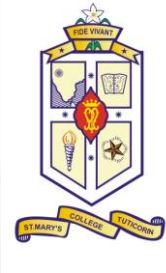


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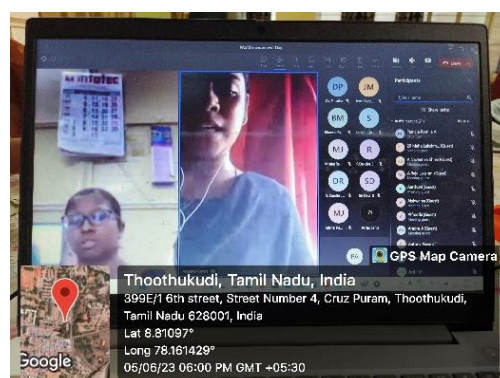
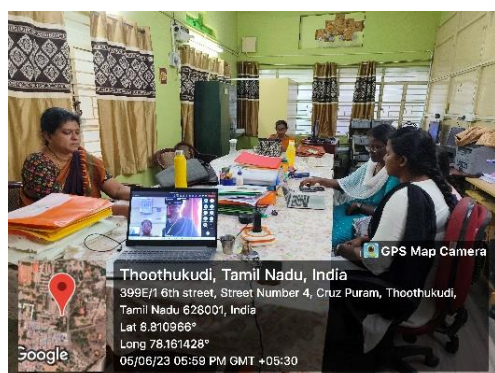
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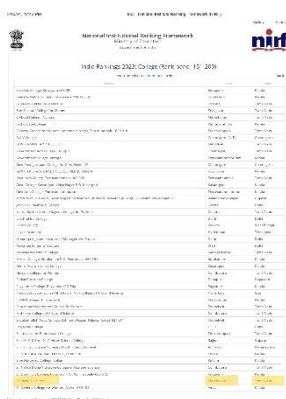
The Internal Quality Assurance Cell organised an Orientation Programme along with the Department of Tamil (SSC) on 5th June 2023 on “LiFE Initiative – Lifestyle for Environment” to celebrate the World Environment Day. Ms. S. Aswarniha, III B.Sc Chemistry, Ms. R. Freeda Ruby Judith, II B.Sc Psychology, Ms. T. Santhana Mari Karthika, III B.A. English Literature spoke on the role of the Leaders, the people, and the role of the sanitary workers to protect the environment. Ms. M. Asmitha, III B.Com was the moderator. 250 students participated in the online programme.



The Internal Quality Assurance Cell organised an Upskilling Programme for the Non-Teaching staff on “MS Office and Tally” from 5th June to 9th June 2023. IQAC has curated the Upskilling programme for the professional progression of the non-teaching staff by enhancing the proficiency in Microsoft Office applications and Tally software. B. Veerabahu, Software Developer, Managing Director, Veera Computer Education, Puthiamputhur, Tuticorin was the resource person.



In the NIRF Ranking 2023, the institution secured a prominent place in 151-200 Rank Band.



The screenshot displays the NIRF Ranking 2023 website for the institution. The page title is 'NIRF Ranking 2023: College/Center: 151-200'. The table below shows the institution's performance across various categories:

Category	Score	Rank
Overall	4.00	151-200
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The Internal Quality Assurance Cell organised the Students Induction Programme for the I UG students from 21st June 2023 to 30th June 2023. The day one programme was initiated with an Orientation Session for the students. Dr. Sr. C. Shibana, Secretary, Dr. Sr. Jessie Fernando, Principal, Rev. Sr. Josephine Jeyarani, Director of SSC, Dr. A. Punitha Tharani, Controller of Examinations and Dr. J. Anila Maily, Students' Council Advisor gave an orientation to the students on the institutional policies and procedures. The Heads of the various departments and the faculty welcomed the students and spoke on the significance of the departments. The students were taken on a college tour and learnt about the facilities, resources, campus etiquette, academics, and overall ambience of the institution.



Bridge Course was conducted for five days from the second day. The PG and Research Department of English and the Department of English (SSC) trained the students in many aspects of the communication skills and provided a booklet designed by the department to do various verbal activities. Dr. P. Johnson Durai Raj, Director, Postulate Institute of Research and Technology, Thoothukudi spoke on “Fast Learning Habits.” Dr. V. Saravanan, Professor, Department of EEE, Thiagarajar College of Engineering, Madurai spoke on “Energy Management in Home and Office.” Ms. S. S. Anuja, Assistant Professor of History focused on

the institution's efforts to prevent ragging and gave a gist on the activities of the Anti-Ragging Cell.



On the third day Dr. A. Punitha Tharani, Associate Professor of Mathematics and Controller of Examinations explained the details of the CIA and ESE pattern and the mode of evaluation. She informed the students about the publication of the end semester results through the ERP portal. Dr. Fernando Alexandria, Associate Professor of Commerce and Dean, School of Management and Economics spoke on “Learning Outcomes.” She highlighted the Outcome Based Education with Choice Based Credit System. Ms. A. Amora, Assistant Professor of Commerce and Dean of UGC Affairs imparted the know-how technique of the usage of the ERP portal. Dr. K. Vinitha, Librarian, St. Mary’s College (Autonomous), Thoothukudi in her “Orientation Session on Library” spoke on the resources available in the library and the procedure for membership in the library. Ms. R. Rohini, Counsellor, St. Mary’s College (Autonomous), Thoothukudi in her “Orientation Session on Counselling” elaborated on the facilities for personal counselling in the college and encouraged the students to overcome their fear of the new locale. Dr. B. Serena Margaret, IQAC Coordinator rendered the talk on “Universal Human Values.”



On the fourth day Dr. Mrs. Aarthi Kannan MD, Sundaram Arul Raj Hospital, Thoothukudi delivered an expert talk on “Enriching Women’s Health and Wellness.” She edified the significance of women’s health and the consequence of unhealthy diet. Dr. F. Mary Priya, Assistant Professor of English and ANO rendered an orientation on NCC.

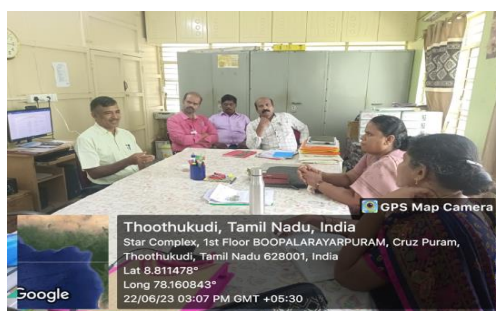


On the fifth day Ms. M. Michael Shantha Forgia, Advocate delivered an expert talk on “Laws in Favour of Women and An Awareness on Prevention of Cyber Crime.” Dr. A. Josephine Alangara Betsy, Associate Professor of English and NSS Programme Officer delivered an “Orientation Session on NSS” and emphasised the activities of NSS undertaken by the college NSS units. Ms. M. Apshan, IQAC Student Nominee shared her experience of her college life on the topic “My Perception of My Alma Mater.” IQAC organised a debate on the topic “விவாத அரங்கம் -பெண்களின் மதிப்பை உயர்த்தி காட்டுவது - நவீன உடை அலங்காரம்? பேச்சு மற்றும் நடவடிக்கைகள்? படிப்பு மற்றும் வேலைவாய்ப்பு?”



On the sixth day Ms. Rathi Devi, District Welfare Department Officer, Government of Tamil Nadu graced the occasion and shared the welfare schemes of the Tamil Nadu Government for the women students. Dr. Shelin George, Centre Administrator, One Stop Centre, Thoothukudi District delivered a talk on “Welfare Schemes for Women and Empowerment.” Sr. Kenzie, Superior, Servite Convent. St. Mary’s College (Autonomous), Thoothukudi rendered a talk on “Health and Well Being.”

IQAC organised a detailed green and energy audit in the college premises on 21st and 22nd June 2023. Dr. V. Saravanan, Professor, Department of EEE, Thiagarajar College of Engineering, Madurai, Dr. P. S. Manoharan, Professor, Department. of EEE, Thiagarajar College of Engineering, Madurai, Dr. V. Ravisankar, Associate Professor, Department of Civil Engineering, Thiagarajar College of Engineering, Madurai and Dr. B. Ashok Kumar, Assistant Professor, Department. of EEE, Thiagarajar College of Engineering, Madurai conducted the audit and recommended suggestive measures for improving the energy efficiency.



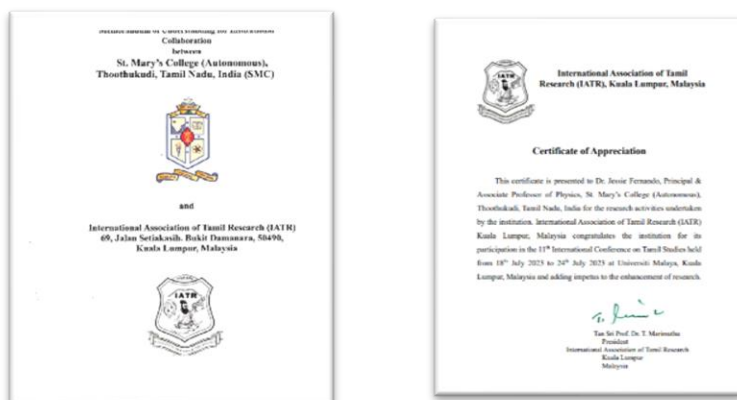
The Internal Quality Assurance Cell organised an orientation programme for the faculty on “The Role of Teachers in Prioritising Institutional Development” on 24th June 2023. Rev. Fr. Dr. S. Selvakumar CMF, Rector, Philosophate House at Karumathur was the resource person. He emphasised the significant role of the teachers in shaping the nation and their remarkable value in the society.



The Internal Quality Assurance Cell organised the Students Induction Programme for the I PG students on 26th June 2023. IQAC has curated the programme to make the students feel at ease and to facilitate a smooth transition for the students to their postgraduate programme. The students actively participated in the One Day Students’ Induction Programme. The programme was initiated with an Orientation Session for the students. Dr. V. Suresh, Associate Professor, Department of ECE, National Engineering College, Kovilpatti addressed the students on the topic “Enriching the Research Aptitude of the Post- Graduate Students.”



The institution signed an MoU with the International Association of Tamil Research (IATR), Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia to carry out joint research projects and conduct academic activities and events on 22.07.2023 at Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. The institution received Certificates of Appreciation from the Department of Indian Studies, Universiti Malaya, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, and the International Association of Tamil Research (IATR), Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia for the participation in the 11th International Conference on Tamil Studies held from 18th July 2023 to 24th July 2023 at Universiti Malaya, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia and for adding impetus to the enhancement of research.



IQAC as per the directions of UGC organised various programmes to celebrate the International Year of Millets 2023 and uploaded the activities in the UGC Activity Monitoring Portal. The institution received Active Local Chapter Award for the Jan- April 2023 semester from NPTEL Madras.



IQAC registered the institution in the UGC UTSAH (Undertaking Transformation Strategies and Actions in Higher Education) portal on 16.10.2023 and registered for the NIRF Pre Qualifier on 18.10.2023.

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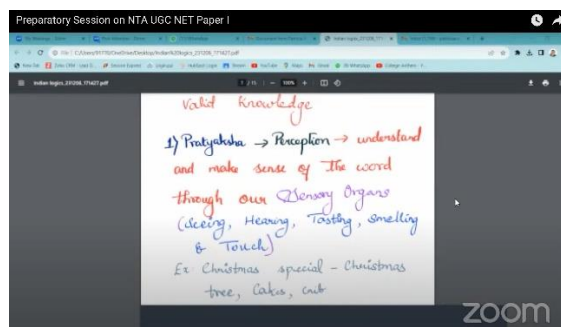
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"Course" shall mean a paper which is taught for at least one semester as a part of a subject.
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Colleges, Universities, HEIs are requested to fill the data of their own campus(es).

Multidisciplinary and Holistic Education A multidisciplinary and holistic education, as envisaged in the National Education Policy, 2020 aims to develop the social, physical, intellectual, emotional and moral capacities of human beings in an integrated manner. A flexible curriculum will create space for creative combinations of various disciplines and innovative interdisciplinary pairing of subjects. For example, this could enable students from Arts and Humanities to learn Science subjects and undergo Vocational training and vice-versa. Click here to fill	Digital Empowerment and Online Education Digital Empowerment and Online Education are at the core of the strategy to increase employability and reach the GER of 50% by 2035, as envisaged in NEP 2020. Online learning offers accessible, cost-effective learning opportunities for continuing education. Digital empowerment in the field of education opens up a plethora of options for the learners of today. Click here to fill
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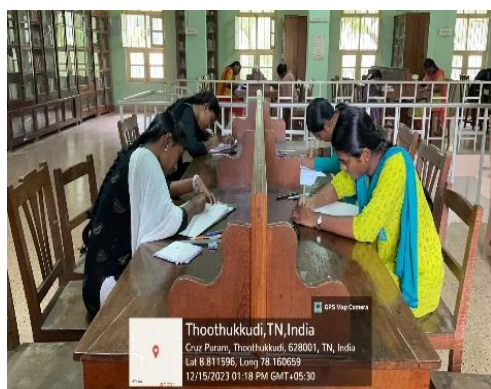
IQAC organised a Professional Progression Programme for the faculty on “Designing and Development of Resources for Teaching and Learning on 23rd November 2023. Dr. A. Vimal Jerald, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Computer Science, St. Joseph’s College (Autonomous), Tiruchirappalli was the resource person.



IQAC in association with the Career Guidance & Placement Cell organised a Preparatory Session on “NTA UGC NET Paper I” on 6th December 2023. Ms. Sneha, Assistant Professor of Commerce, Kamaraj College was the resource person.



Internal Quality Assurance Cell, Department of Library and Quiz Club of St. Mary's College (Autonomous), Thoothukudi in collaboration with NLC Tamil Nadu Power LTD., Thoothukudi organised the essay and the quiz competitions on "Energy Conservation." The essay competition was conducted on 15th December 2023 and two students from each department participated in the essay writing competition. The quiz competition was conducted on 18th January 2024. Five teams with five members each participated in the quiz.



IQAC uploaded the NIRF data on 18th January 2024.

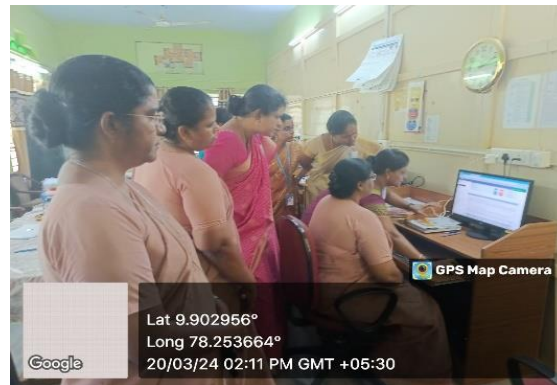
IQAC in association with the Marian Research Forum organised a national seminar on "Navigating Consultancy, Filing Patent, and Designing Research Article: Insights and Strategies" on 20th January 2024. Dr. M.H. Adarsha Gowda, Dean, Entrepreneurship & Consultancy Cell Assistant Professor - Stage II, HOD, Department of Food Science, Department of Food Processing & Engineering, St. Aloysius Deemed to be University, Mangaluru, Karnataka, Dr. A. Jahitha Begum, Professor & Head In charge, Department of Education, The Gandhigram Rural Institute Gandhigram and Dr. P. Hanumantha Rao, Associate Professor, Department of Microbiology Associate Dean of Research, Madras Christian College, Chennai. The institution signed an MoU with St. Aloysius Deemed to be University, Mangaluru to carry out joint research projects and conduct academic activities and events.



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IQAC submitted the AQAR for the academic year 2021-22 on 20th March 2024.



IQAC submitted the AQAR for the academic year 2022-23 on 30th April 2024. It prepared and consolidated the data for IIQA and SSR.

