

# **ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE, ANCHAL**

## **ANNUAL REPORT 2018-2019**

### **INTRODUCTION**

St. Johns College Anchal is one of the Malankara Syrian Catholic colleges established and administered by the Major Archdiocese of Trivandrum. This is the fruit of the vision of late Archbishop Most. Rev. Dr. Benedict Mar Gregorios and currently flourishes under the patronage of His Beatitude Moran Mor Baselios Cardinal Cleemis Catholicos.

The college, affiliated to the University of Kerala, was started in 1964 with pre-degree courses and upgraded successively with UG and PG courses. There are currently 10 UG and 4 PG programmes in Arts, Science and Commerce. The teaching staff strength is 74 with 46 permanent staff and 28 guest lectures. There are 23 permanent Administrative staff and 10 others to help the daily functioning of the college. Altogether there are 1300 students among them 70% are women.

In 2015, the college was re-accredited with "A" grade by NAAC. We earnestly dedicate ourselves to jump into the higher steps to achieve superior aspirations utilizing all possible resources for better education and to fulfill the mission and vision of the college.

The college advances into the higher realm of STAR College scheme (a grant of 47 lakh ) by DBT, Ministry of Science and Technology, Government of India.

The college also bagged the DST-FIST Recognition in 2016,i.e, a grant of 1.1cr. is sanctioned for 5 years to the science departments to provide ample opportunities to acquire some major research activities of the college and thereby improve quality of education.

The College also got enlisted in the RUSA infrastructure fund list in 2018.(-a grant of 2 Cr. Sanctioned for the infrastructural development in collaboration with the management with a share of 20%.)

The institution has entered its third cycle of accreditation and the Johnian fraternity is working effortlessly for the same. The IQAC of St John's College, Anchal was established in 1-06-2005. This year the college is moving for the third cycle of NAAC reaccreditation. At present the college has been accredited with 'A' grade (grade point 3.01), in cycle 2. Following are members of the Internal Quality Assurance Cell.

1. Fr. Johnson G., Principal (Chairman)
2. Mr. Jerry C. Jacson, Dept. of Botany (Coordinator)
3. Dr. P. George Thomas, HoD, Dept. of Commerce
4. Ms. Suja S. Malancharuvil, HoD, Dept. of English
5. Ms. Nisha Thomas, HoD, Dept. of Zoology
6. Dr. Jithin Jose P., HoD, Dept. of Physical Education
7. Ms. Rashmi S. Pillai, Dept. of English
8. Dr. Arun P. S., Dept. of Chemistry
9. Mr. Rakesh R., Dept. of English
10. Fr. Jinoy Mathew, Bursar (Management Representative)
11. Mr. Saji Thomas, Superintendent (Administrative Representative)
12. Mr. Shajimon P. G., Head Accountant (Administrative Representative)
13. Mr. George Thomas, Representative of local society (Nominee)
14. Mr. Abdul Kharim, Advocate and Alumni (Nominee)
15. Mr. Rajeev Anchal, Artist, Jatayu Earth Centre (Nominee)
16. Mr. Muralidharan, Chairman and Founder, SFC group (Nominee)
17. Mr. Sunil Kumar, PTA (Nominee)
18. Chairman, College Students Union (Nominee)

### **Major Achievements**

- Our students achieved several ranks and positions in the university Exams 2018-2019. Ms Aiswarya Lekshmi of B Com procured the University Second position. Ms Megha S Dev and Ms Anupama P of M Sc Environmental Sciences procured the second and third ranks respectively. The PG Politics and Public Administration department did the college proud by bagging all the three

university positions. Veena Vijayan of MA Public Administration was the topper followed by Anju O and Amala S Anil.

- Aiswarya S of II B Sc mathematics gets selected for the Republic Day parade as a part of the NCC.
- Our students brought several laurels to the institution, under the guidance of the Physical Director. St John's College procured second in the inter collegiate athletic meet conducted by the University of Kerala and women athletes were the champions.
- The students of our college secured the fourth position in the inter collegiate Wrestling competition.
- St John's College was the overall champion in the Kerala University Inter collegiate Cross Country Championship.
- For the first time in ten years, a student of our college was selected to the Kerala University athletic team. Athira B got the honour. She also entered the semi-finals in Mangalore.
- Our college sent teams to seventeen inter collegiate sports events.
- Our under 20 women's team were the champions in the Kollam district amateur sports meet and the overall seniors champions.
- Our women's team were the runners up in the intercollegiate district basketball championship.

### **Infrastructural Development**

- A Research lab has been under construction for the PG department of Chemistry. The room had previously been functioning as a conference room.
- 2 LED boards have been established in the main building for displaying candidate codes of students and details of exam halls; and important information.
- 3 LED boards have been installed in the three classrooms of the Department of English as a part of the UGC sponsored "IT Enabled English Language Skill Development". This has been done to enhance the language learning skills of learners.

## Major events during 2018-19

- A felicitation programme was organized for Ms S Susree, the youngest candidate to clear the Civil Services Examination in 2018, on May 29, 2018. Dignitaries from several fields marked their honourable presence during the programme.
- Rev Father Johnson G takes charge as the new Principal of St John's College, Anchal. Gratitude is indeed due to Rev Dr James Steephen Ollikal for his remarkable contribution to the progress of the institution.
- A reunion function of the 74-77 Zoology batch was organized in the library conference hall on July 18 at 11 30 am.
- An induction programme for the freshers and their parents was organized in the Mar Gregorios Auditorium on July 28, 2019. The chief guests for the function were Mr Sunil Kumar P and Ms S Susree.
- Mr Vinod P L, Assistant Professor of Malayalam takes charge as the New Cadet Officer for NCC.
- The department of Environmental Sciences organized a seminar on Ozone Day on September 12, 2018.
- The Mar Gregorios Lecture to commemorate the founder's contribution to the institution was organized in the College Auditorium on October 12, 2018. Mr Ruble Raj was the Chief Guest.
- The Music Club was inaugurated in the Audio Visual Theatre On November 1, 2018 by Rev Fr Johnson G. The convenor of the club Dr Deepa Mary Joseph welcomed the gathering. There was a musical gala "Nadham" by the members of the club.
- The College Union "Mizra 2k18" was inaugurated by Mr Sabarinath, MLA on November 15, 2018.
- The department of Politics and Public Administration conducted a ten-day training programme for Higher Secondary teachers from across Kerala from November 16 to 25, 2018.

- The NSS under the aegis of the newly appointed Programme Officers, Mr Shijo Varghese (Assistant Professor, Malayalam) and Ms Anu Varghese (Assistant Professor, Commerce), conducted an orientation for its members on November 21, 2018 in the College Auditorium. Mr Brahmanayakam Mahadevan took the class.
- The various associations in college were inaugurated with great fanfare.
- A Blood Donation camp was organized by the NSS on November 23, 2018.
- An Aids awareness rally was also organized by the NSS on December 3, 2018.
- An orientation programme was conducted by the NCC unit of the college on December 6, 2018. Mr Vinod Vikramadithyan, Sub Inspector of Police, Pettah Police Station, Thiruvananthapuram took the class
- Christmas was celebrated in college on December 20, 2018
- The NSS unit organized a ten day camp from December 25-31, 2018.
- The Department of Politics and Public Administration conducted training for the HSST teachers from across Kerala from January 30 to February 8, 2019, in the Audio Visual Theatre.
- A national seminar CBEM 2019, was organized by the Department of Environmental Sciences in the Audio Visual Theatre from February 19- 20, 2019.
- The 55<sup>th</sup> Annual Athletic Meet of the college was conducted in the College ground on February 28, 2019.
- Arts day “Poomaram 2019” was organized in the college on March 5 and 6, 2019. The programme was inaugurated by Ms Noorul Sherif, cine-actor.
- College day was inaugurated by Mr Antony Varghese Pepe in the college auditorium on March 15, 2019.
- Women’s Day was celebrated in college on March 22, 2019 by Dr M S Sunil, Associate Professor of Botany, St Stephens College, Pathanapuram; in the College Auditorium.
- Excelsior 2019, was organized in the College Auditorium on March 26, 2019. The honourable Vice Chancellor of the University of Kerala inaugurated the function.

## **Challenges**

- Lack of adequate campus placements.
- Lack of interest for higher studies.
- Lack of permanent faculty in many of the departments.
- Lack of Stadium and furnished courts for sports activities.
- Unnecessary intervention of the political students union in day today affairs.
- Infrastructural development is a major challenge i.e, lack of sufficient classrooms, administrative block, Lab facilities etc.

The 'A' grade accreditation has helped the college in procuring funds like DBT Star College Scheme and DST FIST, which has been utilized to upgrade labs and this has helped in raising the college to a research centre (Dept. of Chemistry). There is a separate office for IQAC and it is need of AC by the time of NAAC peer team visit probably by March first week. Equipments used have been the same that is in use for the last 5 years. Since the last visit in March 2015 there have not been any purchases pertaining to IQAC. There is one computer but it requires two systems. There is internet connectivity and centralized UPS is extended to the IQAC office. The presence of proper office furniture is also a requisite.

## **CONCLUSION**

I take this opportunity to thank our Patron and the Manager of the college His Beatitude Moran mor Baselios Cardinal Cleemis Catholicos, Managing council members, with a sincere heart appreciate and express my thanks to Rev Fr Johnson G, our beloved principal, the Academic council members, HODs, Faculty members, Office staff, students and all others those who helped and supported us for making this college really a success. With this word of thanks I submit this report for your valuable discussion.

### Faculty Development Programme (2018-2019)

Sl. No.	Name of the Programme	No. of teachers participated
1	Orientation Programme	<b>07</b>
2	Refresher Course	
3	Short Term Course / Other Career Advancement Programme	

Name of the participant	Designation	Title of the FDP /MDP/ professional development / administrative training program	Dates (from-to) (DD-MM-YYYY)
Dr Joma Joseph	Assistant Professor, Department of Commerce	UGC Orientation Programme	20-06-2018 to 17-07-2018
Dr Tony Philip	Assistant Professor, Department of Mathematics	UGC-Sponsored Orientation Programme	20-06-2018 to 17-07-2018
Vinod L	Assistant Professor, Department of Malayalam	UGC-Sponsored Orientation Programme	20-06-2018 to 17-07-2018
Dr Sibi C Babu	Assistant Professor, Department of Mathematics	Two-Week Refresher on Multi-disciplinary	23-07-2018 to 13-08-2018
Dr Sooraj Kumar	Assistant Professor, Department of English	UGC-Sponsored Refresher Course in English Language and Modern Literature	05-10-2018 to 26-10-2018
Simi Saju	Assistant Professor, Department of Chemistry	Degree College Teachers Training Program in Chemistry	22-11-2018 to 12-12-2018
Dr Lalitha Joseph	Assistant Professor, Department of English	FDP in Postcolonial Literature	01-01-2019 to 28-02-2019

### Research Publications during the Academic Year 2018-2019

Title of the Paper	Name of author/s	Department of the teacher	Name of the Journal	Calendar Year of Publication
Beyond health-seeking behaviour: Exploring the hospital attacks in Kerala.	Thomas, Sajan	Politics and Public Administration	Ala	2018
Computational study of molecular electrostatic potential, docking and dynamics simulations of gallic acid derivatives as ABL inhibitors.	Raghi, K. R., Sherin, D. R., Saumya, M. J., Arun, P. S., Sobha, V. N., & Manoj kumar T. K.	Chemistry	Computational Biology and Chemistry	2018

Evaluation of ground water quality and its suitability for drinking and agricultural use in Kavaratti Island in the Lakshadweep Archipelagos, India.	Raheem, P., Vincy M. V. and Brilliant, R.	Environmental Science	International Research Journal of Natural and Applied Sciences	2018
Determination of ground water quality index as a tool for assessing the quality of ground water for drinking and other purpose in a coral atoll in Indian ocean Kavaratti Island, Lakshadweep, India	Palliyakkal, Raheem, and Brilliant Rajan	Environmental Science	International Journal of Research and Analytical Reviews	2018
Agrobiodiversity of Kuttanad wetlands in the context of promising agroforestry practices and resource sustainability	T. Alexander	Environmental Science	Indian Journal of Agroforestry	2018



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