

VELLALAR COLLEGE FOR WOMEN (AUTONOMOUS), ERODE-12.

College with Potential for Excellence

(Re-accredited with 'A' Grade by NAAC & Affiliated to Bharathiar University)

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Reputed Chief Guest, Honourable President, Respected Secretary, Esteemed members of Vellalar Educational Trust, erudite members of the staff, non-teaching staff, parents, ladies and gentlemen and my dear students.

I deem it a great honour and privilege to welcome our Chief Guest **Dr.P. Thirunavukkarasu, Member, Vice-Chancellor Committee, Bharathiar University, Coimbatore** who has acceded to grace the occasion of the 49th Annual Day celebrations with his eminent presence, to render the college day address and to confer prizes to the deserving learners for their commendable excellence in academics. I extend a warm welcome to the luminaries on the dais, faculty members, non-teaching staff, parents, students and all other invitees.

Before presenting a brief account of the excellence and achievements in all our endeavors during 2018 – 2019, let me place on record my respectful homage to the great souls who were behind the genesis and growth of this institution. I also record my deep sense of gratitude to the former members of the Vellalar Educational Trust and former Principals and staff members of this Institution.

With the blessings of the God Almighty and with a profound sense of glee and gratification, I now present the undertakings, attainments and achievements for the academic year 2018-19 to this august gathering.

Current Strength of the College

The academic year was commenced on 18th June 2018, with student strength of **4972** in the Under-Graduate and **955** students in the Post-Graduate programmes of both aided and self-financing courses. **257** teaching staff and **101** non-teaching staff are serving in both aided and self-financing Wing. **40** scholars are in M.Phil. and **29** scholars in Ph.D. programmes.

The activities of the academic year 2018-19 were meticulously planned and excellently executed by our teaching fraternity to effectively transform the students into respectable and responsible citizens of our country.

Courses offered

28 UG, **15** PG, **8** UGC sponsored Career-Oriented Add-on, **3** Bharathiar University approved Certificate, **19** other Certificate and **12** Research Programmes are offered. TANSHE'S – Choice Based Credit System and Outcome Based Education is the

foundation of the academic planning and syllabus. **72** Ranks in UG and **28** Ranks in PG in 2017-18 out-gone batches were awarded for their academic proficiency.

Grants Received

The total funds received from UGC, ICMR and TNSCST is Rs.61,04,419 and 2 Crores for infrastructure development by Rashtriya Uchcharat Shiksha Abhiyan is expected to be received at the end of March 2019.

‘College with Potential for Excellence’

UGC has allocated Rupees 1 Crore and 25 lakhs as an overall allocation for five years and a grant of Rs.14,88,000 as II installment grant of Phase II under the scheme “College with Potential for Excellence” enabling us to march towards ‘Excellence’.

College Union Activities

Fresher’s Parents meeting, International Yoga Day by SKM Manavalakalai Mandram, Inauguration of College Union and its affiliated Associations by Dr.C.Suseela, our Former Principal, Speech on Science and Spiritual by **Thavathiru Kundrakudi Ponnaambala Adigalar** and **Dr.Mylswamy Annadurai**, Director, ISRO Satellite Centre, Bangalore, Programme by **Thiru.Saidai S.Duraisamy**, Founder & Chairman, Manidha Naeyam IAS Academy and Session of Seshasayee Paper & Boards Ltd. on ‘**Journey of Paper**’ are the events marked by College Union.

Graduation Day was held with the confederation of UG & PG degrees to 1656 graduates on 10th August, 2018 by Dr. P.Kolandaivel, Vice Chancellor, Periyar University, Salem.

Alumni meet, Independence Day, Teachers day and Republic Day were celebrated.

Thiru A. Kaliamoorthy, Former SP, Thiruchirapalli addressed on the topic “Sadhikka Piranthaval Nee”.

Thiru.M. Santhana Pandian, Additional Superintendent of Police, Erode District graced the occasion of the **49th Sports Day** on 2nd February, 2019.

A session on “Ways to Overcome Predicaments” was given by T.Janaki, w/o.Lt.Colonel Thambusamy, Coimbatore.

A **Special Meeting** on “Unakku Neeye Varam” was given by Thiru. Master. Sri Ji, Director, Sathyodhayam, Erode.

College Union **Valedictory** function was celebrated on 5th March, 2019 with Dr. D. Brindha, Principal, PSG College of Arts & Science, Coimbatore as the chief guest.

Women Empowerment Cell celebrated **International Women’s Day** with the joint venture of “You & Me Event Management”, RCN TV and Thendral TV.

Academic Enrichment Activities

Ice breaking session and bridge courses for first UG students were conducted during the third week of June by all the departments. Remedial Coaching and Special Classes, Counseling sessions, Civil Service Coaching classes, Intra & Inter Collegiate Meets were regularly organized by various departments of both aided & un-aided streams. Entrepreneurial skill oriented Agri Mall, Corporate Mall, Fashion Dallahas, Bio Buy, ExouSia and trade fairs, Cyber Expo, Math Expo and Technical Fest –Technova helped the students to exhibit talents in their study areas. The departments organized association competitions, educational tours, institutional visits and laboratory visits to inculcate practical knowledge outside the classroom.

Placements

431 students were placed both in non IT Companies and in the top-notch IT companies like INFOSYS, CAPEGEMINI, TCS, WIPRO, CTS and ACCENTA. On campus Job Fair on 15th March will cater the needs of local employment demands.

Aided departments conducted a total of 32 UGC funded Workshops, Seminars, Symposia and Guest lectures at International, National and State levels. 1 National Workshop and 1 Seminar funded by CPE, 1 State Workshop and 1 Seminar funded by TNSCST and a State Workshop sponsored by NDLI were arranged for faculty and students.

DBT Star College Scheme activities have been undertaken by the departments of Botany, Chemistry, Nutrition and Dietetics, Mathematics and Computer Science and funds have been approved additionally for two aided departments Physics and Zoology. By the sanctioned funds and with the management support, 3 Hands on Training, 9 Workshops, 6 Guest Lectures and 1 National Level Seminar, 3 Industrial, 2 Laboratory, 1 Field Visit and 27 Students Research Projects have been carried out.

Self-financing departments organized totally 71 academic events in the international, national, state - seminars, workshops, inter collegiate meets, guest lectures, special meetings and intra collegiate level events.

Research Programmes

10 Ph.Ds and **43** M.Phils were produced. 6 Minor and 1 Major Research Projects funded by UGC, 1 ICMR Major Project and 2 DBT Fold Scope Research Projects are in progress.

Refereed VCW Journals – HuSS, FoodSci, and ScieXplore have been indexed with Indian Citation Index (ICI) and J-Gate which will facilitate them to be included in the UGC approved list of journals.

Research Activities of the Faculty Members

In the Self-financing stream, **10** staff members have been conferred with Ph.D Degree.

The faculty members of both aided and Self-financing stream attended **264** Faculty Development Programmes, **46** Retraining Programmes, **442** Seminars, Conferences and Workshops and served as resource persons in **49** programmes including conferences, orientation/refresher courses, seminars etc.

117 research papers have been presented at State, National and International Level Seminars/Conferences. Besides, **116** Research works were published in refereed International and National Journals.

Awards & Recognitions

- **Dr. M. Yogeswari**, Assistant Professor of Physics and **Dr.P.K.Saranya**, Assistant Professor of Computer Science, attended **Summer Research Fellowship (SRF) by Indian Academy of Science, Bangalore – Indian National Science Academy, New Delhi** and by **National Academy of Science, Allahabad.**
- **Dr.R.Parvathi**, Associate Professor & Head, Department of Mathematics received MHRD Teacher Innovator Award - 2016
- **Dr.G.Thamizhendhi**, Assistant Professor & Head, PG Department of Mathematics Shri P K Das Memorial Best Faculty Award- 2018
- **Dr.R.Parvathi**, Associate Professor & Head, Department of Mathematics and **Dr. S.K. Kavitha**, Assistant Professor Department of Chemistry attended III level RBPT workshop, Indian Institute of Science, Education and Research, Pune and Certified as organizers and trainers for conducting National level RBPT workshop
- Ms.M.Sivamani -**Nodal Person** of National Digital Library of India and our college has been awarded with “**Certificate of Registration**”
- Results for Atal Ranking, India Today Ranking for Commerce Streams and Careers 360 are yet to be received.
- In NPTEL courses,
 - Dr.S.Mohanasundari, Assistant Professor of English -**Gold Certificate**
 - Dr.S.Akila and V.Priya, Assistant Professors of Computer Science -**Best Performing Mentor** for the course ‘The Joy of Programming using Python’
 - R.Smiruthi of II M.Sc Computer Science - **Gold Certificate**
 - 12 faculty members and 110 students received the **Elite Certificate**

The students are credited with Star status by Indhu Tamil Newspaper, K.Bhavadarani, III B.Sc (N & D) as ‘**Elam Genius**’, T.Mathivathana, III B.A. History as ‘**Nalaiya Thalaivar**’, E.Priyanka, I M.A. English as ‘**Ilaiya Kalaignar**’ and

R.Priyadharshini, I B.A. English Literature as '**Natchathra Veerar**'. E.Priyanka, I M.A English Literature is awarded as '**Ilam Navalar**'.

958 students including UG, PG and Research Scholars have attended various seminars, workshops, symposia and conferences in other institutions and presented **142** research papers/ posters.

Memorandum of Understandings were signed by,

The Departments of English (Aided & SF), History, Physics, Chemistry, Zoology, Computer Science, Commerce, Computer Technology and Commerce (CA). Department of Botany with Mizoram University, Department of Computer Science with Department of Biotechnology, Mizoram University, Agri Business and Consultancy Centre with Indian Horticulture and Food Processing Consultancy, Hosur, VCW with Dhempe College of Arts and Science, Goa and Self-Employment Training Centre with PSGR Krishnammal College for Women, Coimbatore.

Academic Quality Ranking Systems

NIRF :

Our institution has secured 57th position in NIRF rankings 2018 at all India level. To prove once again the excellence of our institution in higher education, our college has applied for NIRF Ranking for the current academic year 2019.

IQAC :

A Faculty Development Programme on "Intellectual Property Rights and Innovations" with Anna University, a guest lecture by United States India Education Foundation and FDP on Teaching Tools with PSG College of Technology have been arranged. Gap area analysis, Centralized Data Documentation Centre, Nationalized Ranking Systems, mentoring Non-NAAC Accredited Colleges and new IQAC Criterion formats are the programmes of IQAC. Our college has been identified by UGC as the mentor institution for five non-accredited colleges in our vicinity.

MHRDs Institution Innovation Council (MIIC-VCW):

Our Institution has been selected for the establishment of the **MHRDs Institution Innovation Council (MIIC)** with industry linkage and received the selection certificate with the first star to its credit from MHRD. It has launched a campus radio 'Namma Mike – Namma College' and it is broadcasting various programmes. An Intra Collegiate idea competition IGNITERZ 2K19, "India First Leadership Talk Series" and a Facebook Live session Workshop on "IPR for Students and Faculty Members" were organized.

Students Regulatory Compliance Committee

Committees like Anti Ragging, Sexual Harassment, Gender Sensitization, Smoking Free Campus, Disabled Resources, Grievance & Redressal, Equal Opportunity & Counseling and Moral Education are effectively functioning for the peaceful learning inside the campus.

Co-curricular Activities

National Service Scheme

The NSS Units celebrated International Yoga Day, World Population Day, World Literacy Day, National Youth Day, NSS Day, Swachhta Pakhwada, ODF Programmes, Orientation Programme, Recycling Wastes, Relief Material to Gaja Cyclone and the flood affected people of Kerala, NSS stay-in Special Camp, Blood Donation Camp and Road Safety Awareness Programme.

Physical Education

The department has initiated the Centre for Martial Arts to train the learners in Silambam, Karate, Boxing and Taekwondo and organized the Bharathiar University Kho - Kho team camp and a Medical Inspection Camp for freshers. The athletes participated in 7-Bharathiar University Intercollegiate level Tournaments, 7 -District level, 4 - State level and 4 -National level Tournaments.

Best Goal Keeper in University Tournaments, University Gold Medals in Boxing, Wrestling, Silambam and Shooting were the appreciable achievements of our students. K.Pavithra of III B.Com Cooperation received 'Ilam Valarmani Award' for wrestling by All India Cultural Foundation.

As an encouraging gesture, our management provides free education, boarding and lodging facilities to our sport stars.

National Cadet Corps (NCC):

NCC Cadets participated in DG NCC Camp - New Delhi, Advance Leadership Camp - Agra, Army Attachment Camp -Secunderabad, Thal Sainik selection Camp - Coimbatore, All India National Integration Camp -Tanjore, and RDC Selection Camp - Salem & Tirupur.

M.Sowmiya and R.Priyadharshini won bronze and gold medals for shooting competitions at various levels. S.Venothini participated in the Republic Day Camp-2019 at DG NCC Camp, New Delhi and won the second place among all the 17 All India Directorates in the Prime Minister rally. **Swatch Bharath Abhiyan, Mega Tree Plantation, World Population Day** have been undertaken along with NGO's **Olirum Erode** and **Siragugal Foundation**.

Extension Activities and Social Responsibility Initiatives were undertaken in

- Self-Employment Training Centre
- Students Herbal Nursery

- Agri Business Training and Consultancy Services
- Unnat Bharat Abhiyan 2.00 – 5 Adopted Villages
- Samagra Shiksha Abhiyan
- Poshan Abhiyaan
- ODF ++
- UGC funded services
- Swachh Bharat Abhiyan
- Part V – 15 Adopted Villages

Campus Governance

To implant the responsibilities in the minds of students our college union office bearers, Association Secretaries, Transport Trip Leaders and VCW champions excelled their work in the campus governance, especially towards discipline, energy and water consumption and in maintaining hygiene throughout the campus.

Other Clubs

Women Empowerment, YRC, Green Society, Quiz, Enviro, Digital Literacy, Health & Wellness, Media, Science, Theatre, Velichangal, Citizen Consumer, Red Ribbon, Bio Diversity, Days and Dates, Audio Visual and Photography, Career Guidance, Entrepreneurship Development, ICT enabled and e-Learning Resource Centre, Research, Staff Welfare, Student's Welfare and Learning Skills Improvement Services are the forums focus on the inclusive skills of the students.

Bravura-Fine Arts Club: Talents show, Traditional and contemporary cultural competitions, festive celebrations, Annual day cultural programmes are the main events of the club. **Thai Thiruvizha** was celebrated with traditional events for a period of one week.

Staff Welfare Committee

Conducted a De-worming, free medical camp, Yoga Class, Awareness Programmes on Suganya Samridhi Yojana Scheme and PPF, Driving License, Passport and Pan Card Campaign to teaching and non-teaching staff members. Visit to TexValley and a trip to Madurai, Kanyakumari and Tiruchendur have been arranged by the Management.

Retiring Staff Members

Teaching and non-teaching staff members of our institution who are retiring from service this year, after rendering their invaluable service with devotion and sincerity.

Teaching Staff

1. Ms .V. Chitra, Associate Professor & Head, Department of Chemistry
2. Dr .P. Saradha, Associate Professor & Head, Department of Commerce
3. Dr .R. Rajamani, Associate Professor, Department of Commerce

4. Dr .N. Anjanadevi, Associate Professor & Head, Department of Botany

5. Dr. P. Premamalini, Associate Professor, Department of Botany

Non-Teaching Staff

1. Ms. R. Shanthi , Record Clerk (SG)

2. Ms. R. Chitra, Lab. Assistant (SG)

Future plans

- To introduce more Massive Open Online Course (MOOCs) in the Curriculum and to promote FOSS among learners
- To develop multimedia learning materials (MLM)
- To implement special learning methodologies for slow learners
- To have more linkages / MoUs with various institutions at National and Global level
- To submit Research proposals to government external funding agencies
- To undertake socially relevant major research projects and consultancy work
- To obtain STAR College status from DBT
- To establish,
 - Central Research Lab - II
 - Rural Women Technopark
 - Academic-Golden Jubilee joint ventures
 - Unique NET/SET/Competitive Exam coaching centre
 - Full fledged intranet facility

I would like to acknowledge my deep sense of gratitude to the respected President and Secretary, Executive members and all other members of Vellalar Educational Trust for their unstinted support and constant encouragement in all the ventures of our institution.

My heartfelt thanks to the Faculty members, Administrative staff and supportive staff members for their meticulous work towards the betterment of our college.

My hearty thanks to the office bearers of the College Union and all my dear students and parents to make our institution more augmented with their contribution in the coming years.

Thanks to one and all.