

## St. Xavier's College (Autonomous)

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## **ANNUAL REPORT 2023-2024**

## DEPARTMENT OF CRIMINOLOGY & FORENSIC SCIENCE



- 1. The inauguration of the Association of Criminology and Forensic Science took place on 26.07.2023 at St. Xavier's College. Dr. Michael Valan, Assistant Professor at Jindal, graced the occasion as the chief guest. An interactive session regarding the significance of criminology and the relevance of Forensic Science to the Criminal Justice System (CJS) was held.
- 2. The association organized two programs, including a special lecture and a webinar, and provided support for departmental events such as an endowment lecture and a joint lecture. The association also coordinated the department's participation in a Two-day National Conference organized by M. S. University.



- 3. A special lecture on "Indian Prison Administration", held on 14.09.2023, featured Mr. Vasantha Kannan (ADSP Prison) as the guest speaker. Topics covered included the floating population in prison and recidivism.
- 4. A Virtual Webinar on "Scientific Aids to Crime Investigation" took place on 05.12.2023, featuring Dr. J. Sasi Kumar as the invited speaker.
- 5. The association assisted the department in a two-day National Conference on "Behavioral Changes and Victimization of Adolescence in Contemporary Society" organized by MSU. Students submitted five papers on various sub-themes. 20 students participated in the Conference.
- 6. The first Endowment Lecture on 15.02.2024, dedicated in the memory of Rev. Fr. Vimi Charlie, featured a lecture on "Reflections On Technology Facilitated Gender-Based Violence" by Dr. M. Priyamavadha. Mr. V. Edwin Joseph released the endowment amount, and the cheque was handed over to Rev. Fr. S. Mariadass, Principal.
- 7. On 20.02.2024, the department of CFS organized the National Interdisciplinary Seminar on "Trade Routes and Crime Circuits" in collaboration with the Department of B.B.A. Maritime Logistics and B.Com., Honours. The association played a crucial role in the successful completion of three different technical sessions, inviting students from M.S. University.
- 8. An Academic Inauguration of the Department of Criminology and Forensic Science took place on 15.07.2023. Tmt. S. Sameena, District Judge, was the Chief Guest, and Prof. Dr. K. Chockalingamand Prof. Dr. P. Madhava Soma Sundaram were the Guests of Honour.