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The academic year 2019-20 has had several activities and a lot of progressive initiatives were taken 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 66th academic year on 17 June 2019. Classes for the second year UG and PG and third year UG commenced on the same day. The inaugural meeting for the newly admitted UG student was held on 21 June 2019.

Admission

Admissions for the academic year started on 29 April 2019. A total number of 951 students in Shift I and 1090 students in Shift II were admitted to various UG and PG programmes.

New UG / PG Programmes Added

The University of Madras granted affiliation for four new UG and 2 new PG programmes in the college with the effect from the academic year 2019-20. They are, B.A. Tamil (70 seats), B.Com Accounting and Finance (70 Seats), B.A. Business Economics (70 seats), B.Sc Information Technology (50 seats), M.Com General (40 seats), M.Sc Botany (26 seats). Besides these new courses, the University has also sanctioned one additional batch each in B.Com General (Shift II) and B.Com Corporate Secretaryship (Shift II).

Besides the new programmes and additional batches, during the academic year, the college introduced a number of job/skill-oriented add on courses for students pursuing UG / PG programmes in different departments, by charging a nominal fee. Among these, Three Departments (English, Computer Science and Botany) have successfully completed the first batches of the add-on courses offered by them.

Students Induction Programme (SIP)

Following the guidelines of UGC and University of Madras, a Student Induction Programme was conducted for the benefit of newly admitted UG students on 20 and 21 June 2020. Dr. M. Saidudeen Fazil Baqavi, Chief, Imam, Adayar Masjid, Dr. C. Sylendra Babu IPS, DGP, Railways, Tamil Nadu, Dr. Sultan Ahmed Ismail, D.Sc., noted soil biologist and ecologist, Mr. G. Sundarrajan, from Poovulagin Nanbargal, Mr. Sarath Babu, CEO, Food King, delivered motivational lectures to the newly admitted students as part of the programme. Dr. Hyder Ali, Assistant professor of Zoology & Asst. Controller of examinations, coordinated the SIP activities.

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New Appointments and Promotions

The RJDCE of Chennai region has approved six appointments made against the aided vacancies created by the retirement of faculty members. The teachers who secured approval for appointments are as follows:

- 1. Dr. B. Rajan Assistant Professor of English w.e.f. 20.07.2019.
- Dr. S. Mohamed Nazeer Assistant Professor of Economics w.e.f. 20.07.2019.
- 3. Dr. A. M. Abid Basha Assistant Professor of Commerce w.e.f. 02.08.2018.
- Mr. R.B. Syed Ahammed Jalalutheen Assistant Professor of Commerce w.e.f. 20.07.2019.
- 5. Dr. N. Mohamed Basith Assistant Professor of Chemistry w.e.f. 20.07.2019.
- 6. Dr. K. Mohammed Mutaque Assistant Professor of Chemistry w.e.f. 20.07.2019.

Following the retirement of the Heads of Departments in Tamil and Hindi. Dr. S. Mohamed Abdul Razak and Dr. S. Shafivulla were elevated to the position of the Head of the Department in the Department of Tamil and Hindi respectively.

Seventeen new teachers, and three system assistants were appointed during the academic year for various Management category staff positions in the college.

As part of the requirements for their Career Advancement, 32 faculty members of the college attended Refresher / orientation courses in various Universities during the academic year.

Students Union Election

Elections to the New College Students' Union was held on 5 July 2019. The Principal nominated Dr. Abdul Khader, Associate Professor of History, and Dr. Mohamed Arif, Assistant Professor of Commerce as Vice Presidents for Students' Union in shift I and Shift II respectively.

In Shift I, Mirza Sabel Ali (III B.Com CS) was elected as Chairman, M.F Mohamed Fawaz (III B.Sc. Plant Biology) as Vice-Chairman, and K Mohamed Katheem (III B.A. Sociology) as General Secretary.

In Shift II, I Ishaq Baig (III B.Com General) was elected as Chairman, N Shahul Hameed Ali (III B.Com CS), as Vice-Chairman, and Areeb Ahmed Khan (III B.Com ISM) as General Secretary.

Student Union activities of Shift I was inaugurated on 28.08.2019. Dr. R Ravanan, RJDCE, Chennai, and Tmt. A. Arul Mozhi, Advocate Madras High Court were the chief guests for the function.

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The students union activities of shift II was inaugurated on 8 August 2019. Thiru N. Seshasai, IPS, Inspector General of Police Welfare, Tamil nadu was the Chief Guest in the function.

Infrastructure Development

As part of the infrastructure development activities, the new toilet complex in the Humanities Block, constructed last year, was opened for the use of students and staff during this academic year. In order to house the first year classes of the newly introduced courses, six classrooms were readied in the examination hall in the admin block. Work is on for the renovation of HAAS auditorium, and it is expected to be ready by July 2020.

Efforts are also underway to renovate Allama Buhari Hall, repair or replace classroom furniture, construct new classrooms for the newly added courses, expand the Physics research lab, shift English Language lab, Arabic Language Lab and Urdu Department to more spacious new rooms in the same block.

Graduation Day

Two Graduation Day ceremonies were conducted during the academic year, one each for shift I and Shift II students who passed out in April 2018. Graduation day for shift I was conducted on 12 December 2019. Mr. N. Ram, Chairman, THG Publishing Pvt. Ltd, Chennai delivered the Graduation day address and distributed certificates to 518 new graduands. Chairman of The New College managing Committee, His Highness Nawab Mohamed Abdul Ali Azimjah, Prince of Arcot, Hon. Secretary and Correspondent, Janab. T Rafeeq Ahmed, and Hon. Treasurer, Janab. Elias Sait graced the occasion with their presence.

Graduation day for shift II was conducted on 21 December 2019. Dr. Jothi Venkateswaran, Director of Collegiate Education (FAC), Govt. of Tamil Nadu, the chief guest, delivered the Graduation day address and distributed certificates to 484 new graduands. Chairman of The New College managing Committee, His Highness Nawab Mohamed Abdul Ali Azimjah, Prince of Arcot, Hon. Secretary and Correspondent, Janab. T Rafeeq Ahmed, and Hon. Treasurer, Janab. Elias Sait were present in the ceremony.

IQAC Activities

As part of the efforts to intensify the preparations for the ensuing NAAC accreditation, the IQAC has conducted meetings of IQAC members, Heads of Departments and other stakeholders to discuss the new requirements for NAAC accreditation. Seven criteria-wise teams were readied for preparing the college for the accreditation.

IQAC, In collaboration with The New College Staff Association, conducted a programme on "Draft National Education Policy 2019" for the staff members of the college on 30 July 2019.

The Principal, Dr. Abdul Jabbar and IQAC coordinator Mr. S. A, Sheik Mohamed, attended a special programme on NAAC Accreditation and Re-accreditation conducted by the University of Madras on 31 October 2019. Dr. R. Srinivasan, Registrar, University of Madras,

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Mr. P. Duraisamy, Vice-Chancellor, University of Madras, Dr. Vinita Sahu, Assistant adviser, National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) Bangalore, Dr. V. Bharathi Harishankar, Director-IQAC, University of Madras, spoke in the meeting were the resource persons in the programme.

IQAC conducted a workshop on Student-Centric teaching methods and Alternative Assessment in the college on 21 September 2019. Dr. Edmana Prasad, Director of Faculty training Center IIT chennai was the resource Person. A programme on "Gender Equity" was conducted on 28 August. Dr. Latha Subramanian, University of Madras was the resource person. IQAC also organized a One-day workshop on "Taxonomy of Teaching Learning and Assessing" Dr. Asokan, a renowned trainer, was the resource person. The cell arranged a two days Faculty Development program at VIT vellore, for 40 of the Computer Science staff members of the college.

With the objective of connecting new teachers with the retired teachers, the IQAC organized a special Teachers' Day programme on 05 September 2019. In the meeting, retired teachers of the college shared their experiences. Dr. C. Jothi Venkateswaran. Director of Collegiate Education, Govt. of Tamil Nadu, was the chief guest.

Activities of Sectional Associations and Departments

Various sectional Associations conducted their inaugural programmes in the months of August and September 2019.

Following the inaugurations of their respective sectional associations, the departments have organized diverse programmes. For instance, Association Corporate Secretaryship organized the Celebration of International Day for Preservation of The Ozone Layer as part of their CRS Club activities on 16 September 2019. Janab Elias Sait, Hon. Treasurer, MEASI was the chief guest in the function.

The Department of English, organized a special lecture on the role of literature in contemporary times by Dr. Christine Berberich, Professor of English, Portsmouth University (UK) on 1 August 2019.

In Commemoration of World Heart Day, the Zoology Department has organized a special programme on Heart Diseases on 23 September 2019. Dr. M. Madhu Sankar, MBBS., M.S., DNB, Cardiothoracic Surgeon, and Dr. R. Anantha Raman Reddy, MBBS., FRCP(UK), CCST Cardio(UK), Interventional Cardiology, from Frontier Lifeline Hospitals, were the resource persons in the programme.

The Department of Historical Studies organized a special programme titled, "Nerkondaparvaiyum Ethirkonda Therthalum" on 1 October 2019. Justice S.K. Krishnan, Former Judge, Madras High Court, was the main speaker in the event. The Department organized a special lecture by Mr. D. Abul Fazal Head, Department of History Islamiah College on the 'The Legacy of Tipu Sultan' on 04 December 2019,

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The Department of Arabic observed World Arabic Language Day on 18 December 2019.

- The P.G. & Research Department of Commerce organized an Inter Collegiate Commerce Talent Meet "Mercium 2K20" on 04th February 2020. Dr. R. Ravanan, Joint Director of Collegiate Education, Chennai Region, the Chief Guest of the function gave away the Overall Championship of Dr. P.M.S. Abdul Gaffoor Rolling Trophy to the winners of Guru nanak College students. Janab T. Rafeeq Ahmed Sahib, Hon. Secretary and Janab Elias Sait Sahib, Hon. Treasurer graced the occasion as Guests of Honour.
- The P.G. & Research Department of Zoology organized "EXTESI 2K20" an Intercollegiate Zoological Fest on 06th February 2020. Dr. Arul Vasu, Associate Professor, Department of Zoology, University of Madras was the Chief Guest of the function. The debate competition of the FEST was won by Loyola College, Chennai–34 and Quiz competition won by JBAS College for Women, Chennai-18.
- The P.G. & Research Department of English has organized a one day workshop on "How to Crack NET / SET" on 05.08.2019 for the benefit of PG / M. Phil students and research scholars of the department. Mr. A.K. Abdurahman, JRF Research Fellow, was the resource person. In continuation with this programme, A few more sessions were conducted in the main subject from 25-27 November 2019.
- The P.G. & Research Department of English organized "Coiros 2020" an Inter-Collegiate Department Festival on 10th February 2020. Mr. Syed, a famous Radio Jocky, the Chief Guest of the function Interacted with the students. The overall Championship of this festival was won by JBAS College for Women, Chennai-18.
- The P.G. & Research Department of Tamil celebrated "Umaru Pulavar Tamil Peravai" Festival on 11th February 2020. Janab Elias Sait Sahib, Hon. Treasurer, delivered the felicitation address Thiru. S. Raja, Prominent "Pattimandram" Speaker, delivered the special address on the occasion.
- The P.G. & Research Department of Arabic organized a One Day International Seminar on Teaching Communicative Arabic for Non-Native Speakers on 12th February 2020. Dr. Mohammed Musthafa Shareef, Former & HOD of Arabic, Osmania University, Hyderabad. Mr. Nasrullah Khan, Founder & Director, Khansoft, Malaysia. Mr. Ahmed Al-Nasser, Syria. Mr. Mohammed Nadhir Abdul Quadir Al-Kord, Palestine and other various Islamic scholars delivered the Keynote Address.
- The P.G. & Research Department of Corporate Secretaryship organized "CORP FEST 2020" an Inter-Collegiate Talent Meet. "Dr. Fayaz Mohammed Bijli Trophy" on 15th February 2020. Dr. A. Abdul Jabbar, Principal, Inaugurated the event Mr. M. Zahiruddin Sheriff, Vice Principal (Administration) was the Guest of Honour. Dr. S. Basheer Ahamed, Vice Principal

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(Academic) felicitated the students. The overall Championship of Dr. Fayaz Mohammed Bijli Trophy won by Ethiraj College for Women, Chennai-08.

- The P.G. & Research Department of Tamil organized a One Day International Seminar on "Contribution of Islamic Scholars to Tamil Literature" on 18.02.2020. Dr. P. Devid Prabakar, Head of the Department of Tamil, Madras Christian College, Dr. M. Najma, Assistant Professor, Pachaiyappan College for Women, Kanchipuram delivered Keynote Address.
- The P.G. & Research Department of Commerce organized an "Inter Class Commerce Meet" on 19th February 2020. Dr. S. Manivasakan, Professor & Director, Member-Syndicate, University of Madras, the Chief Guest of the function delivered Keynote Address.
- The P.G. & Research Department of Zoology organized a Special Lecture on "Employment Opportunities in the Health care Sector" on 20th February 2020. The Resource Person, Mr. B. Syed Alim Murdaja, Vice President Training and OD I2H Solutions, Chennai, delivered the special lecture.
- The P.G. Department of Corporate Secretaryship arranged an Expert Talk on "On Recent Trends in Company Law and Secretarial Practice" on 21st February 2020. Dr. B. Ravi, Managing Partner, B. Ravi and Associates, Company Secretaries delivered the expert lecture on the topic.

The Department of Bank Management arranged a Special Lecture on "Emerging Global Trends in Leadership an Overview in Indian Context" on 25th February 2020. Dr. C.D. Balaji, Management Consultant & Author delivered the special lecture on the topic.

- The P.G. & Research Department of Chemistry organized an Inter Collegiate Educational Fest "NEWTRON" on 25th February 2020. Various events like Jam, Chemiwood, Quiz, Che(m)ix, Decoding & Chemtunes are conducted during the Educational Fest.
- The P.G. & Research Department of Physics celebrated Science Day on 26th February 2020. Dr. Rita John, Professor & Head, Department of Theoretical Physics, University of Madras, the Chief Guest, delivered the Special Lecture. Janab H.H Nawab Mohammed Abdul Ali Sahib, Chairman, Janab T. Rafeeq Ahmed Sahib, Hony. Secretary & Correspondent, Janab Elias Sait Sahib, Treasurer graced the occasion.
- The P.G. Department of Plant Biology & Plant Biotechnology organized a One Day Workshop on "Developing Bio-Entrepreneur Skills through Herbal Products" on 27th February 2020. The Resource Person of the Workshop Dr. M. Arumugam, Head, P.G. & Research Department of Botany, J.J. College of Arts and Science (Autonomous), Pudukottai gave an expert talk on the topic.

The Department of Sociology organized "D-ARENA" an Inter-collegiate Cultural Festival on 27th February 2020. Mr. Lenin Bharati, Film Director was the Chief Guest at the Festival. Competitions on Photography, Mime, Case Study, Debate, Creative Writing, Adzap &

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Brain Teaser were conducted during the festival. The Overall Championship of the Festival was won by Ethiraj College for Women, Chennai-08.

The P.G. Department of Historical Studies organized an International Conference "Islamic Traditions and Practices in South India" on 02th March 2020. Mr. P.P. Saldali, Research Scholar at JNU, New Delhi, Safwan Amir, Research Associate at KREA University, spoke on the topic of the International Conference. Janab Elias Sait Sahib, Hon. Treasurer, delivered the felicitation Address, Janab T. Rafeeq Ahmed sahib, Hon. Secretary, delivered the Valedictory Address.

The P.G. & Research Department of Chemistry in association with Indian Chemical Society & Royal Society of Chemistry jointly organized "One day Symposium on Chemistry and Industry" on 02th March 2020. Dr. U.P. Senthil Kumar, Head of Process, R&D, Orchid Pharma Ltd., Chennai, Dr. Manohar Venkat, Presidents, R & D, Spinco Biotech, Chennai, Dr. Bhuvaneswari Sridhar, Associate Vice President-API, R&D Pfizer, Chennai, Dr. J. Ravichandran, R&D / Control, Amurtanjan HealthCare Pvt. Ltd., Chennai, delivered special lectures.

The P.G. Department of Mathematics organized 4th Edition of "NEWMAT 2020" an Inter Collegiate Competition on 03th March 2020. Dr. V. Jude Annie Cynthia, Head, Department of Mathematics, Stella Maris College, Chennai, Dr. R. Muthucumaraswamy, Professor, Head & Dean (Research) Department of Applied Mathematics, Sri Venkateswara College of Engineering, were the Resource Persons of Inauguration and Valediction session. The Overall Championship of the Professors Memorial Trophy won by Loyola College, Chennai. Janab Elias Sait Sahib, Hon. Treasurer, delivered the Valedictory Addresses.

The P.G. Department of Commerce organized an International Conference on "Innovations and Challenges in Global Business" on 03th March 2020. Dr. S. Gurusamy, Professor & Head. Department of Commerce, University of Madras, Dr. Desti Kannaiah, James Cook University, Singapore, Dr. S. Nakkiran, Professor of Co-operative Management, Ambo University, Ethiopia, Dr. S.R. Keshava, Prof. Department of Economics, Jnana Bharathi Campus, Bangalore University, Bangalore, Dr. Nabeel Ahmed, Regional Director, DVS International Advisors, Dubai, delivered the Keynote Address on the International Conference.

The. The Department of Business Administration organized a One Day International Seminar on "Opportunities in Management Profession" on 04th March 2020. The Resource Persons Dr. Anandhi Krishnamurthy, Director of ISM, India, Mr. Arifullah Meer Mohammed, Tekniya Digital Solutions, UAE, Dr. R. Ramakrishnan, Former Consular Officer, Indian High Commission, Seychelles, delivered the Keynote Address.

The P.G. Department of Computer Science, Computer Applications, Information Technology and ISM jointly organized "New Logic 2K20" National Level Symposium & National Workshop on 04th & 05th March 2020. Mr. Mohammed Raffic Aslam, Creative Director, ZOHO and Mr. Syed Mohamad Altamash Khabir, Director, Karix Mobile Private Ltd, delivered Special Address various competitions like Jam, Web Design, Debug, Meme and Brain Teaser were conducted during the Symposium & Workshop.

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The P.G. & Research Department of Zoology organized a Special Lecture on 06th March 2020. Dr. R. Richard Churchill, Professor & Head Poultry Research Station, Madhavaram Milk Colony, Chennai, delivered the special lecture.

The Department of French organized a Special Lecture on 07th March 2020. Dr. Sushant Kumar Dubey, Assistant Professor, Department of French, Central University of Tamil Nadu, Thiruvarur delivered the special lecture.

The P.G. Department of Mathematics organized a UGC sponsored Seminar on "Graph Labelling & its Applications" and a Workshop on "Easy Cine Memory Tech" on 09th March 2020. Dr. L. Shobana, Faculty of SRM Institute of Science and Technology and Mr. A. Shahul Hameed, Saudi Structural Consultant, Tirunelvali, delivered the keynote address.

The P.G. Department of Corporate Secretaryship organized CORPSECTA 2K20 an "Intra-Department Talent Fest" on 09th March 2020. Dr. A. Abdul Jabbar, Principal Inaugurated Talent Fest.

The Department of Zoology has initiated Ornamental Fish Culture and Solid Waste Management during the academic year.

NCC / Rotaract Club / YRC Activities

The Youth Red Cross and Rotaract Club of The New College conducted their inauguration / installation ceremonies in August 2019. Dr. G. Baskaran, YRC Co-ordinator, University of Madras and Rtn. Balaji Chinni, Youth Service Director, Rotary Club of Madras served as the chief guests in these functions, respectively. NSS and YRC Units of the college conducted a Blood Donation Camp in the college on 10 December 2019.

The Rotaract Club of The New College organized a valedictory function "Vaanamey Ellai" –Sports for Special Children on 10th February 2020. Dewan Bahadur M.O. Parthasarathy Iyengar Senior citizen, were the Chief Guest of the function. Janab Elias Sait Sahib, Hon. Treasurer, Rtn. Parkavi Mahalingam, Rotaract Chairman, Rotary Club of Madras and Rtn. Balaji Chinni, Youth Service Director, Rotary Club of Madras, were the Guests of Honour.

NSS wing of The New College conducted a Special Camp on 28th February 2020.

Dr. G. Baskaran, NSS Coordinator, University of Madras delivered the Inaugural address.

Dr. A. Abdul Jabbar, Principal presided over the function.

Semester Examinations

The Odd semester Examinations of the UG & PG courses of Shift-I & Shift-II were conducted from 29.10.2019 to 21.11.2019. The results of Odd Semester examinations were published in December 2019. The college re-opened on 25.11.2019 after 1st semester vacation.

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Sports and Games

Five students of our college have achieved laurels in the Sports and Games activities conducted by different organizations / institutions during the academic year. Mr. Abdul Marzouk of III B.Com (ISM) secured Gold Medal in 57-62kg Weight Category in a TAEK-WON-DO Tournament held in Chennai. Mr. T. Sajjad Ahmed of II B.Sc (Computer Science) represented AITA (All India Tennis Association) Pro Circuit Tour in the All India AITA-OTA 50K Men's Ranking Tennis Tournament 2019. Mr. A. Mohamed Rashed of III (BCA) secured Gold Medal in 70-78kg Weight Category in the TAEK-WON-DO Tournament. Mr. Sameerul Salman Yousouf of III B.Com (ISM) secured First Place in 9th South Asian Hakuakai Karate Champion 27th & 28th April 2019 at New Delhi. Mr. L. Rudra Murthy of II B.Sc Mathematics secured First Place in 800mts running in the IIT Sports Fest-2019 Championship held at IIT Madras.

The 69th Annual Sports Day of The New College was held on 03rd February 2020. The Opening ceremony and Sports events were inaugurated by the Guest of Honour, Janab S.A. Azeez, Hony. Asst. Treasurer MEASI. The Chief Guest of the function Dr. M. Ravi, IPS., Additional Director General of Police, Crimes Against Women and Children, distributed prizes to the winners of various sports competitions. Janab M. Haja Najimuddin, Vice-President, MEASI, the Guest of Honour presided over the function.

Grants Received

The college was sanctioned a sum of Rs. 4294825 as grants from funding agencies like UGC. Out of this the college received Rs. 21,16,500, which includes Rs. 20,00000/- towards first installments of autonomy grant for the academic years 2018-19 and 2019-20. Dr. Amzad Kolar, Assistant Professor of Botany was awarded a Minor Research Project grant of 1,39,825 by Institute of Agricultural Scientists, out of which 48700 was released. Dr. A. Abdul Raheem, Associate Professor of Economics was awarded a Minor Research Project grant of Rs. 1,55,000/- by UGC, out of which 9000 was released.

Ph.D. Viva Voce

Five Ph.D. viva voce examinations were conducted in the college during the academic year, one each in Commerce, Tamil and Economics departments, and two in Arabic Department.

Campus Placement

The Campus Placement Cell of the college initiated 16 On-Campus placement drives, three online placement drives and three off campus drives for the current outgoing batch. These drives have resulted in 253 students getting shortlisted for various positions. Final interviews for some of these drives are yet to be completed. Besides, the cell has facilitated about 30 off-campus drives for the 2019 passed out students. The companies that selected out students during the academic year include TCS, Accenture, Star Health Insurance, Ford Motors, Cappemini, CAMS, CSS Corp, Sutherland Global Services, Just Dial and Episource.

The core committee for placements met three times during the academic year and charted out strategies for enhancing placement activities from the upcoming academic year.

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Secrat Un Nabi Celebrations

The MEASI, The New College and Hostel organized a discourse on the topic of "The Life and Teachings of Prophet Muhammed, may peace be upon him on 12th March 2020. Moulana Syed Bilal Abdul Hai Hasani Sahib Nadwi, Professor, Nadwatul Ulama, Lucknow, General Secretary, All India Payaam-E-Insaaniyath Forum and Moulana Abdul Kareem Sahib Kashifi Mazahiri, Imam & Khateeb, Masjid-E-Taneem, Melvisharam spoke in Urdu & Tamil respectively on the topic.

Hostel

As part of its commitment to enhance the quality of services for the inmates, the New College Hostel has initiated some important infrastructural and other developments during the academic year. A new washing machine was installed for taking care of the laundry needs of the inmates. New beds, pillow with two covers, bedspread and blanket were provided to all the inmates of the hostel. New CCTV cameras with night vision facilities were installed in strategic locations in the hostel to enhance security. To enhance the fire safety facilities, centralized fire safety facilities were set up in all buildings as per the government norms. Besides, to meet the enhanced needs of power supply, a new 500 KVA capacity transformer was installed in the hostel premises to replace the old transformer with 180 KVA capacity.

Library

The New College Library added more than 2000 new books during the academic year, using the management grant for purchase of books. The procurement of books could not be completed owing to the unexpected Covid – 19 Lockdown.

Mobile Food Court

With the objective of providing the students quality food at a nominate rate, the College introduced a Mobile Food Court during the academic year, with support of a private agency.

With the support of the NSS Unit of the college, a CoronaVirus awareness programme was conducted in the college, to sensitize the students on the need for personal hygiene, and other precautions against the virus attack.

A Health screening camp was organized for staff and students of the college as part of the health insurance programme introduced for students and staff of the college.

New Website

Keeping in mind the increasing dependency on the college website for storing and displaying vital college information and records for various purposes including NAAC accreditation, the college has launched a new website (www.thenewcollege.edu.in) on 13 January 2020. All faculty members were given new official mail IDs to enable them to include the same in their academic profiles.

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Syllabus Revision and Board of Studies Meetings

All the Departments in the college revised their syllabi to suit the requirements for the Learning Outcome Based Curriculum Framework proposed by the UGC. The revised syllabuses were approved in the respective Board of Studies meetings, and will come to effect from the academic year 2020-2021.

Retirements

The following aided staff members, Dr. A Abdul Jabbar (Principal & HOD of Chemistry), Mr. M. Zahiruddin Sheriff (Vice Principal – Admin & Associate Professor of Mathematics), Syed Imtiaz (HoD & Associate Professor of Arabic), Dr. A.L. Hamza (HoD & Associate Professor of Economics), Mr. K Vasantha Kumar (HoD & Associate Professor of Sociology), are retiring from service this academic year.

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