



KONGUNADU ARTS AND SCIENCE COLLEGE
(Autonomous)
Coimbatore – 641 029

ANNUAL REPORT 2014 - 2015

Presented by Dr.T.Muraleeswari, Principal

at the College Day Celebrations on 07.03.2015

Most honoured and revered Vice-Chairman of University Grants Commission Prof.Dr.H.Devaraj Sir, esteemed Secretary & Director, Dr. M. Aruchami Sir, Tmt. Dhanalakhshmi Aruchami Madam, eminent Joint Secretary of our college Tmt. C. A. Vasuki Madam, august members of the College Council and Committee, former Principals, my dear learned colleagues, beloved students, parents and guardians, a warm good afternoon to one and all.

It is my privilege to place before this distinguished gathering the Annual Report of this prestigious institution for the academic year 2014-15.

The college was reopened for the academic year 2014 - 2015 on 18th June 2014. Classes for the first year undergraduate students commenced on 24th June and for the postgraduates on 16th July 2014.

I am proud to state that our College offers 20 UG, 14 PG and 25 Research programmes. Out of 3833 students studying here, 2308 are women students and it is 60.21% of the total student strength. This stands as a testimony to the yeomen services rendered by this college towards women empowerment. Presently 244 Research Scholars are pursuing their research degrees in this institution. 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 the extraordinary

distinction of having 81 PhDs and 77 M.Phils among the total number of 190 teaching faculty.

EXAMINATION RESULTS

An efficient Examination Cell is the pivotal part of any Autonomous institution. The Examination Cell headed by the Controller of Examinations, Dr.S.Logaswamy, has state-of-the-art facilities with Optical Mark Reader (OMR) and high speed printing units with Optic Fibre System. It is fully computerized for making the examination system fast, easy and error-free. It has a separate website exclusively to announce the Examination details and to publish the results. In addition, examination results can also be accessed through mobile phone. Besides, the Examination Cell has a separate website exclusively for passing out students to verify their certificates through Online at the time of their appointment expeditiously.

The sincere efforts of our students and the dedicated service of our teachers have reflected in the results of the examination held in May 2014. The pass percentage of Under Graduate students is 80.83, the Post Graduate students is 88.98 and the Overall percentage is 82.54. At this juncture, I record my appreciation for the achievements of both passed out and present students.

THE STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION

The Students' Association of our college facilitates interaction between the students and the Management. The students representatives for the various associations were elected in a democratic way and the selected students' representatives extended their full cooperation for the smooth academic functioning of the college. I take this opportunity to thank them.

ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES OF THE STAFF

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 92 Research Papers have been presented by our members of staff in various Conferences & Seminars conducted in our college as well as in other Institutions.

40 members of our staff have attended Refresher Courses/Orientation Programmes. A total of 230 research papers have been published both in the National and International Journals. Guest Lectures numbering 30 have been delivered by our members of staff. Altogether 22 Seminars/Conferences/Workshops were conducted in our College during the year under report. Our staff members attended 202 National and International Conferences this year.

ACADEMIC AUDIT COMMITTEE

Based on the UGC Autonomy guidelines, the Academic Audit Committee visited our College on 23.08.2014, evaluated the activities of all the departments and commended their academic performances.

RESEARCH

Research activities in all the recognized Research Departments are making remarkable progress. I am happy to say that 7 scholars obtained PhD degree and 21 scholars obtained MPhil degree this academic year. 21 PhD theses have been submitted. I am pleased to inform this august gathering that so far, 621 candidates have been awarded with MPhil degrees and 259 candidates with PhD degrees. A well constituted Research Forum is functioning effectively in our college to motivate research activities.

I would like to inform this august gathering that Dr.K.Murugesan, Head of the Department of Tamil and Dr.K.Muthukumar, Assistant Professor of Tamil participated in an international conference organized by University of Malaya and presented papers.

RESEARCH PROJECTS

At present 24 projects are ongoing including 8 Major research projects at the tune of Rs.1,19,83,900 (One Crore Nineteen lakhs and Eighty three thousand Nine hundred).

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 his continuous encouragement to enhance the research activities in our institution.

NAAC PEER TEAM VISIT AND THE AWARD OF RE-ACCREDITATION STATUS FOR CYCLE III

I am happy to inform that our college underwent III cycle Re-accreditation process by NAAC and has emerged with A Grade with 3.64 out of 4 and stands first among the Arts and Science Colleges affiliated to Bharathiar University.

LIBRARY AND INFORMATION CENTRE

The Library and Information Centre has a collection of 74,000 books, 325 Periodicals including National and International Journals. 5000 CDs and DVDs on various subjects are also available for usage of staff and students. In this academic year 3820 books to a value of Rs. 9,35,827/- (Nine Lakhs thirty five thousand eight hundred and twenty seven) have been added with the already existed collection. 325 periodicals have been subscribed and renewed for Rs. 3,25,000/- (Three Lakhs twenty five thousand) and E-resources for Rs. 2,00,000/- (Two Lakhs). A separate mini theatre is available with state of the art facilities like smart board, LED TV, LCD Projector, satellite TV channels etc.

From this academic year (2014-2015) our library and information centre headed by Dr.R.Senthilkumar has been upgraded as a part time research department in library and information science offering M.Phil & Ph.D courses. The library is fully automated and E-resources facilities available include more than 10,000 e-journals, 75,000 e-books and three databases.

DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Our students won the second place in the best physique competition and won the third place in the table tennis competition organized by the Bharathiar University. They also entered the quarter finals in the cricket tournament organized by the Bharathiar University and the table tennis competitions conducted by the Coimbatore District Table Tennis Club.

CO-CURRICULAR & EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

NCC

NCC moulds a Cadet's character, attitude and behaviour and strengthens body and mind. Recognizing the importance of NCC we have a strong boys and girls NCC wings.

4 TN NCC ARMY BOYS WING

Our 4 TN NCC ARMY BOYS WING, have attended camps in various places and added laurels to our college. Our Associate NCC Officer Maj.Dr.S.C.Palaniswami and 4 NCC Cadets attended Special National Integration Camp at Srinagar. Our cadets secured overall 3rd position in Inter Group Competition 2015 in Republic Day Events at Palayamkottai. The cadets won the 4th place in football NCC National Games held at New Delhi. They also won overall Championship in All India Shivaji Trial Trek 2014 held at Kolhapur, Maharashtra.

The cadets participated in RDC selection Camps, Thal Sainik selection camps, SSB Screening capsule, Blood donation camps and organized social awareness rallies on Train Traffic Accident, Aids Awareness and Anti Tobacco awareness.

Jindu P Joseph of BSc Computer Science has represented Tamil Nadu, Pondicherry & Andaman Nicobar Islands Directorate at NCC National games at New Delhi.

AIR WING

P.Ranganathan, of II BSc Information Technology has attended RDC Launch Camp at Madurai and RDC selection cum training camp. Eight cadets of our college were honoured by NCC Group Head Quarters, Coimbatore for their best performance.

5 TN NCC GIRLS ARMY WING

The 5TN NCC Girls Army Wing organized a Pre Republic day Inter Group Competition camp at our college campus. More than 100 NCC Cadets from various Institutions participated in the camp. The NCC cadets attended the RDC training camp in Karpagam University and 16 cadets attended the ATC camp at Avinashilingam University. A total number of 70 NCC cadets participated in the Trekking Camp at Siruvani Hills and 65 NCC cadets participated in the Trekking camp at Palamalai Hills. Rallies on Anti Tobacco, Child Abuse and Blood Donation Camps were organized.

I am proud to state that Dr.P.K.Kavithashri, ANO of our college has been awarded the best NCC Officer.

NSS

There are five NSS units in our college and all the units are functioning very effectively. Many social awareness programmes and camps have been conducted by the NSS units. Our college NSS units organized Blood Donation Camp, Free Dental Check up, Youth Awakening Camp, SWACHH BHARAT awareness cleaning work, various awareness rallies and awareness programmes.

CLUBS' ACTIVITIES

Various Clubs like Eco Club, Red Ribbon Club, Consumer Club, Cultural Club, Music Club and Health & Fitness Club have played appreciable role in carrying out many extra curricular activities. Many students of our college are trained in martial arts by Tamilar Tharkappu Kalai Mandram.

YRC

Our College Youth Red Cross (YRC) organized an environment awareness rally on 16.09.2015 to celebrate 'World Ozone Day'. About 375 YRC volunteers and staff members participated in the rally. 'SWACHH BHARAT' Clean India Campaign conducted on 26.09.2015, 150 YRC volunteers participated.

ENTREPRENEURSHIP DEVELOPMENT CELL

Entrepreneurship Development Cell arranged for the guest lecture on 03.09.2016 on "Innovative Entrepreneurs". 250 students from various departments were benefitted.

WOMEN WELFARE AND COUNSELING CENTRE

The Women Welfare and Counseling Centre conducted a one day workshop on "Women Empowerment" programme on 'Challenges Faced by Teenage Girls and the Solutions'. The Resource person created awareness among the girl students to have the right attitudes and mind-set, particularly towards their studies.

HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT CELL

The Human Resource Development Cell organized a guest lecture on “Roadway to Research” and it helped the students pursue their research activities.

PLACEMENT CELL

A full fledged Placement Cell is functioning in the college and by the effective steps taken by the cell, so far, 130 students have been placed in various established companies with salary ranging from 2.80 lakhs per annum.

STUDENTS’ WELFARE AND COUNSELLING CENTRE (SWCC)

The Students Welfare Counselling 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.

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

The Alumni Association of our College is functioning effectively and endeavours to bring together the Alumni who have elevated the name and fame of their Alma mater.

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. 1,00,000/- (One Lakh) has been sanctioned.

SCHOLARSHIPS/MEDALS

I am happy that the State and Central Governments sanctioned and released a sum of Rs. 37,20,636 (thirty seven lakhs twenty thousand six hundred and thirty six) as Scholarships to 1048 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.2,25,000/- (Two lakhs twenty five thousand) generously for 850 students 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.

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 Secretary & Director, Dr. M. Aruchami Sir, and to our Joint Secretary 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