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The academic year 2018-19 has been a year of vibrant activities and progressive initiatives in the college. I am delighted to present the Annual Report on the various activities of the college during this year.

Reopening of the College:


The college reopened after Summer Vacation for the 67th Academic year on 18 June 2018. Second and Third year classes started on the same day, and the first year UG classes commenced on 25 June 2018.

Appointments:

The parent body, MEASI appointed me as Principal, Zahiruddin Sherif, as Vice Principal (Administration), Dr. S. Basheer Ahmed, as Vice Principal (Academics), Mr. A. R. Abdul Lathif as Controller of Examinations, and Dr. P.A. Abdulla Mahaboob as Assistant Controller of Examinations. Mr. S. A. Sheik Mohamed, was given the additional charge of the Students' Attendance. All of us took charge on 1st June 2019.

14 new faculty members were appointed in various departments in the academic year under management staff category. The Regional Joint Director of Collegiate education approved the appointment of 8 teachers in various departments, under aided category during the current academic year.

18 faculty members of the college attended Refresher & Orientation Courses during the academic year. 03 faculty members from English who went on deputation for two years to complete Ph.D. under UGC-FDP scheme, re-joined duty on 1st March 2019.


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Admissions:

Admissions for the 2018-19 academic year commenced on 28th May 2018. A total number of 1041 students in shift I and 918 students in shift II were admitted to various UG and PG programmes. The admissions were closed on 31st August 2018.

Introduction of Additional sections:

The University of Madras has granted us permission in the current academic year to start one additional section each in the B.Com - General and B.Com - Corporate Secretaryship courses in Shift – II with a sanctioned strength of 70 students in each section.

Proposals for New Courses from the Next Academic Year 2019-2020

The college has submitted proposals to the University of Madras to offer B.A. (Tamil), B.A. (Business Economics), B.Com. Accounting and Finance), B.Sc. (Information Technology), M.Com (General), and M.Sc. (Botany) courses in the college from 2019-20 academic year. The college is awaiting final orders from the University approving these proposals.

Extension of Autonomous Status by the UGC :

A six-member expert committee appointed by the UGC, visited the college on 29th and 30th October 2018 to inspect the college for granting extension of Autonomous status. On the basis of the favorable report submitted by the committee, UGC granted extension of Autonomous Status to our college till 2023 (for Five years).

Students' Union activities:

Continuing the tradition of promoting democratic values among the students, the college conducted Election to the Students' Union on 25th July 2018. The Union activities were inaugurated by Sri U Sagayam, IAS, Vice Chairman, Science City, on 17th September 2018.

Graduation Day

Graduation Day for Shift I and shift II students, who passed out in April 2017, was conducted in September 2018. Thiru Sunil Paliwal, IAS, Principal Secretary, Department of

labor and Hon. Justice Mr. F. M. Ibrahim Kalifullah, former Supreme court Judge graced the occasions and delivered the Convocation address, respectively.

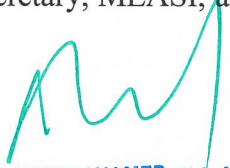
Programmes of National Importance:

Independence Day and Republic Day celebrations were conducted in the college with the usual enthusiasm and patriotic fervor. In the Independence Day celebrations Dr. K Altaff, former Principal, hoisted the flag and delivered an independence day address. In the Republic Day celebrations, Dr. K. Ravichandran, Director, IDE, University of Madras unfurled the national flag and delivered the Republic Day address.

Preparation for the 4th Cycle of NAAC accreditation

The college has started preparations for the upcoming 4th cycle of NAAC accreditation in 2021. As a first step in the preparations, teams of staff members were deputed to attend workshops held in different Universities on different aspects of NAAC accreditation. Two initial special meetings were conducted to sensitize the IQAC members and Heads of Departments on the revised guidelines, in which Dr Anvar Sadhath (English), Dr. Ibrahim Naveed (Zoology), and Mr. Sivakumar (Business Administration), made presentations. Considering the challenges in meeting the revised expectations of the NAAC, the college has constituted a core committee and seven criteria-wise committees each of which consisting of a Team Head and members. The IQAC has also arranged two special workshops to create awareness among all the faculty members of the college on the revised regulations of the NAAC. Dr. Sethuraman, Professor, Gandhigram Rural Institute, and Dr. Madhukar, former Adviser, NAAC, served as resource persons.

Vice Principal (Academics), Dr. S. Basheer Ahamed and the IQAC Head, Mr. S.A. Sheik Mohamed attended a special meeting conducted by the UGC at Maulana Azad National Urdu University, Hyderabad to discuss issues concerning Autonomous status granted to colleges. Mr. S.A. Sheik Mohamed has also attended a workshop on MOOC courses held at Maulana Azad National Urdu University, Hyderabad. The Principal, Dr. Abdul Jabbar and Janab. Mandy Mohamed Aslam, Asst. Secretary, MEASI, attended a meeting convened by Association of Self-


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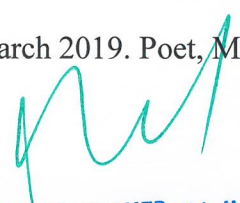
Financing Arts, Science & Management Colleges of Tamil Nadu, held in Coimbatore on 15th February 2019 to discuss the prevailing regulations and directions of UGC on Autonomy.

Seminars, Workshops and Special Lectures

During the academic year, a number of academic programmes were conducted in the college utilising the funds allotted from the UGC Autonomous Grant. These programmes include national seminars conducted by Departments of Arabic, Chemistry, and Computer Science; National conference on “Literature and identity Politics” organised by the Department of English; special lectures and lecture series conducted by Departments of Zoology, Mathematics, Business Administration, Economics and History; State and National level workshops organised by Commerce, Business Administration, Mathematics, Plant Biology, Hindi and French; symposium was organised by the Department of History, and Computer Science and Urdu Day celebrations was conducted by Department of Urdu. IQAC of the college conducted an awareness programme for students on Drugs and Addiction on 1st March 2019. Dr. Venkadesh Babu, IRS, Assistant Commissioner of Narcotics, Air Customs, Madurai served as the resource person. The resource person holds the Guinness Record for giving maximum number of lessons on Drug Awareness.

The various sectional associations of the college initiated their activities through inaugural meetings with invited resource persons from various other colleges. The PG Association of the college organised a PG Association Day on 2nd March 2019 in which Dr. Bryan Oliver Peppin, former Head of English of our college and V.S. Sambandan, CAO, Hindu group were the Chief Guests.

Besides these events the sectional associations, and departments have enriched the academic year with diverse activities. The Department of Commerce conducted Golden Jubilee year celebrations on 12th March 2019. Janab. H.H. Janab. Mohammed Abdul Ali Azimjah, Prince of Arcot presided over the function. The Department of Tamil organised a *Pattimandram* (பட்டிமன்றம்) on 14th March 2019. Poet, M. Ramalingam, served as the judge in the event.


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Co-curricular & Extra-curricular Activities

Various cultural activities and competitions were also conducted to give our students an opportunity to display their talent and to compete with students of other colleges. The college organised an inter-collegiate Talents Day under the name, FINUN on 4th March 2019. Students from various city colleges and our own students displayed their talents in the event. Guru Nanak College students bagged the overall championship in the event, and SRM college, Ramapuram Campus won the second place. Other cultural programmes conducted in the college include, a Chemfest conducted by Department of Chemistry, 'Kairos 19K' intercollegiate Literary competitions conducted by the Department of English, Urdu Mushaira arranged by the Department of Urdu, and intercollegiate cultural competitions conducted by the Department of Commerce. The Corporate Secretaryship Department has brought out their annual in-house magazine, Corpians Digest.

The college has organised an Islamic Youth Conference on 14 March 2019. Four eminent speakers delivered lectures in the conference.

Award of Ph.D. to the Teaching Staff

12 Faculty members of the college secured Ph.D. Degrees from various Universities in India. A few more faculty members have submitted their Ph.D. theses and are waiting for their viva-voce.

UGC & other Grants received during 2018-2019

Under various schemes like Faculty development Programme, Minor research Project, and Autonomous Grant, the college has received a sum of Rs. 37, 72, 845/- during the current academic year, 2018-19.

Placement Activities

The Placement Cell of the college has initiated on-campus placement drives by companies including Just Dial, IDBI Federal, Sutherland, Zoho, Capgemini, CAMS, Troika Pharmaceuticals, Cars India, Trade Plus, Sundaram Business Services, and Funds India. Some of these drives are scheduled after the semester examinations. The cell facilitated off-campus

placement initiatives by companies like ATMECS, TCS, Accenture, Wipro, Integra Software Services, and Maruti Suzuki, and CITY Group. The placement cell has arranged a special training programme for the computer science and computer applications students to prepare them for IT-Jobs prior to the placement drive by Zoho, a reputed IT firm in Chennai. It is heartening to note that 18 students from our college could clear the Pan India aptitude test conducted by TCS, the largest IT Company in India, to select Software professionals. In the placement drives conducted this year, so far, about 150 students have got offers from various companies. The results of some more placement drives are yet to be received. The highest salary offered to our students by the companies that recruited our students this year was 6.4 Lakhs per annum, and the lowest was 1.5 Lakhs, per annum.

Relief Work during Calamities

Reiterating our commitments to the society, the college, with the support of Staff members and NSS unit, raised funds and helped the victims of Gaja cyclone and Kerala Floods. During the Gaja Cyclone, Relief materials worth more than 4 lakhs were distributed to 500 families in Vedaranyam. Relief materials were also distributed to flood affected areas in Kerala. In addition, the Staff members and students of the college donated Rs. 3 lakh to Kerala Chief Minister's Relief fund.

Nomination of Teachers as Resource Persons & Subject Experts

Many faculty members of our college served as Resource Persons in the seminars and conferences organised by various colleges within and outside the state. They also served as subject experts in various academic bodies, like TNPSC, Board of Studies in various colleges, and staff selection committees in different organizations. The principal, Dr. A. Abdul Jabbar was invited as the Chief Guest for the college Day Celebrations of Islamiah College, Vaniyambadi. Our faculty members also presented papers in national and international seminars during this academic year.

International Paper Presentations by the Teaching Staff

Dr. Ibrahim Naveed, Associate Professor of Zoology, presented a paper in the International Symposium organised by Hirosaki University, Japan from 9th to 14th September

2018. Dr. M. Abdul Jamal and Dr. S. Mohamed Nazeer, of Economics Department presented papers in the International Conference of the Network on Poverty Eradication conducted by San Beda University, Manila, Philippines from 25th to 28th October 2018.

Library

The New College Library has added 2200 new books to the existing collection. The college library and the different Departmental libraries purchased books worth 7.5 Lakhs using UGC grants and the annual library grant of the Management.

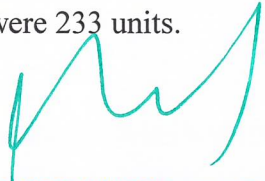
Hostel

The New College Hostel has admitted 510 student-inmates this academic year, including the students from the other institutions in the campus. In order to direct the borders to the right path in life and education, the hostel organises religious sermons on all Thursdays. As usual, New College Hostel coordinated the Seerathunnabi celebrations of the college on 12.03.2019. Hazrath Maulana Mufti Mohamed Suaibullah Khan Sahib Miftahi, Founder & Rector, Jamia Islamia Maseehul Uloom, Bangalore, and Hazrath Maulana Abu Taher Sahib Baqavi, Professor, Madrassa-e-Noorul Islam Salem, delivered lectures on the life and teachings of Prophet Mohamed (PBUH) in Urdu and Tamil respectively. Hostel day was celebrated on 23 March 2019. Janab. C. Khaiser Ahmed, Member, Executive Committee MEASI was the Chief guest. His Highness Nawab Mohammed Abdul Ali Azimjah, Prince of Arcot and Chairman, New College presided over the function.

NSS / NCC camps details

NSS activities in the college for the current academic year was inaugurated by Dr. G. Baskaran, NSS coordinator, University of Madras on 11th July 2018.

NSS and YRC unit of the New College organized blood donation camp on 29th August 2018. 106 units of blood were donated to Cancer Institute, Adayar and 127 units donated to Lions blood bank. Total donations were 233 units.


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NSS unit of New College organized NSS Day Environmental Awareness Rally on 25th September 2018, and distributed 500 cloth bag (containing the words 'Say No To Plastics') to the public and created awareness on how plastics spoil our environment

NSS Unit of the college has conducted a Special Camp at West Pakkam village from 22nd February 2019 to 27th February 2019. Dr. G. Baskaran, NSS Coordinator, University of Madras inaugurated the camp. The NSS Unit has also conducted a free medical camp for the public at Pakkam West on 24.02.2019. Dr. J. Sulaiman, NSS Programme Officer, was invited by Tamil Nadu Uniformed Services Recruitment Board to verify the NSS Certificates submitted by the Candidates for the Posts of Sub Inspector of Police.

Mr. Mohamed Azmathulla, Assistant Professor of Zoology, attended NCC ANO training programme conducted by Army Officer's Training Academy, Maharashtra from 26th November 2018 to 23rd February 2019.

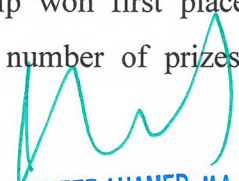
Semester Examinations:

The odd semester examinations for UG/PG courses of both shifts were conducted from 31st October 2018 to 26th November 2018. Out of the 3688 students from both shifts appeared for various UG examinations, 2361 passed all papers, with a pass percentage of 61. Out of the 380 students appeared for various PG examinations 257 passed all papers, with the pass percentage of 67.6.

The Even semester examinations for UG/PG courses of both shifts are scheduled from 03rd April 2019.

Sports achievements and Sports Days

Sports day was conducted on 18th Feb 2019. J M Fernando, Gen. Sec. Tamil Nadu Olympics Association, was the chief guest. In the March Past competition conducted as part of the event, Corporate Secretaryship won first place. Commerce and Computer Applications Departments won the maximum number of prizes in sports events in Shift I and Shift II respectively.


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Our college football, and Table Tennis teams won the third place in the 'A' - Zone inter-collegiate football tournament conducted by the University of Madras.

The college has conducted the Buhari Memorial cricket tournament. Our college staff cricket team has reached the finals in the tournament.

Deeniyath and Moral instruction special lectures

A special lecture by Maulana Al Hafiz Al Haaj Dr. Sadeeduddin Baqavi, (Chief Imam, Masjide Khurasani, Adayar, Chennai) was conducted on the topic, "Good Habits for Successful Life" between 8.30 AM and 9.30 AM on 18th July 2019. The Annual deeniyath & Moral Instructions competitions were conducted on 15th March 2019 (Friday) in the forenoon & afternoon sessions to inculcate the teachings of our Holy Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) in the minds of students.

MEASI meals scheme

Our parent body, MEASI has introduced a new scheme called "MEASI Meals Scheme" to provide lunch for students from economically weaker sections. The programme was implemented with effect from 11th February 2019. The inaugural meeting of the scheme was presided over by His Highness Nawab Mohammed Abdul Ali Azimjah, Prince of Arcot and Chairman, New College. Mr. Shakeel Akther, IAS, ADG of Tamil Nadu Police, was the chief guest in the event. Mr. T. Rafeeq Ahmed, Hon. Secretary, delivered the inaugural address. Hon. Treasurer, Mr. Elias Sait, and Mr. Haja Najimuddin, Vice President, MEASI, graced the occasion with their presence.

New Additions in Infrastructure of the college

With the objective of providing better facilities for students, a new four-storied student restroom block is nearing completion at the cost of 48 lakhs. The college has purchased six more new LED projectors for the use of the departments, using the UGC funds. The college has placed orders for 120 new computers at an estimated cost around 50 Lakhs. In order to enhance the quality of services given to the students and staff, the college has modernised the administrative office with state-of-the-art facilities spending about 34 Lakhs.

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Retirement of Teaching Staff

Three faculty members of our college, Dr. Khaleel Ahmed, HOD of Tamil, Dr. D. Hussain Vali, HOD of Hindi, and Dr. Abdus Shukur, Associate Professor of Economics are retiring from service this year. The college salutes them for their long-stint, untiring commitment to teaching, and their great contributions for the development of the college.

Conclusion

With the objective of imparting quality higher education to our students, our college has always been engaging in innovative activities and best practices. I am extremely grateful to the management for extending support for all the college programmes during the academic year. I express my gratitude to each and every member of the new college staff, both teaching and non-teaching, for their contributions and help in successfully completing the activities of this academic year. Let us all rededicate ourselves and get ready for the ensuing new academic year 2019-20, and the most awaited NAAC accreditation in 2021.



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