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Across the globe, research and innovation have become defining features of higher education systems. As nations invest heavily in scholarly pursuits, India too has emerged as a key contributor to global academic discourse. Recognising the significance of this momentum, St. Mary's College (Autonomous), Thoothukudi, continues to strengthen its commitment to research excellence. Through its dedicated Research Forum, the institution aspires to nurture a culture of critical inquiry and to support young scholars in shaping meaningful research trajectories.

Aligned with the vision of empowering students and enriching academic quality, the forum regularly organises seminars, orientation programmes, workshops, and conferences. These platforms enable budding researchers to refine their skills, engage with contemporary debates, and gain exposure to interdisciplinary approaches. The present volume brings together a curated collection of student research papers that reflect careful study, thoughtful analysis, and the growing research competence within the campus. Each paper has been evaluated by subject experts, ensuring that the work presented upholds strong academic standards.

We take this opportunity to express our sincere gratitude to the management for its continual encouragement and support. Our heartfelt thanks are also extended to the reviewers, whose expertise and constructive insights have greatly enhanced the quality of this publication. We acknowledge with appreciation the contributions of the scholars and the dedicated efforts of the Research Forum team, whose commitment has made this issue possible.

With firm confidence, we believe that Marian Quest will continue to serve as a meaningful academic platform, enriching the intellectual landscape of St. Mary's College (Autonomous), Thoothukudi.

Warm regards,
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