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REPORTS

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Department of Physics

On 21st October 2017, dengue awareness programme was conducted in collaboration with Kayalpatnam municipality in the Kombuthurai village. Dr.Pon Vel Raju, Sanitary inspector delivered a talk on health and hygiene. 110 children and 60 women of the village were benefitted. “Nila vembu kashayam” was distributed to all the people. Also 25 saplings were planted in the village.

On 16th December 2017, II year students visited the people of Anna colony, Thoothukudi and took the census.

On 4th February 2018 a Free Eye Screening camp was organized at Kombuthurai village in collaboration with Vasan eye care hospital, Thoothukudi. 75 people of Kombuthurai village benefitted from the camp.

Department of Chemistry

On Sep. 23rd 2017, 45 students of II BSc chemistry accompanied by Dr.Mrs. Irudaya Antonat Sophia and Mrs.B.Divya visited St.Mary's school, Pazhayakayal. Students were divided into eight groups and they handled classes from I to VIII. They showed educational and animated videos in Science, Maths, Tamil, general knowledge and English. Students also created awareness regarding environmental issues and social problems. Students also demonstrated simple science experiments and instructed them to do the same.

On Jan.29th, 2018 II B.Sc Chemistry participated in the “Prison Ministry” meeting at Bethany convent. Thoothukudi organized by Rev. Dr. Sr. Decla. In the

meeting Sister insisted the mental agony faced by the prisoners and their family, and how prison ministry has turned into a wholesome person.

Department of Commerce

The outreach activities of Department of Commerce commenced on 20th July 2017 in the adopted area Thupasatti, a small village situated on the outskirts of Thoothukudi. A group of 56 students of II BCOM along with three staff members Ms.Maria Celine [HOD], Ms.Jeya Selvi, and Ms.Bhanumathi accompanied the students. The residents of the area participated with great interest. Ms.Jeya Selvi gave an awareness about the usage of readymade packet mixes and their effects. The people were advised to use fresh groceries and fruit juices. The inmates of the area interacted well with the students. The children enjoyed the snacks which were distributed to them. On 20.7.2017 Dr.Stella Beatrice Nirmala, Dr.Mary Judith Reene Fernando, Mrs.Daisy Bai and Mrs.Jenifer Trina accompanied the students to the adopted village Thupasatti to carry out a survey on the socio-economic conditions of the people living in the village.

On 18.12.2017 the staff members and the students went to the adopted area and had Christmas celebration with cultural activities and they also planted saplings. Mrs. Jeyaselvi, Mrs. Elizabeth James, Dr.Stella Beatrice Nirmala, Dr.Fernando Alexandria ,Mrs, Banumathi, Mrs.Jenifer Trina and Mrs.Indra Refline accompanied the students and carried on tree plantation activity along with Christmas day celebration.

On 9.02.2018 Mrs.Daisy Bai along with the students made a visit to Bethany, house of Servite sisters and the students were given awareness on prison ministry undertaken by the sisters of the congregation of Mother of Sorrows Servants of Mary.

Department of Economics

Banking awareness programme was arranged for Jeeva Nagar people on 16-09-2017 by Mr. Mohan Gandhi, Manager, TMB, Thoothukudi

Women Protection Awareness Programme was organised on 14-10-2017 in which Ms. Pasa Malar, Advocate, District Court, Tirunelveli was the resource person.

Christmas function was celebrated on 16-12-2017. Dr. J. Moses Gnanakkan, Assistant Professor, Bishop Caldwell College, Thoothukudi delivered the Christmas Message.

Department of English (SSC)

The Department of English (SSC) organized the Community Development Programme on 16th December 2017 in our adopted area Alanthalai. The parish priest Rev.Fr.Wilson welcomed the students, he explained about the environment and also about the rules and regulations of the place. To create awareness among the people on our Prime Minister's concept of "Swachh Bharat Mission", the students divided themselves into five groups and cleaned the sea shore.

The secondary students of Alanthalai were motivated by our students to get good marks in their government exams and also to pursue their higher education. During the culturals, the students celebrated the joy of Christmas with the primary school students. Games were conducted and prizes were awarded for the participants. The students participated enthusiastically.

Department of Microbiology

II UG students along with Ms.Anitta went for CDP to Kumarakiri on 29thSeptember. 40 Students involved in the programme took census for about 85 families. The students took census on water facilities, irrigation problems and unemployment.

Department of Computer Science

On 15-07-2017 the first visit to the village. Six groups were created. Each group had met 25 houses in the village. Students asked about their life and enquired their need also. Rev.Fr.Soosai Raja helped with the arrangement.

At the end of the program Rev.Fr.Soosai Raja Spoke about our students performance. The Villagers enjoyed our program very much. Students gave a lot of information about Important of saving money and women's education. All our students had nice experience in the CDP on that day. The villagers easily mingled with us. It is very happy for us. At last with great thanks to the Fr. Soosai Raja and all the village people we left that place over 7:30p

As a part of CDP on 13.09.18 the students visited Bethany. Ms. Gnanathangam and Ms. Andrews Felicita accompanied. Rev. Sr. Decla Mary OSM showed power points about Prison Ministry India. We were motivated to join as volunteers for the Prison Ministry India.

The department of computer science chose Lucia centre to celebrate Christmas on December 16, 2017. Records of Lucia centre were looked into for survey details. Programmes were organized for those children by students. Ms. Jothimani and Rev. Sr. A. Sahaya Mercy OSM accompanied.

Department of Mathematics

The Community Development Programme (CDP) for the academic year 2017-2018 was inaugurated on 2nd September 2017 at Vembar. On the same day, a Bank Awareness Programme was organized by the department of Mathematics, in collaboration with Central Bank of India, Thoothukudi. The students of II B.Sc. Mathematics of St. Mary's College, self help group of women and some people of our adopted area gathered together for the meeting conducted at the auditorium of St. Sebastiyar School, Vembar. Rev. Fr. Pratheeban, Parish Priest of Holy Ghost Church, Vembar was the chief guest. Mr. Hariharan, Manager of Central Bank of India gave the awareness about the basic facilities of the bank and list out the government schemes available in the bank. Also he highlighted the mobile banking. After the completion of the programme, our students went around to take survey, regarding the toilet facilities in the houses and found, there are houses without toilet facility.

The next visit of the Community Development Programme (CDP) for the academic year 2017-2018 was on 16th December 2017 at Vembar. The students of II B.Sc. Mathematics of St. Mary's College actively participated and enthusiastically organized a Christmas day Celebration for the people. Sr. Amala Lisy, Head Mistress of St. Sebastiyar Middle School was the Chief Guest. She gave a valuable speech on the day and our students encouraged the children by organizing games and gave prizes to the winners.

Department of English

On 8th July 2017, the first meeting of CDP was organized at Nathakulam for the students of II B.A English. Ms. Pasamalar, a well-known criminal lawyer was the

guest of the day. Fr. Justin was the guest of Honour. Ms. Pasamalar delivered an address on the legal problems faced by the women and suggested means as to how to overcome them. Her speech instilled an awakening in the minds of the rural inhabitants of Nathakulam. Fr. Justin enlightened the people with his inspiring speech on the ideology of women's liberation. Also students gave variety programmes such teaching basic English, singing motivational songs, enacting skits and giving awareness about health and hygiene to empower the women and children at Nathakulam.

On 21 September 2017, Ms. N. Sumathi, Ms. Carmel Ms. Mary Manonmani and Ms. Sophia Philomin escorted the II B.A English students to Bethany. Sr. Decla, former principal of St. Mary's College gave an awareness on Prison Ministry of India through audio and video presentation. The students acquired information about the physical and psychic problems of the prisoners. Then Sr. Decla gave an inspiring address on the selfless services rendered by the prison ministry through their frequent visits to many prisons. The members of PMI organized many programmes such as counseling, competitions, games etc. in order to lessen the psychological burden of the prisoners and let them prepare for a new life after their imprisonment. Sr. Decla reiterated the fact that the members not only visited the prisoners but also their family members to build a healthy rapport with them. Her motivational talk instructed the students to do such social services in future.

On 16 December, 2017 Ms. Sharon Roque Corera and Ms. X. Amala Steffi accompanied the students to Nathakulam to celebrate Christmas. The day started with the free eye camp consisting of 7 members from Vasan Eye Care Hospital, Thoothukudi to better the vision of the rural people. The Students welcomed the gathering and games like musical chair and quizzes were conducted and later on prizes were distributed. Christmas was celebrated to share love and joy. A speech was given on the significance of Christmas.

Department of Botany

On 16.09.17 in Amalinagar the inaugural of CDP took place. Amalinagar is a fisherman village located near Thiruchendur murugan temple. It belongs to Thoothukudi District. II B.Sc students along with three staff members met the people and distributed 25 tree saplings. On the

same day students took part in community and coastal cleaning. Students surveyed on availability of toilet facility and found 20 houses are in need of toilets.

On 26th September 2017 hands on training on seaweed as fertilizer was conducted. Dr. Flora Assistant professor department of Botany gave a lecture about the importance of seaweeds. 15 people participated and got benefitted. In 20 houses the kitchen garden was laid and seeds were distributed.

Department of Zoology

On 14th September 2017, 42 students of II B.Sc., Zoology accompanied by two staff members Dr. Jemma Hermelin Jesy Diaz and Dr. S.R.T. Sherly Cross visited the adopted area, Keelavaippar. We arranged an awareness programme on Food Adulteration for the children of St. Louise Hr.Sec. School, Keelavaippar. Mrs. Vasanthi Head Mistress of St. Louise Hr.Sec. School felicitated the programme. Mr. Sivasilam Health Inspector from Vilathikulam was the chief guest. He explained the students about what is adulteration, how the food materials are adulterated and what are the ill effects of adulteration. He also demonstrated, how to identify the adulterated food.

Department of Mathematics SSC

The community development programme was held on 2nd Sep 2017, the students of second year B.sc Mathematics, cleaned the adopted area Mukkani. They planted saplings in the surrounding areas and school with the support of the village people and the Parish Priest of Palayakayal.

On 16th Dec 2017, our students celebrated Christmas programme with the school children and with the people of Mukkani .The Parish Priest of Palayakayal, gave the message on the birth of Christ and about Christmas. The students conducted many programmes and the village President distributed gifts and prizes to the students.

Department of Commerce (SSC)

The Department of Commerce (SSC) in collaboration with the Bharathi Lions Club, Thoothukudi conducted a medical camp on general medicine and Diabetics in the Thai Nagar and Thalamuthunagar adopted areas on 2nd September 2017, Saturday. In order to bring a healthy environment in the adopted areas the camp was held. Proper notices and announcements were given on the previous day regarding the medical

camp in order to ensure thrift among the people. As targeted, many households actively participated in the Eye Camp in collaboration with Lions Club and were benefitted by the camp. Medicines were issued at free of cost and also necessary tests were taken for the diabetic patients.

The Department of Commerce (SSC) celebrated the Christmas in the Thai Nagar and Thalamuthunagar adopted areas on 20nd December 2017, Saturday.

Department of History

The Department of History and Department of Computer science jointly organised Plastic Awareness Programme on 27.10.2017 in the adopted area, Tharuvaikulam, Thoothukudi. The students created awareness about the harmful effects of plastics. As a result of this awareness programme through skit, human chain, mime and a talk by the students. The people were motivated towards the use of non-plastic products in their day to day life. The programme instigated the ban of plastic to be more effective. Rev.Fr.Edward, Parish priest made all the arrangements and he gave a lecture on “No to Plastic”. The people demanded the cleaning of the garbage which is nearby their area. In short, this awareness programme created an awareness among the people of Tharuvaikulam.