

INDO AMERICAN COLLEGE, CHEYYAR

Report 2009-2010

Twelve momentous academic years have elapsed like anything, witnessing a gradual evolution at every level – extension of infrastructure, introduction of new courses, addition of new equipments and teaching aids, increase in transportation, strength of staff and students, assessment and accreditation of NAAC etc. Our college is completing its twelfth Academic year and stepping into a glorious thirteenth year. Now, at this memorable juncture, I take the privilege of presenting the Annual Report of our Indo American College. This twelfth academic year has had a number of remarkable events to mention.

The first part of my report focuses on the strength of the staff and students. This year, the students' strength has reached an all time high of ***One Thousand Two Hundred and Sixty Three*** students of which 740 are boys 523 are girls. There has also been an increase in staff strength. There are 93 staff members of which 58 are teaching staff and 35 are non-teaching staff.

On 31.08.2009, our founder president Dr. Ramadass Abboy addressed the staff and students of the first year.

The academic performance of the students is indeed appreciable, as 215 students are to be graduated and are to receive their degrees in the convocation to be held tomorrow 22 march 2010. 32 students are receiving their PG degrees and 183 students are receiving their UG degrees. Among the graduates, seven have ranks at university level.

- Ms. T.S.Sangeetha, M.Sc, Bio-informatics has secured the first rank,
- Ms.T.Deepika M.Sc, Information Technology has secured second rank,
- Ms. A. Manonmani , M.Com. has secured fourth rank,
- Ms. L kavitha B.Sc Bio-chemistry has secured sixth rank,

- Ms.R.Geethashalini M.Sc (Applied Microbiology) and Ms.I.Sangeetha, M.Sc Information Technology have got tenth rank.

Mr. Radhakrishnan, the Vice-President of our college plays a key role in uplifting the standard of the institution. He materializes the vision of our founder president Dr. Ramadass Abboy. The MCA course we obtained last year is the result of his endeavor to bring a professional course to our college. Extension of infrastructure is being carried out now. Four new busses have been purchased. New furniture has been furnished with. Teaching aids like LCD projectors have been obtained. The office is furnished with a Xerox machine etc.

The academic activities of the departments and the performance of the students in curricular, co curricular and extracurricular activities deserve appreciation equally; as the report collected department-wise assure us.

IQAC - INTERNAL QUALITY ASSURANCE CELL

Prof.S.Uvarajan, is the Coordinator of the IQAC. The **Internal Quality Assurance Cell** of our college organized a Two Days **National Level seminar on Higher Education: Strategies to Remedy the Problems Typical to Rural Institutions** on 18th and 19th of February 2010. Delegates from all over India came and addressed the participants who had come from various colleges. More than 250 scholars attended the programme.

- Dr.S. Baskaran, the Member Secretary, Tamilnadu State Council for Higher Education, Chennai inaugurated the seminar and gave a special address.
- Dr. C.Naseema, Professor of Education, University of Calicut, Kerala, gave a special lecture on the **Challenges of Rural Women in Pursuing Higher Education.**
- Prof Dr. K.Balachandran, Annamalai University, Chidambaram gave a special lecture on **Higher Education: A Global Scenario.**

- Prof. K. Ponni, Head, Dept of English, Dharmapuram Gnanambigai Govt. College for Women, Mayiladuthurai, addressed us with the topic **Role of Rural Women in Higher Education.**
- Dr. A.V. Ayothi, Dean, Faculty of Indian and Foreign Languages, Bharathidasan University, Trichy, gave a special address on **Strategies for Reaching the Goals of Higher Education in Rural India.**
- Dr. N.V.R. Kapali, Head, Dept of Adult & Continuing Education, University of Madras, gave a special lecture on **Extension as Third Dimension in the Higher Education System.**
- Dr. K.K. Seethamma, Chairperson, Dept of Women Studies, Bangalore University delivered a lecture on **Gender Dimensions of Higher Education in India.**

DEPARTMENT OF BIOCHEMISTRY

An awareness programme on Biochemical research was organized. An eminent scholar and scientist, Prof. Dr. Lawrence Rajendran, the Co-Director and Assistant Professor of University of Zurich, Switzerland was invited as resource person. He gave lectures on **Systems and cell Biology of Neuro-Degeneration, Divisions of Psychiatry Research and Alzheimer Disease.** He enlightened our students with the scope of research in the field of biochemistry.

On 5th & 6th of March, a two day National Seminar on **Neurobiology and Stem cells** (NEST'10) was organized by the Department of Biochemistry. Thanks to ICMR Indian Council of Medical Research for their support and financial grant of Rs.50, 000. We had over here many great Scientists, researchers, and students from many parts of India. More than 200 hundred students from various universities and their constituent colleges participated in the programme and a few of them presented papers.

- Dr. V. Kumaraswami Scientist F & Officer in charge, National Institute of Epidemiology, Chennai inaugurated the seminar and gave an inaugural address.
- Dr. G. Pradeep kumar, Scientist F, Rajeev Gandhi Centre for Biotechnology, Department of Biotechnology, Trivandram spoke on **Germ line stem-cells.**

- Dr. Nebedita Lenka, Scientist D, National Centre for Cell Science, Ganeshkhind, Pune spoke on the title **Stem cells – Hypes, Hopes & challenges**.
- Dr. Rama Shankar Verma, Associate Professor, Stem Cell & Molecular Biology, IIT Madras delivered a lecture on the topic **Immunotoxins: Past & Present**
- Dr. P. Prakash Babu, Professor, Centre for Biotechnology & Department of Animal Science, University of Hyderabad, gave a lecture on **The Science of Stem cell Research & Potential Therapies**.
- Dr. A.J. Vanisree, Assistant Prof. Dept. of Biochemistry, University of Madras, gave a lecture on Neuropsychiatry & Neurogenesis.
- Dr. S. Krishna Kumar M.D. Head, Ocular Pathology, Stem cell Research Group, Sankara Nethralaya, Chennai, delivered a speech on **Ocular Stem cells**.
- Dr. M.M. Srinivas Bharath, Asst. Prof. Neurochemistry, NIMHANS, Bangalore, spoke on **Neurological Disorders – A special Focus on Parkinson disease**.
- Research Scholars and Students from various institutions presented papers.

On 13th & 14th of March, the Dept. of Biochemistry in association with **Tamilnadu State Council of Science & Technology** organized **A Scientific Awareness Programme** for the Welfare of Rural Farmers and the Members of **Self Help Groups** of Thiruvannamalai District. They allotted a grant of Rs. 50,000.

The R.D.O. of Cheyyar Mrs. Shantha Kumari inaugurated the programme. Resource persons from the Department of Agriculture and Research Organizations delivered and demonstrated scientific applications in agricultural farming and enlightened the farmers with the ideas of starting house hold small scale industries on their own. 60 farmers and 60 Members from **Self Help Groups** participated and got benefited.

- Ms. Sangeetha of M.Sc Bio-informatics got the University first rank.
- Ms. L.Kavitha of B.Sc Bio-chemistry got the University sixth rank.

- The students of II M.Sc. Biochemistry participated and Presented Papers and Posters in the **National Level Symposium** conducted by *Kamban College of Arts and Science for Women*,

DEPARTMENT OF MICROBIOLOGY

The students of II M.Sc. Micro-biology, Mr. L .Praveen, and Mr. C Krishnamoorthy accompanied by the staff Mr.V.Ravikumar, participated in the three days *State Level Workshop* on **Frontier Techniques in Immunology and Microbial Technology** held at Asan Memorial College of Arts and Science, organized in association with Medox Biotech India Pvt.Ltd., Chennai from 8.10.2009 to 10.10.2009.

On 12th February, Mr.V.Ravikumar accompanied the students of III Microbiology to a National seminar on **Recent Trends in Microbiology and Microbial Technology** held at D.K.M.College for women, Vellore.

On 26 December, the Pasteur Club of Microbiology Department celebrated National Science Day. An intercollegiate Quiz and Oratorical competitions were conducted. Students from the constituent colleges of Thiruvalluvar and Madras universities participated in the programme. Dr.S.Duraiaraj, Associate Professor of Zoology, Aringar Anna Arts College, was invited as chief guest. He gave a special lecture on **Science and Technological Future of India**.

Ms.B.Kadambari and Ms.S.Geethashalini of M.Sc., Applied Microbiology got the 5th rank and the 10th university ranks respectively.

On 6th and 7th February, Dr.O.Sivapriya Head, Dept. of Microbiology participated and presented a paper on **Immunomodulatory Activity of *Phyllanthus wightianus*** held at International Conference on Herbs and Herbomineral Formulations. (Phyto congress - 2010) organized by the Center for Advanced Research in Indian system of Medicine (CARISM), SASTRA University, Thanjavur.

On 4th to 6th March, she participated and presented a paper on Effect of *Phyllanthus wightianus* (Euphorbiaceae) on Streptozotocin (STZ) – **Induced Diabetic Rats** at the International Conference on Medicinal Plants and Herbal Drugs: Challenges and Opportunities in Cultivation, Sustainable Utilization and Conservation. ICMPHD 2010 held at Department of Botany, Pachaiyappa's College, Chennai.

Mr.J.Susan Sunil Raj of III UG B.Sc., microbiology got the First prize in singing competition, held at the Muthamil vizha , organized by Aringar Anna Govt.College, Cheyyar,

On 21st January, Mr.J.Susan Sunilraj and Mr. S.Rajasekaran of III B.Sc., Microbiology participated in the singing competition held at Sri Sankara Arts and Science College, Kancheepuram.

Ms.D.Sathyavani of II B.Sc.,Microbiology got the 1st prize in the Essay writing competition conducted by Tamil literary Association on 18 March 2010.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, CORPORATE SECRETARYSHIP & BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

On 25th September, 2009, the Department organized a special meeting at the seminar Hall. Mr. Subramanian, Retired Manager, Union Bank of India, and Mr. S.S.N. Murthy, Senior Vice-President, Indian Banks Association gave special lectures on **Modern Trends in Banking**.

On 6th October 2009, Mrs. J. Ezhilarasi and A. Meenakshi, Lecturers in Commerce, attended a State Level Workshop on **Women Entrepreneurship** at Auxilium College, Vellore.

On 12.08.2010, the Students III BBA went on a tour to Kerala and Tamilnadu accompanied by the staff members Mr..A . Pandu and Mr. K. Srinivasan.

On 8th October 2009, 10 students of III BBA & III BCOM participated in the State Level Seminar on **Career Development** held at KMG College of Arts and science, Gudiyatham.

On 21.12.2009, the Department in association with **Genesis Computers** organized a Seminar on **Future Prospects and Employment Opportunities for Commerce Students**. Mr. Satheesh David, the Managing Director delivered a special address.

On 03.02.2010, the Post-graduate students of Commerce attended a National Conference on **Current Trends in Capital Market** held at Adhiparasakthi College of Arts and Science Kalavai.

On 10th and 11th March, the Department of Commerce, Corporate Secretary ship and Business Administration organized a *National level Conference on IT Industry - Issues and Futuristic Outlook* at the Seminar Hall. Delegates and scholars from various parts of India visited our Campus and gave special addresses on *Issues and Practices of IT Industry*.

On 15 March, 13 students of III B.Com and 7 students of III BBA attended a one day National Workshop on **Awareness on Counterfeit Consumer Products** conducted by VIT University, Vellore, in Association with SIRC Institute of Cost and Works Accountants of India, Egmore, Chennai. This workshop focused on the **Awareness on Consumer Products** and the need for consumers to understand counterfeits and its spuriousness.

The students of Business Administration, Mr. R. Vijaya kumar Mr. P. Ramachandran and Mr.S. Subash participated in the recent *Hindustan Shito-Ryo Karate* Tournament held at **Avadi**.

DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS

Ms. N. Thenmozhi, Ms.R. Rathnamala and Ms.K. Nithiya of II B.Sc Mathematics participated in the theatre arts competition conducted by Aringnar Anna Govt Arts College and obtained second prize in Drama.

In the inter-departmental Quiz Competition conducted by the Department of Microbiology, Ms. R. Rathnamala and Ms. N. Thenmozhi, students of II B.Sc Maths won the second prize.

In the event of conducting AIDS Awareness Programme organized by RRC, competitions like drawing, poetry writing, and singing were conducted. Ms. V. Karthiga has won the first Prize in drawing. Ms.R. Rathnamala has got the second prize in poetry writing.

In the inter-collegiate competition conducted by Sankara College of Arts and Science, Ms. N. Thenmozhi of II mathematics won the second prize in folk singing.

In the inter-collegiate competition conducted by Akilandeshwari College for women Wandavasi, Ms. N. Thenmozhi of II Mathematics won the second prize in singing.

In the inter-collegiate oratorical competition conducted by Akilandeshwari College for Women Wandavasi, Ms. N. Thenmozhi of II Mathematics won the second prize.

On 17-03-10, the Department of Mathematics conducted its Association function. Dr. K. Balamurugan, Associate Professor of Mathematics was the chief guest of the function. He gave a special lecture on **Development and Applications of Mathematics**. The department conducted a Mathematical Quiz competition for its students.

G. Kanmani of III Mathematics Scored Centum in Discrete Mathematics.

D. Gomathi of II Mathematics Scored Centum in Differential Equations.

DEPARTMENT OF COMPUTER SCIENCE

Thirteen students of III B.Sc (CS) and II BCA attended an Inter Collegiate IT Meet organized by KMG College of Arts & Science, Gudiyattham, in which S.Karthick and T.Lakshmi won the third prize in the paper presentation.

Nine of our students attended State Level Technical Symposium, Tech Fest'09 Vellore, organized by DKM College for Women, in which P.Sudha, D.Dhanalakshmi, M.Raghuraman, A.Nagaraj and T.Lakshmi of III BCA won the second prize.

In the inter-collegiate Cultural competitions conducted by Marudhar Kesari Jain College for Women, Vaniyambadi, Ms. K.Revathi and Ms. B.Mohana Priya won the first prize in Face Lifting; Ms P.Sudha won the second prize in poster making; I. yoganathan and S.Karthick won the second prize in Haiku.

Mr. K. France of IIMCA participated and presented a paper in the National Level Seminar organized by Thirumalai Engineering College, Kanchipuram,

Mr. K. France of IIMCA participated and presented a paper in the National Level Seminar organized by Aadhi Parasakthi College of Arts and Science, Kalavai.

The students of II MCA, A.Jageer, T.Silambarasan, M.Thiyagarajan K.Umamaheshwari, G.Sangeetha, R.Karunakaran, and J.Gopinath participated in the National Level Symposium conducted by Hindustan Arts and Science College, Chennai

The students of III Computer science, R.Velmurugan M.Lavanya E.Vijay S.Gunasekaran and P.Sudha participated in the State Level Inter-collegiate competitions conducted by Voorhees College, Vellore, and won second and third prizes on various events.

On 3rd October 2009, the Department organized intra-departmental Seminar in which students of various classes presented papers.

On 7th and 8th October, an Inter-class IT Meet, **IAC Brain Blast** was organized to offer a forum for the discussion of novel ideas pertaining to IT field.

On 15th March 2010, a Special Meeting of Computer Science & Applications Association was organized. **Prof.K.Chokkanathan**, Head of the Department of MCA Saraswathi Velu College of Engineering, Sholinghur was invited as the chief Guest. He gave a special lecture on **General Awareness in Technologies**.

The students of the department accompanied by the staff went on a four days tour to Kerala from 26 to 30.08.2009.

DEPARTMENT OF MCA

Our college has MCA degree course started last year. A computer lab is set up with 33 new systems of advanced configuration, entirely devoted for the MCA course. The lab has been air conditioned. At the first year, an admission of 30 students is approved. Last year we admitted 18 students and this year we have admitted 7 students. An MCA Department Library has been functioning especially for the purpose of its students. National and international magazines and journals are being subscribed.

DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH

Ever since the college began, the Department of English has been functioning as the language department dealing with foundation English of the UG degree courses. Last academic year we introduced BA English Literature course considering the scope of employment opportunities that it could provide. It is running its second year successfully.

On 27 and 28th of August 2009, English Department organized a seminar to give literary exposure to its students. Dr. Balu, retired professor of English gave eminent lectures on **Critical Approaches to Literature**.

On 12-3-2010, the Department conducted its Literary Association function. Dr. Thomas Appadurai, Professor of English, and Principal of Divya Arts and Science College, Chetpet was invited as chief guest. He gave a special address on the **Perspectives of Poetry**.

Our Management is gracious enough in equipping the Department of English with language software for spoken English entitled Rosetta Stones Spoken English course, at the cost of Rs.30, 000.

DEPARTMENT OF TAMIL

On 5th of August, A. Pozhiyamozhi, of II B.Com participated in the State Level Essay Writing competition conducted by Kamban Arts College, Tiruvannamalai and won the first prize in essay writing.

On 23rd of September, in the Inter Collegiate Competition conducted by Kanchi Sankara Arts & Science College, Kancheepuram S. Jayachandaran of III BBA won the 3rd prize in the Oratorical competition, K. Sivagami I B.A. English won the 3rd prize in poetry writing and M.P. Infant Divya of II BA won the 2nd prize in debate.

On 25th September, N.Thenmozhi, won the second prize in the oratorical competition and third prize in singing competition conducted by Akilandeshwari College for women.

On 21st & 25th January 2010, J. Susan Sunilraj, III B.Sc Micro Biology won the first prize in the singing competition. N.Thenmozhi, Nithya and Rathnamala of II Mathematics Lalitha of I B.A. English and M.P. Infant Divya II B.A. English won the 2nd prize for Drama.

On 30th January, Prof. Shanmuga Sundaram, Head, Department of Tamil participated in the Tamil Conference on Devotional Literature held at Adhi parasakthi College of Arts and Science, Kalavai.

On 10th February, Prof. T. Shanmugasundaram, attended a one-day orientation Programme on Institute of National Testing Survey of India held at Adhi parasakthi college of Arts and Science, Kalavai.

On 12th March, 2010 Department of Tamil conducted an inter-departmental competition. The students of our college D. Sathyavani II Micro Biology, N.Thenmozhi of II Maths, and Gomati won the 1st, 2nd and 3rd prizes respectively for essay writing.

N. Thenmozhi of II maths, S. Anitha II B.Com and A.Pozhiyamozhi of II B.Com won the first, second and third prizes respectively in the Oratorical competition.

M.P. Infant Divya of II B.A English, R. Rathnamala II Maths, and A. Mohanarangam I BCA won the first, second and third prizes respectively for poetry.

On 18th March 2010, the Tamil Literary Association function was conducted. Mr. Pava Chelladurai, was invited as chief guest. He spoke about the Status of Contemporary literature.

DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION

The department of physical education had brought us great many laurels to our institutions. We have students of great aspirations in sports and games.

- The Athletic, Cross Country, Cricket, Football, Ball Badminton, Hand Ball, and Table Tennis teams our college participated in the Thiruvalluvar University Tournaments.
- Our College Foot ball team got the first place in the Cuddalore Division Tournament and third place in the Thiruvalluvar University Inter Divisional Tournament. Three players were selected for Thiruvalluvar University Foot ball team. The team participated in the South-West Zone Inter University Tournament, Match held at Bharathiyar University, Coimbatore.
- Indo-American Football Club participated in Thiruvannamalai District League matches and secured the fourth place and was promoted from 'B' division to 'A' division.
- Our College Table Tennis team got the first place in the Cuddalore Division Tournament and second place in the Thiruvalluvar University Inter Divisional Tournament. One of our players was selected for the Thiruvalluvar University Table tennis team and the team participated in the All India Inter University Tournament Match held at Dr. NTR. University, Vijayawada, Andrapradesh.
- Our college athlete Mr.S. Ramesh got the third place in Cross Country Inter Divisional tournament. He was also selected for the All India inter-University Tournament held at M.G. University, Kottayam, Kerala.

- Our College Ball Badminton team got the second place in the Cuddalore Division Tournament and two players were selected for the Divisional tournament.
- Our college hand ball team participated in the inter-collegiate tournaments. one of our players has selected for the Inter-University tournament held at Acharya Nagarjuna University, Guntur.
- Our College Cricket Team participated in the inter-collegiate and various open tournaments. Four players were selected for the Inter-divisional Tournament
- Men students are divided into four houses **Bharathi, Elango, Kambar and valluvar and** women student are divided into two houses as **Kurinji and Mullai**
- The male staff members are divided into two groups and a cricket Tournament was conducted.
- We have sufficient ground space and facility to conduct **outdoor Games like** Foot Ball, Volley Ball, Cricket, Handball, Ball Badminton, Kho-Kho, Kabaddi and Athletics and **indoor Games like** Chess, Carom, Table Tennis and Badminton. Our management is benevolent enough in encouraging and motivating students with aspirations in sports and games.

THE NINTH CONVOCATION

The Ninth Convocation of our college is to be held on 22 March 2010, tomorrow. Dr.A.Jyothi Murugan, the Vice-chancellor, Thiruvalluvar University, is the guest of the occasion and will award degrees to the fresh graduates. 215 students are to be graduated and are to receive their degrees. 32 students are receiving their PG degrees and 183 students are receiving their UG degrees. Of the 215 graduates 157 students have obtained first class, and 58 students have obtained second class. It is worth mentioning that six of our students have secured ranks at the university level.

NSS

Our college has two NSS units. Mr. M. Arulanandam, Lecturer in Biochemistry is the Programme Officer for the first unit. Mr.S.Senthil, the Head of the Department of Mathematics is taking care of the second. There are **Two Hundred** volunteers in both the units.

An NSS Special Camp was conducted at Rantham and Nayanthangal Villages between 23-01-10 and 29-01-10. Hundred of our NSS volunteers attended the NSS camp. They did a lot of community services to the village people around the camp area. Delegates from various fields are invited to give appropriate address to the villagers on various topics. They organized many awareness programmes for the villagers.

On 07-02-10, A Polio Rally was organized to create awareness about the importance of polio vaccination to the people of Puliarampakkam, Valarapuram, Thiruvankidanallur and Perungalathur villages.

On 12-02-10, a Seminar was organized in association with Periyar Maniyammai University to create awareness among students about the impacts World Global Warming.

Mr. S. Senthil, the NSS Programme Officer attended the Orientation Course conducted by TORC, Chennai from 5-10-2009 to 14-10-09.

Our NSS volunteers Mr. Prabu, Mr. Ramesh, Mr. Vinoth and D. Bharathi attended an orientation course conducted by Sankara College, Kanchipuram.

Our NSS volunteers do a lot of community service to the people of the nearby villages like literating the illiterates, teaching them the importance of cleanliness, birth control, vaccination and inform them about the evils of drinking liquor, using tobacco and smoking. In addition to their regular service, they help us maintain keeping our college campus clean.

RED RIBBON CLUB & YOUTH RED CROSS

On 8th and 9th December 2009, 10 Hour model AIDS Awareness Programme, Peer Education Skill Training and Interactive Training Session were organized by Prof. M.Arulanandam, RRC Programme Officer. Mr.Rajendran, RRC District Manager was invited as chief guest. Ms. Xavier Roghini, ICTC counselor, and Mrs.Vimala Devi, HIV positive Speaker were the resource persons who gave an interactive training to the RRC volunteers.

On 5th February 2010, HIV-AIDS related Intercollegiate Competitions were conducted.

Ms.Anitha of II B.Com, Purushothaman of III Computer Science and R.Devi of III BCA won the first, second and third prizes respectively in the Oratorical competition.

Ms.M.P.Infant Divya of II BA English, Ms. Rathnamala of II Mathematics., Murugan of III B.Sc Bio-Chemistry won the first, second and third prizes respectively in poetry writing.

Ms.Kartiga of II B.Sc Mathematics, Mr.V Ansar Ali, of B.A (History) Aringnar Anna Arts College, Cheyyar and Mr.Ramesh of I B.Com won the first, second and third prizes in the drawing competitions respectively. Mr.Rajendran, RRC District Manager was invited as chief guest.

On 27 August 2009, our voluntary clubs in association with Rotary Club of Cheyyar organized a Blood Donation Camp in our campus. 146 student volunteers donated blood.

CITIZEN CONSUMER CLUB

Our college has **Citizen Consumer Club** with 200 student volunteers from various departments. The main aim of the club is to create awareness in the minds of the consumers and to avoid being exploited.

LIBRARY

The library subscribes 47 journals and magazines and eight newspapers. To enhance the learning of the students CDs on Spoken English, Yoga, Aerobics, major subjects and General knowledge are made available. Apart from the main library, the MCA department has another library which has a stock of 1500 books. More than 45,000 volumes have been circulated this academic year. New encyclopedia CD ROMs have been bought this year.

HOSTEL

Right from its inception, the college boasts of running separate hostels for men and women with all the necessary comforts. Situated in the sylvan surroundings, it provides harmonious atmosphere that our students could concentrate their minds on studying, and jogging and playing to keep themselves physically fit and healthy. There are 29 boys and 20 girls. In addition to that, five male staff and two female staff are residing in the hostel and serve as tutors to the students. The Boys' Hostel is taken care of by Mr. T.Thirumurugan, Lecturer in Microbiology, as the deputy warden and Ms. V. Jothimani Lecturer in Mathematics, as the deputy warden of the Girls' Hostel.

SCHOLARSHIP

The students of our college avail scholarship like SC/ST and Peasants Society Welfare Scholarships. 99 SC students have availed a scholarship amount of Rs.2, 49,170 for the academic year 2008-2009. Three hundred and thirty five students availed the Peasants Society Welfare Scholarship which amounts to Rs. 6, 60,250 this academic year.

Moreover, Abboy Trust offers a financial assistance, every year, in the name of SAI RAM Trust scholarship to the meritorious students and to the students of poor financial background to the tune of Rs.60, 000.

TRANSPORTATION

We operate 11 buses on all the arterial routes connecting Cheyyar, at subsidized nominal fare. This year our management has purchased four new buses considering the convenience of the students.

CAMPUS INTERVIEW

On 3rd February 2010, Eureka Forbes visited our campus and conducted a Campus Interview in which 67 students from various departments got selected for various positions.

On 10th February 2010, Saravana Selvaratnam Group of Companies conducted a Campus Interview, in which 31 students of our college and 4 students from APCOS got selected for eighteen kinds of job positions.

EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Between, 2nd and 12th February, the World Community Service Centre offered Meditation and Kayakalpa course for the students of the final year.

Yoga and meditation programmes are being conducted every now and then to enhance the spiritual well being of the students.

Type writing classes are being conducted and Mr. Karunakaran, the MCA Lab Assistant is the instructor. 30 students are being coached in two batches, 15 of them have passed in the lower grade typewriting exams.

On 27 09.2009, the educational multimedia research centre, Anna university conducted a UGC sponsored survey among 120 students.

Our Management is kind enough in permitting to organize a staff tour to Kerala, Karnataka, and Andhra Pradesh, last year.

END NOTE

The management has unflinchingly been spending huge amounts of money in equipping and upgrading the laboratories, extending infrastructures, organizing scholarly programmes and bringing in new courses. The almighty is with us to materialize the noble vision of the founder.

Let me end with a note of hope that next year will be proud to mention many more things yet on the anvil.