ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE, PALAYAMKOTTAI Annual Report for the year 2022-2023

We are extremely delighted to have in our midst the Bishop in Tirunelveli Diocese, the Rt. Rev. ARGST BARNABAS. He is the Chairman of all the colleges in our Diocese. We would like to take pride in saying that he is one of the proud alumni of St. John's College. His contributions to the college are immense. Even now he has taken his time out of his very busy schedule to be with us in this 145thCollege Day. On behalf of the College and on my own behalf, I welcome him to the College Day function.

Praising the Almighty, the source of all Energy, Knowledge and Understanding, I present the report of activities for the academic year 2022-2023. The college has on its roll 3665 students:1851 in the Aided and 1814 in the Un-Aided streams respectively. There are 179Teaching Staff and 77Non-Teaching Staff who are committed to the efficient and smooth functioning of the Institution.

RESULTS:

In the examinations conducted by the affiliating ManonmaniamSundaranar University, Tirunelveli -12, most of our students have come out successful, the crown of achievement being 13 University Ranks, secured by our students.

AWARDS, HONOURS AND ACHIEVEMENTS OF STAFF MEMBERS:

Our faculty have presented 167 papers in National and International Conferences.7 Faculty members published Books, 5 Faculty members granted funds from various funding agencies.10 of our staff members have been awarded Ph.D. Degree during this academic yearand 2 of the Faculty have undergone Refresher Course. I thank all the faculty members who have

published books bearingISBN number and articles in the journals.Out of 179faculties, 57 of them are Research supervisors and about 179research scholars are working under them. In the current year,10 scholars have been awarded.

86 classrooms of which 24 are equipped with LCD projectors. There are 18 laboratories, 4 seminar halls and 6 lecture halls with ICT facilities. Media lab is equipped with 21 systems with audio & video recording facility. Totally, there are 246 computers in the college. All the departments are given computers with Wi-Fi facility.

LIBRARY:

The Library has 62767 Text Books, 97000+ E Books, 6,000+ E Journals, 46 Journals, 34 Magazines and Dailies with an addition of 51145 titles this year. [Inflibnet] Internet Connectivity has been provided with 19 Computers and Printers. Our college students visited 6thPorunaiNellai Book Fair 2023 at VOC ground, Palayamkottai. They participated in cultural events and won prizes.

E-LEARNING CELL:

We have provided a separate E-Learning lounge with fully equipped advanced computer system and free internet facility in the central library for our students. Also students and staff are using INFLIBNET with separate ID in user free manner. Our E-Learning cell has uploaded the video lectures of staff members. Subject wise power points and notes of different subject experts have also been given in our college web site for the welfare of the students. Also we have uploaded the model University question papers as question bank in subject wise in our college web site.

All the 6 units and NSS of our college have been very active this year. They have organised events such as Free Eye Camp, Swatch Bharat Abiyan, Clen India, Exposure visit and many more. Students in large numbers got benefitted.

NCC:

54 NCC cadets and 1 ex NCC cadets with the NCC ANO went for a Trekking to the ChitharalMalaikoil, Kanyakumari District on 04.04.2022. A motivational programme on "Yoga" was conducted by 5 TN BN NCC Tirunelveli at St.John's College, Palayamkottai on 30.05.2022. 50 public participated. GDT Y Goldwin Raj received the best cadet award with a sum of Rs 3500/- from the Officer Commanding, 5(TN) BN NCC, Tirunelveli. Anti Tobacco Rally on 31.05.2022 started from NCC Office and reached Govt. Medical College Hospital, Tirunelveli. 40 NCC Cadets from our college participated. The Banks of Thamirabarani river were cleaned by the cadets of St. John's college on 09.08.2022. SGT.C. Vivekramwas selected in RDC 2023 and he also participated in the Flag-hoisting ceremony, held at Delhi on 26.01.2023.

SPORTS:

Our students eagerly participated in the ManonmaniamSundaranar University inter collegiate tournaments – Football (M& W), Kabbadi (M) Volley Ball (M), Badminton (M & W), Cricket (M), Hockey (M) Athletics (M & W). I am happy to say that M.Saravanan of I MA Economics, A. Vijay Ajith and G. Arul Jothi of I B.Sc. Phy. Edn., B. Mary Joice of II BA English were selected to take part in the ManonmaniamSundaranar University Men and

Women football team. Also, E. Amal Vishvas Rajaof III BA History, K. Maharaja of II BSc Phy. Edn. And S. Arunachalamof I.B.Sc.Phy. Edn. have been selected to take part in the ManonmaniamSundaranar University Men Badminton and Cricket team.

CAREER GUIDANCE AND PLACEMENT CELL:

The Career Guidance and Counselling Cell has conducted Seminars, workshops and Campus Interviews throughout the year for the welfare of the students. It has conducted Employability Programmes like typewriting classes.87 students are learning this skill now. It has conducted thirteen programmes during the academic year 2022-2023. Among these sixareinterviews, three are skill development programmes and four are skill training programmes. The total number of beneficiaries are 2263.

BLOOD DONORS CLUB:

The students of our college donated their blood to the needy people. More than 50 patients have been benefited. For first year students ascreening test was conducted for nearly 600 students.

YOUTH RED CROSS:

The Youth Red Cross of our College conducted various programmes for the students and society. World Food Day was celebrated in our college campus on 19.10.2022. On 30.01.2023, Disaster Management Training Programme was conducted in our college. To boost immunity among the staff and the students - KabasuraKudineer was distributed on 13.02.2023. An awareness programme on Road Safety was organized in our college campus on 07.03.2023. The YRC in association with the Women's Cell celebrated the International Women's Day on 08.03.2023.

RED RIBBON CLUB:

The Red RibbonClub was inaugurated in our college for the second year students for the academic year 2022-23. The consecutive meetings helped the students in more than one ways.

GREEN JOHN'S CELL:

Various programmes were organised during this Academic year. Nealy 400 saplings were planted in college campus and college play ground. A new scheme was introduced in this academic year namely, "Green Graduation" a unique programme for students.

WOMEN'S CELL:

Women Cell of St.John's College and the Tirunelveli District Level services authority jointly organized a programme titled "Legal Assistance available to women" on 15.09.2022. To celebrate the international day for the Elimination of Violence against Women, an awareness program on "Prevention from Cancer" was arranged in collaboration with the Nellai Cancer Care Centre on 10.02.2023. International Women's day was celebrated in a grand successful manner on 08.03.2023. A special program was conducted exclusively for girl students on 03.04.2023.

ENTRY INTO SERVICES:

The cell encourages our students to get selected in the competitive examinations like UPSC, TNPSC, Banking etc.

YOUTH WELFARE DEPARTMENT:

Having personality-building and Nation-building as the twin objectives, the Fine Arts and Youth Welfare Cell has been functioning effectively for the benefit of our students. This year, the cell has organized flag hoisting ceremonies of Independence Day and Republic Day. An inter-departmental cultural competitions , LEGATEES 2022 was conducted. Our students were also sent outside of our campus to participate in District level, State level and National level competitions. Many students have brought laurels to the college.

Graduation Day was held at the auditorium on 15.11.2022. 1034students got graduated that day. Dr.J. Sacratees, Controller of Examination i/c, ManonmaniamSundaranar University was the chief guest of the day. Hedistributed degree certificates to the graduates.

NATURE CLUB:

The members of Nature Club are encouraged to carry out service-oriented activities that addresses the environmental and socio- environmental concerns prevailing in the society and make our environment clean in order to conserve natural reserves and reduce global warming.

During the academic year 2022-23, around 180 students from Arts and Science Departments have registered their name for membership. As routine work, the club members actively participated in college campus cleaning, Tree Plantation, Trekking programme, Training and Awareness programme.

NAAC - IQAC:

Intern al Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) of our college plays a vital role in enhancing the academic quality of our. NIRF & AISHE data was successfully

uploaded for the academic year 2021-2022. This year we are hopefully awaiting an NIRF Rank.

Several IQAC initiative programme were conducted to enhance the quality of Education. The few are 1. Enhancement Programs through ICT Academy. 2. Integrated farming through Animal house of Zoology department. 3. Specific plants grow under shaded house through Botany Department. 4. This year Institution Innovation council has been started as per the direction of MHRD, Govt. of India. 5. A special BEC courses were conducted through centre for English and other foreign language.

CHRISTIAN ACTIVITIES:

The College reopened with a communion service at the chapel on 18.07.2022. The regular chapel service is being conducted on everyday at 7.50 am. For the first time, a regular chapel service for the SF stream was introduced from 1.10 pm - 1.30 pm from 1st July 2022. Various competitions in singing, instrument playing, Bible Quiz and preaching for students were conducted on 27.08.2022. The Christmas Carol service was conducted on 22nd December 2022, at our college chapel Rt. Rev. Dr. Barnabas, the Bishop in Tirunelveli Diocese shared Christmas message. During the Lenten days, the communion service was conducted on every Friday from 12.30 – 1.30 pm. The Annual retreat was conducted on 3rd and 4th February 2023 at Jebamalai, Mathapuram. Around 200 students participated and got benefitted. The staff retreat was held at Kodaikanal from 15th and 16th March 2023.

SCHOLARSHIPS

610 student have received Scholarships under various schemes of the Government to the tune of Rs.29,12,533/-.

I thank and praise God Almighty for He enabled all of us to carry out the

above read activities in a successful manner.

Here, I would like to place on record the support and guidance along with

prayers and blessings of our beloved Bishop Iyah.

I also would like to thank our Secretary and Correspondent, Mr.

Jeyachandran, who is very much dedicated to the development of our college.

The time he has spent on the campus is an evidence of how much he loves

our college.

Dear colleagues, (Teaching and Non Teaching)

I wish to acknowledge and appreciate the commendable services, you all

have done to the Student Community of our College throughout this

academic year.

My special thanks are due to all the Head of the Departments, who always

supported me in all the possible ways.

Once again, I would also like to express my sincere thanks to all of you

for the support and Co-operation rendered to me. But for your support,

we could not have achieved what we have. There is much that still has to

be achieved: "Miles to go before we sleep". And we press on laying our

trust in God, the Giver of all Good Gifts!

Thank you so much.

(Dr S. SUTHAKAR ISSAC)

Principal

03.05.2023