

### From the Editor's Desk

Welcome to the latest edition of the IOAC Newsletter! This issue brings you a glimpse into the vibrant academic year of 2022-2023 at St. Xavier's College (Autonomous), Palayamkottai. To mark a significant milestone, we celebrated our College's Centennial year. We are proud to highlight the numerous initiatives undertaken to foster academic excellence, faculty development, and a well-rounded student experience. From faculty empowerment programs to research collaborations, this newsletter highlights the college's commitment to continuous improvement. Our students are actively engaged in various activities, including Conferences, seminars and workshops on current topics, various international day celebrations, and sports events. The IOAC cell has been instrumental in driving quality initiatives through

Internal and External audits, Green audits, and collaborations with the Xavier Board of Higher Education and other institutions. Beyond academics, the newsletter captures the spirit of St. Xavier's through alumni meets, guest lectures, departmentspecific events, and the impactful work undertaken by STAND. The placement cell continues to empower students for successful careers through job fairs, industry collaborations like the one with TCS, and skill development programs. We invite you to explore deeper into the pages of this newsletter and discover the accomplishments and ongoing endeavours that make St. Xavier's College a truly exceptional institution. This Newsletter provides a bird's eye view of the quality measures implemented at St. Xavier's College during the academic year 2022-2023. RA & JS

# 100<sup>th</sup> College Day

The Centenary College Day Celebration was held on 01.04.2023. The Chief Guest of the day, Hon'ble Palanivel Thiagarajan, Minister for Finance and Human Resource management, Government of Tamilnadu, enthused the students to act toward their desired goal that gives purpose and direction to behaviour for nation building.

The Guest of Honour was Prof. K. S. Narayanan, our illustrious alumnus, Former Professor of Chemistry, St. Xavier's College, Palayamkottai. Rev. Fr. Dr. V. Henry Jerome, S.J., Rector, St. Xavier's Institutions, Rev. Fr. Dr. G. Pushparaj S.J., Secretary, offered felicitations. Rev. Fr. Dr. S. Mariadoss, S.J., preented the Annual Report, giving the details of the quality enhancement measures implemented in the academic year 2022-2023. 280 academic prizes, 38 special awards and 95 endowment scholarships were distributed to students. The participation of the Jesuit Management, Teaching and Administrative Staff, Parents, Alumini, Guests and Students added colors to 100th College Day Celebration.



102 year old Alumnus as the Guest of Honour on the

100th year College day celebrations on 01.04.2023

## Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) Activities

IQAC is an integral part of the system of the institution and works towards realization of the goals of quality enhancement. The prime task of the IQAC is to develop a system for conscious, consistent and catalytic improvement in the overall performance of the institution. The vision of IQAC is to ensure quality culture as the prime concern through institutionalizing and internalizing all the initiatives taken with internal and external support. Every year IQAC carries out quality sustenance and quality enhancement activities.

Every year, IQAC engages in quality maintenance and improvement tasks.



IQAC Conducted **orientation programme** for the teachers on 15th and 16th July 2022. **Rev. Fr. Dr. Francis. P. Xavier, S.J.,** Rector, Loyola College, Chennai spoke on the topic "Ignatian Vision of Education in Today's Context" in session – I and he presented the topic on Ignatian Pedagogy in session – II. 198 teachers were present on the first day and 182 teachers on the second day.



Dr. B. Willian Dharma Raja, Professor and Head, Department of Education, M.S. University, Tirunelveli delivered his lecture on "Enhancing Teaching Skills" in session III.

In Session IV Rev. Fr. Suresh, Anugraha College, Dindigul, focused on the topic "Mentoring and Counseling".



In Day 2, **Dr. M. Mohamed Sathik,** former Principal, Sadakathullah Appa College, Palayamkottai spoke on the topic on "Commitment and Competence building".

IQAC motivated the staff members to complete the Orientation/Induction programme. 89 Faculty members of shift II out of 101 completed online Induction / Orientation Programme (TLC – PMMNNMTT).

Programme (FEP-1) for teachers was conducted on 23.07.2022. Dr. V. S. Joseph Albert, Former Associate Professor of English & Deputy Principal, spoke on the milestones in the history of St. Xavier's College in session - I and Rev. Fr. Dr. S. Ignacimuthu. S.J., Director, Xavier Research Foundation (XRF) spoke on Research Publications and Patent in Session – II. The total number of participants was 139.



**SXC-Centenary Year Faculty Empowerment Programme (FEP-2)** for teachers was conducted on 24th September 2022. Dr. John Peter, the Resource person, spoke on the topic "Innovative Teaching and Learning", and he highlighted the Learning Process, Learning Characteristics, learning style and Learning Agility. The total number of participants was 157.



Extended IQAC meeting was held on 23.07.2022 at 2.30 pm. The meeting for NAAC – AQAR Internal Green Audit / Environment Audit / Energy Audit began at 2 p.m. The meeting was presided over by Dr. A. Lourdusamy, Former IQAC Director. He then presented the Audit information related to St. Xavier's College and discussed the Internal Green / Environment / Energy audit reports.

In collaboration with the Departments of Botany, Zoology, Chemistry, Energy Research Centre, Enviro Club and NSS, IQAC conducted External Green /



**Energy / Environmental Audit** on 25. 07. 2022 by Nature Science Foundation (NSF), Coimbatore.

IQAC Conducted a meeting on 20.10.2022 for the core committee members to discuss the NAAC - AQAR Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) that is to be followed during the Internal AQAR Audit.

AQAR reports were uploaded in the NAAC portal for the academic year 2019 – 2020 on 02.05.2022, for 2020 – 2021 on 3.10.2022 and they were accepted on 19.07.2022 and 7.10.2022 respectively.

**AQAR Internal Academic Audit (IAA)** was conducted on 27.10.2022. The departments presented the report of various activities conducted in the year 2021 – 2022.



IQAC in collaboration with Mathematics Department offered 18 courses (Value added/Add on courses for 35 hours) to 10 departments in Shift I and Shift II. Total number of students enrolled in the year 2022-2023 was 558.



The Intellectual Property Right (IPR) awareness programme was conducted on 28.10.2022 by IQAC for HoDs and Asst. Professors, Research scholars from Arts and Science Departments of SXC. The total number of participants was 120.

Student Feedback on teachers for even semester for the academic year 2021 - 2022 was conducted in Internet Centre from  $21^{st}$  May 2022 to  $30^{th}$  May 2022.

Student Feedback on teachers for odd semester for the academic year 2022 – 2023, was conducted in Internet Centre, MCA Lab, UG Computer Lab, Commerce Computer Lab and Language Lab from 29th September to 1st November 2022. The individual faculty report for every staff member was sent to the management.



The External Academic and Administrative Audit (AAA) for the academic years 2018 - 2019, 2019 - 2020, 2020 - 2021, 2021-2022 was conducted on 11/01/2023. Dr. B. Serena Margaret, IQAC Director and Associate Professor of English, St. Mary's College, Thoothukudi and Dr. S. Sujitha Assistant IQAC director, Holy Cross College, Nagercoil acted as external experts.



World Social Justice Day was organised by IQAC in collaboration with Unnat Bharat Abhiyan (UBA) on 20.02.2023. Total number of students participated in this programme was 800 and the number of faculty was 65.



Student Feedback on Curricular Aspects (Exit Poll) was conducted on 2nd and 3rd March 2023 for the academic year 2022 – 2023 for UG/PG final year students.

Student Feedback on teachers for even semester for the academic year 2022 – 2023, was conducted on 20.03.2023-23.03.2023 in Internet Centre, MCA Lab, UG Computer Lab, Commerce Computer Lab and Language Lab.

## **Projects**

Currently Xavier Research Foundation is running the following four major and one minor projects to the tune of Rs. 2,94,00,084:

- Training Students in Organic Farming and Sustainable Agriculture and Promoting Agro-Tourism in Tamil Nadu.
- Promoting Awareness and Scientific Knowledge on Medicinal Plants among Higher Secondary School Children in Tirunelveli District of Tamil Nadu.
- 3. Training Students to be Agents of Environmental Protection and Organic Farming.
- 4. Promoting Indigenous Traditional Herbal Medicines to Cure Some Diseases Based on Rigorous Scientific Evaluation.

Sincere appreciation to Rev. Fr.Dr. S. Ignacimuthu SJ, and XRF team for keeping the flag of St. Xavier's high in research.

## **Research Grants**

Currently Department of Science and Technology (DST) has sanctioned Rs.1.1 crore under Fund for Improvement of S&T Infrastructure (FIST)" in 2022-2023.

# New MoU's

Rev. Fr. Dr. S. Mariadoss S. J. Chairman of IQAC, Dr. R. Azhagu Raj, IQAC Director and Dr. A. Lourdusamy, Head of the Department of Mathematics attended the meeting of Xavier Board of Higher Education from 14th to 15th May 2022 in Eranakulam and 22nd to 24th October 2022 in Goa. Totally the following 50 MoUs were signed.



#### Tamil Nadu

- 1. Nirmala College, Coimbatore.
- 2. Nature Science Foundation, Coimbatore.
- 3. St. Antony's College of Arts and Science for Women, Thamaraipadi.
- 4. Providence Women's College, Coonoor.
- 5. Mar Gregorious College of Arts and Science, Chennai.
- 6. Jayaraj Annapackiam College for Women, Periyakulam.
- 7. Annai Vailankkani Arts and Science College, Thanjavur.
- 8. Sacred Heart College, Tirupattur.
- 9. Sacred Heart College, Perani.
- 10. Holy Cross College, Nagarcoil.
- 11. Don Bosco College, Yelagiri Hills.
- 12. Bon Secours College for Women, Thanjavur.
- 13. St. Mary College, Thoothukudi.
- 14. Holy Cross Home Science College, Thoothukudi.
- 15. ZOI FINTECH SERVICES, Vijay Tower, Samathanapuram, Tirunelveli.
- 16. PSN Engineering college, Tirunelveli.

#### Andhra Pradesh

17. J.M.J (Jesus Mary Joseph) College, Tenali.

#### Assam

18.St. Ann's College, Kokrajhar.

#### Goa

19. St. Xavier's College, Goa

#### Jharkhand

20. Nirmala College, Ranchi.



#### Kerala

- 21. Mar Theophilus Trainning College, Nalanchira, Trivandram.
- 22. Christ College (Autonomous), Irunjalkuda.
- 23. Deva Matha College Kuravilangad.
- 24. Mar Athanasios College for Advanced Studies Tiruvalla, Pathanamthita.
- 25. St. Joseph's College for Women, Alappuzha.
- 26. St. Thomas College, Thrissur.
- 27. Santhigiri College of Computer Sciences, Idukki.
- 28. Providence Women's College, Kozhikode.
- 29. St. Berchmans College, Changanassery.
- 30. St. Mary's College, Thirissur.
- 31. Alphonsa College, Pala.
- 32. St. Albert's College, Ernakulam.
- 33. Christ Nagar College, Trivandrum.
- 34. Mar Ivanios, Thiruvananthapuram.

#### Karnataka

- 35. Montfort College, Bengaluru.
- 36. Jyoti Nivas College, Bengaluru.
- 37. St. Aloysius College, Mangalore.
- 38. St. Joseph University, Bengaluru.
- 39. Christ University, Bengaluru.
- 40. Kristu Jayanthi College, Bengaluru.
- 41. St. Philomena's Degree College, Bannimantap, Mysuru

#### Maharashtra

- 42. St. Francis de Sales College, Nagpur
- 43. St. Xaviers College, Mumbai.
- 44. St. Andrew's College, Mumbai.

#### Meghalaya

- 45. St Antony's College, Meghalaya.
- 46. Don Bosco College, Tura.

#### New Delhi

47. Jesus and Mary College, New Delhi.

### Rajasthan

48. St. Xaviers College, Jaipur.



#### Telengana

49. Loyola Academy, Secunderabad.

#### International

50. Virginia, Common wealth University, USA

# National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF)

St. Xavier's College, Palyamkottai received 68th rank out of 2270 colleges that participated in INDIA Ranking - 2022 in college level category under National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF) exercise undertaken by the Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD), Government of India.

St. Xavier's College (Autonomous), Palayamkottai submitted the data in NIRF portal on 19/01/2023 for INDIA RANKING – 2023 under National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF), initiated by MoE, India.

### **Research Centres**

The quest for knowledge is the basic principle of research. In the fast changing global scenario, research is significant for an educational institution like St. Xavier's College. The Research Centres in our college facilitate interaction among faculty, scholars, students and industry to enhance research opportunities, academic excellence, knowledge creation and dissemination of information through publication of books and journal articles, organizing seminars and conferences and extension activities. There are 18 Research Centres in our college under various departments. At present there are 86 Research Guides, 25 candidates defended their PhD theses in the academic year 2022-2023 and 20 candidates have registered for their Ph. D. 205 candidates are pursuing doctoral research at present.

The college appreciates all the Directors of Research Centres and Research Guides for their research activities during the academic year 2022—2023.

# New Programmes

The following new courses were started in the academic year 2023- 2024: B. Sc. Criminology and Forensic Science, B. Com. Honours, M.Sc. Data Science, M. A. English (Additional Section) and B.B.A. Maritime Logistics.

# International / National Conferences / Seminars / Workshops

Department of Mathematics conducted SXC Centenary year-International Conference on "Recent Developments in Pure and Applied Mathematics" from 19th to 21st July 2022.



Department of Computer Science conducted an international conference titled "Mathematics and Informatics" on 29.03.2023.



Department of Chemistry organized an international conference titled "Recent advances in solar energy harvesting using thin film solar cells" on 21.09.2022.



The department of Social Work collaborated with the TN Job Skill Development Centre and organized a Centenary International Conference on Skill Development for the Social Work Profession on 02.08.2022.Dr. Kathleen Westman, Emeritus Professor in Sociology from the TN Job Skill Development Centre delivered a lecture on international issues and challenges faced by social workers and the skills to be equipped by social work students in order to become more employable.



Department of Zoology conducted a National Conference on "Recent Progress in Bioprospecting - Derived Therapeutic Product" on 12.01.2023 and 13.01.2023.



PG & Research Department of Commerce organized an international webinar on "Block Chain Technology" on 10.01.2023. 190 scholars from various colleges participated.



Department of Commerce (Shift-II) organized an international conference titled "Technopreneurship: An Emerging Field of Entrepreneurship" on 10.02.2023.

Department of Commerce conducted a National Level workshop on "Data Analysis Using SPSS" from 15.03.2023 to 16.03.2023.

Department of B.Com. Corporate Secretaryship organized a national conference titled "Startup in India – Opportunities and Challenges" on 01.03.2023.



Department of Physics organized a hybrid mode international conference titled "Emerging Materials and its Applications" on 01.03.2023.



தமிழ்த்துறையில் 15.03.2023 அன்று நடைபெற்ற வியாழவட்டக் கருத்தரங்கில் எழுத்தாளர் திரு. அபிமன்யு அவர்கள் "படைப்பும் படைப்பாளியும் என்ற தலைப்பில் உரை நிகழ்த்தினார்.



Department of computer Application organized a seminar on JavaScript for Client and Server-Side Scripting on 26.08.2022. Seminar on "Top Trending Technologies & It's Opportunities" was conducted on 20.03.2023.



On 24.08.2022 Department of Visual Communication organized Workshop on Folk Art 'Thol Pavai Koothu' by 'Kalaimuthumani' Mr. M. Raju Tirunelveli.



Workshop on Writing for Media by the **journalist**, Mr. Nagarajan Kanthan, Puthiyathalaimurai Chief Corespondent was conducted on 15.03.2023.

Workshop on Film Making by **Director Mr. Jackson Raj** International award winner was conducted on 16.03.2023.



Dr. V. John Endowment Lecture was organised on 28.03.2023. Dr. K. Xavier Amalraj, Former head, Department of English, Aditanar College of Arts and Science, Tiruchendur, was the Resource person who delivered a lecture on 'Creative Writing in English'.



The Department of Botany in association with the Dean's Office jointly organized a Lecture on 02.08.2022. The Department of Botany organized a lecture workshop on Herbal cure and Remedies (LWHR –2023) on 17th March 2023.



On 14th February 2023 the Department of Economics organized Prof. C. Michael Pro Endowment Lecture on "Budget Analysis 2023-24".



A Guest Lecture entitled "Investors Awareness and Protection" was organized by Department of BBA on 11th October 2022. Dr. T. Vijaya-kumar, Director, Loyola institute of technology and science, Thovalai was our special speaker of the event.

The second meeting of Manavar Manram in Department of Folklore was convened on 10.02.2023 in which the documentary film, Folk Performances of Tamil Nadu (Collections from FRRC), was screened. Mr. M. Peter Arockiaraj, Assistant Professor, conducted the discussion.



- XIBA organized an International Day for Human Rights on 10.12.2022.
- XIBA Centre for Research organized a Two-Day Workshop on "Smart PLS" on 14 & 15 December 2022. Dr. Manjula & Dr. Dona Ghosh – Thiagarajar School of Management, Madurai were the resource persons.
- An International Webinar was organized on 07.03.2023. Dr. Cornelius Christian, Associate Professor of Economics at Brock University, St. Catharines, Canada delivered a lecture on "Money" and shared his reflection on International Business Management.



# Nature Science Foundation (NSF) Award

Nature Science Foundation (NSF), Coimbatore presented the following 12 different awards to the faculty of our college on 08.03.2023.



- Rev. Fr. Dr. S. Maridoss. S.J. Best College Principal Award
- 2. Dr. A. Lourdusamy Best Faculty Award
- 3. Dr. A. Arockiadoss Best Entrepreneur Award
- 4. Dr. R. Azhaguraj Best Researcher Award
- 5. Dr. S. Chidambaranathan Best Scientist Award
- 6. Dr. J. Jeya Ani Best Women Faculty Award
- 7. Dr. J. Antony Sahaya Sophia Best women Leadership Award
- 8. Dr. S. David Appadurai Best club /cell / Association / production unit Award
- 9. Mr. Ulagu Sundar Best College Student Award
- 10. Mr. Divyanand Best Research Scholar Award
- 11. Dr. R. Francis Xavier Life time Achievement Award
- 12. Dr. S. Mary Jelastin Kala Best Women Scientist Award

## Physical Education

St. Xavier's College (Autonomous) and Hockey unit of Tirunelveli together organized a City League School Hockey Tournament on 16.10.2022 and 17.10.2022 at St. Xavier's Hockey Ground. Rev. Fr. Dr. V. Henry Jerome S.J. inaugurated the tournament. Rev. Fr. Dr. G. Pushparaj S.J. disturbed the prizes to the winners.

The students of the department of Physical Education went to a trekking programme at Keelapattam Mountain on 17.02.2023.

# 100<sup>th</sup> Sports Day

The 100th Sports Day of our college was celebrated on 30.08.2022. Mr. D. Prakash, ADGP of Police, Uttar Pradesh,, Additional Director General of Police, Uttar Pradesh, and our alumnus (1985 - 1988) was the Chief Guest and Major. S. Benedict, Former Director of Physical Education (1955 - 1988), and Mr. V. Baskaran, Indian Olympic Hockey team captain, Gold Medalist, 1980 Moscow Olympics, Arjuna Awardee and Padmasri Awardee, National Hockey Coach were the Guests of Honour of this sports meet.



# **Achievements in Sports**

- Men Badminton team and Women Badminton team won third and fourth places respectively in the tournaments conducted by Manonmaniam Sundaranar University from 7th to 9th November 2022.
- Men Tennis Team secured third place in the Inter Collegiate Tennis Tournament held at Sadakathullak Appa College, Palayamkottai, on 10.10. 2022.
- Women Tennis Team secured Runner Up in the Inter-Collegiate Tennis Tournament held at Sadakathullah Appa College, Palayamkottai, on 01.11.2022
- Men Swimming team secured Runner Up in Aquatic Championship held on 29.10.2022. Mr. V. Leonard (22UCC530) won four gold medals.
- The College athletes Mr. R. Mahendran (20UEN640)

of II-year English (Shift-II) secured **1st place in Javelin throw** in the 32st Inter Collegiate Athletic Meet held from 17th to 19th November 2022

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## **University Blues**

The following athletes of St. Xavier's College represented Manonmaniam Sundaranar University in the events held at State and National levels:

- Mr. A. Bruno Antonyraj (20UMA116) III-year Mathematics (Shift-I) and Mr. S. Aswin (22UPH127) I - Year Physics (Shift-I) represented MSU Men Table Tennis.
- Ms. S. Raja Lakshmi (22UCO157) I B.Com (Shift-I) represented MSU Women Table Tennis.
- Mr. Joseph Austin (20UMA512) III BSC Mathematics (Shift-II) represented MSU Men Tennis.
- Ms. S. Hannah Ranjani (20UEN125) III B.A. English (Shift-I) represented MSU Women Tennis.
- Ms. C. Kasthuri (22UZO125) I-year Zoology (Shift-I) and Ms. S. Vijayalakshmi (22UEC158) year Zoology (Shift-I) represented MSU Women Basketball.
- Ms. R. Varshini (22UEN143) I B.A. English (Shift-I) represented All India Inter-university Fencing (Women) Championship Tournament held at University of Jammu.
- Mr. V. Leonard (22UCC530) I B. Com. (Shift-II)
   Corporate Secretaryship represented MSU in All
   India Inter-university Aquatics (Men)
   Championship.
- Mr. M. Nainar Balaji (20UBA538) III B.B.A represented MSU Men Badminton team.

## Parents Association

We believe that parents should be involved in the education of their sons and daughters at all stages. Parent-Teacher meeting was held on 07.02.2023. During the meeting, the parents gave positive feedback about the college and the courses offered.



## Library

Fr. J. Santiago Library is functioning as a main source of knowledge in all disciplines with 1,40,641 volumes of books. 122 Journals; Magazines and periodicals have been subscribed regularly. The User IDs have also been provided with the facility to have reference material from British Council Library and Inter Library Loan Facility with the help of DELNET Membership. Provision to access 1, 64,309 e-books and 6,500 e-Journals under UGC- INFLIBNETN - List Consortium is an additional facility available in our Library. To make the fullest utilization of the e resources "SXC Library Store", an android application for mobile phones has also been developed by our library. Periodical programmes for students and other academics have been organized by the library to promote reading habit and library utilization. To make the library an all time available knowledge source of all, WEB-OPAC has been launched. Automated RFID facility is available to record the details of users and book distribution. The Library best user award for the academic year 2022-2023 was given to Mr. Marshal Joshua Allan (22PTA102) and Mr. J. B. Shunmugarajan (21UCH104), both of them received the merit certificate with a cash prize from the retired administrative staff endowment instituted by Mr.V.Xavier. The library organized Centenary Year National Seminar on Scholarly Publications: Issues & Challenges A Scientific Approach on 24.03.2023.

#### Placement Cell

The Placement Cell organized a Mega Job Fair from 23.03.2023 to 28.03.2023 in view of the Centenary Year. 30 companies conducted the campus recruitment drive in our campus. Totally 110 students got placed in this Job Fair.

In collaboration with Tata Consultancy Services, a National Qualified Test was conducted for the students. Three of our students got selected in TCS and the rest 107 in other companies.

The Placement Cell organized eight Career Guidance and Employability Skills Training Programmes. 1505 students attended the programmes. Through the membership with Internshala, Internships and In-plant Trainings were offered to students.

# STAND (Students Training And Action For Neighbourhood Development

The academic year 2022-2023 witnessed an increase in number of adopted villages to 36. The following are the activities organized by STAND in 2022-2023: On 07.07.2022 an orientation programme was held for 34 village volunteers. 48 Participants attended the programme.



8<sup>th</sup> October (08.10.2022) was a memorable Day in the history of St. Xavier's College Palayamkottai since "A Day with STAND Adopted Village" was celebrated.

In the odd semester of the academic year 2022 – 2023 III UG and II PG students completed 51 STAND visits and organized 37 one day STAND camps in different STAND adopted villages . During the even semester of the academic year 2022 – 2023, II UG and I PG students completed 35 STAND visits and organized 35 one day STAND camps in different adopted villages.

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Chidambaranathan, Department of Computer Applications received two patent rights: (1) IOT Enabled Device for Monitoring oxygen and Blood Pressure in human Body; (2) IoT and Cloud-based Smart Women Safety and Security System with Alert Messages and Alarms to the

Control by Sensing the Keywords or Preloaded Code Words either by Text or Voice.

**Dr. R. Mary Jenila**, Coordinator Shift - II, Dept. of Physics received a patent titled Graphene nano composites having novel hybrid compositions and method thereof.



A patent entitled "Solar cell and Photoelectric conversion element" was obtained by **Dr. S. Anna Venus** and her team.

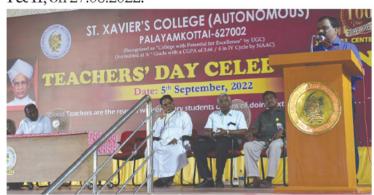
# Student Council and Fine Arts Associations

Fine Arts Association provides a suitable platform for the students so that they can discover their talents. The following were the important events organized by the Student Council and Fine Arts Association.

The student council election was held on 20.07.2022. The inaugural function of Student Council was held on 30.07.2022. The Chief Guest was Mr. V. R. Srinivasan, Deputy Commissioner of Police (East), Tirunelveli.



The following members were elected: **Chairman:** Mr. Muthu Rajan B (20UCO112), **Vice Chairman:** Mr. Srihariharan M (20UCS506), **Secretaries:** Ms. Monisha B (20UEN108) (Shift I) and Ms. Esakkiammal C (20UCO662) (Shift II), **Joint Secretaries:** Ms. Vignesh R (21UCO128) (Shift I) and Mr. Benny M (21UVC504) (Shift II), **Fine Arts Secretaries:** Mr. Anto George M (20UPH129) (Shift I) and Ms. Rasika S (20UMA529) (Shift II).Leadership Training Programme was conducted for all the class representatives of both Shift—I & II, on 27.08.2022.



- Teachers Day program was organized on 05.09.2022.
   The chief guest of the day was Dr. G. Anna Durai,
   Registrar in-charge, MS University, Tirunelveli.
- Cyber Crime Awareness Program was organized on 20.10.2022. The chief guests of the day were Mr. S. Natarajan, Sub-Inspector of Police, Cyber Crime and Mrs. Santhanamari, Sub-Inspector of Police, Cyber Crime.
  - Passport Service Mela was held from 11.10.2022 to 31.10.2022. 454 students benefited by this service.

## **Inter Departmental Competitions (INDECO)**

**INDECO** Celebrations were held from 21.12.2022 to 22.12.2022. The Final rounds of INDECO events were conducted on 21.12.2022. Mr. Vijay Antony, our alumnus and Film Director, Producer & Actor was the chief Guest of the day.



On 22.12.2022, the chief guest of the program was Ms. K. Visalini with IQ level 225 & five world record holder. The chief guests of the valedictory function were Mr. Gokul, IAS, and Mr. Thanga Raj, Folk Artist & Actor. Department of Visual Communication emerged as winners and Department of English won the Runner Up.



## **Christmas & Students Day Celebrations**

Crib Competition was conducted on 23.12.2022 for all the departments and cash prizes were given to the winners. Students from five differently-abled schools were invited and they performed carols on the stage.





On this occasion, a special feast was arranged for all the students. The chief guest for the celebration was **Most Rev. Antonisamy**, the Bishop of Palayamkottai.

## **Pongal Celebrations**



Traditional Pongal competitions were held on 13.01.2023. Cash prizes were given to the winning departments in Pongal Preparation competition. A debate was held. Sun TV famous **Mrs. Kavitha Jawahar** served as the moderator. Two faculty members and two students from our college participated in the event along with two more speakers.

# Women's Day Celebrations

Women's day competitions were conducted on 02.02.2023 & 03.02.2023. International Women's day celebration was organised on 07.03.2023 with **Mrs. P. Geetha Jeevan**, Hon'ble Minister for Social Justice and Women Empowerment as the Chief guest. Women achievers from different fields were honored during the function.



## **Book Published**

- Dr. S. Chidambaranathan, Dept. of Computer Applications. Title of the books: (1). Learning Genetic Algorithms with Python In Optimization and Machine Learning. 06/06/2022 Pages: 213. ISBN: 978-93-5625-219-6. (2). Handbook of Python Programming. 22/02/2023 Pages: 213. ISBN: 978-93-5757-042-8. Scientific International Publishing House.
- Ms. Arul Vallarasi. S, Dept. of Computer Applications. Title of the book: Handbook on Android Application Development. J.E. Publications, Nagercoil. ISBN: 978-81-958537-2-4.
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# Centenary Year Celebration

## Mini - Marathon



To mark the commencement of the Centenary year, Mini-Marathon was organized on 02.07.2022 with Mr. Srinivasan, Deputy Commissioner of Police as the Chief guest. More than 250 members participated in this event.

## Brick Laying & Centenary Holy Mass

Brick Laying Ceremony for the Centenary Building and Centenary Holy mass were held on 08.09.2022. **Rev. Fr. Dr. Danis Ponnaih**, S.J, Provincial, Jesuit Madurai Province was the main celebrant.



# Inauguration of The Centenary Year Celebration

Inauguration of Centenary Celebrations was held on 09.09.2022. The chief guests of the day were Hon'ble Thiru. M. Appavu, Speaker of Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly, Rev. Fr. Dr. Danis Ponniah, S.J. Provincial, Jesuit Madurai Province, Thiru. P. M. Saravanan, Mayor of Tirunelveli Corporation, Thiru. K. R. Raju, Deputy Mayor of Tirunelveli Corporation, Thiru. Nainar Nagendran, MLA, Tirunelveli, Thiru. M. Abdul Wahab, MLA, Palayamkottai, Thiru. S. Gnana-thiraviam MP, Tirunelveli, Prof. Dr. N. Chandrasekar, Vice-Chancellor, Manonmaniam Sundaranar University, Tirunelveli, Dr. R. Baskaran, Joint Director of Collegiate Education, Tirunelveli, and Dr. M. Joseph Irudaya Xavier, Alumni Association President. Centenary Teaser, Centenary Brochure, Centenary Logo and Centenary Anthem were released on this occasion.

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## A Day with STAD adopted Village People

On 08.10.2022, about 1000 people visited the college campus from 34 villages. They took part in various sports competitions. The chief guest of the day was **Mr. V. Vishnu I.A.S District Collector**, Tirunelveli. Cultural events were staged by the STAND village people and SXC students.



# Memorial Mass for the Departed Souls who served the Institutions

In view of the Centenary year, a memorial mass was offered for the departed souls of Jesuits and Lay-staff (both Teaching and Non-Teaching) who had served the college over the century on 04.11.2022.



# Centenary Pilgrimage

Centenary Pilgrimage to Sri Vaikundam, Manapadu and Uvari, was held on 27.11.2022. Around 250 staff cum their family members, joined this journey.



# **Triple Celebrations**

As part of Triple Celebrations held on 19.12.2022, Indian Constitution Day & International Human Rights Day were celebrated and Centenary special cover was released. The chief guests of the day were **Thiru S. Peter Alphonse**, Chairman of Minority Commission,
Tamil Nadu Government and **Thiru. K. Shivaji Ganesh**, Senior Superintendent of Post Office,
Tirunelveli Division.



## Centenary Folk Fest

Folk Fest was held on 20.12.2022. The Chief Guest was Dr. R. Kaleeswaran, Film Director and Folk Artist from Loyola College, Chennai. Eight different folk teams Nathaswaram Naiyandi Melam by Mr. M. Muniasamy & Team, Puliankudi; Kalaivanar Villisai Kalaikulu by Kalaimamani Velavan Sangeetha & team, Tirunelveli; Thappattam & Oyilattam, Mr. M. Senthilkumar & Team, Azhagu Nachiyarpuram, Tirunelveli; Royal Kaniyankoothu by Mr. A. Marithangam & team, Muninchippatti, Tirunelveli; Tholpavaikoothu by Kalaimuthumani A. Raju & Team, Tirunelveli; Kummiyattam by Mrs. T. Sangareswari & Team, Rajapalayam; and Karakatta Kalaikulu by Nellai Sankarganesh, Tirunelveli, performed on the stage in an excellent manner.



#### SXC @ 100 Exhibition

A five day Centenary Exhibition was held from

30.01.2023 to 03.02.2023. The inaugural function was held on 30.01.2023 and the Chief Guest was Er. M. Enamuthu, Scientist & illustrious alumnus of SXC. The valedictory function was held on 03.02.2023. The chief guest was Dr. K. Senthamarai Kannan, Senior Professor & Head, M.S. University. Dr. P. Madhava Soma Sundharam, Professor & Head, M.S. University was the Guest of Honour. 18,358 students from various schools and colleges visited the college to see the exhibits.



## A World Record Attempt Quiz Competition

A non-stop quiz programme, SXC 100<sup>2</sup> QUIZ (with 10000 + (exactly10062) questions in 27 hours 41 minutes long event) was conducted with a single Quiz Master **Mr. S. Muthukumaran**, an alumnus of SXC. The participants of this quiz programme were



categorized as Junior (below 7th STD), Senior (from 7th to 12th STD), College level (undergraduate, postgraduate and doctoral studies) and open category (for all ages). The preliminary quiz was conducted on 25.01. 2023 through online mode in which 2109 persons participated. 186 finalists were called for offline Quiz on 4th and 5th of February 2023. This event is recommended for Limca Book of Records.

## Centenary Special Examinations



Centenary Special Examination was conducted with the due permission from Manonmaniam Sundaranar University for the students who had arrear from 1987 to 2017 (UG Batch) and 2018 (PG Batch). It was a one time chance given to the students to get their degrees. 72 applicants appeared for 339 papers. The examinations were held from 07.02.2023 to 17.02.2023. The results of this examination were declared on 23.03.2023.

## Tournaments in View of Centenary Year



The first Xaverian International FIDE Rating Open Chess Tournament was held from 4th to 7th March 2023. 456 players from different countries including USA and Denmark participated in it.



The first Fr. Lebeau Memorial State Level Inter-Collegiate Tournaments: Men Hockey and Women Basket Ball were held from 20th to 24th March 2023. Teams consisting of 84 players participated in the events.



# Centenary Alumni Congress

Centenary Alumni Congress was held on 28.01.2023. Our illustrious alumni Justice. S.S. Sundar, Mr. Vaiko, MP, Mr. Tirunavukkasar, MP, Rev. Dr. L. Jebamalai Irudayaraj S.J., Provincial, Jesuit Chennai Province, Mr. Sithannan, Superintendent of Police (Retd), G. Jakkaiyan, N. Thalavai Sundaram, MLA, Dr. Jebamalai Vinachiarachi, Former Advisor, UNIDO, Dr. S. M. Rajendran, Principal Scientist, ISRO, Dr. P. Ramasamy, Former Vice-Chancellor of Alagappa University attended the function. They shared their experiences at St. Xavier's college. Illustrious alumni, Retried Professors and Non- teaching Staff were also honoured.



# Centenary Staff Tour



In view of the centenary year, Staff tour to Goa was organised for both Teaching and Non-Teaching staff and their family members from 09.03.2023 to 12.03.2023 under the leadership of Rev. Fr. Arul Ravi. S.J., Vice-Principal (Shift I). 114 teaching and non-teaching staff and their family members participated in the tour with enthusiasm.

## 96th Graduation Day

The 96th graduation day was held on 02.07.2022. 800 UG and 285 PG students received their degrees. **Dr. W. Selvamurthy**, an alumnus of SXC and President, Amity Science, Technology & Innovation Foundation, Chancellor, Amity University, Chhattisgarh, was the chief guest on this occasion.



## Plans of the College for 2023 - 2024

- To Conduct Academic & Administrative Audit.
- To Apply for NIRF Ranking
- To conduct training programme for Staff & Students
- To conduct more add-on / certificate / value added /ECC and online courses.
- To continue the implementation of quality measures.
- To cater to the needs of slow learners through remedial programmes. To promote collaborative research through National /International MoUs.
- To augment the infrastructural facilities and construct H-type Building.
- To enhance e-resources in the Library and the Departments.
- To organize national/ international seminars and conferences for dissemination of information.
- To apply for more research projects.

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