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From the Office of the Principal



Dear Reader,

I am happy to inform you that many students with high marks in plus two examinations have joined our college in the year 2007-2008. Many activities, curricular and co-curricular, that took place in the last academic year and the improvement in the infrastructure in the college in the recent years must have made the parents to choose our college to admit their wards. The publicity given by the management through the cable TV and newspaper and the introduction of co-education pattern are notable reasons for the improvement in the quality of the students admitted.

Many teachers have submitted proposals to various sponsoring agencies seeking financial assistance for minor and major projects and for conducting seminars and workshops. Research papers of our teachers have also been published in reputed journals. One of the teachers, from the Department of Chemistry, has gone to the Netherlands under BOYSCAST fellowship for post-doctoral research. Many teachers participated in seminars and workshops and presented papers. All these activities go to show the research bent of mind of our staff.

A Faculty Development Programme on "Soft Skills" conducted on 31st Aug and 1st Sep 2007 was well attended by teachers and requests for such programmes in future have been made by them.

Efforts are being taken to improve the pass percentage of students in university examinations by conducting remedial coaching classes. A study centre has been established with a set of books for the benefit of students who prepare for competitive examinations. The centre would also give room for students studying after college hours. Coaching

classes for SC\ST students appearing for competitive examinations and remedial classes for SC\ST students are being conducted regularly. A music teacher has been employed part-time to train our students in keyboard and drums. Music instruments worth Rs.30,000/- have already been procured.

To generate interest in the extra-curricular activities, the college plans to introduce annual NACOFEST (National College Festival) from this academic year and the first of its kind will be held in February 2008.

Our college website www.nct.ac.in has already been launched and the official launching would take place shortly. Browsers can view the website. Annual Quality Assurance Report (AQAR) submitted to NAAC will be uploaded in our college website soon. Suggestions to improve the website are invited.

Principal

From the Secretary's desk



Dear Reader,

The two issues of this bulletin published during the academic year 2006-2007 were well received by you. I have received encouraging feedback too. I am happy to note that our efforts were well appreciated and my congratulations go to the editorial board. The overall activity of the college has improved in leaps and bounds. Each and every department is now evincing great interest in conducting seminars, workshops, meetings and other student-related programmes. The teachers have demonstrated their high-level of motivation by involving themselves a lot more in campus activities.

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Our plans to start new courses like MCA, MBA, B.Sc. (IT) and M.Sc. (IT) are progressing in all earnestness in the right direction.

Infra-structure development always gets the top priority. Work is in progress to refurbish department staff rooms. Laying of bitumen roads and lighting the campus are also underway.

The odd semester of 2007-2008 saw hectic activities. We have had campus interviews and our students have been selected by various companies.

This year, we will be fielding our "Women Cricket Team" during the Golden Jubilee Celebrations of the District Cricket Association.

This issue will give you a bird's eye view of our activities from June 07 to December 07.

I am sure you will appreciate our achievements.

Secretary

Workshops/ Seminars /Orientation Programmes

Regional Seminar on "Social Relevance of the Philosophy of Saint Ramalingam"

A one day Regional Seminar on "Social Relevance of the Philosophy of Saint Ramalingam" was organized by the Department of Philosophy on 1st August, 2007. Dr.R.Balasubramanian, Head, Department of Philosophy, welcomed the gathering. The Seminar was presided over by the Principal Dr.K.Anbarasu. Prof.Dr.G.Baskaran, Registrar, Tamil University, Thanjavur, delivered the Key-Note Address. He exhorted the students to cultivate moral values and good habits for peaceful and healthy living.

Dr.S.N.Kandaswamy, former Professor of Tamil, Annamalai, Malaysian and Tamil Universities inaugurated the seminar and presided over the I session. He spoke on the relevance of the philosophy of Saint. Ramalingam and wanted people to follow his tenets for abiding world peace. The presentation was lucid, informative and interesting.



Presiding over the II session, Dr.S.Sathiyaseelan, former Principal, Urumu Dhanalakshmi College, Trichy spoke on the significance of the philosophy of Vallalar and also interacted with students and staff members on several points of social relevance of the Philosophy of Saint Ramalingam. The Seminar was well attended by the heads of various universities and colleges, research scholars and students from all over Tamil Nadu. About 50 research papers were presented in the Regional Seminar. Dr.R.Gopalakrishnan, former Head of the Department of Philosophy, Annamalai University, gave the Valedictory Address and distributed the certificates to the participants. Prof.A.Krishnamoorthy, Vice-Principal offered felicitations. Dr.R.Balasubramanian, Head of the Department of Philosophy, was the convener of the one day Regional Seminar. Dr.E.Ravi Kumar, Lecturer in Philosophy proposed the Vote of Thanks.

Workshop on Horticulture

A One day Workshop on Horticulture was conducted by the Department of Botany on 30th August 2007. The main objective of the workshop was to create an awareness of the benefits of horticulture among homemakers. Members of Inner Wheel Club, NGOs, Service Organizations, Self-Help groups, students and research scholars from different city colleges attended the workshop. The faculty of the Department of Botany delivered lectures on various topics related to horticulture. The Reader and Head of the Department Dr.M.N.Abubacker spoke on "Ornamental Garden" Prof.S.Kamala on "Hydroponics" Dr.V.Kannan spoke on "Horticulture Techniques", Dr.B.Muthukumar on "Test Tube Plants" Dr.S.Saravanan on "Herbal Garden"

Dr.T.V.Nandagopalan on "Vegetable Garden" and Dr.E.Natarajan on "Vermiculture". The lecture series was followed by field demonstrations on horticulture techniques. Principal Dr.K.Anbarasu, presided over the workshop and distributed the certificates to the participants. Sri.V.Chakrapani, Member, College Committee, National College, while offering felicitation, wanted the department to popularize among the public the need for improving the area of tree cover. He also wanted to curb indiscriminate expansion of cities which destroyed the arable fields. Dr.V.T.Sridharan former HOD, Department of Botany, also offered felicitation.



Orientation Programme
on "Geosciences"

An orientation Programme sponsored by Tamilnadu State Council for Science and Technology on "Geo Sciences" for School Teachers was held from 05.09.2007 to 07.09.2007. Dr.V.Radhakrishnan Registrar, Bharathidasan University, Tiruchirapalli inaugurated the programme. In his inaugural address, Dr.V.Radhakrishnan appreciated the efforts of the



Department of Geology, National College, Tiruchirapalli in popularizing the subject. He narrated the importance of geology in disaster management, mineral and fuel exploration, water resource management etc. 30 teachers from various schools in Tiruchirapalli District participated in the programme. There were 10 lecture sessions covering different topics of Earth Science. A field -cum- instructional trip to the places of geological interest around Ariyalur was also conducted to show the participants the occurrence of fossils in sedimentary formations. In his valedictory address, Thiru.Thangaiah, Chief Educational Officer, Tiruchirapalli stressed the need for the awareness of Geo Sciences among the students of Primary, Secondary and Higher Secondary classes.

Faculty Development Programme on Soft Skills

A two-day faculty development programme on "Soft Skills" was organized exclusively for the members of the teaching staff in both Aided and Unaided sections of our college. It was held on 31st August and 1st September 2007. The programme was inaugurated by Dr.V.B.Athreya, Professor and Head, Department of Economics, Bharathidasan University. He enthralled the audience by his straight talk on the present educational scenario. Sri.V.Chakarapani, Member College Committee offered felicitations. Many well known soft skill trainers, communication experts and motivational



speakers like Prof.Jayakar Chellaraj, Prof.Panchanadham, Dr.K.Boominathan, Prof.S.Sunder, Dr.Jayanthasri Balakrishnan, Prof.Garnet Fernandez and Mr.Prahalad Bharathan, HRD Manager, SCOPE International engaged the teachers in meaningful dialogues and explained the nuances of Soft Skills. Prof.R.Panchanadham spoke on the subject

"Be a Professional". He regaled the audience with many humorous anecdotal references from his career. Prof. Jayakar Chellaraj discussed how teaching could transform the lives of students and teachers themselves. According to him, leading an impactful life matters most for a teacher. Prof. Jayakar touched upon communication skills and value systems that determine the success rate of a teacher. Dr. V.K. Boominathan, in his own inimitable style, appealed to the audience to be sincere in their efforts when they play the role as classroom managers. Prof. S. Sundar enlightened the audience about the industry's expectations of students. He explained how the market forces determine the quality of students and not the institutions. Prof. Garnet Fernandez stressed the importance of character building and how it helps in our interpersonal relationships. He asked the audience to be alert towards signals of friendship and antagonism. Dr. Jayanthasri Balakrishnan spoke on "Placement Blues." She made an impassioned plea for total dedication to student welfare. She narrated her experience as motivator and how it helped many a socially and economically backward student to find placement in good companies. Mr. Prahalad Bharathan gave a first hand account of the recruitment policies and procedures of his company, SCOPE international. He narrated his own struggle and how he moved up in the career ladder. Many teachers, in their feed back, expressed the need for such periodical programmes.

Silver Jubilee Function of Zoology Department

The Department of Zoology celebrated its Silver Jubilee during 26-28th September 2007. On 26.09.2007, the day of inauguration, Mrs. Sarubala R. Thondaiman, the Mayor of Tiruchirapalli, in her inaugural speech expressed her pleasant surprise over the grand scale of Silver Jubilee celebrations. She also expressed her concern about the protection of endangered species. She released the first copy of the "Jubilee Souvenir" and the College Secretary Mr. K. Raghunathan received it. While delivering the presidential address Dr. K. Anbarasu, Principal, discussed in detail the causes and effects of the ongoing climatic changes. He pointed out that mitigation was possible only with the active participation of every individual in the society.

Immediately after the inauguration, in the forenoon session, two special lectures, the first on "Current trends in

Wild Life Research" and the second on "Insight into type-2 Diabetes Mellitus" were delivered by Dr. K. Thiayagesan, Reader Department of Wildlife Biology, A.V.C. College, Mayiladuthurai. and Dr. K. Balasubramaniam, Professor Department of Endocrinology, Dr. ALM. PGIBMS, Tharamani, Chennai, respectively.

In the post-lunch session Dr. A. Shanmugam of Porto-Nova, spoke on "Bio-diversity and Conservation of Indian Molluscs". The Zoology Alumni Association meeting held at 3.30 p.m. was attended by a large number of old students, who appreciated the growth of the Department and the College.

On the 2nd day (27.09.2007) two special lectures, one in the forenoon session by Dr. M. A. Akbarsha, Head Department of Animal Science, Bharathidasan University, Tiruchirapalli, on "Obesity epidemics of 21st century" and the other in the afternoon session on "Sea-level changes" by Dr. K. Anbarasu, Principal, National College, were delivered. Meanwhile, researchers presented papers on themes like environmental management, bio-technology and bio-diversity. The papers evoked scholarly discussions.

On the last day (28.09.2007) our Vice-Principal Prof. A. Krishnamoorthy delivered an encouraging address and cheered up the large gathering.

Zoo fest '07, an intercollegiate programme was conducted for the students of Zoology. There were elocution, essay writing, painting, quiz, mimicry and mono-acting contests. Dr. K. Ponmudi, Minister for Higher Education, distributed prizes and certificates to the winners of the contests and delivered the valedictory address. He dwelt at length on the inception of PUC and the department's progress to its present status as UG Department. Prior to the Minister's address, the vice-chancellor of Alagappa University,



Dr.P.Ramasamy felicitated the staff of the department of Zoology. He congratulated them for their bold initiative and appreciated the orderly conduct of the grand function. The Dairy development Minister, Thiru.U.Mathivanan, in his felicitation address, also praised the all round co-operation of all concerned in celebrating the function. At the end, the vote of thanks was given by the Organizing Secretary of the seminar Dr.C.Asokkumar.

ACTIVITIES OF ACADEMIC ASSOCIATIONS

Chemistry Association

The inaugural meeting of the Chemistry Association was held on 8th October, 2007 at the Santhanam A/C hall. Professor S.Ponnusamy, Government Arts College, Coimbatore delivered a lecture on "Nano Science". In his lecture, he explained the various uses and applications of nano particles.



As nano science is fast emerging as an advanced research area, he wanted many students and staff to involve themselves in the nano research activities. Earlier Thiru.K.Lakshmanan, HOD, Dept.of Chemistry welcomed the gathering and Dr.D.Saravanan, Vice-President of the Chemistry Association proposed the vote of thanks. Dr.M.Kalyanasundari, Reader, while introducing the chief guest to the audience paid encomiums by narrating the contributions made by the chief guest to the field of nano-technology.

Commerce Association

The Commerce Association of National College, Tiruchirapalli was inaugurated on 13.08.07 by Mr.V.K.Poddar,

Commissioner of Income Tax. In his inaugural address, he noted that the purpose of education was to make a human being complete in all respects, He wanted the students not to study with the sole aim of merely earning a livelihood but strive hard to develop themselves to meet the challenges ahead. He said that the advent of globalization had altered the content and complexion of Indian business. Indian companies are going global; the scope of today's commerce is not limited to mere accounting but covers vast fields of knowledge such as financial management, mergers, acquisitions & demergers, he added. Versatile managerial skills are required to manage the changes and challenges, he pointed out. He advised the students to bring name and fame to the college rather than live off its reputation.

Mr.S.Srivatsan, Chartered Accountant delivered a special address on the occasion. He emphasized the need for learning the latest. He wanted the commerce curriculum to be modified with the inclusion of latest commercial practices, acts, procedures etc. He said the syllabus had many gaps which could be filled in only by the association through its proactive role. The students should be in sync with the current affairs and developments like TRIPS, TRIMS & WTO. Only then, they can be in tune with the vibrant field of commerce.



The Principal of the College, Dr.K.Anbarasu, presided over the meeting. He observed that the Indian economy had recorded an impressive growth in recent years. He felt that the role of commerce was always crucial in any developing economy. He advised the students to take active part in the growing economy which presented tremendous opportunities. Earlier Dr.S.Sivasubramanian, Head of the Department of Commerce welcomed the gathering and Dr.R.Narayanasamy, Vice-President of the Association proposed the Vote of Thanks.

The Department of Commerce conducted an annual Environmental Awareness Day on 09.10.07 with the dictum "Cleanliness is Godliness" under the stewardship of Dr.D.Sivasubramanian, Head, Department of Commerce who has instituted a shield for the winning team.

As soon as the announcement for the competition was made, the students swung into action. With extraordinary vigour they went about cleaning the rooms. Every classroom was decorated with glittering, colourful festoons. Pictures of Gods, Great leaders and posters with inspiring messages were on display. Boys and girls had demonstrated their rangoli skills in ample measure. The variety was mind boggling. It was hard to find a place to set one's foot, thanks to the colourful display of kolams. The boys displayed their carving skills by turning the pumpkins into beautiful swans. Beetroot, carrot, and onions emerged in the form of scintillating flowers. The enthusiasm and involvement were infectious. There was a festive atmosphere all around. Prizes for classroom beautification and display of various skills were decided by a team of judges which had a tough time in view of the close competition. First prize was awarded to II M.Com & I B.Com - B students and II Prize was awarded to III B.Com - B section. I M.Com section secured the third position in the Competition. Sri.K.Raghunathan, Secretary of the College and Dr.K.Anbarasu, Principal visited all the classrooms along with the judges from other faculties and encouraged the students.

Economics Association

The Economics association conducted its inaugural meeting on 10.10.2007. Prof.D.Srinivasan welcomed the gathering. Dr.K.Anbarasu, Principal, National College, Presided



Over the function and delivered an auspicious speech. Dr.M.Therasnatham, IIS, field publicity officer, was the Chief Guest. He delivered an information-packed speech about the rural welfare measures in India. He also referred to the various schemes sponsored by the Govt. of India. It was a well attended meeting and the students raised a volley of questions to the Chief Guest. Prof.R.Subramanian vice-president of the association thanked all the participants.

English Association

The Inaugural meeting of English Literary Association was held on 22.08.2007. Speaking on the occasion on "The Role of Mass Media Today" Prof.K.Santhanam, Principal Kurinji College emphasized the need for introducing media studies in colleges. Transfer of information, knowledge and skills from one point to another for a long time depended mainly on the spoken word of teachers, supplemented by printed material and occasionally supported by audio-visual aids, he said. He also



noted that with the advancement in science and technology, media is today used in the development, organization and the summarizing phases of classroom teaching. Media today is an excellent supporting factor for the teaching-learning process and it has taken learning to a new plane in recent years, he added.

Dr.P.Manickam, HOD in charge, introduced the speaker to the audience and welcomed the gathering. Presiding over the function, the Principal Dr.K.Anbarasu stressed the importance of inculcating better reading habits among the students. Prof.S.Senthamarai Selvi, Vice-President of the Association proposed the Vote of Thanks.

Geology Association

The elite lecture on "Recent Trends in Remote Sensing and GIS" was organized by the Geology Association, on 23rd October, 2007 (Tuesday) at Secretary Sir.K.Santhanam Seminar Hall. Dr.C.J.Kumanan, Senior Lecturer, Centre for Remote Sensing, Bharathidasan University, Tiruchirapalli, was the Chief Guest. While delivering the lecture, the Chief Guest explained the basics, research, commercial and career scenario of Remote Sensing and GIS, along with technological advancements in the same. He also told that the remote



sensing had been playing a major role in all the network technologies such as roadways, railways, telephone, electricity, pipelines, drainage etc. Speaking about Indian satellite technology, he claimed that India was a late entrant in research in this field, but, today, it was one among the few bests in the world. Dr.C.J.Kumanan explained how satellite data could help in locating the natural resources, preparing hazard Zonation maps and environmental impact assessments reports. The satellite data can be a major input in analyzing Geological and Geomorphological details under the GIS environment, he added. Dr.K.Anbarasu, Principal of the College, presided over the meeting. He noted how the integration of GPS and Satellite data would give safe transportation facilities in cities. He wanted the students to learn GIS software as it would fetch them good jobs at the end of their degree programme. Earlier, Dr.V.Kumar, Reader and Head, Department of Geology, welcomed the gathering. Dr.V.Vasanthamohan, Vice-President, Geology Association, National College, proposed the Vote of Thanks.

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students to use the internet in their learning process. Earlier, Prof.A.Krishnamoorthy, Head of the Department, welcomed the gathering. Prof.A.Vijayasankar, Vice-President, who organized the function, also spoke. M.Selvakumar (II M.Sc. Maths) proposed the vote of thanks.



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Mathematics Association

The activities of the Mathematics Association National College were inaugurated by Prof.G.Ravindran, Head, Department of English, St.Joseph's College, Trichy-2. While delivering his inaugural address, Prof.G.Ravindran spoke on "SUCCESS THROUGH SOFT SKILLS". He explained how soft skills were measured through written test, group dynamics and interview. Highlighting the components of communicative skills, he provided guidelines for effective communication in English. Principal Dr.K.Anbarasu, who presided over the function, stressed the importance of soft skills and asked the

Philosophy Association

The inaugural meeting of the Philosophy Association for the academic year 2007-08 was held on 03.09.07. The meeting was presided over by the Principal of the College Dr.K.Anbarasu. Prof.D.J.Rengaswamy, Professor of Philosophy, Tamil University, Thanjavur delivered a lecture on "Saranagative". He spoke on bhakti and prapatti and their importance in Vaishnavism. The lecture evoked serious discussions between the audience and the Chief Guest. Prof.D.J. Rengaswamy donated several books authored by him to the College General Library. Earlier Dr.R.Balasubramanian Head, Department of Philosophy welcomed the gathering and Mr.S.Saravanan, III B.A. student proposed the Vote of Thanks.

Dr.S.Nallasivam, Professor of Saivasiddhanta, Thirupanandal gave a lecture on "Thirumuraigal" at the department of Philosophy on 24.09.2007. He expounded on the Panniru Thirumuraigal. Dr.K.Anbarasu, Principal, presided over the meeting, Prof.R.Balasubramanian welcomed the audience and Dr.E.Ravi Kumar, Lecturer proposed a Vote of Thanks.

Physics Association

The Physics Association was inaugurated on 23.08.07 by Dr.K.Ramamoorthy, Professor, Centre for Crystal Growth, Department of Physics, Bharathidasan University,

Tiruchirapalli. While delivering the lecture on “Research in Crystal Growth” Dr.K.Ramamoorthy, highlighted the recent researches carried out in India and abroad in the field of crystal growth. He described the various methods of crystal growth ranging from basic methods of crystal growth which could even be carried out in any laboratory with minimum facilities to advanced methods that need sophisticated equipment. The need for certain specific crystals was emphasized by him and he invited the young researchers to proceed in this direction. While presiding over the function Dr.K.Anbarasu, Principal, wanted the experts in the field of crystal growth to improve the technology so that the raw materials for making synthetic gems would be made easily available in our country itself instead of importing them. A huge market is available in Tiruchirapalli for the trading of the raw material as it is the leading center for the synthetic gem manufacturing and trading, he added. Miss.R.Anchana,



Research Scholar, Department of Medical Science , University of Hanover, Germany had an interactive session with the students of Physics on “Perusing Research in Both India and Abroad” on 25.09.2007. She explained in detail the ways to prepare for future research work right from the undergraduate days. Consistency in the marks scored and good communication skills are the two important requirements for getting scholarship in foreign Universities, she emphasized. She explained the advantages of doing research in European Universities that have modern pieces of equipment and other sophisticated facilities. P.G.Students participated actively in the interaction.

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NATIONAL SERVICE SCHEME

UNIT - I

NSS Unit I of National College, Tiruchirapalli, P.G Department of Social Work, Jamal Mohammed College and the spastic society of Tiruchirapalli jointly organized "An Awareness programme on Cerebral palsy" on 13.09.2007. Dr.Kingsley P. Jebakumar, Consultant Paediatrician, Trichy was the Chief Guest. He delivered a motivation speech for the students. Mr.C.Santha kumar, Director Spastic Society, Trichy and Mr.A.Safeer, Lecturer, Jamal Mohamed College, Trichy addressed the gathering. Mr.S.Baranidharan, II M.S.W., Jamal Mohamed College, made the arrangement for the function and welcomed the gathering.

UNIT - III

NSS Unit III conducted a three day "Village Environmental Awareness Camp" from 10.08.2007 to 12.08.2007 in Tharagampatti. Volunteers of the unit besides cleaning the streets and temples of the village, planted hundreds of saplings around the Village. Dr.V.Nandagopalan, LSS Department of Botany, National College, delivered a lecture on cancer and diabetes. Dr.Kannan of EID Parry India Ltd. conducted a free medical camp. Mr.K.P.Mariappan, President Tharagampatti Village, Mrs. Nandini Devi Tamil Selvan, President, Kadavur Village, Prof.D.Srinivasan, and Dr.T.Seshasayee, National College, Tiruchirapalli and others participated in various events.

NCC

3 (TN) Air SQN (Tech) NCC, National College, Trichy conducted a Free Eye Checkup Camp on 18.07.2007. Tmt. Sarubala R. Thondaiman, Mayor Tiruchirapalli Corporation was the Chief Guest for the inaugural function. She listed out the activities of the corporation in the area of social Health.



The Blood Group of more than 1000 students was identified in the Blood Grouping programme started on 25.07.2007. The Directory of Blood Group will be released soon for the benefit of the society.

3 (TN) Air SQN (Tech) NCC, National College, Trichy conducted a Blood Donation Camp on 12.09.2007. Wing Commander B.Biswas, Commanding Officer, 3(TN) Air SQN (Tech) Tiruchirapalli was the Chief Guest for the inaugural function. He narrated his personal experience and how he was a witness to blood donation which saved a life in an accident case.

2 (TN) BN - NCC Army Wing - National College and Bishop Heber College jointly organized a rally on "Road Safety Awareness" on 24.08.2007. The rally was flagged off by Mr.A.Kaliya Moorthi, Deputy Commissioner of Police, Law and Order, Trichy. Col.M.N.Nath, Off.GP Commander NCC GP HQ. Trichy participated and addressed the cadets.

An Anti-Tabacco Rally organized by 2 (TN) BL NCC was flagged off by Dr.K.Anbarasu.on 25.09.2007 .



Sports Activities

Achievement in Sports -Odd Semester 2007-2008

Our Football team emerged as the winners and was promoted to second division in the league tournament conducted by Trichy District Football Association. Our college Football team also participated in the Inter-Collegiate tournament and R.Kalimuthu, a student of I M.Com, was selected to represent Bharathidasan University Football team this year.

Our college Kabbadi team defeated Emayam College and Govt.Arts College, Musiri in the Inter-Collegiate Kabbadi tournament.

Our students C.Elamparthi, P.Muthusami and S.Sundaramurthi from II M.Sc. Geology represented Tamilnadu state fencing team this year.

Our student, R.Sivakumar of III B.Sc. won the first place in boxing and he was selected to represent Bharathidasan University Boxing team this year.

R.Karnan of III B.A. Economics won the Third place in the Inter-Collegiate swimming competition.

K.Manikandan won the third place in 400 meters race in the State Level Athletic meet held at Anna stadium Trichy. Our college was the host to Inter-Collegiate Cricket tournament, Inter-Collegiate Women Volley Ball tournament and Senior Men and Women District Knockout Volley Ball tournament.

News at a Glance

1. H.H.Swami Tejomayanandaji, Head of Chinamaya Mission, World Wide visited our College on 10.06.2007 as a part of Chinmaya Rajatha Utsavam.

2. Dr.K.Anbarasu, Principal, National College, Trichy was the Chief Guest for the Free School note book and Uniform distribution function organized by Akila Bharatha Iyyapa Seva Sangam held in National College Higher Secondary School, Trichy on 20.06.2007.

3. Freshers' Day Celebrations was held on 03.07.2007 to welcome the I U.G Students. Thiru.W.I.Davaram, IPS Director General of Police, (Retd) and President Tamil Nadu Athletic Association, Chennai was the Chief Guest. He narrated the hardship faced by him during his childhood and

advised the students to work hard to achieve their goals. A cultural event was organized by the students of the College on the occasion.



4. A Meeting of Parent - Teacher Association was held on 03.07.2007 in the College Auditorium Prof.A.Krishnamoorthy, Secretary, Parent-Teacher Association welcomed the gathering. Dr.K.Anbarasu, principal, explained to the gathering the various activities taking place in the College. A good interaction took place between the college officials and the members.

5. Self Help Group product exhibition-cum-sale was arranged on 18.07.2007 in the College Auditorium.

6. Dr.K.Anbarasu, Principal, National College, Tiruchirapalli was the Chief Guest for the "j kPi ray; kyhej j pi u hf' fs;" programme conducted by Tiruchirapalli Tamil Isai Sangam on 22.07.2007 in Tamil Sangam Building Trichy. Cine-fame S.Gurunathan conducted a music programme.

7. Trichy District Volley Ball Association and National College, jointly conducted District Volley Ball knock out Tournament for men and women on 27.07.2007 in the College ground. Mr.S.Tamilselvan, Chairman, Trichy District Volley Ball



Association and proprietor of Sanglimuthu Oil Mills, Woriyur inaugurated the event. Prof.A.Krishnamoorthy, Vice-Principal, National College, Tiruchirapalli hoisted the Trichy Volley Ball Flag. Mr.T.Ravichandran, Panchayat Union Chairman, Thottiyam, distributed the prizes to the winners.

8. A Data Processing Centre was inaugurated on 10.08.2007 by Prof.S.X.Prabhu, HOD of Economics, National College, Trichy. The centre has eight computers with latest configurations, laser and dot matrix printers, scanner, photo copier and printing machines with modular computer furniture.



9. A Lounge for Staff of our College was inaugurated on 10.08.2007 by Prof.R.Ravi Venkatesan, LSG, Department of Mathematics, National College, Trichy. The lounge has facilities like Plasma T.V., Fridge, Daily News Papers and Weekly Magazines, Chess, carom, etc. with resting chairs.



10. The College celebrated the 60th Independence day with the usual nationalist fervour. An impressive turn out of NCC cadets and NSS volunteers added lustre to the occasion. Mr.M.Ramaswamy, the superintendent, National College office hoisted the national flag and Mrs.S.Kamala, Lecturer, Department of Botany delivered the Independence Day Address.

At the end of the function a Tamil Pattimandram with the title "Rj ej µ , ej p̄ht̄y; t̄dKi w t̄sh̄f̄w̄j h? j sh̄f̄w̄j h?" took place. The debating teams comprising teachers from various departments entertained the audience by their debating skills, humour and verbal velocity.



11. Prof.A.Krishnamoorthy, Vice-Principal, National College, was the Chief Guest for the Independence Day celebrations held in Sesha Iyengar Memorial Higher Secondary School, Woriyur, Trichy.

12. An awareness programme on World Suicide Prevention Day was conducted in collaboration with TRUST on 09.09.2007 in the College Auditorium. Mr.Kaliyamoorthi, IPS, Deputy Commissioner of Police, Trichy was the Chief Guest. In his address he presented a few case studies and explained how crimes were committed in the society. He warned the students not to fall prey to anti-social elements and asked them to lead straight forward lives. Dr.Manimagalai, Director, Centre for Women's Studies, Bharathidasan University, Trichy described various causes of suicide among women. Dr.K.Ramakrishnan, Dr.D.Balasubramaniam and Dr.R.Kumar delivered lectures on different ways of preventing suicide .

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14. Mr.Shivasankar, a self-motivated youth who had successfully cleared both Village Administrative Officers' Examination and Group II Secretariat Services Examination conducted by TNPSC, had an interaction with the core group students of our College on 25.09.2007 and offered guidance as to how to prepare effectively for competitive examinations. It has to be mentioned that he had completed UG and PG programmes through Distance Education and never had a formal education in colleges. He is currently preparing for Group I and Civil Service Examinations.

15. Inter Collegiate Women Volley Ball Championship matches were held in our College grounds on 25 & 26, September 2007. Mr.S.Tamilselvan, Chairman, Trichy District Volley Ball Association inaugurated the event. Mr.Anbalagan, Deputy Mayor, distributed the prizes to the winners.



16. A group of final year undergraduate students of Physics, Mathematics and Geology of our College participated in a seminar on "Astronomy-Einstein and Big Bang theory" on 27.09.2007 at Anna Science Center, Planetarium, Trichy-7.

17. Prof.A.Krishnamoorthy, Vice-Principal, gave the valedictory address and distributed certificates to NSS students in the ten day NSS special camp organised by the Directorate of School Education, Chennai and S.M.Higher Secondary School, Trichy, on 30.09.2007 at Panchanyat Union middle school, Seerathoppu.

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19. The college celebrated its Annual Sports Day on 11.10.07. Mr.G.Sridharan, an international volley ball player and coach, was the Chief Guest. While delivering the sports day address he asked the students to take up professional sports that would not only earn them money but also fame. Dr.T.Pitchiappa read out the sports day report and welcomed the gathering.



20. Thirty seven students and three Staff Members from Department of Geology, Sibsagar College, Jaysagar, Assam visited the Department of Geology on 25.10.2007 as a part of their field instructional tour. Dr.K.Anbarasu, Principal and Dr.V.Kumar, Head of the Department of Geology explained the geological setup around Tiruchirappalli. Research scholars from the Department of Geology, accompanied the students of Assam to the places of cretaceous formations around Ariyalur.

21. On 25.10.2007, our Secretary Shri.K.Raghunathan, addressed our teachers in the Shri.K.Santhanam A/C Seminar Hall and shared with them his plans for the development of the

institution. He also presented wrist watches to the teachers who organised seminar / workshop / training programme during the odd semester of 2007-2008.

22. Thirteen Post graduate students of Geology from Govt. College, Kottayam along with two Staff Members visited the Department of Geology as a part of their field instructional tour. Dr.V.Kumar, Head, Department of Geology, explained the facilities available in the Department and delivered a lecture on Tiruchirapalli cretaceous formations.

23. The inaugural function of the Red Ribbon Club and Abstinence Club was held on 12th July, 2007. The field officer, Ms.Jessaria Mary, Bharathidasan University, was the Chief Guest. She demonstrated how teaching modules could be used to conduct weekly programmes related to awareness and prevention of AIDS. On Blood Donation day, in the month of September, various competitions like oration, drawing, poem writing and essay writing were conducted for youth. Twenty students attended the rally conducted to promote HIV / AIDS awareness on WORLD AIDS DAY, 2nd December 2007.

24. Dr.K.Anbarasu, Principal, National College addressed the participants of the rally conducted in commemoration of Salt Sathyagraha at the place where it commenced in 1930, near State Transports Corporation Bus stand.

25. II M.Sc. Mathematics students had a welcome party with a high tea for the students of I M.Sc. Mathematics. Dr.K.Anbarasu, Principal and Prof.A.Krishnamoorthy, Vice-Principal, spoke on the occasion.

26. A University Coordinating Center (UCC) of Tamilnadu Open University, Chennai has been established in our College campus and has started functioning from this academic year onwards. Dr.T.Seshasayee, Reader Department of Philosophy, is the coordinator of the UCC.

Campus Recruitment

Our efforts to find placements for our young graduates paid off this semester. Mr.K.Mathivanan of II M.Sc. Physics (2005-2007) was selected by Cethar Vessels (P) Ltd. Trichy. Mr.P.Suresh and Mr.P.Arul Kumar of II M.Sc. Chemistry (2005-2007) were selected by Orchid Chemicals, Chennai. Congratulations!

APPOINTMENTS

Thiru.B.Sampath has been promoted as office superintendent from 1st September 2007.

Dr.M.Sharmila who served as steno-typist (SG), has been appointed as Lecturer in the regular vacancy in the Department of Commerce.

RETIREMENT

Thiru.M.Ramaswamy, Superintendent, National College office, retired on 31.08.2007 after thirty six years of service.



UNAIDED COURSES

A Training Programme in Computer Operations for Judicial officers of Tiruchirapalli District was conducted from 2nd July 2007 to 2nd August 2007. Government of Tamilnadu provided them with a Lap-top for their official use. They were trained in Basics of Computer, Internet usage and the Operations of Lap-top.



ACTIVITIES OF ACADEMIC ASSOCIATIONS

Department of English

Mrs.Premila Priyadarshini, Lecturer, Trichy Engineering College addressed the students on "Communication Skill" on 4th October 2007. She focused on how to enrich one's vocabulary.



Dr.Joseph Alexander, Reader, Department of Psychology, Annamalai University, Chidambaram spoke on "Adolescent Problem" on 10th of October 2007. In his address, he highlighted the contradictory thoughts and actions and gestures shown by today's adolescents. He narrated the psychology of students with illustrations and received the feed back from the students.



Department of Computer Science

Mr.Makesh, Manager of Network Experts spoke on "IP Networking and Routing" on 4th July 2007.

The inaugural function of the first year computer courses was held on 9th August 2007. Mr.T.S.Ganesh, Branch Manager of Life Insurance of India, Cantonment Branch, Trichy-1 offered his felicitation.

Mr.Immanuel Singh B.E., (EEE) from ACCEL IT Academy, Trichy delivered a lecture on "Embedded Systems" on 10th October 2007.



Trichy Plus a "Placement Service" Company conducted a Test on 5th December 2007 to recruit candidates for future "Rural Marketing". Nine candidates were selected and they will join duty after the completion of the course. Candidates from B.B.A., B.Com. and Computer Science Department participated in it. On 27th December 2007, all the first year UG students had an opportunity to listen to Dr.Selvakumar, Reader in Tamil Department, St.Joseph College, Trichy, who spoke on "The Youth of India To-day and their Role in Building our Nation". The programme was jointly organised with Poornothaya Trust an NGO.

Department of Social Work

On 28th September 2007, an awareness camp on "Global Warming" was organized by Master of Social Work Department, at Allathur Government Higher Secondary School. Dr.Kalavathy, Department of Environmental Science, Bishop Heber College, Trichy spoke on the causes and effects of global warming.

On 5th October 2007, Mrs.R.Shyamala, District Disabled Rehabilitation Officer, Trichy-1, addressed our students on "Disability Act & Welfare Measures" at Rehabilitation center for Blind Women, Mannarpuram.

Dr.D.Srinivasan, Reader in Geology Department, National College, Tiruchirapalli-1 spoke on "Disaster Management" on 3rd October 2007.



A five days field work programme was organized for the students of MSW at Innugur Village from 15th October 2007 to 20th October 2007.



On 18th December 2007, Dr.Umesh Samuvel, Reader in Social Work Department, Bishop Heber College, Trichy, spoke on "HR Challenges, Trends and Opportunities".



Exnora Activities

On 1st August 2007, Mr.V.T.Kandasamy, DFO, Social Forest Division, inaugurated the activities of Students Exnora for this year. He explained to the students the various uses of forest and how it helps in preserving eco-diversity. He wanted the students to join the afforestation programme to improve the total forest cover from the existing 18% to 33%.

On 30th August 2007, there was a one day workshop on "Global Warming". The workshop was inaugurated by Mrs.Devika Jason, Chairperson, YWCA . The causes and effects of global warming were explained to the students. While discussing the causes, she pointed out how industrialization was responsible for the increase in average temperature of the earth in the last two decades.

On 3rd September 2007, our College students participated in a one day workshop at Cauvery College for women, Trichy.

Students were selected for "Allasal Arangam" T.V. Programme. On 19th and 20th December 2007, students of Exnora were involved in "Vaikunda Egadasi" function and crowd control with the city police.

Department of Tamil

On 5th September 2007, Dr.A.Gopinath from Bishop Heber College, Trichy, gave a speech on "Enney, Thoney, Narthangai" at SFC Auditorium.

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