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#### From the Principal's Desk

The current New Letter offers a comprehensive overview of the diverse range of academic and co-curricular activities across the University and its affiliated colleges. The Editorial Committee has diligently endeavored to capture the dynamic academic atmosphere prevailing on the University Campus, highlighting research projects, publications, international seminar and workshop participation, as well as notable achievements and accolades. The contributions of faculty members and noteworthy student accomplishments

are also prominently featured. The Newsletter serves as a concise summary of the activities covered within this volume, providing key highlights for reference. - Rev. Fr. Dr. G.A.P. Kishore, SJ

### **HEAD OF ELECTRONICS DEPARTMENT** PUBLISHES BOOK ON INTERNET OF THINGS

In a significant academic achievement, Sri B. Balaji Bhanu, Head of the Department of Electronics at an undisclosed institution, has authored a comprehensive book titled "Basics of Internet of Things (Smarter Technology for All)." The book, aimed at enlightening readers about the intricacies of the Internet of Things (IoT), has been published by Pinnacle Educare, based in Pune.

Released with an ISBN No. 9789393772091, the book delves into the fundamental concepts of IoT, offering insights into its applications and potential impact on various sectors. Balaji Bhanu's expertise in the field shines through the pages as he navigates readers through this rapidly evolving technology landscape.

Published in April 2022, the book arrives at a time when IoT is increasingly becoming ubiquitous, revolutionizing industries and transforming daily life. With its lucid explanations and practical approach, it promises to be an invaluable resource for students, professionals, and enthusiasts alike.

Balaji Bhanu's contribution to academia through this publication underscores the commitment of educators towards fostering knowledge dissemination and advancing understanding in cutting-edge domains like IoT. As the world continues to embrace smarter technologies, works such as these play a pivotal role in bridging the gap between theory and practice, empowering individuals to harness the full potential of IOT for societal benefit.

#### Prolific Research Contributions from Various **Departments Unveiled**

Several faculty members across diverse departments have made notable contributions to the realm of academia through their recent research endeavors. Here's a roundup of their impactful work:

- Dr. CH. Bhargavi, Department of Chemistry:
  - \* Research Article: Dr. Bhargavi's study on the assay of velpatasvir in pharmaceutical formulations was recently published in the National Journal of Emerging Technologies And Innovative Research (Vol. 8, Issue 5, May 2021).
  - Patent: Additionally, her patent application addressing the reduction of freezing points in the automobile industry was acknowledged in the Patent Journal (No. 17/2021, April 2021), indicating a significant innovation.
- Mr. S.A.B. Nehru, Department of Computer Science:
  - Research Article: Mr. Nehru's contribution to early diagnosis of Covid-19 using advanced learning algorithms was published in the Online Journal of Innovation Engineering And Management Research (Vol. 11, May 2022).

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### 3. Dr. T. Jaison Jose, PG Department of Chemistry:

❖ Research Articles: Dr. Jose's research work spans two articles: one focusing on a common technique applied for cardiovascular drugs recoveries (published in the National Journal of Emerging Technologies And Innovative Research, Vol. 9, April 2022), and another on the estimation of oncology drugs using advanced liquid chromatography technique (published in the same journal, Vol. 9, April 2022).

### 4. Mrs. N. Uma Maheswari, PG Department of Chemistry:

Research Article: Mrs. Maheswari also contributed to the study on cardiovascular drugs recoveries, which was published in the National Journal of Emerging Technologies And Innovative Research (Vol. 9, April 2022).

#### 5. Dr. B. Siva Kumari, Department of Botany:

Research Article: Dr. Kumari's article on the synthesis and antibacterial activity of implantation of silver nanoparticles on oxygen-functionalized multi-walled carbon nanotubes was published in the International Journal Springer Nature Switzerland AG 2020 (Article No.: 981, April/May 2021).

### 6. Dr. G. Sahaya Baskaran, Department of Physics:

Research Article: Dr. Baskaran's work on the optical and luminescence properties of Er3+ doped glasses was featured in the International Journal 'Optical Materials' (Vol. 128, April 2022).

#### 7. Dr. Ch. Srinivasa Rao, Department of Physics:

Research Article: Dr. Rao's research delves into the influence of multivalent states of vanadium ions in ZnO-doped novel calcium fluoro phosphate bio glasses, published in the International Journal of the Mechanical Behavior of Biomedical Materials (Vol. 131, May 2022).

### 8. Sri B.K. Sudhakar, Ms. P. Devika, Ms. T. Vennela, Department of Physics:

Research Article: These faculty members collectively contributed to a study on the influence of multivalent states of vanadium ions in ZnO- doped novel calcium fluoro phosphate bio glasses, also published in the International Journal of the Mechanical Behavior of Biomedical Materials (Vol. 131, May 2022).

These research endeavors reflect the dedication and expertise of the faculty members in advancing knowledge and innovation in their respective fields. Their contributions are poised to have a lasting impact on their disciplines and beyond.

### Faculty Showcase Research and Professional Development in Seminars and Workshops

Faculty members across various departments have been actively participating in academic seminars, conferences, and professional development programs, showcasing their expertise and commitment to advancing knowledge and pedagogy. Here's a glimpse of their recent engagements:

#### 1. Dr. T. Sai Mamata, Department of English:

- Research Papers Presented:
- Translation, Transition, and Transposition: Presented at an Online Seminar on 'Translation and Knowledge Texts: Post-independence Perspectives' by the Centre for Applied Linguistics and Translation Studies, University of Hyderabad, held on March 25th and 26th, 2022.
- Exploration of Identity and Individuality of the Women Characters in Feminist Literature: Presented at an International Conference on 'Changing Trends in Diasporic Literature' organized by the Department of English, Government College, UNA, Himachal Pradesh, held on April 22nd and 23rd, 2022.
- Real-World Learning and Teaching using Novel Methods: Presented at an International Conference on 'Literature and Linguistics' organized by the PG & Research Department of English, Kandaswami Kandar's College, Velur, Namakkal, held on May 20th and 21st, 2022.

#### 2. Dr. L. Subha, Department of English:

#### Research Papers Presented:

 A Conceit in Nefarious Success: Presented at an International Conference on 'Changing Trends in Diasporic Literature' organized by the Department

- of English, Government College, UNA, Himachal Pradesh, held on April 22nd and 23rd, 2022.
- Psychological Concatenation of Desires:
   Presented at an International Conference on 'Literature and Linguistics' organized by the PG & Research Department of English, Kandaswami Kandar's College, Velur, Namakkal, held on May 20th and 21st, 2022.

### 3. Mr. P. Venu Gopala Rao, Department of Mathematics:

Research Papers Presented:

Normal Fuzzy Ideals of Gamma Seminear rings: Presented at an International Conference on Advances in Mathematics & Computer Engineering 2022 (conducted online) organized by Nesamony Memorial Christian College, Marthandam, Tamilnadu, held from May 19th to 21st, 2022.

#### 4. Faculty Development Programs Attended:

- ❖ National Level Faculty Development Programme: Attended on the Impact and Influence of National Education Policy 2020 on Humanities and Social Sciences organized by the Department of English, School of Commerce, School of Computer Science & IT in collaboration with IQAC, Jain University, held from March 28th to April 1st, 2022.
- ❖ Faculty Development Programme on Contemporary Trends and Approaches of English Language Teaching and Soft Skills: Attended at SRMIST, Delhi-NCR, Ghaziabad Campus, organized by the Department of English and Foreign Languages and Department of CDC and Placements, held from May 16th to 21st, 2022.

These engagements underscore the dedication of faculty members towards academic excellence and professional growth, enriching both their own expertise and the learning experiences of their students.

### Faculty Engage in Professional Development Programs Nationwide

Faculty members from various disciplines have actively participated in a series of enriching

professional development programs, enhancing their expertise and contributing to their respective fields. Here's a roundup of their recent engagements:



#### 1. Dr. L. Subha, Department of English:

- National Level FDP on Impact and Influence of National Education Policy 2020 on Humanities and Social Sciences: Organized by the Dept. of English, School of Commerce, School of Computer Science & IT in collaboration with IQAC, Jain University, held from March 28th to April 1st, 2022.
- National Faculty Development Program on Recent Advances in Analytical Chemistry: Organized by the Dept. of Chemistry, Shri Vaishnav Vidyapeeth Vishwavidyalaya, Indore, Shri Vaishnav Institute of Science, held from April 18th to 23rd, 2022.

#### 2. Mr. B. Balaji Bhanu, Department of Electronics:

National Faculty Development Program on Recent Advancements in Computer Science: Organized by the Dept. of CSE, Vijaya Institute of Technology for Women, Kakinada, held from April 25th to 30th, 2022.

#### 3. Mr. M. Pradeep, Department of Electronics:

- ❖ Faculty Development Programme on Digital Image Processing: Techniques, Applications, and Research Directions: Organized by the Dept. of Research & Publication, A2Z Edu Learning Hub, held on April 26th, 2022.
- 4. Mr. Elisha Mandapaka, Department of Visual Communication and Electronic Media:
  - Online National Faculty Development Program on Building Academic Leaders For 21st Century Higher Education: Conducted by Guru Asngad Dev Teaching Learning Centre, a Centre of the Ministry of Education Under PMMMNMTT, Sri Guru Tegh Bahadhur Khalsa College, University of Delhi, held from April 14th to 20th, 2022.

Basics of Research Methodology and Issues in Plagiarism (An Interdisciplinary Approach): Conducted by Guru Angad Dev Teaching Learning Centre, a Centre of the Ministry of Education Under PMMMNMTT, Sri Guru Tegh Bahadhur Khalsa College, University of Delhi, held from May 31st to June 6th, 2022.

#### 5. Dr. G. Sahaya Baskaran, Department of Physics:

State Level Faculty Development Program on Assessment and Accreditation Process of NAAC in the Revised Accreditation Framework: Organized by the A.P. State Council of Higher Education, at Andhra Loyola College, held on May 5th, 2022.

These engagements signify the commitment of faculty members towards continuous learning and professional growth, ultimately benefiting both academia and society at large.

### Faculty Members Deepen Expertise through Seminars and Webinars

Faculty members from the Department of English have actively participated in a series of seminars, webinars, and workshops, enriching their knowledge and contributing to academic discourse. Here's a glimpse of their recent engagements:

#### 1. Dr. T. Sai Mamata:

#### **❖** Webinars Attended:

- Cultural Studies in Malaysia and India: Participated in a webinar themed "Engaging Culture through Language and Literature" organized by the Faculty of Social Science and Humanities, Tunku Abdul Rahman University College, Malaysia, and Hindustan College of Arts and Science, India, on April 5th, 2022.
- Dimensions and Conventions of Elizabethan Stage and Theatre: Engaged in a national webinar organized by the Dept. of English in collaboration with IQAC, A.K. Khan College, Hariharpara, Murshidabad, West Bengal, on May 28th, 2022.
  - An Orientation on Teaching and Learning Communication Skills in English for Rural Students: Participated in a national webinar

organized by the Dept. of English in association with IQAC, SVKP & Dr. KS Raju Arts and Science College (A), Penugonda, on May 31st, 2022.

#### 2. Dr. L. Subha:

#### Workshops and Webinars Attended:

- Q-Leaders Workshop on NAAC Preparation: Attended a workshop organized by the APSCHE, Govt. of A.P., focused on NAAC preparation, held at Andhra Loyola College, Vijayawada, on May 5th, 2022.
- Unravelling Therapeutic Resources from Nature's Treasure: Participated in a webinar organized by the PG and Research Dept. of BioSciences, Mohamed Sathak College of Arts and Science, Chennai, held from April 20th to April 21st, 2022.
   These participations underscore the commitment of faculty members towards continuous learning and professional development, ultimately

### Academic Events Enrich Faculty and Student Learning

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A series of academic events and workshops have recently taken place, providing opportunities for faculty members and students to enhance their knowledge and skills across various domains. Here's a roundup of the recent engagements:

#### 1. Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Open University, Hyderabad:

Conducted eight national webinars on diverse topics, including "Project/Research Synopsis and Proposal Writing" in collaboration with ALC-ELT Centre and Dept. of English, Andhra Loyola College, Vijayawada, from May 23rd to 25th, 2022.

### 2. Mr. CH. Hemanth and Ms. P. Lalitha, Department of Visual Communication and Electronic Media:

Attended an International Online Workshop on "Literature Review" jointly organized by the Dept. of NSS, Hindu College, Changanacherry, and Lore & Ed Research Associates, Kottayam, Kerala, from May 6th to 14th, 2022.

#### 3. Department of English and Oriental Languages:

Organized a National Seminar on Language and Linguistics on April 25th, 2022, with Prof. G. Uma Maheswara Rao, President, Linguistic Society of India, as the Chief Guest. The seminar saw active participation from around 150 delegates, including students and faculty members.

### 4. Department of English in collaboration with ELT Center:

Organized a Virtual Workshop on "Project/ Research Synopsis and Proposal Writing" from May 23rd to 25th, 2022. The workshop witnessed participation from about 60 delegates from various colleges and universities across the country.

#### 5. IQAC of the College:

Conducted a one-day Training Programme for the Faculty Members appointed as Q-Leaders by APSCHE on May 5th, 2022.

#### 6. Department of Zoology:

♦ Organized a National Seminar on "Best Management Practices Towards Sustainable Aquaculture" from May 5th to 7th, 2022. The seminar featured renowned speakers and attracted around 90 delegates, including faculty members, research scholars, and students.

These events reflect the commitment of educational institutions towards fostering a culture of continuous learning and academic excellence, ultimately benefiting faculty members and students alike.

### **Academic Experts Share Insights through Guest Lectures and Webinars**

Educational institutions have recently hosted a series of guest lectures and webinars, enriching the academic environment and providing valuable insights to faculty and students. Here's a summary of the events:

### 1. Three-day Virtual Webinar on Project/Research Synopsis and Proposal Writing:

Dr. B. Raju from the Department of English served as a Resource Person at this webinar, organized by the Department of English, Andhra Loyola College, Vijayawada, held from May 23rd to May 25th, 2022.

- 2. Guest Lecture on 'The Role of Gender, Age, and Stereotypes in Relation to Socio-Linguistic Variation':
  - The Department of English organized a guest lecture on May 2nd, 2022, featuring Dr. KSL Sruthii, M.D., from Tamma Vinod Reddy's Sruthi Hospitals, Pamarru, as the Resource Person.
- 3. Guest Lecture on "Preservation of Fruits & Vegetables":
  - ❖ The Department of Botany conducted a guest lecture on May 29th, 2022, with Ms. Swarna Latha from the PG Dept. of Botany ALC, serving as the Resource Person.

These initiatives highlight the commitment of educational institutions to providing diverse learning opportunities and fostering intellectual growth among faculty members and students. The participation of esteemed professionals as resource persons further enhances the quality and depth of knowledge shared during these events.

#### Andhra Loyola College Hosts Successful Global English Fest

Andhra Loyola College recently organized the Global English Fest, a State Level Academic and Cultural Fest, on April 11th, 2022, showcasing the talents and creativity of students from various degree colleges across the state. The event commenced with an inauguration ceremony inaugurated by Mr. S.P. Ramaraju, Vice-Principal (Retd.) and former H.o.D., Political Science, ALC, serving as the Chief Guest. Competitions were officially inaugurated during this session.



The valedictory session, graced by Mr. Hanuman Gupta, Chairman, Founder, Goli's Educational Trust, Vijayawada, witnessed the culmination of the fest with various awards and recognitions.

A total of 250 students actively participated in the fest, demonstrating their prowess in different categories. Notable achievements include:

- Ms. Hena Afrin from Andhra Loyola College, Vijayawada, securing the First Prize in Creative Writing.
- Mr. D. Madan Babu from Andhra Loyola College,
   Vijayawada, winning the First Prize in Poetry Recitation.
- Mr. B. Sai Charan Tej from Andhra Loyola Institute of Engineering and Technology, Vijayawada, excelling in the Spell Bee competition.
  - II Year Literature Students of Andhra Loyola College, Vijayawada, clinching the First Prize in the Literary Quiz.
- Mr. Rahul Rishi from KBN College, Vijayawada, securing the First Prize in Solo Dance.
- Mr. V. Venkata Ramana from Andhra Loyola Institute of Engineering and Technology, Vijayawada, shining in Solo Singing.
- Ms. Teja Sri & Team from PB Siddhartha Arts and College, Vijayawada, emerging victorious in Group Dance.
- The team from Madonna College securing the First Prize in the Documentary contest.

The event witnessed the presence of all officials of the college, faculty, and students from the Department of English, fostering a vibrant atmosphere of camaraderie and celebration.

### Andhra Loyola College Celebrates International English Day

The Department of English at Andhra Loyola College commemorated International English Day on April 23rd, 2022, marking a significant occasion for linguistic and cultural appreciation. The event was inaugurated with reverence by Rev. Fr. G. Rayappa, SJ, Vice-principal, who graced the occasion as the Chief Guest.

The presence of all officials of the college, alongside faculty members and students from the English Department, added to the grandeur of the celebration. The observance of International English Day underscores the department's commitment to promoting the importance of English language and literature in fostering global communication and understanding.

The event served as a platform for fostering linguistic diversity, cultural exchange, and academic discourse, reinforcing the vital role of English language education in shaping informed and enlightened individuals in our society.

### Andhra Loyola College Commemorates World Biodiversity Day

Andhra Loyola College, through its Department of Botany in collaboration with the Department of Politics, organized a vibrant celebration in honor of World Biodiversity Day on May 22nd, 2022. The event aimed to raise awareness about the importance of biodiversity conservation and sustainable practices.

Dr. V. Srinivasa Rao, Programme Manager at the Wadhwave Institute of Artificial Intelligence, graced the occasion as the Invited Speaker, sharing valuable insights and perspectives on biodiversity preservation.

The event witnessed enthusiastic participation from approximately 155 students, along with faculty members and students from the Botany Department of the host college. Rev. Fr. Vice Principal extended a warm welcome to all the participants, setting the tone for an engaging and informative gathering.

As a token of appreciation, all participants were presented with certificates of participation, acknowledging their active involvement in the event. The celebration of World Biodiversity Day at Andhra Loyola College exemplifies the institution's commitment to environmental stewardship and holistic education.

### Andhra Loyola College Hosts Bemus 2022, a National Level Commerce Fest



College, through its Department of Commerce, proudly organized Bemus 2022 – a National Level Commerce Fest spanning two days on April 6th and 7th, 2022. The event attracted participants from various colleges across the country, showcasing their talent and expertise in a

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range of competitions.

The inauguration of Bemus 2022 on April 6th, 2022, was graced by the esteemed presence of Dr. N. Raja Rao, Joint Secretary of the Andhra Chamber of Commerce, Vijayawada Office, who served as the Chief Guest. Approximately 110 students from 15 colleges actively participated in competitions such as Quiz, Group Discussion, Product Launching, Case Study, and Personality Contest, which were tailored for both undergraduate and intermediate students.

The fest witnessed spirited competitions, with St. Joseph's College, Hyderabad, emerging as the Overall Championship winner of Bemus 2022. The occasion was not only marked by academic fervor but also featured cultural programs during both the inaugural and valedictory ceremonies, adding a vibrant and celebratory atmosphere to the event.

Prof. Prem Sudheer Kumar, Secretary of APSCHE, graced the Valedictory Function on April 7th, 2022, as the Chief Guest. During the ceremony, he distributed prizes to the winners, acknowledging their remarkable achievements in the various competitions.

The presence of college officials, faculty, and students from the host department further enriched the event, highlighting the college's commitment to providing platforms for academic and cultural enrichment. Bemus 2022 stands as a testament to Andhra Loyola College's dedication to fostering holistic development and nurturing talent among the youth.

#### Andhra Loyola College Hosts MANUS 2022 -A Spectacular National Management and Cultural Fest

Andhra Loyola College's U.G. Department of Business Administration recently orchestrated MANUS 2022, a dynamic two-day National Level Management and Cultural Fest held on March 31st and April 1st, 2022. With the theme "Chase Your Vision," the fest aimed to inspire and motivate students to pursue their aspirations fervently.



The inaugural ceremony, held on March 31st, 2022, was graced by esteemed dignitaries, Ms. Punya Sheela Bandi from APIDC (Andhra Pradesh Industrial Development Corporation) as the Chief Guest and Mr. G. Sudhakar Rao from DO (LIC), Eluru Division, as the Guest of Honour. Their presence added prestige to the event, setting the tone for an electrifying festivity.

A remarkable turnout of 700 students from 75 colleges across the nation actively participated in various competitions encompassing Product Launch, Young Manager, Stock Game, Group Dance, Personality Contest, and the coveted Mr. & Ms. Manus titles.

The overall championship was clinched by P.B. Siddhartha College of Arts and Science, Vijayawada, showcasing their excellence and talent across multiple disciplines. The titles of Mr. & Miss. Manus 2K22 were deservedly awarded to Mr. Pavan Datta Sai from Gayathri Vidya Parishad, Vizag, and Ms. Lakshmi Prasanna from Siddhartha Mahila Kalasala, Vijayawada, respectively, for their outstanding performances.

The fest concluded on April 1st, 2022, with a memorable valedictory ceremony graced by prominent personalities. Mr. Rakesh Davuluri, Chairperson of POZE Saloon, Vijayawada, was honored as the Chief Guest, while Mrs. G. Lalshmi, Director of MSME, Krishna District, adorned the event as the Guest of Honour. The presence of Rev. Fr. Dr. S. Melchior, SJ, Mr. T. Jagadish, faculty members, and students of the Business Administration Department added to the festivity's grandeur.

MANUS 2022 stood as a testament to Andhra Loyola College's commitment to providing students with platforms for holistic development and fostering a culture of excellence and creativity.

### Andhra Loyola College Hosts Poster Presentation Competition on World Biodiversity Day

To commemorate World Biodiversity Day, the Department of Botany at Andhra Loyola College organized a Poster Presentation Competition on May 18th, 2022. The event aimed to raise awareness about the importance of biodiversity conservation and highlight the diverse ecosystems that sustain life on our planet.

Mr. Sankar from the P.G. Department of Botany, along with Dr. B. Siva Kumari from the Botany Department at ALC, and Dr. S. Dayakar, served as esteemed evaluators for the competition. Their expertise ensured fair and comprehensive assessment of the presentations.

Approximately 45 students from both undergraduate and postgraduate programs, alongside faculty members from the Botany Department, actively participated in the event. Their involvement showcased a keen interest in understanding and preserving biodiversity among the academic community.

Dr. P. Srinivasa Rao, from the Department of Botany, played a pivotal role as the Organizing Secretary, ensuring the smooth execution of the competition.

The Poster Presentation Competition served as a platform for students to creatively express their understanding of biodiversity and its significance in ecological sustainability. Through innovative presentations, participants contributed to fostering a deeper appreciation for the rich tapestry of life forms that inhabit our planet.

The event underscored Andhra Loyola College's commitment to environmental education and its endeavors to instill a sense of responsibility towards the conservation of biodiversity among its students and faculty.

### Andhra Loyola College Hosts Elocution Competition for World Biodiversity Day

Andhra Loyola College recently organized an Elocution Competition in collaboration with the Department of Politics to commemorate World Biodiversity Day. The event saw participation from approximately 40 students and faculty members from the Botany Department. Dr. B. Siva Kumari and Dr. S. Dayakar evaluated the competition, emphasizing the importance of biodiversity conservation. Dr. P. Srinivasa Rao acted as the Organizing Secretary for the event.

### Andhra Loyola College Hosts Ganitha-2022: A State Level Mathematics Fest

Andhra Loyola College's Department of Mathematics organized "Ganitha-2022," a State Level

Mathematics Fest held on April 12th and 13th, 2022. Mr. R.S. Vikram, Chairman and M.D. of Vikram Publishers Pvt. Ltd., Vijayawada, inaugurated the event as the Chief Guest.

The fest featured various competitions such as Spell Bee, Quiz, Mathematical Riddles, Memory Game, Sudoku, Cube Solving, and Puzzle Solving, attracting around 150 students from different colleges. Winners were awarded prizes during the valedictory session on April 13th, 2022.

Sankhya-2022: The Department of Statistics organized "Sankhya-2022 – State Level Academic Competitions" on 19th and 20th April 2022 for the U.G. students of Statistics discipline. Ms.M Lalitha Devi, Asst. Director, Planning Department, N.T.R. District, the Chief Guest, inaugurated the event. As part of this program, competitions in different events including PPT, Quiz, Essay writing, JAM and Puzzle were conducted. About 100 students from different Colleges across the State participated in these competitions and winners of the competitions were given prizes at the valedictory session held on 20-04-2022.



The Department of History organized an Educational Tour for its students to the places of historical importance in and around Warangal Dist. on 02.05.2022 under the leadership of Dr.B.Kalyani.

#### N.C.C. Cadets from Andhra Loyola College Participate in Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat Camp and Social Service Activities

Two dedicated N.C.C. cadets from Andhra Loyola College, Cdt. SMA Baadshah (DCM-10) and Cdt. Neelima (DSC-05), showcased their commitment

to national service by participating in the Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat-VIII Online Camp. The camp was organized by the NCC Directorate of Gujarat, Dadra & Nagar Haveli, Daman & Diu, and took place from April 25th to April 31st, 2021.

In addition to their involvement in the Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat Camp, the Air Wing cadets from Andhra Loyola College actively engaged in various social service activities and rallies. Notably, they contributed to a Blood Donation Camp organized by 17(A) BN NCC, Vijayawada, held at KBN College, Vijayawada, on May 4th, 2022.

Their participation in both national-level and community-focused initiatives reflects the college's commitment to instilling a sense of duty, service, and patriotism among its N.C.C. cadets.

### Cash Awards and Ship Attachment Camp for N.C.C. Cadets

Several N.C.C. cadets from Andhra Loyola College have been recognized for their exceptional performance and dedication to service.

J.U.O.K. Keerthi Nagendra (AP20SWA310007) from NAM-30 was awarded a Cash Award by NCC Group HQ, Kakinada, for outstanding cadet performance on May 15, 2022.

Similarly, S.U.O. M.Kiran (AP20SDA320026) from NAI-39 received a Cash Award from the DG NCC for exemplary cadet performance on May 25, 2022.

In addition to these accolades, G.Jaya Sai Ram (NPH-64) and M.Kasi Viswanath (NSC-48) represented Andhra Loyola College at the Ship Attachment Camp held in Mumbai from May 2nd to May 13th, 2022.

These achievements highlight the commitment and excellence displayed by N.C.C. cadets from Andhra Loyola College, reinforcing the institution's dedication to nurturing well-rounded individuals capable of making significant contributions to society.

### Andhra Loyola College N.C.C. Cadets Engage in Various Events Promoting Social Causes

The N.C.C. cadets of Andhra Loyola College actively participated in several events organized by the 8 (A) Nava Unit NCC, demonstrating their commitment to social causes.

On May 31, 2022, the cadets marked World No Tobacco Day by raising awareness about the harmful effects of tobacco consumption.

They also observed National Cancer Awareness Day on April 10, 2022, spreading awareness about cancer prevention and early detection methods.

Participating in Swachhata Pakhwada from April 21 to April 27, 2022, the cadets engaged in cleanliness drives and promoted sanitation practices.

Additionally, on May 20, 2022, the cadets honored Armed Forces Flag Day, showing their support and gratitude towards the armed forces.

Their active involvement in these events underscores the college's commitment to instilling a sense of social responsibility and contributing to the welfare of the community.

### Andhra Loyola College Alumni Association (ALCAA) Remains Active with Various Initiatives

The Andhra Loyola College Alumni Association (ALCAA) continues to play an active role in the academic year with a series of notable activities aimed at fostering community engagement and support.

One significant event was the participation of alumni Mr. N. Lakshmi Niranjan and Mr. Sai Suresh, both faculty members of the Statistics Department, in the South Zone Alumni Congress held at St. Aloysius College, Mangalore, on May 27th and 28th, 2022.

Moreover, ALCAA demonstrated its commitment to student welfare by distributing 30,000 face masks to the students of Andhra Loyola College on January 4th, 2022, contributing to the promotion of health and safety on campus.

Furthermore, on Teachers' Day, celebrated on September 5th, 2021, ALCAA organized a felicitation program to honor the dedicated school teachers associated with the association, recognizing their invaluable contributions to education.

These initiatives underscore ALCAA's ongoing efforts to maintain strong connections with alumni, support the college community, and contribute positively to societal welfare.

## Andhra Loyola College Alumni Association (ALCAA) Extends Collaborative Support for Community Welfare

ALCAA, known for its dedication to community welfare, continues its noble initiatives with renewed vigor.

Since 2004, ALCAA has been running a Free English Medium Elementary School for the underprivileged in the vicinity. With a Corpus Fund of Rs. 70,00,000/- in Fixed Deposits, the association ensures the continuity of this invaluable service. However, facing declining returns on the FDs, ALCAA Individual Members have generously contributed Rs. 3,50,000/- to bridge the deficit in the Annual Budget, demonstrating their unwavering commitment to the cause.

Furthermore, ALCAA has pledged its support to Andhra Loyola College's Training Programme for students on Soft Skills and Aptitude, in collaboration with EduSkills, an Odisha-based Soft Skills Training Centre. Through a phased-contribution of Rs. 1,00,000 over the next five years, ALCAA aims to enhance the employability and overall development of students, empowering them for success in their future endeavors.

The association expresses deep gratitude to its esteemed Alumni/ae and ALCAA members for their generous contributions, which enable ALCAA to continue its impactful initiatives and uphold its mission of serving the community.

### **Enhancing Campus Life: Hostel Facilities at Andhra Loyola College**

Andhra Loyola College takes pride in its comprehensive hostel facilities, catering to the needs of its diverse student community.

With four hostels situated on the campus, including an exclusive facility for girls, the college provides accommodation for a significant portion of its student body, accommodating 1562 students, which accounts for 1/4th of the total student strength.

These hostels serve as more than just living quarters; they are vibrant hubs of student life, fostering a sense of community and belonging. Various events

and activities are organized regularly to motivate and engage students, ensuring their stay away from home is enjoyable and enriching.

Acknowledging the pivotal role played by the hostel staff, the college extends its heartfelt gratitude to all Directors of the Boys' Hostels, the Warden Sister of the Girls Hostel, and the Director of Hostel Mess and Maintenance. Their dedicated efforts and affectionate care contribute significantly to creating a nurturing environment within the hostels, making them a true home away from home for the students.

#### Sanjeevan Niwas: Cultivating Holistic Development

Sanjeevan Niwas, a Jesuit training center affiliated with Andhra Loyola College, stands as a beacon of intellectual and spiritual formation for 44 scholastics. Led by Rev Fr.G.J Kiran Kumar, S.J. as the Superior, and supported by Rev Fr.P.L.Marianna, S.J. and Rev.Fr.X.J.Bosco Arockiasamy, S.J. as Spiritual Directors, the center is dedicated to shaping individuals into compassionate leaders poised to address the challenges of the contemporary world.

In addition to their academic pursuits, the scholastics actively engage in various college activities and extracurricular endeavors. They extend their hands to schools catering to physically impaired students, offering educational support, and contribute to social welfare centers assisting abandoned youth.

Moreover, Andhra Loyola College's Extension Program includes initiatives such as Andhra Loyola Assistance for Neighborhood Advancement (ALANA), ALERT (Andhra Loyola Extension Service for Rural Transformation), Self-Help Groups for Dalit Women, Equal Opportunities Cell (EOC), and Higher Education for Persons with Special Needs (HEPSN), generously



supported by the UGC. These programs are meticulously implemented to ensure maximum benefit to their intended beneficiaries.

Sanjeevan Niwas exemplifies a commitment to holistic development, nurturing individuals who are not only academically adept but also socially conscious and empathetic, reflecting the core values of the Jesuit tradition.

#### Andhra Loyola College Extension Services: Empowering Communities

Andhra Loyola College's Extension Services have been instrumental in fostering community engagement and addressing pertinent social issues through a series of impactful programs and activities.

To commemorate the International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples on August 9, 2021, the college organized various events aimed at raising awareness and promoting the rights of indigenous communities worldwide.

Throughout the year, several seminars and awareness programs were conducted, focusing on critical topics such as the socio-economic development of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in Andhra Pradesh, government welfare schemes for ragpickers, and the vaccination drive against COVID-19 for students.

One noteworthy initiative was the ALANA - Pillalla Panduga event held on November 13, 2021, which catered to the needs of slum and street children, providing them with essential resources and support. Furthermore, a scientific study conducted in tribal villages of the Chintur Mandal from December 10 to 13, 2021, shed light on various aspects of tribal life, including cultivation practices, food habits, forest resources, and health standards, contributing valuable insights for community development.

These endeavors underscore Andhra Loyola College's commitment to serving society and empowering marginalized communities through education, awareness, and community engagement initiatives.

### **Empowering Student Welfare at Andhra Loyola College**

Andhra Loyola College remains committed to the welfare and development of its students through various schemes and initiatives aimed at supporting their holistic growth and well-being.

The Subsidized Lunch Scheme, catering to the needs of needy day scholars, has seen active participation from 172 students this academic year, with the management allocating nearly Rs.4,00,000 annually towards this noble cause.

Additionally, the Management Free ships and Scholarships program has extended financial support to 273 deserving students, including talented sportsmen and women, amounting to Rs.15,49,167 so far this academic year.

Under the UGC-sponsored Equal Opportunities Cell (EOC), spearheaded by Dr. PVS Sairam, students from disadvantaged backgrounds are provided with equal opportunities for growth and development. The program focuses on fostering self-confidence, motivation, communication skills, career guidance, and leadership among students. Special training in life skills is offered to economically backward students selected for the program.

Moreover, the College Dispensary, established since August 1, 2014, continues to provide medical care and generic medicines to students and staff, free of cost, on all working days. With a qualified doctor and auxiliary nurse on campus, the dispensary ensures the health and well-being of the college community.

These initiatives underscore Andhra Loyola College's unwavering commitment to nurturing the holistic development and welfare of its students, ensuring they have access to essential support and opportunities for a bright future.

#### Andhra Loyola College Empowers Differently-Abled Students Through HEPSN Initiative

Andhra Loyola College continues its unwavering commitment to inclusivity and support for differently-abled students through its Higher Education for Persons with Special Needs (HEPSN) program, a UGC-sponsored initiative.

Under the HEPSN program, the college provides a conducive environment for the academic growth of physically and visually challenged students. This includes organizing sensitization and motivational programs, offering training in computer-aided learning, providing scribe services during examinations, and facilitating connections with NGOs and government agencies for necessary support.

In the current academic year, Andhra Loyola College has 40 differently-abled students, comprising 19 visually challenged and 21 orthopedically challenged individuals, pursuing various courses. Dr. G. Sahaya Baskaran from the Department of Physics leads the coordination efforts for the HEPSN program.

The college extends support to these students through collaborations with NGOs such as Help the Blind Foundation-Hong Kong, Enable India-Bangalore, and Youth4Jobs-Hyderabad, as well as government agencies including the Department of Disabled Welfare and Senior Citizens, Govt. of A.P., and the AP State Skill Development Corporation (APSSDC).

Activities organized under the HEPSN initiative aim to empower differently-abled students, providing them with the necessary resources and support to excel in their academic endeavors and beyond. Andhra Loyola College remains committed to fostering an inclusive and supportive educational environment for all its students.

### Help the Blind Foundation Continues Support for Visually Challenged Students

In a heartening display of generosity, Help the Blind Foundation, a charitable organization based in Hong Kong, extended its financial support to visually challenged students for the seventh consecutive year. At a special function held on April 18, 2022, scholarships totaling Rs. 6,30,000 were distributed to 63 visually challenged students, including those from Andhra Loyola College and other institutions.

The event, graced by esteemed guests Rev. Fr. Peter Daniel, Operational Director of Village Reconstruction Organisation, and Mr. P.V.K. Srinivas from Samarthanam Trust, saw the presence of key dignitaries including Rev. Frs. Dr. G.A.P. Kishore, M. Sagayaraj, G. Rayappa, and S. Melchior, along with Dr. G. Sahaya Baskaran, Coordinator of the HEPSN wing, and dedicated volunteers.

Expressing their commitment to empowering visually challenged students, Help the Blind Foundation reiterated its willingness to support more individuals in pursuing higher education. The foundation's continued assistance underscores its dedication to making a meaningful impact on the lives of students with visual impairments.

Andhra Loyola College extends its heartfelt gratitude to Help the Blind Foundation for their unwavering support, which has significantly contributed to the academic advancement and well-being of visually challenged students.

#### Abilities Day Celebrations Showcase Visually-Impaired Students' Talents

Andhra Loyola College recently hosted the Abilities Day celebration on April 18, 2022, with the aim of highlighting the hidden talents of visually-impaired students. The event featured a series of competitions designed to showcase the diverse abilities of these students.

Various engaging competitions were organized, including Fastest Fingers First, where participants demonstrated their typing skills on laptops using NVDA software. Another event, 'Guess the Item,' challenged students to identify objects using their touch and smell senses. Additionally, competitions such as Extempore Speech, Singing, and Quiz were held to further display the talents of the participants.

Students from A.C. College, Govt Degree College, Hindu College in Guntur, SRR & CVR Govt. College, and Maris Stella College, alongside Andhra Loyola College students, enthusiastically participated in the competitions. After a spirited display of talent, Hindu College, Guntur emerged as the overall champions, while Andhra Loyola College students secured the Runners Up position.

The Abilities Day celebrations served as a platform to recognize and celebrate the abilities of visually-impaired students, emphasizing their valuable contributions to the academic and cultural spheres.

### Andhra Loyola College Excels in Sports and Games

Andhra Loyola College continues to shine in the realm of sports and games, with commendable

achievements and ongoing projects showcasing its commitment to athletic excellence.



In a significant development, the State Level Khelo India Centre project, sanctioned to the college by the Sports Authority of India in August 2020, has entered its second year of implementation. The Centre, dedicated to fostering talent in Athletics and Volleyball, has enrolled a total of 60 sportspersons in the current academic year, benefitting from expert coaching provided by the Centre.

Under the leadership of the Department of Physical Education, the college organized nine major Inter-collegiate Tournaments on behalf of Krishna University for the academic year. These tournaments included competitions in various disciplines such as Boxing, Kabaddi, Basketball, Football, Taekwondo, Softball, and Cricket, garnering significant participation and enthusiasm from students.

Andhra Loyola College has achieved remarkable success in inter-collegiate championships, clinching seven titles in Athletics, Softball, Boxing, Kabaddi, Football, Taekwondo (Men's), and Taekwondo (Women's) during this academic year. Moreover, the college has made a mark at the university level, with 54 students selected to represent Krishna University, making it the single largest contingent from any college.

Furthermore, the college's prowess extends to the national level, with eight students earning the privilege to represent Andhra Pradesh at National Level events in various disciplines including Athletics, Softball, Chess, Karate, and Rugby.

The college expresses its heartfelt appreciation to Sri J.V. Nagendra Prasad, Director of Physical Education, for his commendable support in guiding and accompanying the students on their journey to sporting success.

Andhra Loyola College's achievements in sports and games underscore its dedication to fostering athletic talent and promoting a culture of sportsmanship and excellence among its students.

### Jawahar Knowledge Centre (JKC) Empowers Students with Job-Oriented Skills

The Jawahar Knowledge Centre (JKC) at Andhra Loyola College has been instrumental in providing valuable training to students, equipping them with job-oriented skills essential for their professional growth.

In a recent initiative, JKC imparted training to a total of 75 students, focusing on developing Analytical Skills, Technical Skills, and Communication Skills. Notably, 20 students were granted full fee exemption to facilitate their participation in the training program. The training sessions were conducted by esteemed faculty members from various departments, with Dr. T. Srikumar and Dr. P.V.S. Sairam from the Department of Physics overseeing Analytical Skills training, Sri T. Kamalakar Raju from the Department of Computer Science guiding students in Technical Skills, and Dr. T. Sai Mamatha, Dr. L. Subha from the Department of English, along with Mr. K. Anil from the Department of Computer Science, providing training in Communication Skills.

Additionally, orientation classes were organized by JKC and the Placement Cell for all final year Degree students, aiming to prepare them for placement opportunities and other career requirements. This initiative proved beneficial to approximately 500 students, enhancing their readiness for the job market.

Moreover, around 550 second-year undergraduate students also received orientation sessions to enhance their analytical, communication, and technical skills, thereby bolstering their prospects for future placements.

The efforts of the Jawahar Knowledge Centre in empowering students with practical skills and preparing them for the professional arena reflect Andhra Loyola College's commitment to holistic education and student welfare.

### Record Placements Achieved by Andhra Loyola College Students

Andhra Loyola College students have achieved remarkable success in securing placements during the current academic year, showcasing their talent and potential to reputed corporate companies. A total of 95 undergraduate and postgraduate students, who received training from the Jawahar Knowledge Centre (JKC), were placed in esteemed organizations such as Accenture, Capgemini, Infosys, TCS, Wipro, L&T, Cognizant, Mindtree, and AbhiBus, through Campus Recruitment Drives. Additionally, 259 students, including 45 postgraduate students, secured placements in other renowned companies, reflecting the college's commitment to fostering career opportunities for its students.

The JKC students received specialized training from distinguished alumni of Andhra Loyola College, who are employed in leading companies such as TCS, Infosys, Wipro, and Cognizant. Their expertise and guidance played a pivotal role in preparing students for the competitive job market.

Dr. T. Srikumar, along with the JKC team of trainers, including alumni from prominent companies, deserves commendation for their efforts in achieving this commendable feat.

Moreover, the college's commitment to enhancing students' employability is further demonstrated through the APSSDC-sponsored Employability Skills Centre (ESC). Under the guidance of Dr. G. Sahaya Baskaran, the ESC provided valuable computer and online training on employability skills to visually challenged students, empowering them for future endeavors.

In addition to placements, the college has also focused on infrastructural development, investing nearly Rs. 90 lakhs in various projects aimed at enhancing facilities for students. Notable developments include overhauling campus drainage, installation of internet and WiFi facilities for online classes, renovation of parking areas, toilets, library, and indoor stadium, as well as the ongoing construction of two academic blocks, slated for completion in the upcoming academic year.

The concerted efforts of Andhra Loyola College in providing quality education, fostering skill development, and enhancing infrastructure underscore its commitment to nurturing holistic growth and academic excellence among its students.

### In Memoriam: Tribute to Departed Staff Members of Andhra Lovola College

It is with profound sorrow that Andhra Loyola College mourns the loss of esteemed staff members who dedicated themselves to the service and growth of our institution. Their contributions and legacy continue to inspire us.

- 1. Rev. Fr. C. J. John, SJ: Reverend Father C. J. John, SJ, aged 73, passed away suddenly on August 7, 2021, due to a massive heart attack. Serving as the seventh Principal of our college, Rev. Fr. John was a pivotal member of our History Department for fourteen years, from June 1979. His remarkable tenure as Principal from June 1993 to May 1997 witnessed significant milestones, including the functional bifurcation of our Intermediate Wing from the UG Autonomous Wing in accordance with UGC guidelines. His illustrious career also saw him lead Loyola College, Pullivendula, and Loyola Academy, Secunderabad.
- 2. Rev. Brother S. Maria Michael, SJ: Reverend Brother S. Maria Michael, SJ, aged 85, passed away on December 19, 2021, after a battle with age-related ailments. A devoted member of the Society of Jesus for 62 years, Brother Maria Michael served Andhra Loyola College for 27 years, from 1964 to 1994. His roles encompassed overseeing the construction and maintenance of our college campus infrastructure. He retired as a Senior Assistant in our office in August 1994.
- 3. Mr. M. Mariadas: Mr. M. Mariadas, a cherished member of our Mathematics Department, breathed his last on January 9, 2022, after a prolonged hospitalization following brain and heart strokes. A meritorious student of our college, Mr. Mariadas completed his B.Sc. and M.Sc. Mathematics with distinction. Joining our Mathematics Department in 1997, he served our alma mater diligently for nearly twenty-five years.

As we bid farewell to these esteemed individuals, we honor their dedication, service, and invaluable contributions to Andhra Loyola College.

May their souls rest in eternal peace.



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