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INTERNAL QUALITY ASSURANCE CELL (IQAC)

Report for the Academic Year 2016-2017

“Education is pre-eminently a matter of quality not amount” - Henry Ford

The Internal Quality Assurance Cell has made a constant pursuit and taken a major role in enhancing the quality of the institution. It strives hard to bring about quality in every possible way in all arenas.

The cell interacted with all the departments, clubs and committees at the beginning of the academic year suggesting certain quality based programs and parameters to be included in their events.

The cell motivated them to identify best student performers and teams through intra- collegiate fest KALA. On the academic front IQAC recommended to the Head of Departments of all disciplines to encourage students to present papers at various Conferences and Seminars hosted by other colleges. Further, department heads were also asked to facilitate their faculty to present papers.

The SWOs and Student Council organized ‘**KALA**‘an intra-collegiate fest which is an annual event for the students to unravel their potentials and exhibit their talents. IQAC gave suggestions to foster the Junior staff to be the coordinators of various events to take complete responsibility in organizing the programmes independently and innovatively.

‘**Ebullience**‘an intercollegiate fest was also organized by the SWOs and Student Council with the support and guidance of the IQAC.

To commemorate the birth day of Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam, IQAC suggested the SWOs to organize a Student's day. The day was organized by SWOs with a great zeal and for the first time the entire faculty actively took part in various events such as yoga, mime, skit, group singing, dancing etc., the show was a great success as the students were overjoyed with the performance of the Faculty.

The IQAC hosted a **National Seminar on 29th of September 2016** on the topic for "**Quality Enhancement through Research**". The seminar was inaugurated with a welcome note given by the Principal followed by the presidential address. Rev. Sr. Margaret Fatima Mary, Provincial, St. Anne's Provincialate, Bangalore encouraged the participants to involve themselves in Research for innovative teaching. The Chief Guest and Keynote Speaker of the day was Fr. Dr. K. S. Casimir SJ Principal, Loyola Academy UG & PG College, Hyderabad. He enlightened the teachers to be very creative and updated by actively involving in research.

The inauguration was followed by the technical sessions and panel discussion. The first technical speaker Dr. Shakuntala Katre who is a former chairperson of the Department of Zoology, Bangalore University spoke on the topic "Research Culture in Higher Education Domain". The second technical session was by Dr. Nirmala Joseph who is an Associate Professor & Vice Principal of St. Joseph's college of Commerce (Autonomous), Bangalore. She spoke on the topic: "Creating High Quality Research in Academia – a Road Map".

The third session was the panel discussion on "Contribution of Researchers towards creating a better and harmonious Society" which commenced with Dr. H. S.Ganesha Bhatta , principal M.E.S Teachers College, as the moderator. The members of the panel were Dr. John J Kennedy, professor of English and dean of Humanities and Social Sciences, Christ University and Dr. Rajaram, Professor and HOD of Department of English, St.Joseph's College of Commerce (Autonomous). The panel discussion came to an end and Ms.Sheetal proposed the vote of thanks during the valedictory programme. Having learnt the research techniques all the participants were encouraged to send papers which would be published with an ISBN number.

Adding a feather to the cap, the IQAC also hosted a **Faculty Research Programme (FRP) on 27th February 2017** as an initiative of Knowledge Management Practice in the institution. It was a springboard to most of the faculty who had not presented research papers earlier. This

programme not only enhanced the confidence of the staff but also gave an intense knowledge to follow different strategies and guidelines while preparing Research papers. The chief guests-Dr. Shakuntala Katre (Former Chairperson of Department of Zoology, Bangalore University) and Dr. Himachalpathy (Associate Professor, St. Joseph 's College of Commerce, Bangalore) chaired the presentation and gave very useful tips to each faculty.

The significance of this FRP was to give faculty freedom of thought and carry out research in their area of interest. A total of 45 unique papers were presented and efforts are put-in to compile and release as a compendium to capture and store knowledge. IQAC is coming out with various strategies constantly and consistently to bring about the desired change to create a quality based institution.

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