ANNUAL QUALITY ASSURANCE REPORT (AQAR 2015-16)



Mercy College Palakkad-678006

Submitted to National Assessment and Accreditation Council

The Annual Quality Assurance Report (AQAR) of the IQAC

(July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016)

Part - A

1. Details of the Institution			
1.1 Name of the Institution	Mercy College, Palakkad		
1.2 Address Line 1	Mercy College,		
Address Line 2	Pallipuram (Post)		
City/Town	Palakkad		
State	Kerala		
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Mobile

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1.3 NAAC Track ID (For ex. MHCOGN 18879)

KLCOGN14812

1.4 NAAC Executive Committee No. & Date

EC(SC)/01/RAR/91 Dated: 5.5.2014

of your institution's Accreditation Certificate)

1.5 Website address

www.mercycollege.edu.in

Web-link of the AQAR:

http://www.mercycollege.edu.in/AQAR

For ex. http://www.ladykeanecollege.edu.in/AQAR2012-13.doc

1.6 Accreditation Details

Sl. No.	Cycle	Grada	Grade CGPA	Year of	Validity
S1. NO.	Cycle	Grade	COFA	Accreditation	Period
1	1st Cycle	4 Stars	-	1999	2004
2	2 nd Cycle	A	-	2007	2012
3	3 rd Cycle	A	3.32	2014	2019

1.7 Date of Establishment of IQAC DD/MM/YYYY

1/7/2004

1.8 AQAR for the year (for example 2010-11)

2015-2016

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1.9 Details of the previous year's AQAR submitted to NAAC after the latest Assessment and Accreditation by NAAC ((for example AQAR 2010-11submitted to NAAC on 12-10-2011)

	AQAR of 2014-15 was submitted to NAAC on 22.12.2018
	AQAR 01 2014-13 was submitted to IVAAC 011 22.12.2018
10 Institutional Status	
University	State / Central Deemed Private

1.10 Institutional Status				
University	State \[\] Central \[\] Deeme	ed Private		
Affiliated College	Yes \[\sqrt{\sq}}}}}}}\signtifien\sintitita\sintitita}\sintititit{\sqrt{\sqrt{\sqrt{\sqrt{\sqrt{\sqrt{\sqrt{\sqrt{\sqrt{\sqrt{\sqrt{\sq}}}}}}}\sqrt{\sintitititit{\sintititit{\sqrt{\sqrt{\sqrt{\sqrt{\sqrt{\sq}}}}}}}}\signtifien\sintitititititit{\sintititit{\sintititit{\sintiin}}}}\signtifien\sintitititititititititititititititi}}}}}\simitiinitiin}\simtitititititititititititititititititit			
Constituent College	Yes No \[
Autonomous college of UGC	Yes No			
Regulatory Agency approved Inst	titution Yes No	\checkmark		
(eg. AICTE, BCI, MCI, PCI, NCI)				
Type of Institution Co-education	Men Womer	ı 🗸		
Urban	Rural √ Tribal			
Financial Status Grant-in-ai	dd ☐ UGC 2(f) √ UC	GC 12B √		
Grant-in-aid	+ Self Financing √ Totally S	Self-financing		
1.11 Type of Faculty/Programme				
Arts $\sqrt{}$ Science $\sqrt{}$ Commerce $\sqrt{}$ Law $\sqrt{}$ PEI (Phys Edu)				
TEI (Edu) Engineerin	g Health Science	Management		
Others (Specify)				
1.12 Name of the Affiliating University	ity (for the Colleges)	University of Calicut		

1.13 Special status conferred by Central/State C	Government UG	C/CSIR/DS1/DB1/	ICMR etc
Autonomy by State/Central Govt. / University	-]	
University with Potential for Excellence	-	UGC-CPE	-
DST Star Scheme	-	UGC-CE	-
UGC-Special Assistance Programme	-	DST-FIST	$\boxed{ \qquad } \\$
UGC-Innovative PG programmes	-	Any other (Specify)	-
UGC-COP Programmes 2. IQAC Composition and Activities	-		
	7+1		
2.1 No. of Teachers			
2.2 No. of Administrative/Technical staff	5		
2.3 No. of students	3		
2.4 No. of Management representatives	3		
2.5 No. of Alumni	1		
2. 6 No. of any other stakeholder and community representatives	1		
2.7 No. of Employers/ Industrialists	1		
2.8 No. of other External Experts	1		
2.9 Total No. of members	22		
2.10 No. of IQAC meetings held : 4			

2.11 No. of meetings	s with various stakeholders: No. 5 Faculty 2
Non-Teaching	Staff 1 Students - Alumni 1 Others 0
2.12 Has IQAC rece	eived any funding from UGC during the year? Yes No
If yes, menti	ion the amount
2.13 Seminars and (Conferences (only quality related)
(i) No. of Semi	nars/Conferences/ Workshops/Symposia organized by the IQAC
Total Nos.	2 International - National 2 State - Institution Level -
(ii) Themes	Kerala State Higher Education sponsored National Seminar on Autonomous Colleges : Issues and Challenges
	NAAC sponsored Workshop on E-content Development : Need and Prospects in Improving Teaching and Learning in Higher Education

2.14 Significant Activities and contributions made by IQAC

Co-ordinated Autonomy inspection visit by team from KSHEC

Faculty were introduced to new methods of innovative teaching learning methods as E-content development, Video lecturing etc through seminars

Career Guidance and Placement Cell was motivated to enhance programmes relating to career guidance and placements

Departments were encouraged to conduct sponsored Seminars and Workshops

2.15 Plan of Action by IQAC/Outcome

The plan of action chalked out by the IQAC in the beginning of the year towards quality enhancement and the outcome achieved by the end of the year \ast

Plan of Action	Achievements
Introduction of new courses	New departments as Social Work was introduced
Enhance skill development courses	Each department initiated atleast one skilled course
Promotion of faculty in	Faculty introduced to E-content development. Some of
participation of Innovative	the faculty participated in E-content development
Teaching and Learning Methods	through EMMRC of Calicut to NEC.
	Initiation of new BCA lab
Ensuring quality Research	Faculty were promoted to attend, participate and present
	their papers
	Proposal on DST-FIST submitted and presented .
	Faculty promoted to apply for major and minor projects
Inculcation of research aptitude in	Students introduced to Research Methodology and
students	Scientific Writing
To apply for NIRF ranking	Departments updated data for NIRF
Promotion of Green Practices	Initiation of Organic Farming & Biodiversity Park. Plant
	saplings were planted.
	Seminars on Environmental issues by various
	departments and NSS was conducted.
A revision in the mode of conduct	Book on Human values for all year students and conduct
of value education classes	of examination at the end of the year.
To implement Swatch Bharath	Friday afternoon break was allotted for cleaning
Abhyan, Govt. of India	activities as a part of compulsory social services. Each
	department was allotted an area of land for
	beautification.
	A report on Swatch Bharath activities in campus
	submitted to Govt. of India
Preparation for Autonomy	Seminars and Talks on Autonomy conducted
Enhancing career placement	Career Guidance Classes were conducted. Campus
activities	Placements were high.

Innovative Programs to cater to the needs of the different category of	Conduct of Walk with Scholar (WWS), Scholar Support Programme (SSP), ASAP.
students	
Discussion on Capacity building	Newly appointed teachers were asked to apply for
programmes for teachers.	FLAIR and ERUDITE (Scholar Residence Programme)
Enhancing Gender equity	Increase in gender sensitization activities and
programmes and classes	programmes

^{*} Attach the Academic Calendar of the year as Annexure.

2.15 Whether the AQAR was placed in statutory body	Yes - No .	$\sqrt{}$
Management - Syndicate	Any other body	
Provide the details of the action taken		

Part – B Criterion – I

1. Curricular Aspects

1.1 Details about Academic Programmes

Level of the Programme	Number of existing Program mes	Number of programmes added during the year	Number of self-financing programmes	Number of value added / Career Oriented programmes
PhD	1	-	-	-
PG	7	1	-	-
UG	13	-	4	-
PG Diploma	-	-	3	1
Advanced Diploma	1	-	-	-
Diploma	1	-	-	2
Certificate	1	-	-	6
Others	-	-	-	13
Total	24	1	7	22
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Interdisciplinary	-	-	-	-

Interdisciplinary	-	-	-	-
Innovative	-	-	-	-

1.2 (i) Flexibility of the Curriculum:

Choice Based Credit System (CBCS), All the UG programmes have 2 elective subjects, 1 open course and an elective paper

(ii) Pattern of programmes:

Pattern	Number of programmes	
Semester	All programs	
Trimester		
Annual		

1.3 Feedback from stakeholders A	lumni 🗸 Pare	ents $\sqrt{}$ Employers	- Students	V
(On all aspects)				
Mode of feedback : Onli	ine Manual	$\sqrt{}$ Co-operating sch	nools (for PEI)	
*Please provide an analysis of the fo	eedback in the Anne	xure		1

1.4 aspe	Whether there is any revision/update of regulation or syllabi, if yes, mention their salient ects.
	Yes, Being an affiliated college, university updates/revision is followed.
1.5	Any new Department/Centre introduced during the year. If yes, give details.
	Department of Social Work

Criterion - II

2. Teaching, Learning and Evaluation

2.1 Total No. of
permanent faculty

Total	Asst. Professors	Associate Professors	Professors	Others
55	41	14	-	-

2.2	No.	of	permanent	faculty	with	Ph.D.
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2.3 No. of Faculty Positions Recruited (R) and Vacant (V) during the year

Asst.		Associ	ate	Profes	ssors	Other	S	Total	
Profes	ssors	Profess	sors						
R	V	R	V	R	V	R	V	3	1
_			1					_	
3	-	_	1	-	-	-	-	3	-

	2.4 No. o	of Guest	and Visiting	faculty and	Temporar	y faculty
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2.5 Faculty participation in conferences and symposia:

No. of Faculty	International level	National level	State level
Attended	-	27	7
Presented papers	1	17	11
Resource Persons	-	9	-

2.6 Innovative processes adopted by the institution in Teaching and Learning:

Tutorship, Mentoring, Smart Class, Value addition courses, Compulsory field visit by science students, Movie screening on gender equity ,Awareness classes on environmental and social issues to enhance student's output, Research paper presentation by students, value education classes.

2.7	Total No. of actual teaching days
	during this academic year

216			
/In	_	1	
		- 1	n

2.8 Examination/ Evaluation Reforms initiated by the Institution (for example: Open Book Examination, Bar Coding, **Double Valuation, Photocopy, Online Multiple Choice Questions)**

*Two halls in the Pope John Paul block were changed to Examination Halls

2.9 No. of faculty members involved in curriculum restructuring/revision/syllabus development as member of Board of Study/Faculty/Curriculum Development workshop

1	-	-

2.10 Average percentage of attendance of students

80

2.11 Course/Programme wise distribution of pass percentage:

Title of the Programme	Pass %
BSc.Maths	87
BSc.Physics	94
BSc.Chemistry	94
BSc.Botany	90
BSc.Zoology	88
BSc.Computer Science	97
BSc.Biotechnology	87
B.A. English	86
B.A. Economics	87
B.A. History	86
Bcom.	98
MSc.Maths	67
MSc.Physics	92
MSc.Chemistry	80
M.A. English	89
M.A. Economics	60

UNIVERSITY RANK HOLDERS

We have 5 rank holders who have made us proud:

- 1. Ms.Divya P I rank in B.Sc. Biotechnology
- 2. Ms. Hemalatha R II rank in B.Sc Biotechnology
- 3. Ms.Akhila K.- II rank in B.Sc. Physics.
- 4. Ms. Amrutha K. II rank in B.Sc. Chemistry.
- 5. Ms. Asha E. III rank in B.A. Economics.

^{*} Students were encouraged to submit e-assignments as part of continuous internal assesment

2.12 How does IQAC Contribute/Monitor/Evaluate the Teaching & Learning processes :

- Regular visit of the departments by the IQAC members to monitor the functioning of the departments.
- Collects feedback from students regularly to take necessary actions .
- Regularly arranges faculty enrichment programmes through seminars and workshops.
- Departments encouraged to introduce skill development courses
- Students were encouraged to participate in innovative programmes (quiz. Paper presentation, management fest, debates) organized by other institutions in and out of the state

2.13 Initiatives undertaken towards faculty development

Faculty / Staff Development Programmes	Number of faculty benefitted
Refresher courses	3
UGC – Faculty Improvement Programme	-
HRD programmes	-
Orientation programmes	4
Faculty exchange programme	-
Staff training conducted by the university	1
Staff training conducted by other institutions	-
Summer / Winter schools, Workshops, etc.	-
Others	-

2.14 Details of Administrative and Technical staff

Category	Number of Permanent Employees	Number of Vacant Positions	Number of permanent positions filled during the Year	Number of positions filled temporarily
Administrative Staff	7	3	-	3
Technical Staff	9	3	-	3

Criterion -III

3. Research, Consultancy and Extension

3.1 Initiatives of the IQAC in Sensitizing/Promoting Research Climate in the institution

*Promoting faculty to apply for major and minor projects

*Promoting faculty to apply for sponsored day celebrations, seminars and workshops

*Promoting to upgrade the Research Lab by inclusion of latest scientific equipments

*Conducted sessions on Research Writing for students to develop scientific aptitude among students through Research Forum

*Implementation of Research Paper presentations (review and work based) by students through research forum

3.2 Details regarding major projects

	Completed	Ongoing	Sanctioned	Submitted
Number	1	2	0	-
Outlay in Rs. Lakhs	2348500	3057100	-	-

3.3 Details regarding minor projects

	Completed	Ongoing	Sanctioned	Submitted
Number	4	6	8	7
Outlay in Rs. Lakhs	755000	608500	3872300	-

3.4 Details on research publications

	International	National	Others
Peer Review Journals	3	13	-
Non-Peer Review Journals	-	5	-
e-Journals	3	3	-
Conference proceedings	3	11	-

3.5 Details on Impact factor of publications:

Range 0.54-1.24 Average 2.4 h-index 3.20 Nos. in SCOPUS 2

${\bf 3.6}\ Research\ funds\ sanctioned\ and\ received\ from\ various\ funding\ agencies, industry\ and\ other\ organisations$

Nature of the Project	Duration Year	Name of the funding Agency	Total grant sanctioned	Received
Major projects	2014-17	DST	23 ,00000/-	-
Minor Projects	2014-16	UGC	18,79500/-	-
Interdisciplinary Projects	-	-	-	-
Industry sponsored	-	-	-	-
Projects sponsored by the University/ College	-	-	-	-
Students research projects (other than compulsory by the University)	-	-	-	-
Any other(Specify)	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-

3.7 No. of books publis	shed i) With ISBN No.	1 Chapter	rs in Edited Books	3
3.8 No. of University I	ii) Without ISBN No. Departments receiving fund	ds from		
	UGC-SAP _	CAS -	DST-FIST	-
	DPE _		DBT Scheme/funds	-
3.9 For colleges	Autonomy _	CPE _	DBT Star Scheme	-
	INSPIRE _	CE _	Any Other (specify)	-
3.10 Revenue generate	d through consultancy	5000		
3.11 No. of conference	s organized by the Institut	ion	<u></u>	

Level	International	National	State	University	College
Number	-	8	7		1
Sponsoring	-	UGC,KSCSTE, NAAC,	Clubs,		Department
agencies		KSHEC,	Various		
			Departments		

3.12 No. of faculty served as ex	perts, chairpersons	or resourc	e persons	
3.13 No. of collaborations Into	ernational _ N	Vational	3 Any other	
3.14 No. of linkages created du	ring this year	6		
24777 4 11 1 4 6			9	
3.15 Total budget for research	for current year in	lakhs :		
From Funding agency	.072300/- m Mar	agement of	University/College	Nil
Total 4072	300/-			
3.16 No. of patents received th	is year			
	Type of Patent		Number	
	National	Applied	-	
		Granted Applied	-	
	International	Granted	-	
	C	Applied	-	
	Commercialised	Granted	-	
3.17 No. of research awards/ re Of the institute in the year	r		ty and research fellows	
Total International	+	Jniversity	Dist College	
	- - -			
3.18 No. of faculty from the Institution who are Ph. D. Guides and students registered under them 12 3.19 No. of Ph.D. awarded by faculty from the Institution 1 3.20 No. of Research scholars receiving the Fellowships (Newly enrolled + existing ones)				
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3.22 No. of students participa	ted in NCC events: 71			
	Un	iversity level	State level	6
	Na	tional level 4	International le	evel _
3.23 No. of Awards won in NS	S: 110			
	Uni	versity level	State level	-
	Nat	ional level -	International le	vel -
3.24 No. of Awards won in NO	CC:			
	Uni	versity level	State level	-
	Nat	ional level 2	International le	vel -
3.25 No. of Extension activities	organized			
University forum	College forum	-		
NCC -	NSS	8	Any other	_

3.26 Major Activities during the year in the sphere of extension activities and Institutional Social Responsibility

CAMPUS MINISTRY

Activity Organised

- 1. Jesus Youth seminar conducted by Rev, Fr. Jaimon Pallineerakkal and Dr. Regi, of Jesus Youth Wing.
- 2. Avan Veendum Varunnu'- Cinema screened by Gospel for Poor, Thrissur
- 3. Mission Day message by Rev.Fr. Paul Thekkiniath CMI, Principal, Bharathmatha Higher Secondary School.
- 4. 'Divyakarunyam' Seminar by Fr. Justin MCBS.
- 5. Christmas message by Fr. Thoms Kulampallil, Vicar, St. Antony's Church, Kottayi.
- 6. St. Euphrasia Day celebration and honoring the consecrated sisters in the Mercy campus.
- 7. Missionary experience sharing by old student Sr. Priya Rose, African Missionary
- 8. Chavara speech competition in connection with Chavara Day.
- 9. Missionaries in Church- Quiz competition in connection with the Mission week.
- 10. Consecration to the Sacred Heart of Jesus by Fr. Jobin Kanjirathingal.
- 11. Carmel day celebrated

WOMEN DEVELOPMENT CELL

Category of Activity	Activity Done
Orientation Programmes	International Women's day celebrated with Women Sensitization talks
Awareness Programmes on Gender issues	Awareness programme by WASP (Women's Academy for Self protection) in collaboration with the Department of Physical education.
Skill Development programmes for students	Cooking classes and defensive art classes were organized in collaboration with the Social Service League and the Department of Physical Education respectively.
Extensions	Visit to the orphanage 'Thanal Balashramam' Remedial language classes for the first year degree SC, ST and OBC students of the college.

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Workshops	Media Literacy
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<u>NSS</u>

Name of the Extension Activity	Activity Initiated				
Pirayiri as Sishusouhrudha Panchayth	Cleaning of Pirayiri Panchayat Kalyan Mandapam, Govt. UP School, Pallipuram and its surroundings.				
PothichoruVitharanam	A project to help the hungry in and around locality by bringing food for the poor every week				
Pusthakathottil	Collected of books from neighboring houses.				
Snehasparsham	Visit to Mercy Creche, Anganvadi situated at Chathapuram and Vadakanthara. And Entertained the inmates Awareness class for students and parents and distribution of study materials to needy students				
Santhwanam	*Collection and distribution of old clothes. *Providing free tuition to primary school students				
Karunyasparsham	Visited to the Old Age Home and Home of Destitute				
Swatch Baharat Abhiyan	Suchitwa Varam – NSS volunteers cleaned the campus				
Health /Medical Awareness Classes	*Class on Importance of Yoga *Orientation on 'Stem Cell Donation' organized by NSS and SSL in collaboration with Datri. Awareness class on Tuberculosis				
Organic Farming	Volunteers undertook agriculture in the campus				
National Youth Week Celebrations	*An Exhibition organized *Quiz competition and an Elocution Competition were also held				
Special Camp at Mepparambu	*Various classes on Law and Justice, Child Abuse, Social Media, Neurotic Disorders and Psychological Skills, Personality Development, Fire and Safety Leadership Skills, Health and Social Responsibility were conducted. *Release of Camp Souvenir 'Ormacheppu' *Debates and Discussions on Social issues				

SOCIAL SERVICE LEAGUE

Category of Activity	Activity Done					
"Chavara Darshan" programmes	Conducted (sewing classes, music classes, type writing classes, computer classes and dance classes).					
Onam Celebrations Christmas Celebrations	Distribution of onam kits at Thottungal Christmas celebration at crèche and mercy home.					
Mercy Day Celebrations	Organized "Mercy Food Fest".					
Old age day celebrations Social Service day	Entertained Mercy Home inmates with various cultural programmes					
observation World Palliative Care Day	Entertained elders from Mercy home and children from Creche.					

	At Anugraha Bhavan, Chittadi.				
Gender Sensitization	Talk on the protection of women				
Programmes					
Year of Mercy Celebrations	Offered free counseling for parents and students and free remedial teaching at Pallipuram UPS and Kallikkad LPS				
Orientation/Awareness	FCC Counsellors conducted awareness, orientation classes in and				
Classes	outside campus, different schools and colleges, organizations etc.				
	SPC legal counselor also conducted various awareness, orientation classes in and outside campus, different schools and colleges, organizations				
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CHILDLINE

Childline reaches out to the most marginalized children with the aim of providing them rehabilitation and care from unsafe situation in the space of shelter, medical aid, repatriation, rescue, emotional support and guidance. Mercy College is working as a Nodal Organization of Childline in Palakkad district. Childline nodal organization took initiation of different activities in Palakkad district.

- 1. Child Rights Express
- 2. Childline Se-Dhosthi Week Celebration
- 3. Childline Sensitization programme
- 4. Awareness on substance abuse programme
- 5. Training for Journalists
- 6. Training for Women police officers in Palakkad District

CINE FORUM

Screening of film Children of heaven for the students

CAMERA CLUB

Photo Exhibition – IRIS –FOTO Art 2K16

OTHERS

Name of the activity	Organising unit/ agency/	Name of the scheme
	collaborating agency	
Planting tree saplings through	Dept. of Zoology with	Green Canopy: Growing a Greener
sides of the Thirunellayi Road	Social Forestry Division, Palakkad	(Social Forestry Program of the Dept.)
	1 23	Save Blood Save Life
	Jubilee Mission Medical College	
	Blood Bank, Thrissur	
Palliative Care	NRHM, District Hospital Palakkad	Swathana paricharanam
Souhridham camp	Childline Rajagiri outreach	Souhridham scheme

Criterion - IV

4. Infrastructure and Learning Resources

4.1 Details of increase in infrastructure facilities:

Facilities	Existing	Newly created	Source of Fund	Total
Campus area	23.6	-	-	23.6 acres
	acres			
Class rooms	85	-	-	85
Laboratories	11	-	-	11
Seminar Halls	2	2	UGC	2
No. of important equipments purchased (≥ 1-0 lakh) during the current year.	9	2	UGC	11
Value of the equipment purchased during the year (Rs. in Lakhs)		13Lakhs	UGC	13Lakhs
Others (smart class)	-	17	UGC	17

4.2 Computerization of administration and library

Library

Significant Activitie

Library orientation schedules for staff and students.

It is equipped with CCTV, e-check in and checkout facilities. The library has a digital database, an internet access room and separate reading areas for UG and PG students.

Online Public Access Catalogue is provided to the users of the Library in a separate computer placed near the Circulation Counter.

Library processes have been automated with the Library Management Software Book Magic 5.0 software (Meshil Logic).

E--resources available in the Internet including Inflibnet.

Two Reprography machines

Library promotes the use of e-publications by providing usernames and passwords

for the subscribed e-journals and link to various e resources are added in the Mercy College Website.

Library IT room provides a CD workstation which facilitates the browsing of vast collection of CD-ROMS

User orientation programmes are conducted at two levels i.e. Fresh students, and faculty level.

For senior students orientation is conducted whenever new changes or new systems are adopted in the library.

Informal trainings and user guides with web address are provided to search databases.

The Library staff also provides help in accessing the database.

INFLIBNET facility is available.

Audio CDs are available for visually handicapped students.

The student can also use the library IT room, where they can listen to the contents of the CD.

4.3 Library services:

	Ex	isting	Newl	ly added	To	tal
	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value
Text Books	2035	916744	150	136726	2185	105347
						0
Reference Books	72	87741	20	32000	92	119841
e-Books	11000	-	-	-	11000	-
Journals	48	63800	2	7000	50	70800
e-Journals	157	-	10	-	167	-
Digital Database	5	3800	-	-	5	3800
CD & Video	180	5850	10	250	190	6100
Others (specify)	69	40000	2	4000	71	44000

4.4 Technology up gradation (overall)

	Total Comput ers	Comput er Labs	Internet	Browsing Centres	Computer Centres	Office	Depart- ments	Othe rs
Existing	106	2	Wifi	1	0	2	10	-
Added	10	1	1	1	1	0	1	-
Total	116	3	-	2	1	2	111	-

4.5 Computer, Internet access, training to teachers and students and any other programme for technology upgradation (Networking, e-Governance etc.)

Faculty was introduced to e-content development through FDP programmes

Technical Fest by students of computer science and computer applications

Seminar on cloud computing for the students of computer science and computer applications

4.6 Amount spent on maintenance in lakhs:

i) ICT	88166
ii) Campus Infrastructure and facilities	130284
iii) Equipments	7800
iv) Others	2192433

Criterion - V

5. Student Support and Progression

5.1 Contribution of IQAC in enhancing awareness about Student Support Services

*IQAC co-ordinates with the co-ordinators of various cells and committees and arranges several programmes such as orientation for first year students and their parents

*IQAC suggestions in Staff council meetings enables Tutor to elect representatives, and class tutors play a significant role in briefing students about student support services available in the campus.

*The common display board in the portico and the common announcement system regularly updates the students of the day-to-day functioning of the Institution.

*Motivates the students to join various clubs/cells/committees

*Monitor WWS, SSP and ASAP

5.2 Efforts made by the institution for tracking the progression

- *Alumnae meet is conducted every year.
- *Tutors maintain contact of their wards and document regularly the students progress
- *Group Whats app and Group mail of outgoing students.
- *Meeting and Discussion with retired staff to update the progress of our alumnae
- *Alumnae corner in the college website
- *Social networks

5.3 (a) Total Number of students

UG	PG	Ph. D.	Others
1412	212	9	

(b) No. of students outside the state

UG -3; PG - 1

(c) No. of international students

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No %

Men

No %

Women

	Last Y	ear				This `	Year				
General	SC	ST	OBC	Physically Challenged	Total	General	SC	ST	OB C	Physically Challenged	Total
687	220	56	606	-	1596	677	231	55	661	-	1624
5.4 Details (•		0.86% ort mechanisi	n for coa	aching for	r com	petiti	ve exa	nminations (If a	any)
	•			dents are giv		_				s and PSC tes	sts at the
No. of students beneficiaries 200 5.5 No. of students qualified in these examinations											
NET		6	ET/S	SLET	12 ΓE		1			1	
IAS/IPS e	tc	-	Sta	nte PSC	7 L	JPSC	-		thers	-	

5.6 Details of student counselling and career guidance

S.NO.	Date	Activity	Beneficiary
1.	03.06.2015 onwards	Various Computer Courses	Women of neighbouring locality and college students.
2.	27.06.2015	Recruitment drive by Axis Bank conducted by Lead College of Management, Dhoni, and Palakkad	III DC Students
3.	29.07.2015	Seminar on "Career Guidance" organized by Career Guidance Cell, Vimala College, Thrissur.	III DC Students
4.	30.07.2015	Awareness talk on "Career Guidance"	III DC Students
5.	04.08.2015	A seminar on "How to Excel in Group Discussion, Personal Interviews, and Getting Ready for a Successful Career"	III DC Students
6.	12.08.2015	A talk on "IT Trends and Career Opportunities"	II DC Students
7.	17.08.2015 &18.08.2015	A certificate programme in unleashing excellence	Anila Jose and Ms Sreethu Sreedharan IIIDC B.Com
8.	29.09.2015	Wipro Campus Drive 2015 held at St. Aloysius College, Thrissur	Ten III DC students
9.	18.11.2015	Aptitude test a session on "Arts and Multimedia Designing"	IIDC Students
10.	02.12.2015	A session on "Interview skills and Resume Writing"	IIIDC Students
11.	08.12.2015	Campus Recruitment Drive	IIIDC Students
12.	16.12.2015 & 17.12.02016	i-Lead National Leadership Fest 2015 at Lead Management College, Dhoni.	Abhaya P R, Anila Jose, Manisha M, Swathy K Gopal and Vidhya T S of III DC B.Com They got Ist position in Looser's final and a cash prize of Rs.3000.
13.	04.01.2016	a session on "K-MAT-Exam and its Procedures"	III DC B.Com Students
14.	05.01.2016	Off campus recruitment drive was	III DC & PG

		organized to ICICI Bank	Students
15.	06.01.2016	A session on "Group Discussion	III DC & PG
		and Personal Interview	Students
		Techniques"	
16.	08.01.2016	Campus Recruitment Drive	III DC Students
17.	09.01.2016	Mega Job Fair conducted by	III DC Students
		Ministry of Human Resource at	
		Govt. Victoria College, Palakkad	
18.	21.01.2016	Campus Recruitment Drive	III DC Students

No. of students benefitted

485

5.7 Details of campus placement

	On campus	Off Campus	
Number of Organizations Visited	Number of Students Participated	Number of Students Placed	Number of Students Placed
2	130	54	77

5.8 Details of gender sensitization programmes

SOCIAL SERVICE LEAGUE

- Various training Programmes under Chavara Dharshan (sewing classes, music classes, typewriting, computer and dance classes) were held
- Orientation on Personality Development and Growing to Greatness for entry students
- Awareness class on Domestic Violence Act
- A class on the Right To information Act

WOMEN DEVELOPMENT CELL

- Organised an Awareness programme for the students by WASP (Women's Academy for Self protection) in collaboration with the Department of Physical education on 10 Sept 2015.
- Organised a **visit to the orphanage 'Thanal Balashramam'** on 19 Sept, 2015. Twenty students and two teachers participated. Students performed cultural activities and conducted game shows for the inmates. A sum of Rs 3000 was also contributed.
- Cooking classes and defensive art classes were organised for the students in collaboration with the Social Service League and the Department of Physical Education respectively.

 Commenced remedial language classes for the first year degree SC, ST and OBC students of the college.

CHILDLINE

Childline reaches out to the most marginalized children with the aim of providing them rehabilitation and care from unsafe situation in the space of shelter, medical aid, repatriation, rescue, emotional support and guidance. Mercy College is working as a Nodal Organization of Childline in Palakkad district. Childline nodal organization took initiation of different activities in Palakkad district. It conducted activities as

- 1. Child Rights Express
- 2. Childline Se-Dhosthi Week Celebration
- 3. Childline Sensitization programme
- 4. Awareness on substance abuse programme
- 5. Training for Journalists
- 6. Training for Women police officers in Palakkad District

ACTIVITIES OF SOCIAL WORK DEPARTMENT

A wareness programme on "HIV -AIDS, Detection, Treatment, Rehabilitation and Psycho-social implications." In association with HAPPI-KESS

Road rally against child trafficking. Pamphlets were distributed among public as a part of awareness creation.

a bus exhibition conducted and organized awareness about child abuse. The Bus exhibition was done in various schools in Palakkad which the MSW students volunteered.

Class on the Organisation structure and activities of Chief Judicial Magistrate Court, Principal and Additional District and Sessions Court.

Anti Domestic Violence Day Observance by Social Service League, MSW Department and Legal Service Authority, Palakkad. Various competitions were organized for students like Essay writing, Poster making, Pencil Drawing etc.

Observance of AIDS day and delivered an Oath for AIDS awareness.

Observance of International day for Differently-Abled- MSW students participated in a programme conducted by Social Justice department, Govt. Of Kerala.

MSW students volunteered an awareness programme on amendments of Juvenile Justice Act organized by VISWAS (VICTIMS Information Sensitization, Welfare and assistance society) at Collectorate conference hall

Rural camp organized at Vazhapuzhacolony, Nenmeni, Kollengode. Class on Participatory rural appraisal and tools, awareness talk on organic farming ,visit to the tribal colony, interaction with Ms. Chandra (HR Director) and Ms. Christina (Book translator, UNESCO). They shared their view points on Spirituality and Empowerment of Women.

5.9 Students Activities

5.9.1 No. of students participated in Sports, Games and other events

	State/ University level	65/25	ional level	13	ernational level	2
	No. of students participate	ed in cultu	ıral events			
	State/ University level	16/87	onal level	-	ernational level	-
5.9.2 No. of medals /awards won by students in Sports, Games and other events						
Sports:	State/ University level	12/36	ational level	23	International level	2
Cultural	: State/ University level	L°	ational level	-	International level	-

Mercy has always been the cradle for young sportswomen.

Ms. Thara. M.D. created a new record in 10,000m in the college games 2015.

Ms. Rajna H. also created record in javelin throw in University Inter zone Championship.

Ms. Sandhya K.K. and Ms. Greeshma S. were awarded 'Star of Kerala' title in the Kerala Senior State Ball Badminton Championship.

Ms. Mintu P.R. was awarded 'Star of Kerala' title in the Kerala Junior State ball badminton Championship.

National Level medal winners:

Athletics:

Ms. Akhila M. won 3 gold medals in Junior National Meet.

Ms. Rajna H. won 1 gold and 1 bronze medal in Federation National meet.

Ms. Varsha M.V. won 2 bronze medals in South Zone National and in Cross Country (under 20) National meet.

Kho-Kho:

Members of the Kerala State Senior team that won III place in Senior National and South Zone Senior

National Championship:

Ms. Nijeesha M., Ms. Varsha S., Ms. Kalaivani

Members of the Kerala State Senior team that won III place in Junior National and Championship:

Ms. Aiswarya, Ms. Kalaivani.

Ball Badminton:

Members of the Kerala State Senior team that won III place in Senior National and Federation National Championship: Ms. Sandhya K., Ms. Greeshma S., Ms. Athira V.

Members of the Kerala State Senior team that won III place in Junior National Championship: Ms. Athira V., Ms. Aruna P.

All India Inter University Medal Winners:

Athletics:

Jyothi Krishna-Silver medal in 100 m hurdles.

Cross Country: Ms. Thara M.D., Ms. Varsha M.V., members of the University team that won III place.

Kho-Kho:

Members of the University team that won I place in South zone in the University tournaments: Ms. Reshma K., Ms. Aiswarya K., Ms. Raveena M., Ms. Sajna K.S., Ms. Kalaivani.

Intercollegiate tournament winners:

I Place in Kho-Kho and Soft ball.

II place in Athletics, Cross-country and ball badminton.

III place in shuttle badminton.

Participation in National Championship:

Athletics- 4 members.

Cross-country- 1 member.

Kho-Kho-4 members.

ball badminton- 4 members.

Soft ball- 1 member.

Participation in AIIU Championships:

- 1. Athletics- 8 members.
- 2. Cross-country- 2 members.
- Kho-Kho- 5members.
- 4. Khabadi- 2 members.
- 5. Ball badminton- 4 members.
- 6. Soft ball- 6 member.

In the College Games 2015, our College athletic team won III place. The Department of

Physical Education hosted the Calicut University Inter Collegiate Softball tournament.

5.10 Scholarships and Financial Support

	Number of students	Amount
Financial support from institution	4	5000
Financial support from government	29	469500
Financial support from other sources	-	-
Number of students who received International/ National recognitions	1	10000

5.11 Student organised / initiatives

Fairs : State/ University level 2 National level - nternational level - Exhibition: State/ University level 3 National level - nternational level - nternati

Exhibition:

IRIS-Photo Art 2K16 by students of camera club Exhibition on "Preserve Ozone, Save Earth for Safe Life" by chemistry students Nature Photography Exhibition in association with LEAP foundation

Fairs

Technical Fest by students of computer science and computer applications Food fest by students of SSL, Computer Science and Computer application

5.12 No. of social initiatives undertaken by the students

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5.13 Major grievances of students (if any) redressed:

The major complaints that have been addressed by the Grievance Redressal Cell. The students requested the principal to provide access to internet in the computer lab of the Library free of cost. It was decided to accede to the request if a letter of recommendation signed by the tutor was provided to the Librarian. The students reported the delay in repairing the telephone in the telephone booth. Telephone was repaired and made available and a staff was appointed to check the usage.

(Additional Information)

Other Student Oriented Programmes conducted:

Category of the Activity	No. of Programmes
Orientation Programmes	5
Awareness Programmes	10
Personality Development Classes	4

Criterion - VI

6. Governance, Leadership and Management

6.1 State the Vision and Mission of the institution

Vision

Academic excellence, development of skills and character formation based on love of God and service of man as modeled in Jesus Christ. The College also aims at training women for the service of God and humanity.

Mission

- To become a center par excellence.
- To provide value- based education.
- To promote quality education aimed at global competence.
- To ensure an integrated development of individuals.
- To empower women through education.

6.2 Does the Institution has a management Information System

All the councils in the Institution have senior faculty members as participants who plan, implement and evaluate various academic activities of the College. Council meetings are held twice every month and staff meetings once in a month. Such meetings enable the Management to discuss, suggest and interact with the faculty fruitfully.

6.3 Quality improvement strategies adopted by the institution for each of the following:

6.3.1 Curriculum Development

The college being affiliated, curriculum development is done by University. None of the teachers were active members of Board of studies and curriculum development committees.

6.3.2 Teaching and Learning

The Management gives top priority for the appointment of competent and meritorious candidates as faculty. Orientation programmes are provided to the faculty for their professional development. An ambience for learning is created in the campus by constant up gradation of learning resources to meet the academic requirements. The library functions as a major learning support service and is continuously updated. The Library Committee organizes several contact classes for the students to develop a reading culture. To ensure that academic excellence across all categories of students: tutorial, mentoring, advanced learners catering to slow learners, peer teaching, bridge courses, remedial courses, etc practiced. The feedback of the students and suggestions of the stakeholders are given serious considerations. Value

education and extension programmes are made part of the curriculum

6.3.3 Examination and Evaluation

In a semester two internal exams are conducted by college and the internal grades are published. Evaluation done via assignments, projects, seminars are considered for Continuous internal assessment. End semester examinations are conducted by University. Open book exams were conducted in the Maths Dept. New examination halls were allocated for the conduct of Internal Examinations.

6.3.4 Research and Development

Faculty members are expected to pursue Ph.D. through the FDP facility provided by the UGC. 1 faculty is pursuing Ph.D. under FDP programme during the current year.

- The Institution has three Research-oriented magazines ---Pursuits, Scientia and JiggyAsA. All the three journals have obtained ISSN. The Institution promotes Research through a. Research Centre for Comparative Studies (Department of English) and b. Mercy Research Forum. The Research Centre organizes Research Forum meetings which are attended by all the Research scholars and PG students. Besides this, the Centre has formed a Research Committee which conducts various programmes to promote Research. The Mercy Research Forum encourages students to present and publish papers in their respective disciplines. RAC meeting was convened to select the minor projects of faculty members as per UGC guidelines.
- Release of the national journals "Scientia-vol.10" & "jiggyAsA."
- A motivational talk on "Importance of Research in the present scenario" was delivered by Dr.P.S.Easa on the same day.
- Research forum paper presentation competition "Stimuli-2015" was conducted.

6.3.5 Library, ICT and physical infrastructure / instrumentation

Library

The central library is a major learning resource and has an impressive collection of books, periodicals, magazines, digital resources, and audio visual collections. All the resources are catalogued and the functioning of the library is fully automated. It has access to Inflibnet facility also. Most of the Departments have their own library to cater to immediate requirements.

ICT

Smart interactive boards are installed in all departments.

The Departments are also equipped with computers, printers, internet connectivity, LCD projector, and

so on.

The other facilities provided are TV, tape recorder, digital camera, video camera, and so forth.

Physical Facilities

The College has consistently upgraded both the physical and learning infrastructure to meet the growing academic needs. Internet facility was made available to the students through the new computer lab.

6.3.6 Human Resource Management

All curricular and co-curricular activities utilize manpower optimally. The staff is recruited as per the Kerala Government service norms. There are 55 teachers under the Government pay roll 33guest faculty members to cater to the self-financing courses.

6.3.7 Faculty and Staff recruitment

Appointments are made according to the rules of the Collegiate Education, Kerala Government. The vacancies that arise in the general merit quota, as well as community merit quota are advertised separately in leading dailies, sufficiently in advance. The interview panel comprises a subject expert, a Government nominee, the manager and a representative of the management. The interview is transparent to facilitate selection of the most competent candidate, and prevent vested interests. 5 Assistant Professors were recruited during this year.

6.3.8 Industry Interaction / Collaboration

Though the Institution does not have direct industrial collaboration, students from certain departments work together with industries to complete their academic projects. The major linkages: Central Silk Mark Organisation, IRTC, Mundur, Jubilee Mission Medical College Thrissur, Social Forestry Division, Palakkad, Magarani Textiles, Coimbatore, Valluvanad Infosys Pvt Ltd., Keltron, Palakkad etc. Visits and research interactions with various industries and research institutions are carried out on a regular basis by students through Adhoc linkages. Faculty members also collaborate with such agencies in their research and consultancy work.

6.3.9 Admission of Students

The process of admission is strictly in accordance with the University and State Government norms. The eligibility criteria, dates for distribution and collection of application forms, publication of rank list that includes confirmed list and waiting list, admission notification and date for the completion of admission process, are all decided by the University. Currently single window admission system is used by Calicut University

The Admission Committee in the College coordinates the entire process. The Committee comprises the Principal, Vice Principal, Office Superintendent, Coordinator, Joint Coordinator and ten staff members. On the day of the admission, students whose admission has been confirmed meet with the Principal and tutor for a personal interview. All the necessary documents and mark list are verified and the candidate is admitted after payment of fees. They are required to present a detailed resume to the tutor. An orientation programme is conducted for the students and their parents

Teaching	Residential Facility for Staff, Creche, Canteen, Store,
reaching	Salary advance to Guest Faculty, Onam and Christmas
	allowances to guest faculty
Non	Welfare Schemes for marriage, House Construction,
teaching	Medical aid, Creche, Canteen, Store,
Students	Institutional Scholarships, Freeships, Fund to deserving
	students for cultural activities, Distribution of Sewing
	Machines

6.5 Total corpus fund generated	Rs.57	,3801,272		
6.6 Whether annual financial a	udit has b	een done Yes	√ No	
6.7 Whether Academic and Ada	ministrati	ve Audit (AAA)	has been done?	
Audit Type	Ext	ternal	Inte	rnal
	Yes/No	Agency	Yes/No	Authority
Academic	Yes	CAs	Yes	HODs
Administrative	Yes	CAs	Yes	
All financial aids by AGs and DD of		govt. funded an	d state govt. fund	led are audited periodically
6.8 Does the University/ Autono	omous Col	lege declares re	sults within 30 d	lays?
For UC	5 Program	mes Yes [No -	V
	F Program	L	No .	Variation Deforms 2
6.9 What efforts are made by the	ie Univers	aty/ Autonomot	is Conege for Ex	amination Reforms:
	NA			
6.10 What efforts are made by colleges?	the Univer	rsity to promote	autonomy in th	e affiliated/constituent
	NA			

6.11 Activities and support from the Alumni Association

The Alumnae Association of the College has made remarkable contribution to the Institution through various activities. The Alumnae association held a reception for the outgoing students to formally welcome them to its fold. The general Body meeting was held on second Saturday of July. The association continues to run an STD booth and Instant Coffee facility in the campus. Under the Golden Jubilee Edu-health Project, financial help was extended to an old-student suffering from cancer. Alumnae members gathered together to celebrate Onam and Christmas. Coaching classes in tailoring and stitching are being held in the Alumnae Block as part of the 'Chavara darsan' programme. SC/ST students are given coaching classes for Bank tests and PSC tests at the alumnae block

6.12 Activities and support from the Parent – Teacher Association

The PTA of the College is not only an association for the stakeholders, but is also an advisory body of the Institution. It has extended financial support for infrastructural expansion, scholarships , Awards to honour the achievers among students and staff. The PTA continues to be a strong source of support in the running of the College. The PTA felicitates proficiency prize winners, Inter zone winners and achievers is sports and games. The PTA sponsors free uniforms distributed to deserving students. PTA also supervises the running of the College Canteen.

6.13 Development programmes for support staff

The faculty are sent for workshops and conferences organized by the UGC or other Institutions. For general programmes, like the IQAC, and other development programmes, the management provides full financial support. Regular training programmes are organized for the entire faculty two times a year. The non teaching staff is encouraged to attend various orientation programme. The management also provides financial support for their welfare.

6.14 Initiatives taken by the institution to make the campus eco-friendly

- The College takes care to maintain a green campus. There are well-maintained gardens such as
 Herbal garden, medicinal garden and two vegetable gardens within the campus. Apart from this,
 there are coconut groves and banana plantations, seasonal fruit bearing trees etc. within the
 College premises.
- Planting of saplings in the campus.

- College office makes use of used papers for the office copy of the College documents
- Rain water harvesting unit is available in the campus
- Vermi composting of kitchen and garden wastes.
- Use of LED lights to reduce carbon dioxide emissions.
- The Clementia specimen park also aims to provide a refuge to rare, endangered plant species. A Nakshatravanam has been established inside the specimen park with twenty seven medicinal plants.
- A Plastic free campus is encouraged by the Institution.
- Department deals with various environmental issues and its Management.
- Sensitization talks on e-waste management, Plastics Management are arranged in the campus as a part of curriculum.
- Leisure Tower and Garden benches in the campus

Criterion - VII

7. Innovations and Best Practices

7.1 Innovations introduced during this academic year which have created a positive impact on the functioning of the institution. Give details.

- ➤ Implementation of various innovative programmes ASAP,WWS, SSP, a Directorate of Collegiate Education initiative to cater to different category of learners
- ➤ Women Development Cell was actively functional to sensitize the women community on gender issues
- ➤ Increase in Faculty participation in Seminars/Workshops and publications.
- > Increase in the numbers of placements in campus recruitments
- ➤ Observation of significant Days of importance

7.2 Provide the Action Taken Report (ATR) based on the plan of action decided upon at the beginning of the year

Achievements

New departments as Social Work was introduced

Faculty to attend, participate and present their papers increased.

Eight new skill development courses were initiated by various departments.

Faculty was introduced to new methods in Teaching and Learning Process as E-content development. Some of the faculty participated in E-content development through EMMRC of Calicut to NEC.

Sanction of the proposal of DST FIST submitted by College.

Eight minor projects were sanctioned by UGC.

College applied for NIRF Ranking but ranking was not done by MHRD.

Initiation of Organic Farming & Biodiversity Park. Plant saplings were planted.

Career Guidance Classes were conducted. Campus Placements were high.

Conduct of Walk with Scholar (WWS), Scholar Support Programme (SSP), ASAP -Govt of Kerala initiatives.

Increase in gender sensitization activities and programmes under the auspices of Social Service League,

Women Development Cell etc.

Moral and value education classes were taken by tutors and exams were conducted.

Movie Screening was done by various clubs to highlight the current issues in the society

7.3 Give two Best Practices of the institution (please see the format in the NAAC Self-study Manuals)

SC Empowerment Programme for deserving students Green Canopy: A step towards greener Future

*Provide the details in annexure (annexure need to be numbered as i, ii,iii)

7.4 Contribution to environmental awareness / protection

- Nature Club conducted an awareness programme on Medicinal Plant and its importance in the present day
- World Environment Day was celebrated by screening of a Film in association with OISCA Women's chapter.
- A National Seminar on "Biodiversity Conservation "sponsored by Ministry of Environment and Forest and Centre for Environment and Development was held.
- An Exhibition on "Preserve Ozone, Save Earth for safe life" was conducted
- National Seminar on "Nano materials from Molecules to Medicine were conducted.
- Control of African snail menace in the college campus undertaken in collaboration with KFRI
- Nature Photography Exhibition and Need and Significance of bird watching were organized.
- A medicinal Garden was initiated.

7.5	Whether environmental audit was conducted?	Yes	$\sqrt{}$

7.6 Any other relevant information the institution wishes to add. (for example SWOT Analysis)

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STREN		WEAKNESS	OPPORTUNITIES • Strongthoning of	CHALLENGE
•	Many of the College activities as Skill Development Programmes, Gender Sensitization Programes etc focus towards Women Empowerment Learn with Nature program comprising Nature and Biodiversity	 Deficit of interdisciplinar y programs Inadequate Colloborative Research, MoUs and linkages Inadequate entrepreneur venture by students Academic flexibility less 	 Strengthening of the aided programmes Consultancy to be developed into more income generating source Set up more research centres by elevating departments with PG programs 	. Paucity of funds for infrastructural and developmental requirements Delay in the appointment of regular faculty leading to larger number of adhoc/guest faculty
	clubs for eco- friendly practices Active Alumnae			Availing students from other states and countries for enhanced
	Association, and highly supportive PTA			diversity
	Research ambience enhanced by frequent Seminars, Workshops, interaction with experts, projects, publications and consultancies			
	Effective feedback mechanism from all stakeholders			
	An on-campus, govt. recognized, registered SSL for Students, Staff and Community			

DST/FIST recognized Departments Outstanding performance in Sports and Games Wellness & Fitness Centres functioning under the Physical Education Department Healthy Teacher -Student relationship

8. Plans of institution for next year

- More training programs, linkages, collaborations and MOUs with other institutions/organizations
- Faculty to get involved in learning management systems as MOODLE, MOOC Online Courses etc
- Augmentation of income –generating consultancy practices
- Increased placement drives leading to more placements
- o More facilities for students with differently abled challenges
- o To encourage faculty to publish their findings in research in journals, books.
- To implement student projects in collaboration with NGO's/industry etc.
- Strengthen community beneficial activities and to undertake socially relevant projects

Name DR. R. GIRIJA

Name DR. SR. LILLY P.V.

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ACADEMIC CALENDAR 2015-16

JUNE 2015

Date	Day		Particulars
1.	Mon		College reopens after summer vacations
			Staff Council Meeting
			Talk on – Time management and social commitment
2.	Tue		Talk on Personality Development
3.	Wed		
4.	Thurs		
5.	Fri		Holy Mass World Environment Day observation- Dept. of Botany& OISCA International Palakkad
6.	Sat		
7.	Sun	Н	
8.	Mon		Last date of fees due
9.	Tue		
10.	Wed		
11.	Thurs		
12.	Fri		
13.	Sat	Н	
14.	Sun	Н	
15.	Mon		Orientation on Health and Sexuality
16.	Tue		Seminar on Cloud Computing-Dept. of BCA
17.	Wed		
18.	Thurs		Last day of fees due with fine Rs. 5/-
19.	Fri		
20.	Sat		
21.	Sun	Н	
22.	Mon		
23.	Tue		Erudite Series – Lecture I - Dept. of Chemistry
24.	Wed		
25.	Thurs		Yoga Day Celebrations
26.	Fri		
27.	Sat		
28.	Sun	Н	
29.	Mon		Staff Council Meeting
30.	Tues		

JULY 2015

Day		Particulars
Wed		
Thurs		
Fri		Holy mass
Sat		
Sun	Н	
Mon		I Internal Exam for III semester and V semester
Tue		
Wed		
Thurs		Staff Council Meeting
Fri		Mobile Quiz on Population- Dept. of Economics
Sat	Н	Alumnae Get Together
Sun	Н	
Mon		
Tue		Staff Council Meeting
Wed		Merit Day, Proceedings of national seminar- women entrepreneurship
		in India released
		World Skill Day Participation at Municipal Town Hall- Dept. of
		Commerce
		Seminar- Jesus Youth Snehasparsham- NSS unit
		Carmel Day Celebrations
		Idul Fitr
	Н	
		Seminar on Archaeology Dept. of History
Thurs		UGC sponsored national seminar-Algebra, Number Theory and
		Cryptography- Dept. of Maths
Fri		UGC sponsored national seminar-Analytical Technique in Molecular
		Biology
		World Environment Day- Short film contest- Dept. of Botany
Cot		Reading week –Quiz competition - Dept. of History
Sat		22-26 July Swatch Baharat Abhiyan Industrial Visit- Dept. of Commerce
		Inauguration of Library Book club and computer lab
Sun	ы	Inauguration of Library Book Club and Computer lab
	П	IDC class begins- orientation for parents and students
IVIOII		Workshop on Indian Aesthetics- Dept. of English
Tues		Staff Council Meeting, Orientation –IDC
1 4 6 3		Discussion on DST FIST
W/ed		5.35633.611.611.631.1131
		Screening of film- Children of heaven- Cine forum
Fri		IV Allotment I DC Admission
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AUGUST 2015

Date	Day		Particulars
1.	Sat		
2.	Sun	Н	
3.	Mon		
4.	Tue		I DC Class begins
5.	Wed		Career guidance programme- CG Cell
6.	Thurs		
7.	Fri		Holy Mass
8.	Sat	Н	
9.	Sun	Н	
10.	Mon		
11.	Tue		Inauguration of short film- Priyasahayathrikan
12.	Wed		
13.	Thurs		Staff Council Meeting
			Independence Day Celebrations
14.	Fri	Н	Karkidaga Vavu
15.	Sat	Н	Independence Day
16.	Sun	Н	
17.	Mon		I MSW Admission
			Paper presentations- Dept. of English
18.	Tue		I PG admission
19.	Wed		UGC sponsored national seminar- Autonomous colleges: issues
			and challenges- IQAC
20.	Thurs		UGC sponsored national seminar-Gender concerns in food security
			- Dept. of economics
			Release of Research journals
21.	Fri		Onam Celebration- students, staff
			College closes for onam vacation
22.	Sat		
23.	Sun	Н	
24.	Mon		
25.	Tues		
26.	Wed		
27.	Thurs	Н	Ist Onam
28.	Fri	Н	Thiruvonam
29.	Sat	Н	III Onam
30.	Sun	Н	IV Onam
31.	Mon		

SEPTEMBER 2015

Date	Day		Particulars
1.	Tue		College reopens after onam holidays
2.	Wed		
3.	Thurs		Staff Council Meeting
4.	Fri		Holy Mass
5.	Sat	Н	Sri Krishna Jayanthi, Spiritual Renewal for NTS
6.	Sun	Н	
7.	Mon		
8.	Tue		Feast day of principal, teacher's day celebrations
9.	Wed		
10.	Thurs		Seminar on women's self protection- WASP, Dept. of Physical
			Education, Women development cell
11.	Fri		PG University viva voce- Dept. of English
			Fresher's Day- College union
12.	Sat		
13.	Sun	Н	
14.	Mon	Н	
15.	Tue	Н	IV Sem MSc Chemistry project presentation
16.	Wed		
17.	Thurs		
18.	Fri		College union election
			Film show- Dept.of Language
19.	Sat		
20.	Sun		
21.	Mon	Н	Sree Narayana Guru Samathi
22.	Tues		
23.	Wed		Mercy Day Celebrations I PG class begins
24.	Thurs	Н	Bakrid Visit to Snehajwala- Nss
			Jesus youth programme
25.	Fri		Principal attended Christian chair executive meeting
26.	Sat		
27.	Sun		
28.	Mon		Seminar- Personality development- Dept.of commerce Staff
			Council Meeting
29.	Tues		Awareness programme – capital market and mutual fund- Dept.of
			commerce
30.	Wed		Seminar- Wild life and Nature Photography- Dept.of Zoology

OCTOBER 2015

Date	Day		Particulars
1.	Thurs		Meeting of Internal Mentors – WWS: Fine Arts – Stage Items
			Mercy Carnival – Food Fest – Dept. of Comp. Science
			DJ Party – Horror House, Lucky Dip - Dept. of English, SSL
2.	Fri	Н	Gandhi Jayanthi, Swatch Bharat : On stage Competition – Fine Arts
			Inauguration of MSW Course
			Seminar - Current Affairs & Social Matters – Professional Social Workers
			Group
			Suchitwa Varam – NSS
3.	Sat		
4.	Sun		
5.	Mon		Staff Council Meeting Union Inauguration
6.	Tue		
7.	Wed		1 st PG Class begins Screening of Movie – Avan Veendum Varunnu
8.	Thurs		Students Day Celebration in memory of APJ Abdul Kalam
9.	Fri		Students Day Celebrations - Dept. of Comp Science, BCA
10.	Sat	Н	
11.	Sun	Н	
12.	Mon		Internal exam for I, II, III yrs begins
13.	Tue		SSP – Meeting
14.	Wed		
15.	Thurs		National Seminar on e-Content Development – IQAC
			Child Rights Sensitization Programme
16.	Fri		
17.	Sat		
18.	Sun		
19.	Mon		1 st PG Class representative elections Staff Council Meeting
20.	Tues		Research Forum Meeting
21.	Wed		
22.	Thurs		
23.	Fri	Н	Vijayadashami
24.	Sat	Н	Muharram
25.	Sun	Н	
26.	Mon		
27.	Tues		
28.	Wed		Seminar – Psycho Analytical Criticism, Release of 'Pursuits' - Dept. of
			English
29.	Thur		National Environmental Awareness Campaign – Seminar on Bio-diversity
			conservation - Dept. of Botany
			Seminar on Cyber Crime - Dept. of Comp Science & BCA
30.	Fri		Staff Council Meeting
31.	Sat		

NOVEMBER 2015

Date	Day		Particulars
1.	Sun	Н	Kerala Piravi
2.	Mon		VI , IV Semester class begins
			Kerala Piravi celebrations
			Bashacharanam, Sreshta basha Varacharanam - Dept. of Language
3.	Tue		Seminar – Divya Karunyam
4.	Wed		WWS – Internal Mentors Meeting
			Kerala Piravi Day celebrations
5.	Thurs		
6.	Fri		Holy mass
			Inauguration of B.Com Finance course
7.	Sat		
8.	Sun	Н	
9.	Mon		Mission Day
10.	Tue	Н	Deepavali
11.	Wed		
12.	Thurs		Awareness on Blood Donation - Dept. of Zoology
13.	Fri		PTA General Body Meeting
14.	Sat	Н	Children's Day Celebrations – Child Line
15.	Sun	Н	
16.	Mon		
17.	Tues		
18.	Wed		Aptitude Test – CG Cell
19.	Thurs		Blood Donation Camp - Dept. of Zoology
20.	Fri		
21.	Sat		
22.	Sun	Н	
23.	Mon		I Semester II internal exam
24.	Tues		SAM Executive Meeting
25.	Wed		Staff Council Meeting
26.	Thur		Constitution Day - Dept. of History
			Child Line Awareness Programme
27.	Fri		Sister Chrisantha Memorial Maths Quiz
			UGC Sponsored National Seminar - Dept. of English
28.	Sat		
29.	Sun	Н	
30.	Mon		Staff Council Meeting

DECEMBER 2015

Date	Day		Particulars
1.	Tue		Reception to Akila M - Dept. of Physical Education
			World AIDS Day Observation - Dept. of Social Work; II Semester class begins
2.	Wed		Session on Interview Skills and Resume Writing – CG Cell
3.	Thurs		General Awareness Class - Dept. of Comp Science
4.	Fri		Holy Mass Class on Pretest – MSW Dept., Kudumbasree Mission
5.	Sat		Orientation – NSS
6.	Sun	Н	
7.	Mon		
8.	Tue		Year of Mercy- College Union Recruitment Drive – WIPRO – CG Cell
9.	Wed		Radio Mango
			National Presentation Competition – Bio Vision 15 - Dept. of Zoology
10.	Thurs		Class on Vedic Mathematics - Dept. of Maths
11.	Fri		
12.	Sat	Н	
13.	Sun	Н	
14.	Mon		Paper Presentation Competition – Arts Students – Research Forum
			International Seminar on Cyber Ethics - Dept. of History
15.	Tues		Paper Presentation Competition – Science Students – Research Forum
16.	Wed		Inter Collegiate Quiz Competition – Arthasasthra - Dept. of Economics
			Staff Council Meeting
17.	Thurs		
18.	Fri		Christmas Celebrations – Staff, Students
			Crib Competition
			Principal Dr. Sr. Alice Thomas – Talk on Christmas at Yuvakshetra College.
10			College Closes for X'mas Holidays
19.	Sat		Seven Day Camp – NSS
20.	Sun	Н	Children Warre Calabration Francisco Mantino
21.	Mon		Child Line X'mas Celebrations, Executive Meeting
22.	Tues		
23.	Wed		Nahi dinam
24.	Thur	H	Nabi dinam Christmas
25.	Fri	Н	Christmas
26. 27.	Sat Sun	Н	
28.	Mon	П	College Re-opens
20.	IVIOII		IV and VI semester I internal exam, Staff Council Meeting
29.	Tues		iv and vi semester i internal exam, stall countri ivieeting
30.	Wed		
31.	Thur		Recruitment to ICICI, TCS, Infosys – Awareness Programme – CG Cell
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JANUARY 2016

Date	Day		Particulars
1.	Fri		New Year Message
			Orientation Programme for Staff
2.	Sat		
3.	Sun	Н	
4.	Mon		Staff Council Meeting
5.	Tue		Off-Campus Recruitment – ICICI Bank – CG Cell
6.	Wed		Seminar on GDPI Techniques – CG Cell
7.	Thurs		Essay Competition – Relevance of Mission Activities
			Session on Self Defense – Women Development Cell
8.	Fri		Recruitment Drive – Infosys – CG Cell
9.	Sat	Н	
10.	Sun	Н	
11.	Mon		Mission Day
12.	Tues		
13.	Wed		Chavara's Speech Competition
14.	Thurs		Carmel Hr. Sec. School Annual Day – Key note address – Dr.
			Sr. Alice Thomas.
15.	Fri		
16.	Sat		
17.	Sun	Н	
18.	Mon		I internal of II Semester begins
19.	Tues		
20.	Wed		Staff Council Meeting Social Service League Day
21.	Thur		Recruitment to TCS – CG Cell
22.	Fri		Training on Child Line
23.	Sat		St. Marys Annual Day Inauguration – Dr. Sr. Alice Thomas
24.	Sun	Н	
25.	Mon		
26.	Tues	Н	Republic day
27.	Wed		Training on Child Line
			Reception to Former Vicar
28.	Thurs		Orientation Programme – Stem Cell Donation – NSS SSL
			Training on Child Line
29.	Fri		World Peace Day – 13 Hrs. Adoration
			Seminar - Dept. of Maths
30.	Sat		International Seminar on Sociology, Victimology and its
			Relevance – MSW Dept. Viswas
31.	Sun	Н	

FEBRUARY 2016

Date	Day		Particulars
1.	Mon		FIST Meeting
2.	Tue		WWS External Mentoring Session
3.	Wed		
4.	Thurs		
5.	Fri		College Day Celebrations
6.	Sat		
7.	Sun	Н	
8.	Mon		Staff Council Meeting Presentation of Short Film 'Pusthakam'
9.	Tues		
10.	Wed		VI semester II internal begins
11.	Thurs		
12.	Fri		Staff Council Meeting External Mentoring – WWS
13.	Sat	Н	
14.	Sun	Н	
15.	Mon		Year of Mercy Celebrations
			Union Valedictory and Merit day
16.	Tues		
17.	Wed		
18.	Thur		Awareness class on Tuberculosis – NSS
19.	Fri		Child Line Training
			Photo Exhibition – IRIS – Camera Club
20.	Sat		
21.	Sun	Н	
22.	Mon		Child Line Training
23.	Tues		
24.	Wed		Open Defense – Smt. Sheena John - Dept. of English
25.	Thurs		IQAC & ASAP Meeting
			Career Guidance Class – Indian and International Professional
			Course – CG Cell
26.	Fri		External Mentoring – WWS
			Value Education – SAY Exam
27.	Sat		
28.	Sun	Н	IQAC – ASAP – CET Recruitment

MARCH 2016

Date	Day		Particulars
1.	Mon		Staff Council Meeting Farewell Day
2.	Tue		Lamping Ceremony
			OSA Reception
			Sent off to Final Year students
3.	Wed		
4.	Thurs		Inauguration of BCA lab by MLA
			External Mentoring – WWS
			IQAC – ASAP – CET Recruitment
5.	Fri		
6.	Sat		
7.	Sun	Н	
8.	Mon		International Women's Day Celebrations
9.	Tues		
10.	Wed		Second, Fourth Semester UG Internal Exam begins
11.	Thurs		
12.	Fri		
13.	Sat	Н	
14.	Sun	Н	
15.	Mon		
16.	Tues		
17.	Wed		Sub Committee Meeting – SSL
18.	Thur		
19.	Fri		
20.	Sat		Camera Club Valedictory
21.	Sun	Н	Intercession for India
22.	Mon		
23.	Tues		
24.	Wed		
25.	Thurs		
26.	Fri		
27.	Sat		
28.	Sun		
29.	Mon		
30.	Tues		Staff Tour
31.	Wed		Sent Off for retiring Staff
			SAM Meeting
			College closes for Summer Holidays

APRIL 2016

Date	Day		Particulars
1.	Thurs		
2.	Fri		
3.	Sat		
4.	Sun	Н	
5.	Mon		Xavier Board of Hr. Education in India - 22 nd Triennial Convention
6.	Tues		Prime Minister Modi's Helicopter landed Xavier Board Meeting – Principal participated
7.	Wed		
8.	Thurs		
9.	Fri		
10.	Sat	Н	
11.	Sun	Н	
12.	Mon		
13.	Tues		Catholic Colleges Managers, Principal Meeting
14.	Wed		
15.	Thurs		
16.	Fri		
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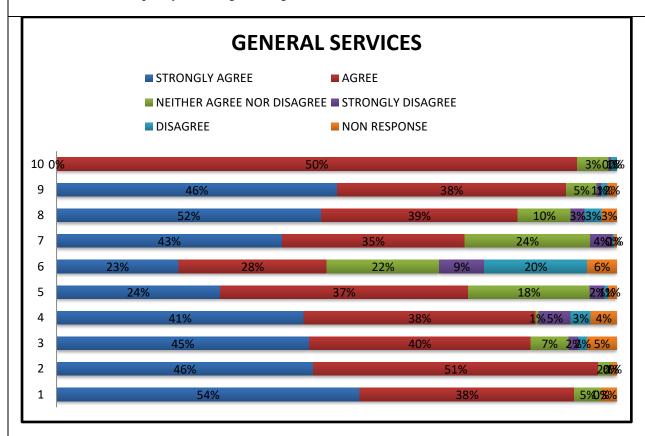
MAY 2016

Date	Day		Particulars
1.	Sat		
2.	Sun	Н	
3.	Mon		
4.	Tue		
5.	Wed		
6.	Thurs		
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FEEDBACK ANALYSIS (2014-15)

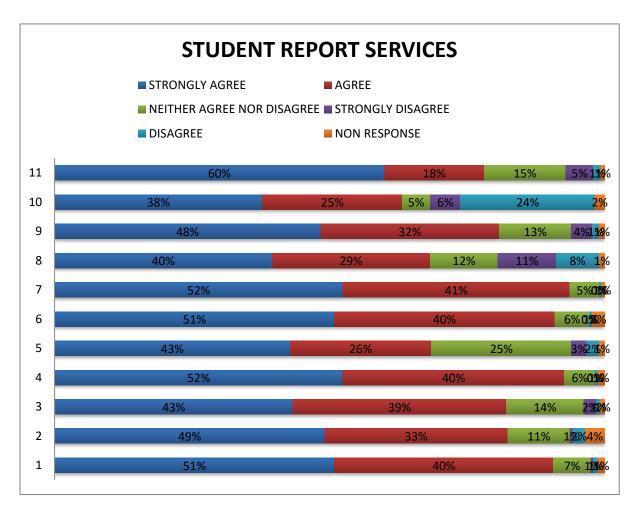
FEEDBACK FROM STUDENTS

At the end of the year each student is e given an opportunity to provide confidential feedback on various aspects of the college as 1. General facilities as a. classrooms, water, toilets, DTP and Xerox facility, role in goal orientation of students 2. Student Support Services as library books and e-resources, office procedures, Lab facility, hostel and food, store etc 3. Offered by services of various clubs, cells, college union etc 4. Teacher quality, teaching learning assessment, research etc.



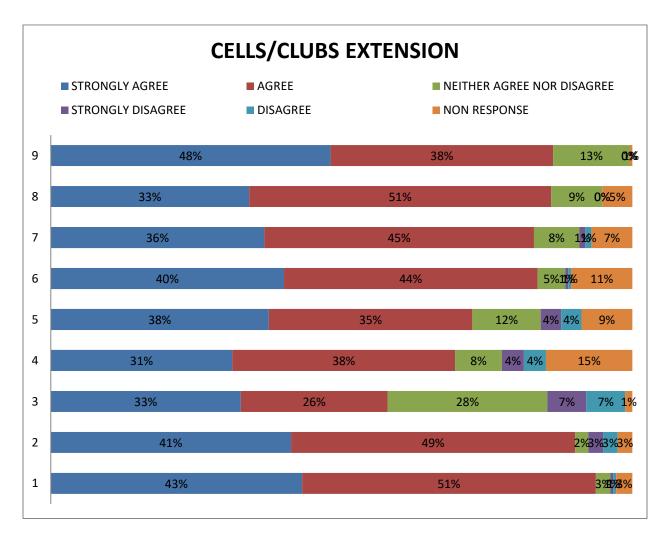
1-Campus 2- Drinking water 3-Classrooms 4-Power supply 5-Toilets/washrooms 6-Classroom accessibility for Disabled 7-internet facility 8- Xerox facility 9- Promotion of skills and promotion for women empowerment 10-Promotion of moral values and social responsibility

It is observed that the students were satisfied with the general services provided in the college excepting for the class room facility, internet , power supply and toilet services provided.



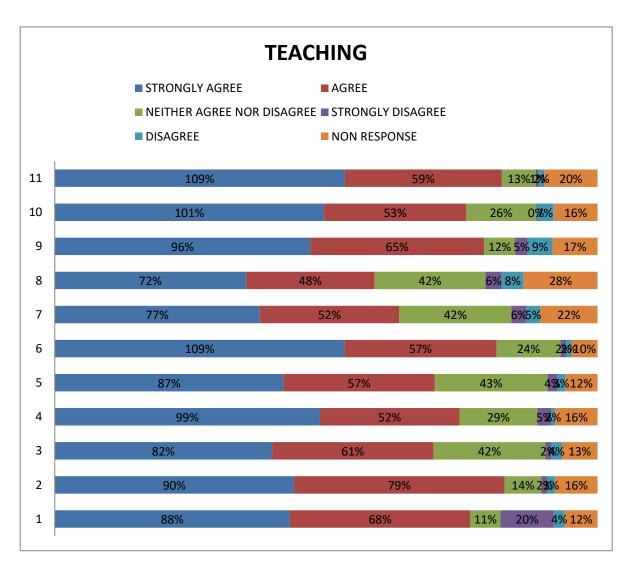
1-Library staff 2- Reference books 3- E-resources 4 – office procedures 5-office staff 6- equipment satisfying syllabus 7- Working condition of equipment 8- Hostel facility 9- Food in hostel 10 – Canteen 11-Stationery store.

The students were satisfied with the student support services offered in the college, but concerns regarding library facility, office, Hostel and food offered in the hostel is explicitly marked.



1-NCC,NSS,SSL Services 2- Legal and Counselling services 3- Clubs (Women Development Cell, Nature Club, Cine Forum) 4-Career guidance cell 5- Alumnae 6- PTA 7-Grievance Redressal Cell 8- Antiragging cell 9-College Union.

On analysis it is observed that about most of the students were satisfied with the activities organized by various clubs/cells in the college campus.

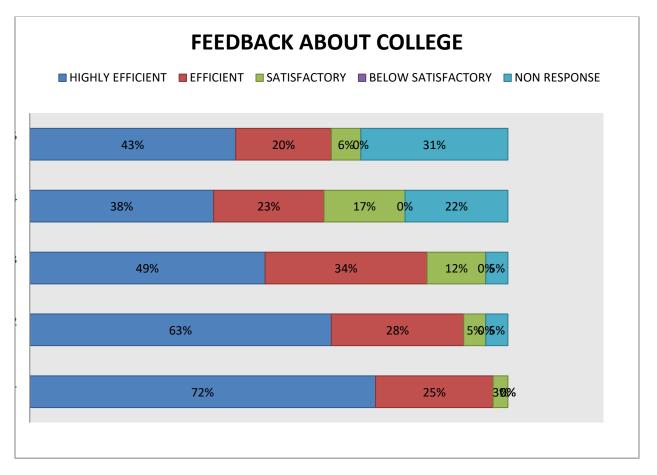


1-syllabus satisfaction 2- syllabus completion in time 3- Provision of Analytical classrooms 4-Feedback mechanism 4- Teacher friendliness 5-ICT teaching 6- Periodical Assessment 7- Feedback mechanism 8-Evaluation –fair and unbiased 9- Teacher as research facilitator 10- Efficiency of mentor system 11- teacher as guide.

On analysis it is observed that about most of the students were satisfied with the teacher quality, teaching learning assessment and research facilities.

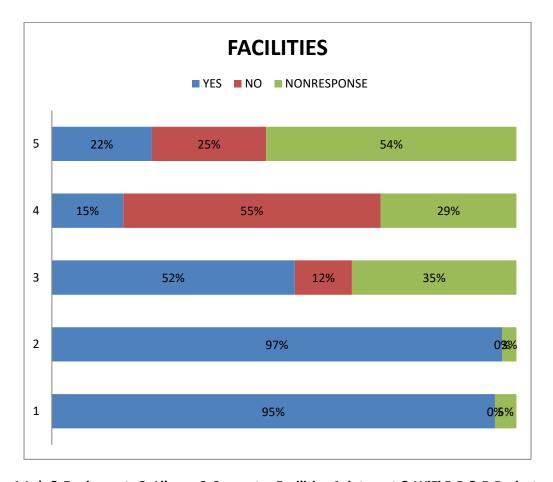
FEEDBACK FROM ALUMNI

The feedback from Alumni is collected during the alumnae meetings conducted . The feedback relating to the college, facilities offered by the college, departmental quality was assessed.



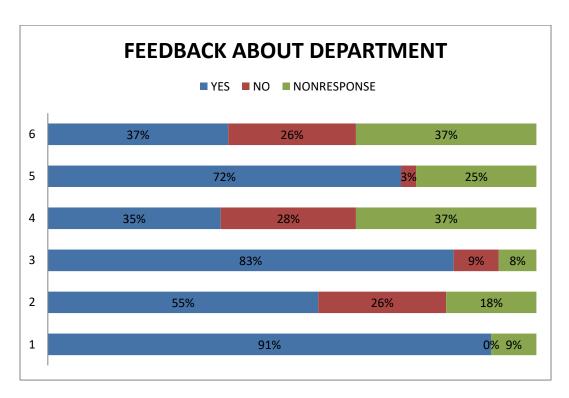
1-Proud as a Mercian 2-overall rating of college 3- Alumni willingness to contribute to college 4-Grievances addressal in college

Most of them strongly agreed to be proud of being alumni of the college, and believes that college has contributed much to their overall development.



1-Lab & Equipments 2- Library 3-Computer Facilities 4- internet & WiFi 5-R & D Projects

The Laboratory and Library facility was appreciated. But concerns on ICT facility provided by the college then was expressed.



1-Academic quality 9theory and practicals) 2-Relevance of mercy education to present job 3-Cooperation of HOD and Faculty 4-Industry oriented projects 5-Seminars & Workshops 6-Training to bridge industry academic gap

The Alumni expressed satisfaction on the academic activities conducted in the Department. They are dissatisfied only with the non conduct of industry oriented projects. The Percentage of non-response in each category of alumni feedback is to be quenched to.

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Best Practice I

1. Title of the Practice: "Green Canopy – for a better Greener Future"

2. **Goal:**

To promote awareness on environmental issues

To spread the message of the need for a Green and a Clean Environment

3. The Context:

One of the hottest debates in the modern world is that the Earth is in desperate need for caretakers. Various environmental problems as Global Warming, Greenhouse gases, Ozone layer depletion, and Ecosystem degradation are on rise now due to human interventions. Greening can help create the air we breathe and help keep earth at the right temperature for life. Awareness programmes and seminars on the protection of the environment create in students a research orientation on environmental issues. The institution is highly conscious of its environmental responsibility. Hence Green Canopy orients the student community about their responsibility to the environment and makes them active participants in greening drives.

4. The Practice:

- Day observations: 'World Environmental Day' was observed by Department of Botany in association with OIASCA Women's Chapter, Palakkad. A short film "COSMOS" was also screened. The Department of Chemistry observed World Ozone Day exhibition on the topic 'Preserve Ozone, Save Earth for safe life'.
- A seminar on 'Bio-Diversity Conservation' sponsored by Ministry of Environment and Development, Govt. of India was also held.
- A talk on 'Bio-Diversity Conservation' was organized by Department of Zoology in association with National Wildlife Board of India.
- A 'Nature Photography Exhibition' was conducted in association with LEAP Nature Foundation.
- A talk on 'Need & Significance of Bird Watching' was organized to promote bird watching among students.
- NSS volunteers of the college adopted the Pirayiri Panchayat and planted Neem saplings in association with Neem Green Kerala.
- NSS volunteers also initiated organic foundry in 10 cents in the campus and the vegetables harvested from the farm was distributed to Mercy Home.
- A medicinal garden in association with Social Forestry Division has been initiated in the campus.
- NSS volunteers as a part of Swatch Bharath Mission cleaned the college campus. Every Friday the students clean their class rooms.

- NSS volunteers undertook a minor project of cleaning the dumped waste on side walls of nearby locality, cleaned the Pirayiri Panchayat Kalyana Mandapam. The surroundings of Govt. UP School, Pallipuram was also undertaken by NSS volunteers.
- A programme to control menace of African Snails was initiated by Department of Zoology in association with KFRI, Peechi.
- NSS programme Officer Ms. Jency Baby participated in a two day training programme on 'E-Waste Management and a special camp orientation' at Kerala Agricultural University, Mannuthy, Thrissur.
- Vermi composting and window composting of kitchen and garden waste is practices in the college campus.
- A minor project 'Hands on training cum demonstration of Solid Waste Recycling through window composting technique for Self Help Group of Kallikkad Panchayat, Palakkad District' was sanctioned by Kerala State Council for Science, Technology and Environment – BIRD sanctioned to promote popularization of solid waste management among neighbouring community.
- Rain water harvesting tank is available. Harvested rain water is utilized for practical classes instead of distilled water in laboratories.
- Shanthisthal (Hortus Clementia), a Biodiversity park established by Department of Botany is monitored by Kerala Biodiversity Board and it serves as a National Laboratory for biodiversity studies in Flora. The Clementia specimen park also aims to provide a refuge to rare, endangered plant species. A Nakshathra Vanam has also been established inside the specimen park with 27 medicinal plants.
- LED light/energy efficient fluorescent bulbs are used in the campus.
- A biogas and Gobar gar unit have been installed in the campus hostel to promote use of renewable energy sources
- A solar unit has also been installed to harness the light from Sun and it's found sufficient enough to run the activities of college office in a day.
- A novel project by Dr.Lakshmi, Department of Physics funded by BRNS, Department of Atomic energy, Mumbai on Dye Sensitized Solar Cell explores the possibility of using low cost solar cell conversion of solar energy to electricity.
- Students are encouraged to keep their classrooms and common spaces clean. There is a Cleaning Day for the campus spearheaded by the NSS and CSS units and a special prize instituted for the Best dept.

4. Evidence of Success:

The evidence of the success of the practice is the green and clean campus itself.

Problems Encountered and Resources Required:

2 Availability of time is the main constraint in the implementation of the practice.

Best Practice 2

1. Title of the Practice: Empowerment of SC Women Students to face Challenges

2. Goal:

- To Provide special coaching for various competitive Exams for SC students
- To provide extra training in communication skills
- To provide vocational training for more employment (Tailoring, Toy making, Jewellery making)

3. The Context

Kerala a state known for its high human development and near universal literacy, tops the Indian states in educational attainment in primary and secondary levels. However on close examination we can find that the educational development in the State is lopsided with prominent disparities between communities /sections of the society where some enjoy disproportionate advantage over the others. Due to difference in quality of teaching as well as the physical resources available at the school level, the students who obtain equivalent/similar qualifications end up having different levels of exposure and knowledge. This disparity is more pronounced when it comes about socially disadvantaged and economically backward groups especially SC/ST students.

4, The Practice

The following courses were included under the SC Empowerment Courses

- Special Coaching- Bank Coaching, PSC coaching, Computer coaching (Tally & DCA)
- Communication skills
- Vocational Training (Tailoring , Craft skill enhancement)

Infrastructural facilities utilized:

Four Classrooms in the Alumnae block including a computer room was utilized for this purpose.

Sewing Machine: 15 Nos.; Computers: 10 Nos.

Computer Room in the main block with 60 computers and internet facility was also utilized.

Both PSC and Bank coaching classes were conducted simultaneously in separate halls. Classes were organized to provide 75hr coaching for each batch.

Career oriented computer courses were designed for 6 months with a maximum of 150hrs /batch. Parallel batches were run.

Communication Skill courses as soft skill was designed for 3 month with 60hr/batch.

Tailoring classes were designed for 4 months with maximum of 100hr/batch

Craft skill development classes were designed for 2 months with a maximum of 50hr/batch.

<u>Deliverables from the Project:</u> A group of young SC women well equipped to face social challenges.

5. Problems Encountered and Resources Required:

- Availability of time is the main constraint in the implementation of the practice.
- The tight schedule of the semester system provides very little spare time.

6.Evidence of Success

Course	Students Benefitted
Bank	100
PSC	100
DCA	40
TALLY	40
SOFT SKILL	25
TAILORING	60