



GOVERNMENT OF PUDUCHERRY

TAGORE ARTS COLLEGE

Affiliated to Pondicherry University

PUDUCHERRY

The Annual Quality Assurance Report (AQAR) of the IQAC

(July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012)

Part – A

I. Details of the Institution

1.1 Name of the Institution

TAGORE ARTS COLLEGE

1.2 Address Line 1

AIR PORT ROAD

Address Line 2

LAWSPET

City/Town

PUDUCHERRY

State

PUDUCHERRY

Pin Code

605008

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1.3 **NAAC Track ID** (For ex. MHCOGN 18879)

PYCOGN11005

1.4 **NAAC Executive Committee No. & Date:**

(For Example EC/32/A&A/143 dated 3-5-2004.
This EC no. is available in the right corner- bottom
of your institution's Accreditation Certificate)

EC/32/A&A/143 dated 16-2-2004

1.5 Website address:

tac.puducherry.gov.in

Web-link of the AQAR:

tac.puducherry.gov.in/pycogn11005tagoreartscollegepuducherry2011-12

For ex. <http://www.ladykeanecollege.edu.in/AQAR2012-13.doc>

1.6 Accreditation Details

Sl. No.	Cycle	Grade	CGPA	Year of Accreditation	Validity Period
1	1 st Cycle	B+	75-80	2004	2009
2	2 nd Cycle				
3	3 rd Cycle				
4	4 th Cycle				

1.7 Date of Establishment of IQAC : DD/MM/YYYY

09.04.2014

1.8 AQAR for the year (*for example 2010-11*)

2011-2012

1.9 Details of the previous year's AQAR submitted to NAAC after the latest Assessment and Accreditation by NAAC (*for example AQAR 2010-11 submitted to NAAC on 12-10-2011*)

- i. AQAR - 2009-2010 submitted to NAAC on 12-10-2014
- ii. AQAR - 2010-2011 submitted to NAAC on 12-10-2014
- iii. AQAR - 2011-2012 submitted to NAAC on 12-10-2014
- iv. AQAR - 2012-2013 submitted to NAAC on 12-10-2014
- v. AQAR - 2013-2014 submitted to NAAC on 12-10-2014

1.10 Institutional Status

Affiliated College

Yes

Type of Institution

Co-education

Yes

Urban

Yes

Financial Status

UGC 2(f)

Yes

UGC 12B

Yes

1.11 Type of Faculty/Programme

Arts Science Commerce Management

Others (Specify)

NIL

1.12 Name of the Affiliating University (*for the Colleges*)

PONDICHERRY UNIVERSITY

1.13 Special status conferred by Central/ State Government-- UGC/CSIR/DST/DBT/ICMR etc

Autonomy by State/Central Govt. / University

NO

University with Potential for Excellence

NO

UGC-CPE

NO

DST Star Scheme

NO

UGC-CE

NO

UGC-Special Assistance Programme

NO

DST-FIST

NO

UGC-Innovative PG programmes

NO

Any other (*Specify*)

NIL

UGC-COP Programmes

YES

2. IQAC Composition and Activities

2.1 No. of Teachers	5		
2.2 No. of Administrative/Technical staff	1		
2.3 No. of students	1		
2.4 No. of Management representatives	1		
2.5 No. of Alumni	1		
2.6 No. of any other stakeholder and community representatives	1		
2.7 No. of Employers/ Industrialists	1		
2.8 No. of other External Experts	1		
2.9 Total No. of members	11		
2.10 No. of IQAC meetings held			
2.11 No. of meetings with various stakeholders:	No.	7	Faculty 6
	Non-Teaching Staff		Students
		Alumni	
		Others	
2.12 Has IQAC received any funding from UGC during the year?	NO		
If yes, mention the amount	NIL		
2.13 Seminars and Conferences (only quality related)			
(i) No. of Seminars/Conferences/ Workshops/Symposia organized by the IQAC			
Total Nos.	NO	International	
		National	
		State	
		Institution Level	
(ii) Themes			
2.14 Significant Activities and contributions made by IQAC			
	Regular Activities		

2.15 Plan of Action by IQAC/Outcome

The plan of action chalked out by the IQAC in the beginning of the year towards quality enhancement and the outcome achieved by the end of the year *

Plan of Action	Achievements
Not Availble	

** Attach the Academic Calendar of the year as Annexure.*

2.15 Whether the was placed in statutory body	No
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Management ☐ Syndicate ☐ Any other body ☐

Provide the details of the action taken

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Part – B

Criterion – I

I. Curricular Aspects

1.1 Details about Academic Programmes

Level of the Programme	Number of existing Programmes	Number of programmes added during the year	Number of self-financing programmes	Number of value added / Career Oriented programmes
PhD	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
PG	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
UG	17	NIL	NIL	4
PG Diploma	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
Advanced Diploma	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
Diploma	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
Certificate	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
Others	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
Total	17	NIL	NIL	4
Interdisciplinary	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
Innovative	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL

1.2 (i) Flexibility of the Curriculum: CBCS/Core/Elective option / Open options

(ii) Pattern of programmes:

Pattern	Number of programmes
Semester	17
Trimester	
Annual	

1.3 Feedback from stakeholders* Alumni ☐ Parents ☐ Employers ☐ Students ☐
(On all aspects)

Mode of feedback : Online ☐ Manual ☒ Co-operating schools (for PEI) ☐

****Please provide an analysis of the feedback in the Annexure***

1.4 Whether there is any revision/update of regulation or syllabi, if yes, mention their salient aspects.

NO

1.5 Any new Department/Centre introduced during the year. If yes, give details.

NIL

Criterion – II

2. Teaching, Learning and Evaluation

2.1 Total No. of permanent faculty

Total	Asst. Professors	Associate Professors	Professors	Others
102	49	52	1	1

2.2 No. of permanent faculty with Ph.D.

50

2.3 No. of Faculty Positions Recruited (R) and Vacant (V) during the year

Asst. Professors		Associate Professors		Professors		Others		Total	
R	V	R	V	R	V	R	V	R	V
NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL

2.4 No. of Guest and Visiting faculty and Temporary faculty

NIL

2.5 Faculty participation in conferences and symposia:

No. of Faculty	International level	National level	State level
Attended	1	3	1
Presented papers	1	6	4
Resource Persons		2	12

2.6 Innovative processes adopted by the institution in Teaching and Learning:

yes

2.7 Total No. of actual teaching days during this academic year

189

2.8 Examination/ Evaluation Reforms initiated by the Institution (for example: Open Book Examination, Bar Coding, Double Valuation, Photocopy, Online Multiple Choice Questions)

Bar Coding

2.9 No. of faculty members involved in curriculum restructuring/revision/syllabus development as member of Board of Study/Faculty/Curriculum Development workshop

17

2.10 Average percentage of attendance of students

90

2.11 Course/Programme wise distribution of pass percentage :

Title of the Programme	Total no. of students appeared	Division				
		Distinction %	I %	II %	III %	Pass %
B.A. (Tamil)	21	1				70
B.A. (English-1)	40	1				67
B.A. (English-2)	27	1				50
B.A. (French)	17	1				50
B.A. (History)	30					50
B.A. (Economics)	80					60
B.A. (Philosophy)	30					40
B.A. (Sociology)	30	1				60
B.B.A. (Tourism)	24					60
B.Com.	80					60
B.Sc. (Mathematics)	33					42
B.Sc. (Physics)	20					75
B.Sc. (Chemistry)	23	1				71
B.Sc. (Zoology)	17					60
B.Sc. (Plant Science)	20					50
B.Sc. (Comp.Science)	40					67
B.Sc. (Psychology)	19					50

2.12 How does IQAC Contribute/Monitor/Evaluate the Teaching & Learning processes :

Record Not available

2.13 Initiatives undertaken towards faculty development YES

<i>Faculty / Staff Development Programmes</i>	<i>Number of faculty benefitted</i>
Refresher courses	Refer Report
UGC – Faculty Improvement Programme	NIL
HRD programmes	NIL
Orientation programmes	Refer Report
Faculty exchange programme	NIL
Staff training conducted by the university	NIL
Staff training conducted by other institutions	2
Summer / Winter schools, Workshops, etc.	1
Others	4

2.14 Details of Administrative and Technical staff

Category	Number of Permanent Employees	Number of Vacant Positions	Number of permanent positions filled during the Year	Number of positions filled temporarily
Administrative Staff	53			19
Technical Staff				NIL

Criterion – III

3. Research, Consultancy and Extension

3.1 Initiatives of the IQAC in Sensitizing/Promoting Research Climate in the institution

Not Available

3.2 Details regarding major projects

	Completed	Ongoing	Sanctioned	Submitted
Number		3	NIL	
Outlay in Rs. Lakhs		4,00,000	NIL	

3.3 Details regarding minor projects Data Not Available

	Completed	Ongoing	Sanctioned	Submitted
Number	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
Outlay in Rs. Lakhs		NIL	NIL	NIL

3.4 Details on research publications Refer Report

	International	National	Others
Peer Review Journals	1	1	1
Non-Peer Review Journals	1	1	1
e-Journals	NIL	NIL	NIL
Conference proceedings		17	

3.5 Details on Impact factor of publications:

Range

Average χ

h-index

Nos. in SCOPUS

3.6 Research funds sanctioned and received from various funding agencies, industry and other organisations

Nature of the Project	Duration Year	Name of the funding Agency	Total grant sanctioned	Received
Major projects	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
Minor Projects	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
Interdisciplinary Projects	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
Industry sponsored	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
Projects sponsored by the University/ College	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
Students research projects (other than compulsory by the University)	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
Students research projects (other than compulsory by the University)	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
Any other(Specify)	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
Total	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL

3.7 No. of books published i) With ISBN No. Chapters in Edited Books

ii) Without ISBN No.

3.8 No. of University Departments receiving funds from

UGC-SAP CAS DST-FIST
DPE DBT Scheme/funds

3.9 For colleges Autonomy CPE DBT Star Scheme
INSPIRE CE Any Other (specify)

3.10 Revenue generated through consultancy

3.11 No. of conferences organized by the Institution Refer Report

Level	International	National	State	University	College
Number					
Sponsoring agencies					

3.12 No. of faculty served as experts, chairpersons or resource persons

3.13 No. of collaborations International National Any other

3.14 No. of linkages created during this year

3.15 Total budget for research for current year in lakhs :

From Funding agency From Management of University/College

Total

3.16 No. of patents received this year

Type of Patent		Number
National	Applied	NIL
	Granted	NIL
International	Applied	NIL
	Granted	NIL
Commercialised	Applied	NIL
	Granted	NIL

3.17 No. of research awards/ recognitions received by faculty and research fellows
Of the institute in the year

Total	International	National	State	University	Dist	College
5	NIL	1	4	NIL	NIL	NIL

3.18 No. of faculty from the Institution who are Ph. D. Guides
and students registered under them

3.19 No. of Ph.D. awarded by faculty from the Institution

3.20 No. of Research scholars receiving the Fellowships (Newly enrolled + existing ones)

JRF SRF Project Fellows Any other

3.21 No. of students Participated in NSS events:

University level State level
National level International level

3.22 No. of students participated in NCC events:

University level State level
National level International level

3.23 No. of Awards won in NSS:

University level State level
National level International level

3.24 No. of Awards won in NCC:

University level State level
National level International level

3.25 No. of Extension activities organized

University forum College forum
NCC NSS Any other

3.26 Major Activities during the year in the sphere of extension activities and Institutional Social Responsibility

GOLDEN JUBILEE COLLEGE DAY (2011-2012) REPORT

Hon'ble Chief Minister of Puducherry, Thiru N. Rangasamy, Parliamentary Secretary to the Chief Minister, Thiru M. Vaithianathan, Thiru P.M.L. Kalyanasundaram, MLA, Director of Higher and Technical Education, Thiru G.Panneerselvam, Invitees, Colleagues, dear Students, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Here is a very brief account of our achievements during this academic year:

Tagore Arts College is proud to list a host of academic and extra-curricular achievements during this year. The faculty and the students of the college have made rapid progress towards the path of accomplishment and excellence. The teachers of the College have accomplished a fusion of actual classroom teaching with research activities and have undergone training to hone their skills. The students have marched ahead and won University ranks.

Academic:

Conferences / Seminars / Research Papers

The Dept of Economics organized a UGC-sponsored National Conference on *Challenges in Financing Human Development in India* in January, 2012. 85 delegates from across the country participated and 57 papers presented.

The faculty of English presented six Research Papers in various seminars and symposia. Eight members of the faculty of Tamil presented papers in National and international seminars. Another member organized two international seminars.

Two members of staff from the Department of Mathematics attended an International Conference at Seoul, South Korea. Two members of the staff of the Department of Botany attended national conferences. Three papers were published during this academic year. A member each from the Departments of Zoology, Tourism and Sociology presented papers at national level seminars. Three papers were presented from the Department of History and four by the faculty of Mathematics. Research papers by the faculty of Physics and Mathematics were published in peer-reviewed journals of national and international repute. All the faculty of French attended a conference on the French Revolution and its Impact on Pondicherry, organized by the KMCPGS. Five of the faculty of Economics presented papers at conferences and three have published their papers in

Reputed publications. One paper from Philosophy was published. All the faculty of Psychology presented papers in various national/international level conferences. Some of our staff have been guiding M.Phil and Ph.D. students.

Books

Two volumes of poetry and three other books were published by the members of the Departments of English and Tamil.

Projects

The Department of Tamil has been granted two research projects by the Central Institute of Classical Tamil. A Major Project has been completed in the Department of Botany.

✓ *Refresher Courses/Workshops/Faculty Development Programmes*

Seventeen members of our faculty participated in UGC Refresher Courses and are ready to transmit the experience gained to the teaching-learning process. Dr Gnanaguru participated in a workshop for physically challenged persons. Five Assistant Professors participated in national workshops. Two members participated in a Faculty Development Programme.

Invited Lectures

The Department of Tamil conducted three Invited Lectures while the Department of Physics conducted one on National Science Day.

Career-Oriented Courses

✓ Two Career-oriented programmes have been started in the College during this academic year. The Department of Tourism has started a Career-oriented Event Management Course and the Department of French, a career-oriented course in French for students of other departments, both with the support of the UGC.

Students' Achievements

The students of Tagore Arts College have bagged five University ranks for the previous academic year: C.Brunsvachandran (B.A.Tamil),

Kumudham Balasubramaniam (B.A. French), S.Gahrveanthan (B. A. English), C. Balaji (B.A. Sociology) and Manojkumar (B.Sc Chemistry).

M. Ajeetha of III BA English was the only NSS volunteer from Puducherry to have been selected for the Republic Day parade in New Delhi. She also attended a youth delegation camp in China. Two students from the Department of Computer Science participated in a two-day national level workshop entitled Netware Conferal 2012.

NCC

Sgt. S. Allah Bakshi of II B. Com. participated in the Republic Day Camp in New Delhi. Eight cadets of the NCC Army wing attended national camps. The marching contingent of the Army Wing won the trophy for the Best Marching Contingent at the Republic Day Parade held in Puducherry this year.

S. Bavani of III BSc Botany attended a Pre-Republic Day camp in Thiruvananthapuram.

Cadet A.Benoit of II B.A (Eco) belonging to the Air Wing attended the Republic day camp held at New Delhi, and he was one among the contingent in the Prime Minister's Rally, Rajpath. The cadets of Air wing participated in various social service programmes and rallies.

Library

The Library of Tagore Arts College boasts of a collection of 90586 volumes on its accession. It has added 624 new books in 2011-2012. 39000 books were circulated among staff and students during this academic year. Our Library offers N-List facility to the faculty.

Sports and Games

As the post of Director of Physical Education is vacant, the services of Dr. H. Ravikumar, Lecturer in Physical Education, Govt. Higher Secondary School, Embalam were spared to our college. He has done a commendable job in organizing various Intra-mural competitions and also developing the Sports infrastructure in our College. Our students have participated creditably in various competitions at the Zonal, Inter-collegiate and Inter-University levels. Intramural sports competitions were held in the month of Feb 2012. House matches were conducted in Kabaddi, Volleyball, Cricket, Football, Badminton, Table tennis, Chess and Athletics. Our students participated in the University-level, inter-collegiate

tournaments and won the First place in Kho- Kho. Our students won became the Champions in a Cricket tournament conducted by Manakula Vinayar Engineering College, Madagadipet. On the infrastructure front, our college has been developing facilities for handball, cricket, volleyball and kabaddi with the help of the PWD.

The shortage of teaching staff in almost all departments has considerably affected the curricular and co-curricular activities. Completing the syllabus itself was a task. With a near peaceful atmosphere on the campus this task has been achieved. I would like to place on record the support extended to us by our colleagues from Kanchi Mamunivar Centre for Post-Graduate Studies, Perunthalaivar Kamarajar Arts College, Kalitheerthalkuppam and Kasturiba Gandhi College for Women, Villianur. I thank the Heads of these Institutions for sparing their staff in our hour of need. Some of our former students also came to our rescue and helped our students, and I thank them all.

~~Thank you.~~

I appeal to the Hon'ble Chief Minister to use his good offices to ~~get~~ fill up all vacancies in our college before the ^{start of the} next academic year. ~~begins~~. With a full complement of Profes I am confident our college will become a centre ~~for~~ Excellence in the near future.

Thank you.

LA GAZETTE DE L'ÉTAT



DE PONDICHERY

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PONDICHERY, LE MARDI 11 JUILLET 1961

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GOVERNMENT OF PONDICHERY.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT.

No. F. 25-4/64 EDN.

Pondicherry, the 5th July, 1961.

Shri Ku. Sivapraghassan, Maitre d'anglais du 1er ordre, is promoted and appointed to officiate as Lecturer in Tamil in the Government Arts College, Pondicherry, with effect from 19th June 1961 until further orders.

Shri N. Sivaprakassam, a permanent Maitre d'anglais du 1er ordre, is promoted and appointed to officiate as Lecturer in History in the Government Arts College, Pondicherry, with effect from 19th June 1961 until further orders.

Shri V. Gopalan is appointed to officiate as Lecturer in Chemistry in the Government Arts College, Pondicherry, with effect from the afternoon of 21st June 1961 until further orders.

Shri William A. Victorien, a permanent Maitre d'anglais du 1er ordre, is promoted and appointed to officiate as Lecturer in French in the Government Arts College, Pondicherry, with effect from 19th June 1961 until further orders.

Shri V. Balakrishnan is appointed to officiate as Lecturer in Mathematics in the Government Arts College, Pondicherry, with effect from 23rd June 1961 until further orders.

Shri P. K. Chidambaram is appointed to officiate as Lecturer in Physics in the Government Arts College, Pondicherry, with effect from 23rd June 1961 until further orders.

Miss. C. Sundaram is appointed to officiate as Lecturer in English in the Government Arts College, Pondicherry, with effect from 23rd June 1961 until further orders.

Miss V. Pancy Cicilia is appointed to officiate as Lecturer in Zoology in the Government Arts College, Pondicherry, with effect from 26th June 1961 until further orders.

Shri A. N. Seetha Raman is appointed to officiate as Physical Director in the Government Arts College, Pondicherry, with effect from 1st July 1961 until further orders.

S. BARKATAKI,

Secretary to Government
of Pondicherry.

GOVERNMENT OF PONDICHERRY.
GENERAL ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT.

NOTIFICATION.

Applications are invited for one post of «Librarian» in the Arts College, Pondicherry, to be set up during the academic year 1961-62. The post will carry a scale of pay of Rs. 125-5-175 p.m. plus dearness allowance and other allowances as admissible under the rules in Madras State for similar post. The candidate should be a graduate with a Diploma in Library Science.

Applications giving full details of qualifications, age, experience and other particulars should reach the undersigned by designation on or before 30th May, 1961.

Preference will be given to the natives of Pondicherry State.

S. BARKATAKI,
Secretary.

GOVERNMENT OF PONDICHERRY.
EDUCATION DEPARTMENT.

NOTIFICATION.

Opening of Pre-University Course
of studies in Pondicherry.

It is proposed to start in Calve College, Pondicherry, from 3rd July, 1961 at the latest, a Pre-University Course of studies preparing pupils for the Pre-University Examination (April, 1962) of the University of Madras.

All those who satisfy the conditions of admission to the Pre-University Class prescribed by the University of Madras and who wish to have a seat in the proposed College can register their applications for admission.

Detailed and full information will be available in the prospectus that could be had from the Office of the Director of Public Instruction, Pondicherry or the Calve College, Pondicherry.

GOVERNMENT OF PONDICHERRY.
GENERAL ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT.
No. F. 25.96/62-EDM.

Pondicherry, the 21st May 1962.

TAGORE ARTS COLLEGE.
Admissions for the year 1962-63.

Applications for admission to the Pre-University and degree courses in the Government Tagore Arts College, Pondicherry, are invited from students who satisfy the conditions for admission as prescribed by the University of Madras. The College offers the following courses of study:

I. Pre-University Course.

II. Three year Degree Course.

(1) B.A. - Economics Main.

B.Sc. - Mathematics Main and French Main.

Provision exists for instruction in Hindi and French besides Tamil under Part II both in the Pre-University and Degree Courses.

Prospectus and forms of application can be had from the Principal, Tagore Arts College, Pondicherry, before 11th June, 1962 on remittance of NP. 50 by M.O. The course to which admission is sought for should be specified.

Limited number of seats are available for women students both in Pre-University Course and Degree Courses.

SURJEEI SINGH MAMAK,
Secretary to Government.

An important feature of the progress in the field of higher education in the State was the opening of the Arts College on 3rd July 1961, affiliated to the University of Madras. The Pre-University course was opened in 61-62 with an intake of 160 students and a full complement of the required staff. Necessary laboratory facilities were provided. The college was temporarily accommodated in the Calve College High School buildings with suitable structural alterations. 35 students were provided with hostel facilities. Preparation of the plans for the pucca buildings for the College was entrusted to a private architect. An expenditure of Rs. 1,96,553 was incurred

Department of Tamil

On Friday June 30, 1961, a premier higher learning institution in the field of Arts and Science named as Government Arts College was established at Calve College, Mission Street, Pondicherry. This institution was inaugurated by the then Chief Commissioner of French India Government Shri. S. K. Dutta, Secretary of General Administration Thiru. Surjith Singh Mamathsingh



and Director of Education Thiru. Rollen Parangjothi. It would later become Tagore Arts College.

The former Principal (21st chair, 1953-61) of Presidency College, Prof. T. Balakrishnan Nair, M. A. (History, Madras), M. A. (Archeology, London) was appointed the first Principal of Government Arts College. He was deeply interested in Dravidology (study of Dravidian languages). During his Mayor Endowment Lecture, he was the first to advocate the theory that Dravidians were also immigrants from Mediterranean area. The famous Historian named Prof. Shenbhalakshmi was his student.

Some of the faculties appointed at that time were :

For Tamil, Prof. Ku. Sivappaghasan and Dr. A. Pandurangan

For English, Prof. Ms. C. Sundaram

For French, Prof. A. William Victorian and Dr. Nadaraja

For Hindi, Prof. Narayana Sharma

For Mathematics, Prof. V. Balakrishnan

For Physics, Prof. P. K. Chidambaram and Prof. Abdul Karim

For Chemistry, Prof. V. K. Gopalan and Prof. P. Ramalingam

For Botany, Prof. Ravindiran and Prof. Tmt. Sarasvathy Bai

For Zoology, Prof. Bindu Madavarao

For Logic, Prof. Srinivasan

For Commerce, Prof. Ramasamy

As Physical Director, Thiru. Ramachandiran

As Librarian, Ms. Anne Sundaram

First Innings :



In the academic year 1961-62, the college was re-named Tagore Arts College to celebrate the birth centenary of our patron Shri. Rabindranath Tagore (1861-1941). The new TAC as it is affectionately called today, was then inaugurated by Thiru. Srimali, the then Education Minister for Government of India. The first College Day Celebration was honored by the presence of the longest serving Vice-Chancellor of Madras University, Padma Vibhushan Shri. Arcot Lakshmanaswami Mudaliar as the Chief Guest.

At that time, the Department of Tamil had a maximum of 200 students and 2 language faculty members. Prof. Ku. Sivappaghasan and Dr. A. Pandurangan.

Prof. Sivappaghasan was well-known for his "M. A. (QUINT)", - M. A. Tamil, M. A. English, M. A. Political Science, M. A. History and M. A. Economics. He also had a B.L. degree and was a Member of Parliament.



In the academic year 1962-63, some major courses like Mathematics, Physics, Botany, Zoology, Economics and Commerce were started. To keep up with this milestone, Tamil Department added Thiru. Venkatesan (later known as Kurinchi Selvan, Former H/D of Tamil, Kulanchiyapper Govt. Arts College, Virudhachalam). But he would later resign his job in the same academic year.

On the 13th of June 1963, Prime Minister Shri. Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru laid the foundation stone for the new campus at Lawspet, Puducherry. In the same year, Dr. V. S. Thirumavalavan and Dr. Sarada Kalavathi were added to the Tamil Department, bringing the staff count to four. At that time, Prof. Ku. Sivapppraghasan contested for Member of Parliament in the Lok Sabha elections. He was



elected in the month of September 1963 and had to resign from Tamil Department. Consequently, the department was headed by Dr A. Pandurangan.

Dr. A. Pandurangan is a well-known scholar. He received two Gold Medals on his Post Graduation from Madras University namely Rev. John Lazurus medal and the commemoration medal for Dr. K. S. Krishnan's 60th Birthday. As the former Tamil H. O. D. at Karaikal branch of the Pondicherry Central University, he served in various positions such as Executive Member, Secretary and Vice President in the International School of Dravidian Linguistics. He was an Academic Member in Madras University, and



Academic and Senate Member in Pondicherry Central University. Now he is doing a long-term project on Primitive Religion of Ancient Tamil with the financial assistance of CICT

(Central Institute of Classical Tamil)

THE BIG MOVE – A NEW ERA

On the 10th of January 1964, Prof. M. R. Bhoopathi joined the Tamil Department after he responded to the UPSC advertisement for Tamil professor and got selected. His teaching career started at PSG Arts and



Science College, Coimbatore. He holds the special honor of being the first UPSC Professor in the Tamil department.

In 1965, Prof. V. Jothi joined the Tamil Department, shortly followed by Prof. A. Pasupathi and Prof. M. L. Thangappa who joined in 1969.



In June 1966, TAC moved to its current campus at Lawspet

Following the move and expansion into the new campus, in 1973, the Tamil Department got the status of main department. B. A. Tamil degree course has been offered here since then.

Here is the first batch of 10 students who first put TAC on the map:

1. Dr. S. Padmanaban – retd. Asst. Director, Information Dept., Puducherry.
2. Dr. R. Nalangilli – Professor of Tamil,

Pondicherry Central University.

3. Dr. M. Sudarsan, former Director, P. I. L. C., Puducherry.
4. Dr. S. Thillaivanam, Associate Professor of Tamil, KMCPGS
5. Dr. A. R. Sivakumaran, Reader in Nanyang University, Singapore.
6. Thiru. Kaviko. Kamala Kannan.
7. Thiru. Krishnan, Development Officer L.I.C.
8. Thiru. Parasuraman, A. F. T. Store Keeper.
9. Thiru. Santharaman, Teacher, Madurai.
10. Thiru. Lokanathan, Doordarshan, Chennai.

Prof. Bhoopathi continued as HOD until his death (04 April 1986) - He remains the longest serving HOD till date, with more than two decades of extraordinary service to this department.

The year 1979 saw the introduction of PG Degree course (M.A. TAMIL) under the remarkable guidance of Prof. Bhoopathi. This course was offered to fulfill the thirst of local students in continuing their higher studies, who were otherwise put to many hardships to do so. The first PG batch consisted of 16 students, including some notable names in Tamil literary circles like:

1. Selvi. Arulmani - the first ever girl admitted to Tamil Department.
2. Dr. N. Ilango, Associate Professor of Tamil, KMCPGS.
3. Dr. S. Sathiaselvan, Associate Professor of Tamil, KMCPGS.
4. Dr. R. Sridar, Lecturer, DIET, Puducherry.
5. Dr. A. Kanagaraju, Research Assistant, Bharathidasan Museum.

6. Thiru. Sekar, Teacher in Vivekananda School, Lawspet.

Prof. Bhoopathi also had one of the most experienced staff in Tamil Department history consisting of Dr A. Pandurangan, Dr. V. S. Thirumavalavan, Dr. Sarada Kalavathi, Prof. V. Jothi, Prof. A. Pasupathi, Prof. M. L. Thangappa, Dr. M. Ayyasamy, Prof. Benjamin Lebo, Prof. C. Sakthivel (Sakthipuyal), Prof. A. Rameswari, Dr. S. Subramanian, Dr. Pon. Padmanaban, Prof. S. Naseemabanu, Prof. K. Mathivanan, Dr. Nagappa Naachiyappan, Dr. K. Panjangam, Prof. Saibu Maraikayar, Prof. E. Jothi, Dr. V. Muthan, Dr. S. Padmasani, Dr. R. Ponnuthai, Prof. S. Kalivarathan, Dr. Chintha Nila Devi, Dr. Ruby Chandra, Dr. S. Thillaivanam and Dr. N. Ilango.

Prof. Bhoopathi's period is considered as the golden era in the department's history. An artist by hobby, he shared his vast knowledge in the field of Literature with everyone. He was an Academic Member in Madras University. He became prominent among Tamil scholars in and around Puducherry and Tamilnadu, by steering various Literary and Grammatical organizations. He also authored 'Vannathiyal', which is an example of his profound scholastic achievements. Prof. Bhoopathi was the key to the formation of the Tamil Literary Association, which enabled many students to become popular Poets and great Orators. Even today, he is fondly remembered by all his students.

Following the demise of Prof. Bhoopathi, Dr A. Pandurangan took charge as the Tamil HOD from 4th September to 30th November of 1986. He subsequently moved to Pondicherry Central University, Karaikal as the Tamil HOD there. He was succeeded by Dr. V. S. Thirumavalavan who headed the department until 30th June 1988.

In 1988, Prof. Ganesa Nambi (Prof. M.R. Boopathy's colleague at PSG College) was



transferred from Aringgar Anna Government Arts College, Karaikal where he was the Tamil HOD from August 1969 to June 1988. He was a multi-faceted personality. Major

Prof. Ganesa Nambi took part in NCC activities at PSG College, Coimbatore and Poompuhar College, Poompuhar. He was close to his colleagues and students, owing to his considerate and helpful nature. In the history of Tamil Department, he was the first to hold an organizational position as TAC's Principal-in-charge. In August 1993, he was promoted as the Principal of Mahe Government College. Prof. Ganesa Nambi continued as the Tamil HOD at TAC until 1989.

From 1989 to 1991, the department functioned under the guidance of Dr. S. Subramanian. He was very punctual and well-known, especially to the students of the correspondence course for his lucid notes. He also authored a foundational book on "Tamizh Ilakkiya Varalaaru".



THE UNDER-GRADUATE DEPARTMENT

Until the academic year 1988-89, this department conducted both UG and PG degree courses. In 1989, after the inception of the Kanchi Mamunivar Centre for PG studies, this department has been conducting only UG degree.

In August 1991, Dr. V. S. Thirumavalavan took charge of the department for a second time and continued as HOD for more than half a decade until April 1998. He was also the Principal in charge of



TAC. The sixth HOD of Tamil department, Dr. V. S. Thirumavalavan helped the department sail through one of the toughest times at TAC.

For his efforts, he can be regarded as a great administrator. He was also the Principal of the first rural college Perunthalaivar Kamarajar Government College, Kalitheerthalkuppam.

In July 1998, Dr. Ayyasamy was became as the HOD. The bilingual scholar Dr. Ayyasamy headed the department until December 1998, when a personal tragedy took him away from the holds of this universe and from this department.



From 1999 to 2000, Prof. A. Pasupathi took charge, but later tendered his voluntary resignation. Known by his pen name as Devamaidan, he wrote poems and articles in local magazines like Pudhucherry, Thinnai,



Vaarppu, Maraththadi, Thamizhkkavikal, Thamizhkkaval etc. His web <http://kalapathy.blogspot.com> was highly appreciated in 'VaravaeRpaRai' (Pg.19) of 'Ananda Vikatan' August 4, 2010. It was also quoted in TV Channels and newspapers. Having taught himself about the Internet, he continues to manage and be active in two other personal blog sites <http://httpdevamaidhan.blogspot.com/> and <http://vellumthuyathamizh.blogspot.com>. A part of his collection of poems "Pulveli" (1980) was

prescribed for Post Graduate Studies by Pondicherry University. His other collections of poems are: "UngaL Theruvil Oru Paadagan" (1976) and "Bonsai Manidhargal" (1993)

During the academic year 2001-02 and 2002-03, Dr. D. Shanthi was the HOD of Tamil. Later she became the Principal of Bharathidasan Government College for Women. She was the second woman Principal in the history of the Tamil department, after Late Dr. Sarada Kalavathi, Principal of AGCW, Karaikal.



In the academic year 2003-04, Prof. E. Jothi became the HOD and held the office until he resigned in June 2004. He was a famous Children's writer and wrote more than 100 books. During his period, the National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) visited TAC and his books were exhibited.

Since June 2004, Dr. S. Padmasani is the head of Tamil department.

Apart from Regular Lecturers, ten Hourly Basis Lecturers were appointed during the year 1998. In August 2005, twenty-two lecturers were selected for

Puducherry and Karaikal colleges through UPSC – a record number of new inductions in the department's history. Among them eight regular Lecturers joined TAC and at the same time, the existing Consolidated Lecturers attended UPSC's one time personal interview. As a result of this, in February 2009, three Assistant Professors were appointed through UPSC. In November 2010, the Hourly Basis Lecturers were re-designated as Assistant Professor / Casual Basis Lecturers on consolidated pay. As on August 31, 2011, TAC's Tamil Department has a faculty strength of 19.

KEY STATISTICS

Student Statistics:

The sanctioned strength for admission to I-Year degree course is 30, putting the total number of students in three years to 90. The only exception to this was in 2003-04 batch, when 40 students were admitted. In 2008-09, 35 students were admitted. The strength is back to 30 for academic years 2009-10 and 2010-11.

Results

The results are gradually increasing and prove that the department is emerging and moving to be more successful every year:

We continue to maintain an average 60% and above pass percentage over the past 10 batches

Batch	No. of students appeared	No. of students passed	Percentage
2000-2003	18	12	66.6
2001-2004	30	21	83.3
2002-2005	24	16	66.6
2003-2006	36	30	70.0
2004-2007	24	21	87.5
2005-2008	24	15	62.5
2006-2009	27	18	66.7
2007-2010	18	10	55.6
2008-2011	23	14	60.9

(except for 2007-10 batch). We are proud to inform that our students Selvan R. Bhoopathy (2003-06 Batch) and Selvi C. Manimozhi (2004-07 Batch) got Gold Medal and First Rank respectively in Pondicherry University affiliated colleges.

To honor eminent scholars who made outstanding contributions to Classical Tamil, CICT (Central Institute of Classical Tamil) instituted the President's Award for Classical Tamil Scholars which includes a certificate of honor, a memento and one-time cash award of Rs.1 lakh. In the year 2005-06, an alumini Dr. K. Pajanivelou, bagged this award for his book on Tamilartam Kalvi Varalāru (1999).

Model Examination

We are conducting Model Exams in each and every subject, informing the marks obtained by the students to their parents and calling them for counseling to maintain better interaction with them and their children.

Tutorial System

In our department, we are following the Tutorial System with utmost sincerity. One Lecturer is appointed as the in-charge for one class. All particulars about the students are collected and properly filed. The lecturer in-charge will find out the curricular abilities of each and every student and according to their interest, he or she will give proper guidance to them. Apart from this, we are regularly conducting Parent-Teacher Meetings after the publication of the University Examination results. As a result of this, the morale of students is kept high.

Syllabus

B. A. Tamil students of this college have to study both traditional as well as modern fields of knowledge. The special papers prescribed as main

and allied subjects are (a) Linguistics, (b) Creative Literature and Literary Criticism, (c) Translation, (d) History of Tamil Nadu and Pondicherry, (e) Optional – Poet, (f) Journalism, (g) Mass-media (Radio and Television), (h) Cinematography, (i) Advertisement, (j) Computer and Internet and (g) Rhetoric.

Since the Tamil students are studying "History of Tamil Nadu and Pondicherry" as a main paper, they have an opportunity to appear for IAS and other Competitive Examinations. The "Translation" paper will enrich our student's effective communication skills in both English and Tamil. We are sure that if they are well versed in both languages, they have plenty of opportunities in the information technology sector. Similarly, the allied subjects are useful to our students to find employment opportunities or to go for self employment.

The students of B.A. Tamil are not only getting information about language and literature from our teachers, but also able to know History, Archaeology, Linguistics, Mass-Media, and Commentaries on ancient works, Social and Political History of Modern and Ancient Puducherry, Philosophy etc.

Department Library

Our Department Library has a collection of nearly 500 books which are useful for ready reference. The family of Dr. A. S. Krishnan, who passed away on November 4, 2010, donated his books to the library.

Tamil Literary Association

Tamil Literary Association which was set up by Late. Prof. M. R. Bhoopathi, is functioning for the last four decades to identify, develop and channelize the talents of our students. Some eminent members of the community like Thavathiru Uran Adigal, Karisal Writer Thiru K. Rajnarayanan,

Thiru Prabhanjan, Kamban Chair Dr. D. Gnanasundaram were invited to provide guest lectures. Other personalities like orators, writers, social workers and Tamil scholars were also invited to the Tamil Association. They have delivered thought - provoking speeches to the students. The association conducts competitions like Elocution, Essay writing, Poetry writing, Quiz, Debate, Music competitions every year and the winners are awarded books and certificates. We conducted National Seminar in the year 2006 and 2010 respectively. Every year, one Lecturer will be assigned to guide the students for the proper functioning of the Association.

The Central Institute of Classical Tamil (Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India) came forward to give financial assistance of Rs. Five Lakhs to conduct a ten-day Workshop on Tholkappiyam. This was conducted in collaboration with Kanchi Mamunivar Centre for PG studies from October 27 to November 7, 2009.

Our alumni Dr. A. R. Sivakumaran, Reader in Nanyang University, Singapore has funded the Dr. A. R. Sivakumaran Arakattalai Parisu, every year for the past 10 years from his endowment fund. This recognizes the out-going students with a cash prize of Rs. 1000, Rs. 750 and Rs. 500 to first, second and third rank holders respectively.

Similarly, his classmate Thiru. Kaviko. Kamala Kannan funds the Prof. M. R. Bhoopathi Arakattalai Parisu, in memory of his teacher. This also recognizes the out-going students with a cash prize of Rs. 1000, Rs. 750 and Rs. 500 to first, second and third rank holders respectively.

The Faculty Members

As of August 31 2011, 19 staff members are working in the Tamil Department. This is one of the

biggest departments in TAC. This includes Fourteen Doctorates. Four more are in the process of submitting their Ph.D. thesis. So more than 90% of our staff possess the highest academic degree given by Indian Universities. We are proud to say that ours is the only department in this college holding such a statistic.

Few of our staff members are Gold Medalists. Dr. S. Madhavan, Associate Professor, at present working in AGCW, Karaikal got three Gold Medals for his academic achievement in M. A. Tamil degree at Madras University. Dr. P. Kolasamy, Associate Professor has passed his M. A. degree with Rank. Two Assistant Professors Dr. Gayathri and Selvi. Visalakshi got Gold Medals from Pondicherry University. Apart from this, many staff members are Research Guides and have produced many Ph.D's and M.Phil's. They published research books, articles and organized various seminars. Dr. T. Thamarai Selvi, Assistant Professor, is currently working on 2010-11 Short-term projects of CICT, which also includes a financial assistance of Two Lakhs Rupees from CICT. Dr. A. Mani has been selected for this endeavor for the academic year 2011-12.

The rich literary heritage of Tamil Language is spread over a period of thousand years and more. So, our staff members have chosen their area of specializations according to their interest and intellectual capability.

Name	Area of Specialization
Dr. S. Padmasani	Grammar/ Bhakthi Literature / Vaishnavite Commentaries
Thiru. S. Kalivarathan	Modern Literature / Prose
Dr. T. Selvam	Tholkappiyam / Sangam Literature
Dr. P. Kolasamy	Grammar/ Commentaries Linguistics
Dr. M. E. Krishnakumar	Grammar/ Sangam / Bhakthi Literature
Dr. A. Mani	Tholkappiyam / Sangam Literature / Journalism / Mass communication
Dr. G. Vedhagamam	Grammar/ Bhakthi / Modern Literature
Dr. V. Karthikeyan	Grammar/Bhakthi / Modern Literature
Dr. N. Vajravelu	Comparative study of Telugu & Tamil Lit. / Modern Lit.
Dr. G. Gnanaguru	Modern Literature
Dr. N. Rani	Sangam Literature / Lexicography
Tmt. M. R. Rani	Sangam Literature / Grammar
Tmt. S. Suriyakala	Grammar/ Medieval Literature
Dr. T. Thamaraiselvi	Grammar/ Modern Literature/ Journalism
Dr. N. Gayathri	Grammar / Sangam Literature
Tmt. P. Saraladevi	Medieval Literature / Grammar
Tmt. M. Pazhaniammalle	Medieval Literature / Grammar
Dr. V. Selvaperumal	Sangam Literature / Bhakthi / Medieval Literature

Some of our staff members have also completed Diploma and Certificate courses in Manuscriptology, Anthropology, Mass Communication, Journalism, Computer Application and French.

Publications

Most of our faculty members have published books and articles in various fields. Thiru. S. Kalivarathan, Dr. T. Selvam, Dr. P. Kolasamy, Dr. M. E. Krishnakumar, Dr. A. Mani, Dr. G.

Vedhagamam, Dr. V. Karthikeyan, Dr. N. Vajravelu, Dr. N. Rani and Dr. T. Thamaraiselvi are published.

Special mention must be made of a monograph by Dr. V. Karthikeyan on St. Arunagiri, Published by Sahitya Akademi in 2010.

Apart from that, some members have published articles in reputed journals, periodical and conference hand-outs, in addition to presenting papers in seminar at the National and International level.

OUR ALUMNI

Name	Current Position
M.R. Rany	Assistant Professor, TAC
Thiru. Veludevan	correspondent, Eastcoast Education Centre
Thiru. Bharthasarathi	correspondent, Bharath English School, Ariyangkuppam
Dr. Vasugi	Assistant Professor, BGCW, Puducherry
Dr. Pattammal	Assistant Professor, BGCW, Puducherry
V. Shankar	Assistant Professor, BGCW, Puducherry
Tmt. Suriakala	Assistant Professor, TAC

Dr. T. Thamaraiselvi	Assistant Professor, TAC
T. Anbuselvan	H/D, PKGC, Kalitheerthalkuppam
T. Amudhan	Assistant Professor , PKGC, Kalitheerthalkuppam
V. Sridhar	Assistant Professor, Kasthuribha Govt. college, Villianur
Tmt. P. Saraladevi	Assistant Professor, TAC
Dr. G. Sivakumar	Assistant Professor, TAC
Dr. V. Selvaperumal	Assistant Professor, TAC
Sussan Mary	Lecturer, Pope John II College of Education
S. Gunasekaran	Sub-Editor, Information and Publicity Dept.
Nadadoor Thirumagal	Announcer, AIR, Pondicherry
R. Venkatesan	Tamil Teacher, Singapore
Parimanam	Tamil Teacher, Singapore
Masilamani	Tamil Teacher, Singapore
Vinayagam	Tamil Teacher, Singapore
Krishnamurthy	Tamil Teacher, Singapore
Usha	Tamil Teacher, Singapore
Niranjana	Tamil Teacher, Singapore
Amalraj Elizebeth	France
Pugazhendhi	France
Dr. T. Pugazhendhi	Lecturer, Tamilnadu. Govt. College
Dr. Narayanan	Lecturer, Tamilnadu. Govt. College
Vengatesan	Lecturer, Tamilnadu. Govt. College
Dr. K. Pajanivelou	Lecturer, Tamilnadu. Govt. College
G. Kumar	Lecturer, Annamalai University
Dr. A. Arunachalam	Lecturer, Annamalai University
V. Ramalingam	Sub Editor, Dinamalar
Manimaran	Sub Editor, Dinamalar
Murali	Sub Editor, Dinamalar
Patchaiyappan	Sub Editor, Dinamalar
Murugan	Translator, Law Dept., Pondicherry
Krishnan	LIC, Development Offcicer
Pazhanivel	Sub Inspector, Special Branch Puducherry
Balakrishnan	Sub Inspector, Lawspet, Puducherry
Balaraman	Police Dept., Puducherry
Raguraman	Police Dept., Puducherry
Madan	Police Dept., Puducherry
Dhandapani	C. R. P. F. New Delhi
Velayutham	Overseer, PWD, Puducherry
S. Ramalingam	Block Devolepment Officer, Marakkanam

Apart from these, innumerable alumni are working in and around Puducherry and Tamilnadu as Language Teachers. From 1995 to 1997, more than 40 alumni were selected as Language Teachers to work in Singapore.

The English Department

The Past

If Tagore Arts College is one of the oldest premier institutions of higher learning in the Union Territory of Pondicherry, the English Department happens to enjoy a similar honour among all other Departments within the college. The Department came into being at the same time the college arrived, in the year 1961.

The privilege of being the first Head of the Department goes to Prof. Catherine Sundaram, whose versatility is revealed by the multiplicity of roles she played like becoming the Nominated MLA, the Chairman of the Social Welfare Board and Justice of the Family Court. Her team of teachers included such names as Professors Clement, Venugopalan Nair and Mahalingam. The Department later expanded with the inclusion of Madam Molly Kutty Daniel, Lalitha Nair, Sadika Ismail, Ernest Dayabaran and Shafaat Ahmed. Prof. Ernest Dayabaran died in a tragic motorcycle accident and Prof. Ahmed left collegiate service to join the Customs. Professor Sundaram left Tagore Arts College to begin another illustrious career as the first Principal of Bharathidasan Women's College in the year 1968. Professor Clement succeeded her to become the next Head.

Professor Clement is a distinguished Bible scholar and an excellent teacher of Shakespearean drama. He headed the Department from 1968 to 1973 and again for a brief period in 1977.

He left for Zambia, where he worked for several years and returned to Pondicherry Govt. service before retirement.

Professor K.R. Ramachandran Nair (better known as "KRR") was the next Professor of the English Department. But for a brief sojourn to Mahe

during 1978-79, Prof KRR was the Head from 1973 to 1991. Even when the PG Centre came into being in 1983, he preferred to be the Head of the English Department of TAC. A renowned scholar of Indian Writing in English, Prof. KRR has published anthologies of poetry and criticism. Due to his efforts, Madras University sanctioned the commencement of the PG course in 1979.

With the induction of Professors Babu Markose Abraham, Anthony Fernandez, Parthasarathy, Mary Kolandai Nathen, Dr. Santha, Satyanarayana Rao, Sastry, Ramachandra Nair, Mohan Nair, Sebastian, Michael, Manickam, Venkatasubramaniam, Sadasivam Pillai, Sankaran Kutty, Ramasamy, Balabaskaran, Suryaprakasam, Gnanasekaran, Raja and Sundaram at various stages of expansion, it became one of the biggest Departments of the College.

Among this galaxy of scholar-teachers, special mention will have to be made of Prof. R. Venugopalan Nair, a dynamic teacher and humanitarian, whose mastery of the subject has kept generations of students enthralled.

Prof. N. Santhalingam, after putting in more than a decade and a half of service in Arignar Anna Govt. Arts College, Karaikal, joined duty as the Head of the English Department in 1992, a remarkable career coming to an end in 2004 with his voluntary retirement. Among the notable achievements during his tenure, mention must be made of the starting of another branch of English Studies, known as English Literature and English for Careers, which is now renamed Professional English. Prof. N. Santhalingam's doctoral thesis on TS Eliot and Laforgue won the Father Lawrence Sundaram Gold Medal awarded by Pondicherry University.

Prof. Michael was the Head for a short time in 1991-92 after which he chose to serve in PG Centre. He returned to Tagore Arts College in 2004 after the retirement of Prof N.Santhalingam. Prof. Michael died in harness in 2006 with Prof Mary Kolandai Nathen assuming charge in 2006.

Prof. Mary Kolandai Nathen MA M.Phil, Head, English Department studied in St.Mary's High School, Karaikal and St.Joseph's College, Tiruchirapalli. He received his M.Phil from Pondicherry University. He was appointed as Assistant Professor in 1971 and has the distinction of working in all the government colleges of Pondicherry State. He discharged duties as the Principal of Tagore Arts College from December 2007 to August 2008 and as the Head of the Department of English, Tagore Arts College till his retirement in January 2011.

Dr R.Seetha did her special courses in the teaching of English, PGCTE and PGDTE, at the Central Institute of English and Foreign Languages, Hyderabad, a premier institution in India giving training to teachers of English. She did her MLitt and PhD in Linguistics and Phonetics in 1982 and 1995 in the same institute. She designed and offered courses in Spoken English and Soft Skills to the Primary, Secondary and Higher Secondary school teachers of Karaikal, Kasargod, Nagapattinam and Puducherry. This course is fully participatory in nature. She is interested in teaching English to physically and financially challenged children of Puducherry.



The Present

Dr. P. RAJA, an alumnus of Tagore Arts College, is a bilingual writer. He has published more than 5000 articles, short stories, poems, interviews, one act plays,

reviews, skits and features in not less than 300 newspapers and magazines, both in India and abroad. He has authored 28 books in English and 10 books in Tamil. He has creative, critical and journalistic writings to his credit. He is a well known translator too. Apart from contributing regularly to The Hindu, The New Indian Express & The Statesman, he edits TRANSFIRE, a literary quarterly devoted to translations from various languages into English. An expert committee member for the Central Plan Scheme for Development of Tamil. (Central Institute of Indian Languages, Mysore), he is also GENERAL COUNCIL MEMBER of CENTRAL SAHITYA AKADEMI New Delhi (ENGLISH ADVISORY BOARD--2008-2012).



Dr. R. Sundaram, an alumnus of Tagore Arts College, did his post-graduation in Presidency College, Chennai. He got his PhD in Comparative Literature from Pondicherry University. His areas of interest include Comparative

Literature, Translation, Value Education, music and travelling.

Dr. R. Jayanthi graduated from Ethiraj College, Chennai, and did her post-graduation in Presidency College, Chennai. She was awarded her doctorate by GRI, Gandhigram in 2000 for her work on popular fiction. Her areas of interest are Popular Literature, writing poetry, music and travelling.



Prof.M.Razia, MA. MPhil. MEd. (PhD) graduated in English Language and Literature from



BGCW, Pondicherry and qualified for the Masters degree at Presidency College, Chennai and for the Masters Degree in Higher Education at Annamalai University, Chidambaram. Pursued research studies, MPhil, in the Teaching of English at EFL University (CIEFL), Hyderabad. Started her professional career as a Post Graduate Teacher, worked in the colleges of the Union Territory of Pondicherry as a Lecturer in English, served as a Resource Person at the Centre for Continuing Education, Pondicherry, organizing and conducting many Orientation Programmes and Refresher Courses, in-service teacher education programmes for teachers of the government and private schools and colleges of Pondicherry. As a social responsibility, she has been conducting training programmes for students with special needs. Has to her credit a teaching experience of close to three decades. Has published research articles both in national and international journals, has attended and presented research papers at various conferences, seminars and workshops. Areas of special interest are: ELT, Islamic Literature, Networking and Professional Development and Travel.



Prof. S.V. Kumarasamy started his career at MGG Arts College, Mahe in 1983. He put in eighteen years of service at AGCW, Karaikal out of which five were as the Head of the Post-graduate Department of English (1997-2002). He taught metaphysical poetry, American poetry and Language and Linguistics for MA classes. He was a Member, Board of Studies for UG and PG,

Pondicherry University and contributed to the framing of the UG syllabus. He has been in Tagore Arts College since 2002. He is an avid reader of English and Tamil literature.

Dr. R. Rajavelu, an alumnus of Tagore Arts College, received a Gold Medal for his M.Phil Degree from Pondicherry University. Keenly interested in Tamil poetry, he brought out his



first volume, *Imayam Thodum Isaiparavai* in 2010. He has published literary essays in *Rock Pebbles*, a peer-reviewed journal. Awarded the title of "Puratchi Isai Pavalar," he has been an avid participant in the literary events of Pondicherry. His translations have also appeared in journals like *Thisai Ettum* and *Maanthan*. He has been the President of the Teachers' Association for the past three years. His areas of interest are Poetry, Comparative Literature and Translation.



Dr. M. Nazir Ali joined Pondicherry Govt service in 1991. After serving for three years as a lecturer in Avvaiyar College, Karaikal, he joined Tagore Arts College in 1994 where he has been working ever since.

Prof. D. John Sudhakar did his MA in 1986 from SV University and M.Phil in 1988 from the Central University of Hyderabad. On selection by the UPSC, he joined CSS (Cadre) as a Group B officer in Delhi in 1989. He later



joined as lecturer in the collegiate service of the Govt of Pondicherry on 7-2-1992. His area of interest and research is Indian Writing in English and



Comparative Literature.

Dr. K.S. Suresh is a graduate of the University of Kerala. He started his teaching career at Santana Dharma College, Alappuzha, Kerala. He entered the service of the Government of Puducherry as Lecturer in English at Avvaiyar Government College for Women, Karaikal in 1998 and joined the Department of English, Tagore Arts College in 2002. He has specialized in Fiction Studies and has been awarded his Ph.D. on the post-1970s fiction of Anand, J.M. Coetzee, John Fowles and O.V. Vijayan by the Pondicherry University. He has published articles in research journals and edited books. His areas of academic interest include Media Studies, Literary Theory and Narratology. He has organized as well as participated in National and International Seminars/Conferences/Workshops on Literature, Nature and Pedagogy and has been a Resource Person at training programmes for teachers. He has served as Visiting Faculty at the Department of English, Pondicherry University and has been Counsellor in Indira Gandhi National Open University. He has also produced study materials for distance-learning, devised syllabi for UG programmes and participated in programmes on Doordarshan and All India Radio, besides conducting many on-stage Quiz shows. At Tagore Arts College, he is in charge of the Placement Cell and the Training Programme for Entry into Services. Suresh is currently working on a book on the South African writer J.M. Coetzee.

Dr. M.S. Ramesh has been in the teaching profession since 1986. He was fortunate enough to be a very close student of Prof.T.V.Subba Rao, an



uncompromising Leavisian critic and crusader who had his Tripos in English and Anthropology in the late 1950s at the University of Cambridge where he had the rare advantage of being very

close to Dr.F.R.Leavis and learning much from him. Dr.Ramesh has been relentlessly pursuing his study of English classics since his post-graduate days but without ever being an Anglophile. He holds that English should be studied for the value it has for our mind, and not for the social prestige it enjoys in India or merely for the commercial use it has for us in the practical world. He wants to be benefited from his study of English without its prestige affecting him in any way - he does not, under any circumstances, want English to render him false and ridiculous, as it has done in the case of innumerable Indians. He is greatly interested in questions of civilization and culture and worked on D.H.Lawrence's and Sri Aurobindo's Criticism of Western Civilisation for his Doctoral degree. Since the beginning of his teaching career, he has been up against the Westernization and the Americanization of India. His passion for teaching made him cross the seas and go to Andamans where he had been working for a considerable period of time till he joined the Govt. of Pondicherry in 1998. He has been in TAC since July 2005.



Dr (Mrs) LILY ARUL SHARMILA, after obtaining her Master's Degree from Madras Christian College, Chennai, joined Tagore Arts College in the year 1989 as a

faculty member in the Department of English. She has to her credit 22 years of experience in teaching

various Government Colleges of Pondicherry. She had an opportunity of teaching in a PG Institution, Avvaiyar Govt. College for Women, Karaikal for 8 years. She obtained her Ph.D. Degree in American Literature under the valuable guidance of Dr. K. Balachandran from Annamalai University. She has attended 25 National and International Seminars and has 20 Research Publications in various reputed books and journals. Hailing from a family of teachers, she is keen to retain the stature of a humble pedagogue, seeking knowledge throughout her life and disseminating it to the student community.



Dr. (Ms) ANJU.S.NAIR, did obtained her masters degree and M.Phil from Pondicherry University. She got her PhD from Mother Teresa University, Kodaikanal in the year 2010.

Her area of specialisation is women's writing. She has also got her PGDJMC and PGDHRM from Pondicherry University and B.Ed., from Madras University. She Joined the govt. service in 1993. She is very much interested in Eastern and Far Eastern culture.

Dr (Ms) Marie Josephine Aruna has been working as a faculty in English since 1992, in various



Government Colleges of Pondicherry. She currently teaches English at Tagore Arts College. She has obtained her M.A., and M.Phil. Degrees and also has been awarded Ph.D in january 2011 from the department of English,

Pondicherry Central University. Her area of specialization is feminist literary theory and

literature. She has to her credit 13 articles published in magazines and e-journals with three more on the anvil. She has participated / presented papers at sixteen national and international conferences. She is a resource person for the training programme organized by the Directorate of School Education, Pondicherry, for +2 teachers. She is a life member of Indian Association for Women's Studies and Indian Association for Commonwealth Literature and Language Studies.

Mrs.G.Satya, Assistant Professor of English (Consolidated) obtained her MA from Avvaiyar Govt College for Women and M.Phil from Madurai Kamaraj University. She also has B.Ed from Annamalai University. She proposes to register for her Ph.D in August 2012. She is proficient in English, Hindi and Tamil.



Among teachers who served in the English Department of Tagore Arts College but who are no more with us, homage must be paid to Professors Catherine Sundaram, Gurunatha Sharma, Dr. Santha, Balabaskaran, Michael, Manickam and Uthaman. On the occasion of this Golden Jubilee Celebration, we record our respect and gratitude to the services they rendered.

Some of the faculty members have risen to become Principals of various colleges and institutions. Apart from Prof.Catherine Sundaram who became the Principal of Bharathidasan Women's College, Dr. Antony Fernandez (Mahatma Gandhi College, Mahe), Dr.R.Parthasarathy (Dr Sarvapalli Radhakrishnan College, Yanam) and Dr Babu Abraham (Tagore Arts College and PG Centre, Pondicherry) became Principals. Dr. N. Ramachandran became the Controller of

Examinations, Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam. Dr Rajendiran passed the Civil Services and became an IPS officer in Tamil Nadu. and now holds the rank of ADGP.

Among the alumni who later became the faculty of English Department, Dr. P. Ramasamy Prof. Balabaskaran, Dr P.Raja, Dr D.Gnanasekaran, Dr Souripragassame, Dr R.Sundaram, Dr M. Nazir Ali, Dr R.Rajavelu, Djeabalan, Palani, Malathy, Latha Vinola, Sathiavelu, Ravi, Murugan and Seena must be mentioned.

We are pleased to mention that Mr. G. Raja Surya, a former student, is now Justice of the Madras High Court. Mr. Santhanam is an I.A.S. Official in Tamilnadu. Mrs. Vanaja Nair, is Under Secretary, Finance Department, Pondicherry. Mr. KS. Rajasekaran is Times of India Editor, Mumbai Edition, and Mr. Govindarajan, a student of Functional English, is an inter-national tennyquoit player.

*Farewell, Friends
Till we meet again*



Thiru. K.K. Uthaman
Lecturer in English



Thiru. T.S. Michael
H.O.D English

Department of French

Our first Prime Minister, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, laid the foundation stone for the new premises of Tagore Arts College in 1961. He pointed out that Pondicherry was "the window to French Culture". The College had been then functioning in the present campus of Calve College, Pondicherry since 1961 with a Pre-University Course affiliated to Madras University. In 1965, it was shifted to the newly built premises at Lawspet, Pondicherry.

The Department of French is one of the few Departments which have been functioning since the commencement of the college. It has been committed to making its students imbibe that language and culture.

Affiliated to Madras University, the Department of French started its Bachelors' Degree in 1962 with a batch of 7 students. (6 girls and a boy) under the headship of Prof. William Victorian who worked in the Department till 1967.

In 1963 his colleagues were Prof. D. Datchinamourthy, and Prof. R. Nadaradja. From 1962 to 1971 they were assisted by two Visiting Professors: Prof. Lambert Saravane and Prof. Robert Labare who were then working at Lycée Français de Pondichéry.

Prof. D. Datchinamourthy had been the Principal of this institution from 1967 to 1969 and from 1982 to 1986. He became the Controller of Examinations of Pondicherry University in 1986.

The only boy student of 1962-65 batch of Bachelors' degree, Mr. Sycé Aroquiasamy started his career as tutor in our college.

At its inception, the Department had only a few professors and offered an Under-Graduate course. It was possible to start a Post-Graduate course in French in 1965, which after 24 illustrious years, was shifted to the newly-created Kanchi Mamunivar



French Faculty with B.A. French Students (1976-79 Batch)
(seated from left to right) – Ms. Ernestine Bharathi, Ms. Lourdes Tirouvanziam-Louis,
Mr. Manickasamy, Mr. R. Venguattaramane, Principal Mr. V. Balakrishnan,
Mr. D. Datchinamourthy, Mr. V. Balakumar, Ms. Girija Zalam and Ms. Laurence Mouttappa

Centre for Post-Graduate Studies in 1989. From that year onwards Tagore Arts College has no longer been affiliated to Madras University. Since then it has been affiliated to Pondicherry University.

Prof. A. Chandrasekaran and Prof. V. Balalalida, students of the first batch of Post-Graduation joined the college as Assistant Professors in 1967.

Prof. R. Kichenamourthy worked in this college in three different spells: 1965-67, 1972-77 and 1983-87. Later he became the Dean of the School of Humanities of Pondicherry University during 2003-05. He was awarded in 2006 "Chevalier des Palmes Academiques" by the French Government. After his retirement from service, he was awarded Professor Emeritus from 2009-11.

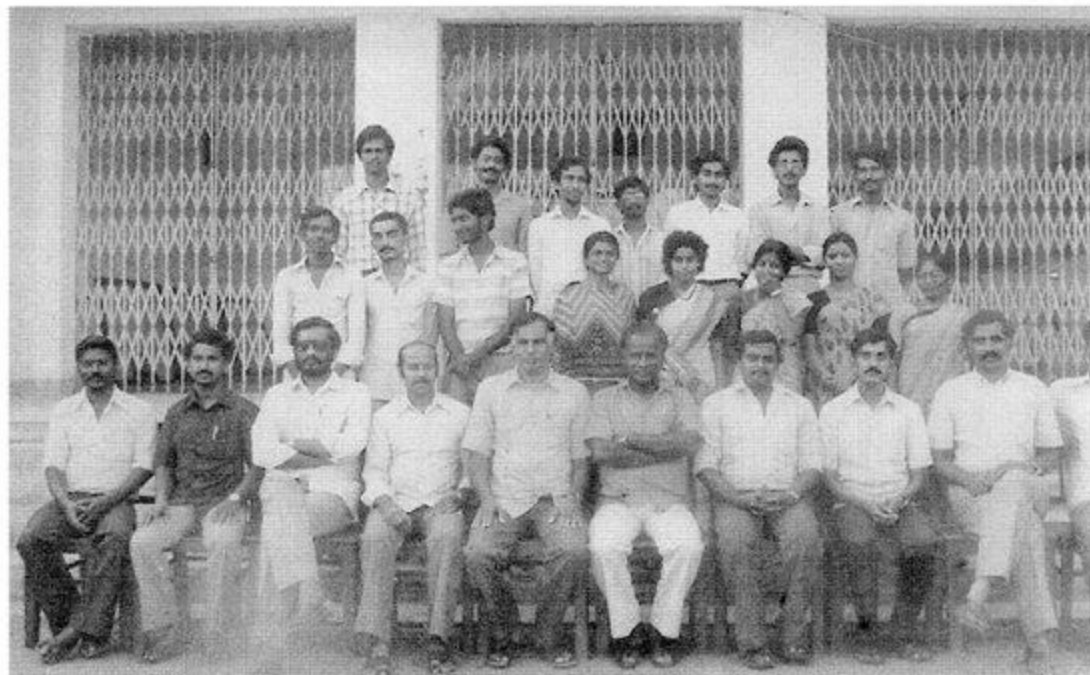
Prof. Lourdes Tirouvanziam-Louis, a student of

the Second Batch of Post-Graduation worked in this institution from 1968-1979. She had been "Chevalier des Palmes Academiques" in 2005

Ms. Ernestine Bharathi, Ms. Laurence Mouttappa, Mr. Syed Azizudin and Mr. R. Venguattaramane, all of them alumni of this college, joined the institution as faculty in 1972. Dr. R. Venguattaramane is at present the Dean of the College Development Council and School of Humanities of Pondicherry University. He has also been the Controller of Examinations of Pondicherry University in 2003.

Mr. P. Vassanda Coumara joined service in 1974, Ms. Gislene Monnier (worked till 1978) and Mr. P. Kuppusamy in 1975. Two years later they were followed by Mr. Manickasamy who worked till 1978.

Ms. Marcelle Royappa who was working in



French Faculty with I and II M.A. French Students (1986)

(seated from left to right) – Mr. P. Kuppusamy, Mr. Giri Ramakrishna Paramahamsa, Mr. V. Balakumar, Mr. P. Vassanda Coumara, Mr. A. Chandrasekaran, Mr. R. Kichenamourthy, Mr. S. Pannirselvam, Mr. A.K. Anilkumar, Mr. R. Venguattaramane and Mr. Jeyaraj Daniel

Bharathidasan Government College for Women, Pondicherry, came on transfer to this institution in 1978 and worked here up to 1979. Her second spell of service in TAC was from 1992 to her superannuation in 2006.

Mr. N. Candassamy, having worked earlier in different Government establishments of Pondicherry, took over the Headship from 1991 to 1992.

Ms. Girija Zalam and Mr. Balakumar were appointed in the institution in 1978 as soon as they had completed their Post-Graduation. They were followed by Mr. Jeyaraj Daniel in 1980, Mr. S.

Anandavadivelou in 1981 and Mr. Giri Ramakrishna Paramahamsa in 1982. Ms. Marie Noella Ignace, appointed in 1982, worked in this institution from 1983 to 1984 in the first spell, and returned to the Department in 1989. Mr. A.K. Anilkumar was appointed as Lecturer in 1983. He worked here till 1989.

Mr. S. Pannirselvame was transferred to this institution in 1984. He worked till 1987 when he, along with Dr. R. Kichenamourthy and Dr. R. Venguattaramane, joined the Department of French, Pondicherry University.



French Faculty with B.A. French Students (2001-04 Batch)
(seated from left to right) – Mr. C.A. Ajit, Mr. S. Saravanan,
Mr. Giri Ramakrishna Paramahamsa, Principal, Dr. G. Babu Rao, Ms. Marcelle Royappa,
Ms. Marie Noella Ignace, and Mr. V. Thiruvengadam

Name of Staff	Year of appointment in T.A.C		
	1987	1989	1997
Mr. C.A. Ajit	1987		
Ms. Sivaparththy	1987		
Ms. Sri Nalini	1987	1988	
Mr. V. Thiruvengadam	1987		1997
Ms. V. Radha		1988	
Ms. C.A. Salila		1988	1997
Ms. Archa V. Nair		1989: appointment in Mahe 1993 – 1996: Service in TAC	1997
Mr. S.A. Vengadasouprayanayagar	1992	1989	1997
Mr. S. Saravanan		1996 (as Casual Lecturer on Consolidated Pay	

The Department has always boasted of a well-qualified and committed faculty who have constantly strived towards the welfare of the students in particular and the society in general. Eminent professors have been moulding the young brains with their inspiring teaching techniques for the past fifty years.

During the course of their service, Mr. D. Datchinamourthy, Mr. R. Nadaradja, Mr. R. Kichenamourthy, Mr. R. Venguattaramane, Ms. Lourdes Tirouvanziam Louis, Mr. Jeyaraj Daniel, Mr. S. Pannirselvame, Ms. V. Balalalida, Mr. S.A. Vengadasoupraya nayagar acquired their Doctorate degree.

Besides the Orientation programme and the Refresher courses, the Staff of the Department have been participating in / attending various Seminars,

Workshops and International Conferences on the French and Francophone Literature, Civilisation and Translation at regular intervals conducted at various venues viz. Pondicherry University, CIEFL - Hyderabad, KMCPGS – Pondicherry etc.

Almost all the teaching staff who have been working in the Department of French are alumni of this college.

Curriculum

The syllabus of the B.A. French course has evolved during the course of the years, taking into account the contemporary requirement and recommendations of the U.G.C. The paper “Environmental Studies”, being a compulsory paper for all the Disciplines, has been included in the syllabus in the second semester.

The present syllabus has been revised in such a way as to cater to the needs of the students to find employment easily in several enterprises. The range of subjects offered now is varied, exhaustive and relevant:

- ❖ Literature
- ❖ Translation
- ❖ Grammar
- ❖ Linguistics
- ❖ Professional Communication
- ❖ Communication Skills in Hotel Business
- ❖ Francophone Literature
- ❖ Tourism in France
- ❖ French Civilisation

The First and Second Year students appear for five papers every semester: a Foundation course in Language (French), English, two Main papers and an Allied paper. The Third Year Students sit for five Main papers.

Apart from the core course - B.A. French, Foundation course in French is taught to the students of other main branches of Arts, Science, Tourism and Commerce.

The Department uses various pedagogical methods to teach French to the students who are mostly new to French as a main subject. Since all the subjects are taught in French and English, it entails a rigorous training and hard work on the part of the students and the staff. They have easy access to the books and dictionaries in the Department. The computer and the audio-visual system are also at their disposal.

Regular tutorials have helped the students to voice their problems to their respective tutors, who in turn do their best to help them out.

Value Addition

To add a feather to its cap, the Department of French started an interdisciplinary Career-Oriented Programme in French in 2010 titled "Communiquons en français" ("Let us communicate in French") based on the guidelines of the U.G.C. It is an add-on Certificate course in French offered to the students of the College who want to learn one additional foreign language that is not related to their core discipline.

Parent-Teacher meeting is a regular feature of the Department. Such meetings are useful and helpful for the progress and betterment of the student. Parents have been very enthusiastic and co-operative, and have welcomed these meetings as they are kept informed of their wards' progress and activities.

Extracurricular activities

The students of B.A. French participate in the various activities organized by the college under the banner of "Fête de TAC" and bag several prizes.

Every year a cultural programme called "Soirée française" is organized by the students of the Department. It is a cultural programme which enables them to bring out their latent talents. They take part in elocution, essay writing, singing, dancing and quiz programmes.

Besides the Departmental activities, our faculty support the institution for the smooth functioning of the college by taking up various responsibilities in the domains of administration, admission, conducting University Examinations, Editorial board, etc.

A general study reveals that almost all the French Graduates of the past fifty years occupy positions of eminence in the society, both in India and abroad.

Department of Hindi

Hindi department was started from inception of the college importing second language.

In the beginning it was Hindi and Sanskrit Department with staff strength of three. Later it functioned as Hindi department with two staff from march 2002 department is having only one staff member.

The Department is handling classes for BA / B.Sc. and B.Com.,

Department activity :

A language seminar was held in 2009. Prof. Ramasamy, Sarada Gangadhavan College and Dr. Umadevi, Indira Gandhi College of Arts Science College have presented paper on Language Skills On Higher Education.

Staff Particulars:

BABY SUMANGALA.P.V : Joined as a lecturer in this college on 12.02.2007. She obtained their M.Phil Degree in Hindi on Anjodeedi Natak manovygyaniitha from Madurai Kamaraj University she is doing Ph.D on Part time at Kannur University Kerala. The area of research is Bheeshma Sahane Ke katha sahithya mein sampradayiksadbhav.

She has attended orientation course in 2009 and a refresh course in 2010

Department of Economics

1. The Department of Economics is one of the first departments to be started as early as 1962 as under graduate main department in Economics, in the Union territory of Pondicherry.
2. It blossomed into a full fledged Post Graduate department in Economics in 1970, besides offering at the undergraduate level B.A course in economics.
3. From 1970 to till 1989, it offered Post Graduate course in Economics for almost 18 years and produced almost 180 good PG students, who are found to occupy positions of eminence both at home as well as abroad and also at the national level, in the IES, and in the banking sectors. Subsequently, the PG course was shifted to a separate PG centre, established by the Government of Pondicherry, in 1989.
4. This department is committed to teaching the subject of Economics at various levels in this premier institution at UG, PG, and at M.Phil (Sequential Programme) of the Madras university, to which it was affiliated then. The college was following the semester pattern in day college; evening college was on non-semester pattern.
5. The Department of economics offered since 1978, an Evening college course for all employed staff working in government and in private sector an Evening course in P.U.C and for B. A degree for 4 years, as against the regular B.A (3 years) and M.A course (2 Years) in the Day College on semester pattern.
6. A substantial change took place in the academic front was the emergence of Pondicherry university, in 1989, under which all our Under Graduate and Post Graduate courses were linked under semester pattern without internal assessment.
7. To meet the growing demand of Economics, the college which offered only single section B.A course in Economics, now offered a Two Section Parallel B. A 'A' section and a B.A 'B' section comprising of 40 students each in all the 3 years was started in 1992 with success till date.
8. The Department of economics has undertaken many academic activities - the Planning Forum from 1967 to 1987 as part of Govt of India to propagate the ideals of Economic Planning. in which ever year students participated in village socio - economic activities like hygiene, cleanliness, and sanitation facilities like village cleaning, painting the door numbers, and population control etc., such village out reach programmes were planned successively every year with a staff co - ordinator and student office bearers of Planning Forum.



9. The department also organizes every year a series of Economic Talks by eminent Personalities like. Dr Thimmiah, Planning commission member, Mysore, in 1978, Dr V Shanmuga sundaram, Emeritus Professor of Madras university, in 1981, Dr TC Mohan in 1985 and Dr B S R Rao, RBI Professor of Finance in 1989 to our B A Students of our department on Nuances of Indian Monetary Policy in 1980's, Dr Dharmalingam on "Issues in the Global Indian economy" in 2004, Prof Muthu kumarasamy on "Nuances of union Budget 2007", Dr Panjangam of KMCPGS on "Gender Inequality of Indian women in Today's Economic World 2008"; and recently Dr Varalatchmi and Dr E M Rajan both, HOD of Economics, PG centre and Associate professor to deliver "Talks on Union Budget 2009", in the Economic day address of the economics department.
10. The department of Economics organized an inter-active Banking Seminar on Retail banking by Thiru. Rajaram, senior chief Manager, Canara bank in 1990.
11. The department of Economics has 3 Ph.Ds, and almost all staff members possess M.Phil degrees in economics from various universities; 3 staffs possess addition M.A degrees and 2 possess B.Ed & M.Ed qualifications. About 2 staff have registered for Ph.D degrees in Pondicherry university and another 2 staff have registered in the neighbouring universities.
12. The pass percentage of the department has improved from 48% in 2003 to 50% to 57% on an average from 2004 to 2009 and marginally declined to 44% in 2010
13. Total teaching Staff: 9
14. Teachers with Ph.D: 3
15. Teachers with M.A & M.Phil degrees: 9
16. Teachers with additional PG & B.Ed degrees: 2
17. Teachers with M.Ed: 1
18. The department, manned with very dedicated faculty members, has produced from as early as 1962 to 2011 - Eminent Personalities - high academicians and scholars who are occupying the higher echelons of eminence like Dean & Senior Faculties in Pondicherry university and in abroad, as well as Top Politicians & Administrators in IES, Central Services etc.,
19. Eminent Heads of Department in the Past:
 1. The Late Professor Thiru V SASANKAN, a Towering Professor who hailed from Kerala. He came by UPSC Selection as First Professor and Head of the Dept of Economics in Tagore art college. He is Doyen of Economics and produced several Batches of young economics Graduates, many of them are adorning as Dean, Senior Professor, Associate Professor in this college and in neighbouring universities.



UNIVERSITY RESULTS
(From the academic year 1998 - 99 to 2002 - 03)
In Percentages

	1998 - 99	1999 2000	2000 - 01	2000 - 02	2002 - 03
I - Semester					
1. Language - I	90	90	68	95	87
2. English - I	74	67	56	60	62
3. Commercial Law	78	66	67	84	81
4. Financial Accounting - I	78	85	89	95	94
5. Business Economics - I	76	83	87	83	95
II - Semester					
1. Language - II	77	86	87	73	87
2. English - II	73	75	65	66	42
3. Industrial Law	62	86	87	83	90
4. Financial Accounting - II	52	81	86	68	85
5. Business Economics - II	78	73	81	69	87
III - Semester					
1. Advanced Financial Accounting - I	66	77	95	75	92
2. Cost Accounting	64	56	89	71	81
3. Banking Theory	86	79	86	87	97
4. Company Law	58	78	77	91	77
5. Quantitative Analysis - I	92	67	79	81	69
IV - Semester					
1. Advanced Financial Accounting - II	67	70	82	93	80
2. Marketing	78	97	98	97	97
3. Business Management	77	74	98	79	98
4. Banking Law & Practice	81	86	100	91	92
5. Quantitative Analysis - II	34	52	53	80	67

V - Semester					
1. Income Tax Law & Practice - I	88	74	89	81	90
2. Management Accounting - I	83	70	93	91	97
3. Entrepreneurial Development	89	75	86	92	91
4. Financial Audit	96	90	93	89	94
5. Optional - I : Life Insurance / Advertisement	91	87	92	95	100
VI - Semester					
1. Income Tax Law & Practice - I	76	78	90	89	96
2. Management Accounting - I	72	70	94	68	81
3. International Trade	90	80	98	62	100
4. Human Resource Management	80	90	84	90	100
5. Optional - II; General Insurance / Salesmanship	94	95	82	100	99
PERCENTAGE OF STUDENTS OBTAINING DEGREE	42%	48%	62%	65%	73%

STAFF PARTICULARS

The Department is currently managed by 10 Lecturers. Many of the senior Lecturers of the Department have acquired their research qualifications namely M. Phil , Mr. A. Ramamurthy and Mr. R. Karuppusamy attended a refresher course in the academic year 2002 - 03. Two Lecturers viz, Mr. G. Shanmugasundaram and Mr. R. Karuppusamy have registered for Ph. D and are about to complete. Mrs. C. Hemalatha has successfully passed out NET. Three lecturers viz, Mrs. C. Hemalatha, Mrs. A.Noyaline and Mrs. V.R. Soumady are pursuing M.Phil course and are likely to submit their dissertations soon. Mr. G. Shan mugasundaram has presented several papers in national and international seminars and has also published many research articles in various reputed journals.

TEACHING TECHNIQUES

Through intensive classroom teaching and discussions students are motivated to gain more knowledge. By conducting periodical tests, and model examinations, students are provided with an opportunity to show more progress in their studies. This has resulted on a significant improvement in the university examinations. Periodical Parent - Teacher Meetings have been held to enable parents to know about their wards.

Students belonging to Backward community, S.C and ST have been showing remarkable progress in their academic pursuits in view of the personal touch given to them by the Department.

The system of maintaining Bio - Data of each students was introduced by this Department from the academic year 1996 - 97, Which was first of its kind in Tagore Arts College. This system facilitated the Department to know the personal background of each student. Parents were contacted whenever necessary. Further it helped the department to sponsor the names of the students to various companies which approached for commerce students. BPL, Eureka Forbes, Rane Brake Lining, HCL were some of the companies that approached as for recruitment of commerce graduates.

Faculty :

Thiru/Tmt./Selvi :

A. Mohammed Fawzi, M.Com., M.Phil.	HOD
S. Radhakrishnan, M.Com., M.Phil. Lecturer	
M. Sathian @ Vimalan. M.Com., B.Ed., PGD . Exim. MM	Do.
G. Shanmugasundaram, M.Com., M.Phil.,M.Ed.,PGDCA	Do.
S. Vizeacoumar, M.Com.,M.Phil.,B.Ed.	Do.
R. Karuppusamy, M.Com.,M.Phil.	Do.
A. Ramamurthy, M.Com.,M.Phil.	Do.
V. Sougoumarin, M.Com.,M.Phil.	Do.

A. Noyaline Bibyana Arul Mary, M.Com.
C. Hemalatha, M.Com.
V.R. Soumady, M.Com., B.Ed.

Do. Department belonging to 1969 - 72 batch. Many of our former students are occupying top position in various Government and Private Organisation. To cite a few cases, there are officers in the Police Department from the rank of Sub-Inspectors and Superintendents of Police, in the Revenue Department in the hand of Tahsildars and Revenue Inspectors and company Secretaries, and Managers in Commercial Banks and Insurance Companies. Many of them are also practicing as Chartered Accountants. It is also highly gratifying to record that some of them are employed as faculties in our Department, in University and in other affiliated colleges.

EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Students have been showing large interest in extracurricular activities. Many students of commerce have won laurels in NCC and NSS. Some of them have also taken part in District and State level sports activities.

At National level, our students participated in Chess, Karate, Handball, Basket ball.

At Zonal level they have participated in Basket ball, Football, Volleyball and Kho-Kho.

At Regional level they have represented Football and Base ball.

The Department has been constantly striving to motivate students in extracurricular activities too.

ALUMNI OF COMMERCE DEPARTMENT

The Department is proud to place on record the fact that the Hon'ble Chief Minister of the Union Territory of Pondicherry Shri N. Rangasamy was a past student of this

Mr. Vijaya Kumar, Suptt. of Police.
Mr. Nauroji, Suptt. of Customs and Central Excise.
Mr. Sankaranarayanan, Chartered Accountant.
Mr. Premraj Jain, Chartered Accountant.
Mr. Suresh, Chartered Accountant.
Mr. Prabakaran, Chartered Accountant.
Mr. Ramesh, Chartered Accountant.
Mr. Raja, Lt. Col. (Army).
Mr. Chandran, Wing Commander (Air Force).

III. BOOKS WRITTEN AND PUBLISHED

Dr. K. Narayanan. M.A. (Phil.), M. Ed., M.A. (Psy), Ph.D. (Former Head of the Department)

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14. உள்ளம் ஓர் ஆழ்கடல் (பிராய்ஷின் உளவியல் (2007)
15. சிந்தனைப் படிகள் (அளவையியல் நூல்) தயாரிப்பில்
16. நிறுவனர் மற்றும் ஆசிரியர், வள்ளலார் கண்ட சாகாக்கலை - மாத இதழ்
17. 2008 ஜூலை முதல் தொடர்ந்து செயல்படுகிறார்.

Works of Dr. A. Durairangam, Head of the Department

1. புதுவை மகிழ்வுலா, **Pondicherry Tourism** மணற்கேணி பதிப்பகம், பாண்டிச்சேரி 1997.
2. Ph.D on Vanur Taluk Temples
3. Articles (In Journals):
 - a. Six New Inscriptions (Tamil) discovered and deciphered at Arasalinathar Temple at Olindiyapattu, Vanur Taluk, Villupuram, AVANAM (Vol. 12), Tamil Nadu Archaeological Society, Tanjore, 2001.
 - b. Fifteen New Inscriptions (14 in Tamil and one in Telegu) were discovered in various villages of Vanur Taluk, Villupuram, published in AVANAM (Vol. 13), Tamil Nadu Archaeological Society, Tanjore, 2002.
 - c. Nineteen New Inscriptions (Tamil) were discovered in various villages of Vanur Taluk, Villupuram, published in AVANAM (Vol. 14), Tamil Nadu Archaeological Society, Tanjore, 2003.
4. One among 20 Editors from all over India Definitional Dictionary of Philosophy in Hindi published by Commission for Scientific and Technical Terminology - Ministry of Human Resource Development (Department of Secondary and Higher Education), Government of India.

Staff

Assistant Professor Mr. N. Barthasarathi - doing Ph.D on Wittgenstein's Linguistic Philosophy.

Assistant Professor Dr. V. Jayaraman has done Ph.D. in Buddhism.

Assistant Professor Mr. M. Sampathkumar is doing Ph.D in Political Philosophy.

IV. MEMORABLE PRODUCTS OF OUR DEPARTMENT

Mr. N. Barthasarathi and Mr. M. Sampathkumar students of our Department in the year 1988-1991 are working as Assistant Professors in our Department.

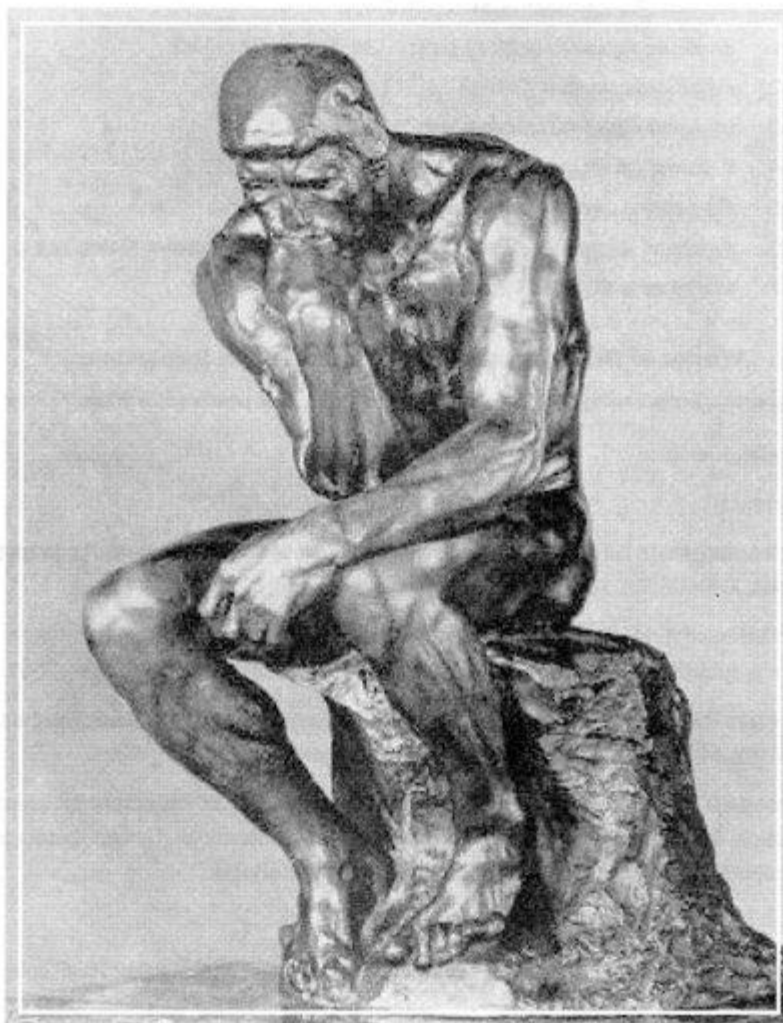
Dr. Sekar studied in the year 1990-1993 is working as Assistant Professor in the National College, Thiruchirappalli.

Mr. Thanigaivelan who was our product is working as Assistant Professor in Annamalai University.

Mr. R. Srinivasaperumal working as Lecturer in Loyola College of Education, Koodappakam, Puducherry.

Mr. S. Babu working as Lecturer in Sabari College of Education, Puducherry.

Mr. A. Shankar working as Teacher at Linga-Reddipalayam, Puducherry.



Department Of Historical Studies

If is pleasure and pride we place before you the curriculam and co - curriculam activillies of the department of Historical studies on the occasion of the Golden Jubilee celebration during the acadmic year 2010 - 2011.

History, generally called "Mother Of Sciences", is a branch of Knowledge that seconds and analyzes the past events. It refers to the study and interpretation of the second of human societies. Thus the department of Historical Studies is said to encompass both knowledge of past events and historical thinking skill among the students.

The under graduate Degree Programme of Bachelor of Arts (BA) in Historical studies was first introduced in our college in 1978 -79 with the eminent faculties of Mrs. Ashamohan, Dr. S. Jagadheesan, Mrs. Leema Rose, Dr. S. Balasundaram and Dr. R. Natarajan with only one section.

Later on, the intake of students strength was further increased and by the way two sections (A+B) emerged in Historical studies with the staff of seven.

The Dept . of Historical studies had the golden opportunity of bringing one vocational Degree programme in under graduate level under the auspices of U.G.C. Guidance in the year 1996, by surrendering and sacrificing one section of History and created Bachelor of Tourism and Tavel management (BTM) an under graduate Degree programme. since then the department was named as the Dept. of History and Tourism till 2004.

Dept. of Tourism and Travel management was bifurcated from the Dept. of History in 2004. As a result the students strength was considerably reduced to 30.

The department honour the First Rank holder, every year, with Balakrishna Nair Award in the name of the First and the Former principal of Tagore Arts College.

At present the department is headed by smt. Mani Sundarajan and Dr. A. Arul Jothi, Mrs. R. Romcummany, Mr. N. Sivaraman and Mr. P. Ravichandiran the Faculty members.

Dr. A. Arul Jothi, Asst. Prof of History, has joined this department on 5th Feb . 2009 his long term of experience in K.M.Centre for P.G.Studies gives a different dimension in

imparting the knowledge of history. He has guided a number of M.Phil scholars and published a book title "social changes in Pondicherry under the French" in 2008.

Mr. P. Ravitchandirane, Asst. Prof of History, had conducted an archaeological exhibition in 1995. A model on Arikamadu excavation was another creative work. He visited London and Bermuda in 2003. He also published a research paper in the East West an international conference was also arranged by him in the name of Oceanic Culture for Indian Diaspora.

The department of Historical studies have produced eminent scholars professionals and personalities since the iniatiation. Followings were some of them.

Thiru. Kennedy	- M.L.A (Bussy constituency)
Thiru. Senthilkumar	- Magitrarte Karaikal
Thiru. Bala Ganean	- Lawyer, Puducherry.
Thiru. Kumaran	- Lawyer, Puducherry.
Thiru. Thiruvengadan	- Lawyer, Puducherry.
Thiru. C. Rouccoumany	- Asst. Prof of Puducherry.
Thiru. Charles Christopher Raj	- Asst. Prof of Puducherry.
Thiru. P. Sathish	- Asst. Prof of Puducherry.
Thiru. Lastic Leion	- Asst. Prof of Puducherry.
Thiru. Chandirasekaran	- Asst. Prof of Puducherry.
Thiru. Prabhakaran	- Asst. Prof of Puducherry.

At present the department is functioning with the student strength of 90 and seven Staff members. The Department takes pride in importing the knowledge of history to the students to create history in their life. A special care and



Department of Tourism and Travel Management

On 27, September 2010 Travel Tourism Day had been observed. The incharge Principal Dr. K. Velmurugan was the Chief guest of the day. Dr. Annamalai Murugan and Dr. E. Devabalane Asst. Professor of Tourism spoke about the world Tourism day theme, followed by a debate conducted by Dr. A. Arul Jothi, Asst. Professor of History. Professors like Mr. Thiuvengadam, Dr. Kulandaiswamy graced the occasion.

On 27 September ward Tourism Day Dr. E. Devabalane released a book on Tourism Industry by Hon'ble Minister for Revenue Tourism. Malladi Krishna Rao. with the presence of our librarian. an other professors and the Publisher.

On 11.10.2010 special lecture on Job opportunities in Travel Agency and Tour operations had been given to II BBA students by Mr. Shiva, Principal, SIMS Puducherry.

On 20.1.2010 special lecture on Soft Skills for Tourism had been given by Mrs. Arthi. Manager, La Concorde for II and III BBA students.

Dr. E. Devabalane had been appointed NSS. Professors officer of Unit II, Tagore Arts college from 1 August 2010.

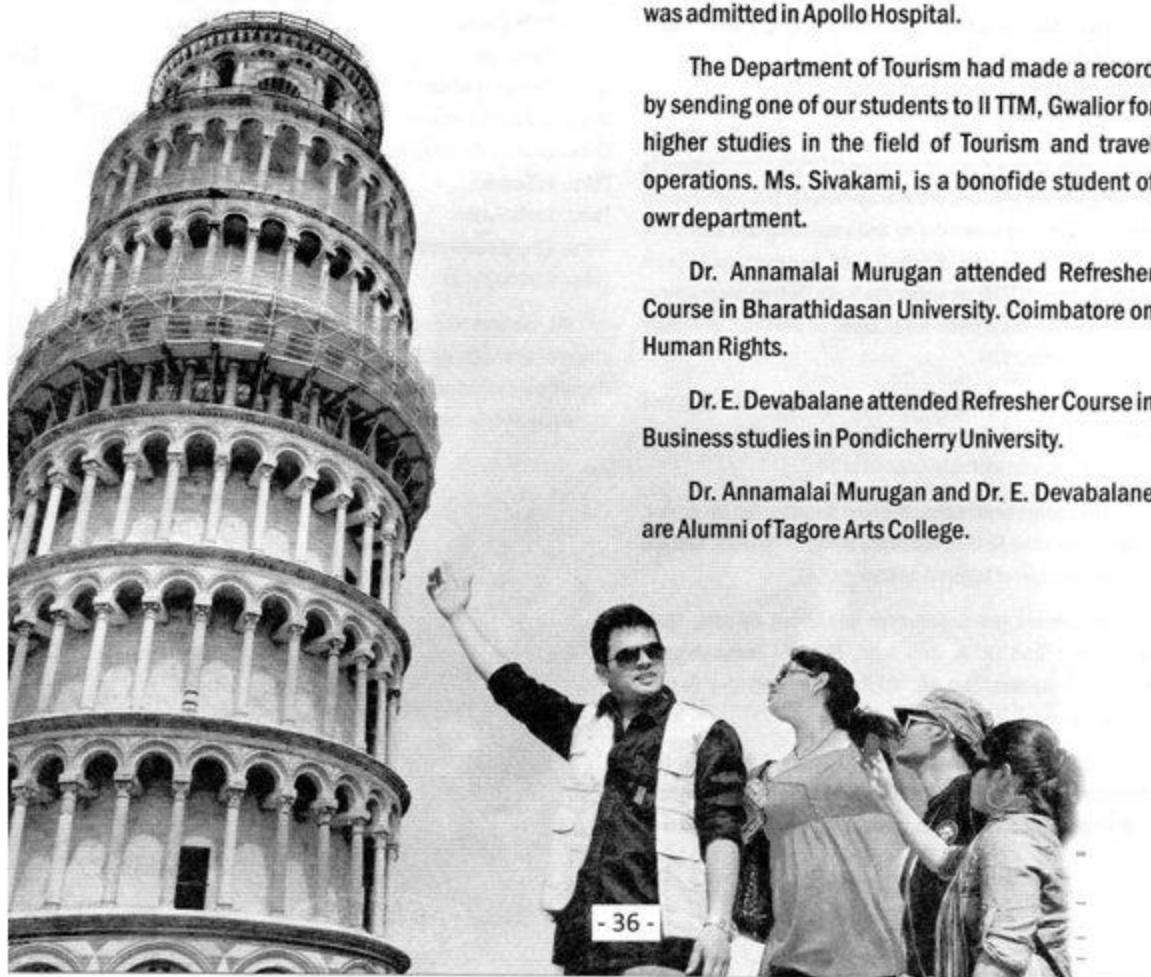
The Department of Tourism, took painful effort for Mobilising financial assistane to a II BBA students Logesh for his anemic disease, while he was admitted in Apollo Hospital.

The Department of Tourism had made a record by sending one of our students to II TTM, Gwalior for higher studies in the field of Tourism and travel operations. Ms. Sivakami, is a bonofide student of owr department.

Dr. Annamalai Murugan attended Refresher Course in Bharathidasan University. Coimbatore on Human Rights.

Dr. E. Devabalane attended Refresher Course in Business studies in Pondicherry University.

Dr. Annamalai Murugan and Dr. E. Devabalane are Alumni of Tagore Arts College.



Department of Sociology

Since the inception of the Department of Sociology in the year 1995-96, as a main and an independent entity, progress has ever been aimed at, by virtue of varied constructive programmes for the benefit of the students as well as the human world.

Every year more than 30 students are enrolled and the students come out with flying colours producing 80% of results. Most of our students with good qualification are well placed.

The Academic Activities in the Department

The variegated activities of expansion and programmes of progressive features with human concern and philanthropic temperament have been zestfully undertaken. The blood donation, collection of old clothes and rice for the orphanage in Puducherry are the charitable activities periodically carried out by the students of the department. The cultural programmes for the old people is usually performed in the home for the aged.

Faculty Members

The Head of the Department, Dr.J.Martin Selvaraj, Associate Professor, leads the department to the perfect conformity with the social needs of the time. He joined TAC in 1978 to teach sociology as an allied subject for the students of History and Philosophy. He has acquired a

mastery over the sphere of social work too. He obtained his Ph.D degree in the Department of Anthropology, Pondicherry University under the able guidance of Dr. Subramanya Naidu. The area of his research was "The Socio-Cultural life of Todas of Nilgiris". His field of interest is Women Studies. He has organized many seminars, workshops and he has taken an active part in national seminars conducted by various universities. His active career as a teaching faculty in Sociology extends to 33 years of diligent services.

Dr.M.Natarajan, Assistant Professor, joined as a Lecturer in 1995. At present working as an Assistant Professor in the Department of Sociology, he finished his Ph.D at Annamalai University on the topic of " A study on Awareness of Child Care among the urban and rural mothers". His area of interest is in the social problems of society. He has attended both orientation and refresher courses at Pondicherry University.

Mrs. A. Hepzibah, Assistant Professor, joined as a Lecturer in 1996. Her area of interest is Women's liberation. She undertook a research in M.Phil on the problems of working women in Puducherry. She is pursuing her Ph.D course on part-time at Mother Teresa University.



Department of Physics

Tagore Arts College

Tagore Arts college, a premier institute in the Union Territory of Puducherry, was established in the year 1961. During the period of 50 years the institution is grown into a full - fledged institution offering seventeen disciplines at under graduate level.

Since the academic year 1986 - 87, the institution was affiliated to the Pondicherry Central University and from 1989 - 90 it is functioning as an under graduate institution.

Department of physics

The Department of physics was started in 1961 and affiliated to Madras University offering Pre - University Course with physics as one of the subjects taught for two different streams of students. Allied physics Course was also started at the same time for students pursuing Mathematics and Chemistry as main subjects.

Main Physics course (three years course) was introduced in the year 1968 with a strength of 24 students and all of them passed in April 1971. Post-graduate course in M.Sc Physics was started in the year 1985 with a strength of 15 students and affiliated to Madras University. This department was the first one in this institution to get recognition to undertake Ph.D degree programme from the year 1988. The following Lecturers were registered for Ph.D programme under the guidance of Dr. R.BALAKRISHNAN to research work leading to Ph.D degree.

1. Thiru. S. MAYILAVELAN
2. Thiru. K. DHANARAJOU
3. Thiru. V.K. SHANKARAN

LABORATORY FACILITIES:

The Physics department had an excellent laboratory facilities until 1990, to conduct research work in the field of (i) Ultrasonics (ii) spectroscopy and (iii) Nuclear physics. Facilities meant for M.Sc, M.Phil and Ph.D Programmes were shifted to centre for Post - Graduate Studies in the year 1990.

LIST OF STAFF MEMBERS WHO SERVED IN THIS INSTITUTION SINCE 1961.

LIST OF PRINCIPALS FROM FACUTY OF PHYSICS.

1. Prof. P.K. Chidambaram

2. Prof. V.K. Shankaran
3. Prof. V. Balasubramanian

HEADS OF DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICS FROM INCEPTION TILL DATE:

1. Prof. P.K. Chidambaram
2. Prof. V.K. Shankaran
3. Prof. D. Arumugam
4. Dr. P. Mallikarjuna Rao
5. Mr. P.A. Neelakandan
6. Mr. C. George Gunapal
7. Mrs. G. Sosamma

STAFF MEMBERS OF THE DEPATMENT IN THE YEAR 1961.

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| 1. Prof. P.K. Chidambaram | H O D. |
| 2. Mr. Kareem | LECTURER |
| 3. Mr. V.K Shankaran | DEMONSTRATOR |

IN THE YEAR 1968

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| 1. Prof. V.K. Shankaran | H O D. |
| 2. Prof. D. Arumugam | LECTURER |
| 3. Mr. H. Krishnan | DEMONSTRATOR |

IN THE YEAR 1970

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| 1. Prof. V.k. Shankaran | H O D. |
| 2. Mr. D. Arumugam | ASST. PROFESSOR |
| 3. Mr. R. Balakrishnan | ASST. PROFESSOR |
| 4. Mr. C. George Gunapal | DEMONSTRATOR |
| 5. Mr. S. Jayaraman | DEMONSTRATOR |
| 6. Mr. H. Krishnan | DEMONSTRATOR |
| 7. Mr. L.k. Kaliapermal | DEMONSTRATOR |
| 8. Mr. S. Mayilavelan | DEMONSTRATOR |

IN THE YEAR 1986

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|----------------------------|----------------|
| 1. Mr. R. Panchappakesan | H O D. |
| 2. Mr. R. Balakrishnan | ASST.PROFESSOR |
| 3. Mr. P.A. Neelakandan | ASST.PROFESSOR |
| 4. Mr. P. Mallikarjuna Rao | ASST.PROFESSOR |
| 5. Mr. T. Rajkumar | LECTURER |
| 6. Mr. K. Dhanarajou | LECTURER |
| 7. Mr. S. Ramadasse | LECTURER |
| 8. Mr. R. Rengayan | LECTURER |
| 9. Mr. S. Shankar | LECTURER |

IN THE 1986 - 1990

Dr. R. Balakrishnan WAS DEPUTED TO PONDICHERRY UNIVERSITY AS CONTROLLER OF EXAMINATIONS

IN THE YEAR 1989

1. **Mr. P. Mallikarjuna Rao**
2. **Mr. P.A. Neelakandan**
3. **Mr. T. Rajkumar**
4. **Mr. K. Dhanarajou**
5. **Mr. S. Ramadasse**

IN THE YEAR 1992

1. **Mr. C. George Gunapal**
2. **Mr. P. Mallikarjuna Rao**
3. **Mr. T. Rajkumar**
4. **Mr. K. Dhanarajou**
5. **Mr. S. Periyandi**

IN THE YEAR 1996

1. **Mr. C. George Gunapal**
2. **Mr. H. Krishnan**
3. **Mr. T. Rajkumar**
4. **Mr. K. Dhanarajou**
5. **Mr. G. Meenakshi**
5. **Mr. R. Sekar**

NOTE : **Dr. K. DHANARAJOU** LEFT THE COLLEGE SERVICE IN THE YEAR 2001 AND ENTERED INTO ACTIVE POLITICS AND RENDERING GOOD SERVICE TO THE POOR. HE WAS MEMBER OF PARLAMENT DURING THE PERIOD 2004-09, ELLECTED FROM THINDIVANAM CONSTITUENCY.

IN THE YEAR 1999

1. **Mr. C. George Gunapal**
2. **Mr. H. Krishnan**
3. **Mr. G. Sosamma**
4. **Mr. R. Sekar**
5. **Mr. B. Ramabrumam**
6. **Mr. S. Ramadasse**
7. **Mr. V. Ilango**

NOTE : ProfH. KRISHNAN PASSED AWAY ON 26.8.2008.

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| 1. Mrs. G. Sosamma | H O D. |
| 2. Dr. R. Sekar | Associate Professor |
| 3. Dr. S. Ramadasse | Associate Professor |
| 4. Dr. V. Ilangovan | Associate Professor |
| 5. Dr. S. Periyandi | Associate Professor |

Academic Progress

I. Teachers:

A. The following members of the faculty availed the FIP under UGC scheme to pursue M.Phil and Ph.D. degree programme.

1. **Mr. R. Balakrishnan**, Ph.D., Annamalai Univeristy
2. **Mr. V.K. Shankaran**, M.Phil. Annamalai Univeristy
3. **Mr. S. Mayilavelan**, M.Phil. Annamalai Univeristy
4. **Mr. R. Panchapakesan**, M.Phil. Madras University
5. **Mr. L.K. Kaliaperumal**, Ph.D., Madras University

B. Faculties were allowed to take orientation programmes whenever there is change in syllabus and also for career advancement programmes

C. At present the members of the department have attended necessary orientation and refresher courses apart from summer schools and conferences to update the knowledge in the fields of their interest.

II. Students:

A. The academic progress of the students is achieved by the following ways: Periodic counselling of the students by the faculty. Weak students are identified and proper counselling is given to improve their academic performance. Periodic tests are conducted to perform well in the university exams. Parents meeting is conducted regularly abreast of the academic progress of their wards.

B. University results for the past seven years

S.No	YEAR	PERCENTAGE	CLASS	DISTINCTION	RANK
1	2001-04	86%	16	1	-
2	2002-05	100%	22	5	-
3	2003-06	94%	19	8	-
4	2004-07	97%	16	3	-
5	2005-08	74%	9	1	1 - RANK
6	2006-09	68%	6	2	-
7	2007-10	67%	7	-	1 - RANK

C. Placements :

Career counselling and placement cell was established in the campus that provides guidance to apply for jobs and higher studies. The beneficiaries for the past years through the cell are

S.No.	NAME	YEAR	CONCERN
1.	S. Prabu	2001 -04	HP
2.	S. Sesikumar	2001 -04	CALL CENTRE
3.	J. Ganeshkumar	2001 -04	TATA -AIG
4.	S. Selvakumar	2004-07	CTS
5.	S. Syeed Ahamed	2004-07	CTS
6.	M. Swaminathan	2004-07	CTS
7.	S. Krishnakumar	2004-07	TCS
8.	M. Senthilkumar	2004-07	TCS
9.	A. Arunkumar	2004-07	WIPRO TECH
10.	K. Sabariraj	2004-07	WIPRO TECH
11.	R. Kalayana Chakaravarty	2004-07	CITI-CROUP
12.	L. Athithan	2004-07	INFO TECH
13.	R. Madhavan	2004-07	HCL
14.	V. Rajaji	2005-08	CTS
15.	B. Rajagobalen	2005-08	TCS
16.	S. Mohammed Akathu	2006-09	TCS

III. Department Activities

In the year 1994 - 95

This department has an association to carry out academic activities planned and executed by students and Staff members of the department. Every year special lectures are arranged giving focus on the understanding of the basic of physics through applications. physics etc. Towards such activities in the year 1994 -95 the department conducted "PHYSICS WEEK" from 18th Jan to 24th Jan 1996, and the following activities were carried out.

1. Works of Dirace in Physics by
Prof. **R. SEBESAN**, A.C.Tech, Karaikudi.
2. Basics on NMR by
Prof. **D. Srinivas Manja**, Pondicherry University.
3. Liquid crystals by
Prof. **Nambi Narayanan**, Pondicherry University.
4. Leadership skills by
Mr. **Nirmal Kumar**, Pondicherry University.
5. Non - conventional spectroscopy by
Prof. **S. Mohan**, Pondicherry University

Seminars , quiz competitions, Hit the Target etc, were conducted and prize were distributed in the presence of : M. Purushotaman (Principal - TAC) Prof. P.K. Chidambaram (former Principal), Rotary Club President Mr. Shanmugasundaram and secretary of Rotary Club Mr. Abdul Gourffer.

In the year 2008 - 09

on 29.08.2008. Dr. K.Porchezian , H O D of physics Department Pondicherry University gave special Lecture on "The Present Day Technology in Communication. On the same day Dr. S. V. M. Sathyanarayana, Reader in Physics Pondicherry University delivered a talk on Evolution of Mechanics - on overview.

A one day science seminar was organized jointly by Physics, chemistry, Botany, Zoology, Maths and Computer Science Departments on 12.03.2009 during which Dr. Nair (retired Prof: from Pondicherry University) gave Lectures on "Recent trends in Basic science and applications" and also topic on computer science in the afternoon.

A seminar on "Hydrogen Source Materials" was given by Dr. Sivakumar , Reader in Physics, Pondicherry University and

during afternoon a Talk on "Recent developments on astrophysics" was given by Mr. R. Mathivanan., Associate Prof: from Bharathidasan Govt. College for women, Pondicherry.

National Science day celebration was organized on 15th Feb 2010. Dr. Babu Rao ,Principal inaugurated the function. Dr. V. V. Ravi Kanth Kumar , associate Professor of Physics, Pondicherry University delivered a keynote address on "Photonic Crystal fibres" and Dr.S.V.S. Nageswara Rao, Associate Professor of Physics, Pondicherry University delivered a special Lecture on ION Beams in Material Science.

As a part of Golden jubilee celebration of the college, two special lectures were arranged on 18th Feb 2011, PROF . BABU RAO presided over the function. Dr. ALOK SHARAN, Associate Professor of Physics, Pondicherry University spoke on "THE WAY WE SEE THINGS AROUND AND BEYOND"

Followed by Dr. S. V. M. SATYA NARAYANA, Associate Professor of Physics, Pondicherry University SPOKE ON "THE ROLE OF CHANCE IN PHYSICS - DOES GOD PLAY DICE?"

GOLD MEDALISTS FROM DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICS - TAGORE ARTS COLLEGE.

S.No.	YEAR	NAME	RANK	UNIVERSITY
1.	1990-93	R.RAMAKRISHNAN	II	PONDICHERRY
2.	1994-97	AUOUTCHEVAME	I	PONDICHERRY
3.	2005-08	R.RAJAJI	I	PONDICHERRY
4.	2007-10	MOHAMMED AKHATU	I	PONDICHERRY

OUR ALUMNI IN ACADEMICS:

S.No.	NAME	POSITION	PLACE
	Dr. N. PATTABIRAMAN	PROFESSOR	U S A
	Dr. HARIDOSS	PROFESSOR	U S A
	Dr. ARUMUGAM	PROFESSOR	U S A
	Dr. CHANDRASEKARAN	PROFESSOR	PONDICHERRY
	Dr. T. RADJKUMAR	ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR	PONDICHERRY
	Dr. K.DHANARAJOU	READER Retd	PONDICHERRY
	Dr. D.RAGOURAMANE	ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR	PONDICHERRY
	Dr. S.SANKAR	PROFESSOR	CHENNAI
	Dr. S. RAMADASSE	ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR	PONDICHERRY
	Dr. S.GANESAN	PROFESSOR	CHENNAI
	Dr. L.K. JAYABAL (LATE)	ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR	CHENNAI
	Dr. R. MATHIVANAN	ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR	PONDICHERRY
	Dr. S.PERIYANDI	ASSISTANT PROFESSOR	PONDICHERRY
	Dr. SUNDARAGANESAN	ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR	PONDICHERRY
	Dr. JOTHILINGAM	PROFESSOR	U S A
	Dr. MANIKANDAN	ASSISTANT PROFESSOR	VILLUPURAM. T.N
	Dr. T. SRIDAR	SCEINTIST	IG CAR- KALPAKKAM.T.N.

DEPARTMENT OF CHEMISTRY

The Department of Chemistry was incepted in 1961 - 62 when the college was founded, offering Chemistry in the Pue-University course, and from the next year on, an ancillary subject as well in the degree level. The Department was upgraded in 1971 - 72 to offer chemistry Main in the B.Sc. level. A further expansion took place in 1981-82 with the inception of the post-graduate course in M.Sc. In 1984-85 the college was affiliated to the newly formed Pondicherry University. In 1989-90, the M.Sc. Course was transferred to the newly-constituted centre for post-graduate Studies in the same campus in lawspet. The Department now offers the three-year B.Sc. chemistry under the semester pattern (without internal assessment component), with an annual intake of 32 students in the main course, besides chemistry as an allied subject for the B.Sc. Mathematics, Physics, Botany and Zoology students of the College.

Dr. G. BABU RAO, Prof. V. KUMARASAMY, Dr. S. SRINIVASAN, Prof. Ananda Rao, Prof. R. Sivaramakrishnan, and Dr. T.R.Seetharaman have headed the department at various stages.

THE PRESENT INFRASTRUCTURE

Apparatus, chemicals and equipment were procured for the Department to the tune of Rs. 5,00,000 .The Departmental records are currently being computerized.

The infrastructure facilities in the Department are sufficient.

The Faculty

The faculty consists of four lecturers and their teaching experience ranges from 20 to 28 years. One of the lecturer hold Doctorate and one submitted their Ph.D.degree of Pondicherry University.

1. **Dr. A. Tinabaye**, M.sc., Ph.D.,
Head&Associate Professor of chemistry,
Tagore Arts College.
2. **Mr. G. Thirupurasundari**
Associate Professor of chemistry,
Tagore Arts College.
3. **Mr. Rajesh Kumar Sharma**
Associate Professor of chemistry,
Tagore Arts College.

4. **Mr. N. Couppammalle**, M.Sc., M.Phil.,B.Ed.,
Assistant Professor of chemistry,
Tagore Arts College.

NON- TEACHING STAFF

P. Nandanapathi	Store- keeper
P. Ariyapoutry	Laboratory Assistant
M. Subramaniam	Laboratory Attender
M. Nagalakshmi	Sanitary Assistant
M. Gowri	Sanitary Assistant

STUDENT ENROLMENT

III B.Sc. (Chemistry)	32
II B.Sc. (Chemistry)	35
I B.Sc. (Chemistry)	35
Allied Chemistry for :	
II B.Sc. (Physics)	35
II B.Sc.(Botany)	35
II B.Sc.(Chemistry)	35

Student Assessment

Since there is no component of internal assessment in the existing semester pattern adopted by the University, class-room tests are only occasionally held. There have been, for the past two years, a mandatory model examination in all the subjects conducted near the end of each semester prior to the University examinations. The performance in the model examination of each student is discussed by the teachers with the parent who is required to come to the Department in person to learn about the progress or otherwise of his/her ward. However, no student is prevented from sitting for the university examination for reason of poor performance in the model examination. Efforts are made to identify weak spots in students and counsel them accordingly. These measures have inculcated a great degree of responsibility and a sense of purpose among the students in recent times.

The Chemistry Association

The Chemistry Association conducts an annual Chemistry Week, inviting academics and technologists to give special lectures. During the Chemistry week, essay, debate and quiz competitions conducted on matters of current relevance, and prizes distributed, every year , on the valedictory day, merit

(cash) prizes are given away to the four top-rankers of the previous batch by Dr. S.Surender, Managing Director, Flavours India Ltd., Puducherry, instituted in the memory of its founder, Late Sri. Brahmanandam.

The third year students are also taken on a study tour of chemistry-based industries to inculcate practical knowledge.

Co-curricular Activities

A large majority of the students of the Department are active members of the NSS and sizeable number of students are enrolled in the NCC. Two of the present II year and one III year student have participated in the Independence and Republic Day parades.

Placement

The Department liaises continuously with the industrialists of the area so that a number of students are offered training and/or appointments as soon as they complete their course.

Alumni

A number of former students of this Department occupy academic and research positions in India and abroad, besides in industries and services. These Include:

1. Dr. Aryamala (B.Sc. 1979-82; M.Sc. 82-84), Cancer Research, U.S.A
2. Dr. Chandrasekar (B.Sc. 71 -74), Teaching & Molecular biology research, U. S.A.
3. T.V. Chandrasekhara Rao (M.Sc. 81 - 83), Scientist, BARC.
4. Aswath Raman (B.Sc. 71 -74), Scientist, IGCAR, Kalpakkam.
5. Dr. Boominathan (B.Sc. 91-94), Weizmann Inst., Israel., now in Singapore
6. Dr. Tamaraiselvi (B.Sc. 79-82; M.Sc. 82-84), Polymer chemist, U.S.A.
7. Dr. Jeevarathanam (B.Sc. 75-78), Medical Research, Gwalior
8. Dr. Kalpana (B.Sc. 77 -80), Biochemist, U.S.A.
9. Dr. R.Rajkumar (B.Sc. 72-75), Professor, Madras University
10. Dr. K. Ramalingam (B.Sc. 74-77), Professor in chemistry, Annamalai University
11. Dr. Karthikeyan (B.Sc. 87-90), Scientist, NCL, Pune
12. Dr. P. Siva (B.Sc. 88-91), Polymer Chemist, Vadodara.
13. Dr. Subramani (B.Sc. 73-76), Research in Molecular reaction dynamics, U.S.A.
14. Dr. Subramanian (B.Sc. 74-77), HOD & Professor of Chemistry, Pondicherry Engg. College
15. Dr. R. Gunasegarane (B.Sc. 72-75), Associate Professor (Retd) KMCPGS, PG Centre, Pondicherry.
16. Dr. A.J.A. Petrus (B.Sc. 74-77), Associate Professor, PG Centre, Pondicherry.
17. V. Ravysandirane (B.Sc. 71-74), Former HOD of Chemistry, B.G.C.W., Pondicherry.
18. Dr. R. Veeraragavan (B.Sc. 79-82; M.Sc. 82-84), Associate Professor Bharathidasan Govt. College for Women. Pondicherry.
19. Dr. A. Tinabaye (B.Sc. 73-76), HOD & Associate Professor, TAC, Puducherry.
20. Dr. V. Balamurugan, Post Doctorat fellow, Canada 1977
21. Dr. K. Jeevanatham, Professor, Department of Biochemistry HOD Biology.
22. Dr. A.J.A. Petrus, Associate Professor of Chemistry KMPGS - 1977
23. Dr. K. Ramalingam, Professor of Chemistry, Annamalai University
24. K.K. Praneeth, Post Dictorat fellow, U.S.A. 2001
25. K.R. Sankaran, Professor of chemistry, Annamalai University
26. Nadasabapathy, Scientist, DFRL, Mysore 1986
27. O. Lurdu Raj, Associate Professor of Chemistry, Bhuvaneshvar.
28. M. Tamil Selvan, Ph.D., Scholar, Slovenia

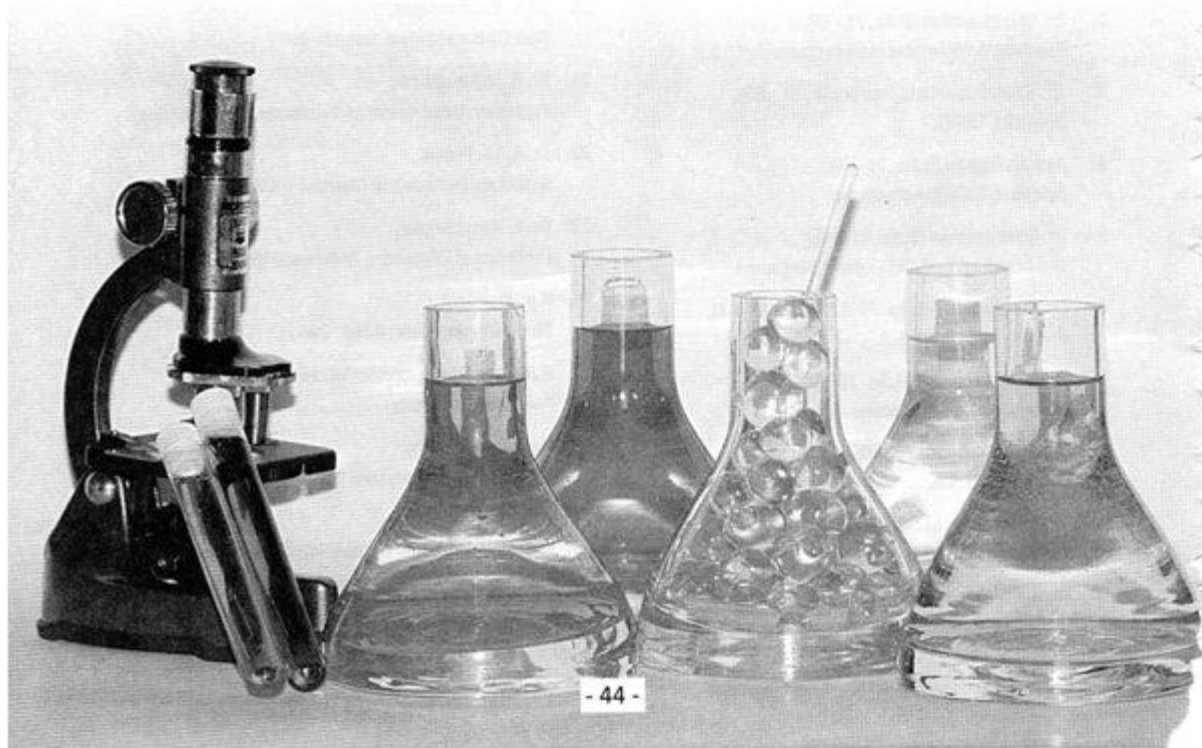
29. K. Ragu, Associate professor,
Krishnaswamy Engg. College
30. Daniel Aroquiaraj,
Associate Professor of Chemistry, Govt. Arts College
31. Thambi Durai,
Associate Professor of Chemistry, G.A.C. Villupuram
32. G. Thirupurasundary, M.Sc. 1987,
Associate Professor of Chemistry TAC.
33. N. Couppammalle,
Assistant Professor of Chemistry TAC.

PLANS FOR THE FUTURE

The adoption of the UGC-recommended syllabi in the coming year will mark an overhaul of the current pattern essentially inherited from the middle of the last century. But a

mere revision, however drastic, of the syllabus alone will not serve the purpose of training the students in such a way that their full potential can be tapped so as to be beneficial to be beneficial to them as well as to the society at large.

While pure sciences are undeniably important, it is recognized that applied sciences and technology hold the key for the further progress of the nation. With the Union Territory of Pondicherry attracting so many small and medium-scale industries, it will be only appropriate for the Department of Chemistry to expand into new vistas such as industrial chemistry, pharmaceutical chemistry, etc. This will entail a transition, with a change in outlook, but that is the pressing demand of the times. Much remains to be done in this direction to make this Department more relevant and, therefore, one of Excellence.



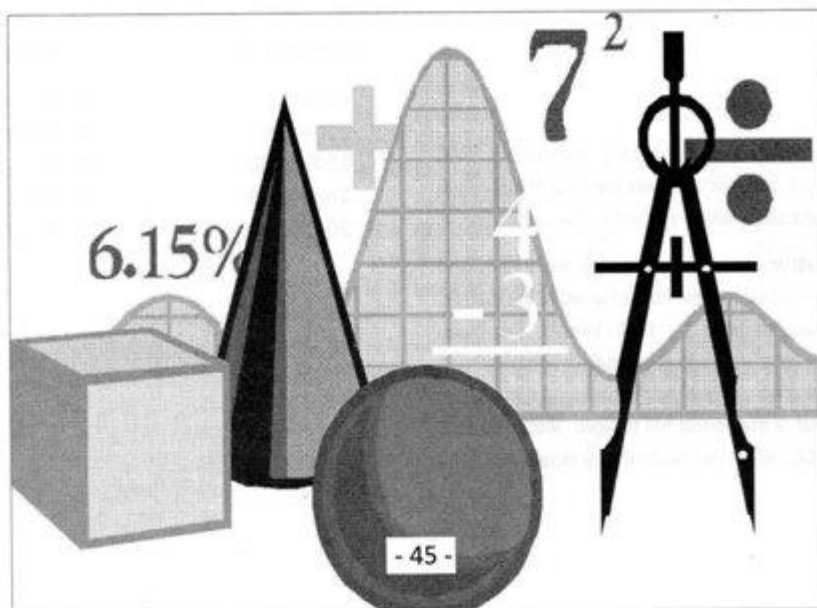
Department of Mathematics

The Department of Mathematics was established in the year 1962 To start with we had only U.G. course in Maths. Then during 1970, P.G course was started. during 1989 P.G course in maths was shifted to KMCPGS' along with other P.G courses. At present we have only B.Sc course in Mathematics.

60% of the present faculty in the Department were students of this Institution.

1. A. MuthuGanapathy Subramanian, was awarded Ph.D degree by Pondicherry university. He has done his research work in Application of retail Quity systems in Telecommunications and networking.
2. Gopal Sekar, R. Varadarajan and K. Valarmady are doing Parttime doctoral research.
3. A. Muthu Ganapathy Subramanian and Gopal Sekar published as many as 20 articles in peer reviewed International Journals.
4. J. Udaya Geetha was awarded gold medal by Pondicherry university for society first rank in B.Sc. Degree Examination held in May 2009.
5. Rukmani was awarded gold medal by Madras university for society first rank in M.Sc. Degree Examination held in May 1978.
6. Many of our students got placement in leading MNC is like TCS, WIPRO, CTS etc.
7. For the past 50 years the Department has produced many Scientists, Engineer, Profs, Good teachers, Judges, Police personnel, Bank Service Personnel etc. To Mention a few we have the following list.

1. A. Rajendiran, R. Vasantha Kumari, Principal
2. Dr. Ramanujam,
Prof of Maths, Bharathidasan university
3. D. Ramabathiran, Judge
4. Mangayarkarasi
Asst. Prof of maths , PEC, Pondy
Tulasi, Selvam, Varalakshmi
Asst. Prof of maths, BGCW, Pondy
Karupaya Pillai
Asst. Prof of maths, AGACW, KKL
5. D. Subramanian, Ashok Leyland
6. Selvaraj, Satish, Ramkumar, Banking Services
7. Ramachandran, Motorola, B'lore.
8. R. Umasankar, Kandan, Shanmugasundaram
Telecom Services
9. R. Venkatraman, Dean, Pondicherry university
10. Egambaram, Kogila, Lakshman Rajan,
Venkatesaperumal, Top MNDs.



DEPARTMENT OF COMPUTER SCIENCE

The Department of Computer of Science started on 1989 in Tagore Arts College. The course B.Sc (Computer Science) was successfully started by Head of Department Professors Mr. Rajapandian and Mr. C.V.Mohan by their excellent co-operation to bring their dream to reality. They met the higher to get sanction for the course and keep track all other things to procure computers and the peripherals to set the Lab.

Till the Separate block has been constructed for the department, the course has been run in the main building. In the year 2001 a Separate block was constructed, with the excellent lab facility, Classrooms, Staff rooms and so on.

Course was started with the following staffs, Mrs. Logeswari, Mrs. Malathi on Temporary basis and Professor Mr. Raja Pandian. as the Head of the Dept. Computers are purchased from HCL Company for the practical purpose. The first Batch Students come out successfully in the year of 1992 with the best result. The Inter College Competition TACSA conducted every year by the Staff and Students of the Computer Science Department with the interest of Head of the Department Prof. Mr. Raja Pandian

The following Assistant Professors have worked in this Department during the past 20 years

Mr. R. Sethuraman
Mrs. K. Sivapaquiavady
Mr. S. Mourugan
Mrs. S. Shyamala
Mr. S. Sundararajan
Mrs. A. Saipriya
Mrs. A. Jayasree
Mrs. S. Suganthi

Various Articles are procured including computers, UPS, Digital kits, Micro Processor kits, with the help of institution and maintained the stock can be verified by the institution.

A mini Departmental Library has been maintained and books have been maintained and books issued to the staff for the reference and students for their benefit. Computer Science Students are always smart in studies, behaviour and in career. Every year we can see their improvement in studies and they come out of the course full fledged. Most students participate in NCC, NSS. The students participated in the

Inter College Competitions and won prize in different events. Most students go to Higher Studies and they got jobs in foreign Countries, and well known Organizations like, TCS, WIPRO.

The following Maths Departments heads took part on Department incharge during the history.

Mr. Raja Pandian
Mrs. Lakshmi Srinivasan
Mr. Paramanatham
Mr. Rajendran.

On 2005 Mrs. M. Nandhini was appointed a Regular Staff for the Department, and became the Head of the Department for Four years. During her period, the department activities are done independently and successfully.

On 2009 February, the consolidated lecturers worked on temporary basis become regular staff after attending the UPSC interview at New Delhi. And the department is fulfilled with almost regular staff after a long period. In 2010, the hourly basis staff also promoted to consolidated post with great effort.

On 2009 August the Asst. professor K. SIVAPAQUIAVADY become the Head of department. During her period most of the requirements in the departments are fulfilled with help of principal Dr. Babu Rao, office staff and with cooperation staff members further hope that all other requirements, problems has been rectified by intuitions.

Students results for past 5 years

STUDENT BATCH	RESULT IN PERCENTAGE
2003-2006	24/35 = 64.86%
2004-2007	22/36 = 61.1%
2005-2008	22/32 = 68.75%
2006-2009	29/40 = 72.5%
2007-2010	32/37 = 86.48%

DEPARTMENT ACTIVITIES (2010 - 2011)

1. Technical experts from AMAZE multimedia CSN system (p) ltd., Pondicherry conduct a demonstration clam which give exposures towards the animation industry.
2. Four students from III year computer science participate in events in explore "10" a national level inter_college competition conducted by Saradha Gangadharan College, Velrampet, Pondicherry.

QUIZ PROGRAM

1. Thirunavuherssu. I - III year student
2. Dhivya. J III year student

2. DEBUGGING

1. Ravisenker. J
2. Balaji. J

For debugging student won 2nd prize

3. Around 20 students from III year student are participated in different events conducted in SRM university Chennai. The events are Treasure hunt, web designing, post designing quiz, animation and documentation, In documentation, the students kamaldas. K exhibit his technical talent in animation. In the poster designing event the II year student J. Ravikumar won the first prize

4. Student from II year, III year, are attended in NCC and NSS (Air force, NAVAL). state level competition

5. The department of computer science taken the credit of conducting an many seminaries as possible in computer oriented topics every year.

6. Result : 2007 - 2010 batch student, total strength 37: out of 32 have passed in all subjects" Pass percentage = 86%

7. Eleven new system core due model with LCD monitor were procured and successfully lekakoro installed this year for the computer science department

8. proposal also send for procuring 15 more computer 2 UPS digital microprocessor kits. separate lab is set for digital and microprocessor lab.



Department of Plant Science

At the inception (1961) the dept. was imparting education only to P.U.C. students. Later on during 1962 under graduate course was started. Both P.U.C. and B.Sc., were affiliated to University of Madras. During 1987 - 88 Post - graduate course was started. Several projects of Govt. of Puducherry, DSTE, UGC, DF and WL and Owen - Built were carried out by Dr. V.Ramassamy, Dr. T. Ganesan and Dr. V. Kumaresan. Professor K.Rabindran was elevated to Principalship. Dr. D.Kadamban and Dr. V.Jayachandran have also served as N.S.S. Programme officers.

Many of the present day professors and popular personalities were the products of this department. They are Dr. P.Michael, Prof. A.Julien, Dr. M.P.Ramanujam, Dr. G. Kumaravelu Dr. V. Ramassamy, Dr. V.Jayachandran, Dr. K.Kadavul, Dr. S. Nadanakunjidam, Dr. T.Ganesan, Mr. D. Rajarajan, Mrs. Sarojini,

P. Tamilselvan - Senior Scientist - Medicinal Plants Board - Gujarat

S. Soucenadin - Director, Amalorpavam Higher Sec. School, Puducherry

J. Ravikumar - Medical Psychologist, Arupadaiveedu Medical College

J. Selvanathan - Judicial Magistrate

Thirunavukkarasu - Senior Scientist - RRL - Bhubaneswar

Tamilselvan - RDO, Govt. of Puducherry

Mani - Taxonomist, Botanical Gardens - China.

Abdul Kareem - FRLHT, Bangalore

Loganathan - Traditional Medical Practitioner.

Thangavelou

Siva kumar, Thangavelu - Consultants in their own Research laboratory

Mari christian Paul, Mohan kumar - Inspectors of Police, Govt. of Puducherry

Vijayan - Biotechnologist

Lalith Naidu, Senthil Kumar - Microbiologists

A.T.Prasad - Biochemist, Hyderabad.

Some notable achievers:

1. University gold medal winners

- Andal - 1995

- Amirthambal - 2007

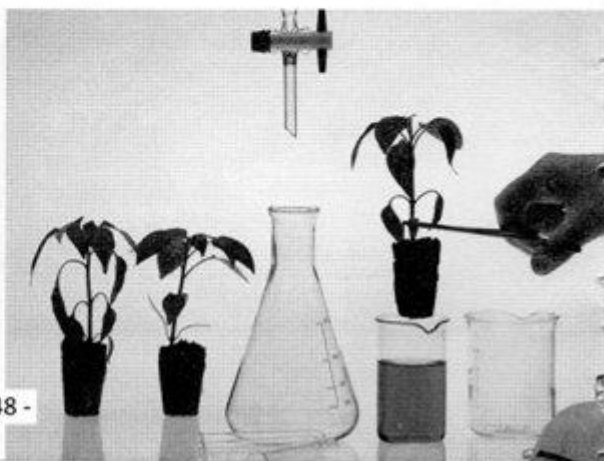
2. Best NSS volunteer award - P. Murugananthan

3. Young scientist award - 1999

Senior scientist award - 2009 - Dr. K. Rajandiran

4. Dr. Salgare gold medal award 2010 and FAPSE award - Dr. K. Kadavul

a Dr. K. Kadavul is an executive Member in NESAC - (National Environmental Science Academy), New Delhi.



DEPT . OF ZOOLOGY.

Zoology department in Tagore Arts College was started in 1961 and imparting education only to PUC students and then in 1963, at the ancillary level to the Botany main students. Later on during 1968, BSc Zoology (main) was started. Both PUC and BSc were affiliated to university of Madras. During 1987 - 88 M.Sc Zoology was started.

Many of the present Day Professors were the products of this department. They are Dr. V. Anandan, Dr. B. Kumaran, Dr. B.Krishnamoorthy, Dr. V. Ravichandran, Dr. V. Ramalingam, Mr. M. Thirumavalavan, Dr. V. Muthu Vivekananda, Mrs. R. Malarvizhi and Dr. S. Muthu. Prof. B.V. Bindu Madava Rao, Senior most staff of the department was elevated to Principalship.

Many of the Popular personalities were the products of this department.

Dr. B. Mohan,
Prof in USA

Dr. N. Karthigeyan,
Scientist in Singapore

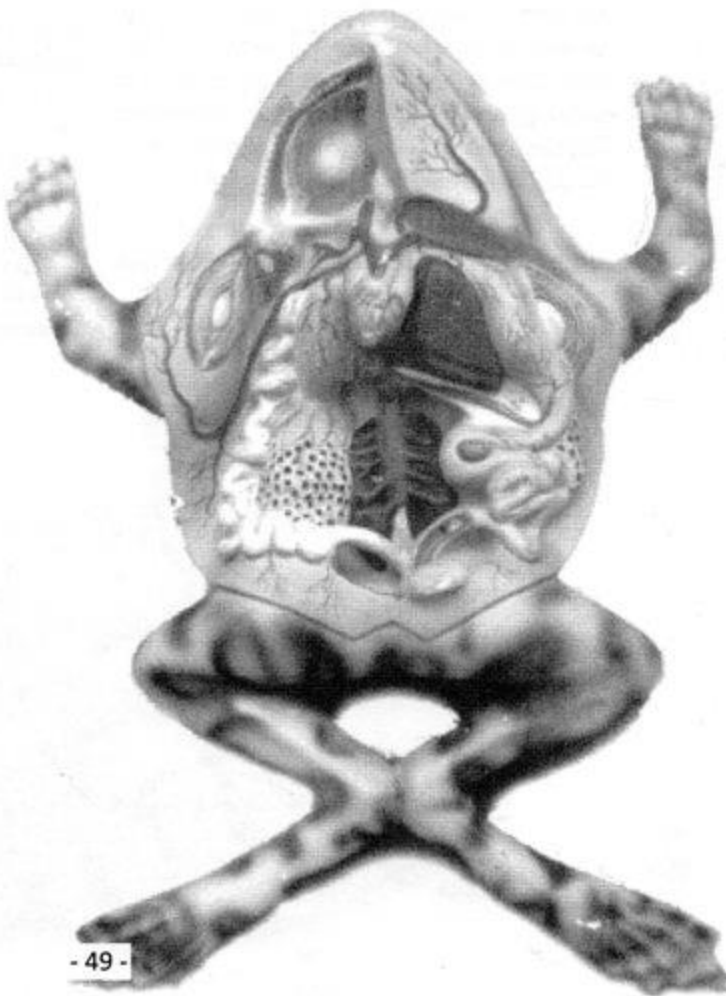
Dr. S. Elangovan,
doing his Post doctoral fellowship in USA

Dr. K. Sukumar,
Prof in Regional Centre For Education, Mysore.

Dr. N. Deivasigamani,
Joint Director in Fisheries Govt. of Puducherry.

Dr. Dhana segaran,
Deputy Director in Fisheries Govt. of Puducherry.

Dr. Nagarajan,
Senior Manager, SBI, Chennai.



Department of Psychology

From the time of its inception Government Tagore Arts College has been taking care of the academic needs of the students in Puthuvai through different departments by offering traditional and job-oriented courses in various disciplines. However the discipline Psychology did not get a room in the higher education scenario of U .T. of Pondicherry till the year 1995. The demand and scope for Psychology amplified with the opening of this new Department at this college and it continues to attract enormous number of students every year on a par with other subjects offered by the college.

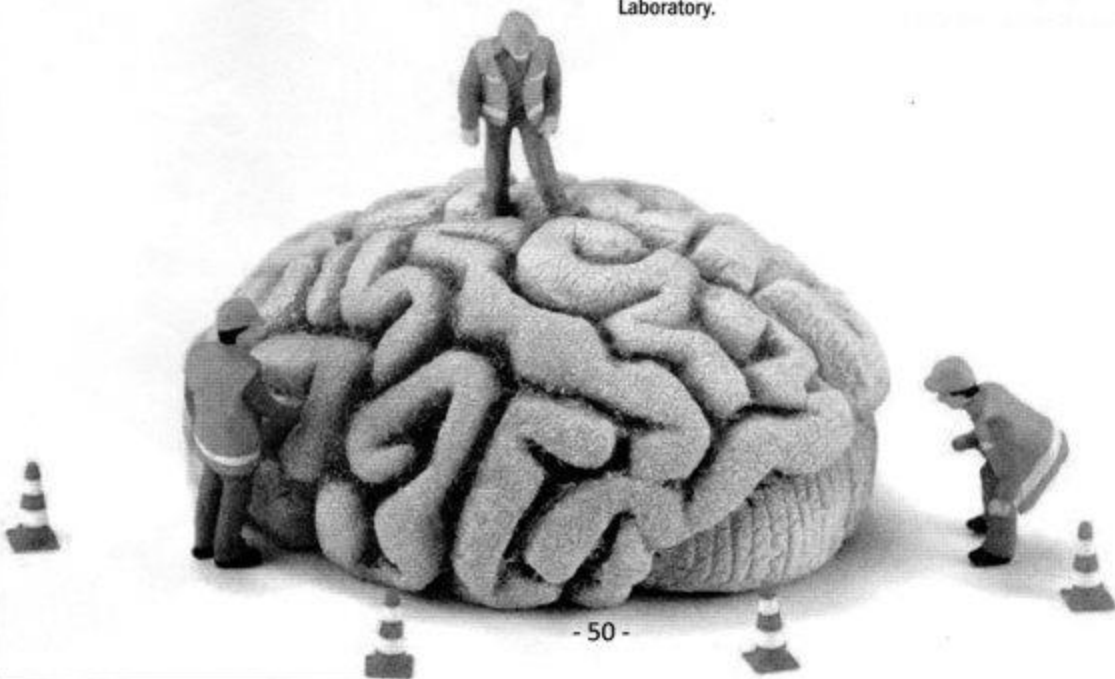
At the outset, Department of Psychology started functioning along with the Department of Philosophy headed by Dr. K. Narayanan the then Professor of Philosophy. The first faculty of the department, Dr.(Mrs). Sangeetha Das, joined in the year 1995 and in 1996 two more members were added - Dr. V. Ramprabou and Dr. R. Parivallal. The Department had been offering B. A. Degree course at the under-graduate level in the discipline of Psychology wherein the first two years non-semester system and which was later converted to semester pattern, from the third year onwards.

Keeping in view of the need and demand for the subject as well the workload covering the syllabus of three

years an additional faculty namely Mrs. M. Rosalind Prabha was appointed in the year 1999. As such the Department even though young with six years standing and just with the faculty strength of four lecturers had successfully accomplished its tasks after the retirement of Dr. K. Narayanan under the leadership of Dr. A. Durairangam (the present Head of the Dept. of Philosophy) till May 2003.

The Department of Psychology became unique and obtained inimitable identity in 2003 when it bifurcated from the Department of Philosophy and started functioning under the leadership of Dr. M. Balachandran. Relevance, growth and development of the Discipline have got momentum after this and new laboratory equipments were added and department Laboratory and library started functioning.

In view of the heavy demand for the course and of its job potential new B. Sc. Psychology course was introduced from the academic year 2007-08 of comprises of 28 papers spread across six semesters with four practical papers, and a computer assested testing and a project work as additional practical papers. with nearly 200 instruments and psychological tests, the course could modify the perceptual understanding of the concepts and theories of psychology. In addition, a Students Counselling Centre has been functioning attached to the Psychological Laboratory.



TAGORE ARTS COLLEGE LIBRARY: THE ABODE OF KNOWLEDGE

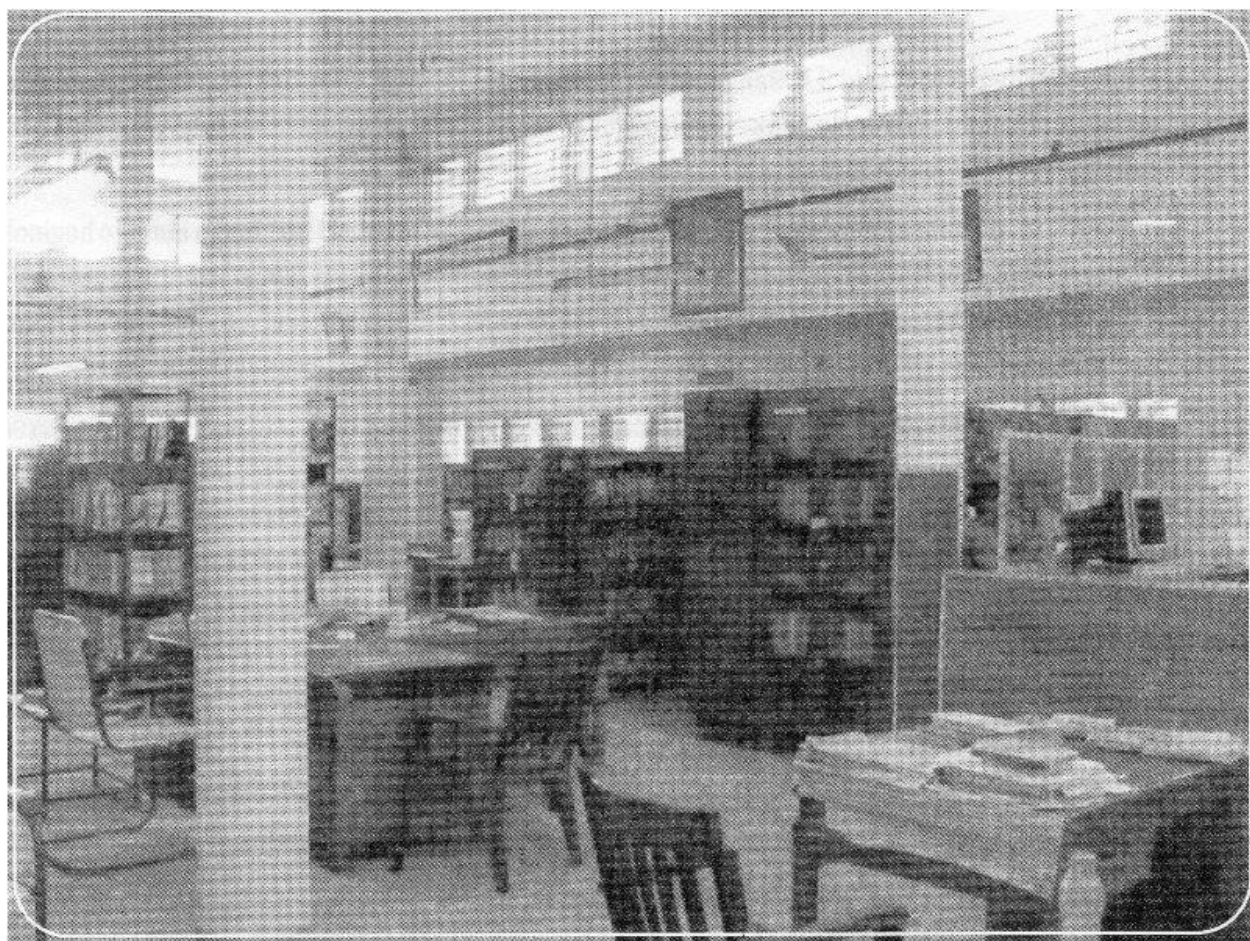
Library is the heart of the institution, said S.R.Ranganathan, the father of Indian Library Science. This is particularly true in the context of academic institutions. Library in an academic institution plays a vital role by refreshing the minds of academic community with fresh ideas and new knowledge.

The TAC Library, established along with its parent organization Tagore Arts College in 1961 had a humble beginning with a small collection of 956 books to cater to the needs of a small band of teachers and students. Located initially in one of the class rooms in the main building, it was shifted to a separate library building in 1971. The new building was constructed from the grant of the University Grants Commission. The library building has over 70,000 sq.ft. of built up area consisting two floors.

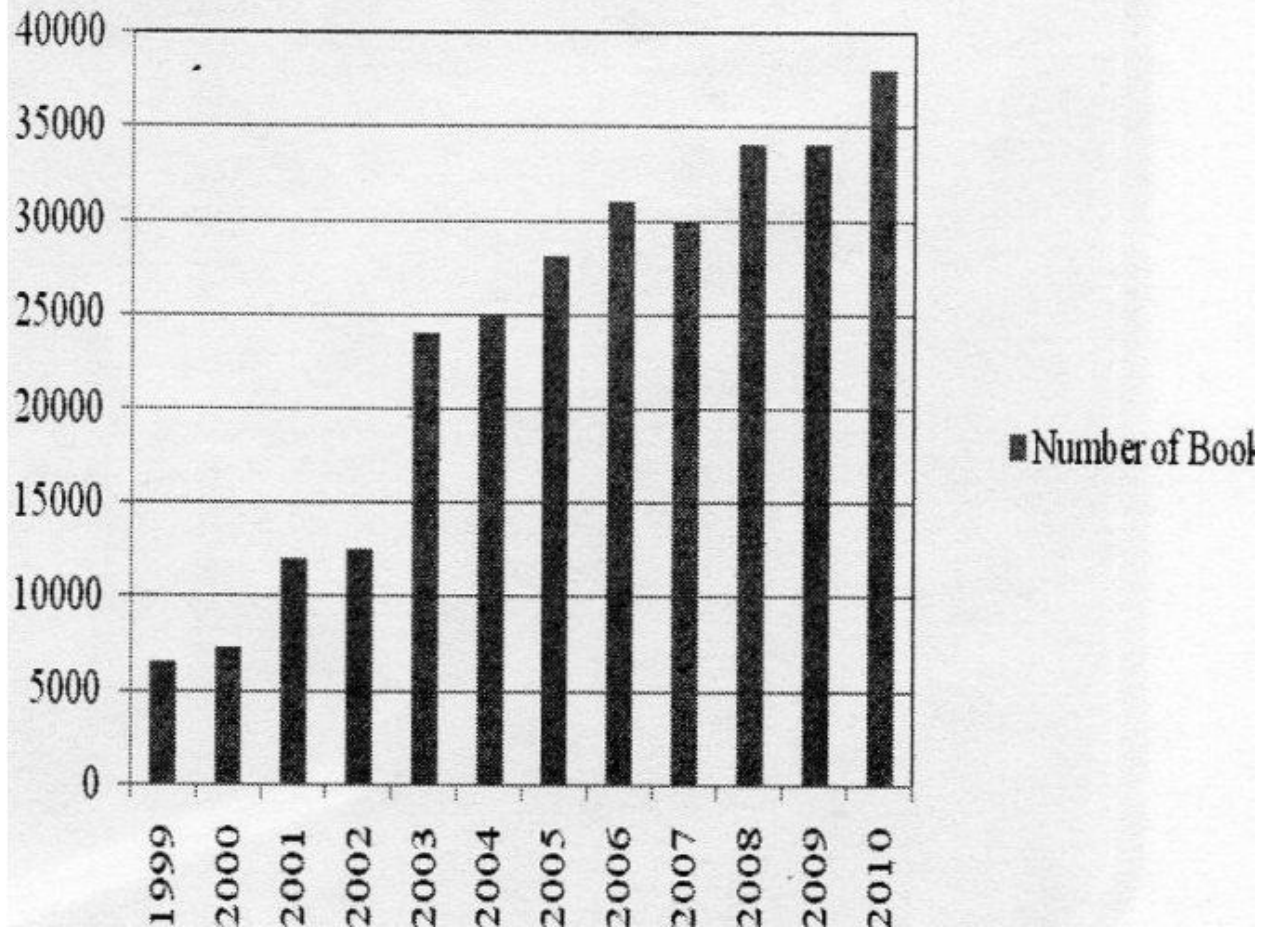
Over the years, the TAC Library has grown into the biggest academic library of Puducherry and only recently it was surpassed by the University Library in terms of number of books. Due to the dedication and untiring labour of a string of librarians starting from Ms. Annie T. Sundaram, this library could develop a voluble collection of books on every conceivable field of knowledge. The collection of this library contains innumerable books that are not found any other library and scholars of other institutions and regions quite often visit this library to consult these rare books. Particularly the collections of Tamil, English and French literatures are real treasure troves. Probably this is the only academic library in the Union Territory to have its own binding section. In addition to the chief librarian, there are three technical staff in the grade of school librarians managing the day to day operations and services of the library with the assistance of six maintenance staff.

Apart from lending books to students and staff, it offers internet and photocopying services as well. There is a Book Bank which provides books to students coming from economically weaker section of the society. Every year on an average over 35000

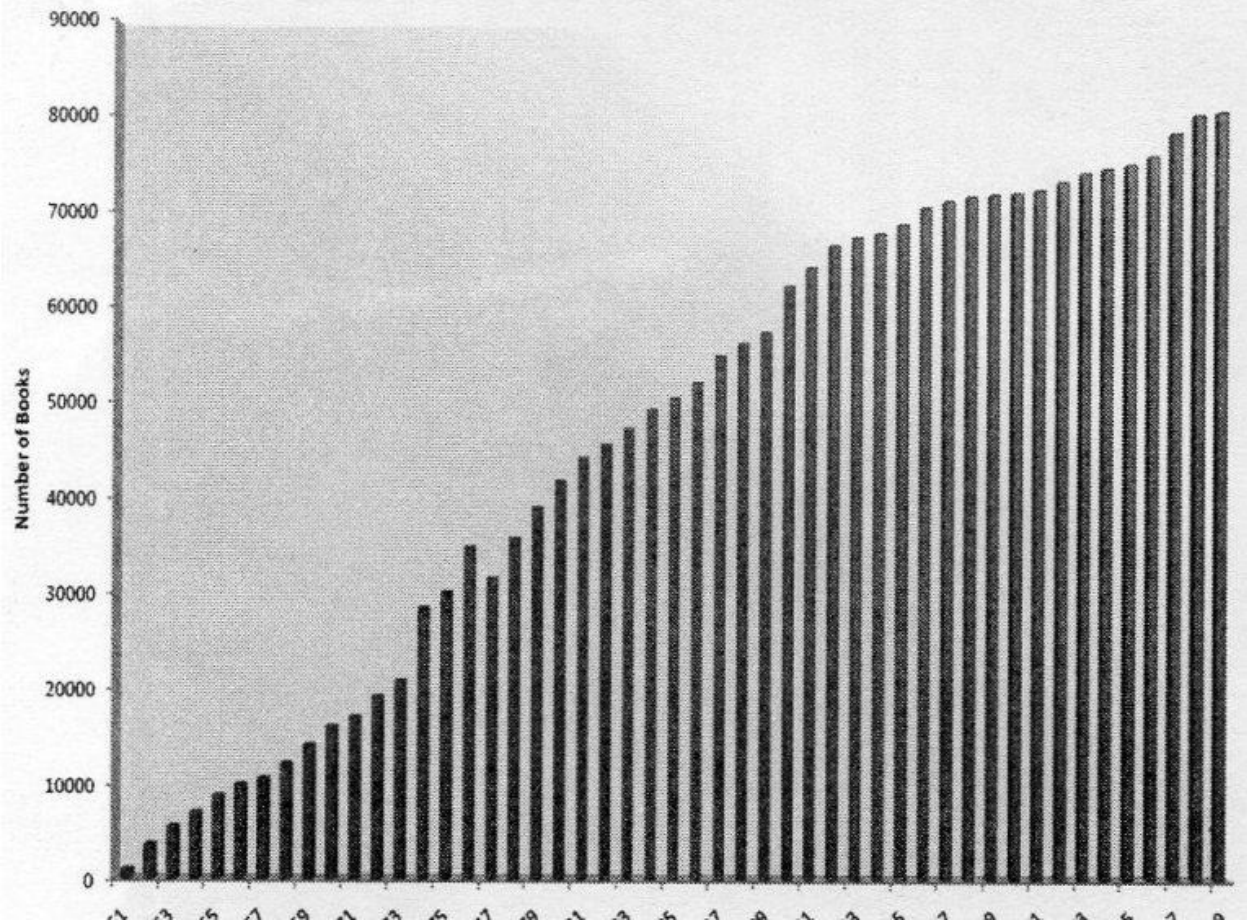




Growth of Book Circulation



Growth of Book Collection



Motto : Not Me But You

On the eve of 50th Golden Jubilee Year 2011 of our institution, the NSS Unit - II with total strength of 100 volunteers involved in several activities of the society and community development at large in Puducherry.

To start with, the NSS volunteers planted 50 tree saplings in and around the campus, to celebrate the 50th anniversary of our college. Some of the highlights of our activities and observing and celebrating Independence day, Republic day, in

Environmental awareness, Anti - Alcoholism, Child - labors Abolition, Food Processing Awareness, Road Safety, Polio-free nation, Voters Awareness, etc.,

The volunteers also involved with the Police Department (Traffic) and the Regional Transport Office for observing Road Safety Week, Diwali shopping, Pongal shopping and Masi - Magam Festival.



our campus with flag hoisting by our beloved Principal Dr. G. BABURAO. They also involved in campus cleaning and tree trimming in the main block and other blocks.

We called experts from various sources to discuss and deliberate on social issues like Tobacco free world, Aids Awareness,

They also participated in National Integration Rally, Voters Awareness Rally, Polio Awareness Rally, Road Safety Rally etc.

We also conducted Programs for the Personality Development, Career Guidance, and Employment Opportunities for the youth.

Apart from this, 20 volunteers Registered for voluntary Blood Donation and for Election Duty 2011.

One of Our Volunteers M. AJEETHA II B.A English Participated in Republic Day Parade held in New Delhi, on Jan 26, 2011.

Some of the volunteers like UTHAYAKUMAR, KANNADASAN, RAMAMOORTHY, VIJAI, MURUGAN, GOVINDASAMY and AJEETHA had done services which is noteworthy and highly appreciable.

Happy Nss, Long Live TAC

1. Special NSS Camp was Conducted in our Campus from 15.4.2011 to 18.4.2011. under the theme "Education is to live in harmony with all - Tagore". More than 50 NSS Volunteers participated in the Camp, out of Which 45 volunteers received 'B' grade certificate and one student received A grade certificate.



Dr. E. Devabalane
Programme officer, NSS Unit - II



V. Rajaji
B.Sc., Physics
2005 - 2008



R. Monoj Kumar
B.Sc., Chemistry
2008 - 2011



S. Mohammed Akharthu
B.Sc., Physics
2006 - 2009



S. Brunsivachandran
B.A., Tamil
2008 - 2011



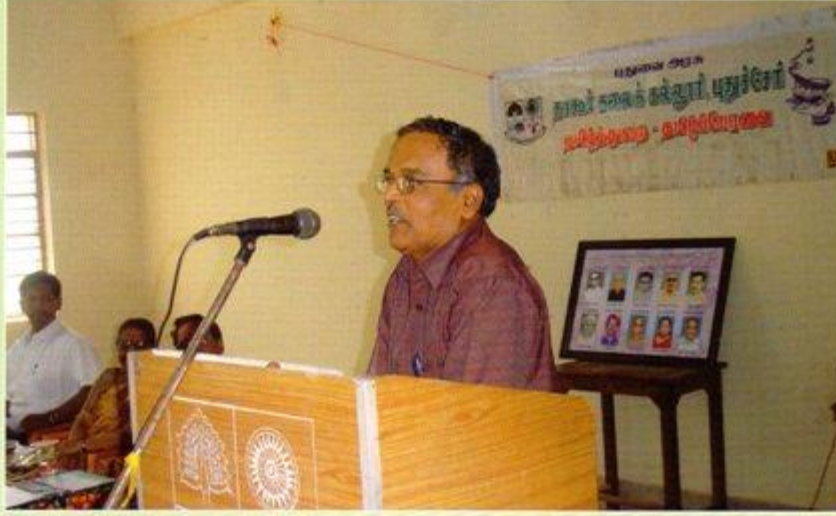
C. Balaji
B.A., Sociology
2008 - 2011



S. Gahr Veanthan
B.A., English
2008 - 2011



Kumudham Balasubramanian
B.A., French
2008 - 2011



25-02-2011 இலக்கிய விழா “இலக்கியச் செல்வம் மாணாக்கர் உடைமை”
என்னும் தலைப்பில் காஞ்சி மாமுனிவர் பட்ட மேற்படிப்பு மையப் பேராசிரியர்
முனைவர். க. பஞ்சாங்கம் சிறப்புரை ஆற்றுவதில்



11-03-2011 இலக்கிய இசை விழா - தமிழ் மனக்கும் நாட்டுப்புறப்பாடல்களை
இசையோடு பாடி சிறப்பு விருந்தினராகக் கலந்து கொண்டார் கஸ்தூரிபாய்
மகளிர் கலைக் கல்லூரிப் பேராசிரியர் பால. தண்டபாயுதம்.



18-03-2011 நாடக விழா தண்ணீர் 2050 மதிக்கெட்ட மன்னன் என்னும்
இரு நாடக விழாவினைத் தொடங்கி வைத்து பரிசு வழங்கி சிறப்புரை ஆற்றினார்.
காஞ்சி மாமூனிலுள்ள மேற்படிப்பு மையப் பொருளாதாரப் பேராசிரியர் முனைவர். சி. வேல்முருகன்



8-4-2011 முப்பெரும் விழா தமிழ்ப்பேரவை நிறைவு விழா ம.ரா.பூபதி அறக்கட்டளைப்
பரிசளிப்பு விழா திருக்குறள் போட்டி பரிசளிப்பு விழாவில் சிறப்புரை வழங்கினார்
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தமிழ்த்துறை - தமிழ்ப்பேரவை : 2009 - 2010 - 17-09-2009 உரையரங்கம், புதுச்சேரி.
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2000 முதல் 2012 வரை வெளிவந்துள்ள தமிழ் இலக்கியக் கருத்தரங்க மலரை முன்னாள் உயர்கல்வி அமைச்சர் எம்.ஒ.எச். எஃப். ஷாஜகான் வெளியிட சென்னைப் பல்கலைக் கழகப் பேராசிரியர், இராமலிங்கம் பெற்றுக் கொள்கிறார்.



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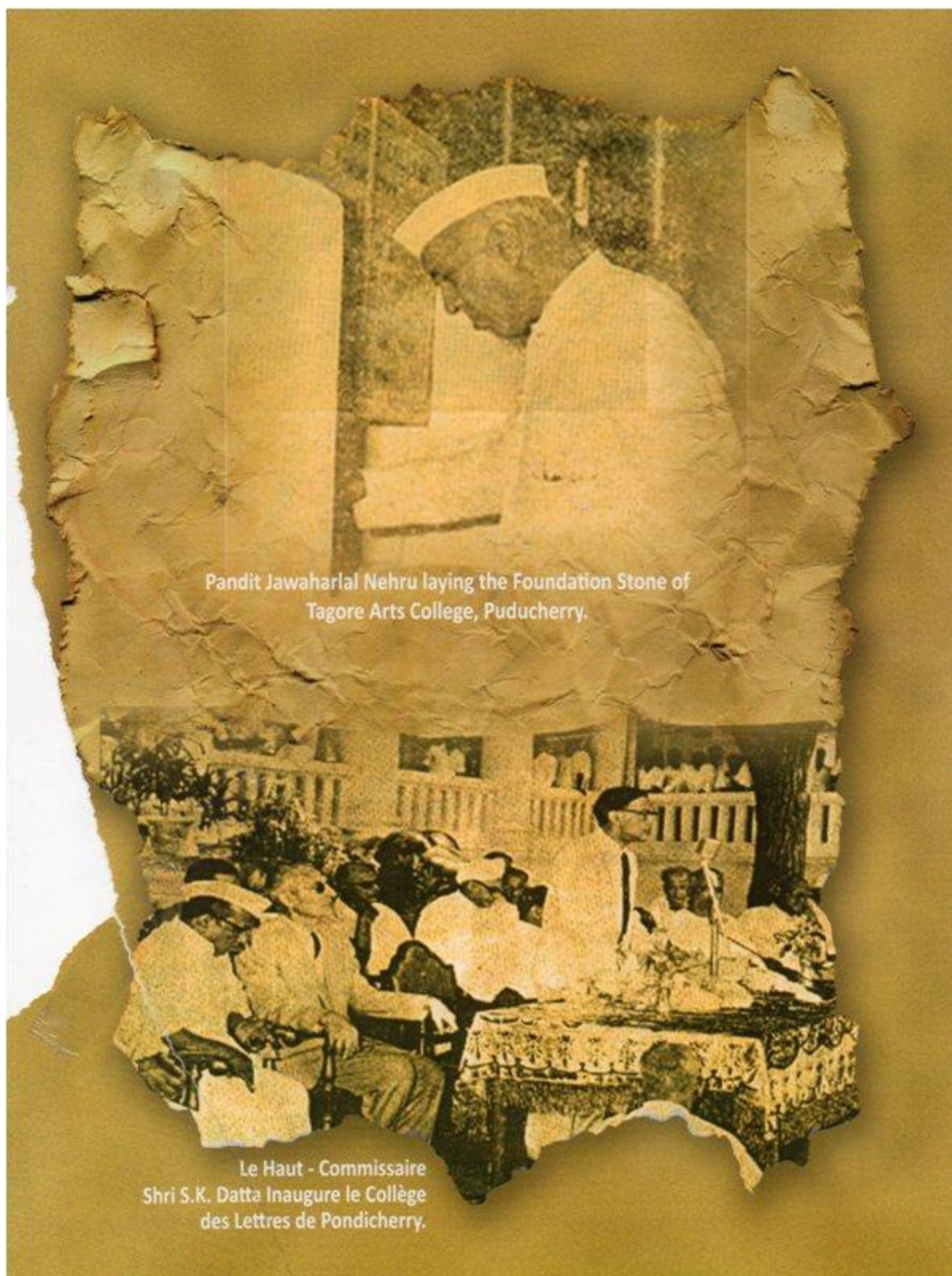


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Dr. P. Raja, (Head, Dept. of English) receiving
"Excellence in Literature Award " from the Governor of Puducherry
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2009 - 2012



Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru laying the Foundation Stone of
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Le Haut - Commissaire
Shri S.K. Datta Inaugure le Collège
des Lettres de Pondicherry.

Criterion – IV

4. Infrastructure and Learning Resources

4.1 Details of increase in infrastructure facilities:

Facilities	Existing	Newly created	Source of Fund	Total
Campus area	50 ACRES	NIL	GOVT	DO
Class rooms	51	NIL	GOVT	DO
Laboratories	14	NIL	GOVT	14
Seminar Halls	2	NIL	GOVT	2
No. of important equipments purchased ($\geq$ 1-0 lakh) during the current year.	NIL	NIL	GOVT	NIL
Value of the equipment purchased during the year (Rs. in Lakhs)	NIL	NIL	GOVT	NIL
Others	NIL	NIL	GOVT	NIL

4.2 Computerization of administration and library

YES

4.3 Library services:

	Existing		Newly added		Total	
	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value
Text Books	89000		1194	2,52,800		
Reference Books						
e-Books						
Journals						
e-Journals						
Digital Database						
CD & Video						
Others (specify)						

4.4 Technology up gradation (overall)

	Total Computers	Computer Labs	Internet	Browsing Centres	Computer Centres	Office	Departments	Others
Existing	27	1	1	NIL	1	5	17	NIL
Added	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	27	1	1	0	1	5	17	0

4.5 Computer, Internet access, training to teachers and students and any other programme for technology upgradation (Networking, e-Governance etc.)

E –Governance programme conducted

4.6 Amount spent on maintenance in lakhs : Refer Report

i) ICT	
ii) Campus Infrastructure and facilities	
iii) Equipments	
iv) Others	
Total :	

Criterion – V

5. Student Support and Progression

5.1 Contribution of IQAC in enhancing awareness about Student Support Services

Not Available

5.2 Efforts made by the institution for tracking the progression

Not Available

5.3 (a) Total Number of students

UG	PG	Ph. D.	Others
1712	NIL	NIL	NIL

(b) No. of students outside the state

5

(c) No. of international students

NIL

No	%
1378	78

Men

Women

No	%
389	22

Last Year						This Year					
General	SC	ST	OBC	Physically Challenged	Total	General	SC	ST	OBC	Physically Challenged	Total
1300	95	0	356	0	1751	1338	103	0	326	0	1767

Demand ratio 1:1

Dropout % 0.01

5.4 Details of student support mechanism for coaching for competitive examinations (If any)

UGC Financial Assistance

Service Entry Coaching, Net Coaching and Remedial class

No. of students beneficiaries

1500

5.5 No. of students qualified in these examinations

NET SET/SLET GATE CAT
IAS/IPS etc State PSC 30 UPSC Others

5.6 Details of student counselling and career guidance

See annual Report

No. of students benefitted

5

5.7 Details of campus placement

<i>On campus</i>			<i>Off Campus</i>
Number of Organizations Visited	Number of Students Participated	Number of Students Placed	Number of Students Placed

5.8 Details of gender sensitization programmes

REFER REPORT

5.9 Students Activities

5.9.1 No. of students participated in Sports, Games and other events

State/ University level 1 National level 3 International level

No. of students participated in cultural events

State/ University level 1 National level 1 International level

5.9.2 No. of medals /awards won by students in Sports, Games and other events

Sports : State/ University level National level International level

Cultural: State/ University level National level International level

5.10 Scholarships and Financial Support

	Number of students	Amount
Financial support from institution	NIL	NIL
Financial support from government	120	50,000
Financial support from other sources	NIL	NIL
Number of students who received International/ National recognitions	1	1

5.11 Student organised / initiatives

Fairs : State/ University level National level International level

Exhibition: State/ University level National level International level

5.12 No. of social initiatives undertaken by the students

5.13 Major grievances of students (if any) redressed: _____NIL_____

Criterion – VI

6. Governance, Leadership and Management

6.1 State the Vision and Mission of the institution

virtue
Piety
Confidence

6.2 Does the Institution has a management Information System

Yes

6.3 Quality improvement strategies adopted by the institution for each of the following:

6.3.1 Curriculum Development

YES

6.3.2 Teaching and Learning

YES

6.3.3 Examination and Evaluation

YES

6.3.4 Research and Development

YES

6.3.5 Library, ICT and physical infrastructure / instrumentation

YES

6.3.6 Human Resource Management

YES

6.3.7 Faculty and Staff recruitment

YES

6.3.8 Industry Interaction / Collaboration

NO

6.3.9 Admission of Students

YES

6.4 Welfare schemes for

Teaching	YES
Non teaching	YES
Students	YES

6.5 Total corpus fund generated

Not
Applicable

6.6 Whether annual financial audit has been done Yes

6.7 Whether Academic and Administrative Audit (AAA) has been done?

Audit Type	External		Internal	
	Yes/No	Agency	Yes/No	Authority
Academic	NO	NO	YES	Staff
Administrative	YES	CAG	YES	Staff

6.8 Does the University/ Autonomous College declares results within 30 days?

For UG Programmes Yes

6.9 What efforts are made by the University/ Autonomous College for Examination Reforms?

Automation

6.10 What efforts are made by the University to promote autonomy in the affiliated/constituent colleges?

Positive signal

6.11 Activities and support from the Alumni Association

All Possible means

6.12 Activities and support from the Parent – Teacher Association

All Possible means

6.13 Development programmes for support staff

All Possible means

6.14 Initiatives taken by the institution to make the campus eco-friendly

Environmental studies is compulsory in curriculum

Criterion – VII

7. Innovations and Best Practices

- 7.1 Innovations introduced during this academic year which have created a positive impact on the functioning of the institution. Give details.

NIL

- 7.2 Provide the Action Taken Report (ATR) based on the plan of action decided upon at the beginning of the year

NIL

- 7.3 Give two Best Practices of the institution (*please see the format in the NAAC Self-study Manuals*)

1. SKILL DEVELOPMENT
2. BLOOD DONATION

****Provide the details in annexure (annexure need to be numbered as i, ii,iii)***

- 7.4 Contribution to environmental awareness / protection

See Department activities enclosed

- 7.5 Whether environmental audit was conducted? No

- 7.6 Any other relevant information the institution wishes to add. (for example SWOT Analysis)

NIL

8. Plans of institution for next year

1. TO PROVIDE INTERNET FACILITY
2. TO INTRODUCE CAREER ORIENTED PROGRAMME

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