The Annual Quality Assurance Report (AQAR) of the IQAC 2014 -15

All NAAC accredited institutions will submit an annual self-reviewed progress report to NAAC, through its IQAC. The report is to detail the tangible results achieved in key areas, specifically identified by the institutional IQAC at the beginning of the academic year. The AQAR will detail the results of the perspective plan worked out by the IQAC. (*Note: The AQAR period would be the Academic Year. For example, July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013*)

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1.6	Accredita	tion Details						
	Sl. No.	Cycle	Grade	CGPA	Year of Accreditation	Validity Period		
Ī	1	1 st Cycle	4 Star		2001			
Ī	2	2 nd Cycle	А	3.80	2009	5 Years]	
	3	3 rd Cycle	А	3.64	2014	5 Years		

1.7 Date of Establishment of IQAC :

DD/MM/YYYY

18/12/2004

1.8 AQAR for the year (for example 2010-11)

2014-2015

1.9 Details of the previous year's AQAR submitted to NAAC after the latest Assessment and Accreditation by NAAC ((for example AQAR 2010-11submitted to NAAC on 12-10-2011)

- i. AQAR 2009-10 submitted to NAAC on 20/10/2010
- ii. AQAR 2010-11 submitted to NAAC on 02/11/2011
- iii. AQAR 2011-12 submitted to NAAC on 29/09/2012
- iv. AQAR 2012-13 submitted to NAAC on 26/09/2013
- v. AQAR 2013-14 submitted to NAAC on 24/10/2014

University	State Central Deemed Private
Affiliated College	Yes 🖌 No
Constituent College	Yes No
Autonomous college of UGC	Yes 🔨 No
Regulatory Agency approved Insti	itution Yes 🗸 No
(eg. AICTE, BCI, MCI, PCI, NCI)	
Type of Institution Co-education	on 🗸 Men 🗌 Women
Urban	✓ Rural ☐ Tribal _
Financial Status Grant-in-	aid \checkmark UGC 2(f) \checkmark UGC 12B \checkmark
Grant-in-aid	d + Self Financing Totally Self-financing
1.11 Type of Faculty/Programme	
Arts 🗹 Science	Commerce Law PEI (Phys Edu)
TEI (Edu) 🗌 Engineering	g Health Science Management
Others (Specify)	
1.12 Name of the Affiliating University	ity (for the Colleges)

1.13 Special status conferred by Central/ State Government-- UGC/CSIR/DST/DBT/ICMR etc

Autonomy by State/Central Govt. / University	
University with Potential for Excellence	UGC-CPE 🗸
DBT Star Scheme	✓ UGC-CE
UGC-Special Assistance Programme	DST-FIST 🗸
UGC-Innovative PG programmes	Any other (<i>Specify</i>)
UGC-COP Programmes	
2. IQAC Composition and Activi	ties
2.1 No. of Teachers	9
2.2 No. of Administrative/Technical staff	5
2.3 No. of students	1
2.4 No. of Management representatives	1
2.5 No. of Alumni	1
2. 6 No. of any other stakeholder and community representatives	2
2.7 No. of Employers/ Industrialists	1
2.8 No. of other External Experts	1
2.9 Total No. of members	21
2.10 No. of IQAC meetings held	

2.11 No. of meetings	with various stakeholders: No. 7 Faculty 2							
Non-Teachi	ing Staff Students 4 Alumni 1 Others -							
2.12 Has IQAC receiv	ved any funding from UGC during the year? Yes No							
If yes, men	ntion the amount -							
2.13 Seminars and Co	onferences (only quality related)							
(i) No. of Semir	(i) No. of Seminars/Conferences/ Workshops/Symposia organized by the IQAC							
Total Nos.	1 International - National - State 1 Institution L	evel -						
(ii) Themes	Faculty Development Programme-							
"Role of a Teacher in the Present Digital Era"								
	" Mind Management"							
2.14 Significant Activities and contributions made by IQAC								

•	To conduct Academic Audit, a committee has been constituted, comprising of the Principal, the IQAC Co-ordinator, and the Dean for Unaided courses, the Controller of Examinations, the Office Superindents (Aided & Unaided) and experts from Universities & other higher education institutions The Academic Audit was conducted on 23.08.2014.
•	IQAC motivated the Research Departments to publish Research Papers in International (188) & National (30) journals.
•	Due to the encouragement given to the research departments, 1 International, 12 National and 18 State level seminars/Conferences / Workshops were organised.
•	Students feed back on Teachers was collected at the end of each semesters, and follow up actions were taken.
•	IQAC – News letter published once in 6 months.
•	College has been publishing 2 Biannual Journals, one in Science and other in Management.
•	IQAC-encouraged the faculty to submit proposals to various funding agencies for projects and for conducting Seminars/Conferences/Workshops & following are the current year events.
•	15 Minor Research Projects from UGC, 1 Major Research Project from TNSCST, 1 Student Research Project from TNSCST, Seminar Grant from UGC, TNSCST, CSIR Fellowship from CSIR, UGC Travel Grant from UGC, ICMR fellowship from ICMR, 3 National Conference from TNSCST, 1 Maulana Azad National fellowship from UGC, 1 Rank holder scholarship from UGC, 1 Rajiv Gandhi Single Girl Child scholarship from UGC and 3 Adhi Dravida scholarship from TamilNadu Government.
	UGC and 3 Adhi Dravida scholarship from TamilNadu Government.

2.15 Plan of Action by IQAC/Outcome

The plan of action chalked out by the IQAC in the beginning of the year towards quality enhancement and the outcome achieved by the end of the year *

Plan of Action	Achievements
To receive more projects	Received 15 minor research projects to a tune of Rs. 24,30,000/- from UGC, New Delhi.
To introduce internship training in the 4 th semester for the UG departments. (Botany, Zoology, Biochemistry & Biotechnology).	Introduced internship training in the 4 th semester for the UG departments. (Botany, Zoology, Biochemistry & Biotechnology).
To introduce group projects for the students of 2013-2014 for the UG (Botany, Zoology, Biochemistry & Biotechnology)students in the final semester.	Introduced group projects for the students of 2013-2014 for the UG (Botany, Zoology, Biochemistry & Biotechnology) students in the final semester.
To conduct Medicinal mushroom cultivation training programme	Department of Biochemistry conducted Medicinal mushroom cultivation training programme on August 19 th 2014
To organize more seminars / conferences	1 International, 12 National and 18 State level Conferences/Seminars/Workshops were organized
To publish biannual research journals for Science & Management	 Published two journals 1. Kongunadu research journal (ISSN No. – 2349-2694)- Biannual 2. Kongunadu Journal for Management (ISSN No. – 2321 – 9823) - Biannual

* Attach the Academic Calendar of the year as Annexure.

2.15 Whether t	he AQAR was placed in statutory body Yes 🗸 No
	anagement ✓ Syndicate Any other body vide the details of the action taken
	he Management approved the plan of action and gave the consent to plement.

Criterion – I

I. Curricular Aspects

Level of the Programme	Number of existing Programmes	Number of programmes added during the year	Number of self-financing programmes	Number of value added / Career Oriented programmes
PhD	11	1	8	-
PG	14	0	10	7
UG	20	0	12	9
PG Diploma	1	0	1	-
Advanced Diploma	0	0	0	-
Diploma	4	0	4	-
Certificate	5	0	5	-
Others	11	-	6	-
Total	66	1	46	16
Interdisciplinary	-	-	-	-
Innovative	-	-	-	-

1.1 Details about Academic Programmes

1.2 (i) Flexibility of the Curriculum: CBCS/Core/Elective option / Open options (ii) Pattern of programmes:

Pattern	Number of programmes
Semester	38
Trimester	-
Annual	15

1.3 Feedback from stakeholders* (On all aspects)	Alumni	✓	Parents	✓	Employers	\checkmark	Students	\checkmark	
Mode of feedback :	Online		Manual	\checkmark	Co-operating	g scho	ools (for Pl	EI)	

*Please provide an analysis of the feedback in the Annexure

1.4 Whether there is any revision/update of regulation or syllabi, if yes, mention their salient aspects.

- Introduced new novels in English (PG) ("Booker Prize", "White Tiger", "Thousand faces" of the "Night & Bama's Karukk").
- "Techniques and Genomics & Proteomics" is introduced as a skill based subject instead of "Dairy Biochemistry" by Biochemistry department.
- Experiments using UV visible spectrophotometer has been included in UG Biochemistry practical.
- New concepts, NEFT, RTGS & Core banking are introduced in BCom CA.
- Introduced "Research methodology" paper in BCom & BCom CA, to enable the students for their project work.
- Core paper "Mobile Communication" has been changed to "Mobile Computing" in Information Technology (UG).
- Introduced new practical paper "Accessories and Jewellery making" in Costume Design & Fashion (UG) to enable the students to develop skill & creativity in designing Accessories.
- The Commerce (PG) introduced "Industrial Relations & Labour Law", "Insurance & Risk management", "Advanced Learners Course on Banking" & "Financial service", "Share Trading operations" as Job Oriented Courses.
- Consumer behavior & International marketing in major elective for Commerce(PG).
- "Cyber Crimes & Law" is introduced as the non-major elective for commerce students (PG).
- "C Programming & Numerical methods" was changed to Pearl & C Programming with numerical methods UG Biotechnology.
- "Pharmaceutical Biotechnology" paper is introduced as major elective paper in the department of Biotechnology.
- 1.5 Any new Department/Centre introduced during the year. If yes, give details.

No

Criterion – II

2. Teaching, Learning and Evaluation

2.1 Total No. of permanent	Total	Asst. Professors	Associate Professors	Professors	Others
faculty	172	130	42	-	-

2.2 No. of permanent faculty with Ph.D.

84

2.3 No. of Faculty Positions Recruited (R) and Vacant (V)	Asst. Profes	sors	Associa Profess		Profes	sors	Others	5	Total	
during the year	R	V	R	V	R	V	R	V	R	V
	8	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	19
				-						

2.4 No. of Guest and Visiting faculty and Temporary faculty

5

5

2.5 Faculty participation in conferences and symposia:

No. of Faculty	International level	National level	State level
Attended	10	132	6
Presented papers	15	44	2
Resource Persons	9	12	10

2.6 Innovative processes adopted by the institution in Teaching and Learning:

- Power point presentation, Virtual lab, Smart class room teaching and Language Lab
- ICT enabled teaching –learning process adopted
- Group Discussion
- Conducting Quiz
- Science Exhibition
- Constructing models
- Internship training
- Industrial visit
- Group Projects
- 2.7 Total No. of actual teaching days during this academic year

180

- 2.8 Examination/ Evaluation Reforms initiated by the Institution (for example: Open Book Examination, Bar Coding, Double Valuation, Photocopy, Online Multiple Choice Questions)
 - Examination section is *fully computerized* with Optical Mark Reader and Bar coding facility (OMR).
 - <u>On-line</u> Examinations with multiple choice questions for Core and other Subjects are conducted for which Fibre Optic communication has been introduced.
 - <u>*Question Banks*</u> are prepared subjectwise, which are used for preparing the question papers.
 - Single valuation with *Dummy number* system is followed.
 - During End-of-Semester Examinations, the invigilation work is carried out by both <u>Internal</u> and <u>External</u>invigilators.
 - Answer scripts of the Theory and practicals are evaluated by both External and Internal examiners.
 - <u>*Transparency in the evaluation system*</u> has been introduced by providing <u>*photocopies*</u> of the valued answer scripts of End-of-Semester Examinations.

Students Friendly Scheme:

- Orientation Programme relating to conduct of examination is conducted for *students and faculty*.
- After valuation, *CIA exam.papers* are provided to the students and the marks of the students are *displayed* in the notice board.
- *Appearance* for *improvement* is allowed for paper(s), when a student has appeared and passed in the immediate previous semester.
- <u>Supplementary examinations</u> are conducted along with the regular examinations.
- <u>Special supplementary examinations</u> are conducted for those candidates who have failed only in the final semester theory and practical papers. It helps the students to join higher studies or any job without the loss of academic year.
- 2.9 No. of faculty members involved in curriculum restructuring/revision/syllabus development as member of Board of Study/Faculty/Curriculum Development workshop
- 2.10 Average percentage of attendance of students

SI.		Total no. of							
No.	AIDED UG COURSES	students appeared	Exemplary	Distinction	Ι	п	III	PASS %	
1.	B.A. English Literature	57	0	1	28	21	2	91.23	
2.	B.Sc. Mathematics	55	1	16	25	10	2	98.18	
3.	B.Sc. Physics	37	0	2	15	5	0	59.46	
4.	B.Sc. Chemistry	31	0	11	6	7	0	77.42	
5.	B.Sc. Botany	18	0	4	10	3	0	94.44	
6.	B.Sc. Zoology	22	1	6	14	1	0	100.00	
7.	B.Sc. Biochemistry	25	0	8	14	3	0	100.00	
8.	B.Sc. Computer Science	55	0	11	27	12	1	92.73	
	Total & Average %	300	2	59	139	62	5	89.00	

2.11 Course/Programme wise distribution of pass percentage :

SI.		Total no. of		Division				
No.	UNAIDED UG COURSES	students appeared	Exemplary	Distinction	I	Π	ш	PASS %
1.	BA English	24	0	0	15	8	1	100.00
2.	B.SC. Biotechnology	25	0	7	12	4	0	92.00
3.	B.Sc. Computer Science	48	0	4	23	13	1	85.42
4.	BCA	48	0	6	24	11	2	89.58
5.	BCA (Additional)	44	0	5	16	18	3	95.45
6.	B.Sc. Computer Technology	51	0	3	26	10	2	80.39
7.	B.Sc. Information Technology	52	0	8	16	18	8	96.15
8.	B.Com	50	0	8	16	21	5	100.00
9.	B.Com(Additional)	43	0	7	22	11	3	100.00
10.	B.Com CA	54	0	11	32	11	0	100.00

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11.	B.Com CA Additional	53	0	1	26	18	4	92.45
12.	BBA CA	38	0	3	16	15	0	89.47
13. BSC Costume Design & Fashion		12	0	6	5	0	0	91.67
Total & Average %		542	0	69	249	158	29	93.17

SI.								
No.	AIDED PG COURSES	Total no. of students appeared	Exemplary	Distinction	I	п	ш	PASS %
1.	M.Sc. Mathematics	37	1	18	16	0	0	94.59
2.	M.Sc. Physics	34	0	15	14	0	0	85.29
3.	M.Sc. Botany	20	0	15	2	0	0	85.00
4.	M.Sc. Zoology	19	0	13	5	1	0	100.00
Т	otal & Average %	110	1	61	37	1	0	90.91

SI.								
No.	UNAIDED PG COURSES	Total no. of students appeared	Exemplary	Distinction	Ι	п	ш	PASS %
1.	M.A. English	36	0	1	30	5	0	100.00
2.	M.Sc. Chemistry	26	0	9	8	0	0	65.38
3.	M.SC. Biotechnology	12	0	8	3	0	0	91.67
4.	M.Sc. Computer Science	37	0	9	28	0	0	100.00
5.	M.Sc. Computer Technology	11	0	4	7	0	0	100.00
6.	M.Com	52	0	23	27	1	0	98.08
7.	MIB	16	0	2	11	2	0	93.75
Т	otal & Average %	190	0	56	114	8	0	93.68

SI.	SI. UNAIDED PG Total no. of students							
No.	DIPLOMA COURSES	appeared	Exemplary	Distinction	I	п	III	PASS %
1.	PGDCA	15	0	0	10	2	0	80.00

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SI.	Courses	Total no. of			Total	%			
No.		students appeared	Exemplary	Distinction	Ι	Π	III	Pass	PASS
1.	UG	842	2	128	388	220	34	772	91.69
2.	PG	300	1	117	151	9	0	278	92.67
0	verall Result	1142	3	245	539	229	34	1050	91.94

2.12 How does IQAC Contribute/Monitor/Evaluate the Teaching & Learning processes :

- Suggestions given by the stakeholders are processed ,recommended and submitted to the statutory bodies for further action.
- Feed back from students are collected twice in a year, evaluated and considered for further improvement.
- All academic activities of various departments are regularly monitored and recorded.
- Academic audit reports are acted upon for further development.
- 2.13 Initiatives undertaken towards faculty development

Faculty / Staff Development Programmes	Number of faculty benefitted
Refresher courses	8
UGC – Faculty Improvement Programme	-
HRD programmes	-
Orientation programmes	13
Faculty exchange programme	2
Staff training conducted by the university	-
Staff training conducted by other institutions	12
Summer / Winter schools, Workshops, etc.	62
Others	-

2.14 Details of Administrative and Technical staff

Category	Number of Permanent Employees	Number of Vacant Positions	Number of permanent positions filled during the Year	Number of positions filled temporarily
Administrative Staff	49	20	1	-
Technical Staff	37	7	-	-

Criterion – III

3. Research, Consultancy and Extension

3.1 Initiatives of the IQAC in Sensitizing/Promoting Research Climate in the institution

- Research committee meets regularly
- Research forum meets twice in a month
- Incentives for best performers in research (paper publications, projects, conduct of seminar/conference/workshop and best research department)
- Seed money for principal investigators
- Scholarships for research scholars
- 24 PhDs and 30 MPhils were produced.
- MOU with other universities
- Encouraging the faculty to qualify for doctoral & PDF degree.

3.2 Details regarding major projects

	Completed	Ongoing	Sanctioned	Submitted
Number	3	4		3
Outlay in Rs. Lakhs	30,85,600	10,41,092		

3.3 Details regarding minor projects

	Completed	Ongoing	Sanctioned	Submitted
Number	3	15	15	3
Outlay in Rs. Lakhs	2,40,000	24,30,000	37,40,000	

3.4 Details on research publications

	International	National	Others
Peer Review Journals	188	30	-
Non-Peer Review Journals	-	-	-
e-Journals	-	-	-
Conference proceedings	23	22	1

3.5 Details on Impact factor of publications:

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Range	0.2 - 5.47	Average	1.78	h-index	98	Nos. in SCOPUS	128

3.6 Research funds sanctioned and received from various funding agencies, industry and other organisations

Nature of the Project	Duration Year	Name of the funding Agency	Total grant sanctioned	Received
Major projects	2 yrs	TNSCST	4,15,000	2,07,500
Minor Projects	2 yrs	UGC	37,40,000	24,30,000
Major projects		DST	37,40,000	3,50,000
0 1 0	3 yrs	DST	-	3,30,000
Interdisciplinary Projects	-	-	-	-
Industry sponsored	-	-	-	-
Projects sponsored by the University/ College	-	-	-	-
Students research projects (other than compulsory by the University)	-	TNSCST	15,000	15,000
Students research projects	2 yrs	GOVT.OF TN	36,000	36,000
Students research projects	2 yrs	GOVT.OF TN	36,000	36,000
Students research projects	2 yrs	Adidravidar Welfare	50,000	50,000
Students research projects	2 yrs	Adidravidar Welfare	50,000	50,000
RajivGandhi single girl child scholrship	2 yrs	UGC	1,92,000	1,92,000
Maulana Azad National Fellowship	5 yrs	UGC	2,28,000	2,28,000
Any other(Specify)				
Seminar Grant	-	UGC	80,000	80,000
CSIR Fellowship Grant	-	CSIR	1,26,640	1,26,640
CSIR /IC/CRS-97/2014-15	-	CSIR	2,46,600	2,46,600
UGC Travel Grant	-	UGC	1,83,463	1,83,463
Indian Council of Medical Research	-	ICMR	64,400	64,400
National Conference	-	TNSCST	25,000	25,000
National Conference	-	TNSCST	20,000	20,000
National Conference	-	TNSCST	20,000	20,000
Total			55,28,103	43,60,603

3.7 No. of books published	i) With ISBN No.	7	Chapters in Edited Books	1
3.8 No. of University Depa	ii) Without ISBN No.	from		
	UGC-SAP	CAS	DST-FIST DBT Scheme/fun	ıds

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3.9 For colleges	Autonomy 🗸	CPE 🗸	DBT Star Scheme 🗸
	INSPIRE _	CE _	Any Other (specify) DST- FIST
3.10 Revenue generated	through consultancy	Rs. 75,150/-	

3.11 No. of confe

3.11 No. of conferences	Level	International	National	State	University	College		
5.11 I.to. of conferences	Number	1	17	11	1	23		
organized by the Institution	Sponsoring	-	Aruchami	TNSCST	UGC	DBT-		
	agencies		Research			Star		
			Foundation.			College		
			KASC					
			UGC, New					
			Delhi					
			DST,					
			TNSCST					
3.12 No. of faculty served as experts, chairpersons or resource persons 43 3.13 No. of collaborations International 2 National 1 Any other 3 3.14 No. of linkages created during this year 15 15 15 15 15 3.15 Total budget for research for current year in lakhs : From Funding agency 55,28,000/- From Management of University/College 11,54,231/- Total 66,82,231/- 66,82,231/- 66,82,231/- 66,82,231/-								

3.16 No. of patents received this year	Type of Patent		Number
	National	Applied	-
	Inational	Granted	-
	International Applied -		-
	International	Granted	-
	Commercialised	Applied	-
	Commercialised	Granted	-

3.17 No. of research awards/ recognitions received by faculty and research fellows Of the institute in the year

Total	International	National	State	University	Dist	College
-	1	3	-	-	-	-

3.18 No. of faculty from the Institution who are Ph. D. Guides and students registered under them 40	
3.19 No. of Ph.D. awarded by faculty from the Institution 11	
3.20 No. of Research scholars receiving the Fellowships (Newly enrolled + existing ones)	
JRF 3 SRF 1 Project Fellows 5 Any other	1
3.21 No. of students Participated in NSS events:	
University level 200 State level	150
National level International level	el 1
3.22 No. of students participated in NCC events:	
University level 30 State level	8
National level International level	el
3.23 No. of Awards won in NSS:	
University level 1 State level	1
National level International level	el
3.24 No. of Awards won in NCC:	
University level 10 State level	02
National level 02 International level	
3.25 No. of Extension activities organized	
University forum 5 College forum 30	
NCC 11 NSS 25 Any other 1	

3.26 Major Activities during the year in the sphere of extension activities and Institutional Social Responsibility

- ✤ Tree Plantation Programme to induce global warming.
- Blood donation camp was organised by NSS and NCC. About 200 units of Blood was donated by the volunteers to save life of poor patients.
- ♦ Eye camp and eye pledged organ donation to save the life of public.
- Uyir Nizal 2014 photographic exhibition on wild life to educate the nature, and the importance of Biodiversity conservation.
- Various awareness programmes such as First Aid, Dengue fever, Accidental death in Railway tracks, Mind and Body wellness, Health skin, Eye Care, Students responsibility in clean India, Child labour abolish, Understanding our wild life, India poverty solution 2014 were conducted by NSS volunteers.
- ♦ NSS & NCC Rally's were conducted on World Tamil Day to save the mother tongue.
- ❖ Rally on AID'S Awareness to impart the consequences of it protect them.
- NCC & NSS day celebration to create interest for the new comers and to understand the importance of it.
- Our Prime Minister's "Swachh Bharat Abiya", Clean India scheme was carried out at Velliyangiri Sivan Temple, Kunnathur Murugan Temple, Maruthamalai Temple, G.N. Mills and Urumandampalayam children park with NSS, NCC, YRC and ECO Club volunteers.
- Spawn production for mushroom cultivation technology training was given to students.
- Fitness program was conducted for the students on "Stress relieving the students" by Health & Fitness club.
- Youth Red Cross and National Cadet Corps jointly organized a five days Mega Eye Screening Camp with Eye Foundation Hospital between 27.01.2015 and 31.01.2015.

- 6 Group houses were constructed in "Indira Awah Yojana" scheme in the NSS adopted village – Dhanalakshmipuram, Coimbatore, Tamilnadu.
- Science exhibition to identify the student scientist in schools and at the college level.

Criterion – IV 4. Infrastructure and Learning Resources

4.1 Details of increase in infrastructure facilities:

Facilities	Existing	Newly created	Source of Fund	Total
Campus area	5.47 Acres	-	-	5.47 Acres
Class rooms	112	-	-	112
Laboratories	27	-	-	27
Seminar Halls	3	-	-	3
No. of important equipments purchased $(\geq 1-0 \text{ lakh})$ during the current year.	271	24	Funding Agency and Fees	295
Value of the equipment purchased during the year (Rs. in Lakhs)	4,45,46,006	68,30,388	DST FIST, UGC, and Fees	5,13,76,394
Others	-	-	Semester fees collection	-

4.2 Computerization of administration and library

- The library and Information Centre is fully computerized and barcoded.
- The library is functioning under open access system. It is functioning from 8.00 a.m to 6.00 p.m.
- Separate mini theatre, 340 TV channels, OPAC online public access catalogue, Digital library facilities are also available.

4.3 Library services:

No.				Total	
110.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value
21,086	45,53,522	1,165	2,66,983	22,251	48,20,456
49,202	1,06,25,172	2,717	6,22,655	51,919	1,12,47732
1,00,000	10,00,000	1,00,000	10,00,000	1,00,000	10,00,000
325	3,00,000	325	3,00,000	325	3,00,000
10,000	1,15,000	10,000	1,15,000	10,000	1,15,000
3	1,10,000	3	1,10,000	3	1,10,000
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4.4 Technology up gradation (overall)

	Total Computers	Computer Labs	Internet	Browsing Centres	Computer Centres System nos.	Office	Depart- ments	Others
Existing	660	8	660	15	504	38	95	8
Added	30	-	30	-	10	10	10	-
Total	690	8	690	15	514	48	105	8

4.5 Computer, Internet access, training to teachers and students and any other programme for technology upgradation (Networking, e-Governance etc.)

Internet access facility is provided to all teachers and students at free of cost.

Students and Scholars are encouraged to make use of computers for Power point presentation of their seminars and Projects.

4.6 Amount spent on maintenance in lakhs :

 i) ICT
 6,50,003/

 ii) Campus Infrastructure and facilities
 92,19,489/

 iii) Equipments
 5,38,426/

 iv) Others
 12,93,227/

 Total : 1,17,01,145/

Criterion – V 5. Student Support and Progression

5.1 Contribution of IQAC in enhancing awareness about Student Support Services

- Admission counselling
- Orientation Programme at the beginning of the year
- Tutor ward monitoring system
- Career counselling Placement
- Soft Skill development
- Academic counselling
 - ✓ Remedial coaching
 - ✓ Booster classes
 - ✓ Bridge courses
 - ✓ Advanced learner courses
- Self Development Programmes ICWAI, ACS,
- Guest lectures
- Scholarship facilities

5.2 Efforts made by the institution for tracking the progression

- By appointing separate co-ordinator for each committee for monitoring the progress of the activities.
- Board of Studies, Academic Council and External Academic Audit are regularly conducted and monitored by IQAC.
- Add-on courses help the students to get employment opportunities
- The Placement cell regularly conducts training programmes and arranges campus interviews for the students.
- All departments maintain registers for recording the progress of the students.

5.3 (a) Total Number of students

(b) No. of students outside the state	130	
(c) No. of international students	-	

Men

Women

No	%	No	%
1435	40	2139	60

Last Year				This Year							
General	SC	ST	OBC	Physically Challenged	Total	General	SC	ST	OBC	Physically Challenged	Total
601	546	27	2518	3	3692	438	396	25	2711	4	3574

Demand ratio - 1 : 1.33 Dropout % - 6 %

5.4 Details of student support mechanism for coaching for competitive examinations (If any)

No. of students beneficiaries	

5.5 No. of students qualified in these examinations

NET	-	SET/SLET	-	GATE	-	CAT	-
IAS/IPS etc	-	State PSC	-	UPSC	-	Others	-

5.6 Details of student counselling and career guidance

•	We conduct Orientation, Counselling, Mock Interviews, Trainings and
	Seminars for enriching students knowledge and skills to get employment.

- Students Welfare and Counselling Centre conducts many Counselling programmes for students by inviting experts from different areas. Weaker sections of students in studies and who show different behavioural attitude will be given special counselling.
- To conduct the Religious functions like Pongal, Onam, Christmas, Ramzan and Hebba among the students to develop the religious integration.

No. of students benefitted



5.7 Details of campus placement

	Off Campus		
Number of Organizations Visited	Number of Students Participated	Number of Students Placed	Number of Students Placed
9	164	48	154

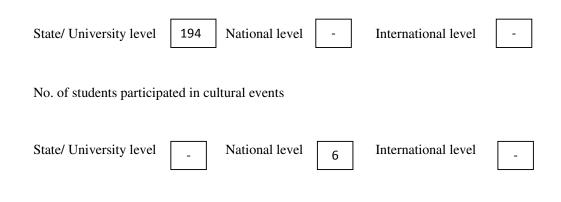
5.8 Details of gender sensitization programmes

•	"Necessity of cultivating the habit of self care" by Dr. D. Lalitha, Dean of Fine Arts, Avinashilingam Deemed University – Coimbatore on 27.08.2014.
•	Challenges faced by Teenage girls and the Solutions by Dr. T. Jothimani, Assistant Professor of Psychology, PSG Arts & Science College, Coimbatore on 27.08.2014.
•	Discussion session on "Peer pressure among women students" on 20.09.2014 by Dr. V. Sugantha, Co-ordinator, Women Welfare Counselling Centre.

- Counselling on a wide range of issues which affected women's well being such as depression, grief, stress, anxiety etc., by Mrs. Ezhil & Mrs. Ponmozhi Prabu, Proprietor Manamagizh Counselling Centre, Coimbatore on 06.02.2015, was arranged for I & II year UG girl students.
- These programmes provided students the needed guidance, support & encouragement to open up & discover one as an individual & also enlightened them on the idea of fulfilling their unique & valued purpose on the planet.

5.9 Students Activities

5.9.1 No. of students participated in Sports, Games and other events



5.9.2 No. of medals /awards won by students in Sports, Games and other events

Sports : State/ University level	6	National level	-	International level	-
Cultural: State/ University level	-	National level	3	International level	-

5.10 Scholarships and Financial Support

		Number of students	Amount			
	Financial support from institution	200	2,15,000/-			
	Financial support from government	1048	37,20,636/-			
	Financial support from other sources	6	3,42,000/-			
	Number of students who received International/ National recognitions	8	7,79,040/-			
5.11 Student organised / initiatives						
Fairs	: State/ University level National le	evel - Intern	national level -			
Exhibition	: State/ University level 1 National le	evel _ Interr	national level			

5.12 No. of social initiatives undertaken by the students

5.13 Major grievances of students (if any) redressed:

• Student of Computer Science asked for more water doctor. As per their request some more water doctors were provided.

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Criterion – VI

6. Governance, Leadership and Management

6.1 State the Vision and Mission of the institution

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	Vision of the College
	Developing the total personality of every student in a holistic way by adhering to the principles of
	Swami Vivekananda and Mahatma Gandhi.
	Mission of the College
	• Imparting holistic and man-making education with emphasis on character, culture and values – moral and ethical.
	• Designing the curriculum and other courses that transform its students into value added skilled human resources.
	• Constantly updating academic and management practices towards total quality management and promotion of quality in all spheres.
	• Extending the best student support services by making them comprehensive and by evolving a curriculum relevant to student community and society at large.
	• Taking steps to make education affordable and accessible by extending scholarships to the meritorious and economically disadvantaged students.
Re	• Moulding the teachers in such a way that they become the role models in promoting Higher Education.

6.2 Does the Institution has a Management Information System

- Administrative procedures including finance Tally, Payroll, Fees & Provident Fund for administrative and financial procedures.
- Student Admission

All admissions into the college are made as per the guidelines of Bharathiar University and Government of Tamil Nadu by constituting a separate selection committee headed by the Principal.

• Student Records

Details of students related to personal and academic are registered in the database. Student's records are maintained by ERP system.

Evaluation and Examination procedures External and internal evaluation methods are followed for both end semester and continuous internal assessment examinations. Evaluation and examination procedures are followed by ERP system. The end of semester examination results are published through the college website.

Research Administration

For research administration, the Dean coordinating all the research programmes.

6.3 Quality improvement strategies adopted by the institution for each of the following:

6.3.1 Curriculum Development

- Organised Faculty Development Program by inviting various speakers to our college.
- Introduced internship training program to the students which enables to acquire skill that facilitate for their job opportunities or higher studies.
- Group projects are included which pave the way for team work & gain creation & innovation knowledge.
- Based on the feed back from all stakeholders of higher education namely the students, parents, teachers, management, alumni, academic peers & depending up on the current needs of Industry, corporate sector & society at large & by referring the various university calendars containing the curriculum, the syllabi have been updated.
- The management encourages the faculty to attend the Orientation courses, Refresher courses, Workshops & training program conducted by University regarding curriculum developments.
- Choice Based Credit System (CBCS) is followed to acquire skills depending up on their interest which will create self employment.
- Skill based Elective courses are available to choose the courses of their interest to the future carrieer.

6.3.2 Teaching and Learning

Lecture method is generally followed in all the courses. Motivated to attend intercollegiate competitions & Science exhibitions.
 Chalk & talk method
 Lab classes
 Animations, power point presentations
 Group discussion
 Conducting Quiz
 Guided library learning
 Encouraged to attend seminars/ conferences/symposium/Quiz competition
 Encouraged to attend workshops / training programme
 Taken to industrial visit
 Internship Programme
 The learning is made *student-centric* by focusing on learner-centered pedagogy rather than teacher-centered. *Self-learning, seminars, assignments, field trips, case studies, Group discussion, institutional training, practical and project works*

case studies, Group discussion, institutional training, practical and project works are some of the participatory learning activities adopted by the institution. Further, a variety of Certificate and Diploma courses, Job Oriented Courses, Career Oriented Programme and Advanced Learner Courses contribute much to the knowledge development and skill formation.

6.3.3. Examination and Evaluation

- Continuous internal assessment is followed through internal examinations, assignment, seminar and attendance.
- Question papers are prepared by External examiners.
- Scrutiny committee is framed by appointing only external examiners to scrutinize the question papers and keys sent by the question setter.
- Centralized examinations and evaluation process are followed for End of Semester Examinations.
- Dummy number system is followed for evaluation.
- Answer scripts are evaluated by both internal and external examiners.
- Transparency in the evaluation system is followed by providing photocopies of the valued answer scripts of End of Semester Examinations.

- The **Research Committee** headed by the *Dean for Research and Development*, which comprises all Heads of Research Departments and Research Co-ordinators.
- The Research core committee during its periodical meetings, and discusses all matters related to the requirements regarding research.
- **Research forum** comprises office bearers to motivate the scholars to present their research findings to discuss on upto date research and share their knowledge. It encourages them by giving meritorious certificates and cash incentives.
- *Cash incentives* are given to *research guides* for publishing papers in international journals, citations, organizing Seminars, Conferences and Workshops.
- *Best Ph.D and M.Phil Scholar Award* is given to the PhD and MPhil research scholar for his/her outstanding research activity during the period of study.
- Management provides *scholarships* to the *Research Scholars* who are under below poverty line.
- Dr. M. Aruchami Research Foundation encourages the students and scholars by providing incentives for best performers in research. The foundation also encourages the faculty members by providing financial assistance for organising Seminars/Conferences/ Workshops etc.
- English department is guiding 22 MPhils & 42 Phds.
- Department of Tamil received 4 minor research project from UGC, New Delhi (2014 2016).

6.3.4 Research and Development

- Department of Physics received fund from Interuniversity Accelerator Centre New Delhi (2015 2018) and from UGC DAE, CSIR, Indore.
- Department of Chemistry received 6 Minor projects from University Grants Commission, New Delhi (2014 2016).
- Department of Botany received one major research project from UGC, New Delhi (2013 2016).
- Department of Zoology received one minor research project from UGC, New Delhi (2015 2016).
- Department of Zoology received One Rank holder scholarship from UGC, New Delhi (2014 2016)
- Department of Zoology received One Rajiv Gandhi single girl child scholarship by UGC, New Delhi (2014-2016).
- Department of Zoology received 3 research scholarship from Government of TamilNadu.
- Department of Biochemistry received one major research project from UGC, New Delhi, (2013-2016)
- Department of Biochemistry received major research project from TNSCST, Chennai

(2014-2015).

- Department of Biochemistry received one Maulana Azad National fellowship for minority students from UGC, New Delhi (2011 2016).
- Department of Biotechnology received 2 minor research project s from UGC, New Delhi.
- Department of Biotechnology received one Major Research Project form UGC, New Delhi.
- Department of Biotechnology received one Major Research Project form DST, New Delhi.
- Department of Commerce received one Minor Research Project from UGC, New Delhi.

6.3.5 Library, ICT and physical infrastructure / instrumentation

- Fully automated
- Regular and balanced updation of study materials
- World class remainder mechanism like SMS alert and Email alert etc.,

6.3.6 Human Resource Management

Man power is planned based on the students' strength and workload of the staff required for academic and administrative work.

6.3.7 Faculty and Staff recruitment

As per the guide lines of University grants Commission (UGC) and State Government, the staff recruitment is done.

6.3.8. Industry Interaction / Collaboration

- Department of Zoology MOU with Wyoming University, USA; Galaxy Bio Lab, Chennai.
- Department of Biochemistry Collaborative research program with Vijaya Mushroom, Coimbatore. Tamilnadu; Kings diagnostic services, Coimbatore.
- Department of Biotechnology signed an MOU with Galaxy Biolabs, Chennai, Tamilnadu.
- Department of Biotechnology signed an MOU with Amity University, Noida.
- Department of Biotechnology signed an MOU with Karpagam University, Coimbatore. Tamilnadu.
- Department of International Business signed an MOU with ABC Garments & EX-IM shipping services, India.

6.3.9 Admission of Students

The College ensures wide publicity in the admission process through

- Dynamic college website.
- Publishing the annual prospectus.
- > Advertising in local, regional and national dailies

Transparency in admission is ensured by preparing the merit list, based on the Government norms and displaying the names of the selected candidates along with their cut off marks on the notice board.

6.4 Welfare schemes for	Teaching		Advance Salary + ACC Insurance
	Non teach	ing	Advance Salary + ACC Insurance
	Students		Scholarships + ACC Insurance
6.5 Total corpus fund generated 3,35		5,000/-	
6.6 Whether annual financial audit has been done Yes 🖌 No			

6.7 Whether Academic and Administrative Audit (AAA) has been done?

	Audit Type	External		Inter	rnal
		Yes/No	Agency	Yes/No	Authority
	Academic	Yes	Subject experts from University and Colleges	Yes	IQAC
	Administrative	No	-	Yes	IQAC
bes the University/ Autonomous College declares results within 30 days?					
For UG Programmes Yes 🖌 No					

6.8 Do

For PG Programmes	Yes	✓	No

6.9 What efforts are made by the University/ Autonomous College for Examination Reforms?

• Progress reports regarding attendance and CIA marks of the students are sent to the parents.
• Scrutiny committee is formed for question paper checking to avoid errors an ambiguity in questions.
• For every question, <u>key</u> is provided and this is being supplied to the examiner to avois subjectivity.
• Feedback on pattern and standard of the questions is obtained from the <i>examiners</i> every semester.
• Feedback on examination system is obtained from the <u>students</u> every semester an rectified the discrepancies if any.
 Results of the students are published in scheduled time and it can be assessed throug online and mobile.

• Best answerscripts are displayed on the students' notice board. This practice motivates the Revis students to perform better and makes the examiners to perform their duty with utmost sincerity.

6.10 What efforts are made by the University to promote autonomy in the affiliated/constituent colleges?

By appointing subject experts from university to represent in various academic and administrative bodies.

- 6.11 Activities and support from the Alumni Association
 - Alumni meeting are regularly conducted
 - Feedbacks collected from alumni for further improvement

6.12 Activities and support from the Parent - Teacher Association

- Parents meeting are regularly conducted
- Feedbacks collected from parents for further improvement
- Progress report is being sent to parents twice in a semester and progress & regularity of the students were discussed

6.13 Development programmes for support staff

By conducting workshops for the non-teaching staff related to office automation.

6.14 Initiatives taken by the institution to make the campus eco-friendly

- Rain water harvesting
- Solid waste management
- Green campus by planting of trees
- Segregating works into biodegradable and non-biodegradable.
- Eco club of our college creating awareness by conducting various programmes.

Criterion – VII

7. Innovations and Best Practices

- 7.1 Innovations introduced during this academic year which have created a positive impact on the functioning of the institution. Give details.
 - Industrial visits for all UG students.
 - E-resources and e-journals have been added in the Library for research.
 - Project is made mandatory for all UG Science students.
 - Direct verification system was introduced by COE for passed out students
- 7.2 Provide the Action Taken Report (ATR) based on the plan of action decided upon at the beginning of the year
 - Received 15 minor research projects to a tune of Rs. 24,30,000/-
 - Introduced internship training in the 4th semester for the UG departments(Botany, Zoology, Biochemistry & Biotechnology).
 - Introduced group projects for the students of 2013-2014 for the UG (Botany, Zoology, Biochemistry & Biotechnology) students in the final semester.
 - Department of Biochemistry conducted Medical mushroom cultivation training programme on August 19th 2014
 - 1 International, 12 National and 18 state level conferences/Seminars/ Workshops were organized

7.3 Give two Best Practices of the institution (please see the format in the NAAC Self-study Manuals)

- Realms of research
- Management support services

*Provide the details in annexure (annexure need to be numbered as i, ii,iii)

7.4 Contribution to environmental awareness / protection

For nearby villages environment awareness programme on tree plantation, compost making from domestic wastes, precaution to be made to avoid dengue fever have been conducted.

Yes

No

7.5 Whether environmental audit was conducted?

7.6 Any other relevant information the institution wishes to add. (for example SWOT Analysis)

- To have more MoU with foreign universities and R&D centres
- To provide more consultancy services
- Faculty from Zoology department received "Hargovind Khorana Best Scientist" Award for Biological Science from DST, New Delhi – National level.
- "Best Citizen of India" Gold medal award received from Global Science, New Delhi by our Zoology faculty member. International level.
- "Outstanding faculty award" from Venus International Foundation by the faculty of Zoology department.
- "Women Scientist Award" from DST, New Delhi by our faculty of Zoology department.

8. Plans of institution for next year

- To conduct entrepreneurial awareness programme.
- To update the college website with a new format.
- Strengthening students placement through campus recruitment training programme.
- To encourage faculty members to apply for more project proposals.
- To encourage faculty members to conduct more international conferences.

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ACADEMIC CALENDAR FOR ODD SEMESTER

2015 - 2016

Re-opening for the academic year 2015-16	18.06.2015	
Commencement of I year UG Classes (Aided)	22.06.2015	
Commencement of I year UG Classes (Un Aided)	23.06.2015	
Commencement of I year PG Classes	16.07.2015	
Issue of ESE Applications for II & III year UG & PG	17.07.2015	
Last date for the payment of ESE Fee (without fine)		
III year UG	23.07.2015	
II year UG & PG	24.07.2015	
IQAC Meeting	31.07.2015	
Last date for the payment of ESE Fee		
(II & III year UG & PG) with fine of Rs.60/-	30.07.2015	
Students Welfare & Grievances Redressal Committee Meeting	18.08.2015	
Staff Welfare & Grievances Redressal Committee Meeting	19.08.2015	
Library Committee Meeting	17.08.2015	
Last date for submission of Question Paper for I CIA Examinations(UA)	27.07.2015	
Last date for submission of Question Paper for I CIA Examinations(A)	05.08.2015	
Commencement of I CIA Examinations (UA)	04.08.2015	
Issue of ESE Applications for I year UG & PG	04.09.2015	
Finance Committee Meeting	14.09.2015	
Last date for the payment of ESE Fee (without fine)		

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I year UG	16.09.2015
I year PG	21.09.2015
Last date for the payment of ESE Fee	
(I year UG & PG) with fine of Rs.60/-	29.09.2015
Last date for submission of Question Paper for II CIA Examinations (UA)	25.09.2015
Last date for submission of Question Paper for II CIA Examinations (A)	05.10.2015
Commencement of II CIA Examinations	08.10.2015
Last working day for the Odd Semester	29.10.2015
Commencement of ESE - Practicals	26.09.2015
Governing Body Meeting	07.11.2015
Commencement of ESE - Theory Examinations	04.11.2015
Autonomous Central Valuation	20.11.2015

ACADEMIC CALENDAR FOR EVEN SEMESTER

2015 - 16

Re-opening for the Even Semester	01.12.2015
Issue of ESE applications for all Courses	06.01.2016
Last date for the payment of ESE Fee (without fine)	
III year UG	19.01.2016
II year UG	20.01.2016
I year UG & PG and II Year PG	21.01.2016
Students Welfare & Grievances Redressal Committee Meeting	22.01.2016
Last date for submission of Question Paper for I CIA Examinations (UA)	18.01.2016

Last date for submission of Question Paper for I CIA Examinations (A)	27.01.2016		
Last date for the payment of ESE Fee (all Courses)			
with fine of Rs.60/-	28.01.2016		
Staff Welfare & Grievances Redressal Committee Meeting	29.01.2016		
Commencement of I CIA Examinations (UA)	23.01.2016		
Commencement of I CIA Examinations (A)	27.01.2016		
Library Committee Meeting	16.02.2016		
College Day Celebrations	18.02.2016		
Prizes, Medals & Scholarships Distribution	19.02.2016		
Board of Studies Meeting	04.03.2016		
IQAC Meeting	21.03.2016		
Standing Committee on Academic Affairs	17.03.2016		
Last date for submission of Question Paper for II CIA Examinations(UA)	07.03.2016		
Last date for submission of Question Paper for II CIA Examinations(A)	16.03.2016		
Finance Committee Meeting	04.04.2016		
Academic Council Meeting	24.03.2016		
Commencement of II CIA Examinations (UA)	28.03.2016		
Commencement of II CIA Examinations (A)	05.04.2016		
Last date for the submission of Projects	24.03.2016		
Last working day for the Even Semester	13.04.2016		
Commencement of Project Viva-Voce	05.04.2016		
Commencement of ESE-Practicals	15.03.2016		
Governing Body Meeting	04.05.2016		

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Commencement of ESE - Theory Examinations

18.04.2016

Autonomous Central Valuation

03.05.2016

FEEDBACK ANALYSIS

- ✤ To introduce Add-On courses for various departments.
- ✤ To introduce mini project for the UG students in the fourth semester.
- To introduce a Workshop Training Programme like Mock Interview, to prepare Biodata for UG final year students.
- To introduce Internship training programme for UG students (4th sem) & PG students(2nd sem).
- ✤ To introduce group projects for UG students in the final semester.
- ◆ To introduce Implant training (for some department) for UG students in the final semester.
- ✤ To introduce SLET & NET coaching classes.
- Encourage the students to attend the International / National conferences.
- ✤ To introduce smart class room teaching for UG & PG students.
- ✤ Internship summer training program for UG students.

Best Practices

Give details of any two best practices which have contributed to better academic and administrative functioning of the College.

> Two of the best practices are (i). Realms of Research (ii). Management support services Title of the Practice: Realms of Research

Objectives of the Practice

- > What are the objectives / intended outcomes of this "best practice" and what are the underlying principles or concepts of this practice (in about 100 words)?
 - The main objective of this practice is to promote research culture among faculty and students by encouraging their participation in research. The principle behind this practice is that the under graduate & post graduate students have one minor project in the final semester, which initiates them to take up their research in the particular area of specialization. Students are allowed to attend / present papers in the national/ state level seminars or conferences. By involving the students in conducting the Departmental Seminar/Conferences they are motivated to take up higher education; it helps in developing leadership qualities, self confidence and team spirit. A *Research Scholar Forum* has been established and it helps the researchers to exchange their ideas while doing research and promotes inter-disciplinary research work. 12 Departments have been upgraded to offer M.Phil degree and 11 Departments to offer Ph.D degree programme. 50% of the Research Departments come under Life Science.

The Context

- > What were the contextual features or challenging issues that needed to be addressed in designing and implementing this practice (in about 150 words)?
 - Our college promotes more number of research activities in life science which is useful to agriculture based society. The College encourages the faculties to get major and minor projects from ICMR, UGC, CSIR, DBT, DST, and TNSCST encourages research scholar for receiving fellowships. *Cash incentives* are given to the staff members for publishing papers in International Journals, Citations, organizing seminars/conferences and workshops. Topics related to the *thrust areas in research* are incorporated in the curriculum to motivate the research attitude and aptitude among students. *Multi faceted approach* in Research is offered by inter departmental biological sciences. Eminent Scientists from National and International institution are invited to implement the practices. All Departments are provided with a Computer with internet facility. *Elective options* are given in the emerging and advanced fields of research. In addition, National and International *collaboration with the scientists* (Wyoming University, Taiwan University, Malaya University, Amity University) keeps our college on par with the University so that our scholars and the faculty members could be competent enough to flourish in the selected field of research.

The Practice

- > Describe the practice and its uniqueness in the context of India higher education. What were the constraints / limitations, if any, faced (in about 400 words)?
 - In order to enhance the quality, *Research Committee* headed by the Dean for Research and Development, which comprises all Heads of Research Departments and Research Co-ordinators has been constituted. The Committee meets periodically and discusses

all matters related to the requirements regarding research. The College has subscribed to *13* International Journals, *141* National Journals, *143* National Magazines and 7 International Magazines to meet the requirements of all Research Departments.

- ✤ The committee motivates the staff members to pursue their Research in the desired direction and encourages the staff members to apply for financial assistance from various funding agencies for their projects, Proposals to conduct Seminars/Conferences/Workshops and for minor/major projects are being submitted to the funding agencies after getting the approval from the Research Committee. Our own digital library facilitates the research activities by providing manuscripts, references, reprography, DELNET, e-resources, INFLIBNET/IUC etc., thus the researchers can avail all facilities under one roof.
- Research forum, comprising of Research Scholars is established not only to enhance the scientific knowledge among the scholars but also to exchange their knowledge and motivate them to become professionals in the selective areas of research.
- Dr. M. Aruchami Research Foundation has been established in the year 2004. The research foundation has been organizing Guest Lectures/Seminars/ Workshops in research-related topics. The college provides seed money to the faculty in the form of TA/DA to present their work before various funding agencies for the sanction of Major Projects and to attend Seminars/Conferences/Workshops conducted at out stations. Financial assistance is also given to the researchers by providing sufficient funds towards the purchase of chemicals, specimens , minor equipments, etc. till they get research grant from the funding agencies.
- Biotechnology and Biochemistry Departments are carrying out research in medicinal plants. The fields of research-Sericulture, Vermitechnology, Vector Control, Phytochemistry, Pollution Biology, Tissue Culture, Mushroom Biology etc., opted either singly or collaboratively by the Departments of Botany, Zoology Biotechnology & Biochemistry which cater the needs of the society at all levels.
- Research in the advanced emerging fields like Nanotechnology, Thin Film Technology, etc., successfully carried out by the Physics Department embraces new technologies and this competes at the global level. The research work in the areas like Digital Topology and Graph Theory being carried out by the Mathematics Department has wide application in the field of computer science. The knowledge of the computer and its application in research is inseparable in the present scenario. The Post Graduate departments are carrying out research and extension work for transmitting the findings from "Lab to Land".

Evidence of Success

- > Provide evidence of success such as performance against targets and benchmarks, review results. What do these results indicate? Describe in about 200 words.
 - The College has received *Rs. 43,60,603/-* during the period 2014-2015 towards major and minor research projects. It is a unique feature that our institution has more number of faculty members with Ph.D degree when compared to other Colleges in Tamil Nadu. Physical and infrastructural facilities promote the research activity regularly.
 - At present, 78 and 178 scholars are pursuing M.Phil and Ph.D respectively in our college. Our faculty members received 15 minor projects during 2014-2015. Our faculty have published 30 papers in National and 188 in International journals, have presented research papers in 44 national and 15 international & 2 state seminars /

conferences. To upgrade the research laboratory infrastructure the DST – FIST, Ministry of Science, Government of India has sanctioned Eighty Lakhs. This leads the college to take up consultancy services in various fields in order to benefit the society. The important consultancy areas are apiculture, Vermitechnology Sericulture techniques, Mushroom cultivation, Microbial culture supply, Protein Analysis, Soil sample analysis etc.,

Problems Encountered and Resources Required

- > Please identify the problems encountered and resources required to implement the practice (in about 150 words).
 - Our college has both aided and un-aided (Self Financing) Courses. For aided courses a moderate support from the UGC is being extended for general development and research but unaided (SF) courses are totally deprived of this facility. This dichotomy is really a constraint in the field of higher education. UGC must treat both courses equally and extend full support to unaided (SF) courses also. The funding pattern by the UGC to Autonomous colleges is not adequate to introduce innovative programme in the colleges on par with the International Universities. Central Universities and Institutes are getting enviable grants. Affiliated colleges in various Universities are starved for want of funds. The UGC must take cognizance of genuine problems and extend the liberal grants to Autonomous colleges on par with Central Universities and Institutes which come directly under UGC.
 - While recruiting new staff members as per UGC guidelines, NET/SLET passed candidates are also qualified for the job. Such teachers are not in a position to guide the students for M.Phil and Ph.D. To eradicate this deficiency, management has to depute them under FIP Programme to qualify for Ph.D. Nowadays this Programme is not actively implemented by UGC. Once again the old pattern can be revived and liberal grants can be released under FIP scheme.

Notes

- > Optional. Please add any other information that may be relevant for adopting/ implementing the Best Practice in other institutions (in about 150 words).
 - Research culture should be inculcated at UG and PG levels by incorporating projects, research oriented subjects in the curriculum. Consultancy and linkages may be extended by the departments to universities, colleges, schools, industries and agriculturists.
 - While recruiting the staff members care must be taken in analyzing the applicants' attitude and aptitude to pursue research if they are given opportunity to serve as a staff. FIP Programme must be implemented in the college to those who are anxious to pursue research. Post-Doctoral research fellowship must be encouraged among scholars. Special incentives must be given to staff members who are interested to pursue research and get projects from various funding agencies.

Title of the Practice

Management Support Services

Objectives of the Practice

- > What are the objectives / intended outcomes of this "best practice" and what are the underlying principles or concepts of this practice (in about 100 words)?
 - The Vision, Mission and Goals of the College are *Students' Centered* and reflect the *National development* at large. The *whole personality* of *every student* is developed in, holistic way adhering to the principles of *Swami Vivekananda* and *Mahatma Gandhi*.
 - The management is vigilant about the changes in the educational environment locally, nationally and globally. As a result, it provides the guidance in all Academic activities of the College. Management provides the ambience suitable for all teaching and non-teaching staff. A healthy professional environment which is conducive to bring out the best in every individual prevails in the campus. The institution promotes the social responsibility and citizenship role among the students to help the less privileged society.

The Context

- > What were the contextual features or challenging issues that needed to be addressed in designing and implementing this practice (in about 150 words)?
 - Manpower is planned based on the students' strength and workload of staff required for academic and administrative work. The staff members are recruited based on the qualifications and pay scales prescribed by the UGC and State Government by a duly constituted Selection Committee, as per the private college regulation act and UGC. The curriculum has been designed to cater to the needs and accelerate the growth of the individual strength of the students so as to compete at the national and global levels. Social justice and equity are ensured by following the communal reservation policy of the State Government. All students who aspire for Higher Education, irrespective of religion and socio-economic background are given admission. The institution with an outstanding academic ambience, aims at elevating the students to become highly qualified and socially conscious citizens who can contribute to the development of the society and be an asset to our nation at large.
 - The curricula of all courses have been framed after referring the curricula of various foreign universities and colleges to keep the students abreast with the *fast-changing frontiers of knowledge*. Besides imparting job entitlements, the education offered in our college provides a *holistic approach of body*. Value based teaching and guest Lectures by divine personalities on special occasions facilitate the students to *imbibe the core and universal values like truth, righteousness, integrity, honesty and hard work*. Celebration on the days of religious and national importance contributes much to *nurture and strengthen our culture, values and unity in diversity*.

The Practice

Describe the practice and its uniqueness in the context of India higher education. What were the constraints / limitations, if any, faced (in about 400 words)?

There is a cordial relationship between the management and all stakeholders, which provides the *homely atmosphere* in the college campus. The benevolent management provides the financial aid to SC, ST, MBC and Economically backward students in the form of scholarships. Job Oriented Courses like Communicative English, Computer

Literacy, Elective papers, Self-learning components, Personality Development programmes and *opportunity to work in teams* through project work contribute much to the individual development of the students, which is the *base for the development of the country as a whole*.

- Enhancement of communicative skill through BEC training, introduction of ICT, and training for the professional courses, self development and entrepreneurial development programmes enrich the students with necessary *skills to face the global competition* in the job market. *The extension and outreach programmes* have their main focus on *less privileged* in the neighborhood, adopted village and the *society at large*. The remarkable service rendered by the college to the socially, economically backward and disadvantaged communities in the adopted villages, speaks volumes about the contribution of the college to the development of our nation.
- The management builds a good relationship with the students to attract and retain them to enhance their performance to their expectations in learning and job seeking. Academically, Proficiency student is selected as a representative to take part in the Board of Studies meetings. As a result, he/she gives the suggestions regarding the syllabi. The institution determines the students' satisfaction by way of getting their feedback about the curriculum of courses offered, teachers' performance, infrastructure, hostel facilities and college environment etc. Future educational need and challenges are voiced through the discussions and suggestions given by the students in the Grievance Redressal and Welfare Committee, informal meetings with the Head of the Department and faculty, Alumni Association, students' meetings, council members and class representative meetings. The management is so friendly that the constant and continuous encouragement is given to all staff members for their career development. *Complete Academic freedom* is given to the faculty which helps them work independently. *Incentives* are given to the staff members *for their achievements*. The management extends *prompt support* by providing not only the salary but also the retirement benefit.
- The institution supports the neighborhood communities by providing them the awareness in *Eradication of Parthenium*. Programmes on *AIDS awareness, mosquito control* and *avoidance of plastic bag*, etc. are conducted. *Health awareness camps*, Blood donation camps, Eye camp, Dental care and Nature cure are conducted. Prohibition of Child Labor, Hundial counting, various awareness rally such as *Save Electricity, Road Safety, Rain water Harvesting, Plantation of Trees* are some of the important activities undertaken by our NSS, NCC and YRC Units for the benefit of the society and the students. In order to bring awareness in making our environment ecofriendly, our college constituted the Eco Club.
- The grants released by the Government, both central and state are not sufficient to encourage the faculty to go abroad to participate in seminars and conferences. The funding agencies very selectively recruit staff of aided colleges. Universities by their block grants are able to sponsor their staff to go abroad and participate in conferences and seminars. Such grants should be extended to colleges to give opportunity to the staff members to attend refresher/advanced courses.

Evidence of Success

- > Provide evidence of success such as performance against targets and benchmarks, review results. What do these results indicate? Describe in about 200 words.
 - Cordial relationship exists among management, teachers and students. *Parental care* is taken through Tutor-Ward System. This personal care of the teachers attracts and enhances the students' performance and fulfills the *expectations of the learner*. **Counseling centre for women** has been established in order to facilitate the girl students in getting timely help and advice. Students' membership in various committees and clubs facilitates the relationship between teachers and students. NSS and NCC camps, cultural activities and various functions provide the opportunity for students and staff to build a good relationship between them. In order to construct the houses to down trodden people our secretary donated the land with 50% contribution of the Government and 50% were contributed by him. Our NSS students go and stay in the adopted village and teach subjects like English, Mathematics and Science to weak students particularly from the village schools. Mr. Arjun Paramasivan student from Leeds University consequently collected Rs.60, 000/- to Rs.80, 000/- yearly basis and contributes to the annual camp conducted by the NSS units of the college. Four NSS volunteers from UK acted as catalyst in collecting Rs. 1,00,000/- from Tamil Organization at UK which was used to construct 12 group houses successfully at Dhanalakshmipuram in Adhidravidar colony.
 - Every year more number of NSS student volunteers from UK have been actively participating and donating money for the smooth functioning of NSS activites that includes special camps and regular activities.
 - The effective functioning of the **paperless office** has not only minimized the work for the non-teaching staff but also minimized the usage of the stationery.
 - Students and Staff Welfare & Grievance Redressal Committees have been constituted separately and regular meetings are being conducted. This facilitates the students and staff to express their grievances freely. Complaints can be received through the Suggestion Boxes that are placed at various places inside the college campus. The Grievances related to academic activities, administration and infrastructure are solved after discussing the same with the management.
 - Our college has a health centre which provides First Aid, and other medical facilities.. In case of emergency utmost care is taken. The management provides a car to take the sick students immediately to the hospital. It also encourages *sports activities* which make the mind and the body has the balance. So, *the college environment is congenial*. During the *parent-teacher meetings*, parents are encouraged to give their feedback, and suggestions for the improvement of the organization and complaints if any. The complaints are resolved and suggestions are well taken for the development of the organization which helps to enhance the teaching-learning process and the upkeep of mental and physical health of the students.
 - Many initiatives have been taken both in academic and administrative functions to make the *optimum use of Autonomous status*. The *democratized administration*, a predominant feature makes our Institution a *College with difference*.

Problems Encountered and Resources Required

- > Please identify the problems encountered and resources required to implement the practice (in about 150 words).
 - Since, there is vacancy in teaching faculty (19), Administrative Staff (20) & Technical Staff (7), Management has to face the problem whenever the Government implements any change in innovative aspect. To fulfill the ultimate goal of the Institution and to attain more excellence in our academics & research, the above said vacancies has to be filled.

Notes

- > Optional. Please add any other information that may be relevant for adopting/ implementing the Best Practice in other institutions (in about 150 words).
 - The Secretary and Director of the college Dr.M.Aruchami has been associated with the development of the college ever since its inception. He visits the college almost every day and is available at his office. Being the founder Principal of the college, he is closely associated with each and every aspect of the development of the college and it enhances both the curriculum and the extensive work related to the students and community. With his rich experience as an academician and educational administrator, he provides able and efficient leadership to the functioning of the college to attain greater heights. The ultimate goal of the institution is to impart education to the future citizens of our country with a strong foundation in moral, ethical and cultural values. This aspect can be emulated by other institutions. The Head of the Institution must be inspiring personality by his/her words and deeds. He/she must be easily accessible to everyone in the Institution.
 - Our college is the first college which made the work experience mandatory for all the students, rich or poor to go and work in industries and farms with the skilled labourers. The students were paid small amount by various firms. The concept "*Earn While You Learn*" which Mahatmaji envisaged in his message was translated into action.
 - Before N.S.S Units were started in colleges, our college made it compulsory to join in community service. A group of villages were adopted by the college. In the adopted village, students went and made an economic survey and classify the villagers into rich, average and small farmers and also various types of artisans like carpenter, blacksmith, laundry men, and barber and agriculture coolies. Their needs were worked out through the data and the college approached the banks to help the villagers depending on their needs and economic development and made the banks to lend money for the various types of people. The recovery of the loan at the assigned time was taken care by the students and the staff of our college. The Banks were very happy and adopted the village and started giving loans and receiving deposits. 15 persons from the adapted village were given opportunity to work in our institution. Now the village is self contained unit by getting all facilities from the Government and the Management.
 - The Government have not released non-salary grants to the Aided colleges and so the management are subjected heavy additional financial commitment towards the upkeep of building, lab, electricity consumption etc.
 - The Government may release the non-salary grant to solve this problem.