

## **DEPARTMENT ACTIVITIES 2017-18**

### **Academic Achievements**

Divya M V,P G Student of 2015-17 qualified National Eligibility Test.

### **Research**

- Department submitted application for the recognition as Research Centre on 1<sup>st</sup> November 2017.

Inspection Committee visit was held on 1<sup>st</sup> February 2018.

- conducted one day **Workshop On Research Methodology** dated on 30<sup>th</sup> October 2017
- one day **Workshop on “ Data Extraction”**
- **A research project on “Elderly People In Padukkadu Area” was done by the M A Economics Students 2016-18.**
- A Lecture on **Questionnaire framing and Sample survey.**

### **Seminars and Workshops**

- On 24<sup>th</sup> July 2017 department of Economics & Social Work conducted an interdisciplinary national workshop on the topic “Social Surfing” at Silver Jubilee Seminar Hall. Mr. Vikaram Sheoran & Miss Arnika Singh from Centre for Social Research, New Delhi were the Resource Persons
- On 25<sup>th</sup> July 2017 Department of Economics, Commerce & Sociology jointly organised an interdisciplinary one day international seminar for the Post graduate students on the topic “ Globalised Development : Women’s lives & Opportunities”. The Resource person was Dr Nontando Margret Hadebe Post Doctoral Fellow, University of South Africa and she handled a session on the topic “ The Global Face of Femininity : Addressing the global world”.
- **On 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2017**, Economics Department in collaboration with Women Development Cell Vimala College conducted a seminar on “ **Daughter’s Deficit In India**” at Lisseux Seminar Hall. The topic was handled by Dr Zabeena Hammed P, Assistant professor in Economics, Dr John Mathai Centre.
- **On 20<sup>th</sup> August 2017 Economics Department organised one day seminar “Scope and Opportunities in Economics” in collaboration with the Women**

**Development Cell Vimala College, Thrissur.** The session was handled by Dr. Chacko Jose P, Associate Professor and Head, S H College, Chalakkudy

- **In association with Women Development Cell, the department of Economics has conducted one day workshop on Research methodology dated on 30<sup>th</sup> October 2017. The first session was handled by Dr. K P Mani, Former HOD of Department of Economics, John Mathai Centre.** The second session was handled by Dr. T D Simon, Assistant Professor, John Mathai Centre on Research methodology with special reference to Questionnaire framing.

- On 7<sup>th</sup> Nov 2017 Department Of Economics Vimala College, Thrissur Organised Seminar on the Topic

‘Can conservation withstand development: Evidence and Reflections’ in collaboration with INSEE & KILA. Prof. Kanchan Chopra was the Chief Guest.

- P G Students organised one day seminar on “Small Finance Banking and Opportunities” on 11<sup>th</sup> December in collaboration with ESAF. The Resource person was: Smt Sandhya Suresh (Manager, R&D, ESAF Thrissur).
- On 1<sup>st</sup> February 2018, **Economics Department** in collaboration with **Women Development Cell Vimala College** conducted one day **Workshop on the topic “ Data Extraction and Analysis”**. The session was handled by Mr. Jins Varkey, Assistant Professor, St. Aloysius College, Elthuruth.

#### **Talks and Lectures**

- On 24<sup>th</sup> October 2017, a lecture on the topic “Kerala Economy” was given by Miss Shima K M, Research Scholar, Department of Economics, John Mathai Centre, Aranattukara
- **On 8/11/2017** a Talk on “**Scope of Research on old age problems**” was given by Dr. Smitha P V, Assistant Professor on contract, John Mathai Centre, Thrissur
- On 13/11/2017 a Lecture on the topic “**Appraisal of financial reforms in India**” was delivered by **Dr. Sony T L**, Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, Sri. C. Achuthamenon Government College.
- On 31/11/2017 a Lecture on “**Five year Plans with special reference to poverty alleviation programmes**” was given by Ms. Deepa V D, Assistant Professor on contract, John Mathai centre.
- Talk on “Home Rule Movement” by Dr. Beena Diminick on 17-01-2018

#### **. Infrastructure**

- Alumnae contribution to Department Library-22 Books
- 2 Smart Boards and one LCD added this year.

### **College Union**

Medha T P of S1 UG was elected as UUC in the college union 2017-18

### **Extra Curricular Activities**

- quiz competition on Indian national movement with special focus on Quit India movement on 30-08-2017 in collaboration with Department of History
- Budget Discussions on 17-08-2017
- Open Forum inaugurated on 17-08-2017
- Open Forum Discussion on GST on 24-08-2017
- Debate on 'WTO' on 13-09-2017
- Inter Departmental Elocution competition on "Gandhiji –An inspiration" on 05-10-2017
- Industrial Visit on 17-10-2017
- Library visit by PG students to The Dept of Economics of JMC on 31-10-2017
- Four days Residential camp and community survey by S4 PG students from 7-11-2017 to 10-11-2017
- UG students participated in Survey conducted by COSTFORD on 16-11-2017

### **Laurels**

#### **Faculty Achievements:**

PhD Awarded-1(Dr Mary Thomas K)

FDP-1 (Smt Sitara V Attokkaran)

PDF-1 (Dr Sneha Gopeekrishna)

#### **Student Achievements**

1. Inter Departmental Elocution competition in connection with Gandhijayanthi  
First prize- Irene George- V Sem BA Economics
2. Inter Collegiate Debate competition (Sahrudaya Literary Fest)  
First prize- Mridula- II Sem BA Economics
3. College level 'News Reading Competition'(Media Seminar)  
Second prize- Irene George- VI Sem BA Economics
4. National Tug of War competition held at Maharashtra  
Second prize- Jasna Joseph II Sem UG

## **IQAC**

### **Cleetus Memorial Educational Trust Award for the best performing Department of the College- organised by IQAC (Whether to reveal?)**

#### **Department Extension Activities**

- Survey of “Elderly People In Padukkadu Area” to find the scope of Pakalveedu or Day care Centre in the locality was done by the M A Economics Students
- Internship Programme at Viyyur Village Office on 22-09-2017
- Internship Programme at Viyyur Village Office on 30-10-2017
- Internship programme at Vilvattom Village Office and Krishibhavan on 18-02-2018
- Haritham- An organic vegetable sale on 24-08-2017
- S4 PG students organised a programme for VCASS children on 10-02-2018
- Krishipadasala in collaboration with KSSP on 23-11-2017

#### **Beyond Books**

Student seminar participation / presentations etc. + flash mobs + awareness programmes etc.

**Paper presentations by students:** 1. Jismy K A, IV Sem MA Economics (International Conference at LULU internationals, organised by Dept of Management and Commerce, JMC, Aranattukara )

2. Divya M V (SPARK- Paper presentation competition organised by Research Forum, Vimala College, Thrissur)

3. Jismy K A, IV Sem MA Economics ( ‘Campus to community’- Paper presentation competition by IQAC)

#### **Student seminar participation**

20-10-2017- 20 PG students participated in the Seminar on Demonetisation, GST and Economic Growth at COSTFORD, Thrissur

18-12-2017 20 PG students participated in the National Seminar on Recent trends in Macro Economics organised by Govt College, Pattambi

10-01-2018 All S4 PG students attended the Seminar organised by Dept of economics, Dr John Mathai Centre Aranattukara

30-01-2018 All PG students attended the seminar on “GST”, organised by Commerce Dept, Vimala College, Thrissur.

## **Clubs and Forums**

Department of Economics organised Open Forum under the Planning forum of the department in collaboration with the debate club of Vimala College Thrissur on 17<sup>th</sup> August 2017 .Dr Julie P Lazar Assistant Professor & Head ,Economics Department St Mary's College inaugurated the Open Forum - student led debate club at Kalam Park. Resource Person motivated the students to discuss the current issues that come across the economy. Debate Club member Smt Anu P.P of Malayalam Department gave an inspiring speech

## **Career Guidance**

On 19<sup>th</sup> January 2018 **Department of Economics organized MBA Awareness Programme** in association with **TIME Coaching Centre**, Thrissur. The classes were handled by **Mr. Gopakumar, Trainer** of the Institute. All 6<sup>th</sup> Semester and 4<sup>th</sup> Semester students attended the class. All students actively participated in all sessions of the programme including the Aptitude test.

## **Vimala community outreach programme**

Department of Economics conducted a community survey of aged people in Padukkad area through a residential camp.