

## KONGUNADU ARTS AND SCIENCE COLLEGE (Autonomous) Coimbatore - 641 029

## ANNUAL REPORT 2016 - 2017

## Presented by Dr.T.Muraleeswari, Principal at the College Day Celebrations on 24.02.2017

Most honoured and Distinguished Chief Guest Ezhuthu Chelvar, Dr. Lena Tamilvanan writer and publisher, Revered President, Dr. M. Aruchami Sir, Tmt. Dhanalakhshmi Aruchami Madam, Esteemed Secretary and Director of our college Dr. C. A. Vasuki Madam, august members of the College Council and Committee, Respected former Principals, learned colleagues, beloved students, parents, guardians, and the representatives from Press and Media, a pleasant morning to one and all.

It is my privilege to present the Annual Report of this prestigious institution for the academic year 2016-17 before this distinguished gathering.

I deem it an honour to state that the University Grants Commission (UGC) has awarded the status of "College of Excellence" to our college. I'm pleased to express that our institution was adorned with this honour as it is among the three colleges selected throughout the country for this status during this evaluation period.

The college reopened for the academic year 2016 - 2017 on 16<sup>th</sup> June 2016. Classes for the first year undergraduate students commenced on 22<sup>nd</sup> June and for the postgraduates on 11<sup>th</sup> July 2016.

I am proud to state that our College offers 20 UG, 14 PG and 24 Research programmes. During the academic year 2016-2017 1321 students have been admitted in first year UG and 232 students in first year PG. 43 Scholars enrolled for Ph.D and 53 M.Phil in various disciplines. Out of 4260 students studying here, 2648 are women students and it is 62.16% of the total student strength. This stands as a testimony to the yeomen services rendered by this college towards women empowerment. A well-qualified and dedicated teaching faculty is one of the greatest assets of our institution. With immense pleasure I state that our college has a distinction of having 99 PhDs and 77 M.Phils among the total number of 189 teaching faculty.

## **EXAMINATION RESULTS**

Examination Cell headed by the Controller of Examinations is effectively and efficiently functioning. It plays a pivotal role in conducting the various examinations like Regular written and online examinations, supplementary, special supplementary and special examinations. The cell has state-of-the-art facilities and has introduced many innovative measures like Optical Mark Reader (OMR) and Digital Mark Entry System to process the data submitted by Examination personnel. The cell has an exclusive website through which the examination time table, results and other information related to examinations can be assessed by the students. In addition, SMS access through Mobile phones has also been provided for the benefits of students and parents to know the attendance and mark details of every semester. An exclusive Direct Verify System is functioning for the benefit of passed out candidates to get to know the genunity of their certificates when they get appointed in a company.

The sincere efforts of our students and the dedicated service of our teachers have reflected in the results of the examination held in April 2016. The pass percentage of the Under Graduate is 91.94, the Post Graduate is 92.51 and the Overall percentage is 92.06. At this pleasant juncture, the achievements of both passed out and present students are highly appreciated.

## STUDENTS' UNION

The Students' Union of our college facilitates an interaction between the students and the Management. The office bearers were elected in a democratic way and they have extended their full cooperation for an efficient academic functioning of the college. I take this opportunity to thank them.

## ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES OF THE FACULTY MEMBERS

The faculty members of this Institution are well-known for their efforts to upgrade themselves in their areas of specialization. In the year under report, a total number of 217 Research Papers have been presented by our members of staff in various Conferences & Seminars conducted in our college as well as in other Institutions.

28 faculty members have attended Refresher Courses and Orientation Programmes. A total of 305 research papers have been published both in the National and International Journals. Guest Lectures numbering 63 have been delivered by our members of staff. Altogether 71 Seminars/Conferences/Workshops/Symposiums were conducted in our College during the year under report. Our staff members attended 444 National and International Conferences this year.

## **ACADEMIC AUDIT COMMITTEE**

Based on the UGC Autonomy guidelines, the Academic Audit Committee visited our College on 30.07.2016 and evaluated the activities of all the departments and commended their academic performances.

## RESEARCH

Research activities in all the recognized Research Departments are making remarkable and outstanding progress. I am happy to state that 33 scholars obtained PhD degree and 40 scholars obtained MPhil degree this academic year. 22 PhD theses have been submitted. I feel elated to inform this august gathering that so far, 624 candidates have been awarded with M.Phil degrees and 259 candidates with PhD

degrees. A well constituted Research Forum is functioning effectively in our college to motivate research activities.

Dr. K.Muthukumar has participated and presented a paper in an international symposium at Aurangabad.

Ms. A.Priya, Department of Commerce has presented a paper in a One Day International Level Seminar and won "the Best Paper Award" among 75 papers presented by the participants, from more than 50 colleges.

## RESEARCH PROJECTS

At present 19 projects are ongoing including 9 Major and 10 Minor research projects at the tune of Rs.1,20,24,695 (Rupees One Crore Twenty Lakhs and Twenty Four Thousand Six Hundred and Ninety Five ). I take this opportunity to thank the University Grants Commission and the various funding agencies for providing us with adequate funds to carry out the projects. I also thank our Secretary and Director for her continuous encouragement to enhance the research activities in our institution.

## LIBRARY AND INFORMATION CENTRE

The Library and Information Centre has a collection of 76,271 books, 325 Periodicals including National and International Journals and 5000 CDs and DVDs on various subjects. These different resources are helpful for the faculty members and students. Barcode and RIFD (Radio Frequency Identification) technology of automation is implemented. In this academic year, more than 1091 volumes of books added worth about Rs. 4,85,762/-. More than 330 Journals and Magazine are subscribed for Rs 4 Lakhs and Rs. 5 Lakhs spent for implementing RFID technology. The library was upgraded as the Research Department and more than 50 research articles are published in this year. Also Automated Health Information System was upgraded.

## DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Our students won gold medals and silver medals in National Level Cycling, State Level CM Trophy Beach Volley Ball Tournament and Inter Collegiate Table Tennis. They also won Bronze Medals in Taekwondo at Inter Collegiate Level. Mr.P.Barath of II BA English Literature (Aided) participated in the Subratha Classic International Unequipped Power Lifting Championship 2016 at Jamshedpur, India and won Gold Medal. He also won Asian Championship Power Lifting 66 Kg Junior Level Category held at Madhya Pradesh, India.

## CO-CURRICULAR & EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

## **NCC**

NCC develops quality of leadership and officer like qualities. It moulds a Cadet's character, attitude and behaviour and strengthens body and mind. Recognizing the importance of NCC we have both boys and girls NCC wings.

## 4 TN NCC ARMY BOYS WING

The 4 TN NCC ARMY BOYS WING, have attended camps in various places and added laurels to our college. 5 cadets attended National Integration Camp-II organized and conducted by NCC Directorate, New Delhi. 5 cadets were selected and attended the Army Attachment & Training Camp at Secundrabad. 2 cadets completed Intergroup competitions in Republic day selection one cadet was selected for Moulang Fire shooting and an another cadet was selected for NCC National games (Hockey)

## **5 TN NCC GIRLS ARMY WING**

The 5TN NCC Girls Army Wing organized two Rallies on CLEAN INDIA-GREEN INDIA and BLACK MONEY CORRUPTION AND TERRORISM. Two NCC Cadets participated in National Level Sports – Volley Ball Camp held at Delhi. 5 TN NCC Girls Wing organized a State Level NCC Volley Ball Intergroup Competition from 05.08.2016 to 14.08.2016. Our college team won the First place. 18 of our cadets attended the Combined Annual Training camp and Ms. K.Subhalatha and Ms.A.U.Anusha won the Gold Medals in TENTPITCHING competition.

## NSS

There are five NSS units in our college and all the units are functioning very effectively. Many social awareness programmes on Blood Donation, Eye Donation and Suicide Prevention etc., camps have been conducted by the NSS units.

## **CLUBS' ACTIVITIES**

Various Clubs like Eco Club, Consumer Club, Cultural Club, Music Club and Health & Fitness Club have played appreciable role in carrying out many extra curricular activities.

## **ECO CLUB**

Eco club and Dr. M. Aruchami Research Foundation jointly organized an awareness programme on 'How to avoid Dengue' at Subramaniampalayam on 17.08.2016. Waste materials were collected from our College campus and segregated into degradable and non-biodegradable materials by Eco club volunteers. Eco club and Indian Science Congress Association jointly organized a Drawing competition on National Science Day.

## YOUTH RED CROSS

Our College Youth Red Cross (YRC) has organized a rally on Road Safety on 28.08.2016. Abdul Kalam's First Year Anniversary and Tree Plantation Programme were celebrated on 24.08.2016 and our YRC volunteers actively participated in the programmes.

## **YOGA**

International Yoga day was celebrated in an exuberant way in our college on 21<sup>st</sup> June 2016. Students performed various 'Asanas' in the auditorium.

## ENTREPRENEURSHIP DEVELOPMENT CELL

Entrepreneurship Development Cell and Skill Development Cell and Coimbatore Institute of Management and Technology jointly organized an Entrepreneurship awareness camp for three days from 30.01.2017 to 01.02.2017, sponsored by the Government of India, New Delhi. Many students participated in the programme.

# WOMEN EMPOWERMENT CELL AND WOMEN WELFARE AND COUNSELING CENTRE

The Women Empowerment Cell and Women Welfare and Counseling centre jointly organized a one day workshop on "An Awareness Program on Cyber Crime against Women Today". Mrs. R.Ezhilarasi, Sub-Inspector of Police (CID) Coimbatore city broached the topic of the cyber crimes against women.

## TAMIZHAR THARTKAPPU KALAI MANDARAM

Tamizhar Thartkappu Kalai Mandaram efficiently trains our students in various martial arts like Silampam, Kalari, Karate etc. and organized street plays on social themes. Six students from our college demonstrated at Kalaripayattu organized by Palakkad CVN Kalari Sangam. NO-KACH Karate Tournament was conducted by our college in collaboration with Alan-Thilak International Karate School. More than 800 students in and around Coimbatore and 70 referees took part in the event.

## PLACEMENT CELL

A full fledged Placement Cell is functioning in the college and by the effective steps taken by the cell, so far, a sizable number of students have been placed in various established companies. The placed students' salary range between 1.2 Lakhs and 3.28 Lakhs per annum.

## STUDENTS' WELFARE AND COUNSELLING CENTRE (SWCC)

The Students Welfare Counseling Centre (SWCC) makes every effort to bring out the best in our students. It plays a significant role in stimulating the students to sustain moral and ethics and in moulding them into effective and compassionate persons. Special effort is being taken every year in helping the students to take Two Wheeler and Four Wheeler driving licenses and Pan Cards.

## **ALUMNI ASSOCIATION**

The Alumni meet was organized on 08.10.2016 at 02.30 p.m. in their respective Departments. Many of the alumni played active role in interacting with their batchmates and members of staff of the respective Departments. Alumni shared their industrial experiences. Some of them gave ideas for new plans and programmes for the development of the students and the Department. The feedbacks were also collected from the alumni regarding the course content and institutional aspects.

## **INCENTIVE SCHEME**

The College Management has successfully introduced an incentive scheme from the academic year 2004-2005 to motivate and encourage the members of staff in teaching and research. This year a sum of Rs. 1,29,756/- (One Lakh and Twenty Nine Thousand Seven Hundred and Fifty Six) has been sanctioned.

## SCHOLARSHIPS/MEDALS

I am happy that the State and Central Governments sanctioned and released a sum of Rs. 35,83,158 (Rupees Thirty Five Lakhs Eighty Three Thousand and One Hundred and Fifty Eight only) as Scholarships to 929 students. I convey my gratitude to the State and Central Govt. for this gesture. Our College Management, Philanthropists and well-wishers of our College contributed Rs.5,36,650/- (Five lakhs Thirty six Thousand Six hundred and Fifty) generously to 600 students for their research activities and to facilitate the economically backward and academically proficient students. Thus, it has been a year of a harmonious blend of academic and non-academic activities and I thank everyone concerned for making this possible.

Pearl – A Foundation for Educational Excellence has chosen our College as the Best NAAC Accredited A Grade College, Dr.S.Paulsamy, HoD of Botany was bestowed with "a Senior Scientist Award" and Dr.P.K.Kavithashri was presented with "the best Woman Physical Director Award".

## **THANKS**

I take this opportunity to thank the Management for all their efforts to make this academic year a fruitful and a pleasant one in all aspects. Particularly, I would like to place on record my deep sense of gratitude to our Revered President Dr.M.Aruchami sir and beloved Secretary & Director Tmt.C.A.Vasuki for their encouragement and continuous guidance in all our efforts.

I extend my Best Wishes to all the students for their bright future.

Thank you. Jai Hind