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# PRINCIPAL'S DESK



After the US, Indian higher education is the second largest in the world. We have improved our quantum, but our universities are not even among the best 200 in the world, creating a nebulous screen. The need of the day is

underscored as quality higher education which is necessary for the development of the nation. Our physical infrastructure and learning infrastructure have to be radically improved. Since we have to compete with international institutions, international parameters of higher education have to be subtly corroborated, which calls for excellence through creativity and innovation, making them to think more driven by research. Global trend of quality of HE is (1) research intensive (2) creating new knowledge (3) technological leadership and (4) managing self-trends.

Quality is understood as fitness for purpose, meeting the expectation of the stakeholders. The goal of higher education is not acquiring a degree, but to prepare the students for a job, to create excellent manpower. It should create the best worker, best professional and the best citizen through upskilling and reskilling. Keeping the fast pace of digitization of industries and the need for appropriate skilled workers, HE has to be highly focused on skill based programs.

A quick scan of Santhigiri College will reveal our strengths and weakness, our challenges and chances. Santhigiri College has grown from strength to vitality, thanks to its core values of faith in God, commitment, integrity, excellence and social responsibility and ethos inculcated in the students from the inception of the college from its rich legacy. From 2002 Santhigiri College has been stepping up the ladder of success and excellence with each passing year consolidating its position as one of the best self-financed higher education institutions in Kerala through quality and inclusive higher education. The stimulating and intellectually challenging environment with sprawling lush green campus having well ventilated spacious rooms on this hill of peace (Santhigiri) is conducive for the learning needs of the students. We make our students industry ready by forging a strong placement training starting from first semester onwards.

We focus on developing skills, knowledge, values and dispositions that support responsible commitment to human rights, sustainable development, living and global well-being, thereby becoming true global citizens with ethical leadership.

Higher education in Santhigiri College is not like the still water in a pond, it is like the water in the river constantly changing and sometimes like the waves in the sea. This vibrant teaching and learning environment urges us to opt for latest technologies which enable our students to become entrepreneurs, researchers and innovators. Our erudite teachers are the unsung heroes who manoeuvre the students with practical skills and social responsibility. We change the thought processes of the students from 'first study, and then work' to 'study while working' inculcating entrepreneurial spirit, brimming with ideas to start their own ventures. We embark our students for a journey towards excellence in quality education and research. Our concerted efforts in offering quality education in still among the students deep-rooted pride in being students of Santhigiri College - Santhigirians. Of course, we still have miles to go to traverse the actualization of our Vision and Mission and to achieve our motto "Quality & Excellence".

Education blended with human values is the strongest weapon to fight the evils of the society and to improve the quality of human life. Santhigiri is a brick in the great edifice called India. Established under the aegis of the CMI Congregation and driven by the haunting fire that kindled St. Kuriakose Elias Chavara to pioneer education in Kerala, we resonate the realization of the dreams of our students and their parents and they are bringing laurels to Santhigiri College. May the Almighty God bless all of us.

Fr. Paul Parakattel CMI Principal

# EDITOR'S NOTE



Santhigiri College of computer sciences was established in 2002 by CM1 Fathers of Carmel Province, Muvattupuzha, Kerala. CMI vision of education is "to become spiritually deep-rooted, morally uprig-

ht, emotionally mature, intellectually erudite, efficient in communication skills, sublime in attitude, sober in behavior and active in social concern". It is a registered, voluntary, charitable organization formed to focus on imparting quality education. The aim of the institution is the academic progress of the weaker and disabled sections of society. It is affiliated with MG University, Kottayam, and approved by AICTE, Delhi. We offer MCA, MSW, M.com (Tax & Finance), BCA, BBA, B.com (Computer Application), B.com (Tax & Finance), BA Animation & Graphic Design, and B.sc Psychology.

Our vision and mission are awakening to the future. Awaken this generation to take up the challenges of tomorrow and provide holistic and integral development of the individual rooted in faith, in god, justice, knowledge, and human values. This motivates the work of everyone from faculty and staff, to students and alumni, parents and supporters. The system will also help youth and mankind make their ethics to be followed in life.

We are committed to a vision of creating ethically and professionally strong and superior manpower to suit the needs of society. We are committed to providing excellent higher education, to change the students into ideal graduates who will be highly competent in their chosen fields, ethical in behavior, with an inquisitive mind, an appreciation for good values in life, and committed to serving the common good. We are giving special attention to develop inter and intrapersonal skills of students through soft skill, aptitude, personality, career, and entrepreneurial development programs.

Through fostering and advancing knowledge, we are extremely proud of the rich tradition of providing practical, experience-based education that our institution has upheld since its founding. Our academic programs prepare our students to become leaders with the moral depth and intellectual intensity necessary to meet the

with the moral depth and intellectual intensity necessary to meet the challenges of a time of critical transition in society. We are glad to place a record of appreciation for the teaching faculty and also the administrative wing for the dedication and support, so to build and cultivate excellence and nurture the holistic development that will sustain for a lifetime.

As every student comes from a different situation, regardless of a student's background, every student has dreams. Before dreaming of something, one should be well aware that the dream is within capability. It is achieved by making a thorough and serious analysis of the work that the dream requires to be fulfilled. Dreams are often the driving force behind our biggest efforts in life. It doesn't matter how big or how small your dreams are, what's important is that you believe in them enough to work hard to achieve them. The person should be confident to contribute the efforts that the dream requires. It requires hard work and strong determination can lead to combat all the difficulties on the path and giving the best for the goal. Dedication toward your dream turns it into reality, but it takes lots of guts, to pursue those dreams. If we get the determination and focus, we can work hard for a better future. It is important to concentrate to ensure our work is finished on time and in a better manner. In the end, it is not the goal you set those matters, but the hard work you put in. For that, we need to believe in dreams, convert dreams into action and never be afraid of failures.

Fr. Anish Cheruthanickal CMI Administrator

# COLLEGE EVENTS

# 20 Years of Excellence & Convocation 2022





Convocation & 20 years of Excellence of Santhigiri College was conducted on August 9, 2022 to encourage the pass out students for better future, to celebrate the excellence of college academics as well as extra-curricular activities. Road Transportation Minister Mr. Antony Raju was the chief guest; Mr. PJ Joseph MLA presided over the function, Thomas Payattanal, President, Purapuzha Panchayat, Principal Rev.Fr. Paul Parakattel CMI, Administrator Rev. Fr. Anish Cheruthanickal CMI were the dignitaries. 123 students participated in the convocation event.

# Aarppo 2022





ONAM the festival of Keralites was celebrated by santhigirians on September 1st of 2022. The moments were enriched by different cultural events like Onapookkalam, Onappattu, Malayali Manka, Kerala Sreeman, Rotti Kadi, Sundharik Pottukuthal, Kaserakali and the most interesting Vadamvali. The very renowned writer Baburaj Kalamboor was the chief guest and the event was nourished by his wonderful thoughts.

# Faculty Development Program





Faculty development cell has conducted a Faculty Development programme on 6th & 7th of June 2022 at Fr. Bede Memorial Hall for the enrichment of the faculties. The meeting was addressed by our Principal Fr. Paul Parakattel CMI and enlightened the session with a warm welcome. The two day faculty development program was started by the session of Nasar Perambra with the Introduction of **Embase Pro Suit** application as part of digitalized campus. An Input session by Mr. Christ Eldo, a Professional Trainer on team building, creative thinking, applying and understanding was a remarkable one. The seconday day started with department planning, cell planning, and concluded with a inspiring note by Fr. Paul Parakattel CMI.

# Induction Program





An Induction Programme for welcoming the new UG and PG batches for the academic year 2022-'25 was held on 2nd September 2022 at Chavara Auditorium. The objective of the programme was to give a general orientation for under graduate and post graduate students. Dr. Raju D Krishnapuram was the chief guest and he cherished the new blooming buds of the Santhigiri with a mesmerizing keynote address. The main content of the speech was to motivate students to focus better, to set future goals and also emphasize on the necessity of discipline. Encouraged students to think ahead of time and adapt with the changing requirements of a globalized society. Students and parents were exposed to a sense of larger purpose and self-exploration.

# Faculty Achievements



Ms. Pavithra Santhoshkumar Qualified SET in Psychology



Ms. Annette Treesa Benny Short story publication The Great Indian Anthology

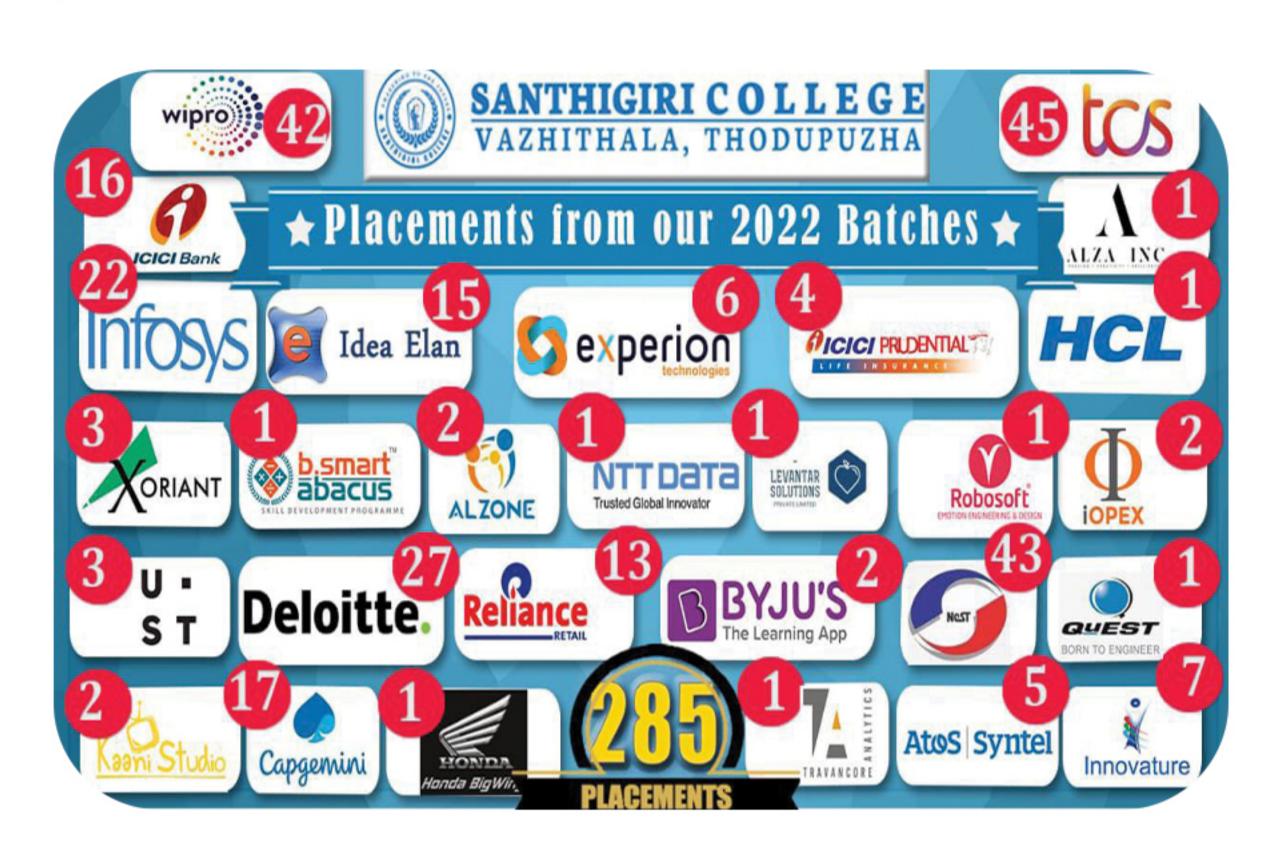


Mr. Shibu Abraham Book Publication in Research Methodology



Dr. Neetha Thomas Secured PhD from Bharathiyar University in Deep Machine Learning Methodologies for the prophecy of PCOS in Women Community

# Training and Placement



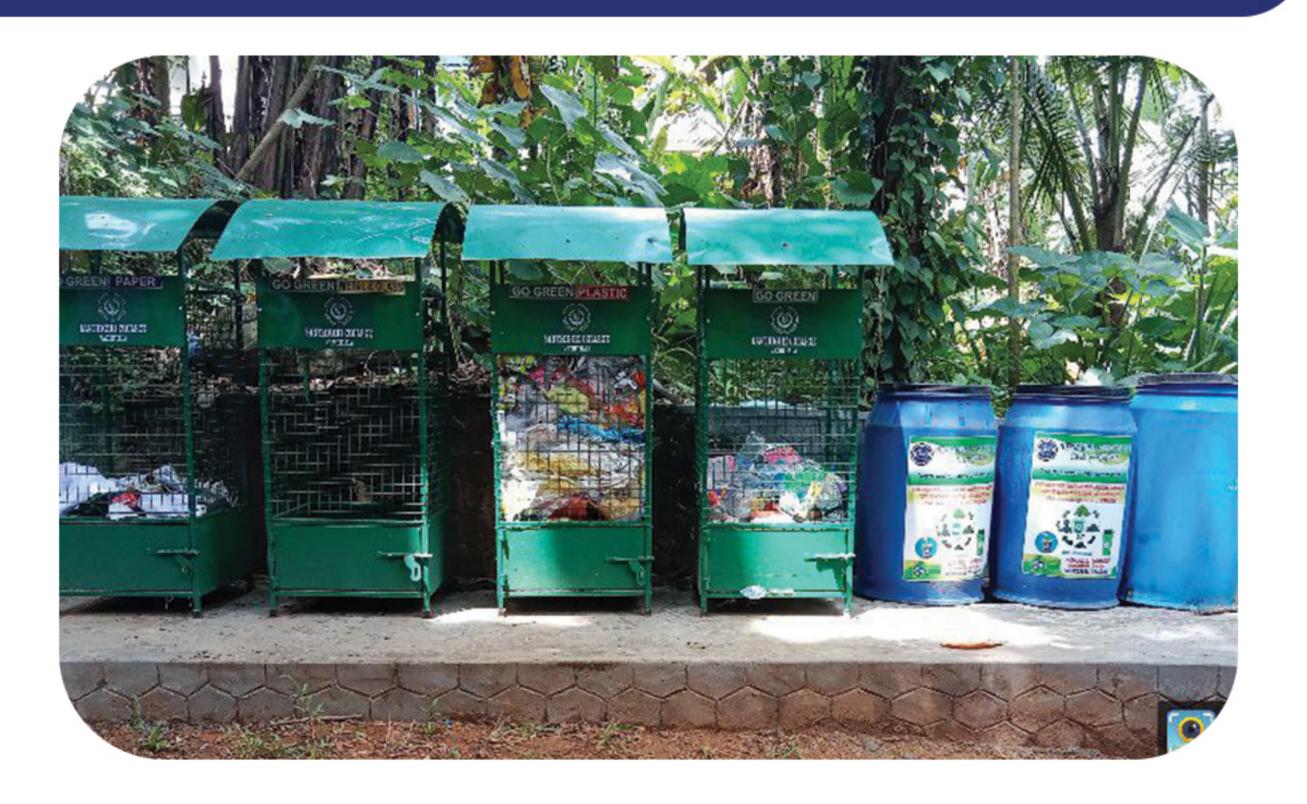


Santhigiri College has secured 285 offer letters from 28 different companies in various batches of 2022 passout students. We are following a well structured Training syllabus and our in-house training team is headed by Placement officer Mr. Sebastian Cyriac along with our faculties Ms Deepa M and Ms. Leema George and our English faculties conducts regular training program for our students.

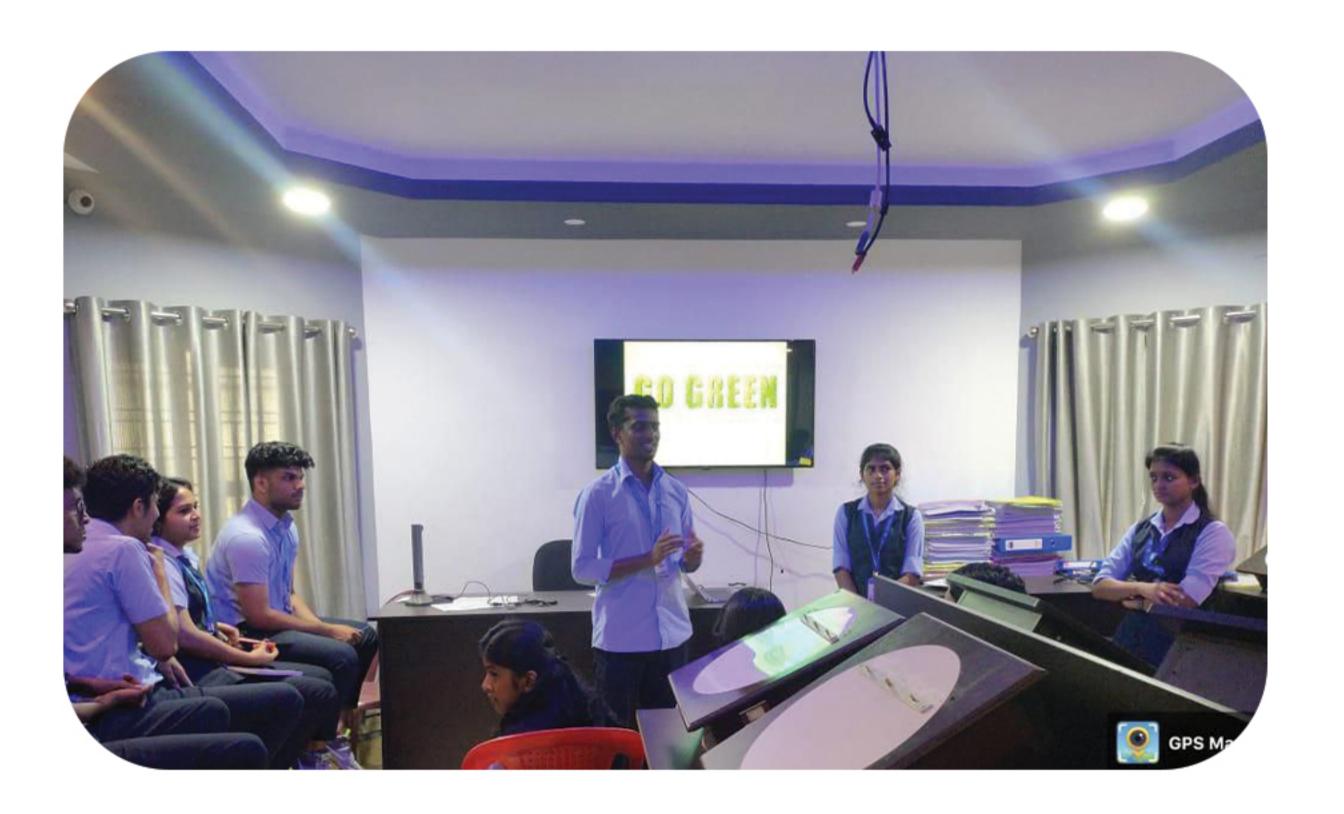
Ms. Angala Elda Leyon, Mr. Jijo Chittady, Mr. Benny Kurian are our external trainers who helped in our training process.

# Green Campus Initiatives

As part of Green Campus Initiative of the campus the Green protocol committee initiated an educative session 'GO GREEN' in the campus. The content of the program was to make aware the whole college including the domestic staff about Green Protocol and Energy Protocol guidelines and facilities available at the campus. The program was conducted in collaboration with Department of Social Work. The students from MSW department prepared a module and divided



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themselves into different groups and took sessions for each classes of every department on 14th of June 2022. The session motivated the students to follow the green and energy guidelines and it was a milestone for the students for holding hands together for an eco-friendly campus. The session enabled santhigirians to follow a proper food waste disposal and segregation at the source itself. All other segregated solid wastes are collected by the Harithakarma Sena and disposed at the shredding unit of Purapuzha Panchayath.

# DEPARTMENT OF COMPUTER SCIENCE



### LBS ENTRANCE TRAINING

TICSAS organized a one day training programme for the students preparing for the LBS MCA Entrance Examination. The Training class was held on 10/6/22. Students from different districts of the state benefited from the free training programme. The first session of the programme was devoted to the exclusive training for MCA entrance, the second session to analyzing sample questions and the third session to Mock tests. The aptitude trainer Mr. Dennis Jose lead the session and 100 students and 12 faculties participated in the programme.





### Word Hunt Preliminary Round

The Department of Computer Science organized a word hunt Preliminary round in association with TICSAS as a skill development programme on 24th June 2022. The students from S3 AND S5 BCA were the target audience and the students were able to improve their skills accordingly.

# DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHOLOGY

The Department of Psychology organised an orientation program "Psychology as a Career" for the students of psychology. The program was Conducted on 25th July at Bede Memorial Seminar Hall. Mr. Riyas Rumi (Career Coach and Psychologist) was the chief guest. The program was conducted to give ideas about the Need, Scope and different branches of Psychology Field. From this program the Students got the information about how to prepare for Pg entrance in reputed Universities. It was a great opportunity for the students to get along with an experienced psychologist.



# DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION



Skill Development Program organized by Department of Management, Santhigiri College, Vazhithala on 19/07/2022 at Management Classroom. Mrs. Jainy Jose as the resource person (RSETI, Idukki). The main agenda of the program was to promote eco-friendly and handmade useful products among students at low cost. The program intended skill development and thereby reduced un- and underemployment, increased productivity, and improved standards of living. Helping people develop and update their skills makes economic sense. The program is conducted for both Management and Social Work students.

# DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

# Career Guidance Program for the Plus Two Students

The Department of Commerce organized a career development program for the students who have completed plus two during the year 2022. Mr.Babu Pallippattu, Section Officer M.G University, Kottayam was the chief guest in the programme. 48 students attended the session and got a good idea about the various career opportunities. The main objective of the program was to give a career development session for the students who passed plus two recently. The event was successful and the students got an extensive knowledge in career aptitude.

An online quiz program "Master Minds" was conducted in association with the same objective. The event was conducted in an online mode on 6th of July 2022. The platform was open to all the plus two pass out students and 89 students from different schools participated in the same. Adithyan Shibu of first semester B.Com Finance and Taxation was the winner.



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# Behavioral Finance

The Department of Commerce initiated an invited talk on Behavioral Finance to give an awareness about behavioral finance and its emerging trends for the fifth semester students of B.Com. The session was handled by Mrs. Swapna Shaji, Assistant Professor, Department of Commerce, Nirmala College, Muvattupuzha. 93 students participated in the session. The main content of the session was the **effect of psychology on investors and financial markets** and focused on explaining why investors often appear to lack self-control, act against their own best interest, and make decisions based on personal biases instead of facts.

# DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WORK



# Trekking

As part of the observation of World Nature conservation day and National Mountain Climbing Day the students from the Department of Social Work organized **A walk with Nature** to meenuliyampara, Vannapuram on July 27th 2022 along with the faculties of Social Work. It was a great opportunity for the students to understand nature within social work and ecological perspective.

# Memory Walk









The Department of Social Work observed World Alzheimer's day in association with Mar. Gregorios College, Chennai by conducting a **Memory Walk** and A seminar on **Aging Concerns in India**. As part of the event the students from the Department of Social Work organised a memory walk in and around college campus and provided an orientation about the Alzheimer's and Dementia. Along with this the students did the same in Vazhithala town for giving an awareness on the same. Mr. Biju James (SHO, Karimkunnam Police Station) inaugurated the memory walk at Vazhithala. Mr. Sam Sangeeth G. Asst. Professor, Department of Social Work, Mar. Gregorios College, Chennai had a session on Aging Concerns in India.

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# Street Play

The Department of Social Work conducted street play in association with District Child Protection Unit Thodupuzha on July 5th of 2022 for promoting the awareness of Child marriage, sexual abuse and importance of education. The event was successful with effective collaboration with the District Child Protection Unit. As part of the program the students from the Department of Social Work conducted street play at Vaguarai, Munnar and Marayoor. The event was productive with high level of motivation for the natives.



# Paper presentations in International Conferences

The students from the Department of Social Work have participated in "AWAKE" - an International Conference organized by K.E College Mannanam on 29th July 2022. 10 students from the Department of Social Work have presented and published their papers. The conference aimed at the inclusiveness of the marginalized sections of the society.

# **Court Visit**

The Department of Social Work conducted a visit to District Court Muttom on July 20th of 2022 as part of the educational observance in collaboration with District Legal Service Authority.Mr. Sirajudheen P.A, Sub Judge, Secretary of District Legal Service Authority gave an orientation about the court schedules and he wholeheartedly supported the students in their practical learning.



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# JAGRATHA 2022

The Department of Social Work in association with district legal service authority and solidarity suraksha project, muvattupuzha along with college anti-narcotic cell organized an awareness session on July 14th of 2022, as part of the observation of Anti-narcotic drug awareness day Mr. Sirajudheen P.A, Sub Judge, Secretary of District Legal Service Authority was the chief guest and Mr. Krishnan Nair, Sub Inspector of Police, PRO Thodupuzha was the Resource Person.

# Alumni Interaction and Introduction of Menstruation Course

The Department of Social Work in association with the alumni committee organized an alumni interaction on 17th August 2022. Anmaria Sabu an alumni of 2018- 2020 batch, working as a project coordinator, in a Finland based education enterprise "Venture Village Learning Solution" introduced a new holistic course on menstruation titled My Period, My Pride. 19 students from the department completed the course and enrolled in the programme.



# DEPARTMENT OF MEDIA STUDIES





# Department Day

The Department of Media Studies in association with the Department of Psychology conducted a department day on 30/06/2022 to provide an opportunity to assess the achievements of the college. The students are actively associated in all the segments of the programme. Rather, they manage all the activities by themselves. The program was inaugurated by the college Principal Fr. Paul Parakattel CMI.





# Photoshop Workshop

The Department of Media Studies in collaboration with the Computer Science Department organized a 4 days workshop. The students from the media studies department initiated and engaged with the students of S5 BCA and enriched them with basics of photoshop.



# Dept. of Computer Science

Coding Competition
Poster Designing Competition

# Dept. of Commerce

National Conference Commerce Fest

# Dept. of Management

Retrace Project Orientation

# Dept. of Social Work

Street Play in association with Janamythri Police, Thodupuzha Rural Camp Workshop on Participatory Rural Appraisal (PRA)

# Dept. of Media Studies

Industrial Visit

# Dept. of Psychology

Mental Health Day Program
Invited Talk
E-Magazine Publication

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