

ASSUMPTION COLLEGE, CHANGANASSERY

ANNUAL QUALITY ASSURANCE REPORT-2009-10

PART – A

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:

- The thrust area chosen was ‘concern for the less privileged’. In this connection a number of needy students were granted fee concession and some were exempted from tuition fee. Noon meal programmes were implemented in the hostels as well as the College. The members of the Welfare Cell collected lunch packets from staff and students and distributed the same to the inmates of a local charity institution. The staff Association decided to contribute two day’s salary towards the construction and renovation of houses of financially backward students of the college. Fasting day was observed and the amount collected was donated for charitable purposes. Almost all departments took students on visits to orphanages, old age homes and homes for the destitute.
- The Diamond Jubilee celebrations were inaugurated in August 2009 and it was followed by a number of programmes, competitions, seminars and get together meetings. The jubilee events will continue into the academic year 2010.
- An international conference on environmental issues, *The Green Path to Sustainability: Prospects and Challenges* was planned. Financial assistance was sought from various agencies for the same.
- A college bus was purchased, chiefly through the contributions of NRI parents, for the transport of day-scholars
- Funds were procured from the UGC for the construction of a Student Amenities Centre, renovation of labs and departments and for the construction of the II phase of women’s hostel

- Funds were sanctioned by the Kerala Sports Council for the roofing in of the Basketball court
- A transformer was installed for the College
- IGNOU has recognized the college as its partner institute under convergence scheme
- One major project of the UGC has been sanctioned and there are 6 ongoing minor projects and a few more have been applied for
- Upgraded UGC network resource centre, software installed for admission process and computerization of canteen and college store

PART B

1. Activities Reflecting the goals and objectives of the institution:

1. a) Global competency

- Intercollegiate Competitions conducted by the various departments give students exposure to and help them to interact with their peers in other institutions. Some departments that have conducted competitions are:

English : Intercollegiate Literary Fest “Zenith”

Physics : Intercollegiate Quiz and power point presentation competition

Economics : “Oikonomia” a symposium and Intercollegiate competitions in four items

Oriental Languages: Inter University Quiz Competition named
Samagrakeralam

Zoology : Voyage: Intercollegiate Paper Presentation Competition

Botany : Phyto-Edufest

Chemistry : SPARK Inter collegiate paper presentation competition.

The department also organizes an alumni lecture every year

- Life Skill Training Workshop: To increase the professional competency and skill, the students of the Department of Social work were given a workshop on Life Skills on 28th October 2009 by Mr. Brahmanayagam, NSS Programme Co-coordinator, University of Kerala.
- To inculcate research culture individual research project for all UG students were implemented, on- going minor research project, one faculty members acquired PhD. Two faculty members from other colleges have registered as guide in History research centre in addition to the two teachers from this college.
- Value based activities-to encourage the economically weak – freships, Assumption Welfare Cell, Mission Sunday collection. Financial assistance is given to needy students.
- World Blood Donation Day: As part of World Blood Donation Day, on 1st October 2009, Department of social work in association with Youth Red Cross & Red Ribbon Cell of the college, participated in the blood donation camp organized by Kerala State AIDS Control Society and National Service Scheme, BCM college unit at Kottayam. Eighteen eligible volunteers donated blood.
- Documentary on Alzheimer's: The final year students of the Department of Social work visited the Alzheimer's and Related Disorder Society of India, Cochin Chapter on 3rd November 2009 with the intention of understanding the problems of people living with Alzheimer's and related disorders. To sensitize the student community about this grave problem they came up with a documentary " Dawn of Minds"
- World AIDS Day Observance: As part of World AIDS Day on 1st December 2009 , Department of Social work in association with ATHMATHA Changanacherry organized an awareness rally, disseminated information and performed street plays in the premises of KSRTC Bus Station, Perunna Bus

- Station and Government hospital, Changanacherry, to generate awareness about HIV AIDS.
- Human Rights Day Observance: The students of Department of Social work, as part of Human Rights Day on 10th December 2009 made a Human Rights Tree
 - Practice of sustainable development Vermicomposting by Dept of Botany, nature club activities, seminar on judicious use of resources.

2. New Academic Programmes Initiated

- During the academic year 2009-2010 M.Com and B.Com courses offered by IGNOU were started under the convergence scheme.the College became a partner institute of IGNOU in 2009-10
- Dept. of Social Work offered a Certificate in HIV Family Education: In the academic year 2009-2010 the Department of Social work started a Certificate in HIV and Family Education, offered by Indira Gandhi National Open University, keeping in view the immense opportunities coming up in the area of HIV AIDS Counselling
- Department of Commerce conducted an Enrichment Module on 'Basic Principles of Accounting'. 53 students enrolled in the programme.
- Department of Home Science offered a Modular Programme on Food Preparation
- Department of Social Work is acting as the co-ordinating department for the Add -on programme Yoga and Beauty Care for the academic year 2009-2010. Fifty-one students from various departments joined the programme. Two external resource persons handle the classes.

- The Zoology Dept modified its Enrichment Programme as “Health & Beauty Care”.
- Dept. of Economics offered a programme in Interior Decoration. Around 25 students from various departments attended the course.
- New UGC sponsored Add on course in Tourism Studies offered by the Department of History

3 Innovations in Curricular Design and Transaction

- Sr Philomenamma John and Ms Manjulin Jacob were Expert committee convenors of the CBCSS UG programmes. They are also the members of the Board of Studies (UG and PG) in Home Science
- The heads of the departments of English, Chemistry and Botany were Chairpersons of the Boards of Examiners of the respective UG programmes
- The Mahatma Gandhi University introduced Credit Based Choice and Semester System at the undergraduate level. Teachers of all departments participated in the university workshops in their respective disciplines and were involved in the designing of syllabus and model questions
- Dept. of Fashion Technology developed syllabus for enrichment programme in Indian traditional embroidery; conducted by the department. It also incorporated a module on fashion photography to enable students to make documentation eg: video and booklets which was used for presentation to public. CAD software is used for textile designing along with other textile design software.
- As Biodiversity is introduced as a topic in the syllabus for UG programme in Zoology, the Zoology dept conducted a film-show on Biodiversity. New CDs were bought for the same.

4. Interdisciplinary Programmes Started

- All newly started Enrichment modules and all Add-on courses are interdisciplinary

5. Candidates Qualified NET/ SLET /GATE

English-2

Malayalam-2

Chemistry-2

Total- 6

6. Initiative towards Faculty Development Programme

Teachers pursuing Ph D under FIP of the UGC - 4

M Phil Under FIP - 1

Paper Presentations

At international level - 4

At national level - 6

At state level - 1

Publications

In National Journals - 3

In College Journals - 3

In magazines - 1

Seminars Attended

Orientation programmes - 4

Refresher - 3

Subject related

International - 5

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| National | - | 18 |
| State | - | 8 |
| Regional | - | 13 |

Quality related/Value based

National-10

State-11

7. Total Number of Seminars, Workshops conducted

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| National level | - | 3 |
| State level | - | 2 |
| Intercollegiate | - | 2 |
| Collegiate | - | 16 |

8. Research Projects:

Completed:

1. Dept. of Botany-UGC funded Minor Project- Sr.Mariamamma Joseph—
2007-2009

Newly Implemented:

1. UGC Major Project- History- Sr Rosamma Mathew: Rs 7,46,200/-

Ongoing UGC Minor Projects:

1. Computer Science-2
2. Chemistry-1
3. Physics-1
4. Home Science-1

9. New Collaborative Research Programmes

- Dept. of Social Work -Millennium Development Goal: research project in association with UNICEF
- Dept of History promotes collaborative research with IRISH(Institute for Research in Social Sciences and Humanities), Kerala

10. Research Grants Received from Various Agencies

From UGC- 11, 91,200/-

Substitute's salary under FIP- 3, 77,322/-

11. Details of Research Scholars

- Ph D awarded to Ms. Jissy Mathew

Research Scholars-Ph D

- Sr. Philomenamma John (Home Science)
- Ms Judith Sebastian (English)
- Ms Rani Maria Thomas(Economics)
- Sr Margaret Maria Jose(Malayalam)
- Ms Julie John(Botany)
- Ms Sonia Sebastian (English)
- Ms Jaisymol Augustine(Malayalam)
- Ms Joselyn Xavier(Physics)

12. Internal Resources Generated

- Total Fund raised for charity through Mission day collections and College Welfare Cell- Rs. 94,500/-

13. Teaching-non-teaching staff ratio: 1.86

14. New books/journals subscribed:

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| Total number of books added | - | 820 |
| Journals | - | 6 |
| Periodicals | - | 7 |

15. Courses in which student assessment of teachers is introduced:

All courses

16. Unit cost of Education:

Rs.6450/- (Approximate)

17. Computerization of Administration etc

Admissions, attendance, entering of internal marks etc are computerized

18. Increase in infrastructure facilities

Dept. of Home Science

Foods/ Biochemistry Lab:- Microwave (1); Replacement of Gas stoves (10);
Canteen Burner (1); Inbuilt SS Table with long type burner and Kadai (1);
Almirah.

Minor equipments like Serving and Preparation Utensils.

Teaching Aids :- LCD Projector (1); (1); Books

Dept. of Fashion Technology

- a) Modified a part of resource room into open cupboards for keeping garments and accessories for smooth conduct of final collection - the graduation show.
- b) Computer lab is upgraded.

Dept. of Zoology

- a) Camera,
- b) Micrometers,
- c) Haemoglobinometer,
- d) Haemocytometer etc.

19. Technology Upgradation:

Campus net software for admission process was installed. Canteen and college store have been computerised. Two CD players to teach oral communication skill in English as part of revised curriculum

20. Computer and internet access and training to teachers and students:

All departments have computer with internet facility in addition to ICT facilities available in the general lab and library. Almost all UG programmes have modules in computer application and informatics and some departments have mini labs attached to the departments. Other departments make use of the general lab whose faculty give them training. In the dept. of Fashion Technology Computer and internet is a part of the course and students are provided free internet facility in computer labs and additional working time is provided till 6 pm daily. Department is open for student's benefit on Saturdays also.

21. Financial aid to Students:

- All departments contribute to the Student Welfare fund of the College.
- In the Dept. of Fashion Technology course fee was provided by the college for the knit wear module at Tirupur
- Commerce department pays semester fee, examination fee, gives medicines and books to needy students
- The Dept. Of Zoology gave Financial Aid Rs. 7500/- as the expenses of study tour text books, records, University fee & medical aid of 7 final year Zoology students

22. Activities and support from Alumni association

Annual Alumni gathering was held on October 10th 2009. Scholarships endowed by alumni are distributed to deserving students

23. Activities and support from PTA:

Annual meeting was held on 12 December 2009. PTA sponsors sportswomen, supplies notebooks to needy students, and gives cash awards to rank holders.

24. Performance in Sports activities

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| Total No. of trophies | - | 34 |
| Winners | - | 24 |
| Runners up | - | 10 |
| Details of Individual medal secured | | |
| National level | - | 20 |
| Inter University level | - | 47 |
| Southzone Nationals | - | 14 |
| State level | - | 66 |
| Inter Collegiate level | - | 158 |

25. Incentives to sportspersons:

44 students are provided free board and lodging in sports hostel and about Rs 23,99,000/- is spent on this

26. Student achievements and awards:

- university ranks were secured by our students (2009 March)
- 22 students won the University's merit awards for sportswomen

- Manorama Trophy and cash prize of 50,000/- for the college with best performance in sports
- In the University Youth festival our students secured first place in 2 group items
- Commerce students bagged a number of prizes at various Commerce Fests at the intercollegiate level
- Our Zoology students secured prizes in Quiz, Poster designing and Power Point presentation at the Zoofest conducted by the Zoological Society of Kerala
- Students from various departments won 13 intercollegiate competitions in Quiz, 4 in Paper/poster presentations
- Diya Elizabeth George attended RD Camp 2010 at New Delhi; she was selected as Indian student Ambassador to Russia
- Blessy Babu of 2nd Bcom attended 10 day National NCC camp in Delhi.
- Leah Anna Thomas, I B.Com Cleared CPT conducted by Institute of Chartered Accountants of India.
- B Sc Maths students won seven intercollegiate competitions in Maths Quiz
- Third prize in Interuniversity Physics Quiz Competition organized by APT
- Economics students won 5 prizes in Economics Quiz and first prize in Essay writing at the interuniversity level
- Malayalam students won first prize in story writing competition in the intercollegiate competition held at St Thomas College, Pala

27 Activities of guidance and counseling Unit

The Counseling cell operates through the Department of English which offers counseling services to students who need them. In addition to this there is the

mentoring system which puts 25 students under the care of one mentor teacher who gives the students personal and academic counseling

28. Placement services

Career Fest and Placement drives are conducted by the College placement cell every year. **Eight** sportswomen were placed in various govt enterprises

Dept. of Fashion Technology

- a) 4 students are placed in colleges as teaching faculty
- b) 4 students got placed as merchandiser in Texport industries Bangalore
- c) 2 students are working as merchandisers in FAB India retail shops.
- d) 1 student of present III year class got selection in WFB Baird Company, Cochin as merchandiser.

Dept. of Commerce

Three students got placements in Indian Railway

29. Development programmes for non teaching staff

- Dept. of Fashion Technology): One of our Non Teaching staff has under gone computer course on MS.office
- Some of our non teaching staff members attended seminars conducted in SB college, Baselius College and CMS College

30. Healthy practices

- The College offers 73 endowment schorships to student achievers
- Remedial coaching for SC/ST/minority students and coaching for MAT,Bank tests, PSC exams etc are offered in the College

- The Dept. of Social Work initiated a tie- up with Krist Seva Kendra, Madhya Pradesh, Archana Women's Centre, CHASS, KSS, Bodhana, KDS, ASK
- The department of English has taken up "global citizenship as the motto of the year. It is the concept of citizenship on a global level. Students are motivated to develop the feeling of global citizenship through articles, cartoons, pictures which are put up on the notice board.
- The students of Social Work, Fashion Technology, English, Zoology, History and Home Science undergo their on-the-job trainings at prestigious national level organizations and government agencies
- Demonstration class on Padayani' a ritual performing art by Dr.B Ravikumar of NSS college Changanacherry on 12th August 2009
- Cultural tour to Ernakulam by folklore club members and teachers in charge- Sept 29,2009
- Film shows related to curriculum
- Presentation of creative writing of students through manuscript magazines, wall magazines and writers' journals
- Folklore survey on Vayalpattu, an indigenous variety of folk song
- Important occasions like World Population Day, Wildlife week, Biodiversity Awareness day, Women's Day, Environment Day etc are observed
- Study tours to research institutes and subject related sites/ organizations are conducted
- The Zoology department maintains a Butterfly garden and an Aquarium, in addition to the Zoological museum
- Many departments have instituted new scholarships for outgoing students
- Activities and programmes related to environment awareness are given priority by the College
- Students are sent to attend seminars and fests at collegiate and state levels

31. Linkages

- Tie up with Krist Seva Kendra, Madhya Pradesh: In the academic year 2009-2010 the department of Social Work made a tie up with Krist Seva Kendra, Kshipra, Madhya Pradesh. The rural camp of the students MIRAGE '09 was organized through the agency at Puvaltahappa village in Kshipra from 15th November 2009 to 23rd November 2009
- The Dept of History has tie up with Archaeological Survey of India, ICHR, CHS, and National Museum, New Delhi
- Kannan Devan –TATA Tea: In Association with Nature Club of the college the Department of Social work was able to submit a project proposal in the intervention of environment conservation to the Corporate Social Initiatives of Kannan Devan in the academic year 2009-2010 which is pending for approval.
- **Dept. of Social Work** -Millennium Development Goal: research project in association with UNICEF.
- **Dept of Fashion Technology** -Constant contact with KNIFT TEA, Pearl Academy of Fashion Chennai, Bangalore NIFT.

32. Any other relevant information

- ✓ Sr Philomenamma John and Ms Neethu K Oommen were resource persons at the seminar organized by the Directorate of Industries and Commerce, in April 2010
- ✓ Dr Jissy Mathew was invited speaker at National Workshop organized by Centre for Nano Science and NAno Technology at MG University
- ✓ Ms Manjulin Jacob was resource person for Home Science Teachers at the higher secondary level
- ✓ Dr Sr Mariamma Joseph has been resource person in Mushroom cultivation at various places.
- ✓ A documentary on the College was released

Part C: Plans of the institution for the next year

- Diamond Jubilee Celebrations
- Release of Jubilee Souvenir
- Housing Project for needy students of the College
- Programmes to promote concern for the environment
- Enhance extension programmes of the Community College in collaboration with the local community
- To seek UGC assistance for NET Coaching Centre, Equal Opportunity Cell, Day care, Floodlighting of Basketball court

Signature:

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Co-ordinator, IQAC

Signature:

Name: Dr Sr Rosamma Mathew

Chairperson, Chairman

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