

ST. ALOYSIUS COLLEGE EDATHUA

Annual Report: 2016-17

Profile

St. Aloysius College, Edathua is a first-grade college which has completed more than five decades of glorious service to the cause of higher education. Now, it is a well-established NAAC re-accredited (third phase) 'A' grade centre of learning offering a variety of undergraduate and post-graduate programmes. The Department of Commerce offers facilities for research leading to the award of Ph.D.

The college is situated in the Edathua Panchayat of the Kuttanad Taluk in the lake district of Alappuzha. It is the only temple of higher learning of the kind in the entire region of the one-time granary of Kerala, Kuttanad. Standing atop the main building of the college, there is a panoramic view of the paddy fields, clothed in the richest green. The luxuriant greenery, meandering rivulets and placid tranquillity altogether provide a congenial atmosphere for learning and development.

St. Aloysius College was founded in 1965 by St. George Forane Church, Edathua. It was the realization of the vision and far sightedness of late Very Rev. Fr. Zacharias Punnappadom (the first Manager) and Dr P.T. Joseph (the first Principal) under the patronage of Servant of God Mar Mathew Kavukattu. The great visionaries had in their mind the noble task of imparting quality higher education in the backward agrarian region of Kuttanad which lacked any facility for higher education. The college, though run by the catholic minority community, admits students of all castes and creeds with due respect to different faiths and religious denominations.

The College had a very humble beginning. It started functioning in St. Aloysius High School as a Junior college affiliated to the University of Kerala with 189 students, 9 teachers and 7 non-teaching staff. In 1966, the college was shifted to the present site. The institution owes an immense debt of gratitude to late Very Rev. Fr. Cyriac Kottayil who in his capacity as the manager was instrumental in erecting the main building of the college. In 1983, following the bifurcation of Kerala University, the college came under the jurisdiction of the newly established Mahatma Gandhi University.

To meet the ever-growing demand for higher education in the region, the college was upgraded in 1977 by introducing the undergraduate programme in Economics. Post graduate programme was introduced in 1984.

The College has now grown into a premier educational institution with 9 UG, 5 PG and 2 PhD programmes. It has now 69 teaching staff, 28 non-teaching staff and 1097 students on the rolls.

Emblem and Motto



The Landscape:

The top left segment of the emblem depicts the landscape of Kuttanad where the college is situated. St. Aloysius College is the only centre of higher education in Kuttanad.

The Book:

The open Book on the right segment stands for the book of knowledge from which generations of students have imbibed the wealth of knowledge to mould their lives as worthy citizens of the land. The beam of light that falls on the book signifies that true knowledge comes from God.

The Lighted Lamp :

The lighted lamp symbolizes the light of wisdom which dispels the darkness of ignorance and illiteracy and illuminates the students' mind with wisdom.

Motto

The Sanskrit saying at the foot of the emblem: "Let thy divine light shine miraculously"

Core Values

BLOOMS

B Belief in God

L Love for others

O Obedience

O Optimism

M Mettle

S Studiousness

Management

The College is owned and managed by St. George Forane Church, Edathua and the present Manager is Very Rev. Fr. John Manakkunnel. The Archbishop of Changanacherry, His Grace Mar Joseph Perumthottam, is the Patron of the College. The college enjoys the privileges

of a minority institution based on religion as it is run by the Catholic Church. Minority status certificate was conferred on the college by the National Commission for minority educational institutions, Govt. of India on 22/03/2013.

Vision and Mission

St. Aloysius College, Edathua, true to its motto, “*Let thy divine light shine miraculously*”, considers education an integral part of the human personality for the fulfilment of one’s individual and social responsibilities.

Vision

Formation of global citizens with academic excellence and integrity of character.

Mission

To mould our students into skilled, worthy, global citizens who can uphold the core value of the College.

Our educational endeavours aim at forming leaders who are intellectually competent, spiritually mature, morally upright, psychologically integrated, physically healthy, socially acceptable and God-fearing, who will champion the cause of justice, love, truth and peace and who are ever open for further growth.

The College aspires toward creating a just and humane society where dignity of the human person is respected, where unjust social structures are challenged, where the cultural heritage of ahimsa, religious harmony and national integration are upheld, and where the poor and marginalized are specially taken care of.

The institution aims at reaching out to the families, primarily of the students, to assist them in their needs, to share their joys, sorrows and to help them experience love and peace so that they feel the college as a home away from home.

The College is open to all students and they are accepted and cherished as they are in such a manner as to grow in their cultural, social and religious traditions. As they are privileged to be in the institution, they will also have a chance to get acquainted with the Person of Jesus Christ and His Gospel. The college has a special concern for the faith formation of the Christian youth and always aspires for value based training and academic excellence.

The college is responsible to the society at large by making the resources available for the extension programmes, ongoing education and non-formal teaching.

The college is blessed with a community of teachers who are committed to their vocation, professionally competent, morally upright, just and humane in dealings and grow in the Christian vision of education. For the effective realization of this Aloysian Vision of education, we expect teachers, students, parents, alumni and our well-wishers to share the vision and co-operate with it whole-heartedly.

PROGRAMMES OFFERED

Under Graduate Programme

Programme	Sanctioned Strength
B.A Economics- Model I	60
BSc Physics- Model I	32
BSc Mathematics- Model I	40
BSc Chemistry- Model I	20
BCom (Finance and Taxation) - Model I	60
BSc Zoology- Model II	24
BA English- Model II	24
BCom Computer Applications- Model II	40
B.Sc Electronic Equipment Maintenance & Computer Applications- Model III	30

Post Graduate Programmes

M.Com. (Finance)	15
M.Sc. (Mathematics)	10
M.Sc .(Physics-Material Science)	10
M. A. (<i>English Language and Literature</i>) (<i>Self Financing</i>)	12
M.Sc. Zoology (<i>Fisheries Science</i>) (<i>Self Financing</i>)	14

Result Analysis 2016-17

Programme	Appeared	Passed	Percentage
BA English Language and Literature Model II Teaching	27	9	33.33%
BA Economics Model I	54	13	24.07%
BSc Chemistry Model I	12	5	41.67%
BSc Mathematics Model I	33	17	51.52%
BSc Physics Model I	29	12	41.38%
BSc Zoology Model II Aquaculture	26	18	69.23%
BSc Physics Model III Electronic Equipment Maintenance	17	4	23.53%
BCom Model II Computer Applications	39	19	48.72%
BCom Model I Finance & Taxation	63	48	76.19%
MSc Physics	13	13	100.00%
MSc Mathematics	13	10	76.92%
MSc Zoology	14	12	85.71%
MCom (Finance)	17	16	94.12%
MA English	11	9	81.82%

MG University Rank Holders

Name of the Student	Programme	University Rank
Sruthimol M.S	BSc EEM	I
Miss Shikha S Kumar	BSc. EEM	II

Activity Report

It was on 1 June 2016 the college opened for the academic year 2016-17. Classes started for V semester undergraduates and the II semester UGs were writing their University examination. On 3 June the institution was rededicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus in a prayer service led by Rev.Fr. John Manakkunnel. Regular classes for III semester UGs started on 9 June. A large number of students took part in the Yoga demonstration class offered by Sri. Harindranath on 15 June from 12 noon to 1pm under the auspices of the College Yoga Club. The same day the staff met in Fr. Punnappadam Hall at 3 pm for analysing the II sem result of the final year UGs. Yoga day was celebrated on 21 June. On 28 June communicative English classes were offered to III and V semester students.

On 13 July the students were provided with an opportunity on the campus for registering with the employment exchange. An orientation programme was arranged for the UGs by the MACFAST faculty. Former Principal, Fr. Thomas Maliekkal passed away on 21 July and the college community paid homage to the departed soul at 3 pm. The college remained closed on 22 July for participating in the Funeral service of Fr. Maliekkal. Classes begin for first-year degree students and an auspicious meeting was arranged in the Auditorium for welcoming the students to the campus. In the meeting presided over by the Principal, a lamp of knowledge was lighted by the grandmother of one of the first-year students and the flame of light was ignited by the Principal and the Heads of the Departments on the candles brought by each student. Vice Principal Prof. Jerome oriented the students towards the rules and regulations and etiquette followed on the campus. The first internal examination started for III and V semester students on 22 August. Staff Council met twice, first at 12.15 pm and then at 2.40 pm on 1 September to handle a protest by a few students followed by unwarranted external interference in connection with college election nomination. The council observed that the protest was not initiated for any genuine reason and it condemned the external interference and threat on a few teachers. The pall of gloom caused by this unjust incident was hanging in the minds of the teacher community when the campus was awakened on 5 September for teachers' day celebration- department wise. At 6 pm on 8 September, the penultimate day of the College Union election, the University informed its decision to postpone the election. On 9 September, the college closed for Onam Holidays.

It was on 19 September that the College reopened after Onam. Study leave started for III and V semesters on 29 September. The same day an orientation programme for I semester students was organised. Coral Jubilee celebration of the Department of Physics was inaugurated by Sri. Thomas Chandy, Kuttanadu MLA. V and III semester university exams

started on 4 and 5 October respectively, which lasted almost till the end of the month. IV and VI semester classes were started on 1 November. Model examination for I semester classes started on 7 November and the reconstituted IQAC met for the first time. Dept. of Physics organised a science exhibition, Eureka, for the high school students on 14 and 15 of the month. First semester University exam started on 30 November. AD Schroff memorial elocution contest was conducted on 20 December. Christmas celebrations started on 21 with a department wise competition in crib making. On 23 the college celebrated Christmas in the Auditorium. Carols were sung and plenty of gift items were collected on the Nanma Maram. The gifts were distributed in many poor homes. College closed for Christmas holidays on the same day. In December DST sanctioned 95 lakhs rupees for improving the infrastructure facilities of all the science departments of the college- DST FIST programme.

On 3 January college reopened after the Christmas holidays and the Aloysian singer contest was announced. College games started on 11 January and noon break debate competitions also started on the same day. A pencil drawing competition was conducted on 16 of the month and first internal exams for IV and VI sems started on 23. Aloysian exemplar competition was announced on 25 January. A general body meeting of the PTA was conducted on 31. BCom Computer fraternity celebrated the 10th year of their existence on 1 February. The event named Decatod was brought to the attention of all on the campus by a flash Mob during lunch break. On 3 February the Dept. of Zoology observed world wetland day and several programmes were organised in collaboration with KSCSTE. First internal examination for II sem students was started on 6 February. Cricket Nets inauguration was a highly celebrated programme mainly due to the presence of Cricketer Sreesanth for the ceremony. Farewell was accorded to Fr. Thomas Kanjiravelil, who served the college in the capacity of Bursar. On 14 February the NSS conducted a foodfest on the campus for raising money for its charity initiatives. Mar Kavukattu, Fr Punnappadam memorial football tournament started on 20 February and the final was played on 23. Along with the traditional trophies cash awards worth Rs 25000, 15,000, 10,000 and 5,000 were given to the winners. On 21 February Mother-tongue day was observed by organising folk songs, speech and debate competitions in malayalam. The final stage of Aloysian Exemplar contest was on 27 February afternoon. Mr. Samson Valiaparampil, Mr. Binu Job, Ms. Anjali were the jury members. Mr. Ragesh S, Mr. Mathew Abraham Varghese (III DC Phys), Ms. Stefy Merin Antony (III DC Phys), Ms. Aswathy K (II PG Phys) and Mr. Gokul were adjudged the Aloysian exemplars 2017. The same day Ms. Devika Vinod of I B. Sc. got A grade in light music competition in MG University youth festival “Noopura” A retirement meeting in honour of Mr. George Job was held on 28

February. In the College Arts day celebrated on 1 March, all the departments actively participated and a variety of programmes were staged. In the programme coordinated by Mr. Babu K Thomas of the Department of Physics each department got about 30 minutes for staging their artistic talents. On 3 March a competition named Fashion Utsav was organised by the women' forum of the college. Model examination for IV and VI sems started on 6 March. World women's day was celebrated by the boys and gentlemen of the college on 8 March. The programme was conducted in an innovative way in the garden triangle during Lunch break. Aloysian singers sang two songs to honour all the women in the campus, sarees were presented to four lady employees and chocobar was distributed to all men and women in the campus. Ms Lesly Vijayan of I DC Physics won third prize in the MG University Taekondo competition.

Department of Physics

The dept. of Physics is on its way to become an approved Research Centre. Being the thirty fifth year of its existence the celebrations were named Coral Jubilee celebrations.

Office Bearers of the Association

President: Dr. Vinu T Vadakkal.

Secretaries: Mathew Abraham Varghese & Arya Gopinath (III BSc)

Sports Secretary: Gopal H (II BSc)

Main Activities

Orientation programme by former HoD Prof. James Sebastian to all the students of the department on moral and spiritual values (8-7- 2016)

Bridge course by Dr Varghese Mathew, Former HoD on basics of physics. Prof. Rani George discussed about the future scope of physics in detail.

Teachers Day celebration on September 5. Prof. George .C. Kattampallil, Founder HoD was honoured by presenting a shawl. Students presented cards and rose flowers to all the teachers. Also III DC students enacted a mime as a tribute to teachers.

41 students of the department participated in the All Kerala Physics Talent Search Examination organised by the Academy of Physics Teachers Kerala (APT) - 24 Septembr 2016.

Formal inauguration of the Coral Jubilee celebrations was on 30 September 2016. Dr. George Varghese, Director KSCSTE, Trivandrum, delivered a lecture on Parallel Universe. In the meeting presided over by the Manager, Rev. Fr. John Manakunnel, Sri. Thomas Chandy M.L.A delivered the coral jubilee inaugural address and unveiled the Jubilee logo. Mr. Poli Thomas, President, Champakulam Block Panchayat released the cover page of the jubilee souvenir-Coral Legacy.

A workshop EUREKA CORAL-2016, sponsored by Kerala State Council for Science, Technology and Environment (KSCSTE) on 10 and 11 November 2016 for the benefit of high school students. 503 students from 11 neighbouring schools participated.

On 14 December National energy conservation day was observed. Sri. Josekutty Sebastian, Resource Person, India Energy Management Centre, Govt. of Kerala and Prof. Jose Abraham,

Rtd. Professor, and Newman College Thodupuzha led a seminar on energy conservation and conducted LED bulb assembling class.

Seventy students and Teachers from the Physics department visited Kudankulam Nuclear Power Plant on December 26th. They attended the public outreach program conducted by the Nuclear Power Corporation of India as part of increasing awareness on Nuclear Energy.

To commemorate Late Sabu Jacob (former teacher), the dept. conducted the 4th Sabu Jacob Memorial Intercollegiate Science Quiz Competition on 20 January 2017 which was sponsored by KSCSTE. Twentyfour teams from various colleges were participated in the Quiz Competition. Joel Jose and Don Xavier Sabu of St. Berchmans College, Changanassery won the first prize of Rs. 3000 and Prof. Sabu Jacob Memorial Ever Rolling Trophy. Sidharth R and Gayatri Govind V of St. Aloysius College, Edathua received the second prize of Rs. 1500.

Dr. Varghese Mathew endowment elocution Fr. Joyce S Thomas (I BSc), Bikki Kuriakose (II MSc), Robin Jacob Roy (II MSc) got I, II and III Prizes in order.

A National workshop on Atomic Energy Awareness was conducted by the dept.in association with the Indian Association of Nuclear Chemists and Allied Scientists- Southern Regional Chapter (IANCAS-SRC) on 3 February 2017. About 150 participants from various departments of the college attended the workshop.

III B.Sc students took a pleasure trip to Mysore- Coorg & Wayanad in January 2017. II M.Sc students toured Munnar on March 3.

Alumini meet – Diamond Dual, for the year was conducted on 12 February. More than 100 alumni and all former teachers attended. The programme was inaugurated by Sri. Poli Thomas. Students of the Physics department actively participated in the Arts Day celebration. They presented group dances, Classical dance and Mono act for 30 minutes.

Dr. K P Satheesh, Rtd Principal Govt. Brennan College, Thalassery delivered a lecture on” Basics on Quantum Mechanics” on 2-3-17.

The valedictory function of the activities of the Association was held in the afternoon of 2-3-2017. Dr. K P Satheesh, Rtd Principal Govt. Brennan College, Thalassery inaugurated the function.

First and second year degree students jointly gave a farewell to the final years in the afternoon of 10-03-2017.

Achievements

- ❖ Aswathy K (II M.Sc), Mathew Abraham Varghese(III B.Sc) and Stephy Merin Antony(II B.Sc) were selected as Aloysian Exemplars
- ❖ Jibu Issac Raju& Hariram M of I BSc got third prize in power point presentation held at Assumption College Changanassery.
- ❖ Sidharth R and Gayatri Govind V of II MSc got second prize in Prof. Sabu Jacob Intercollegiate Quiz Competition
- ❖ Lesly Anna Varghese (I BSc) got bronze medal in M.G University Taekwondo Championship.
- ❖ Dept got Rs. 1501 as second prize in crib making competition
- ❖ Secured overall III Position I the annual sports and games competitions.

Department of Zoology

Main Activities

18-07-2016: All the III B. Sc. students attended an orientation programme by MACFAST, Thiruvalla

28-07-2016: 18 students of the department participated in *Zoofest 2016* organized by Zoological association of Kerala at NSS Hindu College, Changanassery. Mr Ragesh S. and Ms. Keerthana Chandran of III B. Sc. got I prize in debate competition and Mr Jerry Amal John of III B. Sc. got II prize in rapid identification.

11-8-2016: Welcome programme was arranged for I year graduate students

5-9-2016: Teachers day was observed in the department. Student teachers from III B. Sc. took classes in II and I B.Sc.

06-09-2016: Parents' meeting was conducted for II and III BSc.

07-09-2016: Inauguration of Zoology association. Ms. Chethana S V, Project scientist, CEREM inaugurated the association activities and delivered a talk.

20-09-2016: Accompanied by Dr N. Suja, Ms. Priya V and Ms. Sangeetha G, students of I and III BSc classes visited fish farm at Mampara, Changamkary.

31-10-2016: On the Job Training of III BSc students at National Institute of Fisheries Administration and Management (NIFAM), Alwaye from 31-10-2016 to 9-11-2016. Dr N. Suja and Ms. Sangeetha G. accompanied the students.

10-10-2016: The second phase of On the Job Training programme was conducted at Govt. fish farm, Polachira, Thiruvalla from 10-10-2016 to 4-11-2016. Dr N. Suja accompanied the students.

11-11-2016: Parents meeting of I B. Sc. students was conducted.

25-11-2016: Nine students of III B. Sc. students participated in "Sahyadri" biodiversity workshop organized by Department of Zoology, SN College, Cherthala.

6-12-2016: Ms. Keerthana Chandran and Mr Ragesh S. of III B. Sc. participated in a powerpoint presentation competition on the topic Illegal wild life trade organized by the Department of Zoology, Assumption College, Changanassery.

19-12-2016: Study tour was arranged for II BSc students to regional Agricultural Research Station, Kumarakom. Dr N. Suja and Ms. Priya V. accompanied the students.

21-12-2016: Mr Ragesh S. of III BSc got II and III prize in A D Schroff memorial Malayalam and English elocution competition respectively.

22-12-2016: The department participated and got I prize in the crib making competition in connection with the Christmas programme.

5-01-2017: The students visited "*Snehabhavan*" old age home and donated 50 kg rice for Rs. 2000/-, by utilizing the gift money of crib making competition.

28-01-2017: 7 students of the department participated in "*Ashwamedha 2017*" organized by the department of Zoology, Baseliious College, Kottayam.

03-02-2017: KSCSTE sponsored World wetland day observation was conducted. Dr D. Ambikadevi, Associate Director, RARS, Kumarakom took seminar. The students visited RARS, Kumarakom and learned the fish feed manufacturing process. Dr N. Suja and Dr Tessa Thomas accompanied the students

9-02-2017: In connection with the World wetland day 2017, a drawing competition was conducted on the topic “Wetlands: water, life and culture”. Mr Harikuttan Bahuleyan of I B. Sc. got I prize. Mr Sunil R of I B. Com Computer and Ms. Divya Sudhan of I B. Sc. Maths got II and III prize respectively.

23-02-2017: All the III BSc students participated in a study tour to Central Marine Fisheries Research Institute, Cochin. Dr N. Suja, Dr Tessa Thomas and Mr Manuprasad V. accompanied the students.

27-02-2017: Mr Ragesh S. of III BSc was selected one of the five *Aloysian Exemplars* for 2017.

27-02-2017: Ms. Sreelekshmi S. of I BSc. got I prize in the Malayalam essay writing competition.

27-02-2017: Ms. Devika Vinod of I B. Sc. got A grade in light music competition in MG University youth festival “*Noopura*” at St. Thomas College, Kozhencherry.

Ms. Athira Mohan of III B. Sc. participated in Malayalam recitation competition and Ms. Aavani A of I B. Sc. participated in painting competition in the MG University youth festival.

03-03-2017: Mr Ragesh S. and Ms. Keerthana Chandran of III B. Sc. won I prize in the debate competition organized by the debate club of the college. Mr Ragesh was selected the best debater.

04-03-2017: The department got fund from the Directorate of Environment and Climate change for conducting “Paaristhithikam 2017” with focal theme “Enhancement of coastal livelihood”.

06-03-2017: Ms. Parvati B Nair, Mr. Sreemon Saseendran and Mr Shone Syam Sudhakar of I BSc participated in the MG University Taekwondo meet at Alwaye.

07-03-2017: Mr Ragesh S. of III BSc. got II prize in the Adv. Vinodkumar memorial intercollegiate debate competition conducted by St. Aloysius College, Edathua.

The Department offers the following awards which are distributed during the valedictory function of Zoology Association

- 1) Academic excellence awards (For meritorious students who needs financial support)

III BSc: Ms. Anu Pradeep

II BSc: Ms. Anamika S

I BSc. Ms. Anju Ajan

- 2) Award for 100% attendance

I BSc: Ms. Sreekutty Sunilkumar

II BSc: Ms. Anamika S, Ms. Athira Jayakumar

III BSc: Ms. Keerthana Chandran

Faculty Activities

Dr N. Suja

12-08-2016: Presented talk on management of clam fisheries of Vembanad Lake organized by Mannanchery Grama Panchayath, Alappuzha in collaboration with ATREE (NGO).

16-01-2017 and 18-01-2017: Attended two days workshop on Marine zooplankton identification organized by the Department of Zoology, Govt. College, Kottayam.

28-01-2017 to 30-01-2017: Participated and presented a paper titled GIS based site suitability studies on clam farming at Ashtamudi Lake, Kerala in the 29th Kerala Science Congress organized by KSCSTE at Marthoma College, Thiruvalla.

03-02-107 and 09-02-2017: Coordinated KSCSTE sponsored World wetland day 2017.

21-02-2017: Presented a project proposal titled “Capacity building in aquaculture” in the Science popularization committee meeting at KSCSTE, Thiruvananthapuram.

22-02-2017: Presented a talk on “Science for nation building” at Govt. SDV School, Neerkunnam, Alappuzha in association with Shastrotsav 2017.

Served as subject expert in the interview board of Kerala Public Service commission and as aquaculture/ fisheries question paper setter of KPSC exams.

Served as resource person on Ornamental fish culture of UGC based add on course at SB College, Changanassery.

Served as internal mentor of Walk with a Scholar programme

As coordinator of “Paaristhithikam 2017” sponsored by The Directorate of Environment and Climate change.

Papers published/submitted

1. GIS based site suitability studies on clam farming at Ashtamudi Lake, Kerala in the Proceedings of 29th Kerala Science Congress organized by KSCSTE. pp: 815-17.
2. Ecobiology of black clam *Villorita cyprinoides* from Kuttanad waters of Alappuzha district. MRP report submitted to University Grants Commission. pp. 1-68.
3. Reproductive biology of the black clam, *Villorita cyprinoides* from Vembanad Lake, India. Submitted to International Journal of Aquaculture Research.

Dr Shibu George

Served as a Resource Person on the topic “**Fruits Are Real Medicines**” in connection with the inauguration of Zoology Association, St. Stephens College, Uzhavoor-Kottayam on 01-09-2016.

Articles Published in News Papers

Published an article in Deepika Daily Newspaer on the topic ‘Venam Maattam; Samoohathinum Adhyapakarkkum’ on September 5, 2016 in connection with World teacher’s Day Celebrations.

Important Positions in the College

1. Joint Secretary, PTA (Parent Teacher Association) 2016-2017.
2. Coordinator, Walk With a Scholar Progremme since 2014

Seminar/Conference Attended

1. Two-day Residential, Capacity Building Workshops for Coordinators of Walk With a Scholar Programme in Govt/Aided Colleges, at Loyola Extension Centre, Loyola College, Sreekariyam, Thiruvananthapuram, organized by The Office of the New Initiatives, Department of Higher Education, Govt. of Kerala on 05-12-2016 and 06-12-2016.

Ongoing Project

UGC-Minor Research Project titled “Larvicidal and Antimicrobial Properties of Selected Plants from Upper Kuttanad; an Ecologically Fragile Area of South India” (1889 – MRP/14-15 KLMG019/UGC – SWRO).

Period of study:- 2 years from 01-09-2015 to 01-09-2017

Amount Sanctioned:- 3.10 lakh

Dr. Tessa Thomas

Attended the refresher course in Environmental Science and Geo Science held at UGC-HRDC, University of Calicut during the period 09-11-2016 to 29-11-2016.

Participated in a two day workshop on Zooplankton analysis in Govt. College, Kottayam from 16-01-2017 to 17-01-2017.

Participated in seminar in connection with World wetland day organized by The Department of Zoology, St. Aloysius College, Edathua on 3-2-2017.

Department of Economics

Master plan for the academic year 2016-'17 was prepared by the Executive Committee consisting of Prof. Bittu Ann Chacko (HOD), Prof. Lane Joy (Lecturer in charge of the association), Master Johnson Scaria (Student Secretary) and two representatives each from the degree classes.

Ruby Jubilee Celebrations of the department was officially inaugurated by Shri. G. Sudhakaran (Hon' Minister for Public Works Department, Government of Kerala) on 3 September, 2016. Association activities for the year 2016-17 was inaugurated by former student and Kayamkulam MLA Adv. U. Prathiba Hari.

1st year degree students were given a warm welcome on 12 August 2016. The new comers were given the chance to introduce themselves & students with talents and skills were identified. Entertainment programmes were also arranged by senior students.

The department level Christmas celebration was on 23rd December at 1.30 pm. We celebrated the occasion by cutting and sharing cakes to all members of the association.

A gathering of former students took place in October 2016. On 1 October students of 2011-14 batch and on 16 October, 2004-07 batch gathered in the college and shared their experiences and memories.

A study tour was arranged by the association for the final year students from 12th to 16th December 2016. They visited the historically important places of Mysore, the treasure land of Kerala- Wayanad, Coorg and Ooty.

Johnson Scaria and Joseph Biju of BA Economics participated in the intercollegiate debate competition held at SB College, Changanacherry.

Department of Mathematics

Activities

The first year students of the association were given a warm welcome on 12 August 2016.

The formal inauguration of Mathematics association was held on 6 January 2017. Dr. Antony Mathews, HOD, Mathematics, S.B College Changanacherry was the chief guest. He took a seminar on *Fractal Geometry*.

To enhance interest in the subject and to select teams to participate in various intercollegiate quiz competitions, the department conducted various quiz competitions during the academic year. Also the Association conducted Kum. Irene Mary Mathew Memorial Quiz Competition for the Degree students on 19 January 2017.

The department conducts Kum. Irene Mary Mathew Panthalanickal Memorial Elocution Competition for Higher Secondary Students in Kuttanadu Taluk was held on 23 August 2016. III DC students of our department together with the faculty members Dr. Indulal G and Prof. Kochu Thresiamma Joseph went on a study tour to Mysuru and Coorg from 13 to 17 December 2016.

Department of Chemistry

First year degree students were inducted on 27 July 2016 and were given an awareness class by Prof. Mathew Gregory. An entry level test was conducted and the performance level was assessed. Newcomers were welcomed and their talents were showcased. Final year degree students went for a study tour to waganon. They also visited the Nuclear power plant at Koodamkulam.

Christy Ann Biji participated in a quiz competition held at Alphonsa College, Pala. She also participated in an elocution competition held at assumption college, Changanacherry.

Department won III prize in the crib making competition conducted by the CSM. Also the dept. got III prize in the march past of the Annual Sports day. Theresa Mary Sahu won the prestigious Miss Aloysius title in the women's day competition. Parvathy S was adjudged the Malayali Manka in the same competition. Farewell to the outgoing students were accorded on 10 March.

Research & Post Graduate Department of Commerce

Commerce Association Inauguration

Inauguration of the Commerce Association for the year 2016-17 was held in the college auditorium on 15-9-2016. Mr. Jobymon Joseph, Manager, South Indian Bank, Edathua was the chief guest of the function. The meeting started with a prayer song by Nithin and Josmi. Head of the Department. Prof. George Joseph, delivered the Presidential Address. Association President Prof. Praveen Joseph welcomed the audience and Association secretary Mr. Gibin Methikkalam (4 Sem B.Com) proposed vote of thanks for the function. Chief guest Mr. Jobymon Joseph delivered a talk on the Importance of banking in Indian Economy.

Fresher's Day

Fresher's day was arranged by 2nd and 3rd DC students for their juniors. The juniors were welcomed to the Aloysian family with blithe. They were first asked to introduce themselves before the audience and given small tasks to be done which they did with ease. Slowly they got acquainted with their peers and seniors and became a part of Aloysian family.

Business Fest : 'EMINENCE 0.2'

Business fest named 'EMINENCE 0.2' was held for the U.G students. It comprises of four events — Business Quiz, Spot Dance, Product Launch, Event Management. The winner of Business quiz was Ligin Thomas. The winner of Spot dance was Malu Krishnan. The winner of Product Launch was Nithin Varghese. The winner of Event Management was Resmi Rajan. The co-ordinator of business feat was Dr. Joshy Andrews. The business fest ended at 2pm. The winners of each event were given trophies by Prof. George Joseph.

Onam Celebrations

Onam celebrations at Commerce department is one of the events which is much awaited for. Girls and boys are clad in the traditional dresses of kerala –setu mundu. The teachers outperformed the students in their dressings. Various onam events like Vadam vali (Tug of war), vanchi pattu competitions, thiruvathira kali, etc, were also conducted. 'Onam pookalam' (Flower bed) was also made in front of the department. After that the teachers and students ate Onam sadya together. Everyone enjoyed the function thoroughly. This event made a true memoir in the minds of both teachers and students.

Business Quiz

Monthly Business Quiz is organized by IIInd Year M.Com students for the first year B.Com students in the last week of every month. It is conducted in the Fr.Punnapadom hall as a live business quiz session of 1.30 hours on the last week of every month. Winners were given way trophies by Prof.George Joseph. In this academic year Monthly business Quiz kick started on 28th October, Friday.

As part of association activities, weekly business quiz is published in the department notice board. It is the responsibility of 1st M.Com students to prepare and publish business quiz in the notice board. In this academic year weekly business quiz started on 2/11/2016.

Certificate Course in MS OFFICE

The department offers an Add on Course namely "Certificate course in MS Office" and Twenty one students enrolled for the certificate course. All the students were given certificates after the course.

Christmas Celebrations

The Research and Post Graduate Department of Commerce celebrated Christmas with merry and blithe. The degree as well as PG classes were decorated with stars and lights one week before itself to welcome the much awaited Christmas. On the day of celebration all were clad in blue and white dresses. The department cut cake and distributed to the students. Later all of them played games and also chose their Christmas friends with whom they exchanged Christmas gifts. There were inter department crib, star making and carol competitions in which our department also participated and bagged prizes.

Retirement function of Prof. George Joseph & Prof. Tony Antony

A grant sent-off party was arranged for Prof. George Joseph & Prof. Tony Antony on 2.3.2015 under the auspices of Commerce Association. Both the Professors were eminent personalities filled with a treasures of knowledge which he imparted to his dear students and department colleagues. People respected him for his humility and compassion for others. The department teachers and students gave him a grand farewell on his retirement day. The teachers spoke highly of him, their experiences with their mentor and many more. His family was also invited to the function. Prof. Tony also delivered his speech quoting his work experiences and advices for the young generation. Truly Prof. Tony has sown the seeds of wisdom and knowledge into the minds of students as well as teachers

Farewell

The farewell function for 3rd DC students were conducted with ardour and zeal. The 1st and 2nd year students bid farewell to their seniors. They were given a grant treat and party. The students shared their 3 years experience, beautiful moments they had throughout their college life, the skills they acquired etc. with the audience. The teachers also gave their advice and best wishes for the bright future of the students. The farewell for 2nd PG students were given by their juniors. A grand lunch was also arranged by them.

Department of English

English Association Inauguration

The inauguration of the activities of the English Association was conducted on 5th September 2016 at Fr. Punnappadom Hall in the presence of all the students and teachers with the blessings of the then HOD Prof. Joyce Joseph. The ceremony was inaugurated by Prof.

William Zacharias, the eminent academician and the HOD of English, St. Thomas College, Pala. Prof. William Zacharias talked about the topic “Literature and Culture” which caught the interest of students and teachers alike. His talk on film studies in cultural studies were well appreciated by the students.

Freshers Day

The batch of 2016-2019 was given a very warm welcome on 5th September 2016 at Fr. Punnappadom Hall. Shedding off fears and anxiety, the freshmen quickly bonded with the staff and students. Inspired by their seniors and teachers, they easily became part of the English family.

R.E.L.P (Rural English Literacy Programme)

Aimed at promoting English literacy in the rural neighborhood of St. Aloysius College, Edathua, R.E.L.P is the mouth piece of the extension activities of dept of English. The department commits itself to the social duty of extending English language education to the people of the locality of Kuttanad. RELP offers a certificate course of 30 hours held on a weekly basis that aims at bettering the students’ communicative skills and fluency in English. The sessions were handled by the faculty of the Department of English and by trainers from outside the college. There was a test session after the course. Certificates were given to those who successfully completed the course with a minimum of 85% attendance. The number of students was restricted to 20. This year, the course was officially inaugurated by the Head of the Department Prof. Joyce Joseph on 16th January 2017. The programme helped the participant students to gain proficiency in English and be more confident of their language.

Inter collegiate competitions

In loving memory of the late professors of the department of English Prof. Oommen Mathew and Prof. Sebastian Joseph, the department conducts intercollegiate competitions annually. This academic year, All Kerala Intercollegiate Shakespearean Excerpt Competition and English Debate competition were conducted on 22nd February 2017. Shakespearean Soliloquy competition was also conducted on the same day. Principal Dr. Saban K V presided over the inaugural function and Adv. Mathew Oommen inaugurated the intercollegiate competitions.

Farewell

The final year students of 2014-2017 batch were given a loving and memorable farewell on 28th February 2017 at Fr. Punnappadom hall. The junior students and senior students along with the teachers shared their memories. The outgoing students were given love, affection and blessings from every person in the department as they said good bye to the college.

Department of EEM

The association activities was formally inaugurated by Prof. Jacob Koshy, former faculty of the Dept. of Physics. Ms Amala VR, who secured first rank in the university examinations (2013-16) was felicitated on the occasion.

A warm welcome was given to first-semester students with inspiring words from the coordinator Smt. Rani Mohan and other teachers of the department.

An entry level test was conducted for the first semester students to understand their basic knowledge in Electronics, Physics, Maths and Computer Science.

A combined study tour was conducted for second and third year students to Wayanadu, Ootty, and Wonderla. The students were accompanied by Smt. Rani Mohan and Mr. Sebastian Thomas.

Department of Commerce (Self Financing)

Department of Commerce (Self Financing) celebrated its 10th year of establishment with the title DECATOD 17.

Main Activities

The senior students of the commerce department gave a warm welcome to the new members on 27 July 2016.

An aptitude test was conducted and an orientation class was organised for the I DC students.

III DC students were on a study tour to Wayanad, Coorg, Shimoga, Chikmagalur from 15 to 20 December 2016.

The formal inauguration of commerce association, DECATOD'17 , was held on 3 February 2017 in the college auditorium. The events were Udyama: the business quiz; Navarasa: the dubsmash, Kurushethra: the best management; Lasya: the spot dance

Also, many of the students also showcased their talents on the stage. The chief guest for the function was Prof. Dr.Ganga Dhathan Nair, HOD, SVRNSS college, Vazhoor.

Many of our students participated in DECATOD '17 events.

Students conducted dance performances during the inaugural ceremony of cricket nets and football.

In memory of Mr. Ajay Punnoose (former student, who departed on 14.2.2012), his parents instituted a scholarship for the best outgoing students of B.Com Computer and for the purpose, a sum of Rs. 30000 was handed over to the principal.

Achievements

Bagged 1st prize in march-past – Annual sports day

Rosmi of II BCom Computer is adjudged Nasrani -2017

National Service Scheme

The Activities of NSS for the year 2016-2017 was started with a general body meeting on 10/06/2016. In the meeting, Mr. Gibin Methikkalam Thomas (II B.Com. F&T), Mr. Sooraj T.S. (II B.Com. F&T) Ms. Athira Raj (II B.A. English) and Ms. Lekshmi Babu (II B.Sc. Maths) were selected as the new Secretaries. The maiden programme organized by NSS this year was

the 'Kuttanadu Cancer Survey' in association with 'Athmatha Kendarm', Changanacherry. More than 120 volunteers participated in the initiative in various 'Wards' of Edathua Grama Panchayath.

The various initiatives during the year include banana farming, garden cleaning, setting up a bus-time schedule board in front of the college bus-stop, Rio-Olympics Quiz Competition, Snehabhavan Visit etc. About 65 volunteers donated blood for the needy in nearby hospitals.

A special programme the 'Food Fest' organized in the campus named ' Sandhvanam', through which an amount of Rs.10,300/- was raised for the poor & needy. Other than these activities, the Team NSS observed Teachers Day, Gandhi Jayanthi, Independence Day, NSS Day, World AIDS Day.

Seven Day Camp: The seven day camp was held from December 25 to 31 at St. Mary's Girls High School, Edathua. The Camp was inaugurated by Smt. Jessy Jose, President, Edathua Grama Panchayath. Various sessions were led by Mr. Jins Joseph (JCI Trainer), Mr. Scaria Thomas (Christ Nagar College, TVM), Dr. J.G. Ray (M.G. University, Kottayam) etc. The winding up session was chaired by Shri. Poly Thomas, President Champakkulam Block Panchayath.

It is worth mentioning that, other than the above mentioned programmes, NSS Volunteers are actively engaging in the weekly noon-meal programme for the Sneha Bhavan on every Wednesdays.

Naval NCC

- Conducted the required regular parades for this academic year on Saturdays and holidays.
- Celebrated International Yoga Day with a massive Yoga demonstration by NCC cadets in our college.
- As part of Pre- Commission (PRCN), Mr. Paul Jacob successfully completed a training programme from 24 October to 24 December 2016 at Seamanship School, Naval Base, Kochi.
- New cadets were enrolled by officers from 5 Kerala Naval NCC Unit, Changanacherry in the month of August.
- Both the army and naval NCC Cadets celebrated Independence Day on 15 August, 2016. Vice Principal Prof. Jerom .P V hoisted National Flag and addressed the cadets.
- As part of Gandhi Jayanti, and Swatch Bharath Programme, the cadets cleaned KSRTC, depot, Edathua.
- As part of NCC day celebrations on 25 November 2016, a mass run for Health was organised and the cadets visited Sneha Bhavan. Our cadets as well as the inhabitants conducted and exhibited various cultural activities. The snehabhavan inhabitants were provided with food and financial assistance.
- NDRF (National Disaster Relief Forum) conducted a theory and practical session for the cadets.
- The unit organised an orientation programme on cashless market. Mr. Jobymon Joseph, The Branch Manager, SIB, Edathua lead the talk.

- Republic Day was celebrated on 26 January 2017. Principal hoisted National Flag and gave a message on the need to fight against the current social issues.
- Medals were distributed to the cadets who had achievements in various camps and competitions during the Valedictory function.
- Conducted a Trekking to Vagamon.
- All the eligible cadets could appear for B examination.
- Majority of the cadets could attend either National or State level camps.

PTA

The PTA played a pivotal role in developing the infrastructure facilities of our college. An amount of Rs. 1,77,845/- was expended for Cricket Nets and Cricket Pitch, which greatly benefited the students. PTA played a key role for maintaining discipline in the campus. The Annual General Body Meeting was held on 31 January, 2017 and elected the new executive committee members. Fr. Jacob Chakkathara, Executive Director, KCYM & Yuvadeepthi, Arch Diocese of Changanacherry, was the Chief Guest on that day.

Scholar Support Programme

Scholar Support programme is organized by the Government of Kerala for scaffolding and facilitating the learning progress of academically backward students. Five batches each of 10 students are given both external and internal mentoring sessions. Each mentor engages ten hours in each semester. Workshops and training programmes are conducted for the mentors every year. Financial support is also provided to the students for the procurement of text books. Following is the list of internal mentors of our College during the academic year 2016 – 17.

Sl. No	Name of the Internal Mentor	Mentoring Batch
1	Dr. Mary George	Third Year
2	Ms. Sherin Mathachiparambil	
3	Mr. Lane Joy	
4	Dr . Vinu T. Vadekkel	
5	Mr. Manoj Xavier	
1	Mr. Jijo Joy	Second Year
2	Mr . Paul Jacob	
3	Ms. Bittu Ann Chacko	
4	Ms .Rani George	
5	Dr. Joshy Andrews	
1	Mr. Jijo Joy	First Year
2	Mr. Aswin K Dev	
3	Mr. Lane Joy	
4	Mr. Babu K. Thomas	
5	Mr . Praveen Joseph	

Debating And Elocution Club

Debates are effective ways of weighing the pros and cons of concepts and events. Participating in debates enables students to express their views effectively and to respond clearly to arguments with which they disagree. In addition, debate students are often the most well-read and well informed in their grade level. In debate, the preparation and delivery of argument provides students to think critically, develop their academic research skills, improve their communication abilities, solve problems creatively and increase their self-confidence. Mrs Kochuthresiamma Joseph (Head of the Dept of Mathematics) and Ms. Gem Cherian (Asst Professor, Dept of English) serve as the co-ordinators.

The club was able to spot many orators as well as debaters, to give them sufficient training and send them to participate in various inter-collegiate elocution, debate and essay writing competitions. This year, the club conducted the 52 AD Sheroff Memorial Elocution Competitions in English and Malayalam for the students of this college on 20 December 2016. Mr. Johnson Scaria (III B.A. Economics), Mr. Ragesh S (II BSc Zoology) and Ms. Sarika Pushpan (I M.Com) won the first, second and third prizes respectively in the Malayalam Elocution competition. Mr. Eby Joseph Sebastian (III B.A. English), Ms. Manupriya M. Pillai (II B.Sc Mathematics) and Mr. Ragesh S (III B.Sc Zoology) won the first, second and third prizes in the English elocution competition.

The Club conducted Kumari Irene Mary Mathew Panthalanickal Memorial Elocution Competition for the Students of Higher Secondary Schools in Kuttanadu Taluk on 23 August 2016. Ms Mabil Thomas (St Mary's HSS, Champakulam), Ms. Ashby Varghese (NS HSS, Nedumudy) and Ms. Kessia Elizabeth (Lourde Matha HSS, Pacha) won the first, second and third prizes respectively. The cash prizes and the certificates were issued to the winners of all the competitions.

Another innovative attempt from the club was to conduct department wise debating competitions in the college. Teams of students from nine departments of the college participated in the preliminary rounds of the competition and the finalists were: Departments of Mathematics, Zoology and English. Of these, the team consisting of Ragesh S and Keerthana Chandran from the Dept of Zoology won the first prize. Mr. Ragesh S (III Bsc Zoology) was selected the Best Debater of the year. Cash prizes for the winners are awarded on the college day. The Club also associated with the Alumni Association in conducting the Adv. V. Vinod Kumar Memorial Intercollegiate Debate Competition on 7 March 2017.

Film Club

Films are one of the most appealing media for the common masses. Films and motion pictures play a vital role in influencing people by entertaining and inspiring them. The film industry is so massive that it ensures a wide range of career opportunities for people. Films often play a significant role in education as a learning tool as well. Several students in the college aspire for a career in the film industry and the film club strives to guide them to their goal.

The activities of the club formally began on 14 July 2016 with a meeting of the club members where Mr. Steffin George (II B.A. English) was elected the Student Secretary. Ms. Gem Cherian (Asst Professor, Dept of English) has been the Co-ordinator and Mr. Aswin K Dev and Mr. Shivadas (Faculty members, PG Dept of English) the Advisors of the Club. Meetings are held on a regular basis often with screening of movies. A grooming activity was given to the club members to prepare a film review for the 1982 mystic thriller movie 'Yavanika' by screening the same to them.

The club was able to spot many directors, photographers, artists and actors brimming with creativity and energy. This year, the club conducted a drawing competition on 16 January 2017 for the students of this college. Mr. Harikuttan B (III BSc Mathematics), Mr. Sachu S (III Bcom Finance & Taxation) and Ms. Renjitha (III BSc Mathematics) won the first, second and third prizes respectively.

The members of the film club came up with a short film titled *Luke 10:33*, the title denoting the story of the Good Samaritan, thus conveying the message of spreading care and help to the needy in the society. The film was directed by Mr. Steffin George (II B.A. English). The entire cast and crew of the film consisted of the students of the college. It was released on the College Arts Day on 1st March 2017. The film was sent to a few short film competitions and won words of appreciation from many.

In addition, the Club also provides a Theatre facility in the Audio Visual Room so as to screen world classic movies and documentaries for students. The Film Club tries to undergo a metamorphosis from the cocoon stage (the inception of the club in March 2016) to fly high in the coming years by aiming to arrange seminars and intercollegiate short film competitions and to provide theoretical and technical training to the students who are interested in pursuing a career in film industry.

Walk With a Scholar Programme

Walk With a Scholar programme (WWS) is a programme organized by the Govt. of Kerala for supporting/motivating students for achieving better life in future. There are three batches (2014 – 17, 2015 -18 and 2016- 2019) each with 30 students. Both external and internal mentoring sessions are included in it. Each internal mentor is responsible for giving 10 hours of mentoring to his/her six mentees. Following is the list of internal mentors of our College during the year 2016-17.

Sl. No.	Name of the Internal Mentor	Mentoring Batch
1	Dr. N Suja (Zoology)	3 Year
2	Ms. Gem Cheriyan	
3	Dr. Vinu T Vadakkal (Physics)	
4	Mr. Jijo Joy (Mathematics)	
5	Mr. Paul Jacob (English)	
1	Ms. Rosmin John (Physics)	2 year
2	Ms. Rani George (Physics)	
3	Ms. Bittu Ann Chacko (Economics)	
4	Ms. Deena C Scaria (Mathematics)	

5	Mr. Praveen Joseph (Commerce)	
1	Mr. Babu Thomas	1 Year
2	Mr. Siva Das	
3	Mr. Lane Joy	
4	Dr. Santy Joseph	
5	Ms. Steffy K Thomas	

Students also have external mentoring sessions. The following external mentoring sessions were conducted in our College till 6 March 2017.

Sl. No.	Name of the External Mentor	Date of mentoring	Mentoring Batch
1	Dr. Anoop Kumar (Psychiatrist)	18-02-2017	1 nd Year
2	Mr. Vishnu Lona Jacob (HRD Trainer)	04-03-2017	

Bhoomithrasena

The Bhoomithrasena club has nearly 100 active members under the faculty coordinator Prof. Jogy Joseph. This year the activities of the club started on June 5, 2016 by celebrating the World Environment Day. An essay competition was conducted for the students.

A seminar on Environment Problems in Kuttanadu for the Bhoomithrasena members was conducted on 19 December 2016 and Dr. Aji Peter, Environment Scientist, Brunel University, UK addressed the students.

World Ozone day was observed on 16 September 2016 and National Pollution prevention day was observed on 2 December 2016.

Career Guidance and Placement Cell

As part of Finishing School, Career Guidance and Placement Cell conducted a work shop for all the third year UG students in association with MACFAST, Thiruvalla.

The Cell conducted career orientation classes for both first and second year UG students, in association with TIME Academy.

The Cell communicated and motivated the students to participate in various recruitment and placement drives.

Catholic Students Movement

Catholic Students Movement is an organization of catholic students which aims at better religious formation and faith affirmation among its members. CSM, through its multifarious activities trains the students to uphold the Christian values and enables them to grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ. Profs. Mathew Gregory, Jijo Joy and Jomol Joseph are its directors. Jijo Joy and Jomol Joseph attended the Directors meeting held at St. Thomas Mount Kakkanad. The college was re-dedicated to the sacred heart of Jesus christ by the Manager Very Rev. Fr.

John Manakkunnel on 3 June. Patrons day was celebrated on 21 June 2016 and sweets were distributed throughout the college. Johnson Scaria and Blesson Thomas attended the CSM leaders meet held at Christhu Jyothi college Chethipuzha on 23 September 2016. Johnson participated in the CSM regional camp held at BK College, Amalagiri. Rosary was chanted for 10 days in October 2016 in the college chapel. Holy mass was celebrated on all first Fridays.

Christmas was celebrated in December. Crib Making competition was held association-wise. Christmas gathering was held on 23 December in the College Auditorium. Principal Dr. Saban KV presided and manager Rev. Fr. John Manakkunriel delivered the christmas Message. A giant Christmas Tree named 'Namma Maram' was formed with the Christmas gifts donated by the students of the college. The proceeds of the tree was distributed to various poor homes and orphanages. Fund was also collected from the college staff and donated to the poor homes. Carols were sung on the occasion and Christmas cakes were distributed. Arrival of the Christmas Father enthralled the gathering. Prof Mathew Gregory welcomed and stephy Merin Antony proposed the vote of thanks.

Theresa Mary Sabu attended the CSM regional camp 'Vista -2017, at Assumption college changanacherry on 27-28 January 2017. In the regional campus Fiesta-2017, held at SB College Changanacherry our team won III prize in collage competition. Our bursar Fr. Thomas Kanjiravelil was accorded a fond farewell by the CSM on 3 February and the new bursar Fr. Avies Edachethra was accorded a warm welcome on 2 March.

SKY UP

'Sky Up' is a programme offered for the students to exhibit their talents in both curricular and extra-curricular activities. Most of the events in the college were organized and conducted by the 'Sky Up' team. At the end of their academic year, they will change as matured leaders and efficient managers. 'Sky Up' thus brings out the entire potential of the students and makes them confident.

This year selection to 'Sky Up' was a bit scientific, applicants went through written test, Group Discussion. All together 18 students from II DC were selected from different departments. Before assigning duties for the 'Sky Up' team, they were given a one day training on soft skills by Prof. Scaria Thomas.

The efforts of the team members beautified every programmes of the college, right from conducting and organising- Freshers day for I DC students, PTA general body meeting, fare well for the retiring staff.

Our next venture is yet to come i.e. The Graduation day and the passing out ceremony. The continuous works and efforts of the Sky Up's brought out the most precious gems of the college through the 'Aloysian Exemplar Contest, 2017'.