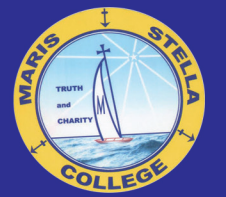


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Law for domestic workers sought

Vijayawada: The need for a law to protect the rights of domestic workers is being felt by the department of Women, Maris Stella College. The department is planning to conduct a seminar on the subject. The seminar will be held on the 25th of October at the college. The seminar will be held in the auditorium of the college. The seminar will be held in the auditorium of the college. The seminar will be held in the auditorium of the college.

Population explosion a problem: CRDA official

Vijayawada: The rapid population growth is a major problem for the city, according to an official from the CRDA. The official said that the population of the city has increased significantly in the last few years. This has led to a shortage of housing and other facilities. The official said that the CRDA is planning to take steps to address these issues. The CRDA is planning to take steps to address these issues.

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Maris Stella hold health camp

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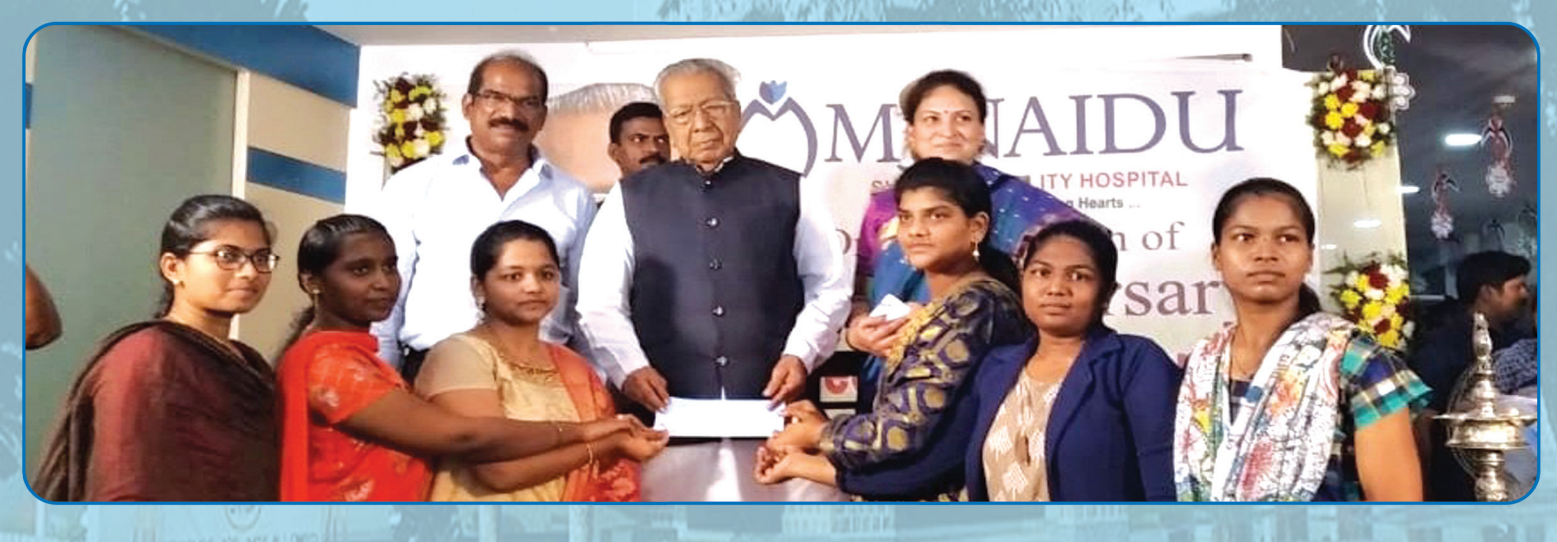
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Faculty Development Programmes



Beyond Teaching - The Joy and Passion of Being a Faculty by Mr. Stephen Chinna Swamy



Teacher as a Facilitator by Dr. Mercy Pushpalatha



Vision and Mission of an Individual by Mrs. Jaya Abraham



Capacity Building by Dr. Sandhya Tiwari



Constructive Alignment - Outcome Based Education by Dr. Swetha Mukharjee & Dr. Suparnakar



Digital Technology Assisted Pedagogy by Dr. Vinay

Felicitations



Dr. Sr. Lovely Jacob, Former HOD, Social Work



Dr. Rani Syamlamba, Librarian



Mr. B. Koteswara Rao, Department of Economics



Dr. P. Usha, Former HOD, Telugu



Dr. N.V. Manga Devi, Head, Department of Telugu



Ms. G. Rani, Support Staff, Library



- vi) The Department of Biotechnology also organized an awareness programme for the students on 'Oral Hygiene' on 9th September, 2019 by Dr. Ratna Deepika MDS (Maxillofacial Surgeon).
- v) The Department of Biotechnology organized Awareness Programme for the students on "Basic Life Support" on 9th September, 2019 by Lt. Col. Dr. Y. Ashok, Consultant Anaesthetist, Dr. Vasundara, Gynaecologist, Ramesh Hospitals, Vijayawada.



- A Two-Day Training Camp on 30th September, 2019 and 1st October, 2019 was conducted by the Department of Economics in collaboration with M.R. Pai Foundation, Mumbai. Mr. S. Sri Krishna, CEO, NRT was the chief guest. Mr. Vivek Patki and Mr. Rajiv Luv from Pai foundation were the resource persons. Around 95 students were trained in goal-setting, team work, habits, self- management, knowing ourselves and communication skills.

- Another Awareness Workshop by Ms. Lalitha, Campus Counsellor on Ragging titled "Ragging and its Consequences" was conducted for all the I & II year MBA Students on 7th September, 2019.

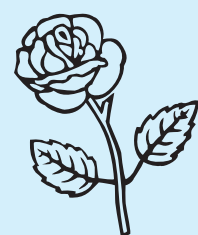
Value Added Courses

- The Department of Mathematics offered an Eight Week Value Added Online Certificate Course on Arithmetic Sets, Relations & Functions to the students of all disciplines under MOODLE platform. Dr. C. Krishnaveni, Department of Mathematics was the Course Coordinator. The course started on 15th July, 2019 and ended on 15th September, 2019. A total of 46 students registered and completed the course successfully. The final online certification examination was conducted on 26th September, 2019.

- An online certificate course "Hardware and Networking" was started on 1st July, 2019 in collaboration with APSSDC.

Final Word

The odd semester of the academic year 2019-20 took off in great fervour and witnessed a host of Academic, Cultural and Extra & Co-curricular activities. Hoping to testify many more eventful semesters to come, the Editorial team presents the current issue.



News Letter Team

Dr. Sr. Jasintha Quadras - Principal

Ms. Y. Supriya - Department of English

Ms. Md. Raheemunnisa - Department of Commerce

Ms. Smiley Rosiana Bessy - Department of English (PG)

N. Beulah - III BA Lit

Preethi Joseph - II MA (English)

Welcome to the Academic Year 2019-2020.

Every new academic year begins with a solicitation of God's blessings on the Maris Stella family. This year the Inaugural mass was held on 6th July, 2019 at 11 am in the college auditorium. Rev. Fr. Casimir S.J., Project Director, XLRI, Amaravathi offered holy mass and gave a homily on the importance of being focused on what is essential in life. He urged the students to keep away from mobile phones as it draws too much of their attention and asked them to allot these precious years to acquire knowledge and equip themselves with skills. All the Catholic and Christian students, management and staff participated in it.



Maris Stella College started the new academic year with Staff Training Programmes as part of Faculty Development.

Indian higher education is undergoing a massive paradigm shift towards Outcome-Based Education and

Digital Technology Assisted Pedagogy. The vision document of the Draft National Education Policy, 2019 focuses on the transformative role to be played by institutions of higher education in the lives of their students and the wider community. As it is also the vision and mission of Maris Stella College to empower young women through a transformative education, the management has realized the need to move beyond the cognitive and has taken a significant step in this direction and organized workshops, Faculty Development and Training Programmes this academic year to enhance the capabilities of the faculty in conceiving and implementing a constructively aligned curriculum and to provide them with the resources.

Seminars, Workshops, Conferences & Faculty Development Programmes

- On 3rd June, 2019, a Faculty Development Programme on 'Beyond Teaching - the Joy and Passion of Being a Faculty' was organized for faculty with less than five years teaching experience. Mr. Stephen Chinaswamy, CEO, Strides Consulting Inc., Chennai was the resource person. He emphasized the need for self-esteem and how to nurture it in students. About fifty-five faculty members attended the programme.

- Another Faculty Development Programme on Outcome-Based education – 'Teacher as a Facilitator of Learning and Leadership & Ideal Team Players' was organized for all the faculty on 5th & 6th June, 2019. The resource person was Dr. Mercy Pushpalatha, Programme Consultant, South Asia, United Board. Another resource person, Mrs. Jaya Abraham, Partner with AJ Ventures, Mumbai, briefed the faculty about the vision and mission of an individual.

- Dr. H. Kanaka Durga, Department of Business Administration attended a National Seminar on 'Indian Higher Education - Current Status and Leadership Challenges' organized by the Centre for Education Beyond Curriculum (CEDBEC) at Christ University, Bangalore from 11th to 13th June, 2019.

- Dr. B. Josephine Sandhya Rani, Department of Economics presented a paper titled “Current Agricultural Practices in the Way of Sustainability” in a National Seminar on “Sustainable Agriculture in India- Issues and Challenges” organized by the Department of Economics, ANU on 26th & 27th June, 2019.

- A Conference Call was attended by Ms. K. H. Anuhya on 20th June, 2019 conducted by APSSDC.

- The Department of Botany organized a workshop on Mushroom Cultivation on 10th July, 2019. The resource person, Sri. K.Amareswara Rao, Amaravathi Mushrooms, Gunadala, Vijayawada trained students in growing milky mushroom (Calocybe India) using a profitable cultivation technique which is in great demand.

- A Two-Day Workshop cum Faculty Development Programme on Capacity Building was conducted on 29th & 30th July, 2019. The resource person was Dr. Sandhya Tiwari, Director, CELT, Palamuru University, Bandameedipally, Mahbubnagar a total of fifty faculty members participated in it.

- Dr.K.V. Krishna Mohan and Ms. B.Karuna Harika presented a paper on “Nature and Environmental Conservation in Ancient and Modern Indian Literature - A Study” in the National Seminar at S.K.S.D Mahila Kalasala, Degree & P.G., Tanuku on 6th & 7th September, 2019. They also presented a paper on “Hindi Ka Bouddha Sahitya Evam Sahityakar: Ek Anusheelan” in the National Seminar held at Nizam College (Autonomous), Osmania University on 23rd & 24th September, 2019.

- Ms. Vidyavathi, Head, Department of Computer Science and Ms. Md. Raheemunnisa, Department. of Commerce attended a One-Day Workshop on ‘Media & Entertainment Management’ organized by MHRD & NSDC on 23rd September, 2019 at Ramoji Film City, Hyderabad.

- Dr. B. Josephine Sandhya Rani, Department of Economics and Dr. G. Malathi, Department of Business Administration attended a Faculty Development Programme on Entrepreneurship conducted from 16th to 27th September, 2019 at Entrepreneurship Development Institute of India (Sponsored by AICTE), Ahmedabad.



- Dr. C. Krishnaveni, Coordinator, RUSA and Ms. Malleswari, Department. of Commerce, Ms. Sarada, Administrative Officer, attended the Regional Training Workshop on ‘EAT Module on PFMS’ organized by State Project Directorate, RUSA, Telangana held on 11th October, 2019 at Dr. B. R. Ambedkar Open University, Jubilee Hills, Hyderabad.

- A Three-Day Workshop on ‘Horticulture, Its Scope and Applications’ was conducted by the Department of Botany in collaboration with KBR & HL Human Development Foundation from 24th to 26th October, 2019. Apart from the theory sessions conducted during the first two days with the resource persons, Dr. Deva Muni Reddy, G.M., Greening and Beautification Corp., A.P, Dr. Padmarajan, Retd. Former Vice Chancellor, ANG Agricultural University, Hyd, Dr. Rama Rao, Retd. Director, NAARM, Hyd. and Dr. Neelima, Asst. Professor, Agricultural University, Aswaraopet, A hands on training in Horticulture Techniques was given on the third day. Around 30 students along with 6 faculty visited Nandavaram Nursery and Production Centre, Ganguru and made a study of the importance of horticulture in providing employment opportunities.

- A Three-Day Workshop on ‘Constructive Alignment and Outcome Based Education’ was organized by



- Twenty-eight students from III Year B.Sc. MPCS did a Certificate Course on ‘Digital Design Using Verilog HDL’ offered by ECE Department of Andhra Loyola Institute of Engineering and Technology (ALIET).

- Twenty-three students took part in a Certificate Course on MATLAB offered by the ECE Department of Andhra Loyola Institute of Engineering and Technology (ALIET) from 30th April to 7th May, 2019.

RUSA

- RUSA Infrastructure Grants worth Rs. 200 lakhs under RUSA 2.0 have been sanctioned by MHRD to Maris Stella College for the work under Component 9 - construction of Additional Classrooms, upgradation /renovation and the purchase of equipment. With these grants, three class rooms have been installed - M2-3, Computer Lab -2 and F1-2, F1-3 has been set up as a Digital cum Virtual class room. Thirty desktops and a laptop for the RUSA Digital Lab have also been installed. The Software for E-campus management is yet to be received. Training classes for the staff in the use of the virtual classrooms, digital cum virtual classroom and LMS have been conducted.



- PCR, Micro Centrifuge, Hot Air Oven, Centrifuge, Incubator and Immuno Electro Phorosis System required for the Microbiology Laboratory have also been procured.

Camps & Awareness Programmes

- An Awareness Workshop by the Campus Counsellor Ms. Lalitha on Ragging for all the Final Year UG Degree Students with the purpose of creating a ragging free environment was conducted in the college auditorium on 29th July, 2019.

- For health management and wellbeing of the faculty and the students, the Department of Biotechnology organized several camps and awareness programmes:

- i) On 31st August 2019 a free health camp for the faculty was held in collaboration with Best Hospitals and most of the faculty utilized the opportunity to have various health check-ups done.
- ii) A free medical camp was conducted for the students on the theme ‘Because Your Life Matters’ on 9th September, 2019 in collaboration with Best Hospitals, Sky Eye Health Foundation, Kolors and Sunrise Hospitals.
- iii) On 9th September,2019, the Department of Biotechnology also organized an awareness programme for faculty on ‘Body Postures for Teachers to Avoid Stress’ with Dr. K Santosh Krishna MS, MCh (Ortho) and Dr. K. Pawan

Eco Club

Eco Club conducted a Clean & Green Programme in the campus on 30th July, 2019. Around 30 club members participated. Eco Club conducted a Flash Mob in the campus as a part of Awareness Programme on Plastic Use on 27th August, 2019.

Women's Cell

On 5th July, 2019, the Women's Cell organized a guest lecture in collaboration with All India Mahila Sanskriti Sangam and Breakthrough Science Society on the topic "Biography of Madam Curie". The guest speakers were Smt. G. Lalitha, State President, All India Mahila Sanskritika Sangam, A.P., Smt. Himavathi, In Charge, All India Mahila Sanskritika Sangam, Vijayawada and Mr. B. Rajasekhar, Organizer, Breakthrough Science Society. On 26th August, 2019 the Cell conducted a Mock Parliament in the auditorium on the issues of 33% Reservation for Women in Parliament, Free Higher Education for Women and Stringent Punishment to the Culprits of Child Abuse.



Language Partnership Programme

• Language Partnership Programme was 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. The programme was taken up this year by the Department of English. Around 150 slow learners were identified and 60 volunteers were chosen

to help out the slow learners. Every week four hours of activity based instruction was conducted.



Student's Activities & Prizes

- P. Padmini, II BCAP and Shaheen Begum, II B.A won the second place in the Intercollegiate Handball Tournament held in KBN College on 30th October, 2019.
- Maris Stella College Handball team was selected to represent Krishna University in the Inter University Tournament to be held at Calicut from 9th to 12th November, 2019.
- Ms. P. Likitha Santhoshini, III B.Sc. MPC, Ms. S. Asha, III B.Sc. MPCS and Ms. M. Divya Bharathi, III B.Sc. MPCS have pursued a Summer Internship for 45 days at Efftronics Pvt. Ltd., from 22nd April to 5th June, 2019.



IQAC, Maris Stella College in collaboration with United Board from 21st to 23rd October, 2019. Forty-nine faculty members of the institution and four from other institutions were introduced to new notions in the field of education and Digital Technology-Assisted Pedagogy by three eminent professors from Christ University, Bengaluru - Dr. Suparna Kar, Department of Sociology and Social Work, Dr. Swetha Mukherjee Department of English and Dr. Vinay, Department of Computer Science.



- Ms. K. Anuhya, Department of Electronics participated in a one-day workshop on "NIRF Ranking" organized by APSCHE held at ANU, Guntur on 17th October, 2019.
- Ms. K. Anuhya, Department of Electronics participated in a 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 18th & 19th October, 2019.
- Dr. V. Satya Sudha, Department of English, presented a paper on "Redefining Human Status: A Comparative Study of Sarabhai's 'Well of the People' and Enoch's 'The Village Well' in the International Conference on "Advances in Visual Communication, Library & Translation Studies in World Literature" organized by Andhra Loyola College on 24th & 25th October, 2019.
- Ms. L.M.R. Swaroopa Rani, Department of English, presented a paper titled 'New Perspectives in English Language Teaching' in the International Conference on "Advances in Visual Communication, Library & Translation Studies in World Literature" organized by Andhra Loyola College on 24th & 25th October, 2019.

• Ms. Kalyani Nagalakshmi, Department of Library Science presented a paper on 'Implementation of Information.

Communication Technology in Maris Stella College: Present Scenario' in the International Conference on "Advances in Visual Communication, Library & Translation Studies in World Literature" organized by Andhra Loyola College on 24th & 25th October, 2019.

• Ms. B. Santhi Sree, Department of English, Ms. M. Archana, Department of Chemistry and Ms. R. Tulasi, Department of Maths, PG attended a Faculty Development Programme on "Recent Trends in Teaching - Learning Methodologies Using ICT in Higher Education Institutions from 24th to 30th October, 2019 at Sir C.R. Reddy College, Eluru.

Orientation & Training Programmes

- On 12th June, 2019 orientation was given to I Degree and Junior Inter students by the Principal, Vice Principals and the Academic Deans. Around 350 UG and 200 Junior Inter students attended the orientation programme.
- Student Induction Programme (SIP) was conducted from 12th to 15th June, 2019 for Junior Inter and I Year Degree students to explore their innate talents, develop healthy competition, motivate them to strive for excellence, promote bonding among them, build relations between lecturers and students, give a broader view of life, and strengthen character. Ms. P. Usha, Head, Department of Mathematics was the co-ordinator of the programme. On 13th June, Dr. Ayodhya, a psychiatrist gave a lecture on 'Stress Management'. On 14th June, Dr. Usha, a gynaecologist spoke on 'Health Issues of Teenagers' and Sr. Lavanya, Dean of Student Affairs and Sr. Sahaya, Head, Department of Social Work gave a talk on 'Mental Health & Mind Techniques'. On the same day Dr. Usha and Ms. Nirmala, Yoga instructor explained the importance of Yoga. On 15th June, Dr. Keerthi, a Social Activist delivered a lecture on 'Social Issues'. Ms. Visala and Ms. Kalyani, Department of Library Science gave a talk on online courses and the availability of resources in the Library.



Freshers Induction Program

• On 24th June, 2019, an Orientation Programme was organized for I Degree and Junior Inter students on Anti Ragging Measures and the consequences faced by those who are involved in ragging. Ms. Deepa, Sub-Inspector of Police was the resource person. Also a few constables from Patamata police station provided valuable inputs.



• Dr. Sr. Jasintha Quadras, Principal, Dr. C. Krishnaveni, Coordinator RUSA, Ms. Jyothsna, Head, Department of Political Science and Ms. Vidyavathi, Department of Computer Science attended a One Day

training programme on 'Digital Classroom with Integrated Learning Management System' (LMS) organized by State Project Directorate, RUSA, Andhra Pradesh held on 26th September, 2019 at Acharya Nagarjuna University, Guntur.

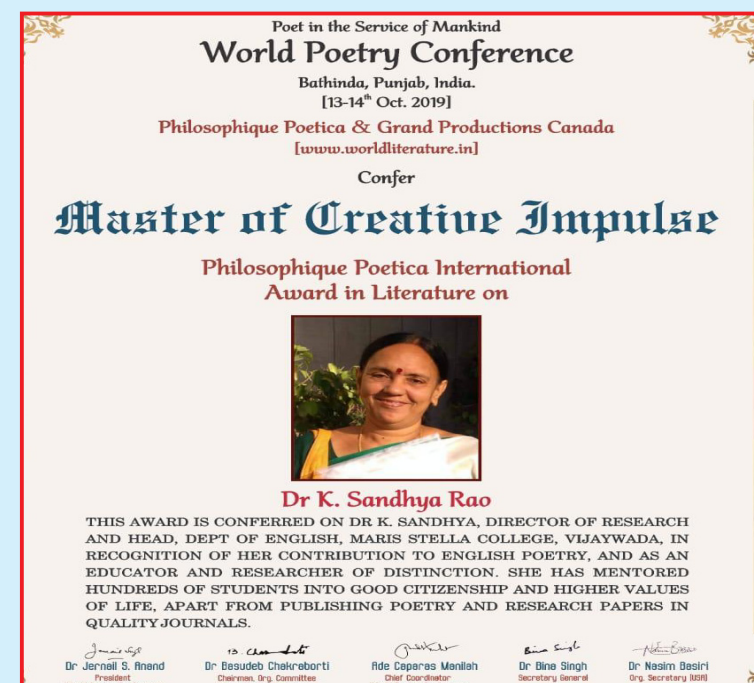
• From 10th to 13th October, 2019, Dr. Sr. Jasintha Quadras, Principal and Dr. Sr. Innyasamma, Vice-Principal participated in a workshop on 'Strategic Academic Leadership' for administrators of AIACHE member colleges sponsored by United Board at Delhi.



Staff Achievements & Awards

• Dr. K. Naga Sundari as External Examiner attended Project viva-voce for II year MBA students of QIS College of Engineering and Technology, Ongole on 9th June, 2019.

• Dr. K. Sandhya, Director, PG and Research presented her poems in Hunter International Poetry Festival held on 18th & 19th September, 2019 and received Master of Creative Impulse, Philosophique Poetica International Award in Literature.



Silver Jubilee

• Dr. N.V. Manga Devi, Head, Department of Telugu and Dr. Rani Syamalamba, Librarian were felicitated on the successful completion of 25 years of service.

ICT

• Apart from the use of ICT in smart, digital and virtual classrooms in instruction, one unit in the syllabus has been taught and evaluated using Google tools.



Clubs & Cells

The Red Ribbon Club

• The Red Ribbon Club organized an awareness programme 'Stay Drug Free' on 30th August, 2019. The occasion was graced by Krishna District Collector & District Magistrate, Honourable Sri Md. Imtiaz, as the Chief guest and Dr. A. Sridhar Reddy, Dental Surgeon as the Guest of Honour and Mr. Illa Ravi, Head Department of Economics, Govt. Degree College, Avanigadda.



The Tekne Club

• The II year B.Sc MPCS students of Tekne Club (Computers) organized PPT sessions on 'Memory Management' on 2nd July, 2019 and on 'Programming Languages' on 9th July, 2019, Paper Craft Activity on 16th & 27th July and 6th August 2019, and a mono action activity on Technical words on 20th August and 3rd September 2019.

Inspire Club

• On 16th July, 2019, T. Likitha Santhoshini, of III B.Sc MPC, President, Inspire Club presented videos on "Physics in Life". Dr. V. Sharon Samyuktha Ph.D, Staff Co-ordinator for Inspire Club showed a video on "Narration of Sunitha Williams about Life in Zero Gravity in the space shuttle". On 23rd July, 2019, a discussion on the successful launch of Chandrayaan-2 and a discussion on "Scientists and their Inventions and Discoveries" were conducted. In commemoration of "Hiroshima Day" on 6th August, 2019, the members were enlightened on the "Disaster and Development face of Nuclear Energy: The Need for Promotion of Peace and Harmony". On 13th August, 2019, a group discussion on "Rain Water Harvesting and Water Management" was held. On 20th August, 2019, G. Uday Sri of III B.Sc. MPC presented a PPT sharing her views on 'Chandrayaan-2 and Launching of Rover on Mars' and Anwesa Chakraborty of III B.Sc. MPC shared a video on 'Low-Cost Wind Turbines'.



Environment Conservation

- The Department of Botany organized a rally on the occasion of Ganesh Chaturthi on 31st August, 2019 with about 100 students to create awareness on the use of clay Ganesh idols to avoid pollution of water bodies and conserve water resources.



Alumni Association Activities (MSAA)

- Maris Stella Alumni Association & the Department of English organized a guest lecture for PG English students with Dr. Afeera Khanam, English Instructor, University of Jeddah, Khulais, Saudi Arabia on the topic 'Teaching and Learning English as Second Language: Strategies' on 31st July, 2019. Around 75 PG students attended the lecture.



- Maris Stella Alumni Association (MSAA) organized an invited lecture for PG & UG English Literature students on 3rd August, 2019. The resource person, Dr. Afeera Khanam, an alumna, discussed Women's Writings in the context of African American women. She drew examples from various writers and focused on Alice Walker's Color Purple, a novel discussing several issues like feminism, socio cultural problems in Africa, racism, gender discrimination, queer human relations, etc.

- Maris Stella Alumni Association (MSAA) and the PG Department of English organized 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 29th August, 2019.

- Maris Stella Alumni Association (MSAA) conducted an awareness programme on 'Common Gynaec Problems among Young Women' for UG and PG students on 6th September, 2019. The resource person was Dr. S. Sahithi, BAMS, MD, Vedamantra Ayurveda Clinic, Vijayawada.



- Maris Stella Alumni Association organized an awareness programme on "Health and Nutrition" in collaboration with Vijaya Institute of Pharmaceutical Sciences for Women, Enikepadu, Vijayawada on 13th September, 2019. Two students, Babita and Pushpalatha of IV Pharm. D presented various seminal issues regarding nutrition, diseases caused by their deficiency, precautions to be taken like avoiding junk food. All PG and I MBA students, MSAA members and the faculty participated in this program.

Felicitations

Retirements

- The retired staff, Dr. Sr. Lovely Jacob, Former Head, Department of Social Work, Dr. P. Usha, Former Head, Department of Telugu and Mr. B. Koteswara Rao, Department of Economics and Ms. Rani, Support Staff, Library were felicitated on Teachers' Day.

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

Publications

- Dr. K. Sandhya, Director, PG and Research published her poems in the anthology "The Vase".
- Dr. V. Satya Sudha, Head, Department of English published her paper entitled 'Redefining Human Status: A Comparative Study of Sarabhai's 'Well of the People' and Enoch's 'The Village Well' in English Studies - International Research Journal - ISSN - 2347-3479.

Guest Lectures

- The Department of Commerce and Management organized a guest lecture on "Art of Living & Happiness" on 17th June, 2019. About 100 students participated in it and the resource person, Ms. Smitha Sumesh spoke on 'Balancing of Mind, Heart and Soul'.



- The Department of Economics organized an invited talk on "Micro Finance & Economic Development" on 24th June, 2019 by Prof. G. Koteswara Prasad, Retd. Professor, Madras University. About 200 students attended the talk.

- The Department of Political Science organized a guest lecture on 3rd July, 2019. The guest speaker, Dr. Y.N.V.

Kishore Kumar, Lecturer in Law, Masterminds, Guntur spoke about laws concerning women in India highlighting loopholes in Indian Laws and the role of legislature and people in them.

- A guest lecture on 'Mental Health' was organized by the Department of Social work on 12th July, 2019. The resource person was Dr. Vinod Kumar, Clinical Psychologist. Around 35 students participated.



- The Department of Botany in collaboration with Green Audit Cell organized 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 23rd July, 2019. About 500 students attended the lecture.

- The Department of Value Education organized a Legal Awareness Programme on "Acts Related to Girls" in collaboration with District Child Protection Unit, 'Bachpan Bachao Andolan' of Vijayawada on 28th August, 2019. The main speaker, Mr. Raja Ram, Senior Civil Judge, DLSA, Machilipatnam and a few other officials of BBA stressed the importance of child protection and legal awareness. Around 350 Degree students attended this programme.





A guest lecture on 'Ragging and its Consequences' was delivered by Ms. Lalitha, Counsellor, Maris Stella College for I & II MBA students on 7th September, 2019.

The Department of Zoology organized a guest lecture on 17th September, 2019 on 'Safe Environment through Solid Waste' by M.V. Subba Rao from VMC. Around 50 students attended the lecture.

A guest lecture was organized on 'Issues and Challenges on GST' on 19th September, 2019 by the Departments of Commerce and Management. The resource person of the day was Ms. K.S. Padmavati, Deputy Assistant Commissioner of Commercial Taxes of Nandigama Circle, Vijayawada.



Guest Lecture: GST Issues & Challenges

P.V. Sridevi, Department of History delivered a guest lecture on 'The Role of Women in the Promotion of Telugu Language (Mother Tongue)' on 28th September, 2019, organized by Vutukuri Lakshmikantamma Kalapeetam, Vijayawada, on the occasion of International Mother Tongue Day.

Department Fests & Events

The Department of MBA through its '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 13th July, 2019.



The UG and PG Departments of Commerce and Management Studies organized LUMINATE 2K19 on 19th July, 2019. Mr. Boppudi Hari, Assistant Commissioner of Sales Tax (GST) was the chief guest. Ms. Veeriseti Swetha, Senior News Caster, Eenadu Television Pvt. Ltd., was the guest of honour.



Luminate 2K19



World Malaria Day was observed on 20th August, 2019 by the Department of Zoology. An Awareness Seminar was conducted with Dr. N. Jyothi from the same Department who has specialized that area. Around 200 inter students attended the seminar.

NSS Golden Jubilee was celebrated in Maris Stella College on 24th September, 2019. A Photo Exhibition was arranged depicting NSS activities - special camps, awareness programmes, extension activities, clean and green and plantation programmes etc. Professor Kola Vijaya Sekhar, Guntur Medical College, the chief guest, Dr. B. Keerthi, the guest of honour, a social activist and another guest, Sri P. Hari Prasad, NSS P.O pointed out innumerable opportunities offered by the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports of the Government of India for NSS volunteers. A cultural programme was presented by NSS students.



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Green Initiatives

Plantation Programme

The Department of Botany organized a plantation programme on 4th July, 2019 as part of an effort to protect and conserve the environment with the theme Do your Share to Care for Nature. Principal, Dr. Sr. Jasintha Quadras who inaugurated the programme stressed in her message that plantation is necessary to check environmental pollution. Ms. C.V.L. Karuna, Head, Department of Botany spoke on the theme emphasizing the role of plants in reducing environmental pollution.

Students organized a Green Rally and planted around 262 saplings of different types on the campus. They took a pledge on Plant a Plant to Save the Planet. The Correspondent, Sr. Sleeva Thumma, faculty, Green Audit Cell members and students of Inter, Degree and PG participated in the programme.





• Telugu Bhasha Dinotsavam was celebrated on 29th August, 2019 by the Department of Telugu. Around 150 students participated in the celebration.

• The Department of Commerce and Management Studies along with the Department of FMC and Micro Biology organized the Teachers' Day celebrations on 5th September, 2019. Retired Staff and the faculty who have completed 25 years of service have been felicitated on this occasion.



• An awareness programme was conducted on 6th September, 2019 to observe World Literacy Day by The Department of Economics. Sri A.K. Maurya, IFS, Secretary, APPSC, Andhra Pradesh was the chief guest. Various competitions were conducted on this occasion.



• The Department of Hindi celebrated Hindi Diwas on 14th September, 2019. Mr. Promod Kumar Sahu, Canara Bank Zonal Office Head, Vijayawada delivered a guest lecture on 'The Importance of Hindi Language in the Present Scenario'. Around 450 Hindi students of Degree and Inter, Hindi Club members and faculty participated. Students took active part in Poetry Recitation and Elocution competitions and staged a cultural programme.

• The Department of Zoology observed World Ozone Day on 16th September, 2019 to bring awareness among the students about the protection of environment and ozone layer with the slogan 'TURN THE EARTH COOL & GREEN'.

• The Department of History and Tourism organized World Tourism Day celebrations on 26th September, 2019. Dr. Purnachandra Rao, Head, Department of Hospitality & Tourism and Travel Management, ANU was the chief guest and Mr. Ramalakshman, District Development Officer, APTDC was the Guest of Honour. Dr Purnachandra Rao spoke on 'Tourism and Jobs: A Better Future For All' and Mr Lakshman on the scope of tourism in AP. Around 300 students from different colleges in and around Vijayawada participated in elocution, poster presentation and folk-dance competitions and showcased their talent. The event helped to enlighten the students on the socio-economic significance of tourism and the role of public and private sectors in making it happen. The job potential in the tourism industry was highlighted for the information of students.

• The Department of Economics organized the 55th AD Shroff Memorial Elocution Competition jointly with the Forum of Free Enterprise, Mumbai on 27th August, 2019.



• The Department of Chemistry organized an exhibition - 'Alchemy Fair - 2019' on 26th July, 2019 inaugurated by Prof. M. V. Basaveswara Rao, Krishna University. Nearly fifty experiments have been demonstrated by club members and students under the supervision of the faculty and around 1000 students and teachers from various schools and colleges visited the exhibition.

• The Department of Biotechnology organized BIOSCINTILLARE 2K19: It's Time to Inspire, a One-Day State Level Fest on 4th September, 2019. On this occasion, a medical cum health awareness programme was conducted with medical practitioners who shared with about 190 participants the innovations and recent research trends in Biotechnology.



• Eight students from I & II MA English took part in an intercollegiate book reading session at Cafe Coffee Day, Vijayawada, on 24th September 2019 and adapted short stories from "Amaravathi through the Ages" written by Sri Sai Papineni to the stage. Sirajunnisa, Stefi Sharon Angel, Preethi Joseph, B. Sai Deepthi, V. Sowmya, P. Jhansi Lakshmi, D. Santhi Mrunalini from II MA and G. Harshini from I MA enacted during the book launch "To Cap It All" and "Sweet Apple" and received appreciation from the chief guest, Sri V. Veerabhadru, IAS, Director, Sarva Siksha Abhiyan for their lovely performance and lively interaction.



Field Trips & Educational Tours

• A field trip to a Plant Nursery was organized by the Department of Botany on 24th August, 2019. Around 130 III B.Sc. CBZ students observed the growing procedures of ornamental, avenue, indoor and medicinal plants.



- A field trip was organized by the Department of Zoology on 22nd August, 2019. About 44 students visited the Animal Husbandry division of NTR College of Veterinary Science, Gannavaram, Vijayawada and Ajitha Poultry Unit, Kankipadu to study livestock management, milk yield, capacity of poultry units, broilers and layers.

Outreach Programmes

- The Department of Social Work in collaboration with Montfort Social Institute (MSI), Hyderabad organized an International Domestic Workers Day celebration on 19th June, 2019 with nearly 250 domestic workers. Mr. Malladi Vishnu, MLA, Vijayawada Central was the Guest of Honour.



- With a noble initiative of promoting benevolence and support to the needy, the 'Alchemy Club' of Chemistry Department conducted a live demonstration session "Alchemy Fair - 2019" on 26th July, 2019. Around 400 Kgs of rice collected through a concept of 'Bowl of Rice' as the entry fee was distributed to the Shine Foundation, Mangalagiri.

- The Department of Social Work organized a Two-Day State Level Art and Craft Exhibition cum Sale on 12th & 13th September, 2019 in collaboration with the NGOs. The two-day event created an awareness among the students about the selfless work done by the NGOs and promoted the marketing of art and craft products made by the needy and the challenged as well.



- STARS (Stellites to Awaken and Reach out to Society) Cell organized a visit to Care and Share Children Foundation in collaboration with AASARA Foundation, Vijayawada on 22nd June, 2019. The students interacted with the children and distributed notebooks and stationery to them.



- On the eve of Ganesh Chaturthi, the STARS cell students conducted an awareness programme cum campaign on the importance of environmental protection in collaboration with Andhra Pradesh Pollution Control Board at Governorpet on 11th September, 2019 by distributing clay Ganesh Idols (Eco friendly idols) to the public.



- On 14th September, 2019 around 95 NSS students of Unit I & II took a rally in association with Vasavi Mahila Mandali to create awareness on domestic violence. A documentary was also made on the subject.



Observation of Important Days, National Events and National Leaders' Birth Days:

- International Yoga Day was celebrated on 21st June, 2019. The Chief guest, Ms. Ragini and the Yoga instructor Ms. Nirmala spoke on the importance of Yoga and Diet Management. About 175 students participated in the yoga exercises session.



- The Department of Commerce & Management conducted a quiz competition for the III B. Com & BMS students on the occasion of Income Tax Day on 24th June, 2019.

- National Statistics Day was celebrated on 29th June, 2019 by the Department of Statistics. The resource person, Mr. P. Naresh Kumar, Econometrician, APCRDA, Amaravati spoke on 'The Importance and Changing Scenario of Statistics in Present World' and around 235 students attended it.

- World Population Day was observed by The Department of Economics on 11th July, 2019. The resource person, Fr. Dr. Casimir S.J., Project Director, XLRI, Amaravati in his lecture highlighted that

students should make use of every opportunity and excel in education. Around 700 students attended the guest lecture.



- The Department of Botany organized a student activity in commemoration of Late Gregor Johann Mendel (1822-84), Father of Genetics on 22nd July, 2019. About 50 students participated in different competitions - Essay Writing, Elocution and Paper Presentation conducted by the Department of Botany on the theme "Mendel and his Peas".

- The Department of Sanskrit organized Sanskrit Day celebrations on 14th August, 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".



- The Department of History & Tourism organized Independence Day celebrations. The chief guest was Ms. Anjani Yalamanchili, Director, Producer, Film & Book Critic.