

**INTERNAL QUALITY ASSURANCE CELL - IQAC** of the college aims at academic excellence to ensure quality in all operations. The Principal of the college is the IQAC Chairperson, with Dr. Beena Job, as Coordinator and Smt. Teresa Kuncheria and Dr. Swathy Varma as the Joint Secretaries.

This was a crucial year for St.Teresa's College and the IQAC played a key role in providing support to the NAAC coordinating team led by Dr. Latha Nair and in compiling the data to prepare the Self Study Report for the accreditation by the NAAC in the 4<sup>th</sup> cycle. As a result of the coordinated efforts of the whole team, the Self study Report was prepared and successfully submitted on 30/03/ 2017.

The IQAC held Expert Talk Series on Quality Maintenance in Autonomous Institutions by Padmasree Dr. Meenakshi Gopinath, UGC Nominee to the Governing Council, Former Principal, Lady Shri Ram College, New Delhi and Dr.Fr. J. Prasant Palakkappillil CMI, Principal, Sacred Heart College, Thevara.





**Expert Talk by Padmasree Dr. Meenakshi Gopinath and Dr.Fr. J. Prasant Palakkappillil CMI**

**Workshop on Governance and Leadership - A One day Workshop on Governance and Leadership was conducted by Padmasree Shri M. Chandradathan, Scientific Advisor to the Chief Minister & Former Director, VSSC on 13/01/ 2017.**



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**One day workshop on IQAC Activities for Quality Enhancement - Quality is an elusive concept. The NAAC views quality as "fitness for purpose", and quality assurance as 'continuous improvement'. The IQAC of St Teresa's College organized a one day workshop on "IQAC Activities for Quality Enhancement" for a selected group of faculty members. The resource person was J. Prabhash, Professor and Head, Department of Political Science, University of Kerala.**



**Workshop on IQAC Activities for Quality Enhancement**

**One Day Faculty Training By Community College and Internal Quality Assurance Cell**

**IQAC-**A one day workshop on Educational Leadership and Teacher Wellness was organized by the Community College in association with the IQAC of the College on 27/02/2017. Dr. George Varghese, Clinical psychotherapist, spoke on the importance of Mental Health especially for teachers since they come across hundreds of young minds through out their professional career. Ms.Nutan Manohar focussed on coping with stress





**One day workshop on Educational Leadership and Teacher Wellness**

### **Programme for High Learners**

A workshop organised by IQAC Student wing on “Neuro linguistic Programme for high learners” was conducted by Ms. Sindhu Varma and Ms. Julie D’souza from ‘Mindtree’ on the 9/12/2016. The concept of NLP was used to give a varied view on how the link between language and thoughts could be leveraged to live a fruitful life.



**Workshop on NLP for high learners by Mindtree- 2016**

The IQAC directs and monitors the activities of the Teresian Research and Consultancy Cell (TRACC) of St. Teresa’s College which coordinates and promotes the research activities of the institution to achieve excellence in research and to evolve as a thought leadership centre. (TRACC) provides a common platform for the students and faculty from all disciplines to explore multidisciplinary / interdisciplinary topics which would be helpful to the society and mankind.

## **TRACC -THE TERESIAN RESEARCH AND CONSULTANCY CELL**

TRACC was started to promote a research culture, facilitate interdisciplinary and interdepartmental participation in research activities, and provide a common platform for the research scholars, faculty and research guides of the institution to come together to achieve excellence in research and to evolve as a thought leadership centre.

Teresian Research and Consultancy Cell (TRACC) of St. Teresa's College was formed in 2011 to coordinate and promote research activities of the institution. The institution has 6 research centers recognized by M. G. University having 30 research guides with 115 research scholars and is widely perceived as one of the finest centers for course work under the University.

The Research & Development Department initiated by TRACC support and advance high quality research and introduces new interdisciplinary and career oriented programmes.

Several research projects has been supported by pioneer agencies such as FIST, Department of Science and Technology (DST), Kerala State Council for Science, Technology and Environment, Coconut Development Board, Spices Board, Centre for Environment and Development under Ministry of Environment and Forests, Govt. of India.

In its venture to achieve excellence in research, this year TRACC convened a Conference for the Research guides and the faculty members who are pursuing research in various research centers of the Institution. Altogether 72 Research scholars from various disciplines presented their research works. The conference enabled the interactions between researchers which could promote interdisciplinary research works which will be benefitted by the society.

Dr. Rajan Gurukkal, Chairman, Education Commission, Kerala spoke on the topic:“Modern Research- Methodology”.A talk on “Intellectual Property Rights and plagiarism”was given by Dr. Rajan Varghese,Former Pro Vice Chancellor, MG University and on “Laws of Universities for the award of Research Degree and University Library Facility for the Researchers” by Dr. Sheena Shukkur, Pro- Vice Chancellor, MG University.



**TRACC Conference for Research guides and faculty members**

Talks by subject experts on “ Research Advancements” on various disciplines were given .The experts in various discipline were Dr N. Shaji, Physics ,Maharaja’s College, Ernakulam, Dr. Prasanth Kumar, English, Sri Sankara University, Kalady, Dr. Lismitha Godwin, Home Science, Morning Star college, Angamaly, Dr. Bijin Vincent, Sociology, Sri Sankara University, Kalady, Dr.L.Jose,Botany,St.Alberts College, Ernakulam, Dr. S Muraleedharan, Economics, Maharaja’s College, Ernakulam. There was also a presentation of brief review of work by research scholars.



**Talk on Research Advances by Dr. Prasanth Kumar, Dr. Bijin Vincent and Dr. S Muraleedharan**

**Ph.D Course Work by Research Centres** -A total of 25 research scholars registered for course work ,out of whom 16 were full time candidates and 9 were part time scholars. An orientation programme was organized on 01/04/2016 .Dr. Varghese Abraham took a session on Introduction to Research and Foundations of Research. Data analysis using Statistical Package for Social Sciences was handled by Mrs. Raji S. Pillai on 8/4/16 and 12/4/2016. Dr. Mathew handled a class for Language and Literature candidates. Data handling and data analysis was taught by Ms. Sajithamony. T. M on 21/6/2016.