

MARIS STELLA COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), VIJAYAWADA A College with Potential for Excellence NAAC Accredited & ISO 9001:2015 Certified

INSTITUTIONAL DISTINCTIVENESS

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College celebrates annual Christmas fete' every year and brings together people from diverse backgrounds to celebrate the spirit of Christmas. The Christmas fete' is a festive occasion that is celebrated with great enthusiasm and joy. The campus is decorated with colorful lights, and banners, giving it a vibrant and cheerful look. The week-long event is typically organized by the student council, with the active participation of students, faculty, staff and local community.

A series of competitions and talent shows are organised both for staff and students to showcase their talents and compete with their peers during a week-long event, known as 'Star Quest Week'. The competition categories include Miss Maris Stella, Super Model, Telugu Ammayee, Miss Black, Miss White etc. for students and Miss and Mrs. Maris Stella for faculty which cater to different interests and talents. The competitions are judged based on criteria such as originality and overall performance and the winners are given prizes along with certificates of appreciation. This is a great way to foster a sense of community and togetherness among everyone involved which encourages everyone to participate actively and show their best during the event.

On the last day of the week-long event, i.e. the day of the fete', the open stage is setup for musical performances, dance shows, and other entertainment activities. One of the main attractions of the Christmas fete' is the food stalls set up by students which offer a wide range of food items and beverages. Students set up stalls selling homemade traditional food items who showcase their culinary skills and creativity, while local vendors offer modern delicacies adding more variety to the food options available.

Students also set up stalls selling handmade crafts and gifts, involving a variety of activities and games adding a personal touch to the event. The event also provides an opportunity for

students to showcase their abilities, as they perform various music and dance routines, adding to the festive ambiance of the occasion.

The funds raised during the Christmas fete' are distributed to the needy and poor in various forms during the Christmas season. This is done by inviting them to the campus and providing them with basic necessities like food and clothing. The class representatives and mentors play an active role in this process, helping to coordinate and organize the various activities and events in this regard.

Overall, the annual Christmas fete' is an event that is eagerly awaited by students, faculty, staff, and the local community. The annual Christmas fete' is an occasion that unites the college community for a good cause. Students have a wonderful chance to learn the value of sharing, give back to the community, and hone leadership and teamwork skills. It is a great way to build a sense of community, promote unity, and create a positive and inclusive campus environment.