## KONGUNADU ARTS AND SCIENCE COLLEGE

(Autonomous) Coimbatore – 641 029



**Professional Development/Administrative Training Programmes** 

For the

Academic Year 2015-2016

Title of the professional development	Faculty Development Programme on Man
program organised for teaching staff	Making Education
Date	04.07.2015
Total Participants	500

The Vivekananda Study Circle of Kongunadu Arts and Science College, Coimbatore organized a Faculty Development Programme on "Man Making Education" on Saturday,04.07.2015 at Dr. M. Aruchami Auditorium in the college premises. The Inaugural Function began at 10 am. The Secretary and Director of the college, Tmy. C. A. Vasuki, presided. The Dr. B. K. Krishnaraj Vanavarayar, Chairman, Bharathiya Vidya Bhavan, Coimbatore Kendra, gave a Special Address on "Man Making Education." Swami Harivratananda of Ramakrishna Mission Vidyalaya, Coimbatore, was the resource person of the first session on "A Role Model as a Teacher" and Mr. S. Senthil Kumar, Co-ordinator, Vivekananda Kendra, Kanyakumari, handled Session II on "Happy Analysis." All our faculty members participated. Dr. T. Muraleeswari, Principal, welcomed the gathering.

In her Presidential Address, Tmy. C. A. Vasuki said that it was of special significance that the Faculty Development Programme was conducted on the anniversary of the attainment of Swami Vivekananda's Mahasamadhi Faculty development was an investment in human capital. The currency for the future economy is knowledge. Along with "Jai Kisan and Jai Jawan," we need "Jai Vignyan." Quoting Socrates, she said that "Education is not filling a vessel. It is kindling the flame." Nowadays, due to the deterioration of familial support, students depend more on teachers for their emotional needs. Teachers are role models and immense responsibility is rested on them. In the words of Winston Churchill, "It is not enough if we do our best. Sometimes we have to do what is required." In this context, Swami Vivekananda's man -making philosophy, which he evolved through experience, is relevant. According to Swamiji, education is "When the soul is aroused to self-conscious activity." "Swamiji's spirit is still living amongst us," the Secretary said. The Special Address on 'Man Making Education" by Dr. B. K. Vanavarayar, eminent industrialist and economist followed.

Dr. Vanavarayar stressed "man -mending." Swami Vivekananda stressed man -making education as the path to nation building," he said. There is no problem in modern India that cannot be tackled by the magic word "education." He expressed his opinion that all arts and science colleges should have a Swami Vivekananda study circle so that our culture

of dedicated work would be strengthened. He stressed three Cs — "Competence, communication and commitment." One may want to be a good teacher and also know how to be a good teacher. But only Swami Vivekananda' words explain the reason for being a good teacher. One should bring about an attitudinal change in the youth of the nation who are affected by the materialism prevailing in society. The meaningless routine of exams and placement should be enriched by values, which are present in our cultural heritage. We should teach children how to convert challenges into opportunities and to transcend their limited thinking. Career alone should never be the final goal. Sri Ramakrishna's revival of Hindu dharma, which was handed down to Swami Vivekananda, should reach the youth. One should be optimistic because we are the maker of our own destiny. Holistic development leading to human excellence should be the goal of education.

Dr. Vanavarayar urged the teachers to work with dedication towards this most worthy goal. The technical sessions were followed by the distribution of certificates. The Vote of Thanks was proposed by Mr. M. Vivek Prabu, Member, Vivekananda Study Circle.





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