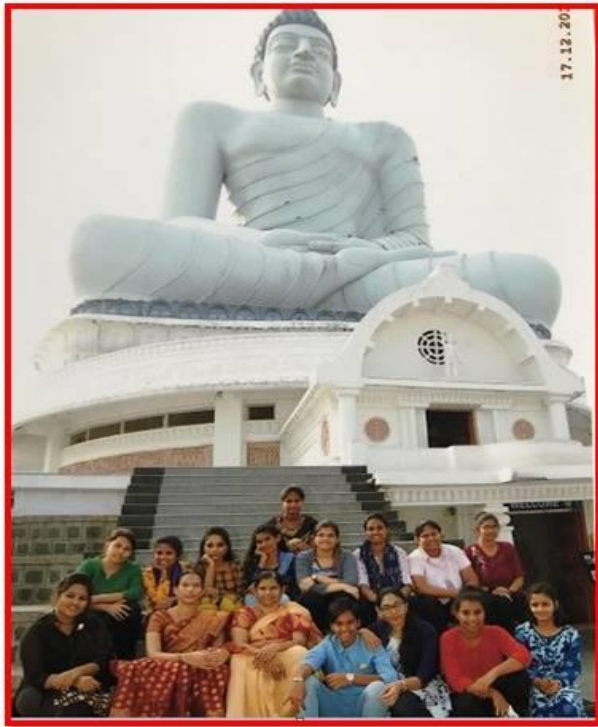


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# FIELD TRIPS AND INDUSTRIAL VISITS



**HISTORY**



**ZOOLOGY**



**FOOD SCIENCE AND BIOTECH**



**ELECTRONICS**



**BOTANY**



**CHEMISTRY**

# NATIONAL CADET CORPS ( NCC )



# CLUBS



**ANTI-HUMAN TRAFFICKING**



**ENTREPRENEURIAL EXHIBITION**



**DRAMATIZATION OF SHORT STORIES**



**CREATIVE WRITING**



**EK BHARAT SHRESHTHA BHARAT**

# STUDENT ACTIVITIES



## LANGUAGE PARTNERSHIP PROGRAMME



## 79 Stella students get placements in NICE



## PLACEMENTS



## VOTERS' DAY



## LEADERSHIP TRAINING PROGRAM



# STAFF FDPs & WORKSHOPS



# COLLEGE DAY CELEBRATIONS



# HEAVENLY ABODE

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**Sr. FRANCISCA**



**MRS. ESTHER SOUNDARYA  
KUMARI**



***REST IN PEACE***

# GOLD MEDAL WINNERS



# STELLA IN MEDIA

## రసాయనిక శాస్త్రంపై అవగాహన ఉండాలి



ప్రదర్శన విశేషాన్ని ఏకీకరించడం అనే ప్రాధాన్యతను అందించడం ద్వారా విద్యార్థులకు అవగాహన పెంచడం ప్రధాన లక్ష్యం. విద్యార్థులకు అవగాహన పెంచడం ప్రధాన లక్ష్యం. విద్యార్థులకు అవగాహన పెంచడం ప్రధాన లక్ష్యం.

## Students shine in Luminare 2K19

They enthusiastically take part in various events

STAFF REPORTER

It was an exuberant day for the undergraduate and post-graduate students of the commerce and management department at the Maris Stella college on the occasion of the Luminare 2019 meet which was conducted on the college premises.

"The meet was organised with an objective to expose students to various business and entrepreneurial activities, fostering cordial relations among students and a



Students enjoying at Luminare - 2K19 at Maris Stella College in Vijayawada on Friday.

sense of cooperation," said Jasinthra Quadras, Principal, Maris Stella College.

Boppudi Hari, Assistant Commissioner of Sales Tax (GST), who was the chief guest at the event, urged the

students to uphold their self esteem and utilise technology in a way that leads to their self development.

Over 100 participants across various colleges in the city participated in events

like TikTok challenge, Quiz, Pace setters, Market kshetra and many more. The aim of this challenge was to display skills of students in technology and its use in entrepreneurial activities.



## చదువుతో పాటు నైపుణ్యాలు పెంపొందించుకోవాలి

పాఠశాల, స్కూలుల్లో: విద్యార్థులు చదువుతో పాటు వివిధ రకాల నైపుణ్యాలను మెరుగుపర్చుకోవాలని కేంద్ర విశ్వవిద్యాలయం ఆసన్లెట్ ప్రోగ్రామ్లో డాక్టర్ ఎం.కె. మోలానా అన్నారు. మూరీస్ స్ట్రెజ్జు కళాశాలలోని కంప్యూటర్స్, డిజిటల్ మార్కెటింగ్, సోషల్ మీడియా, బిజినెస్ ప్రొజెక్ట్ మేనేజ్మెంట్ వంటివి విద్యార్థులకు అందించడం ద్వారా విద్యార్థులకు అవగాహన పెంచడం ప్రధాన లక్ష్యం. విద్యార్థులకు అవగాహన పెంచడం ప్రధాన లక్ష్యం.



డాక్టర్ ఎం.కె. మోలానాకు జ్ఞాపికను అందజేస్తున్న వైస్ చీఫ్, ప్రెసిడెంట్ అనుభవ్య

## Elocution contest held at Maris Stella



Winners of elocution competition with the college staff members in Vijayawada on Tuesday

HANS NEWS SERVICE  
Vijayawada: The Department of Economics at Maris Stella College organized the 55th AD Shree Memorial Elocution Competition on the college premises on Tuesday.  
Dr. L. Josephine Santhira Rani, Head of

the Economics Department, in her speech, said that the Department of Economics has a long-standing consortium with the Forum of Free Enterprise, Mumbai, which is a non-political and non-partisan organization and the competition had been conducted since 2007 in the college for BA and MA Economics

students in memory of the late A.D. Shree with an objective of encouraging college students to think and speak on economics and other subjects, besides enabling them to display their oratory skills.  
Besides the role of youth in nation building, the forum is conducting such competitions to encourage the young

people. As many as 25 participants from UG and PG sections participated and expressed their views on the topics 'Quest towards inclusive growth in India', 'Health for All', 'Reforming National Health Policy and Role of a model citizen in Indian Democracy'.  
Dr. V.K. Manjuna Devi, Head of the 'Elo-

gion Department, P. Nitya Jyoti Prada, Heli Zoologrand Dorevanti, Heli Commerce acted as judges of the competition. Cash prize was given to the winner.  
B. Kateshwar Rao, V. Swarna, Kalma Abdul, B. Seetha, Dr. K. Suresh Kumar, G. Vani and students of degree and PG colleges participated in the programme.